THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

March 14, 2018

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





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

- Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting of November 13, 2017
- **Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting and Executive Session of January 10, 2018
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- Approval of District 205 Bills dated: February 15 through March 14, 2018
- **Personnel:** Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires and Terminations dated March 14, 2018
- Ratifications:
 - Overnight Field Trip for Thornwood Special Olympics Basketball in Bloomington/Normal, Illinois
 - Overnight Field Trip for Thornwood Special Olympics Basketball in Normal, Illinois
 - Overnight Field Trip for Thornton Speech Tournament to Peoria, Illinois

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 no sign in and list a topic or the topic is not on the current Board agenda or if public participation has begun.

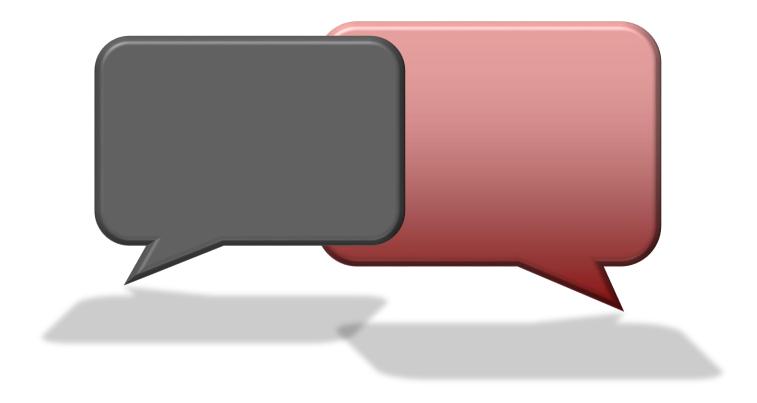
Freedom Of Information Act

• Dr. Doss



Communications

• Mr. Arrington



COLLEGES



MARCH MADNESS Scholar Tournament

On the last day of the tour, we will have a tournament between all the students that showcases their knowledge on things we've learned during our college and cultural visits on the tour.



The District 205 Annual Historically Black College & University Tour will be held during Spring Break, March 26th thru the 29th. Students will tour seven HBCU's in Alabama, Mississippi and Tennessee.

This is an incredible opportunity to get an up close and personal visit at these top notch colleges and universities.

Please call Mr. John Arrington, Director of College & Career Programs at 708-225-4551 for more information.

#ParentCentered

District 205 FACE Summit Saturday, March 24, 2018

http://www.district205summit.net/

2018 INAUGURAL FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT Survey

DISTRICT 205

SAVE THE DATE Saturday March 24, 2018

Federal Programs has been steadfast in its quest to carry out the Family and Community Engagement (FACE) mission to empower parents to actively participate in their children's education by providing support, resources, and assistance that will increase parental involvement, enhance student achievement and promote community partnerships.



Dr Albert J. Holmes. Jr. Federal & State Programs Coordinator

Dr. Leotis D. Swopes Superintendent of Schools

PREPARING OUR STUDENTS FOR A LIFETIME OF SUCCESS

Register early at summit.district205.net

Our future is proudly Student Centered



Congratulations to **Devon Gordon and Darael Dugar** for making the Southwest Suburban All Conference Wrestling Team (Red Division). Darael's record for the year was 30 wins and 4 losses culminating it by placing 5th at IHSA State meet. Devon's record was 32 wins and 4 losses.

In addition, **Darael** was voted by the conference coaches as the SWSC Wrestler of The Year (Red Division). This makes the first Thornridge athlete to become Athlete of the Year in the SWSC in any sport.



Congratulations to the **TR Band students** that participated in IHSA State Solo and Ensemble Contest at Hillcrest High School. With 24 entries of Solo and Ensembles, all 24 entries received Division I Superior Ratings.

> 6 Best Performances of the Day: Brianna Boyd Trumpet Eddie Collins Trumpet Destin Miller Alto Sax Brianna Boyd Trumpet Miyah Norwood Trumpet Sonja Bradley Trumpet





Congratulations to **Destiny Kelly**,

sophomore in the Project Lead the Way Program for being awarded an all expense paid summer scholarship to NASA's space camp in Alabama. Her aspirations are to go into aerospace engineering.





Congratulations to TT senior, Frances Walker, who received 2nd place at the Top Ladies of Distinction Annual Black Heritage Bowl on February 24th in Phoenix, IL. Frances competed against three teams of students who live across the Chicagoland area. Each team consisted of five participants. Frances came in second place with a score of 285 points.

