

# YOUR SCHOOLS

SUMMER EDITION 2026

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**STRONG STUDENTS  
THAT WILL  
LEAD**  
*Tomorrow*  
ENROLLED - ENLISTED - EMPLOYED



THORNTON TOWNSHIP  
**DISTRICT  
205**  
HIGH SCHOOLS

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Thornton



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# District 205 Launches Classroom Renovations

Mary Ann Thornton

This summer, Thornton Township High School District 205 will begin the first phase of its Summer Classroom Renovation Project, part of the district's multi-year *Securing Tomorrow Today* initiative to modernize learning environments and support student success.

Construction will take place between May 28 and August 10, 2026, with work scheduled during the summer to avoid disruptions to instruction. The project includes upgrades such as new finishes, improved lighting, enhanced instructional surfaces, and classroom furniture designed to support collaboration and engagement.

Approximately one-third of classrooms across the district's three schools – Thornridge High School, Thornton Township High School, and Thornwood High School – will be renovated this year. Another third will be completed in year two, with the final phase finished in year three, ensuring all students benefit from updated learning spaces.

This investment reflects District 205's commitment to providing high-quality learning environments that support both teaching and student achievement.

**Securing Tomorrow Today—one classroom at a time.**



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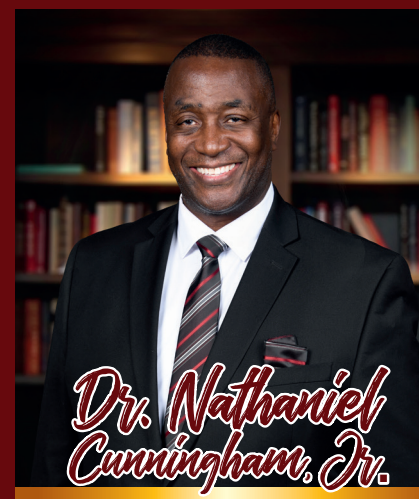
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CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

# AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY, ELECTRICAL TRADES & CONSTRUCTION TRADES

## AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

- Safety Tool Identification
- Basic Automotive Concepts
- Basic Preventative Maintenance
- Small Engine Work
- Introduction to Diesel Engines

## ELECTRICAL TRADES

- Electrical Safety and PPE
- Basic Electrical Processes
- Circuit Building and Wiring
- Hands-On Project

## CONSTRUCTION TRADES

- Job Site and OSHA Awareness
- Blueprint Reading
- Measurement
- Basic Construction Project



MONDAY FRIDAY  
JUNE JULY

08 > 24

8:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

📍 Thornton Township High School  
15001 Broadway Avenue, Harvey, IL

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# District 205 Adds ZeroEyes to Strengthen Campus Safety

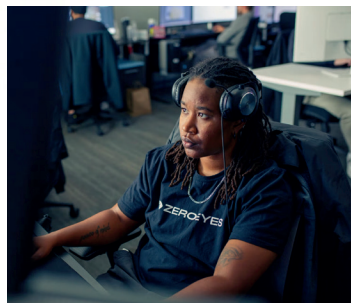


Thornton Township High School District 205 is enhancing its multi-layered safety program by adding ZeroEyes, a proactive weapons-detection and situational-awareness platform designed to speed up notification when a visibly brandished gun may be present on campus.

ZeroEyes works with existing security camera systems. When the software detects what could be a weapon, it sends images to the ZeroEyes Operations Center, staffed 24/7/365 by specially trained military and law enforcement veterans. If a potential threat is confirmed, an alert with actionable details, such as a visual description and last known location, can be sent to designated school personnel and local law enforcement as quickly as 3 to 5 seconds from detection.

District safety planning relies on multiple layers (people, processes, and technology) working together. Early notification can create valuable time to initiate response protocols, direct people away from danger, and help first responders arrive with clearer information.

Privacy is an important part of this rollout. ZeroEyes is designed to identify only visibly brandished weapons – not individuals. Operations Center screens remain blank unless a potential weapon is detected, and team members do not watch a continuous live camera feed. The platform does not perform facial recognition and does not store personal or biometric data.



Founded in 2018 by Navy SEALs and technologists, ZeroEyes provides human-verified weapons detection and has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. To learn more about the company and how the technology works, visit [ZeroEyes.com](http://ZeroEyes.com).

District 205 remains committed to maintaining a safe learning environment for students, staff, and visitors. If you have questions about this addition or would like more information about the district's safety practices, please contact the district office.

