

# Let's Get Engaged

## School District 189 Guide to Parent & Student Involvement



Family & Community Engagement Center

Connecting the dots for educational success | East St. Louis School District 189



#### **The Importance of Family Engagement**

When families, schools, and communities partner to promote learning and healthy development in all children, students thrive and positive student outcomes increase. Research states that when parents are actively engaged with their children's education, whether in home or school, students do better academically. Regardless of socio -economic backgrounds, students with involved parents are more likely to earn high grades and test scores, enroll in higher level programs, attend school regularly, show improved behavior, and develop better social skills (Henderson & Mapp, 2002).





## School District 189 Family And Community Engagement Center

The mission of the School District 189 Family And Community Engagement (FACE) Center is to work to ensure that every student is prepared to succeed in life, post-secondary education, and their future careers. Because parents share the same desires as their children, the FACE Center connects families, schools, and community partners to promote learning and healthy Social-emotional (SEL) development.

## **ACTIVITIES FOR PARENTS**



#### **Title 1 Parent Leads**

Parent Leads are selected for each school to provide direct support to parents and to share communication and training at Monthly Parent Meetings and school events. Parents Leads host the Parent Rooms and Spaces at each school. These designated areas have been established to provide resources for positive interactions between teachers, staff, and families within the school district.



## **Parent University**



Parent University is a personal and professional development program created to form a bridge between the school district and the community. Through a variety of classes and workshops, we support the growth of parents in developing learning partnerships to support their children in achieving both academic and personal success. All supplies are provided and there is no cost to attend.



For more information, please contact Zorina.Brown@estl189.com



#### **Peace Garden**

Peace Garden helps nurture growth and healing while inviting parents to come together and create opportunities for learning ways to cope with grief and trauma. Parents & Guardians of any School District 189 student can find support through healthy conversations and activities.

#### **Book Club, Café Conversations & Coffee**

Join us for casual conversation, laughter, and coffee in a relaxed atmosphere as we discuss a variety of topics through our monthly book selections. Books are provided at no cost and are available while supplies last. Parents & Guardians of any School District 189 student are welcome to attend.

## New Students / Centralized Enrollment

Enrollment at the FACE Center will increase our goals of maintaining good communication through updated student information including addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses for access to Skyward Family Access. This also supports a healthy environment by ensuring immunizations, dental exams, vision exams, and physicals are complete and allows us to better support other needs such as ELL/ESL, special education, foster care, and military families.





### **Transcripts, Records, and Archives Services**

The Face Center provides access to historical educational documents as well as assists our students and their families as they continue their careers and postsecondary education.



#### **Skyward Family Access**

We are excited to support Skyward's online Family Access Center. In the Skyward Family Access Center, you will be able to view the following important information regarding your child's educational experience in District 189: Grades, District and School Calendars, Upcoming Assignments, Messages from your child's school & teachers, Class Schedules, and Attendance Records. This is also the place to manage emergency phone/email contact information.

### **Parent Support Center Hotline**

To maintain open lines of communication, we are here to assist with concerns after they cannot be satisfactorily addressed at the school campus level. You may send an email to <a href="mailto:parentsupport@est189.com">parentsupport@est189.com</a>.



All district 189 parents are welcome to listen and share. Dial in at (US) +1 470-485-9583 PIN: 804 169 313#



#### **Wraparound Services**

The FACE Center provides Wraparound services as an intensive, comprehensive method of engaging families with complex needs (most typically children, youth, and their families) so that they can live in their homes and communities and realize their hopes and dreams.

#### **Key Communicator Network Meetings**

This quarterly meeting is an open invite for families to speak directly to the Superintendent and find out about programming, issues, and express concerns.





#### **Flyers Feeding Families Food Pantry**

School District 189 hosts a monthly food drive at Gordon Bush Alternative Center and Mason Clark Middle School. Families are welcome to participate.

#### **Family Response and Relief Services**

The Department of Family Relief and Response Services Department offers a plethora of supportive services and resources for our students and families. Our goal is for all of our students to become productive citizens by developing skills that will contribute to the safety and welfare of our community.



