



Prospect Heights School District 23

April 13, 2018

Opening Day

As a young man, I used to go to my busia's (grandma's) house to help her with chores, but we would sneak away at 1:05pm to catch the CUBS on WGN. Opening Day always signified an exciting transition for me; Spring was here and summer was not far off. Soon, we'd be driving with the windows down and enjoying the warmth of the sun. Win or lose, the CUBS playing meant that it was time to slow down and enjoy summer. While I can not speak for White Sox or other teams' fans, I'm guessing that was true for you too.

While the weather might not be cooperating, the calendar tells us that it's SPRING! For me at home, that means clearing out flower beds, getting the lawn mower ready, and starting the "Honey-Do" list of projects. At work, Spring brings a new level of energy and excitement as we prepare to close out this school year and prepare for the next.

The buzz around OPENING DAY, however, still provides the same sense of excitement and anticipation for summer ahead. We in District 23 have begun our planning and preparation for next school year. We need your assistance in that process by completing registration in the month of April. We have divided the process into two steps this year: REGISTRATION in April and PAYMENT of school fees in JULY. We believe that this process will help us to gain more accurate information necessary for the scheduling process before the end of the school year.

If you have not yet done so, we ask you to click the link below to complete the registration process. We thank you for your time and partnership in our "Opening Day" process and look forward to a great spring, fun summer, and the start of another amazing year in District 23.

Dr. Angelaccio

Upcoming Events



**2018-2019
Registration
Opened
April 9, 2018**



**District-wide Volunteer
Appreciation Tea @
Mac, April 18 - 2:30pm**



**Spanish Bilingual
Registration Night**

**Sullivan School
4/26 6:00-7:30pm**



**MacArthur Student
Senate Fundraiser for
Lurie's Children's
Hospital**

4/27 7:00-9:00pm



**Bright Bytes Survey
April 23-30, 2018**



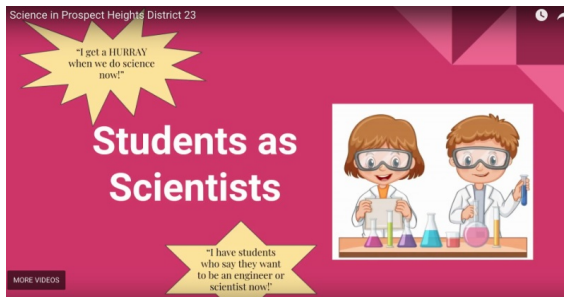
**Early Childhood
Screenings @ Ike: April
14
8:00am-3:00pm**

Quick Links

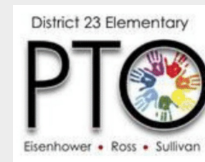


Let's Grow Together - Video Series

In an effort to enhance communication, increase transparency, and engage our community, we will be creating short video clips to summarize key information and important presentations made to our Board of Education. This month's video provides an overview of our new Science Curriculum and the goals of our instruction. Click the image below to watch.



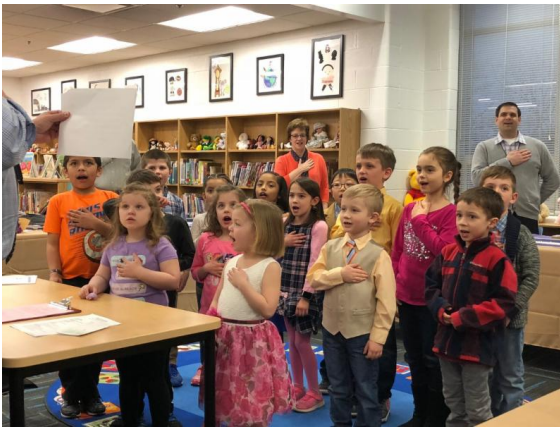
Visit the D23 website



Board of Education - Meeting Highlights April 11, 2018

Ike Students Shine

The Pledge of Allegiance was led this month by representatives of the Eisenhower Century Book Club, Ike Path Award Winners and Representatives of the Young Athletes Special Olympics Program. Students of the Century Book Club are required to read a minimum of 100 Books while the Ike Path Award Winners are recommended by their teachers for showing respect toward others, responsibility for themselves and making good choices. The Young Athletes were chosen to spotlight the Young Athlete's Program at Eisenhower, which is an inclusive sports-play program for children with developmental delays and their typically developing peers. The students gave a brief demonstration of some of the skills they learn in Ms. Ducharme's P.E. class. Dr. Sroka invited the Board to the May 23rd Young Athlete's Day on the grounds of Eisenhower School.



Thanks to our Volunteers and Faculty!

