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York News



D205 Appoints New Principal for York High School

Dr. Shahe Bagdasarian returns to Elmhurst D205 this month as the Principal at York High School. He began his career as a special education teacher and football coach at Elmwood Park High School, Elmwood Park, IL as well as a special education teacher and case manager at York High School. Dr. Bagdasarian went on to become dean of students at York before his career took him to Glenbard East H.S., where he served as both assistant principal for student services and then assistant principal for instruction until assuming the principalship in 2015.

Dr. Bagdasarian will focus on supporting students academically and social emotionally in order to maximize learning and strengthening the communication and collaboration with D205 middle schools to best prepare and meet the needs of students as they transition to high school.

"He has a proven track record of improving student performance and ensuring that individual departments achieve goals for student growth that are consistent with school and district priorities. This has included an intense focus on ensuring consistency in assessment practices in line with current research," D205 Superintendent Dr. David Moyer said.

"He also led a focus on equity that has increased access to rigorous curriculum and other school opportunities for all students and implemented the supports necessary to ensure that all students learn and grow. Part of his approach was intentional articulation of school improvement planning with feeder middle schools, which will translate well to District 205. His talents and experiences are a perfect fit for York at this time. I look forward to beginning our working relationship," Dr. Moyer added.

Of his return, Dr. Bagdasarian shared his excitement to lead York High School for this next generation of learners:

"It is an honor to return to District 205 as the Principal of York High School and serve the Elmhurst community. York Community High School has a strong tradition of academic, athletic and extracurricular excellence."

Duke Spotlight

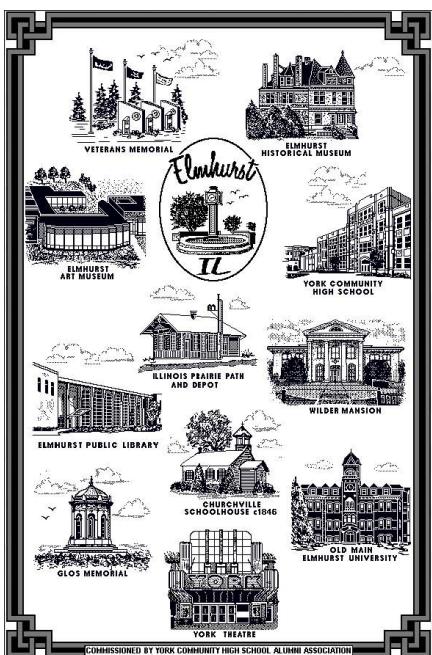
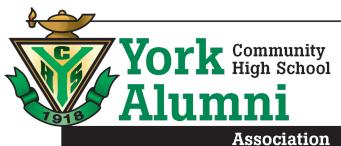
Curt Bonnem, Class of 1988



"I have become a full-time audiobook narrator and voice actor and recently surpassed 50 titles on Audible. I am also currently nominated for an Independent Audiobook Award in the Suspense/Thriller category for my narration of "Beyond Good & Evil: A Serial Killer Thriller (Book 1 of the Victor Loshak series)". The awards take place on June 12, 2020 online. Info can be found [here!](#)"

Read a recent article about Curt from Voyage ATL, [here!](#)

You can find Curt online at www.curtonnem.com/



Coming Soon!

The York Community High School Alumni Association (YCHSAA) has commissioned an updated version of the Elmhurst, IL Woven Throw. The original throw was offered for sale by the U205 Foundation in the 1990's thru the early 2000's.

The updated version will be available in 2 colors: Green & Cream or Black & Cream measuring 48x68.

All proceeds will be used for YCHSAA Scholarship program & Archiving Project.

Watch the [Alumni Website](#) for the Update on the Release of the New 2020 Version of the Elmhurst, IL Woven Quilt!

Reunions

During these uncertain times, we will be maintaining updated information on the [Reunion page](#), located on the District 205 website. Should your plans change, please reach out via email

at alumni@elmhurst205.org.

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