## **ACTIVITIES FOR STUDENTS**

#### **Avant Elementary School**

21st Century Afterschool Program	Chess Club	Little Butterfly Mentoring
BAG Program	Community Service Initiative	Little Esquires
Blueprint Math Fellows	English Language Learners Program	National Jr. Beta Club
Book Club	Girls Basketball	Onyx Girls Mentoring Program
Boy Scouts	Honor Society	Pom-Pom Squad
Boys Basketball	King's Boys Club	STEM / Tech Club
Cheerleading Squad	Literacy Island	Student Council

#### **Dunbar Elementary School**

21st Century Afterschool Program	Pom-Pom Squad
Boys Basketball	PBIS Program
Cheerleading Squad	Praise Dancers
Chess Club	Principal's Roundtable
Majorettes Squad	Reading Club
Math Club	<b>Restorative Circles</b>

#### Ripple Effects Spelling Bee Steppers Student Council Trusted Adult / Check-N-Connect

#### East St. Louis Senior High School

- Advanced Placement Student Program Anime Club Annars Club Blue Flames and Flag Team **Concert Band** ESLSD189 Superintendent's Council **Flyers Baseball Team** Flyers Basketball Team Flyers Cross Country Team **Flyers Football Team Flyers Track Team Flyers Wrestling Team** Flyers Unified Basketball Team **Flyers Unified Dance Team** Flyers Unified E-Sports Team Flyers Unified Flag Football Team **Flyers Unified Track Team**
- **Flyerettes Basketball Team Flyerettes Cheer Team** Flyerettes Cross Country Team **Flyerettes Softball Team Flyerettes Track Team** Gaming Club / E-Sports Team Jazz Band LGBTQIA2S+ Marching Band National Beta Club National Honor Society National Math Society National Science Society National Student Council Peace Warriors **Running Start Program** Spanish Club



#### **Gordon Bush Alternative Center**

- Blue Flames and Flag Team Flyers Baseball Team Flyers Basketball Team Flyers Cross Country Team **Flyers Football Team Flyers Track Team Flyers Wrestling Team**
- Flyers Unified Basketball Team **Flyers Unified Dance Team** Flyers Unified E-Sports Team Flyers Unified Flag Football Team Flyers Unified Track Team Flyerettes Basketball Team **Flyerettes Cheer Team**
- Flyerettes Cross Country Team **Flyerettes Softball Team Flyerettes Track Team Peace Warriors Student Council**

#### **Lincoln Middle School**

- 21st Century Afterschool Program Band **Boys Basketball Boys Cross Country Boys Track** Cheer Squad
- Dance Team ESLSD189 Superintendent's Council **Girls Basketball Girls Cross Country Girls Track Girls Volleyball**
- Orchestra **Peace Warriors** Student Council Spelling Bee Tiger's Den Afterschool Clubs

#### **Mason Clark Middle School**

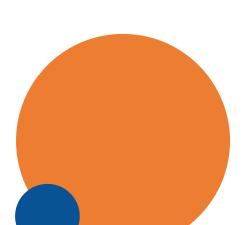
21st Century Afterschool Program	Cooking Club	Photography / Yearbook Club
Anime Club	ESLSD189 Superintendent's Council	Peace Warriors
Band	Girls Basketball	Robotics Club
Beta Club	Girls Cross Country	SIUE Tutoring Program
Boys Basketball	Girls Track	Spelling Bee
Boys Cross Country	Global Girls	Student Council
Boys Track Team	Onyx Kings	Video Game Club
Cheerleading / Dance	PBIS Program	



#### **Officer Elementary School**

21st Century Afterschool Program **Boys Basketball** Cheerleading / Dance Chess Choir Girls Basketball **PBIS Program** 

**Restorative Circles Ripple Effects** Robotics / Tech Club Spelling Bee Trusted Adult / Check-N-Connect Young Authors



#### Vivian D. Adams Early Childhood Center

- American Education Week Black History Program Career Day Cheer Team Donuts With Dads Field Trips First 100 Days Celebration
- Fun Day Gardening Club Grandparents' Day Hispanic Heritage Parade Little Gents Little Ladybugs Muffins With Moms
- Read Across America Red Ribbon Week Rising Kindergarten Prom Sneaker Ball Spelling Bee Trunk-Or-Treat Week of the Young Child

