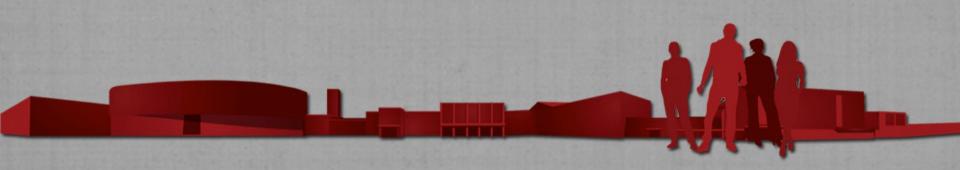
#### THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

# BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

June 8, 2022

#### **Serving All or Portions of the Following Communities:**

Blue Island \* Burnham \* Calumet City \* Dixmoor \* Dolton \* East Hazel Crest \* Harvey \* Hazel Crest \* Lansing \* Markham \* Phoenix \* Posen \* Riverdale \* South Holland \* Thornton



# Open Session

OPEN SESSION - Call to Order. Tonight's meeting is being streamed live via videoconferencing on WebEx and is video recorded. The Board President declares that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of the current Disaster Proclamation issued by the Governor. Physical presence for the meeting is not feasible due to the disaster.

# Roll Call

# Pledge of Allegiance



### Committee of the Whole

- Report from Curriculum Committee
- Report from Finance Committee
- Report from Policy Committee
- Report from Discipline Committee
- Report from Facilities Committee

# Consent Agenda

#### Motion to approve the Consent Agenda:

- Approval of Regular Meeting and Executive Session Minutes dated May 11, 2022
- Approval of District 205 Bills: Dated May 12, 2022 through June 8, 2022
- **Personnel:** Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires and Terminations dated June 8, 2022
- Ratifications Approval of Overnight and/or Out-of-State fieldtrips:
  - Thornton Township and Thornwood High Schools IHSA Girls State Track
     Overnight Competition Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL, May 18-21,
     2022
  - Thornwood High School IHSA Boy's Track & Field Overnight Fieldtrip, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL, May 26-28, 2022
  - Thornwood High School Boys' Varsity Tennis Overnight Fieldtrip, Rolling Meadows, IL, May 25-26, 2022
  - Thornridge and Thornton Township High Schools Boy's State Track Overnight
     Competition Fieldtrip, Charleston, Illinois, May 26-May 28, 2022

# 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."

The Board will accept comments via email statements to be read at the meeting. Public comments were emailed to hill.laura@district205.net.

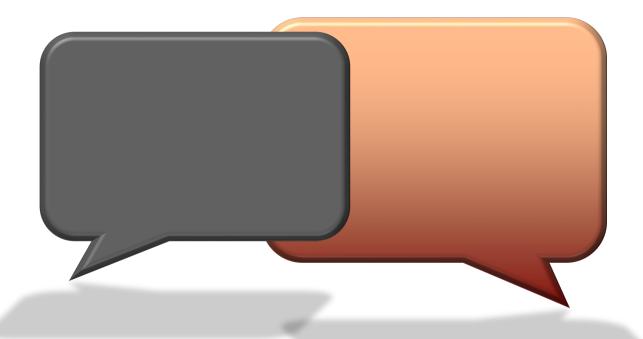
### Freedom Of Information Act

• Dr. Doss



# Communications

News from the Schools





### AVIDITY

Online Registration - Ms. Thornton





### YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

#### LEARN HOW TO SUPPORT THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN YOUR LIFE

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adolescents ages 12-18. You'll build skills and confidence you need to reach out and provide initial support to young people who are struggling. You'll also learn how to help connect them to appropriate support.

#### AFTER THE COURSE, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO:

- Recognize common signs and symptoms of mental health challenges, including anxiety, depression, eating disorders and attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD).
- Recognize common signs and symptoms of substance use challenges.
- Understand how to interact with a young person in crisis.
- · Know how to connect a young person with help.
- Better understand trauma, substance use, self-care and the impact of social media and bullying.

Join the more than

2.6 MILLION

First Aiders who have chosen to be the difference in their community.





### YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

#### **REGISTER TODAY!**

**Delivery Format:** 

2 day certification from 8:00am to 12:00pm each day

1 day certification from 8:00am to 4:00pm (lunch provided)

Date and Time:

2 days: 7/7 & 7/8 1 day: 7/15

Location:

T-107

Where to Register:

email Rachael Santos: rsantos@ttdistrict205.net

Learn how to respond with the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan (ALGEE):

- ssess for risk of suicide or harm.
- isten nonjudgmentally.
- ive reassurance and information.
- ncourage appropriate professional help.
- ncourage self-help and other support strategies.



