

SD308 | FRIDAY UPDATE

November 1, 2018

Good Afternoon SD 308 Family!

Each Friday we will provide you with a quick list of important announcements, personnel information, awards, and shout outs! You can review past editions on the intranet under the Communications tab. **Thank you for sending in article ideas...**submit content for future Friday Updates to: communications@sd308.org.

OHS Football Playoff Game Broadcast

Tomorrow's second round playoff football game between Loyola Academy Ramblers and the Oswego Panthers will be live streamed by Loyola, click [here](#). The game begins at 1pm. Oswego High School remains undefeated, ranked third in the state, while Loyola Academy holds a 7-3 record and a rank of 19. The winner of the game will play in the quarterfinals on a date to be determined.

Today is the last day to take the DEI Staff Survey!

To gather information to inform the district's equity focused school improvement efforts, the district is engaging in an Equity Context Analysis Process (ECAP) to determine the extent to which educational equity is evident in our school district. The ECAP Staff Questionnaire takes between 15-20 minutes to complete. Survey Links: [Administrator Questionnaire](#) and [Staff Questionnaire](#)

School Designations

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) released designations for every school in the state. The designations provide a public benchmark of each school's progress toward the goal of preparing all students for success in college and career. The designations were made based on a number of measures of performance. Designations include exemplary, commendable, underperforming and lowest-performing.

Our goal as a district is for all of our students to be successful. The supporting data that we have received from ISBE related to the performance of any student groups not meeting expectations, along with local data, will be used to determine the level and type of targeted assistance we will provide to support any sub-groups under-performing.

While our total student scores exceed state averages in standardized testing, there are pockets of students who are not showing adequate rates of growth. A school with one or more student subgroups (made up of 20 students or more who took a particular assessment) underperforming at or below the "all students" group in the lowest-performing 5% of all schools received an underperforming rating and will receive additional federal funding. In order for a school to be designated as commendable or exemplary, there must be no underperforming student groups at or below the "all students" group in the lowest-performing 5% of all schools. There are several resources, including a FAQ page and a letter from Dr. Sparlin, to help explain this new rating system available on our website at www.sd308.org/reportcard.

Open Enrollment Ends November 9

Open Enrollment for 2019 benefits is now open through November 9. You should have received an email with instructions on how to complete the process. The web address is <https://enroll.benefitsconnect.net/cusd>. For assistance with open enrollment, you can reach Benefit Express at 844-501-7256.

Spirit Wear Shirts with New Cold Weather Options!

For a limited time only, we are offering our back-to-school designed shirts for sale in select colors ([click here to view flyer](#)). We have added two new styles for you to select from: a long sleeve lightweight hooded t-shirt and a tie dyed t-shirt! [Click here](#) to place your orders now through Sunday, November 18. Once the store is closed, orders will be processed and delivered to you at your school with 2 - 3 weeks. We have transitioned to a new vendor, Imagination Print and Design. They are located in Oswego and available to assist with any questions; you can stop in the store (5462 US Highway 34), send an email to contact@imaginationpad.com, or call 630-636-7474.

Cyber-Smart Parent, a free presentation with Detective Rich Wistocki.

Texting, Apps, Sexting and Cyberbullying...learn how to keep children safe online and on their cell phones. Cyber-security expert Detective Rich Wistocki will present a free program open to all educators, parents, grandparents, and other adults interested in cyber-security for kids and young adults.

Our evolving world of technology demands that we keep on top of things and Detective Wistocki is an expert in the field of internet safety. Detective Wistocki's involvement in high profile cases and key legislation makes him one of the most sought-after speakers in this critical area.

Join us on Monday, November 19 at Oswego East High School Performing Arts Center from 6-8pm. Help spread the word about this important presentation!

Tuesday is Election Day!

Don't forget to vote on Tuesday, November 6. If you need help finding your polling location, you can click [here](#). The district remains open on this day; however, school is not in session. If you need factual information regarding the Kendall County proposed sales tax for schools, we have compiled a number of resources for you at www.sd308.org/onecent.