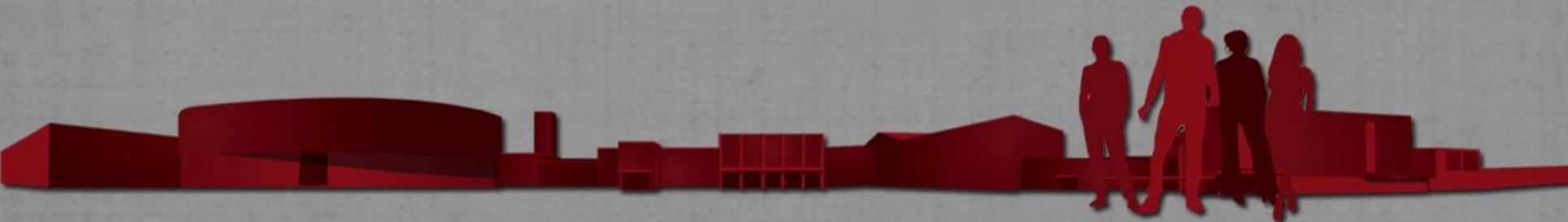


# **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**January 10, 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



# **Open Session**

# **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**

- **Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting and Executive Session on November 8, 2017
- **Approval of District 205 Bills dated:** December 14, 2017 through January 10, 2018
- **Personnel:** Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires and Terminations dated January 10, 2018
- **Ratification:** Overnight Field Trip for Thornton Boys Wrestling Tournament in Lincoln, 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 not sign in and list a topic or the topic is not on the current Board agenda or if public participation has begun.*

# **Public Hearing**

- *Public Hearing Concerning the Intent of the District to Sell \$2,000,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds –*

**Mr. Horton**

# **Freedom Of Information Act**

- *Dr. Doss*

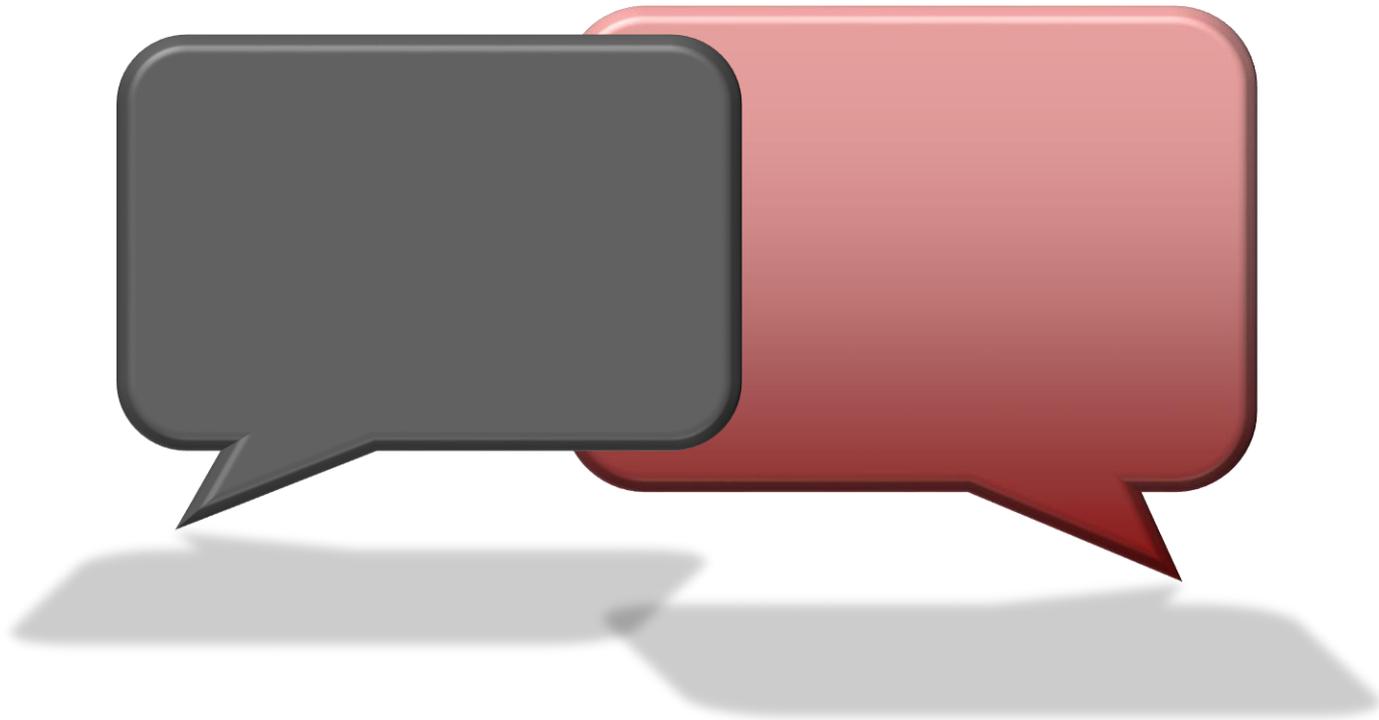
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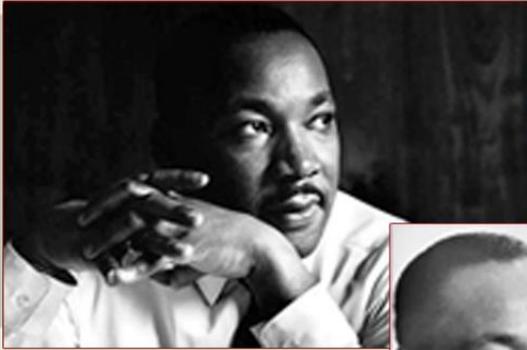


