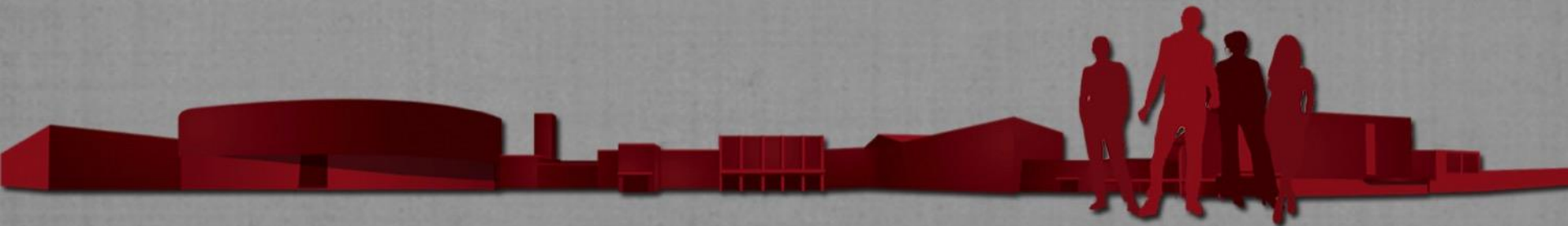


BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

February 8, 2017

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: Special Meeting and Executive Session of October 4, 2016*
- *Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting and Executive Session of November 9, 2016*
- *Approval of District 205 Bills dated: January 11 through February 8, 2017*
- *Personnel: Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires and Terminations dated February 8, 2017*
- *Ratification: Overnight Field Trip for Thornton Dance Team to Bloomington, 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.

