



# Prospect Heights School District 23 October 15, 2018

## Lead Learners!

October is Principal Appreciation Month in Illinois and we are fortunate to have amazing leaders in our District. Each with his or her own unique style and approach, our Principals and Directors demonstrate, each day, their commitment to the students, staff, and families of our community.

Over the past few years, our schools have embraced a "Growth Mindset" that highlights the importance of continuous learning and improvement. In that spirit, our administrators are Lead Learners, each setting goals for personal and professional growth, developing improvement goals for their school or department, and working collaboratively to support the mission and vision of the District.

We thank our principals and directors for their dedication and inspiration! We appreciate your gift of time and talent and appreciate all you do to make each day focused on student growth!

We are #Proud2BD23!  
Dr. Angelaccio

EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR THE  
OUTSTANDING EFFORT YOUR  
PRINCIPALS PUT FORTH EVERY DAY

## Upcoming Events



October 17  
7:00pm  
Erin's Law Parent  
Presentation @ Mac  
Little Theater



October 24  
MacArthur  
Fall Fest Concert  
7:00pm



October 25 & 26  
7:00pm  
ePTO Variety  
Show @ Mac  
Little Theater



October 31  
Halloween Parades  
and Parties  
Check the  
Elementary  
Schools' Newsletters for details.



November 6  
No School

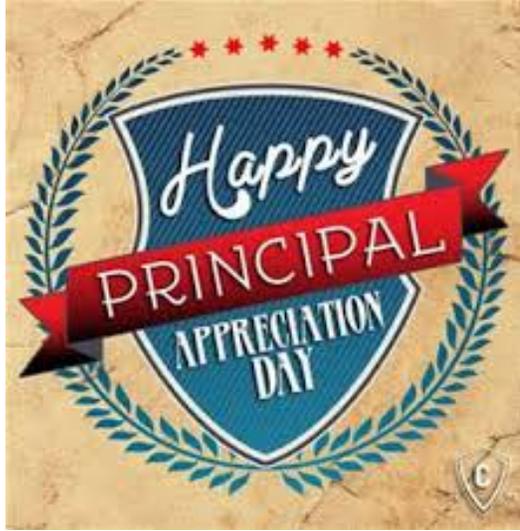


Parent  
Teacher  
Conferences  
Nov. 8 and 15

Schedules vary by building/teacher.



November 14  
7:00pm



## Strategic Plan Overview

The video below provides a brief overview of the newly developed Strategic Plan for District #23.



[Click here to view the complete Strategic Plan](#)

## Quick Links



[Visit the D23 website](#)



## Board of Education

### Board Election 2019

The 2019 Consolidated General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, 2019. As part of that election, registered voters in District 23 will be electing four individuals to serve a four-year term and one individual to serve a two-year term. Candidates interested

in running for one of these school board positions are advised to review the District 23 Board policy found at

[https://boardpolicyonline.com/?b=prospect\\_heights\\_23](https://boardpolicyonline.com/?b=prospect_heights_23)

and the Illinois Candidate's guide issued by the Illinois State Board of Elections and linked here:

<https://elections.il.gov/Downloads/ElectionInformation/PDF/2019CanGuide.pdf>

or on their website at:

<https://www.elections.il.gov/>.

The District cannot provide direct support of candidates, so we encourage any questions related to the election process to be researched in the above listed documents, on the websites identified or by

reaching out to the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) at <https://www.iasb.com/>. Candidates are prohibited from campaigning, including soliciting petition signatures, while on District Property per Board Policy 2:105 and State Statute 5/ ILCS 430.

We appreciate the dedicated service of our community members who volunteer their time to lead Prospect Heights School District #23 and look forward to the continued growth and success of our students and school community.



## Board of Education - Meeting Highlights October 10, 2018

### Congrats to MacArthur Cross Country Teams

The Board was lead in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance by MacArthur students representing the Cross Country team. Congrats to our students on a terrific season and to all those who competed in the Conference, Regional and State meets.



### District 23 Approves Annual Audit

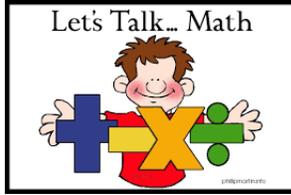
The Board approved the annual audit that was conducted by an independent firm and reviewed by our Finance Committee. There were no findings of note contained in the audit. The District's auditors commended the Business department on its preparation and attention to detail.



The Board also continues its planning for completion of capital projects over the next few years to address roofing, siding, HVAC, flooring, paving, and other needs.

### Review of Math and Library Media Center Curricula

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Amy Zaher presented the



curriculum review cycle and plans for 2018-19. This year, committees are focused on Math and are investigating the Illinois Standards, professional development needs, and curriculum materials. Her presentation can be found on the District website, ([Click Here](#))

## State of the School Address

MacArthur Principal, Dr. Nystrom, and Assistant Principal, Mr. Alms, along with representatives of their School Improvement Team, presented their State of the School Address. They shared goals and strategies to enhance writing instruction, Social Emotional Learning, student and family engagement, and development of innovative spaces. A link to their presentation is found on their website. ([Click Here](#))



**Next Regular Board of Education Meeting  
Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 7:00p.m.  
Anne Sullivan Library Media Center**

## Building Briefs

### Cross Country Send-off

Students came out to cheer on their classmates as they left for the State Meet in Normal, IL.



### Erin's Law Parent Presentation

This Fall, we will be providing state-mandated sexual abuse prevention education to all students in grades PreK-8 in compliance with Erin's Law.

For more information about this program and a parent presentation on **October 17, 2018 6:00pm @ MacArthur's Little Theater**, please click the button's below.

[Erin's Law Information \(English\)](#)

[Erin's Law Information \(Spanish\)](#)



### Ca\$h for the Cure

Our Fall service learning fundraiser, *D23 Cash for the Cure*, is sponsored by Betsy Ross School and the Ross Bulldog Ambassadors, will benefit the Leukemia

and Lymphoma Society (LLS). We will partner with LLS and their mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkins disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

Our district has the goal of raising at least \$5,000 for our cause. It's a lofty goal but we have no doubt we will get there with everyone's support. In order to increase motivation along the way, we have planned some exciting events for our students along the way. Let's all join together for this fantastic cause!

This is the last week of this project and we are only \$700 short of reaching our goal. For further incentive, if we reach our goal, the Principals have agreed to work on the ROOF of their building on October 25th.



## Connect With Us

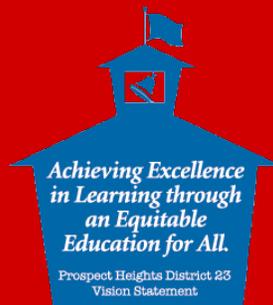


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