

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

JANUARY 14, 2015

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



Freedom Of Information Act

- *Mr. Brett Fickes*

FOIA



Communications

- *Mr. Brett Fickes*



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THORNTON TOWNSHIP & DISTRICT 205

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration

JANUARY 19, 2015

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

SOUTH SUBURBAN COLLEGE
KINDIG PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

15800 SOUTH STATE STREET
SOUTH HOLLAND, IL 60473



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THORNTON CO-OP WINS FIRST SECTIONAL TITLE

THE WILDCATS WON 2-0 OVER LOCKPORT ON NOVEMBER 1ST.

CONGRATULATIONS FELLAS!

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During the month of November D205 students and Schaumburg High School participated in the annual Student Exchange.



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**Congratulations to
Coach
Gonzalez
on being named the
Southtown Star
2014 Boys Soccer
Coach of the Year**

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The Student Board of Education collected canned goods from community members for the holidays.



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TR's National Honor Society donates time and food to the local food bank.



Communications

TR held its 2nd annual Parent and Community Induction Ceremony October 28th.



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Actress Felicia Fields visited TR on October 29th to give advice to the theater arts students as they prepare for their fall play.



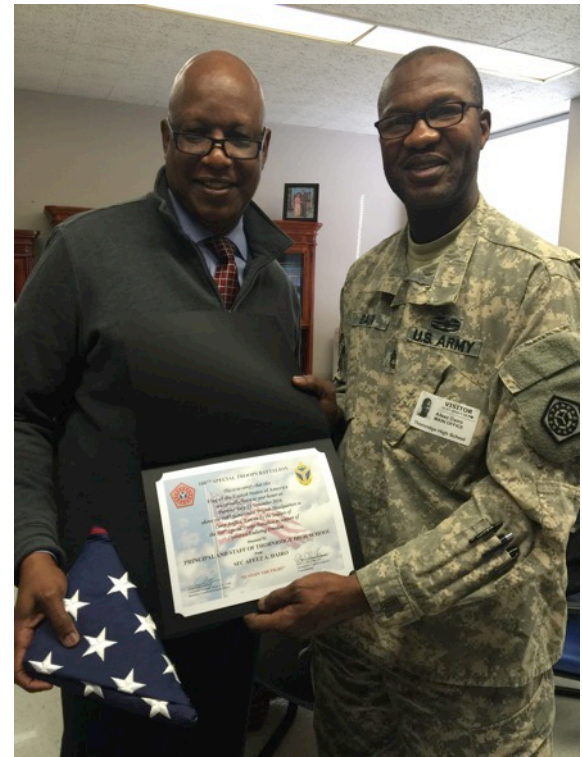
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Feeder school students enjoy the annual Biology Bowl held at TR on November 6th.



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TR was presented with an American flag by the 108th Special Troops Battalion in support of Operation Enduring Freedom on November 17th.



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The Voices of TR performed the National Anthem at the Chicago Southland Chamber of Commerce Holiday Luncheon on December 3rd.



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Congratulations to the following TR seniors who have received over \$1 Million in scholarships.

Bottom row (seated left to right):

Trena Brown, Kiera Newell, Shacaryel Robinson, Jewelle Vernon

Top row (left to right):

Kenneth Bradley, Ariana Byrd, Jayda Lewis, Mr. Walton, Zhivan Robinson, Amari Oliver, David Salami



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TR's National Honor Society collected over 1,000 can goods and over \$100 cash donations for their annual food drive.

The winner for most cans/donations collected was Ms. Zachery's 3rd period class!

A big shout out to Mr. Cole's 3rd period class who came in a close second place!



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Congratulations to senior band members



MIYAH EDWARDS * COURTLAND WHEAT * MONIQUE NORTON

IAN KAY * TIMOTHY JONES * JAMES HANNAH * MESHA WHITAKER

TRISTAN SHEPARD * LEVONTE TURNER (PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP)

**on receiving full
tuition talent scholarships**

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Students from TR's Student Council joined students from District 151 in a Adopt-A-Grandparent event to help give gifts and raise money for the Holland Home residents in South Holland.



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Thornton's New Generation of Men provided support to the Village of Dixmoor in its construction of a playground for the students at Lincoln Elementary School.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
Thornton Marching Wildcats
FOR DOING A GREAT JOB AT THE
RICH CENTRAL BATTLE OF THE BANDS &
DRUM LINE COMPETITION.

RUNNER UP IN THE DRUM LINE COMPETITION

BEST PERCUSSION IN SHOW * BEST AUXILIARY IN SHOW

BEST DRUM MAJOR IN SHOW * 1ST PLACE SHOW STYLE BAND

OVERALL GRAND CHAMPION FOR SHOW STYLE BAND

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Thornton's Class of 2015
HAS REACHED \$3,000,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS
THIS SEMESTER, AND COUNTING



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Maria Sierra

ONE OF OUR QUESTBRIDGE SCHOLARS,
HAS BEEN ACCEPTED INTO
NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY



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Parents attended the annual Parent Pledge Ceremony on Saturday, October 18th where they vow to participate in their child's education and become partners with Thornton.



