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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.

Open Enrollment Ends TODAY!

Open Enrollment for 2019 benefits ends today. 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.

Veterans Day Photos

If you took photos, or plan to, of Veterans Day activities in the schools, please send them to communications@sd308.org. We will be putting together a short video of activities across the district. Thanks!

Coats for Kendall

Rotary is collecting new or gently used coats and new gloves, hats, mittens and scarves to help kids in need this winter. All SD 308 schools are drop-off locations. Rotary works with our schools to be sure students have winter clothing to stay warm. Several businesses around the area are also drop-off locations. We appreciate your help in spreading the word and supporting those in need this winter.

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!

PRIDE Nominations are Open!

Take a few minutes to nominate a teacher, staff member, or volunteer that is making a positive difference in our district. All nominees receive a certificate and winners are surprised by Dr. Sparlin, provided gifts from district partners, and recognized at a board meeting. Nominations are accepted now through November 14, click here.

Congratulations to our October PRIDE Winners who will be recognized at the upcoming BOE meeting this Monday, Nov. 12th: Brian Chandler-OE, Teacher of the Month; Brian McKenzie-TR, Teacher of the Month; Matt Kane-DAC, Employee of the Month; Karla Lundy-TH, Volunteer of the Month.

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.

"All Occasion Cards"

The VIPs (Visually Interested Parents/Art Boosters) commissioned OHS student artists to create "All Occasion Cards" to help raise funds for scholarships for seniors, entry fees for Scholastic Art & Writing and other art competitions. <u>Click Here</u> to view selections. For \$10 you receive 15 cards/envelopes of your choice from 12 designs with each student artists name on the back. Please contact Michael Skura at mskura@sd308.org for ordering information.

G Suite Fundamentals - Fast Track PD (FREE Training)

This program is for any educator interested in becoming a Level 1 Google Certified Educator. The free program will highlight curriculum from the Google for Education Teacher Center, and will share useful tools, preparation tips, and exam hints - all delivered in an easily digestible weekly email. The goal of this free program is to take the ambiguity out of the Google for Education Level 1 certification exam. Across the 6-week course, you will: understand how Google technologies can make your life easier; increase your familiarity with G Suite for Education tools; and prepare for the Google Certified Educator Level 1 exam. If interested in signing up, please fill out this form. For more information, contact the SD 308 Help Desk at 630.636.4357.