

# Welcome to our district's Employee Newsletter! These bits of quick information, announcements and links will help keep you informed! SD 308 Family! Together, We Got This!

Please submit content for Friday Updates to: <a href="mailto:communications@sd308.org">communications@sd308.org</a> or through this link....thank you!

# February 12, 2021 #TogetherWeGotThis

# Sunday, February 14, 2021

Valentine's Day, also called Saint Valentine's Day or the Feast of Saint Valentine, is celebrated annually on February 14. It is an extremely popular day for proposals with approximately six million couples likely to get engaged!

Monday, February 15: District is Closed in Observance of President's Day.

#### **COVID-19 Information**

- **Report!** (Step 1) Staff or students reporting symptoms, exposure, or a positive case must use the District COVID Reporting Form to communicate this information to the district.
- Vaccine Second Dose Appointments NOW OPEN!
  - o 2/26 2nd Dose Moderna -Oswego East High School, Oswego IL
  - Appointments available 10am-4:30pm <u>Click Here To Register</u>
  - o 2/28 2nd Dose Pfizer- Yorkville High School, Yorkville, IL
  - o Appointments available 8:30am 3:30pm Click Here To Register

#### Phase 2

- The next phase of our Reopening Plan begins on Feb.16. Schedule information can be found on the district website. For a summary of this phase, click here.
- Elementary Student Attendance During Phase 2 Students are expected to participate in all in-person and remote learning sessions (including specials and small group times) in order to be considered present for the school day. The Question of the Day and completing an assignment will no longer be sufficient in order to meet elementary attendance expectations.

### Work in a School Near You!

Many of our Elementary schools throughout the district have various positions open for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year (<u>Click here for flyer</u>). If you or someone you know is interested in working during the day and would like more information on any of the following positions, please click on the position you are interested in: <u>Teaching Assistant</u>, <u>Custodian</u>, <u>Recess Supervisor</u>, <u>Dedicated Building Substitute</u>. For a complete listing of all positions open in the district, please visit www.sd308.orgs/jobs.

# **Crosstown Challenge Trophy Presentation**

The Allied First Bank's Crosstown Challenge Winner will be announced at halftime of the girls varsity basketball game on Tuesday, February 16th at OH. Due to COVID restrictions, no fans are currently allowed and home fans are limited to 50 (current player family members). However, the game and

trophy presentation will be streamed on the NFHS Network (as are all games this year for all sports for both OE and OH). To view the game, login to NFHS at: <a href="www.nfhsnetwork.com/users/sign\_up">www.nfhsnetwork.com/users/sign\_up</a>; create an account; search (then "follow") your school! It's that easy!

# **Virtual Parent University (For Persons with Disabilities and Their Families)**

The Plano Area Special Education Cooperative is presenting a Virtual Parent University on Saturday, February 20 (9am-12pm). This event is an opportunity for parents and school personnel to gain a better understanding of How to Manage Behaviors in the Home Setting, How to Navigate the Social Security Process and to learn more about services provided through AIM-CIL (Achieving Independence and Mobility Center for Independent Living). Please email Carly Rowe at <a href="mailto:crowe@pasec.net">crowe@pasec.net</a> by 02.18.21 if interested in attending. <a href="mailto:Click here for Flyer">Click here for Flyer</a>

# **Emergency Weather Closing Information**

When inclement weather closes schools, remote learning will be utilized to continue student engagement. Attendance will be taken. All related services will be held remote, all activities and sports will be cancelled. For more information including snow day schedules click here.

## 2021-22 School Year Calendar

The 2021-2022 School Year calendar was approved at the February 8, 2021 BOE meeting and can be found on the district's website at <a href="https://www.sd308.org/calendars">www.sd308.org/calendars</a>.

# 5Essentials is Underway

The Illinois 5Essentials Survey for students and <u>teachers</u> will be conducted February 3 through April 2. The <u>Parent Survey Supplement</u> will be conducted during that same timeframe. For more information about the Illinois 5Essentials Survey, or to view previous years' Reports, please visit <a href="https://www.5-essentials.org/illinois">https://www.5-essentials.org/illinois</a>.

### **PRIDE**

The PRIDE "WheelofName" random drawings for our February Teacher and Employee PRIDE winners will take place on Wednesday, February 17th at 4:00pm on the district's facebook page. Please tune in to see who this month's winners will be!

#### **Aurora University**

Master of Arts in Educational Technology Cohort or Technology Specialists Endorsement Aurora University will be working to combine both Graduate-Orchard Center and Woodstock Center campuses to deliver a cohort to enhance the use of technology in your current classroom or school-based setting by becoming a technology program teacher or specialist in March. Click here for promotional flyer for this cohort.

### OMNI – 2021 Universal Availability Notice

Please take a moment to review the Universal Availability Notice (<u>click here for faq sheet</u>). A 403(b) plan is a tax deferred retirement plan provided for employees of certain tax-exempt organizations or public education institutions. Regulations require 403(b) plan sponsors to provide an effective opportunity to eligible employees to make 403(b) deferrals to the plan. To enroll in a plan or for additional questions regarding this information please visit <a href="https://www.omni403b.com">https://www.omni403b.com</a>.

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**Facebook....**Follow and "like" the <u>Community Unit School District 308</u> page on Facebook. If you have any great happenings you would like to share on the district's fb page, please email <u>communications@sd308.org</u> (with a picture) and we will do our best to post it!

**News Stories....**As a friendly reminder, we always welcome "good news" types of stories sent to us through www.sd308.org/Stories.

Pass It On!...(FOR STAFF)..Click here or visit the Intranet/Communication's tab to send a Pass It On!

**Share A Smile :-)...** Share A Smile is *FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS....* share this with your parents, students and community members. An electronic "smile" card from them to any staff member in the district.

Friday Updates: All Friday Updates can be found on the Intranet under the Communications Tab.

**BOE Meeting**....The next Board of Education Meeting will be on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 7:30 pm at Oswego East High School. You can live stream the meeting from home at www.sd308.org.

"For there is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it.

If only we're brave enough to be it."

~Amanda Gorman