Freedom Of Information Act

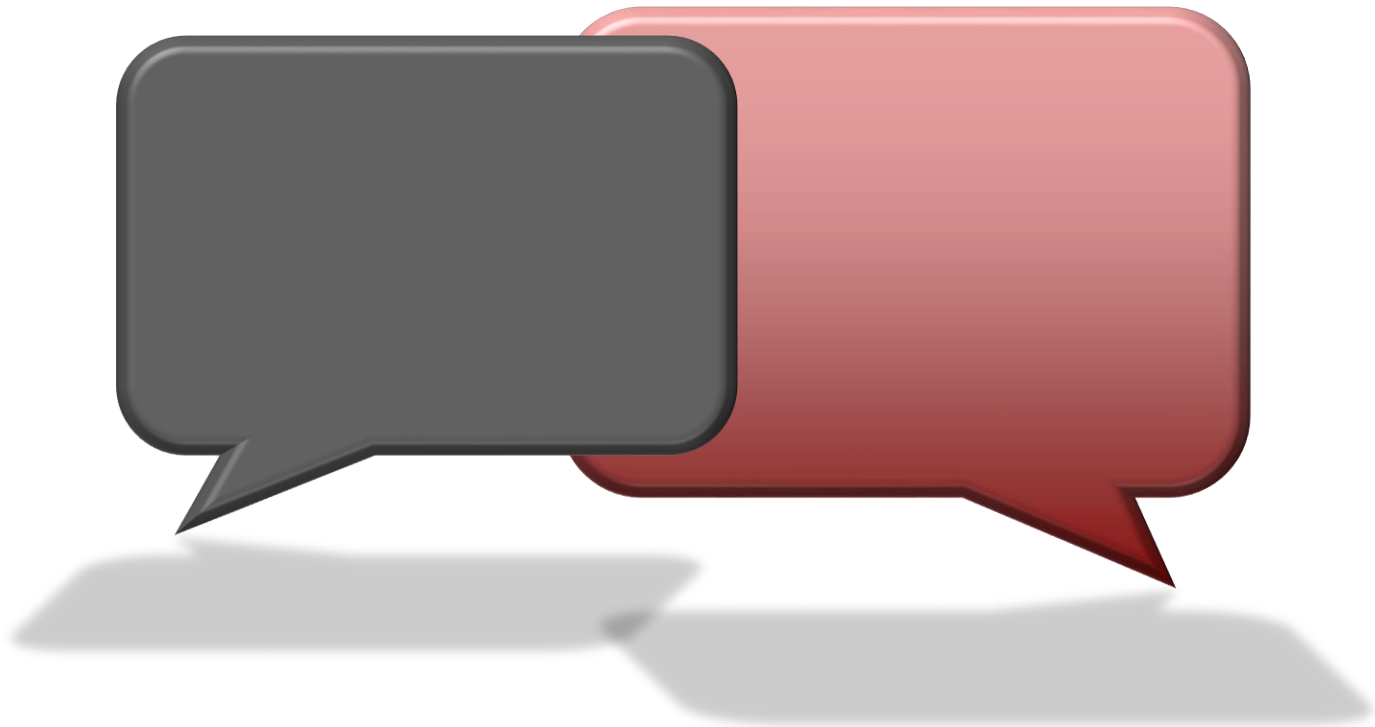
- *Dr. Doss*

FOIA



Communications

- *Mr. Arrington*



Communications

Welcome Parents! Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, February 16th

Outlook Academy: 5pm - 8pm

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TR: 5pm - 8pm

TT: 5pm - 8pm

TW: 4:30pm - 7:30pm

Friday, February 17th

(NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS)

Outlook Academy: 8am - 11am

TR: 8am - 11am

TT: 8am - 11am

TW: 8am - 11am

Communications

SAVE THE DATE

School District 205 and Thornridge High School
present

The Ultimate Honor

Jersey Retirement Ceremony

Honoring

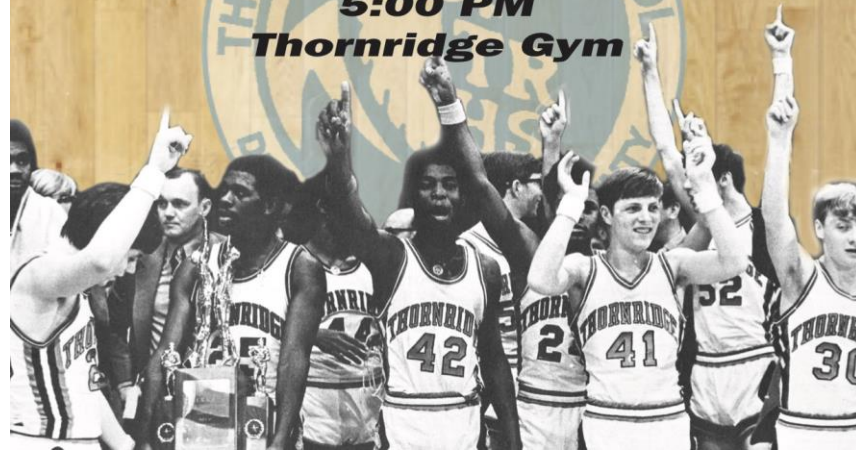
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**BACK TO BACK BASKETBALL
STATE CHAMPIONS**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2017

5:00 PM

Thornridge Gym



Communications

Institute Day – January 30, 2017

- Student focused agenda*
- Trainings were held for teachers in ACE as well as SB100*
- Overall wonderful day for our entire staff*

Communications

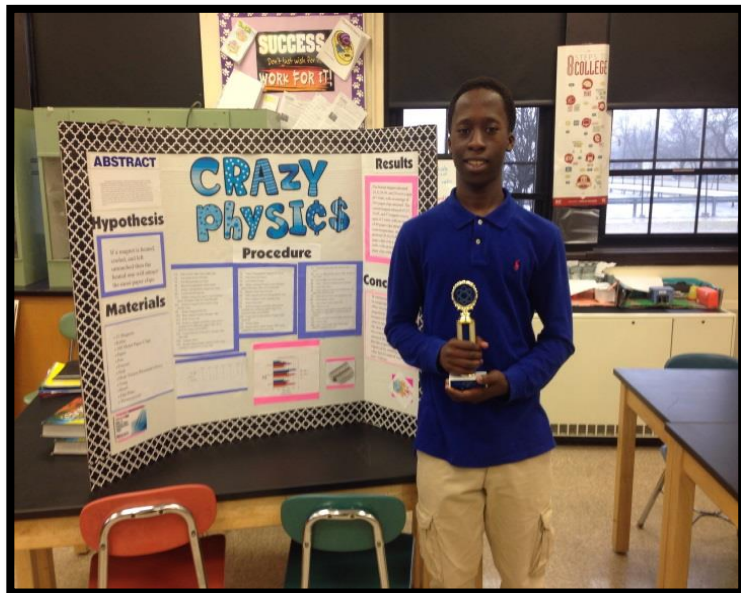
Congratulations to Destin Miller on being the featured Tenor Saxophone player for the Illinois Music Educators Association All State Honors Orchestra and Ricardo Heard III for being selected as the Alto Clarinet player in the ILMEA All State Concert Band.



