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COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

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New Items:

VIP D205 Clothing and Toy Drive - Week of Jan. 25

D205 is launching the VIP D205 Family Resources Sharing Project. The District is calling upon our school community to share resources by donating new and/or gently used clothing and toys. Look for upcoming "Sharing Days" and drop off locations to be posted in your school's newsletters during this week. The collection will take place for one week beginning January 25- 29.

Please click [here](#) for full details.

D205 Presents COVID-19 Vaccines: What you need to know! - Jan. 25

Join D205 and [Dr. Zachary Rubin](#) at 5 p.m.-6 p.m., Monday, January 25, 2021 for a Zoom webinar, COVID-19 Vaccines: What you need to know! Dr. Rubin will present timely and relevant information about the Pfizer/BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines that have been recently approved by the FDA. Dr. Rubin will discuss the general concepts of vaccines, address safety concerns and answer your questions.

Dr. Rubin is an Allergist/Immunologist, who is double-board certified in General Pediatrics and Allergy/Immunology. Dr. Rubin grew up in Naperville, and he is very excited to be practicing at Oak Brook Allergists, which has locations in Naperville, Plainfield, Downers Grove and Elmhurst.

To register for the session, please click [here](#).

D205 and D205 PTA Council Virtual Summer Recreation Open House Via Zoom - Feb. 2

Summer Recreation Open House
Tuesday, February 2, 2021
6-8pm
Virtual EXPO VIA Zoom
[Visit the SROH Facebook Page](#)

District 205 & the D205 PTA Council are proud to host the 19th Annual Summer Recreation Open House on the evening of Tuesday, February 2nd online. The goal of this virtual event is to give parents the opportunity to "one-stop-shop" for summer recreational and educational programs to attend, work or volunteer within. Programs present at this event are for children of all ages (pre-K through HS) and abilities.

Save the date. Zoom information will be released next week. We hope to see you there!

D205 Presents Rosalind Wiseman Founder of "Cultures of Dignity" and Co-Author of "The Distance Learning Playbook for Parents" - Feb. 3 (New Date)

Topic: Helping Parents Support Their Children's Well-Being During Distance Learning with Rosalind Wiseman

Description: Join us for this evening with the founder of Cultures of Dignity and co-author of The Distance Learning Playbook for Parents as she discusses, from the parent perspective, how we can build a community of dignity in challenging times and support student learning and growth during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Time: Feb 3, 2021 06:30 PM CST

Please click the [link](#) to register today!

D205 Parent Engagement Series Family Game Night - Feb. 5 (New Date)

Save the Date! On February 5th, beginning at 6:30pm, District 205 is encouraging families to participate in a District-wide Family Game Night! The purpose of this event is to encourage families to engage in activities, games, and crafts that are free from screens! D205 will be providing supplies, such as dice and a deck of cards, for families that need it. Keep an eye out for further information!

Upcoming February 2021 In-Person Attendance Days

During the month of February there is one holiday impacting school scheduling, which is President's Day on February 15th, which is a day of No School for All Students and Staff.

School schedules have been adjusted accordingly to ensure equitable opportunities for D205 students. Students with disabilities who attended four days per week per parent choice or five days per week because of the intensity of their programming (i.e. Transition, ABC, Multineeds, etc.) will continue to follow the same schedule in February.

[Madison; K-5 Churchville York HS; Bryan and Sandburg](#)

Reminders:

Foundation 205 Virtual Showcase: Standing Strong for our Students - Feb. 6

Foundation 205 is hosting a [Virtual Showcase: Standing Strong for our Students](#) on February 6th at 7pm. The event is free to watch, but there are multiple opportunities to support BOTH our students and local businesses. Visit the [website](#) to register and get direct access to the live event link and online auction. The evening will feature national comedian Pat McGann, TikTok sensation Sofie Sanfillipo and performances from York, Sandburg and Edison. The event will run about 45 minutes and will also highlight teachers and students from across the district implementing grants supported by Foundation 205. The current needs of our students are even greater in this new educational landscape. The ability to respond with innovative resources and support will play a critical role in their success throughout this pandemic and beyond.

D205 Food Services to Offer Free Daily Meal Bags - Beginning Jan. 19

The Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205 Food Services Department is helping connect school and families during hybrid learning by offering free meal kits for ALL children!

Beginning Tuesday (January 19, 2021), D205 schools will be handing out an optional shelf stable, one-day meal bag each day at dismissal time for students in grades K-12. Breakfast for the following morning is included in the bag as well. Families with allergy concerns or other dietary restrictions should contact your school nurse's office to discuss your child's specific situation before allowing your child to bring home a meal kit. If you do not want your child to take a meal kit home, please tell your child and let the school nurse know. The food items offered in the lunch bag each day will vary. If your child is taking a meal kit home, please remind them that food is not to be eaten on the bus, and the food should not be shared with anyone due to concerns with food allergies and other dietary restrictions.

D205 also will still offer its normal 7-day breakfast & lunch heat-and-eat meal bags on the following schedule:

Pickup is Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-5:00 PM at the following locations:

- York High School, Main Entrance Door #3
- Bryan Middle School, East Entrance Door #13
- Churchville Middle School, Main Entrance Door #1
- Sandburg Middle School, Main Entrance Door #3

Updates:

- January 20 - Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations
- January 25 - Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations
- January 27 - Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations

Please help everyone to stay safe by wearing your mask and staying inside your car (roll down back windows or open the trunk to receive the meal kits). Thank you!

Additional Resources:

Thrive D205 Wellness & Mental Health Resources

Thrive D205 School & Community Wellness Partnership is a wellness and mental health initiative launched by Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205 in 2019. The effort is designed to start a community conversation and create a subsequent plan to better understand, support and reduce the stress levels among students in our school community. Click [here](#) to discover the Thrive D205 resources page.

Virtual Backpack

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

ComEd Bill Assistance

If you are aware of staff members or families that could benefit from additional support, we ask that you share this information with them and have them call ComEd immediately at 1-800-EDISON1 (1-800-334-7661), M-F, 7am-7pm. Customers can also visit [ComEd.com/Support](https://www.comed.com/Support) to learn more about the following payment assistance options and eligibility requirements:

- CARE Customer Hardship Grants
- COVID-19 Financial Bill Assistance
- Flexible, Extended Payment Arrangements
- Waiver of New Deposits and Fee Relief
- State and Federal Financial Energy Assistance

Free Internet/WiFi Services

In need of free or low cost internet/WiFi services? Please click [here](#)

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