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Congresswoman Kelly donated books to Thornton High School on November 25th from the Library of Congress.



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Thornton's Wildcat Marching Band performed in the Annual McDonald's Thanksgiving Day Parade.



Communications

TT's Big Brother/Big Sister hosted Thornton's annual Winter Wonderland, where they gave away toys, hats, scarves, and gloves to children in the community.

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Congratulations to Wildcats D'Quan Applewhite, Tamira Brooks, Jakayla Parchman, Kierra Ross and Ariana Thompson on their admission to Northwestern University – Feinberg School of Medicine Health Professions Recruitment and Exposure Program.

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TT's Varsity Boys' Basketball Team competed against 16 other schools in the "Big Dipper" Tournament over the Winter Break. The Wildcats took 3rd Place.



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TW recognizes its students for their academic success for the 1st quarter.



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National Honor Society students went on a service fieldtrip to the Northern Illinois Food Bank.



Communications

TW held its annual Parent Pledge ceremony on November 18th.



Communications



**Congratulations to
Margaret
Taylor
on placing 3rd
at the 25th Annual
College & Career Expo**

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**Congratulations to
our very own**

Nate Boylan

**for being recognized as
TW's Outstanding Educator**



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**Congratulations to
Kris
Williams
on signing with the
University of
Nebraska. [Click here
for article.](#)**

Communications

*TW Comes in 2nd at Chicago Heights Classic
Chelby Frazier receives 2nd place plaque after
losing to Hales 67-57.*



Communications

Congratulations

To these Thornwood Seniors on being
honored as Illinois State Scholars:



Riel Davis * **Torrance Johnson** * **Aliah Jones**

Nia Lewis * **Nickalaus Lockhart** * **Marcos Quiroz**

Ayana Rolling * **Marina Solorio** * **Joseph Williams-Black**

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CONGRATULATIONS TO TW TEACHER

Mr. Danny Gray

ON BEING SELECTED AS NFTE'S CHICAGO
GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION
REPRESENTATIVE. HE WILL BE HONORED ON
MARCH 25TH IN NEW YORK CITY AT THE
NFTE GLOBAL SHOWCASE.

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Congratulations to TW's Civil Air Patrol on placing 3rd in the Illinois Wing Group Drill Competition.



Upcoming Events

JANUARY

Jan. 19 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, NO SCHOOL

Jan. 19 – MLK Jr. Celebration, South Suburban College, 10:00am

Jan. 26 – Teacher Institute Day, NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY

Feb. 2 – Finance Committee Meeting, 9am, District

Feb. 10 – Student Board of Education Mtg., Thornton H.S., 4pm

Feb. 11 – Board of Education Mtg., Thornton H.S., 6:30pm

Committee of the Whole

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

Consent Agenda

- *Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting of November 8, 2014*
- *Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting and Executive Session of November 12, 2014*
- *Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting of November 12, 2014*
- *Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting of December 26, 2014*
- *Approval of District 205 Bills dated: November 14, November 21, December 5, December 12 and December 19, 2014; January 9, 2015*
- *Personnel: Approval of Resignations, Leaves of Absence and Employment Dated: December 10, 2014 and January 14, 2015*

New Business

- *Ratification of Overnight Field Trip (Policy Section 4:60)-
Mr. Porter (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Ratification of Overnight Field Trip (Policy Section 4:60)-
Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)*

New Business

Requesting approval of trip to Inauguration for State Representative William Q. Davis & Reception hosted by the Illinois Black Caucus.

- *Attending:*
 - *Mr. Jerry Doss*
 - *Student Board of Education Members*
- *Location:*
 - *Springfield, Illinois*
- *When:*
 - *January 14, 2015*

New Business

- *Ratification of Overnight Field Trip (Policy Section 4:60)-
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Exercise Bikes (Policy Section 4:60) -
Mr. Styrsky (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of E-Rate Contract (Policy Section 4:60) –
Mr. Roberts (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval to go out to bid for New Thornwood Elevator (Policy Section 4:60) –
Mr. Charnot (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Thornwood Auditorium Renovation (Policy Section 4:60) –
Mr. Charnot (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Changes to Public Participation Policy -
Mrs. Williams (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval to adopt Civil Conduct Policy - Mrs. Williams (Approval Needed)*

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 crucial 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.

Superintendent's Report

Executive Session

- *Closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to consider student disciplinary matters; the appointment of employment, compensation, discipline or dismissal of specific employees of the public body and pending and imminent litigation.*

Reconvene Open Session

Action Items on Executive Session

Discussions

- ❖ *Motion to approve Contract for Employee A*
- ❖ *Motion to approve Director of Buildings & Grounds Candidate*
- ❖ *Motion to approve Dismissal of Employee B*
- ❖ *Student Discipline Case No. 2-1415-02nrE*
- ❖ *Student Discipline Case No. 2-1415-03jhE*
- ❖ *Student Discipline Case No. 2-1415-00jsE*
- ❖ *Student Discipline Case No. TT-2014-2015-1*

Adjournment

NEXT MEETING

February 11, 2015

6:30pm

Thornton Township High School