**THANK
YOU!**

The Board and Administration thanked representatives of the ePTO and MacPTO in recognition of Volunteer Appreciation Week. We are so grateful for all of the time and support that all of our volunteers provide to the District in our efforts to enrich our students' educational experience. Contributions of time, talent, and treasure mean so much to a District like ours that is so dependent on local funding.

In May, we also celebrate Teacher and Nurse Appreciation Weeks. The board adopted resolutions recognizing our outstanding faculty and staff for their dedicated service to our students and community. In addition to the celebrations being provided by our PTO organizations, the board will be providing a "We Flip for our Faculty" pancake breakfast as a sign of gratitude and appreciation.



District 23 Financial Matters

Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Micheal DeBartolo presented a review of student activities fees to be considered for 2018-19.

- The Board approved an increase of \$25 for extracurricular athletics and Vocal/Instrumental Music programs and an increase in the "cap" of \$125. These increases will help us maintain the high level of programs that we offer without imposing greater fees on families and community members who do not have students who participate.



Calendar Adoptions

The Board of Education modified the end of year calendar due to the use of one snow day (remember that storm in January?) and to align with the Illinois State requirements for 176 days of instruction. Assuming no further emergency days are required, the last day of school will be: Early Childhood - FRIDAY, June 1; 8th graders - WEDNESDAY June 6; and students in grades K-7 will be THURSDAY, June 7, 2018.

The Board also adopted a modified version of the 2018-19 calendar that clarified tentative last day of school and designated emergency days and the 2019-2020 calendar. These calendars can be found on the [District website](#).

[Click here for the updated 2017-18 Calendar](#)

NSSEO Needs Assessment



The Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization (NSSEO), in partnership with its member districts, conducts an annual needs assessment of general and special education staff, administrators, and parents. The purpose of this survey is to assist in the improvement of the delivery of service to students who receive special education and their families, training and communication between school, home and community. Your responses are combined with all the responses of other families in your district of residence and are provided to your district special education personnel.

To receive a paper copy of the survey, please stop by our administrative building at any time.

Survey Link

NEXT REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, May 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
Grotsky Administration Building



We need your help...

District 23 is looking for a parent/community volunteer with Professional Photography experience to assist with a special project.

If you are interested and able to help, please contact Nancy Sorensen @ (847) 870-5554 or nsorensen@d23.org

Building Briefs

MacArthur Student Senate Fundraiser

MacArthur students, Natalie Tadda and Amanda Vavillis presented the Student Senate's fundraiser to support Lurie Children's Hospital. This year, the annual event will be a Staff vs. Staff Volleyball game as well as carnival games, concessions, a photo booth, and a silent auction. The goal for the Student Senate is to raise \$5,000. The Student Senate sponsors are Meghan Kevil and Melissa Joffe.



Portillo's for GOOD

FUNDRAISERS

Bring in this flyer or show it on your smartphone
and 20% of the proceeds will benefit

PROSPECT HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT 23

April 24, 2018
5:00pm - 8:00pm

at the Portillo's located at:
806 W. Dundee Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004

We look forward to seeing you there!

MacArthur Student Senate's Sixth Annual Elementary vs. Middle School Staff Volleyball Game

Ann & Robert H. Lurie
Children's Hospital of Chicago

Help us raise money for Lurie Children's Hospital of
Chicago!

Who: All District 23 families and friends

What: Watch as the elementary and middle school staff
compete in a friendly volleyball game to raise money for a
great cause!

When: Friday, April 27, 2018 from 7 to 9 pm
Doors open at 6:30 pm

*DJ, FOOD,
RAFFLES!*

Where: MacArthur Middle School

Activities: Staff Volleyball Game, Face Painting, Food,
Photo Booth, Music, Raffles, Volleyball Challenges with
Prizes, and more!!

Look for more information to come!!!
Questions, contact Melissa Joffe (mjoffe@dz3.org)
or Meghan Kevil (mkevil@dz3.org).



Art in the Classroom

Sullivan 4th graders created their own murals
after studying the work of Diego Rivera.



Water Cycle Dance Contest!

3rd graders at Ross created and
perform dances to represent their
understanding of the water cycle.
Principal Curtis and other guest judges
had a difficult time selecting a winner
from these fun and informative
presentations.





Number "flowers" bloom at Ike

Mrs. Zbaraz's 1st graders show off their number flowers. Not only are they pretty, but they show the different ways that numbers can be added together to reach the same end result. Maybe they can help in my garden at home???

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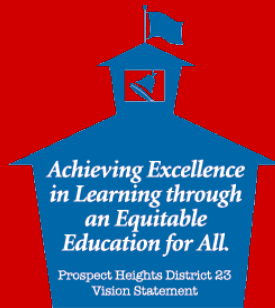


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