



THORNTON TOWNSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

MARCH 13, 2024

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OPEN SESSION

C A L L T O O R D E R

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A. Report from Curriculum Committee



March 11, 2024

STUDIO 205 COSMETOLOGY AND BARBERING
Brett Fickes
15000 Cottage Grove Ave
Dolton, IL 60419-2738

Dear Brett Fickes:

Illinois school license #015-000560 authorizes STUDIO 205 COSMETOLOGY AND BARBERING to operate a cosmetology school at 15000 Cottage Grove Ave Dolton, IL 60419.

The school is approved to provide the 1500-hour Cosmetology program and the 1500 hour Barbering program, as set forth in the Rules for the Administration of the Illinois Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding and Nail Technology Act of 1985 (Act). Language has been added to the Act to include a licensed school is a postsecondary educational institution authorized by the Department to provide a postsecondary education program.

A school may offer programs that exceed the minimum clock hour requirements defined by Rule. A school may offer a refresher course for each of the approved programs in accordance with the provisions of the Act. The school must remain in compliance with the provisions of the Act for the duration of its existence.

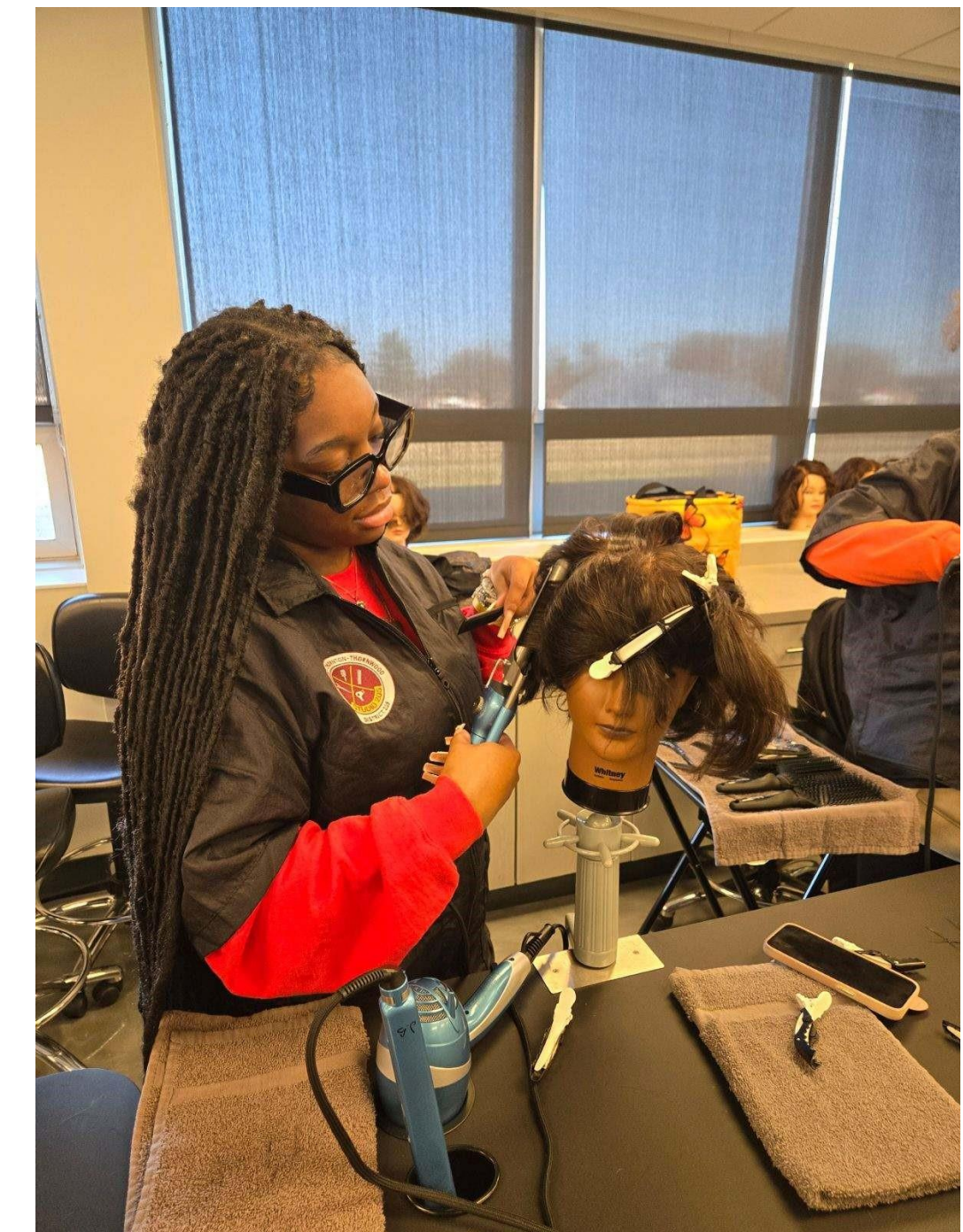
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Largent".

