

# SD308 | FRIDAY UPDATE

February 14, 2020

## **SD 308 Family! We Got This!**

Each Friday we will provide you with a quick list of important announcements, personnel information, awards, and shout outs! **Please submit** content for Friday Updates to: [communications@sd308.org](mailto:communications@sd308.org).....thank you!

## **1,200 Pass It On! Cards Have Been Sent So Far This School Year!!**

This is an easy way to send a shout out, a thank you, or a note of gratitude to any SD 308 staff member. To send a Pass It On! to a peer..... visit [www.sd308.org/PassItOn](http://www.sd308.org/PassItOn).

## **Referendum 2020**

Did you know...SD308 spends less than the state average in operational and instructional costs, yet continues to exceed performance in Math, Science, and English Language Arts proficiency, graduation rates, college enrollment, and teacher retention?

Information regarding the referendum, a tax calculator, a link for asking questions and more can be found at [www.sd308.org/referendum](http://www.sd308.org/referendum). [Employee Resources for the Referendum](#) can be found on the intranet under the communications tab.

## **IGNITE308: Relationships Matter! is almost here!**

The most recent [revised catalog can be found by clicking this link](#). Don't forget... registration opens on Wednesday, February 19 at 4pm. There are directions for registering using TalentEd within the catalog and [you can use this link to find those directions](#). Room numbers are now in the catalog as well as linked in the Courses at a Glance [\(click here\)](#).

## **February is National Heart Month- SHIRT ORDERS DUE TODAY!!**

In honor of February as Heart Month, on Feb. 28th, we are going to have a district-wide RED OUT! Our district works with the American Heart Association to bring awareness programs to our students. AHA has [Go Red shirts](#) available for purchase. **The ORDER BY DATE for shirt(s) to be delivered in time for our Red Out day on 2/28 is TODAY at 2:30pm!!**

To order, please [click here](#). All shirts and any donations received will help fund heart health advocacy, training in CPR, education and more. Visit <https://www.heart.org/> for many heart health resources! Please encourage your students and co-workers to join in our SD 308 RED OUT Day on Feb. 28, 2020!

## **Hometown Expo Art Show-Sponsored by Fox River Academy of Music & Art**

It's that time of year again! Get your artwork out of the classroom and into the Hometown Expo Art Show & Competition. Last year we had such a fantastic turnout and the Fox River Academy of Music and Art is looking forward to hosting another great show - but we can't do it without

you! Be sure to register your class no later than Feb. 20th - The show will take place on Feb. 29th at Oswego High School Field House from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Artwork should be dropped off the night before. To enter the competition, or for more information, [click this link](#).

### **Homebound Student Tutors Needed**

PEL Certified teachers with the ROE.....we need your assistance! Are you interested in providing home instruction to students that are unable to attend school? We are looking for teachers that can provide instruction in math, science, and special education at all grade levels. Please provide your information [here](#) if interested. When there is a student that matches your certification and location, you will be contacted, provided the student's information, and the opportunity to accept the job. You will then contact the student's parent/custodian and set up a time to meet the student in their home or other mutually agreed upon location to provide the instruction needed. If you have any questions, you can reach out to Debbie Miller, director of health services at [dmiller@sd308.org](mailto:dmiller@sd308.org).

### **Character Counts! T-Shirts Deadline Extended**

The 2019-20 Character Counts! T-shirts designed by SD 308 students are still available, the deadline is now extended through Sunday, February 23! These unique and creative designs help to further promote the six Pillars of Excellence: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. To review the designs and options, [click here](#). You can order online through October 16, by clicking [here](#).

### **FOIA Request**

The District's FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) officer received a request for the following information for each district employee: First Name, Middle Name, Last Name, Position, Grade Level (for teachers), Subject Area Taught (for teachers), Certified in the Area of Instruction (for teachers), School Email, Personal Email, Phone, Race/Ethnicity, Hire Date, Years of Experience, and Current Salary. All of this is public information and must be provided **EXCEPT** personal email. The District is required to respond to this FOIA request within 5 business days. In addition, the District is required to notify employees when personal information is requested and supply a copy of documents provided in response to the request. This will be provided to staff after the information is compiled and reviewed. More information about FOIA can be found [here](#).

### **Chicago Blackhawks Experience for Educators**

The Chicago Blackhawks have teamed up with Fifth Third Arena (practice home of the Blackhawks) to create a memorable pregame experience for educators and your family and friends! [Purchase a ticket through this offer](#) and you'll receive the following pregame experience at Fifth Third Arena: Tours of Blackhawks Locker Room and Training Facilities at Fifth Third Arena; Buffet with entrees, sides, desserts, soft drinks and water (cash bar available); Open Skate with Bud Light Ice Crew at Fifth Third Arena (skate rental included); Blackhawks Gift: Chalkboard Mug.

Tuesday, March 31 at the Blackhawks vs. Montreal Canadiens game at 7:30pm; Pregame Experience will be held from 5:00-7:00pm. For questions or to set up groups of 10 or more, please contact Kathleen Massolio at (312) 455-7020 or email [kmassolio@blackhawks.com](mailto:kmassolio@blackhawks.com).

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WORTH REPEATING FROM LAST FRIDAY UPDATE:

### **Retirement and 25-Years in SD 308**

Congratulations to individuals retiring and celebrating 25 years in SD 308. For more information, [click here](#).

### **OEHS - Best Buddies Fundraiser**

Best Buddies International creates and dedicates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment, leadership development, and inclusive living for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Oswego East Best Buddies program is selling shirts to help fund their activities. Please consider supporting this great cause and get your "Best Buddies" spirit wear located at this [link](#). Deadline to order is February 23rd. Please contact DeNesha Sturden [dsturden@sd308.org](mailto:dsturden@sd308.org) or Jessica Wade [jwade@sd308.org](mailto:jwade@sd308.org) with any questions.

### **iVision**

Information to assist you with logging into iVision, filling out expense reimbursements, Pcard Coding procedures, Purchasing Procedures and more can be found on the Intranet under the Finance tab. Any questions regarding using the software is to be directed to [ivhelp@sd308.org](mailto:ivhelp@sd308.org).

### **Alumni Hall of Distinction**

Do you know someone who graduated from OHS or OEHS at least 10 years ago who have distinguished themselves beyond their high school years through significant accomplishments or service to others? If so, then consider [nominating](#) them to be inducted into the Alumni Hall of Distinction. Save the Date for the Hall of Distinction Induction celebration that will be held on April 17. Complete information regarding event details can be found [here](#).

### **Huntington Learning Center - Part-Time Teachers Needed**

Immediate openings for Special Education, Elementary School and High School part-time teachers. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Rondi's Fitness - Employee Offer**

Rondi's Fitness, located in Mason Square Center, Oswego, is offering SD 308 employees one-week free of unlimited classes! For details on this special offer, [click here](#).

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

***The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even heard, but must be felt with the heart. - Helen Keller***