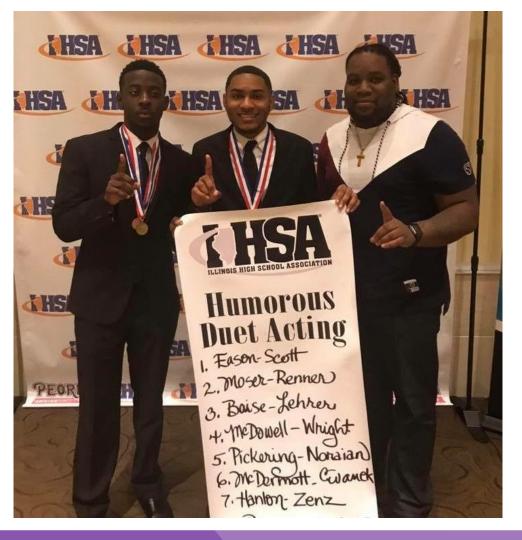




The **Thornton Speech team** competed at the IHSA state speech tournament in Peoria, Illinois. The team finished 4th in the entire state.

Congratulations to: Frances Walker Cymone Winters Malachi Wright Desiree Parker Ira Wright Ira McDowell





First in State

Congratulations to TT's own Ira Wright & Ira McDowell, as they became the first humorous duet acting team to repeat as champions in IHSA history!



Round of applause to the TW Speech team! Sophomore Jada Johnson finished 5th place (out of over 200 dis: schools) in Dramatic Prose at the IHSA State Speech Finals. The **Group Interp** cast received All-Conference Cast Awards, which means at least two of the three judges ranked the actors' performance as outstanding.

Jada Johnson Kendall O'neal **Cidney Thicklin**

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Khasira Martin

Au'Riana Dunlap

Jala Stokes **Antwan Potts Jaylin Williams Jalen Carter**

Congratulations to Thornwood Graduates Ayo Taiwo and Tyrique Carney on competing at the Louder Than a Bomb Poetry Festival. Ayo Taiwo finished in 2nd place at this year's competition.





The **Thornwood Special Olympics** coaches would like to thank the

board for the opportunity to show our athletes what it is like to volunteer and give back to the homeless and less fortunate. TW helped put together over 1500 kits (soap, toothpaste, shampoo, toothbrushes etc.) that will be donated to homeless shelters and Red Cross victims of disaster. United Airlines employees worked hand in hand with our athletes in a competition against two other teams. Our athletes had different jobs and also enjoyed themselves as a DJ played and the kids danced and cheered.

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Congratulations to the **TW Special Olympics Rhythmic Gymnastics team** that placed in

Rhythimic Ball: Gold – Victoria Traylor Bronze – Marcy Mayes, Phencia Butler 4th place ribbon – Lynette Wilson Jumaya Craig Megan Jackson

Rhythmic Ribbon: Gold – Jumaya Craig Silver – Victoria Traylor, Megan Jackson Bronze – Marcy Mayes Phencia Butler Lynette Wilson



Outlook Academy

March Staff Member of the Month – Paul Arrington, Business Teacher



March Student of the Month – Khalid Woolfolk



For more information on Outlook Academy please visit the Outlook Academy Web Page on the District Web Site: www.district205.net.

Outlook Academy



Congratulations to Thornridge Wrestler Keenan Alexander who is the 2018 IHSA Wrestling Regional Champion.

Outlook Academy



Congratulations to Thornridge student Jerald Simmons, named Boys Basketball All Conference

Unfinished Business



 Thornton Township High School Speech Team – Mr. Fickes

Thornton Speech Team





 Recommended Approval of 2018-2019 IHSA Membership – Dr. Swopes (Approval Needed)



 Recommended Approval of Overnight Field Trip – Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)



 Recommended Approval of 2018-2019 School Calendar – Dr. Doss (Approval Needed)

2018-19 Calendar

The Calendar includes the following:

- First day of school for staff will be August 13, 2018.
- First day of school for students will be August 15, 2018.
- There will be four teacher institute days two are scheduled for the first and second day of school.
- Back to School Night will be September 6, 2018.
- Winter break will be December 22- January 4, 2019.
- Spring Break will be April 19-26, 2019
- Graduation will be May 19, 2019
- Last day of school May 24, 2019



 Recommended Approval of Civics Textbook Purchase – Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)



 Recommended Approval of Abatement of Working Cash– Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)



• Recommended Approval to Go Out to Bid for Chimney Repairs– Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)



 Recommended Approval to Go Out to Bid for Custodial Services – Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)



 Recommended Approval to Go Out to Bid for Security Services – Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)

Superintendent's Report

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



- Possible Action Concerning Settlement Agreement for Grievance Nos. 091916 and 112916
- Possible Action Concerning Non-Renewals of Certified Staff
- Possible Action Concerning Legal Counsel for Paraprofessional Negotiations
- Possible Action Concerning Superintendent Contract



NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, April 11, 2018 6:30pm Thornton High School