

SD 308 Family! Together, We Got This!

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October 30, 2020

Fall Back! Daylight Saving Time Ends

Sunday, November 1 at 1:00am standard time, Daylight Saving Time Ends. Sunrise and Sunset will be approximately 1 hour earlier on November 1st than the day before. Don't forget to set your clocks back!

Election 2020 - Vote!

Tuesday, November 3rd- Election Day- No School- District Closed!
For information regarding location sites where voting can take place, please visit the county clerk's office for the county you reside in. Kendall County www.co.kendall.il.us; Will County (www.willcountyclerk.com); Kane County(www.kanevotes.org).

Employee Daily COVID-19 Self Screening (REQUIRED)

Please Note: Starting Wednesday, November 4th, employees in all buildings/departments (except Transportation, Operations, Oswego and Oswego East High Schools) will no longer be completing the emailed Daily COVID-19 Employee Self-Screening Certification Survey. When entering the building at the start of each day, employees will review the Employee Daily COVID-19 Self Screening statement, which will be posted near building ID scanners, and scan their Employee Identification Card verifying their acknowledgment. At this time, Transportation, Operations, OE, and OH will continue receiving the Daily COVID-19 Employee Self Screening Certification Survey to answer electronically. When the equipment is ready, these locations will move to the new method. For days employees are not in-person at a district site, the questionnaire is not required.

Food/Meal Pick Up

There is meal pick-up on Monday, November 2nd from 7am-9:30am or 12:30pm-1:30 pm at OHS (Door 11). During the week of Thanksgiving: families will receive six meals at pick up on Monday, November 23rd.

Join Our Team - SD 308

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).

Elementary / November 23 & November 24 Conferences

November 23 -- This is a "Remote for All Day" (5-hour student attendance day). **No students** will be attending in person on this day, this includes students in self-contained special education classes. Student remote attendance day will be from 9:00-2:00, and students/teachers will follow the current "Remote for All" schedule so there is consistency for students, staff and parents.

November 24 -- This is a non-student attendance day / <u>no</u> live or remote sessions on this day. **Remote Parent/Teacher Conferences:** November 23 (4:00-8:00) and November 24 (8:00-1:00). **Brokaw Early Learning Center:** November 23 and 24 are non-student attendance days for our students participating in our early childhood programs.

Culturally Responsive Teacher Training

Schools are not culturally neutral spaces. Everyone within the school community - adults included - brings beliefs and practices, values and norms with them to school. Being responsive means understanding and responding to what everyone brings. Over 550 staff and administrators have participated in Culturally Responsive Teacher training facilitated by Alli Anderson, Drew Mundsinger and LaTonya Simelton; please reach out to them to bring CRT training to your staff. 12 tips for teachers to consider when talking to students about race, current events and equity in the classroom, can be found here.

COVID Testing at Kendall County Health Department

The State of Illinois is sponsoring a community COVID-19 Mobile Testing Site at the Kendall County Health Department, 811 John Street, Yorkville, Illinois, on the following dates: Monday, Nov. 2; Tuesday, Nov. 3; Saturday, Nov. 7; and Sunday, Nov. 8 from 8:00am-4:00pm.

American Heart Association (AHA) - Did you know that November is Eat Smart Month? Text the keyword DailyHack to 51555 to receive daily text messages from the AHA starting November 1st through December 1, 2020, to help celebrate Eat Smart Month. These text messages will inspire, encourage, rejuvenate and motivate you during the holiday season. Sometimes when we are focusing on eating smart, we forget about drinking smart. Did you know that a 20oz bottle of soda has the same amount of sugar in it as if you were to eat six....that's right SIX donuts?! You are constantly running in 3,472 directions and have an endless to-do list. AHA wants to be sure you are taking care of YOU. The attached Loving-Kindness Meditation is a way to practice feeling unconditional compassion for ourselves and all beings. Some studies suggest it can help boost empathy and feelings of connection and reduce bias, anger, depression and anxiety. If you're a newbie, test it out....what can it hurt?

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

While the 7th Annual Food Drive is no longer collecting non-perishable and personal items, the online portal will remain open until Friday, November 6th to coincide with the Grand Opening of the Oswego Satellite of the Kendall County Community Food Pantry. *As a reminder, 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/. 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, <u>click here</u>.

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. <u>COVID Reporting Flowchart</u> This flowchart gives a visual to what happens once the COVID-19 Reporting Form has been filled out and submitted.

COVID 19 Employee Resources - INTRANET

Visit the <u>SD 308 Remote Learning Resources</u> 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 help inform our decisions to safely move between stages of reopening.

Importance of Social Distancing

Please remember the importance of <u>maintaining 6 feet of space or more between individuals</u> whenever possible. Closer encounters should be very limited, totalling no more than 15 minutes over a single day.

Open Enrollment - Starts Monday, November 2nd and runs through November 13th. You received an email last week *(from benefits@sd308.org)* with instructions about easy online enrollment and how to make your benefit elections. <u>Click here</u> for benefit details. If you have any questions, a friendly, full-service Customer Care representative can assist you at: 844-501-7256.

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.

"We should be participants, not merely bystanders, in the processes of democracy to preserve us as a nation."

~James E. Faust