# Thornridge High School



## Senior Signing Day

Held May 9<sup>th</sup>, Seniors were celebrated by being brought on stage and recognized with what college or university they are planning on going to. Seniors were also recognized for their decisions to enlist or be employed following their high school career!

## TR Prom



Held at Lacuna Artist Lofts downtown Chicago, Thornridge Seniors had their Prom May 19<sup>th</sup>. Everyone was dressed elegantly, and students had a ball!



Corvontae Williams participated in the Pole Vault



Demond Holt ran the 4x400 relay



Zebulon Turner participated in the High Jump



Andrew Bailey Took 6<sup>th</sup> in the Long Jump

# TR Track and Field at State

Thornridge High School's Boys Track and Field had five students qualify to go to the State meet! It was held at Eastern Illinois University!



Shamod Island participated in the Pole Vault

### **Thornridge Graduation**

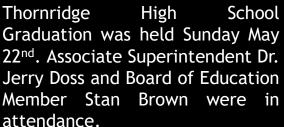
















#### **CONGRATULATIONS TTHS WILDCATS!!**







#### **NAVISTAR END OF YEAR CELEBRATION**



- On May 5, 2022, the Navistar Diesel Program celebrated the end of the three-year program for 2021-22 seniors.
- This is the tenth graduating class for the program that started over twelve years ago.
- This year's graduating class of 7 students to include several students that will go directly into the workforce as entry-level diesel technicians.





#### **NAVISTAR END OF YEAR CELEBRATION**









# THORNWOOD H.S. YEAR END COLLEGE, CAREER & SCHOLARSHIP INFO

#### Full IB Diploma Grads College/University Destination & Major

LaKeisha Bridges University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Computer Science & Economics

Asia Clark Western Illinois University

Psychology

Estrella Gonzalez Governors State University

**Business Administration** 

Michelle Gonzalez Governors State University

Hazeeza Olaniran Illinois Tech (Illinois Institute of Technology)

Biomedical Engineering

Kayla ONeil University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

History

Ajayla Self The New School (NY)

Performing Arts

Chloe Simpson University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Psychology

Darius Stevens Bradley University
Nursing/Pre-Med

U. S. Military Visits (In-person during all lunch periods): 53 total

· Air Force: 9

• Army: 9

Marines: 10

National Guard: 11

Navy: 14

The ASVAB Exam was administered to 4 T-Birds at TW. H. S. on Tuesday, March 29,

2022.

ASVAB Results Session was held April 26, 2022.

One (I) T-Bird has ENLISTED in the ARMY

One (I) T-Bird has ENLISTED in the MARINES Delayed Entry Program!

Two (2) T-Birds have ENLISTED in the NAVY

Three (3) T-Birds have ENLISTED in the U. S.AIR FORCE!

FAFSA Target Gift Card Raffle Recipients: 24

2022-2023 FAFSA & Alternative App. for State Aid Completions: 315/338 93%

D205 3E Post High School Plans Completed: 335 (78% plan to be Enrolled, 2% Enlisted & 20% Employed)

Scholarship Total: \$15,535,831

Financial Aid + Scholarships

Total: \$40,656,005

Thunderbird Nation



# THUNDERBIRD SCHOLAR-ATHLETES ADVANCE TO IHSA STATE-GIRLS & BOYS TRACK & FIELD

- TW Girls Track & Field team had a great season qualifying two athletes at the IHSA Sectionals for State. This year, Thornwood qualified Stephanie Nosike competing in shot put and discus, and Damya Williams in 100M hurdles.
- At the State Championship, Medalist Damya Williams came in 9th in the 100-meter hurdles and State qualifier Stephanie Nosike, came in 13th in shot put. Not bad for the first -year qualifying athletes, Great Job Girls Track & Field &
- Thornwood's Boys Track & Field team qualified one athlete for the IHSA State Meet. D'shawn Dorsey qualified in the High Jump and placed 5th in the 3A division at State with a jump of 6'5.25".



#### **THUNDERBIRD SCHOLAR-ATHLETES** ADVANCE TO IHSA STATE-BOYS TENNIS

The Thornwood Tennis Team sent representatives to the IHSA state tournament for the first time in 16 years! Aaron Bryant and Bryan Meza Molina (both seniors) took 3<sup>rd</sup> place at Sectional to qualify for the state tournament.

