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New Items

Replacing Student ID Cards

Students are required to have their school ID card every day. Lost school identification cards can be replaced by visiting your school's office. Replacement cards are \$3 and will be billed through Push Coin accounts the following month.

New Language Translation Feature Added to D205 & School Websites

A new language translation feature is now available on the District and all school web pages. The feature is easy to use and can be found in the lower right-hand corner of the screen. Simply click on the drop-down menu of languages and select the language needed. The District's Top Six languages, including Spanish and Polish, are currently available.

Foundation 205 Holiday Tree Sale

Time is running out!! Foundation 205's outdoor holiday tree sale is nearly sold out! Due to an anticipated limited nation-wide availability, get your order in now to ensure you will be ready for the holidays. Learn more and order your outdoor lawn tree [here](#) by September 30th.

For all your indoor holiday tree needs, visit [City Tree Delivery](#), a locally owned business specializing in outstanding quality and service. A portion of all sales will be donated back to Foundation 205.

UCCA Mobile Food Pantry To Visit Churchville Middle School – Oct. 17

United Community Concerns Association invites you to attend a free Mobile Food Pantry at Churchville Middle School 155 Victory Parkway, Elmhurst on the following dates:

- Saturday, October 17, 2020 10-11:30 a.m.

Note: This Mobile Food Pantry will offer nutritious food including: meat, fresh produce, milk, and other dairy products based on availability. Food is distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis while supply lasts. Out of consideration of the neighbors please do not block driveways. For the health and safety of our volunteers and your family:

- Please stay inside your car
- Make sure the trunk is empty and open
- Pre Packed box of groceries will be placed in your trunk

Previous Announcements:

D205 Breakfast and Lunch Free to All Students

Breakfast and lunch options are now free for all D205 students through the PushCoin Webstore! Meals may now be ordered on a weekly basis and may be picked up on the following [schedule](#).

Seeking York INCubator Volunteers

Calling all entrepreneurs! The York High School Business INCubator Program is excited to continue this school year and is once again reaching out to interested community members to support the program as volunteers, whether in a virtual or in-person setting, by sharing any of their business experiences with our budding high school future business leaders.

If interested in serving as a volunteer in any capacity, regardless of experience level or expertise areas, please complete the York Business INCubator Volunteer Form [HERE](#) before Thursday, October 1st. Thank you!

City of Elmhurst Youth Commission's Understanding and Preventing Racial Bullying in Youth: An Educational Panel - Oct. 8

Hosted by the City of Elmhurst Commission on Youth. Thursday, October 8, 2020, from 7-8:30 pm Live on Elmhurst TV YouTube page. Virtual event with a panel of specialists. Discussion on ways to build empathy, awareness, equality, and inclusion in our youth to prevent racial bullying.

The panel will include:

- Keiana Winters, LCSW is a therapist at Midwest Counseling and Diagnostics with an emphasis on racial identity.
- Stephen Buhr, LCPC is the social worker with the City of Elmhurst and works primarily with the Police Department.
- Tracey Orick, CADAC, the social worker at Elmhurst Public Library discussing resources.
- Chair of the youth commission Jackie Haddad-Tamer, LCPC will moderate the event.

Appropriate for ages 9 and over. If any youth have a personal story to share and would like to be included in the event, please reach out to us. Also, to submit your question to the panel ahead of time, please contact: Jackie.Haddad-Tamer@elmhurst.org, or call 630-530-3016.

City of Elmhurst Bike & Pedestrian Plan Sweepstakes

The new City of Elmhurst Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (CEBPP) will guide the improvement of walking and biking in the community. Learn more about the plan and enter the [promotional sweepstakes](#).

Receive Daily Text Reminders to Certify Your Student's Health

As we begin to phase students back to in-person learning, a daily health self-certification form will need to be completed for every student before they enter any building. If you would like a [daily text message](#) reminder to fill out the self-certification form, text YES to 67587.

An email will also be sent daily to the parents/guardians of any students attending in person. Your username is your student's 5-digit PowerSchool ID (ex: 12345) and the password is your student's date of birth in mmddyyyy format (ex: 01011975). Please answer each of the three health questions honestly, and hit submit. Thank you for helping to keep our school community safe!

Daily Student Health Self-Certification Process Required

As we begin to welcome our students back to in-person learning, the District has implemented a new safety measure that requires parent/guardian

attention. A primary safety effort that is part of our [Open D205](#) plan is to certify student health information every day.

This request is being asked of all D205 faculty, staff and families to complete. We need parents/guardians to complete our daily “certification” process prior to their child attempting to enter the school building each day. Please [see our steps to complete the health certification process](#) and [watch our 1:47 video tutorial](#) to learn how. The certification process is quick (less than 20 seconds per child) and the system is available now for parents/guardians to login and practice the health certification process.

COVID-10 Safety Precautions in D205 Video

Please view our special [COVID-19 health and safety video](#), featuring D205 Facilities Department Director Todd Schmidt, to see the precautions and measures the district has taken to prepare for in-person learning and soon as safely possible.

More details on our safety precautions can be found in the Open D205 section of our website, [here](#).

Free Internet/WiFi Services

- Comcast Internet Essentials Is Free to New Customers: Low-income families who live in a Comcast service area may sign-up for Internet Essentials with 60 days of complimentary service (normally available to all qualified households for \$9.95/month).

See internetessentials.com or es.internetessentials.com, or call 1-855-8-INTERNET.

- Comcast Xfinity WiFi Is Free For Everyone: Xfinity WiFi hotspots across the country are available to anyone for free – including non-Xfinity Internet subscribers. For a map of Xfinity WiFi hotspots, visit www.xfinity.com/wifi. Once at a hotspot, select the “xfinitywifi” network name in the list of available hotspots, and then launch a browser.
- AT&T is expanding “Access from AT&T,” our low-cost home internet offering to qualifying households AT&T will continue to offer internet access for qualifying limited income households at \$10 a month through our Access from AT&T program. [Click here for more information. PDF Download](#)

- Illinois state agencies released a wi-fi [hotspot map](#) to help students across the state who lack internet access in their homes. The wi-fi map has at least 200 hotspots students can use to complete coursework. Students and their parents or guardians should continue to practice social distancing by remaining in their cars while utilizing the hotspots. If a student or caretaker is sick or experiencing symptoms, they should remain at home.

Virtual Backpack

Looking for non-profit, community activities or information that is fun and educational for students, check out the D205 [Virtual Backpack](#) page.