Communications

*Congratulations to **O-Lu-Ka-yode A-de-bo-gun**.....for winning first place in the science fair*

***Francia Uribe** won “Best of School” for her ceramic “Lotus Bowl” at the South Suburban College Art Student Exhibit*



Communications

Congratulations to **Elizabeth Morales** for winning 1st place in a shooting, passing ball skills tournament at Thornwood. She has also qualified to compete at Illinois State University in March.



Thornton's Spin Cats Flag Team won 1st place in the AA Tall Flags Category at the Illinois Drill Team Association. A special shout out to senior **Shawndrea Van Dyke** for winning 1st place in the Flag Solo category. She has also qualified to compete in the IDTA State Competition in Springfield, IL on February 10th-11th.

Communications

On Saturday, February 4th the Wildcat speech team had a tremendous day at the Eisenhower Regional Tournament. Performance in the Round took 2nd place as well as the following individual awards.



- *Amari Henry & Deja Cook – 1st in Dramatic Duet Acting*
- *Desiree Parker – 1st in Dramatic Interpretation*
- *Ira McDowell & Ira Wright – 1st in Humorous Duet Acting*
- *Ira McDowell – 2nd in Original Comedy*
- *Kavonya Moore – 1st in Oratorical Declamation & 3rd in Special Occasion Speaking*
- *Kiara Gandy – 1st in Poetry Reading and 1st in Prose Reading*
- *Kristyn Stallings – 3rd in Radio Speaking & 4th in Original Oratory*
- *Zion Hurndon – 4th in Informative Speaking*

Communications

*Congratulations to Thornwood's **Kameesha Smith** for receiving a FULL SCHOLARSHIP to Southern Illinois University (Carbondale)!*



Communications

*On Saturday, February 4th, the **TW speech team** competed well at the Eisenhower Regional Tournament.*



***Audrey Mayes** – 2nd Place – Impromptu Speaking*

***Jada Johnson** – 3rd Place - Poetry Reading*



*The students advance to compete at the Sectional Tournament on Saturday, February 11th, where the state tournament qualifiers will be determined. Please congratulate these students, along with **Head Coach Sherwana Stewart** and her staff.*

Go T-Birds!

Communications

*The **Thornwood Thunderbirds Gold Special Olympics Team** took the Gold Medal at the Area Tournament in Evergreen Park High School in January. The Thunderbirds will now advance to the State Tournament at Illinois State University in March. **Jonathon Tyson** and **Deandre Taylor** were true leaders and worked extremely hard on both offense and defense. **Jamiah Shepard** played extraordinary defense and forced several turnovers.*

Results:

LWSRA	58
Thornwood	62

Crete Monee	38
Thornwood	46

Athletes in picture:

*Jamiah Shepard
Jordan Fuller
Deonte Burks
Deandre Taylor
Jaylen Echols
Tyree Hardy
Jonathon Tyson
Aaron Bean*



Coaches: *Lisa Zuccolo & Denard Eaves*

Communications

TW's Jamiah Shepard is heading to Austria this March as a member of Team USA (Snowshoe) to compete in the Special Olympics Winter World Games and was featured in an article from the Bugle Newspaper.



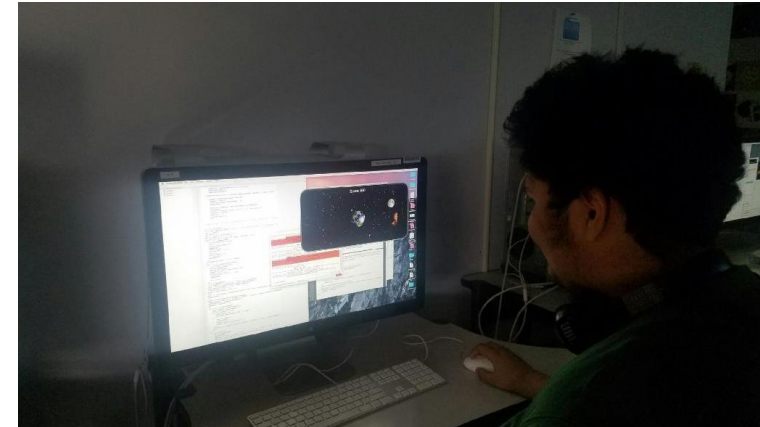
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Outlook Academy students have participated in the following classes.

