SAFETY AND SECURITY IN DISTRICT 29

In February of 2018, we created and shared a document to help community members understand the District’s efforts towards ensuring a safe and secure learning and work environment. The document highlights efforts relative to facilities improvements, monitoring systems, procedures and protocols, communication systems, and training and consultation from school security experts. The attached document has been updated to reflect the pending facilities improvement to Middlefork School this summer, and the implementation last spring of a formal reciprocal reporting agreement with the Northfield Police Department. You can access the document by clicking on the following link: Safety & Security Synopsis

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

District 29 welcomes and encourages feedback from community members, as well as information about any concerns that you (or your student(s)) may have. You can provide feedback and/or input directly to the Board of Education by emailing individual Board members, or by clicking on the link provided on the District 29 website under Board of Education/Board Members.

CLOSURE OF SUNSET RIDGE ROAD-CANCELLED

We have been informed by Cook County that Sunset Ridge Road will NOT be closed on Saturday, May 4, 2019 as the previously posted street signs indicated. They have, apparently, changed their plans and will do the scheduled work at a later date.

SAVE THE DATE

Family Fun Night, an evening to enjoy, relax and celebrate another school year and the beginning of summer with staff, family and friends, is scheduled for June 5, 2019 from 4-8 p.m.! This event is hosted by the District 29 PTO and Northfield Park District, and will include the following:
4:00 - 7:00PM Bounce Houses, Face Painting, Airbrushed Tattoos, Bungee Sports, Gaga Ball, DJ
4:30 - 6:00PM Bingo
6:15 - 6:30PM Family Races
7:00 - 8:00PM Entertainment ~ Acoustic Guitar
4:00 - 8:00PM Food Trucks / Beer & Wine Tent
Food Vendors Include: Taco Nano, Grateful Bites Pizza & Stormy’s
All activities are funded by the PTO and Park District, families will only be responsible for food and beverage purchases. Donation jars will be on hand. 100% of donations will go to District 29 PTO. Please come and enjoy this special evening!

To sign up to volunteer for the event, please click on the following link:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4aaeab2ea0ff2-family

STUDENTS MISSING MANDATED DENTAL EXAMS
We still have students missing their REQUIRED dental exams! Illinois law requires all children in kindergarten, second, and sixth grades of any public, private, or parochial school to have a dental examination. This law provides that if a child in the kindergarten, second, or sixth grade fails to present proof of having been examined by a dentist by May 15, 2019, the school may hold a child’s report card until one of the following occurs:
1.) the child presents proof of a completed dental examination or, 2.) the child presents proof that a dental examination will take place within 60 days after May 15, 2019. The exam can have taken place within 18 months prior to May 15, 2019 therefore, the exam can be dated after November 15, 2017. A waiver form may be submitted in place of the dental exam if a student shows undue burden or lack of access to a dentist. Here is the link for the waiver form:
http://www.idph.state.il.us/HealthWellness/oralhlth/DentalExamWaiver.pdf

CLASS OF 2019 “CLASS GIFT” FUNDRAISER
The graduating 8th graders have selected two gifts for District 29 to show their appreciation: a gaga pit for Sunset Ridge and a piece of artwork for Middlefork’s library. A gaga pit is an octagonal structure that is used to play a fast paced, high energy sport that is fun and easy. Everyone gets a serious workout! The artwork will consist of photos of the existing floor tiles in the Middlefork hallway. This way history will be preserved with the capital improvement project. In order to raise funds for these two class gifts, the 8th graders are selling Lou Malnati’s pizza coupons for just $15. Please support the Class of 2019 by buying one or more! If you are interested, you can reach out to any 8th grader you know or just email juliebuzzagmail.com.

SEEKING BINGO PRIZES FOR FAMILY FUN NIGHT
Preparations are underway for Family Fun Night being held June 5th at Clarkson Park! More information is to come. In the meantime, the PTO is seeking donations of NEW Bingo Prizes for all age groups. No item is too big or too small - toys, games, sports equipment, books, etc. are welcomed and appreciated. Please drop off items at either school office or the Community Center by May 29th. Mark donations “Family Fun Night Bingo Prizes.” We thank you for your support! Please email Andrea at aamacina@yahoo.com with any questions.

2019-2020 DISTRICT 29 SCHOOL SUPPLY KITS/LISTS
School Supply Kits are available for purchase through the district website under the Parents Menu. If you do not wish to purchase a school supply kit, grade level lists are available on the website as well. Click the link below to access more information on ordering
https://drive.google.com/file/d/0ByN1071UZyZoSU9rXzRLeHJXWDV5LUSEendTTXAZXZzcKJ/view?usp=sharing
MIDDLEFORK HEADLINES

LET’S PLAY! LOOSE PARTS TOMORROW AT CLARKSON PARK: For all of our imaginative loose parts players out there, the Alliance for Early Childhood and the Northfield Park District are teaming up tomorrow morning (yes, Saturday May 4!) from 9:30-11:00 for some creative, child-directed outdoor free-play time at Clarkson Park. You can check the Park District website for more information, but parents are invited to bring their children and unplug and connect as a family!