Greg Largent
Board Liaison
Division of Professional Regulation



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- B. Report from Finance Committee
- C. Report from Policy Committee
- D. Report from Discipline Committee
- E. Report from Facilities Committee

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session Minutes**
dated February 14, 2024
- B. Approval of District 205 Bills:** Dated February 14, 2024 through
March 12, 2024
- C. Personnel:** Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires &
Terminations dated March 12, 2024

CONSENT AGENDA

D. Ratification(s):

- i. Approval of the Thornton Girls Wrestling IHSA State Finals Overnight, Bloomington, IL, February 22-24, 2024
- ii. Approval of the Thornton Boys Varsity Basketball IHSA Sectionals Overnight, Ottawa, IL, March 3-4, 2024
- iii. Approval of the Thornridge Special Olympics Girls State Finals Basketball Contest Overnight, Normal, IL, March 7-8, 2024
- iv. Approval of the Thornridge Special Olympics Boys State Finals Basketball Contest Overnight, Normal, IL, March 8-9, 2024
- v. Approval of the Thornridge Varsity Volleyball Shootout in the Dells Overnight, Wisconsin Dells, WI, July 24-26, 2024

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

We now open the Public Participation section of our agenda. At this time, members of the community are invited to address the Board. We ask that you state your name and town, limit your total time to two minutes, and talk only about items on the current Board Agenda.

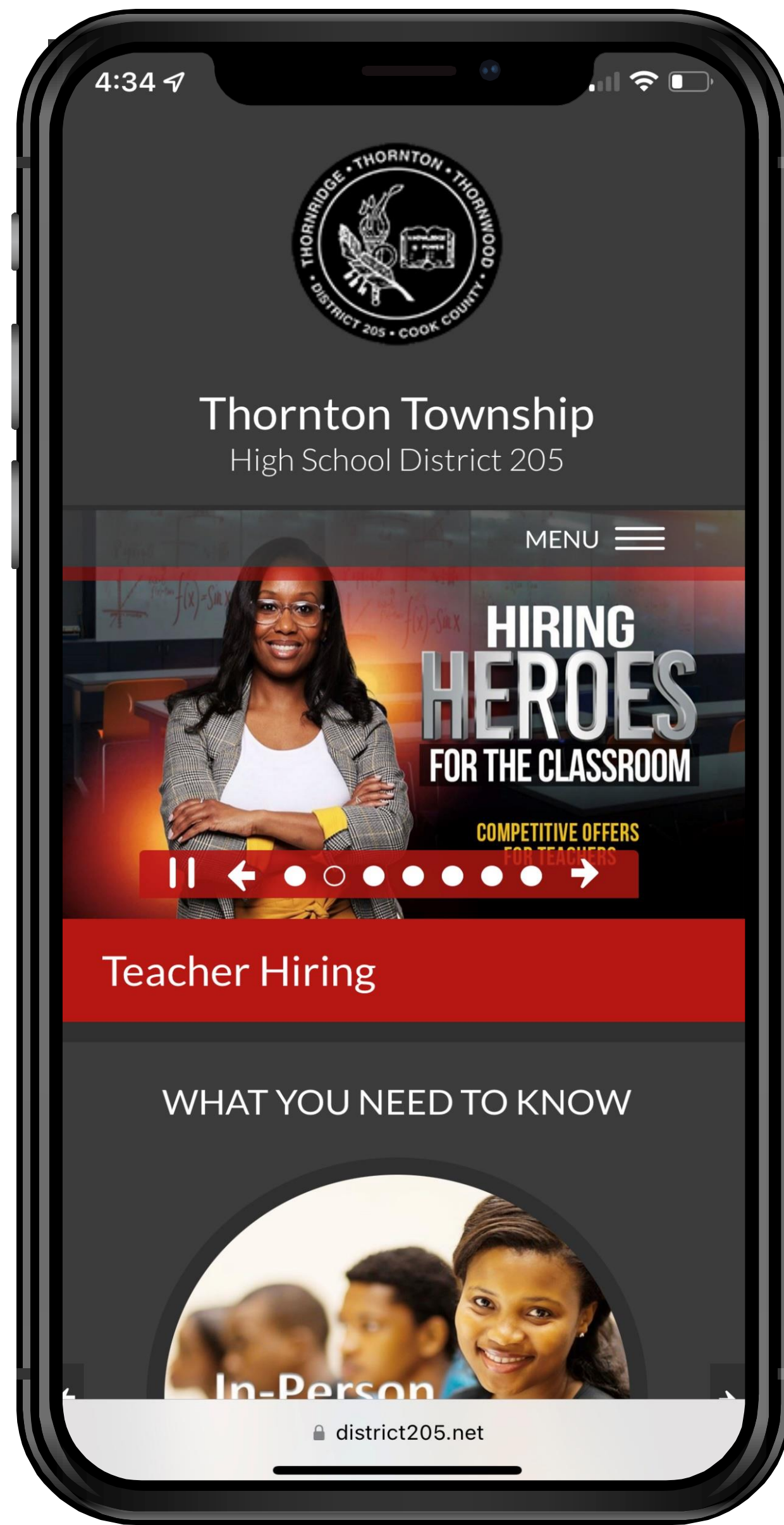
In addition, if your comments are of a critical nature about specific people, the Board requests that you present your comments during the personnel portion of the “executive session.”

