



February 20, 2018

Presentations and Recognitions

National Board Certification



Bergstrom, Jennifer Duncan, Leah Strom, Christine Trujillo, Stephanie Wubbena, Joanne Zienty.

The Board of Education recognized the following teachers who recently earned National Board Certification:
Jennifer

National Board Certification (NBCT) is regarded as the most prestigious certification in K-12 education. Recognized as the “gold standard” in teacher certification, the National Board believes higher standards for teachers means better learning for students. A total of 30 teachers from District 62 have earned National Board Certification.

Student Learning and Support Services

Middle School Redesign Update

Members of the Middle School Committee provided an update regarding the committee’s progress to date. Last year, the district decided to transition from the traditional junior high philosophy to a middle school approach that was more student-centered. This is the first year of the new model. A copy of the presentation can be accessed [here](#).

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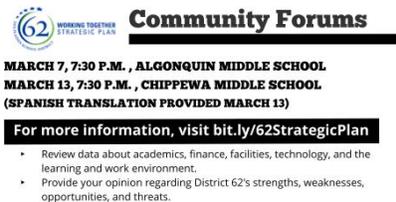
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Member

Margaret Goodchild
Secretary to the Board of Education

Strategic Plan Update

Interim Superintendent Dr. Paul Hertel provided an update regarding the strategic plan progress to date. The district recently conducted an environmental scan survey to assess initial perceptions about the district. It closed on February 12 and is currently being analyzed by CEC. Over 1,000 middle school students responded. A data retreat was held on February 27 for the purpose of reviewing information about the district and discussing its strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. Dr. Hertel concluded his update by sharing that there will be upcoming forums for the purpose of providing input to CEC. Forums will be held March 7 and March 13 at 7:30 p.m. Information and updates about strategic plan can be found at bit.ly/62StrategicPlan



Community Forums

MARCH 7, 7:30 P.M. , ALGONQUIN MIDDLE SCHOOL
MARCH 13, 7:30 P.M. , CHIPPEWA MIDDLE SCHOOL
(SPANISH TRANSLATION PROVIDED MARCH 13)

For more information, visit bit.ly/62StrategicPlan

- Review data about academics, finance, facilities, technology, and the learning and work environment.
- Provide your opinion regarding District 62's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats.

Review of Proposed 2018-2019 Staffing

The administrative staff annually reviews district programming needs and projected enrollments for the upcoming school year. The expected outcome from this review is to make a staffing recommendation to the Board of Education for the new school year. During the month of January, the administration began the staffing plan process. At this time, the administration projects an overall decrease of 1.0 full time equivalent to the current district staffing plan. The staffing plan is based on current student enrollment projections. As consistent with past practice, dollars will be budgeted for teacher and paraprofessional salaries in the event there is a need for additional positions.

In the spring, the administration will review student assessment data to assist in refining staffing assignments. In addition, special education and English Learner staffing needs are driven by annual student reviews. Finally, through the middle school redesign process, there may be additional staff required. The administration may need to make staffing changes once these reviews are completed.

The approval of any additional positions would require Board of Education action through the personnel report. As programmatic and student needs evolve, the administration will refine staffing needs and communicate those changes to the Board of Education.

District 62 Administration

Dr. Paul Hertel
Interim Superintendent of Schools

Nelson W. Gray, Assistant
Superintendent of Business Services

Adam Denenberg
Chief Technology Officer

Laura Sangroula, Assistant
Superintendent for Instructional
Services

Dr. Ellen Swanson,
Assistant Superintendent for
Student Services

Victorene King, Director of Strategic
Initiatives and Accountability

Milagros Bravo, Director for Second
Language Learners' Programs

Jennifer Tempest Bova, Director of
Community Relations

Michael Vilendrer, Director of
Operations, Maintenance and
Transportation

Margarite Beniaris, Director of Student
Services

Christina Bowman,
Curriculum Coordinator

Sheleen DeLockery,
Curriculum Coordinator

Elizabeth Juskiewicz, ELL Coordinator

Carlos Rojas, ELL Coordinator

Erica Tae, ELL Coordinator

Erica Cupuro, Student Services
Coordinator

Kristan Krupinski, Student Services
Coordinator

Stacy LaMarca, Student
Services Coordinator

Rose Slivka, Student Services
Coordinator,

Mark Moser, Physical
Education Coordinator

Review of Budget Assumptions

Assistant Superintendent Nelson Gray provided the Board of Education with initial budget assumptions for development of the 2018-2019 Budget. School district budget assumptions fall into four components: revenue, expenditure, enrollment and staffing. Below are highlights of the budget assumptions:

