



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: communications@sd308.org or through this [link](#)....*thank you!*

April 30, 2021

#TogetherWeGotThis

Teacher Appreciation Week (May 3-7)

Teaching during a pandemic has certainly been challenging and ever-changing. Our 308 teachers have done an incredible job adapting and managing online lessons, virtual meetings, Google Classrooms and so much more. As we transitioned to in person learning, teachers had to balance the role of teaching both in class and to remote learners. Amidst these challenges, they served as a pillar of hope and inspiration for their students. **Thank you, Teachers!**

*Is there a special SD 308 Teacher You'd Like to Thank? Send a Note with our ["We Love Our Teachers"](#) e-card campaign.

Creations by Pathways - Mother's Day/Father's Day Shoppe

Mark your calendars for Tues., May 4, from 3 to 6 pm! The Creations By Pathways - Mother's Day/Father's Day Shoppe at DAC/EVA cafeteria will be open! They will be offering items for Mother's Day, Father's Day, gifts for children, teens, adults, dog toys, candy cups, printed canvas, bag tags, trivets, coasters, decorated bottles, body scrubs, lotion, lip balm and much more. All items are created and customized by the students. Cash, check or credit cards accepted! [Click here for flyer.](#)

Welcome to SD 308:

Nykisha Barefield - Assistant Principal - Brokaw Early Learning Center ([Click here for article](#)).

New SD 308 BOE Members:

The new Board of Education members, Eugene Gatewood, Jennifer Johnson, Dr. Donna Marino, and LaTonya Simelton, will be sworn in at a special BOE meeting held on Monday, May 3 at 6:45pm in the Oswego East High School Community Room. We are grateful for the service of outgoing board members Brent Lightfoot, Toni Morgan, Heather Moyer, and Matt Bauman.

New Rush Partnership Savings for SD 308 Staff starts May 3

SD 308 has entered into a new and innovative partnership with Rush. The partnership includes negotiated lower healthcare costs, and savings are being used to benefit staff. PPO and HCA enrolled staff and dependents who choose to receive care from a Rush facility or network provider are eligible for reimbursement for expenses paid for co-insurance, deductible and co-pays. Visit the Human Resources tab on the Intranet for more information, or review the [program flyer here](#).

Samsung Solve for Tomorrow - Final Days to Vote!

To help the OE team win one of the Community Choice awards for their product, [please vote](#) and share with others! Voting is permitted once a day until Monday, May 3. [View the video](#) on their innovative product helping aid those who are visually impaired. Thank you!

Dual Language Kindergarten

The English Learner Department is extending the Kindergarten application period for the Dual Language Program until May 20th. Please direct any interested families to contact the EL department (lchavez@sd308.org). [Click here for detailed flyer](#).

Summer Connections Update: Summer Connections registration is now being opened up to all families. Parents are able to sign up their child(ren) by completing this [form](#). Students in this last wave of registration will be accepted in order, first come first served, until all spots are filled. If you have any questions, please touch base with your building administration.

Student exemption from In-Person Attendance

Student exemption at school next year is based upon documented heightened medical risk to either a student or someone with whom a student lives, as related to COVID-19. A Medical Exemption Request Form signed by a medical provider must accompany a parent/guardian request for consideration of remote learning for the 2021-22 school year. The summary and form are linked [here](#).

Junior High Summer School: held at Oswego East (June 7 - June 25). [Click here to view junior high information](#). **High School Summer School:** held at Oswego East (Session 1: June 7 - June 24 / Session 2: June 28 - July 15). Each day runs from 7:30am - 12:30pm. [Click here to view high information](#). Summer School Contact Information: Daniel Arntzen, Secondary Summer School Coordinator (darntzen@sd308.org), Karen O'Connor, Assistant Director - High School Education (koconnor01@sd308.org) and Dr. Eric Watt, Director of Summer School (ewatt@sd308.org).

Special Education ESY

Seeking applicants for teaching assistant and related services positions for ESY, June 14- July 22 ([apply online](#)).

Huntington - Now Hiring

Huntington Learning Center currently has immediate openings for part-time teachers (special education, elementary and high school)! For more information, [click here for flyer](#). To apply directly via email: oswegoil@hlcmail.com.

American College of Education (ACE's) - Teacher Appreciation Week Giveaway

ACE's is celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week by giving away 15 \$250 Amazon gift cards from April 26 - May 7, 2021. Find the full raffle rules [here](#). To enter to win, go to: www.ace.edu/raffles/teacher-appreciation-week/. Winners will be notified on May 10.

Costco - You're Invited!

The Naperville Costco would like to offer to the CUSD 308 Faculty and Staff an invitation for the 2021 Teacher Appreciation Week Promotion, from May 1st to August 1st. Anyone interested in joining as a new Gold Star member will receive a \$10 Shop Card, and anyone joining as a new Executive member will receive a \$20 Shop Card. If interested, bring a print-out of the promotional flyer to the Membership Desk at the Naperville Costco to be redeemed. [Click here for promotional flyer](#).

Friday Updates: All Friday Updates can be found on the Intranet under the [Communications Tab](#).

News Stories....Submit to: www.sd308.org/Stories.

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

Facebook....Follow and “like” [Community Unit School District 308](#) page on Facebook.

BOE Meeting....Next meeting: Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6:45 pm at OEHS. Live stream@ www.sd308.org.

“Anyone who does anything to help a child in his life is a hero to me.”

~Fred Rogers (Mister Rogers)