



SD 308 Family! Together, We Got This!

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October 23, 2020

National Mole Day

Mole Day is an unofficial holiday celebrated annually between 6:02 am to 6:02 pm on October 23 by chemists and chemistry students in honor of the mole, a measuring unit in Chemistry. When written in time, month/date format, the digits are associated with Avogadro's number of 6.02×10^{23} . The mole measures chemical entities such as atoms or molecules and is formally defined as the amount of any substance that contains as many entities as there are atoms in 12 grams of carbon-12.

Open Enrollment - Starts November 2nd and runs through November 13th. Look for an email next week with instructions about easy online enrollment and how to make your benefit elections. [Click here](#) for benefit details. If you have any questions, a friendly, full-service Customer Care representative can assist you at: 844-501-7256.

COVID -19 Reporting Form (Video Instructions Available [Here](#))

1. COVID-19 Reporting Form is to be filled out for any staff member or student who is: a) showing one or more COVID-19 symptom(s), which includes absences when illness is reported b) exposed to a known or probable case of COVID-19 and c) positive for COVID-19
2. [COVID Reporting Form](#) - also can be found on the Intranet
3. [COVID Reporting Flowchart](#) - This flowchart gives a visual to what happens once the COVID-19 Reporting Form has been filled out and submitted.

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. If you have technology issues please email webmaster@sd308.org.

COVID 19 Employee Resources - INTRANET

Visit the [SD 308 Remote Learning Resources](#) link on the Intranet for valuable information including links to the district's Safety Plan, reporting a COVID case/exposure/symptoms, and more! Visit the [Advanced SD 308 Remote Learning Resources](#) for tips and ideas on using technology in the remote setting. Visit the [metrics](#) link on the Intranet to keep up-to-date on the measurements from the four (4) zip codes that inform our decisions to safely move between stages of reopening.

Importance of Social Distancing

Please remember the importance of **maintaining 6 feet of space or more between individuals** whenever possible. Closer encounters should be very limited, no more than 15 minutes. As we begin bringing students back, it's very important that we do our best to stay distanced so we can protect the health and safety of our students and staff, and to keep in-person learning possible.

Teacher of the Year, Outstanding Early Educators & Those Who Excel

Awards of Excellence, Meritorious Service, and Special Recognition were to be presented in the Teacher of the Year, Outstanding Early Educators and Those Who Excel programs at ISBE's Award

banquet on October 17th. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions in place limiting large gatherings, this year's in-person event was canceled. Since 1970, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) has sponsored the Illinois Teacher of the Year, Outstanding Early Career Educator and Those Who Excel programs, recognizing all public and nonpublic preK-12 educators in Illinois. The Teacher of the Year category recognizes those with more than five years of teaching experience. The top nominees from eight regions are designated as Regional Teachers of the Year; the Illinois Teacher of the Year is selected from that cohort. Bilingual, Early Childhood, and Special Education Teachers of the Year are also recognized from those nominees. The Outstanding Early Career Educator award is presented to the top teacher in Illinois with one-four years of teaching experience. The Those Who Excel program honors individuals in the following five categories: school administrator, student support personnel, educational service personnel, community volunteer and teams. Nomination materials for Illinois Teacher of the Year, Outstanding Early Career Educator and Those Who Excel nominees are evaluated by a selection committee comprised of individuals who represent a variety of educational organizations.

Congratulations to the following award recipients from SD 308: **Tyler S. Haymond** (PL), Award of Meritorious Service, Administrator; **Alexandra M. Wooden** (BH), Award of Meritorious Service, Classroom Teacher; **Joshua R. Johnson** (TR), Award of Meritorious Service, Outstanding Early Career Educator; **Kathleen Lynn Lund** (SLP), Award of Meritorious Service, Educational Service Personnel; **Jacquie Bucher** (PL Parent), Award of Meritorious Service, Community Volunteer; **Oswego East Wolf Parents PTO** (Lisa Anne Crispi, June Charlett, Holly Twardowski, et al), Award of Meritorious Service, Team Category.