Your name will not be called if you do not sign in and list a topic or the topic is not on the current Board agenda or if public participation has begun.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA)

DR. DOSS





THORNTON TOWNSHIP
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COMMUNICATIONS

N E W S F R O M T H E S C H O O L S

MR. FICKES

SPECIAL OLYMPICS CHAMPIONS

**Yes! We won and brought home Gold Medals and a Trophy.
Shout out to our players and the coaches.**



Players: Kenneth Blecher, Cameron Edwards, Jalen Brown, Monte Adams, Christopher Pena, and Kennidi Jefferson.

Coaches: Greg Benacka, Fonda Moyer, Andrew Miller, and Patrick Jennings!!!!





THORNTON TOWNSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

Kiarria Douglas

Thornton High School, Senior

Introduction to Fashion

Fashion Scholarship Recipient

Illinois State University

\$1,500.00

Career Goal: “ I want to become a fashion designer and travel around the world.”





THORNTON TOWNSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

Asia Hall

Thornton High School, Senior

Intermediate Fashion

Fashion Scholarship Recipient

Illinois State University

\$1,500.00

Career Goal: "I want to be a fashion designer, model and stylist."



THORNTON

W I L D C A T S



THORNTON TOWNSHIP
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The Varsity boys are moving through to the State finals. They beat Brother Rice 61-54 on Friday night with a packed house for the Sectional Championship. They advanced to the Super Sectionals to play Richwood. They finished the season with an amazing record of 29-5.

CONGRATULATIONS WILDCATS!!



Thornwood Thunderbirds



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Congratulations to Ariana Whitaker
and Kolagbade Kolawole
who have both qualified for the
ICTM State Mathletes Competition
in Geometry.

They will represent Thornwood along
with Laurence Nnabuo
at the state competition
held at Illinois State University
in April.

Great job Mathletes!



Ariana Whitaker



Kolagbade Kolawole



Laurence Nnabuo



Thornwood Thunderbirds



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On March 2nd, students from TW
competed in the IHSA Solo and
Ensemble contest at Bloom Trail HS,
Chicago Heights!

These students have **EARNED** their
medals!

We congratulate these wonderful
students; A perfect score is 35.0
points:

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|---------------------------|------|-----------|
| Ahquira Strother | 34.0 | 1st Place |
| Daquan Smith | 31.5 | 1st Place |
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| Sahdary Williams | 31.0 | 1st Place |
| Kolagbade Kolawole | | |
| Classical Event | 27.5 | 2nd Place |
| Jazz Event | 29.0 | 2nd Place |
| Contemporary | 30.0 | 2nd Place |
| Umalakhi Tillett – Hardin | 30.0 | 2nd Place |
| Isabelle Pasquier | 28.5 | 2nd Place |
| Zakia Fields | 24.0 | 3rd Place |



Thornwood Thunderbirds

Great news!

Thornwood has **17 Illinois State Scholars**

| | | Rank | GPA | |
|-------------------|-----------------|------|-------|--|
| Agyepong | Candace | 21 | 3.714 | |
| <u>Alhusseiny</u> | Ali | 20 | 4.000 | |
| Collins | Victoria | 2 | 4.000 | |
| Iheme | Nnenna | 12 | 3.738 | |
| Kolawole | <u>Olakunmi</u> | 5 | 4.000 | |
| Martinez | Daniel | 18 | 4.000 | |
| <u>Nnabuo</u> | Laurence | 10 | 3.975 | |
| <u>Onyenso</u> | Chiemela | 15 | 3.750 | |
| Perkins | Addison | 6 | 3.902 | |
| Randle | Kaleb | 34 | 3.667 | |
| Ruiz | Princess | 3 | 3.850 | |
| Self | <u>Ataysia</u> | 3 | 3.925 | |
| Sepulveda | Alonso | 14 | 4.000 | |
| Smith | Avery | 1 | 3.976 | |
| Smith | Diontae | 31 | 4.000 | |
| Solorio | Luis | 8 | 3.952 | |
| West | Deven | 6 | 3.951 | |



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*Unlock
Your
Potential,*

*Embrace
Education!*



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Congratulations to the Thornwood Baseball team for winning their first game of the season against Eisenhower yesterday.
The score was 14 to 4!