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK at Middlefork included an inspiring 2nd grade Portfolio Night, a fun field trip to SRS for 2nd and 3rd graders to see the spectacular student musical, Cinderella, and finally - some sunny outdoor recess time on Friday!

3rd GRADE PORTFOLIO NIGHT is Wednesday, May 8 @ 7:00 p.m. Our students are looking forward to sharing their portfoilos with their parents and caregivers and to reviewing the growth they’ve made this year!

VOCABULARY PARADE IS HERE! For parents new to this tradition, costumes should be created by the students; please don’t stress yourselves out this weekend! There are lots of great ideas for word costumes on the website of author Debra Frasier www.debrafrasier.com or on Pinterest, of course. Carry a poster, decorate a hat, color a white tee shirt. You can download a list of fantastic words from the Middlefork News webpage or the children can learn a new word of their own! We look forward to seeing you at this creative, astonishing, and fleeting event. In other words, don’t be late, as it’s over in a flash!

ONE MORE TIME:
1) If you can volunteer for Field Day on the afternoon of May 30 (rain date 5/31), please contact Mrs. Kasper @ kasperd@sunsetridge29.org. Thank you - we can’t do it without you!
2) Donate items for LOOSE PARTS recess by texting Joanna Brown (847.624.2015); Joanna has graciously agreed to continue collecting items for us in her garage!
3) Thank you for all of your support of Teacher Appreciation Week (May 6-10) If you would like to be involved in the PTO teacher appreciation activities, please contact Abby Hurwitz abbybhurwitz@gmail.com, Yena Levinson yena201@gmail.com or Soo Moon soojungkim1@gmail.com.

MIDDLEFORK NEWS:
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<td><strong>CINDERELLA</strong>: Our incredible student performers are putting on an OUTSTANDING production of Cinderella! It’s not too late to catch a performance. There is one tonight at 7:00 pm and for the first time, a Saturday performance at 2:00 pm tomorrow. You don’t want to miss it! Four stars! BRAVO!</td>
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<td><strong>CHROMEBOOK REMINDER</strong>: It is the student's responsibility to come to school everyday with their Chromebook charged. The Tech Department cannot provide loaners for students who forget their Chromebook at home or bring it to school uncharged. If you need another charger, please send $25 to school and let the tech department know.</td>
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<td><strong>NORA NIGHT</strong>: We hope that you will join us for our 2nd annual NORA NIGHT on Monday, May 6th from 6:15-7:30pm. There will be a video presentation, arts and crafts activities, a DJ and games in the gym, and so much more. We hope that you will come help us celebrate another great year of friendship!</td>
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<td><strong>TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK</strong>: Monday begins teacher appreciation week! It’s such a wonderful opportunity to honor our remarkable staff for all of the wonderful work they do day in and day out. If you would like to be involved in the PTO teacher appreciation activities, please contact Lisa Challenger (<a href="mailto:lisaronnie@gmail.com">lisaronnie@gmail.com</a>) or Mamtha Sharma (<a href="mailto:mamthasharma@gmail.com">mamthasharma@gmail.com</a>).</td>
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<td><strong>CONGRATULATIONS</strong>: Our Robotics team, The Chicago Hubs, had a very successful showing at the world championships this past week. They met and competed with teams from all over the world. It was an incredible experience! In the end, they came in ranked at 294th in the world - out of 12,000 teams. That puts them in the top 3% of the world! Way to go Chicago Hubs!</td>
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<td><strong>STUDENT COUNCIL</strong>: Please see below for upcoming meetings for student council, which take place at 7:45 am:</td>
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<td>May 10- Only for students in grades 5-7 interested in running for office next year.</td>
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<td>May 13- Special meeting with visiting artist</td>
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<td>May 17th- Last meeting of the year for the entire group, includes elections for officers</td>
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<td>May 24 and 31- Meetings for only the old and new exec board members to transition for next year</td>
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**UPCOMING AT SRS:**
5/6
Marvel Club - 5th Grade Recess
Script Writing Club - 4th Grade Recess
Track Meet @ New Trier - 4:00 pm
NORA Night - 6:15 pm

5/7
Big Books Club - 5th Grade Recess

5/8
D&D Lunch Club - 8th Grade Lunch/Recess
Scribbler Siblings - 5th Grade Recess
4th Grade Photography Club - 4th Grade Recess
Script Writing/Acting Club - 5th Grade Recess

5/9
Green Club - 7:30 am
SLAB - 7:45 am
4th and 5th Grade Band/Orchestra Concert - 7:00 pm

5/10
Student Council - 7:45 am - Only for students in grades 5-7 interested in running for office next year
Service Leagues

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