Elementary Remote Planning Day - Friday, October 30

Elementary Only: There will be a remote planning day on Friday, October 30 for teachers to prepare for in-person instruction beginning November 9, so there will not be typical classes held through Google Classroom or Google Hangouts with classroom teachers. Elementary Remote For All student's last day that week will be Thursday, October 29. Also, parent/teacher conferences have been moved to a later date so that teachers have an opportunity to work with students during in-person instruction before having conferences with parents. Therefore, Monday, November 23 will be a five-hour student day, and more information will come out in the next few weeks about what this day will look like for both in-person and remote students. Remote conferences will happen that evening from 4 pm -8 pm. Tuesday, November 24 will be a non-student attendance day and will be used for remote parent/teacher conferences from 8 am - 1 pm. This Remote Planning Day does not impact students who participate in self-contained Special Education programs that have already returned to school. This will continue to be an attendance day for these students.

Join Our Team - SD 308

As SD 308 looks towards welcoming students back into our schools, we have positions to fill. Please share [this flyer](#) with individuals who may be looking for employment in the following areas: Special Education Teaching Assistants, Custodians, Bus Drivers, Substitutes, Health Clerks, and Registered Nurses (BSN preferred and current BLS Certification).

Food Drive - "Fill the Bus to Stock the Pantry"

The 7th Annual Food Drive will end on Wednesday, October 28th. This year the food drive will be collecting items to stock the shelves of the Kendall County Community Food Pantry (KCCFP) as well as the Oswego Satellite location of the KCCFP. The drive is scheduled at a time to coincide with the Grand Opening of the Oswego Satellite location of the KCCFP, which is on Friday, November 6th. **Buses will be located at every school building each day at various times** for individuals to drive up directly to the bus with their items and drop items off. Times: Mon/Thurs (6:00am-11:00am), Tues/Fri (11:00am-4:00pm), and Weds (2:00pm-7:00pm). Individuals on the

bus will count the items as they are loaded onto the bus. ***Again this year - for every \$1 donated through the online portal, the school receives "credit" for 8 food items.*** The link to donate is: www.kccfoodpantry.org/sd308/. For [food drive flyer](#), click here.

Kendall County Community Food Pantry - Oswego Satellite

The official grand opening of the Oswego Satellite location of the Kendall County Community Food Pantry is on November 6th from 6:00 - 7:30 pm for any family to receive food. Please see attached flyers [English](#) / [Spanish](#) for more information.

Family and Community Resources on the SD 308 Website

There is information about a variety of community-based support services provided at this website. For information regarding child-care, financial, housing, and food assistance, [click here](#).

Character Counts! Fundraiser

Character Counts Coalition is featuring their bi-annual spirit wear fundraiser! Each year a new design is featured. This year, the design comes in a new color and several different options including baseball jersey, hoodies and t shirts, both long and short sleeve. The store is only open until October 31, so order yours today! [Click here for flyer and ordering information](#).

Equity Board Advisory Committee

23 community members were seated as part of the newly formed Equity Board Advisory Committee, co-chaired by board members, Toni Morgan and Ruth Kroner, on October 21, 2020. The members took part in an introductory activity where they learned many of them speak a second language fluently, are parents, educators, Generation Z district alumni, and all have a passion for creating and maintaining equity in SD 308. The group spent time reviewing a neighboring districts' equity resolution. Statements were then generated regarding what is needed to affirm to our students, what tone needs to be set for our staff, and what commitments need to be made to our community, which will assist to inform a draft equity resolution.

Election 2020 - Just Vote

For information regarding location sites, dates and times where voting can take place, please visit the county clerk's office for the county you reside in.

Kendall County Clerk's Voter Registration Office: Clerk's Office, 111 W Fox St., Room 103, Yorkville; Oswego Village Hall, 100 Parkers Mill, Oswego; Oswego Public Library, 1111 Reading Dr., Montgomery. (www.co.kendall.il.us). **Will County Clerk's Office:** 302 N. Chicago St., Joliet, IL (815) 740-4615 (www.willcountyclerk.com). **Kane County Clerk's Office:** 719 S Batavia Ave, Bldg. B, Geneva or Clerk's Aurora Satellite Office, 5 E Downer Place, Aurora. (www.kanevotes.org).

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 [click here](#) or visit the Communication's tab on the Intranet.

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!

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

BOE Meeting: The next scheduled BOE meeting is Monday, October 26th at 7:30pm. You can live stream the meetings from home, visit www.sd308.org. To submit public comment in writing to the Board of Education Secretary, email ucoan@sd308.org. Please add "Public Comment" to your subject line.

Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.

—Albert Camus