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COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

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## **New Items:**

### **Life After York Q&A - February 22 (Mon), 7-9pm, via Zoom**

This popular event includes small group discussions led by parents of recent York grads who will share their valuable experience and knowledge about the college application process as well as other post high school plans. [Registration](#) is required by February 19. Visit the "Life After York" [website](#) for more information. This event is sponsored by the PTSA Academic Committee and York's College and Career Resource Center.

## **Reminders:**

### **D205 Presents COVID-19 Vaccines: What you need to know! Video Replay Available**

D205 and [Dr. Zachary Rubin](#) presented COVID-19 Vaccines: What you need to know! Dr. Rubin presented timely and relevant information about the Pfizer/BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines that have been recently approved by the FDA. Dr. Rubin also discussed the general concepts of vaccines, addressed safety concerns and answered questions from attendees

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.

Catch the [replay](#) of the session on the Thrive D205 Wellness Partnership page.

### **D205 and D205 PTA Council Virtual Summer Recreation Open House Via Zoom - February 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 2, 2021 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. The live link to this virtual event will be posted at 5 p.m. on February 2, 2021 on the [SROH landing page](#), one hour before the event. 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”. Register Today to Hear this National Speaker - February 3 (Free Event)**

“Helping Parents Support Their Children’s Well-Being During Distance Learning” with Rosalind Wiseman. 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. Please click the [link](#) to register today!

**D205 Parent Engagement Series Family Game Night Resources - February 5 ( Free Event. Game Night Details Added)**

On February 5th, beginning at 6:30pm, District 205 is encouraging all 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. Click the link to visit the [D205 Family Game Night page](#) to find suggestions and resources to make your time with your family special.

Capture the fun and connections. Post your pictures to Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter using the hashtag: [#D205FamilyGameNight](#)

**Foundation 205 Virtual Showcase: Standing Strong for our Students - February 6**

Foundation 205's [Virtual Showcase: Standing Strong for our Students](#) is THIS Saturday, the 6th at 7pm. The event will be filled with exciting local and national performances. The [online auction](#) is now open for bidding and includes vacation homes, exclusive food & wine offerings, home improvements and family activities. There are also partnerships with 3 local [restaurants](#) for curb-side dinner options- an easy win-win to support our students & community. The event is free to watch, but please register in advance [here](#). Your support will enable Foundation 205 to continue their

mission to support ALL students with innovative educational opportunities in every Elmhurst Public Schools, especially during this challenging time.

### **Updated February 2021 In-Person Attendance Days**

Due to a scheduling adjustment made at the January 26, 2021 Board of Education meeting, the following scheduling changes will be made for the month of February, which includes the use of Wednesdays for in-person learning on an alternating basis at Elementary Schools (K-5) and Churchville Middle School, for those students enrolled in the In-Person Hybrid Model at this time. The Madison Early Childhood Center, Bryan and Sandburg Middle Schools, and York High School schedules will remain as previously communicated for the month of February.

As a reminder, school schedules have been adjusted accordingly to ensure equitable opportunities for D205 students. Students with disabilities attending on an "AB schedule" of 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 now all attend five days per week in the Elementary Schools (K-5) and Churchville Middle School starting the week of Monday, February 1st.

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

### **D205 Food Services to Offer Free Daily Meal Bags - Update with February Dates**

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 (students are not required to take a meal bag) 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  
February 1 -Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations  
February 3 -Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations  
February 8 -Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations  
February 10 - Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations  
February 15 - Holiday No Pick Up  
February 17 - Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations  
February 22- Meal pick up from 3:30-5 p.m. at all four locations  
February 24- 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!

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### **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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