Art Class



FAFSA Prep



Game Design Class

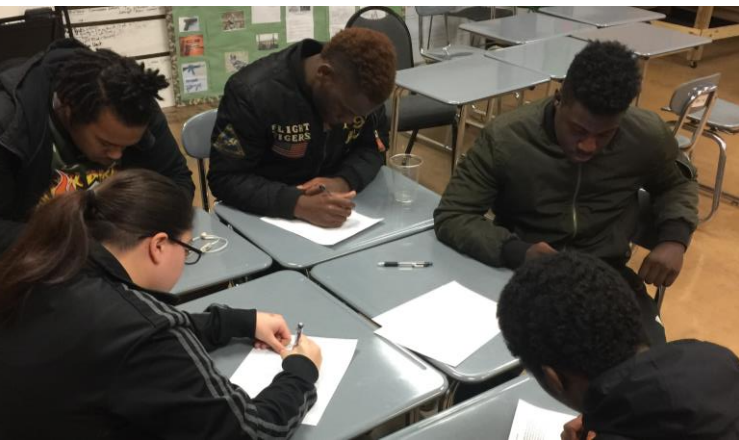


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Karate Class



ROTC

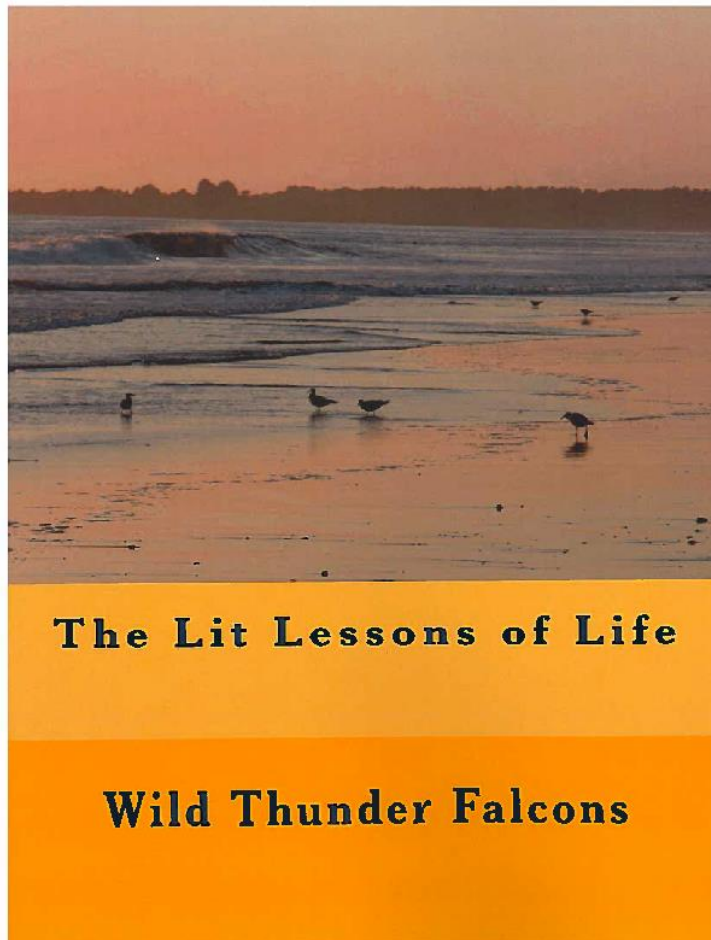


Radio TV Class



Communications

Pre-Pharmacy Presentation



Unfinished Business

New Business

- *Faculty Association-*
Mr. Bearden, President

New Business

- *International Baccalaureate Program Presentation-
Mr. Fickes*



International Baccalaureate UPDATE

February 2017

What Is IB?

- The IB program is an academic experience that encourages students to think broadly, beyond the boundaries of their communities, and to consider themselves members of a global society. It has gained recognition and respect from many U.S. colleges.
- Students take classes in 6 different core subject groups.
- Assessments are given to determine IB course credits, which possibly translate to college credits.

The IB Vision

- “The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring , knowledgeable and caring young people who help create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.”
- “The program encourages students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right. The classes are challenging intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually.”