- **Property Tax Levy:** The two factors that impact levy are new property and Consumer Price Index (CPI). The District projected a maximum of \$50 million in new property, which is an increase over prior years due to increased development in Des Plaines. The CPI used for the December 2018 levy is again 2.1%, for taxes collected in the 2019 calendar year. The increase in local property taxes for the FY 2018-2019, without new property EAV growth, will be 2.1% over the prior year. Increase in property taxes income, including FY2019 and future years, is in jeopardy due to the potential property tax freeze legislation at the State level.
- **Student Fees:** In FY 2017 Student Instructional Fees were adjusted to be the same amount by grade level for all sites in the district and were also adjusted to account for the 3.99% RevTrak transaction fee. Transportation fees have also been updated to be a “balanced cost” of \$300 per rider. Family discounts no longer exist. No changes are suggested for FY 2019.
- **State:** The future of state funding for education in Illinois is again unknown. Factors including potential policy changes under the current administration and reformulation of the General State Aid (GSA) formula are under review by the state and may reduce the funding the district receives from the state. Without the “Hold Harmless” provisions, the potential loss to the District may be significant related to the GSA and Poverty Grant funding. The state will struggle with revenue and allocations for the balance of the 2017-2018 budget year and into the 2018-2019 budget year. The state funding assumptions are still subject to change as the state budget and legislation develops over the next 6 months.
- **Federal:** At this time a potential reduction in federal funding is still anticipated. With the anticipated reallocation of Federal Education dollars, it is expected that the IDEA and the Title Grants will continue to be impacted– this is subject to change as the federal budget develops.

Approval of Title I and Title III Summer School and Parent University, Summer 2018

In order to provide struggling students with extra academic support in reading, writing and math, District 62 will be offering summer school for all Title I eligible students and Title III Terrace and Forest School students. The program will be held at Plainfield School, from July 9 through August 2. Students will attend from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. There will be no classes held on Fridays. The program is funded through the Title I and Title III grants.

In order to provide English Language Learner students and their parents with extra support in developing skills needed to support academic progress at home, District 62 will offer Parent University for Title III eligible students and families. The program will be held at Forest School, from June 11 through June 22. Families will attend from 4:00 to 8:00 pm, Monday through Thursday, and 8:30 am to 3:00 pm on Friday for field trips. The program is funded through the Title III grant.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Calendars for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 School Years

The Board of Education approved the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school calendars. Below are key dates for the FY19 calendar:

10-month schools

- Beginning of the School Year: First day of student attendance, grades 1-8, on August 20, 2018. The first day for Kindergarten will be August 22, 2018.
- Thanksgiving Break: November 19-23, 2018.
- Winter Break: December 24, 2018 with students returning to class on January 7, 2019.
- Spring Break: March 25-29, 2019.
- End of the School Year: May 31, 2019 (no emergency days).

Iroquois Community School

- Beginning of the School Year: First day of student attendance, Kindergarten-grade 8, on July 10, 2018.
- Intersession will be held September 17, 2018 through October 5, 2018. Fall break will be held November 21, 2018 through November 23, 2018.
- Intersession will be held on December 17, 2018 through December 21, 2018. Winter break will begin on December 24, 2018 with students returning to class on January 7, 2019.
- Intersession will be held on March 11, 2019 through March 22, 2019. Spring break will be March 25, 2019 through March 29, 2019.
- End of the School Year: May 31, 2019 (no emergency days).

The 2018-2019 calendar can be viewed [here](#).

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The Iroquois 2018-2019 calendar can be viewed [here](#).

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Communications

Board of Education

Board Member Sharon Lynch publicized the District 62 Education Foundation annual benefit, Stomping for Kids which will be held at 6 p.m., March 9 at Victoria's Banquets in Rosemont. To register, click [here](#).

Superintendent Report

Interim Superintendent Dr. Paul Hertel shared that May 31 will be a student attendance day due to the February 9 emergency day. Dr. Hertel acknowledged Michael Vilendrer and the Operations and Maintenance team for all their work to ensure that the schools were plowed and safe for the students and staff return on Monday, February 12. Dr. Hertel shared that the district will hold its School Safety meeting on February 22 that is led by Assistant Superintendent Dr. Ellen Swanson and Director of Operations, Maintenance and Transportation Michael Vilendrer. Dr. Swanson added that the issue of school safety is not solely a school issue, but a community issue.