

SD 308 Family! Together, We Got This!

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September 18, 2020

National Preparedness Month (NPM)

September is recognized as <u>National Preparedness Month</u> to promote family and community disaster planning. September was chosen as a result of the tragedies of September 11, 2001 which highlighted to the nation the importance of being prepared. September was also chosen partly because of the peak of the Atlantic hurricane season which happens mid-month. As our nation continues to respond to COVID-19, there is no better time than now to be involved. "Disasters Don't Wait. Make Your Plan Today."

COVID-19 Information

Please complete the Daily COVID-19 Employee Self Screening Certification Survey each day BEFORE starting work; even if you are working remotely. Upon entering and exiting a building, please scan in with your ID. Nurses will not do any clinical evaluation on persons reporting any COVID-19 symptoms; they may do temperature checks on asymptomatic individuals. If you have technology issues please email webmaster@sd308.org.

COVID 19 Employee Resources - INTRANET

Visit the <u>Advanced SD 308 Remote Learning Resources</u> located under the <u>SD 308 Remote Learning Resources</u> link on the Intranet for valuable information.

Pass It On!Has Gone VIRTUAL!

Thank you to all those who sent a note of gratitude, a shout out, or a thank you to a SD 308 staff member. To send an electronic Pass It On!....please <u>click here</u> or visit the Communication's tab on the Intranet.

"Teaching From a Distance - Still Making a Difference"

If you have seen staff members wearing this year's back-to-school spirit shirt and missed out on ordering.......GREAT NEWS! This year's SD 308 Back-to-School shirt is available in four fun colors and can be purchased in a short-sleeve (\$9.50) and baseball jersey style (\$11) now through October 11th at: https://sd308teaching2020.itemorder.com/sale.

National Arts in Education Week

Passed by Congress in 2010, House Resolution 275 designates the week beginning with the second Sunday in September as National Arts in Education Week, which we have just completed (Sept 13-19). During this week, the field of arts education joins together in communities across the country to tell the story of the impact of the transformative power of the arts in education. The fine arts department in SD 308 includes: band, choir, theatre, visual arts and computer visual art. Please visit: Americans for the Arts to learn more about this great organization. Click here to see amazing artwork by students from Oswego East and Oswego High.

Student Illinois Health Requirements

While on remote learning, student physicals and immunizations are still required to be submitted by October 15, 2020 in order to avoid exclusion from school. For a complete listing of 2020-2021 Illinois Health Requirements for Student Enrollment, please <u>click here</u>.

Kendall County Community Food Pantry - Oswego Satellite

The Oswego Satellite of the Kendall County Community Food Pantry is planned to open on October 2. We are looking for volunteers for a number of shifts and positions and would love to have staff participate in this experience. Please visit this webpage for volunteer information and the volunteer application. Please email or call Heidi Podjasek, director of social emotional learning, with questions. hpodjasek@sd308.org or x3667.

Technology - HELP Desk

The new HELP ticket system is LIVE!

To access the **HELP ticket system**, please go to: http://sd308.link/help. The HELP ticket system is located on the intranet under "Technology Support" under "Quick Links"; you can also bookmark the link to your toolbar for quick access. This video tutorial will provide information on logging in, navigating the self-service portal, navigating the knowledge base, reporting an incident, and tracking your incident.

Fill Out the 2020 Census Today

There is still time to complete the census. You can complete the census online, by phone, or by mail. The results of the 2020 Census will help determine how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding flow into communities every year for the next decade. That funding shapes many different aspects of every community, no matter the size, no matter the location. To complete the 2020 Census online, please click here.

SD 308 Wellness Screenings and Flu Clinics

The district is offering four locations over four dates for its annual Flu Shot Clinics and Wellness Screening Events this year. Flu Shots and Wellness Screenings are provided at No Cost to all employees and spouses currently enrolled in a SD 308 medical insurance plan who present their SD 308 medical insurance card. To secure your appointment, <u>please register today</u>. For times and complete program information, please see <u>The Empower Wellness Screening Program</u> attached.

Nominations Open: Illinois School Psychologists Association (ISPA) - Ted Smith Practitioner of the Year Award

This is your chance to pay tribute to an outstanding school psychologist in our district. The qualifications for award nominees include: 1) have at least three years' experience in a school setting as a practicing school psychologist practitioner and 2) be a current member of ISPA. Nominations are typically due in November and the winner is announced at the ISPA winter conference, Nominations can be submitted here.

ZOOM Club Teachers

ACE is now accepting resumes for after-school Zoom Club Sessions. Teachers will facilitate clubs via Zoom 1 1/2 to 2 days per week (\$35/hr). All supplies for projects will be provided. If interested in applying, please send resume to: Valerie Talton at a_c_e@comcast.net Fall Session Dates: October 19, 21, 26 and 28; November 9, 16, 18 and 23 / Wither Session Dates: December 1, 3, 8, 10, 15 and 17.

Facebook...Do you Follow?

Do you follow the district's Facebook page? The page is updated with many great stories, pictures, videos, announcements and information during urgent situations. It's a great way to stay up to date with the happening around SD 308! Like the Community Unit School District 308 page on Facebook!

BOE Meeting: The next Board of Education Meeting will be held on Monday, September 28 at 7:30 pm. The Return to In Person Learning Plan will be presented. You can live stream the meetings from home, just visit www.sd308.org.

As a reminder - All Friday Updates can be found on the Intranet under the Communications Tab.

Preparedness, when properly pursued, is a way of life, not a sudden, spectacular program. ~ Spencer W. Kimball