### Wright Elementary School

21st Century Afterschool Program	Grandparents' Day
Career Day	Knight School Tutoring
Cheer Squad	Parent Shadow Day
Coed Basketball	Pastries With Parents
Family Game Night	PBIS Incentive Cart
Family Movie Night	Read Across America
Fun Day	Sneaker Ball





#### Wyvetter Younge School Of Excellence

21st Century Afterschool Program African American Dance / Drum Beta Club Boys Elementary Basketball Boys Middle School Basketball Boys Middle School Cross Country Boys Middle School Track Elementary Cheerleading / DanceOrchestrGirls Elementary BasketballPBIS ProGirls Middle School BasketballSIUE TutGirls Middle School Cross CountrySpellingGirls Middle School TrackYoung AMiddle School Cheerleading / DanceMiddle School Volleyball

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## **ABOUT THE DISTRICT**

East St. Louis School District 189 is focused on providing rigorous, high-quality education and exceptional educational experiences to the nearly 5,000 students within the community. Across ten school campuses, over 800 fulltime district staff provide educational services to students in preschool through 12th grade. We operate an early childhood learning center, four elementary schools, one K-7 academy, two middle schools, one high school and one alternative campus. Our students reflect the local community: they are vibrant, resilient and strong.

#### VISION

Students in East St. Louis School District 189 are supported physically, socially, and emotionally in a safe and nurturing environment to achieve academic success that prepares them for college, the workforce, and citizenship in the 21st century.

#### MISSION

To cultivate the potential in every student to thrive as a global citizen by inspiring a love of learning and civic engagement, by challenging and supporting every student to achieve academic excellence, and by embracing the full richness of our community.

#### Our work is guided by five goals:

#### GOAL 1: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Establish and maintain continuous academic growth toward exceeding grade-level expectations for all students using diverse, culturally responsive, rigorous, and ISBE standards-aligned curricula, instruction, and assessments.

#### GOAL 2: FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Preserve our strong financial standing while maintaining stable funding and sound fiscal stewardship to provide appropriate instructional resources and support services, and to operate facilities at maximum efficiency.

#### GOAL 3: SAFE AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS

Foster a positive culture and climate that supports the health and social-emotional well-being of every student.

#### GOAL 4: STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

Engage families, community members and all stakeholders in a collaborative process to create a thriving culture for students.

#### GOAL 5: COMMITTED, HIGHLY EFFECTIVE STAFF

Recruit, hire, retain, and develop highly effective personnel to achieve academic excellence and support students' physical and social-emotional health.

Our most important goal is to improve academic outcomes for our students, and we have focused resources on this area. We have also been fortunate to receive additional state funds to support the social and emotional needs of our students, which are directly related to their academic achievement. A foundation has been built, and we are now ready to see our student achievement improve even more.

#### Family And Community Engagement Center

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#### **Avant Elementary School**

1915 North 55th Street, Washington Parl, IL 62204 (618) 646-3870 / Fax: (618) 875-8061

#### **Dunbar Elementary School**

1835 Tudor Avenue, East St. Louis, IL 62207 (618) 646-3840 / Fax: (618) 646-3848

#### East St. Louis Senior High School

4901 State Street, East St. Louis, IL 62205 (618) 646-3700 / Fax: (618) 646-3958

#### **Gordon Bush Alternative School**

1516 Gross Avenue, East St. Louis, IL 62205 (618) 646-3930 / Fax: (618) 646-3938

#### **Lincoln Middle School**

12 South 10th Street, East St. Louis, IL 62201 (618) 646-3930 / Fax: (618) 646-3938

#### Mason / Clark Middle School

5510 State Street, East St. Louis, IL 62203 (618) 646-3750 / Fax: (618) 646-3758

#### **Officer Elementary School**

558 North 27th Street, East St. Louis, IL 62205 (618) 646-3970 / Fax: (618) 646-3978

#### Vivian D. Adams Early Childhood Center

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#### **Wright Elementary School**

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#### **Wyvetter Younge School Of Excellence**

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