At the state tournament, they played well but lost a close match to Jacobs High School before losing their second match to Deerfield. This completed a solid season for the tennis team and Aaron/Bryan specifically, who finished the year with a 17-9 record.





### **DIGBY'S PROTECTION GROUP SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT**

Alum Samuel L. Digby (Class of 1993) returned to his alma mater to deliver the Class of 2022 Commencement Address on May 22, 2022. He gave an inspiring and motivating speech instructing graduates to be all they can possibly be and to remember to give back to individuals in their communities who will walk in their footsteps.

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Samivah Bovd-Hall	U of I-Urbana Champaign	Political Science

**Norfolk State University** 

**University of Kentucky** 

**Illinois State University** 

U of I-Urbana-Champaign

The New School(NY)

Prairie View A & M University

**Aaron Bryant** 

Sa'Nya Seats

Ajayla Self

Shaniyah Newman

**Aniyah Weddington** 

Khaliah Wesley

**Music Education** 

**Performing Arts** 

**Business & Entrepreneurship** 

Nursing

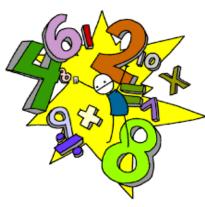
**Economics** 

**Psychology** 

### **PEACE Center's Growth**



Reading: Students that have shown growth has an average growth of 1.5 grade levels for this school year



Math: Students that have shown growth has an average growth of 2 grade levels for this school year.

### Peace Center

# New Business

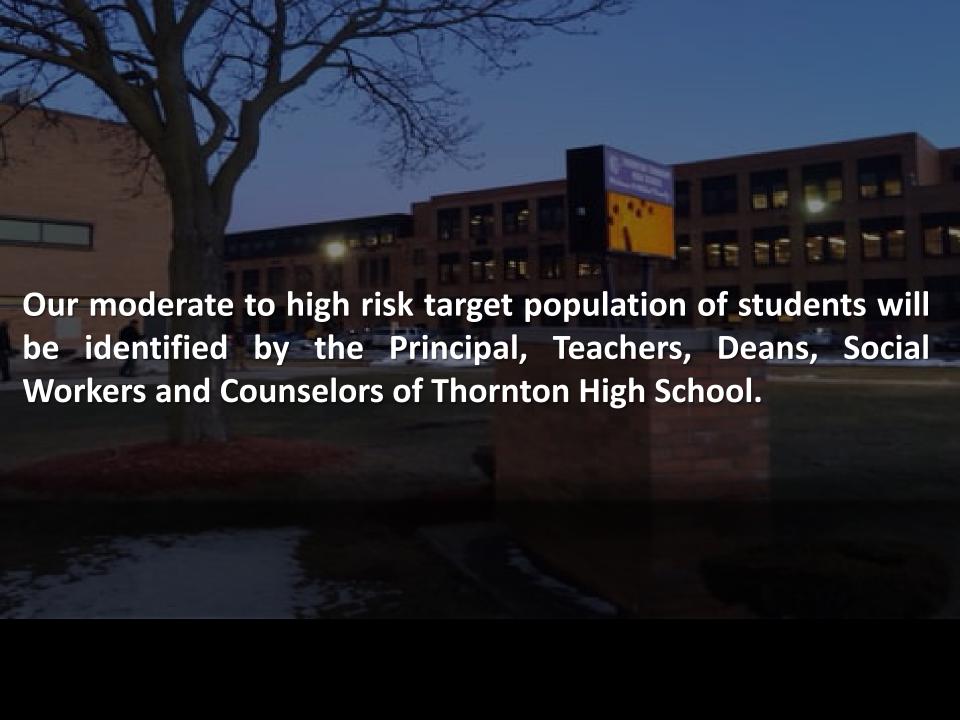
A. Presentation(s): Safe Passage/Roseland Ceasefire After School Program – **Mr. Fickes** 