What Are The Benefits of IB?

- Students enrolled in the IB Programme or in individual courses, will have the opportunity to take a more advanced class and through various assessments, possibly obtain college credit.
- Many colleges and universities world-wide accept IB credits and give preference to students with an IB background.
- Colleges look favorably on even attempting to attain the diploma.

College & University Acceptance

2016 - 2017

Alabama A&M University
Augustana College
Barry University
Bradley University
Central College
Clark Atlanta University
Concordia University
DePaul University
Grand Valley State
Harvard University
Illinois College
Iowa Wesleyan
Louisiana State University
Loyola University
McKendrie University
North Carolina A&T State
Northern Illinois University

Alcorn State University
Ball State
Benedictine University
Carthage College
Central State University
Coe College
Creighton University
Dominican University
Hampton University
Hawaii Pacific
Iowa State University
Lewis University
Loyola New Orleans
Luther College
Missouri University
North Central College

Ohio State University
Roosevelt University
SIU Edwardsville
St. Ambrose College
St. Scholastica College
Stetson University
Trinity Christian College
University of Illinois at Springfield
University of Illinois Urbana
University of Clark Atlanta
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Indianapolis
University of Memphis
University of New Orleans
Valparaiso University
Wittenberg University

Philander Smith College
SIU Carbondale
Spelman College
St. Catherine University
St. Xavier University
Texas A&M Commerce
Tuskegee University
University of Akron
University of Findlay
University of Kentucky
University of Missouri
University of North Texas
Western Illinois University
Youngstown State University

University Scholarship Awards

District 205 IB Students have been offered over \$8,000,000 in university scholarship monies as of January 2017.

CAS Hours

The District IB Students have completed over 7,000 CAS hrs. CAS is the Creativity, Service, and Action component of the programme.

2015-2016

- Of 149 courses, 92% of Thornwood students had a C or higher
- Of 171 courses, 98% of Thornridge students had a C or higher
- Of 176 courses, 95% of Thornton students had a C or higher

ACT Scores

IB DIPLOMA STUDENTS -- AVG. ACT SCORES APRIL **2016** TEST DATE

SCHOOL	ENG	MATH	READ	SCI	COMP
TR (n = 10)	18.1	18.6	18.8	19.1	18.8
TT (n = 20)	21.9	21.0	21.3	21.0	21.3
TW (n = 16)	24.8	22.4	22.7	22.5	23.2
Dist (n = 46)	22.1	21.0	21.2	21.1	21.4

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of School Resource Officer
Memorandum of Understanding—
Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Overnight Field Trip to Peoria, Illinois—
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Overnight Field Trip to Springfield, Illinois—
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Issuance of Working Cash Bond Resolution—*
(Consideration of a resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$3,400,000 of working cash fund bonds of the District, providing for the levy of taxes to pay the bonds and authorizing the sale of the bonds to the purchaser thereof.)
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Issuance of Parameters Resolution for Capital Bonds—*

(Consideration of a resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$30,000,000 of general obligation school bonds (alternate revenue source) of the District for the purpose of building and equipping in addition to, altering, repairing and equipping school buildings and facilities and improving school sites, providing for the pledge of certain revenues to the payment of the bonds and the levy of taxes to pay the bonds if the pledged revenues are insufficient to make such payment and authorizing the sale of the bonds to the purchaser thereof.)

Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Certiport Software Purchase—
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Stadium Upgrade Phase 1 Bid—
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval to Go Out to Bid for Food Services—
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval to Go Out to Bid for Transportation Services—
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Blue Island TIF 2 Extension—
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of School Safety Plan—
Dr. Swopes (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Audit Finding for Years FY14 and FY15 in the Amount of \$38,850 (\$14,240 and \$24,610 respectively)–
Dr. Swopes (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 of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.”*
 - *Student discipline*
 - *Collective negotiating matters, and*
 - *Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent.*

Reconvene Open Session

Action Items Following **Executive Session**

- ❖ *Possible Action Regarding Student Discipline*
- ❖ *Possible Action Regarding Clerical Grievance*
- ❖ *Approval of AFSCME Clerical Employees Collective Bargaining Agreement*
- ❖ *Approval of Board decision re: Faculty Association Grievance #112916*

Adjournment

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

6:30pm

Thornton Township High School