# **Communications**

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- *Mr. Arrington*





THORNTON TOWNSHIP & DISTRICT 205  
*Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
Celebration*

JANUARY 15, 2018

10:00AM *(Doors open at 9am)*

SOUTH SUBURBAN COLLEGE  
KINDIG PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
15800 SOUTH STATE STREET  
SOUTH HOLLAND, IL 60473



# Every Student Succeed Act (ESSA) Annual Conference Chicago, IL - February 12-14, 2018 Sheraton Grand Chicago Hotel

Three (3) District 205 Proposed Presentations have been recommended for inclusion in the Annual Statewide ESSA Conference.



**Thornton Township High School District 205**  
**Dr. Leotis D. Swopes, Superintendent**

# Every Student Succeed Act (ESSA) Annual Conference

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### Ensuring Parent Centered Engagement in Focus and Priority Title I Schools

□ **Monday, February 12, 2018**

#### Presenters:

- Dr. Albert J. Holmes, Jr., Federal Programs Coordinator
- Principal Ebonie Williams, Thornridge High School
- Ms. Andrea Stith, Thornridge High School Parent Coordinator
- Ms. Della Mayes, Thornwood High School Parent Coordinator



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Outlook Academy – Drop Out Prevention and  
Credit Recovery Program

□ **Monday, February 12, 2018**



Presenters

- Mrs. Patricia Malopsy- Fortier, Program Coordinator of Outlook Academy
- Mr. Josh Folsom, Outlook Academy
- Mrs. Pamela Martin, Outlook Academy



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One Team, One Mission: Designing, Implementing, and Monitoring Effective Title I Programs in District 205

□ **Tuesday, February 13, 2018**

Presenters:

- Dr. Albert J. Holmes, Federal Programs Coordinator
- Dr. Ida Turpin, Consultant
- Mrs. Sarit Hampton, Manager of Federal Compliance



#ParentCentered



# District 205 FACE Summit Saturday, March 24, 2018

<http://www.district205summit.net/>

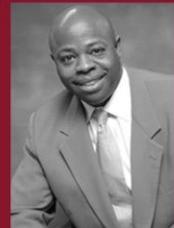


# 2018 INAUGURAL FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT Summit

## 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.

**DISTRICT 205**




**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](http://summit.district205.net)

Our future is proudly Student Centered



**TR AVID** is pleased to announce its Student of the Month for  
December!

Freshmen AVID Student **Labria Gordon** has been awarded this honor by her AVID teacher, Mrs. Martinez. Labria is being recognized for her outstanding progress she has made in AVID and the rest of her classes. Labria is helpful to her classmates, sets a great example for others to follow, and is involved in many activities at TR. She also has an impressive 4.37 GPA! Congratulations Labria! Job well done and we wish you continued success!



