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Harlem Wizards vs. D205 All Stars Ticket Sales - September 21

Hottest ticket in town! The Harlem Wizards vs. D205 All-Stars face off again on November 2 at 5 pm at York High School. Cheer on your teachers and principals in this family-friendly exhibition basketball game to benefit the Elmhurst D205 Foundation. [Tickets](#) available online starting September 21. Buy early for best prices and seating. Don't delay- this WILL sell out!



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Lincoln Lions Holiday Food Drive – Until September 27

Lincoln families are partnering this fall with the Elmhurst-Yorkfield Food Pantry to learn more about how to fight hunger in the community. Until September 27, students will collect donations of food items and gently used children's books in the First Grade Hallway. Besides pre-packaged food items, the Pantry is especially in need of the following items: Progresso or Chunky Style Soups, baked beans, pork & beans, mayo, bbq sauce, shampoo, paper towels, deodorant, toothpaste and tooth brushes, bar soap, laundry detergent and, gently used children's books.

Members of the community interested in volunteering or making a donation, please contact the school at (630) 834-4548.

York High School Parent Teacher Conference Signup – September 19-26

The York High School Parent Teacher Conference Signup Portal opens for families at 6:00 am on Thursday, September 19. Please review the following instructions to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to have their account ready. Below are links to resources to help prepare for signup:

High School Conference Dates/Times:

- Wednesday, October 2–4:00 to 8:30 PM
- Thursday, October 3–8:00 to 3:00 PM*

***No school for high school students only**

Signup will be held via PowerPTC (see below) and begins **Thursday, 9/19 at 6 AM** and closes on **Thursday, 9/26 at 11:59 PM**. For a PowerPTC-Parent Quick Start Guide, [click here](#) for instructions in English, and [click here](#) for instructions in Spanish.

- [Click here](#) to schedule your PT conferences using your PowerSchool login
- [Click here](#) if you have not created your PowerSchool account then click on "create account" tab

Please email ptc@elmhurst205.org if you are having issues with signup.



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D205 Kindergarten Online Registration Coming This Fall - October 11-25

D205 Kindergarten Registration - D205 is fortunate to offer several options for kindergarten: traditional half-day; dual language; and a new all-day kindergarten program that is being phased in starting in the 2020-21 school year. To accommodate interest in all of our kindergarten programs, D205 is holding kindergarten registration online this year starting October 11-25. **Note:** Enrollment in Dual Language and All-Day Kindergarten is on a lottery basis as there will be a high demand for these programs. Families are strongly encouraged to meet the registration deadline of October 25.

Here is what you should know:

1. **Who:** All parents whose child will turn five on or before September 1. This online registration is only for incoming kindergarten students.
2. **What:** D205 Kindergarten Registration for all Programs: All Day Kindergarten; Dual Language Kindergarten; and Half-Day Kindergarten
3. **When:** Online registration link will be available (live) starting October 11, 2019 and can be found on the D205 homepage [here](#).
4. **Final Step:** [Verify residency in person](#) and submit child's original birth certificate at the District Office Oct. 21-25, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Online registration must be completed prior to verifying residency. Below is the schedule for verifying residency for specific schools:
 - Edison & Lincoln - 10/21
 - Hawthorne & Jefferson - 10/22
 - Field & Jackson - 10/23
 - Emerson & Fischer - 10/24
 - Final Day/ Make Up - 10/25

Learn more about the new D205 All-Day Kindergarten program [here](#).

Community Meetings for Edison and Bryan Construction Projects

- 6 p.m. - Monday, September 30 – Bryan Middle School
- 6 p.m. - Tuesday, October 1 – Edison Elementary School



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Please join Superintendent Dr. David Moyer for community meetings regarding the construction plans, timeline and preliminary drawings for Bryan Middle and Edison Elementary Schools. D205 parents and community are welcome to attend.

Sandburg's Jennifer Leban Named 2020 Illinois Teacher of the Year Finalist

Congratulations to Sandburg Middle School's Jennifer Leban on being named a 2020 Illinois Teacher of the Year finalist. Jennifer is a sixth-through-eighth-grade creative technology teacher at Sandburg Middle School and one of ten finalists for the state honor.

ISBE will announce the 2020 Illinois Teacher of the Year during the Those Who Excel banquet on Saturday, Oct. 19, at the Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel and Conference Center in Normal. The Illinois Teacher of the Year will represent Illinois in the Council of Chief State School Officers' National Teacher of the Year Program.

See Jennifer in action in our local D205 [video](#). To learn more about all of the finalists, visit the [ISBE website](#).

Coffee with the Superintendent – September 18, 2019

The first Superintendent's Coffee of the 2019-20 school year will be September 18, 2019 at 1:30 PM at Lincoln Elementary. Parents and the school community are invited to attend.

How to Raise an Adult w/ Dr. Julie Lythcott-Haims – September 23, 2019

As a kickoff to the new [Thrive D205 School & Community Wellness Partnership](#), Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205 presents How to Raise An Adult w/ Dr. Julie Lythcott-Haims on Monday, September 23, 2019 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the York High School Commons. The event is free, open to the community, and designed to kick-start a community conversation about the stress levels in students and the supports needed to assist them at home and school. Event is appropriate for all K-12 parents.



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2019 Dukes of Distinction Ceremony – Nov. 7, 2019

Elmhurst District 205, York High School and the York High School Alumni Association are excited to announce the 2019 Dukes of Distinction honorees!

Congratulations to Thomas Ballent and Alice Jahnke Ballent (Class of 1974), Kathleen Harger (Class of 1972), Joel Herter (Class of 1955), Susan Grohne Harry (Class of 1990) and Laura Orvidas (Class of 1978).

We will share more about each of the honorees in the weeks to come. Meanwhile, please mark your calendars for Thursday, November 7th at 6:30 PM at York High School when this year's Dukes of Distinction will be honored.

The York Distinguished Alumni Program began in the fall of 2013 and has since inducted 30 notable alumni into the program. To learn more, visit <https://www.elmhurst205.org/alumni/ydap>