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Welcome back D205 families. School starts Wednesday, Aug. 15.

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#D205FirstDay Social Media Photo Contest

District 205 is holding a Back-to-School photo contest, and we need your help!

WHO: You!

WHEN: Wednesday, August 15

WHERE: Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter

WHY: To share all the moments that come along with the first day of school

HOW: On Wednesday, post your back-to-school photos with the hashtag **#D205FirstDay** on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram. The D205 accounts will share, re-tweet, and re-post your entries. The photo voted by D205 staff as "Most Creative" will win a \$20 gift card to the Elmhurst City Center!

Rules:

- Be sure to like District 205 on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to be eligible for the prize.
- Post your photo(s) any time on Wednesday, August 15th.
- The winner will be voted on and revealed on Friday, August 17th!
- SHARE this post with your friends and let them know to LIKE us!

Welcome Message from D205 Superintendent Dr. David Moyer

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year!

The Class of 2031 enters kindergarten as classroom doors open on August 15. Similarly, the Class of 2019 will prepare to close a chapter and launch into the world. I have every confidence that kindergarten through 12 grade, our students will emerge college, career, and life ready! [Read More...](#)

Jackson & Bryan Schools Expecting Increased First-Day Traffic

The City of Elmhurst has several construction projects currently underway in the Jackson & Bryan area. Please exercise caution and reduce speed when traveling in school zones. If you have students in both schools, the route from Jackson to Bryan, in the morning, may require more time and patience. Specifically, we recommend the following to make travel time easier:

Jackson Families:

If you travel east on Jackson Street between Saylor and Mitchell, please plan extra time as there will be construction trucks on that block of Jackson Street. At times, there might only be one-way traffic to make room for trucks and equipment.

Alternate Route: You may consider taking Adams east to Mitchell as an alternate route. Car riders will still drop off going south on Mitchell Avenue. We encourage you to walk whenever possible.

Bryan Families:

You can use Van Buren traveling east to drop off at Bryan. There will be steady truck traffic at the intersection of Bryan and Van Buren for the first couple days that school is in session. Please exercise extreme caution. We encourage families to take advantage of the summer weather and walk or bike to school if possible.

D205 School Board to Vote on November 2018 Referendum

On August 14, the Board of Education will decide whether to move forward with a November referendum. Members will vote whether or not to build a new Lincoln and Field School, renovate and expand Edison, ensure spaces for all-day kindergarten, improve safety and security, add future-ready learning spaces and media centers to all schools, renovate the York auditorium and make site specific improvements at schools across the District based on need.

The Board meets at 7:30 p.m. at the D205 Administration Center, 162 S. York Street. The public is welcome to attend.

[Learn More About the D205 Master Facility Plan](#)

York High School Celebrates 100 Years

York Community High School is turning 100! The York High School Alumni Association is proud to announce a weekend full of Centennial celebratory events!

Beginning Thursday, September 27-September 30, YHSAA will be hosting a variety of events to celebrate York's 100th Birthday! All alumni invited! Join us! You can find a full list of activities on the [YHS Centennial Celebration Webpage!](#)

Niche Ranks D205 in Top 10 of School Districts in Illinois

Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205 ranks among the top 10 school districts in the state of Illinois, according to Niche's *2019 Best School Districts* listing. D205 ranked ninth among districts surveyed, and earned an overall Niche rating of A+.

The annual ranking is based on statistical analysis and reviews from parents and students. Analysis includes examining factors such as test scores, college readiness and graduation rates, SAT/ACT scores, and teacher quality. D205 also ranked in the top 15 for *Best Athletics* and top 25 for *Best Places to Teach* in Illinois.

"Great schools are the foundation of strong, successful communities," D205 Superintendent Dr. David Moyer said. "We are happy to once again be cited as one of the top 10 districts in the state by the Niche organization. I love the direction that we are headed and honestly believe that we have just scratched the surface."