#### ROSELAND CEASEFIRE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM



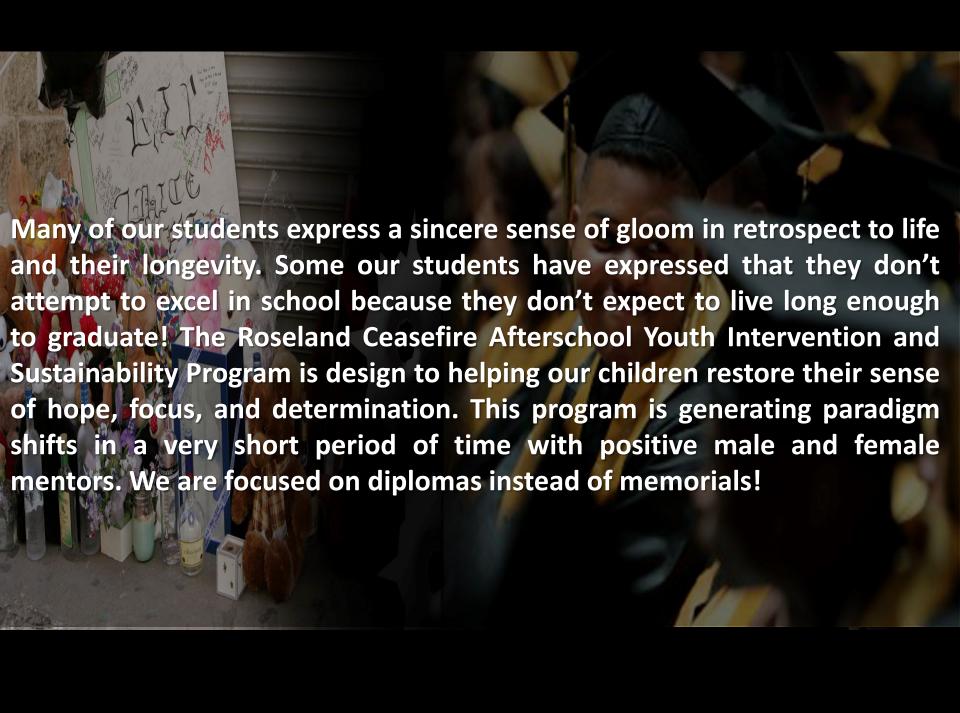
Roseland Ceasefire Afterschool Youth Intervention program is working with students within Thornton High School.

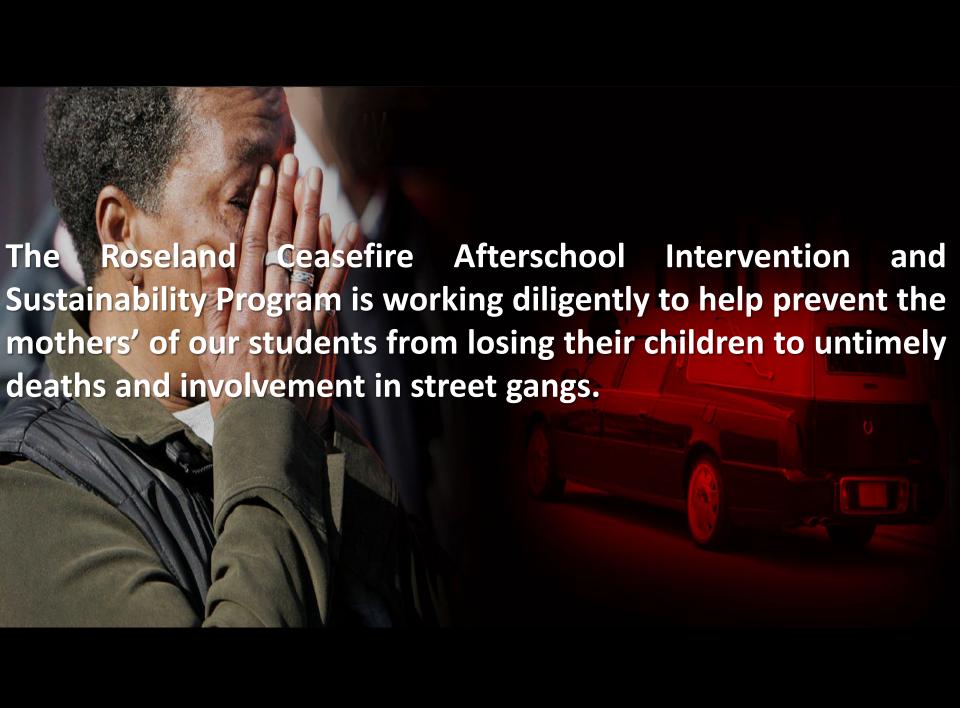
This program is designed to assist high risk to moderate risk students grade levels 9 -10. Roseland Ceasefire will assist students in grade levels 11 -12 per need on a case per case bases. Our Program Director, Case Managers, and Outreach team are focused on building our students' weakness and strengths.