The team put up 10 runs in the 3rd inning thanks to David Torrez, Jalen Ware and Rolando Carter!

Huge shout out to **Amira Hondras** for making IHSA history by being the 1st girl to pitch an opening day complete game on the varsity level!



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**Shout Out
To
Thornwood Alums**

**Aaron Adams
Isaiah Hoofe
Destiny Abuwa**

Who Made the Bradley's Deans List!



Celebrating Social Work Month



"March is Social Work Month, a time to honor the invaluable contributions of Ms. Miller, Peace Center social worker. Her dedication to improving lives and communities is truly commendable. Let's express our appreciation by recognizing just a few examples of what our social workers and others contribute to D205 students:

- ❖ Advocating for Vulnerable Populations: Ms. Miller tirelessly advocates for the rights and well-being of marginalized and disadvantaged individuals and groups, ensuring they have access to essential resources and services.
- ❖ Provide Support and Counseling to students and their families facing challenges such as mental health issues, substance abuse, domestic violence, or trauma, helping them build resilience.



Let's honor and celebrate the remarkable work of all D205 social workers this Social Work Month and beyond."

Mentoring & Etiquette Club

Embarking on a transformative journey, Peace Center students of the Etiquette Club ventured beyond the conventional classroom setting to explore the vibrant streets of downtown Chicago. This immersive field trip not only expanded their horizons but also allowed them to put their acquired skills into practice in real-world scenarios.

Two positive things the students learned from this enriching experience include:

- ❖ **Cultural Fluency:** Students gained a deeper appreciation for cultural differences and the importance of respectful interaction across various social contexts.
- ❖ **Adaptability:** Encountering new environments and social situations challenged students to adapt quickly, demonstrating their flexibility and resilience in navigating unfamiliar territory with grace and confidence

This journey beyond boundaries has not only enriched their lives but has also equipped them with the tools to thrive in an increasingly interconnected and diverse world.



Special Olympics - Snowshoe Winter Games



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Our athletes did a fantastic job at the 2023 Winter Games in Galena!

Despite frigid temperatures, all our athletes did an amazing job and dug deep to do their best. We are so proud of them. If you see them, please congratulate them on their fabulous effort.



**Jasmin Williams won gold in
the 100 meter race.**

**Miyanah Holloway won gold in
the 50 and 100 meter race.**

**Jermaine Johnson placed 5th in
the 50 meter race.**



NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation: District 205 Girls Bowling Team- Mr. Fickes



NEW BUSINESS

B. Presentation: Thornwood Drone Competition- Mr. Fickes

The dedication, practice and effort put forth by these 2 teams shows their commitment to representing themselves and their school. We are excited to head to Kettering University in Michigan to compete against 48 other teams from the Midwest. Thanks to Coaches, Chuck Surina, Carol Curtis, and Jennifer Pitts for working with our students.

The Thornwood Flyers and TW Red Tails participated in the Midwest Regional Aerial Drone Competition: Mission 2024 Eclipse on Saturday, February 3, 2024. They competed in Autonomous Flight Skills (drone coding), Pilot Skills, and team alliances.

The team placed in 1st after team alliances and secured a spot at Nationals in May!



NEW BUSINESS

C. Recommended Approval: District Senior AP African American Studies
Overnight, Washington, D.C., April 9-12, 2024

NEW BUSINESS

D. Recommended Approval: District-Wide Stadium Turf and Tracks- Mr. Horton

NEW BUSINESS

E. Recommended Approval: Thornton Room 283 Construction- Mr. Horton

NEW BUSINESS

F. Recommended Approval: Thornwood and Thornridge High School Chiller Commissioning- Mr. Horton

NEW BUSINESS

G. Recommended Approval: District-Wide Electrical Surveys
Recommendation- Mr. Horton

NEW BUSINESS

H. Resolution to Abate Property Taxes Pursuant to Receiving the 2024
Property Tax Relief Grant- Mr. Horton

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Motion to enter into Closed Session, pursuant to 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to consider the following:
 - The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees;
 - Student discipline;
 - Collective negotiating matters; and
 - Pending, probable or imminent litigation

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

ACTION ITEMS FOLLOWING OPEN SESSION

- A. Action Regarding Faculty Association's Discipline Due Process Grievance

ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting

April 10, 2024

THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

District 205 Vision: Building an exemplary high-quality organization that produces major gains in student achievement and prepares all students to be productive citizens in a global society.

District 205 Mission: To develop productive citizens who are enrolled, enlisted or employed at the completion of high school.

District 205 Core Values: Empathy, Trust, Pride, Responsiveness, High Expectations with High Support Integrity, Commitment to Excellence, Innovation, and Collaboration