Thornridge hosted its first **All School Spirit Day** on Wednesday, January 3rd! This day gave students and staff an opportunity to build positive relationships during shortened class periods, and the day ended with staff versus student activities in the gym. We had basketball, hula hooping, dance, push-up, and pie eating contests. This was a rewarding day for the entire school! We are TR!



# Speech & Drama



This past weekend, the Thornton Speech Team competed at Thornwood High School. The team finished 4<sup>th</sup> overall. The following students earned individual awards:

<b>Ira McDowell and Ira Wright</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place in</b>	<b>Humorous Duet Acting Prose Reading</b>
<b>Zion Hurndon</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place in</b>	<b>Prose Reading</b>
<b>Desire Parker</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place in</b>	<b>Dramatic Interpretation</b>
<b>Kavonya Moore</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place in</b>	<b>Oratorical Declamation</b>
<b>Malachi Wright</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place in</b>	<b>Special Occasion</b>



The Sophisticats placed 3<sup>RD</sup> in the IDTA 2AA Hip Hop Dance Category this past Sunday at Main East High School.

**JAMILA TURNER** received the Rising Star Award for the varsity team.

The dance team will be competing on Wednesday, January 10<sup>TH</sup> for SWSC All Dance Conference at Bolingbrook High School.



This years **Career Prep Class** at Thornwood has been an overwhelming success. This class has 29 seniors, 25 of which have work-study jobs after school. We are hoping to expand this work-study program district wide in the fall. We want to thank teacher extraordinaire Mr. Walt Altman, as well as the Thornwood administration, who have given strong support and backing to this program for our students.



# Outlook Academy

January Staff Member of the Month - Pam Martin, OA Counselor



January Student of the Month - Jerald Simmons



University  
of  
Georgia  
Basketball  
Recruit

For more information on Outlook Academy  
please visit the Outlook Academy Web  
Page on the District Web Site:

[www.district205.net](http://www.district205.net).

# **Unfinished Business**

# **New Business**

- *Advanced Placement Program and Thornwood AVID Program–  
Mr. Fickes*

# District 205 Advanced Placement (AP) Program

- AP courses are college courses taught in a high school setting. Students can achieve college credit by passing their comprehensive College Board exam in May. All public universities in Illinois must give college credit to every student who achieves a 3/5 on the exam.
- AP courses have been taught for at least 20 years in District 205.
- Thornwood has 6 AP courses that serve 75 students.
- Thornton has 8 AP courses that serve approximately 95 students.
- Thornridge has 5 courses that serve 30 students.

# District 205 AP Program

- Every year in the United States, nearly 60% of first-year college students discover that, despite being fully eligible to attend college, they are not ready for postsecondary studies. (The National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education, 2010)
- Our key objective is challenging students with a college **experience** in high school.
- Advantages to our AP Program include: ties to AVID and SAT, relatively low costs for teacher training and examination, experience for a large number and diverse population of students.

# District 205 AVID Family Reunion



On January 4, over 75 people came together to celebrate the impact that AVID has had in the lives of the students in District 205 for the past six years. They enjoyed food, fellowship, and laughter with district administrators and staff, current AVID students, AVID alum and a host of family and friends.



# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Policy 7:100 Amendment–  
Dr. Doss (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Out-of-State Field Trip–  
Mr. Willis (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Overnight Field Trip – Mrs. Williams (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Sylvan Supplemental Services (SAT)–  
Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Chromebook Charging Carts Purchase–  
Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of READ 180 Professional Development–  
Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of READ 180 Licenses Purchase–  
Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Drivers Education Vehicle Purchase–  
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Faculty Association–  
Mr. Ken Wendorff*

# **Superintendent's Report**

# **Executive Session**

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- 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**

- ❖ *Possible Action Concerning Student Discipline*
- ❖ *Possible Action Concerning Superintendent Contract*
- ❖ *Action Concerning Authorization of Written Decision for Union of Support Staff Grievance*

# **Adjournment**

## **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

6:30pm

Thornton High School