The Roseland Ceasefire Afterschool Youth Intervention and Sustainability Program is a multifaceted initiative that is focused on:

- 1. Reducing violence
- 2. Provide male and female mentors
- 3. Connecting community partners to our students/ families
- 4. Provide life skills training
- 5. Provide weekly guest speakers (judges, attorneys, former incarcerated males/females, police, etc.)
- 6. Anger management training





### How Does Violence Affect Our Students?

Violence can lead to death or cause life-changing non-fatal injuries. People who survive violent crimes endure physical, emotional, and many times mental pain and suffering. Many students who live in high crime areas who are exposed to violence regularly suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder. Many of these students are never treated for this disorder! Ponder on how this will affect their growth and development growing from childhood, adolescence, and into adulthood!







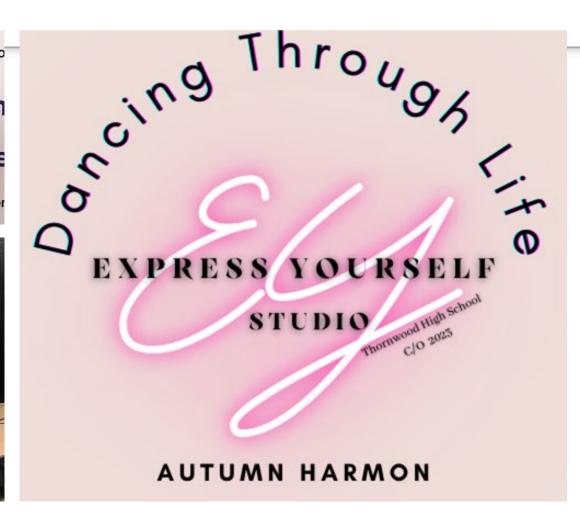


- B. Student Presentation: Scholarship Award Recipient
  - Mr. Fickes













### NFTE Midwest Finals Competition – Winner Autumn Harmon, Express Yourself Studio

- The Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE)'s mission is to activate the entrepreneurial mindset and build startup skills in an entire generation of young people.
- I would like to thank the School board, administration and Thornwood High School, for giving me this opportunity to be able to take a NFTE class and to experience something this grand.
- I also thank Mrs. Liaskos for her leadership, coaching, mentoring and support. I have learned so much and I have grown from this experience. I am been able to take what I love and turn it into a business to help people dance away stress and mental illness.
- I look forward to continuing my education and competing in the Nationals in NYC this fall!

C. Recommended Approval of Student Board of Education Summer Retreat – **Dr. Doss** 

- D. Recommended Approval of Special Olympics Overnight State Finals Fieldtrip, Bloomington-Normal, IL, June 17-19, 2022
  - Mr. Porter

E. Recommended Approval to Renew the Motion to Approve District Office Landscaping – **Mr. Crump/Mr. Horton** 

F. Recommended Approval of Districtwide Fire System Inspection - **Mr. Horton** 

G. Recommended Approval to Districtwide Multiple Van Purchase - **Mr. Horton** 

H. Recommended Approval of Tuckpointing Phase 4 - Mr. Horton

I. Recommended Approval of Capital Planning Review (Update) - Mr. Horton

- J. Recommended Approval of Thornton Security Desk
  - Mr. Horton

K. Recommended Approval of Thornridge and Thornwood High Schools Generator Governors Upgrade - Mr. Horton

- L. Recommended Approval of First Student Contract Renewal
  - Mr. Horton

- M. Recommended Approval of ABM Contract Renewal
  - Mr. Horton

- N. Recommended Approval of Prudential Contract Renewal
  - Mr. Horton

O. Superintendent's Report – **Dr. Nathaniel Cunningham Jr.** 

- P. Faculty Association **Mr. Bearden** 
  - Current use of ESSER funds
  - Retention bonuses for the 205 staff

#### Executive Session

- Closed session pursuant to Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to consider:
  - 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 Executive Session

- A. Motion to Approve Response to Grievance No. 021622
- B. Motion to Approve Human Resources Labor Shortage and Open Positions Action Plan
- C. Motion to Approve Memorandum of Agreement with Buildings and Grounds and Maintenance Employees Union of Support Staff, IEA/NEA
- D. Motion to Approve Extra Experience Credit for Teacher
- E. Motion to Approve the Annual Employment Contracts for Administrative and Exempt personnel
- F. Motion to Approve the Board's Semi-Annual Review of unreleased closed meeting minutes for public inspection (September 2021, October 2021, November 2021, December 2021, January 2022, February 2022, March 2022)

## Adjournment

#### **NEXT MEETING**

July 13, 2022 6:30pm Thornwood High School