## District 205 Expands Co-Teaching for 2026–2027

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District 205 is expanding its use of co-teaching, a model where a general education teacher and a special education teacher work together in the same classroom to better support all students.

Starting in the 2026–2027 school year, incoming freshmen will experience more co-taught classes, providing:

- Additional support during instruction
- Access to grade-level learning
- Inclusive classroom experiences

This approach aligns with federal guidelines and reflects best practices that help students succeed academically and socially.

District 205 will continue to offer a full range of services, and all placement decisions will remain personalized through the Individualized Education Program (IEP) process.

Our goal is to ensure every student has access to high-quality instruction, the support they need to thrive, and is prepared for success after graduation whether they choose to be enrolled in a college or university, enlisted in a military branch, or gainfully employed.

### Q&A: Understanding Co-Teaching

#### What is co-teaching?

Co-teaching is when a general education teacher and a special education teacher work together in the same classroom to teach and support all students.

#### Why is District 205 using co-teaching?

Co-teaching helps students:

- Learn alongside their peers
- Access grade-level content
- Receive support right in the classroom

It also aligns with federal guidelines that encourage students to learn in the least restrictive environment whenever appropriate.

#### When will District 205 begin expanding its use of co-teaching?

Expanded co-teaching will begin during the 2026–2027 school year for some incoming freshmen classes.

#### What will my child's co-teaching classroom look like?

Students will have:

- Two teachers working together
- Lessons designed for different learning needs
- Support, accommodations, and modifications built into instruction

#### Will all students be in co-taught classes?

No. Every student is different. Some students may need more specialized support. For students who have an IEP, placement decisions are made by the IEP team based on their individual needs.

#### How are teachers being prepared?

District 205 is providing:

- Training in co-teaching and collaboration
- Ongoing professional development
- Resources and support for effective instruction

#### What does this mean for my child?

Students in co-teaching classrooms will benefit from:

- More individualized attention
- Stronger support in the classroom
- Greater access to learning opportunities

#### What is the goal of this change?

The goal is to ensure every student:

- Learns in a supportive, inclusive environment
- Has access to high-quality instruction
- Is prepared for success after graduation whether enrolled, enlisted, or employed



# CTE BOOTCAMP

CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

# CULINARY ARTS, CHILD DEVELOPMENT & FASHION

## CULINARY ARTS

- Kitchen Safety
- Basic Knife Skills
- Basic Food Preparation
- Team-Based Cooking Labs

## CHILD DEVELOPMENT

- Child Safety
- Caregiving Fundamentals
- Play-Based Learning

## FASHION DESIGN

- Sewing Machine Operation & Safety
- Hand Sewing
- Basic Design Principles
- Sewing Project



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# MANUFACTURING, ENGINEERING & WELDING

## MANUFACTURING

- Safety and OSHA Awareness
- Precision Tools
- CNC Processes
- Blueprint reading

## ENGINEERING

- Measurement
- Production Workflow
- 3D Printing

## WELDING

- Welding Safety Introduction
- Metal Preparation and Measurement
- Welding Processes
- Fabrication Project



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# PRIVATE PILOT JUMPSTART PROGRAM

The program will cover basic aviation principles through instrument condition flying and will include ground training with hands-on labs, simulator training, and airplane flight in D14 aircraft. There will be a strong focus on group activities such as airfoil design, cross-country flight planning, and paraglider kiting.

## THE COURSE WILL CONSIST OF CLASS AND HANDS-ON TRAINING; SOME OF THE TOPICS INCLUDED, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Introduction to aerodynamics
- Introduction to aircraft/preflight
- Flight control basics
- Weather, safety, and good decision-making
- Runway taxiway markings
- Flight planning
- Simulator Training
- Applying knowledge as it is learned, students will rotate to simulator training and into the airplane for flight instruction
- Instruction to instrument flying
- Navigation and X-country flying
- Required equipment
- Aerobatics
- Drones
- Logbook to record time toward license requirements
- Flight Training (on an airplane with an instructor)
- Certificate of course completion

MONDAY-THURSDAY

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2:00 - 5:00 PM



Bult Air Field, Monee, IL  
Bus departs from Thornwood at  
1:00 PM and returns at 6:00 PM



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**2026  
-2027**

# SCHOOL REGISTRATION



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**MONDAY - THURSDAY | 8 A.M. - 2 P.M.**

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15000 COTTAGE GROVE AVE.  
DOLTON**

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15001 BROADWAY AVE.  
HARVEY**

**THORNWOOD HIGH SCHOOL  
17101 SOUTH PARK AVE.  
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