



School District 105

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Welcome to the 2017-18 School Year. This is our first of six District 105 Newsletters we will send throughout the school year. This one-page newsletter is another way we highlight the important district information we share on our website and through social media, presentations, and forums.

Did You Know that Last School Year.....

- Lyons Township High School administered a survey to freshmen students about their middle school experiences and preparation for high school. The responses from our former Gurrie students were extremely positive and compared very favorably to the average responses from other township middle schools.
- Ninety-nine percent of Gurrie Middle School students were involved in at least one school club, activity, or sport outside of the school day.
- The spring-to-spring progress of our top achieving students, an area targeted for improvement, ranked at the 90th percentile nationally in reading and above the 90th percentile in math.
- More than 300 students participated in after-school STEM programs. These programs included Math Team, Fusion/IMSA, Science Fair, Makers' Club, and Underwater Robotics Team.

Connections Community Center

We are very excited about the opening of our Connections Community Center on October 10th at Ideal School. The center will be open 4:00-7:00 P.M. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Below are some highlights about the center. Detailed information about student and adult learning opportunities are coming soon.

- The center will not be funded with district funds. Donations from Vulcan Materials and Republic Bank and grant funds will be used to cover expenses.
- The program will include:
 - Tutorial services and technology will be provided to support student/family learning.
 - Supervised open gym for students who study at the center.
 - High school and middle school students to provide tutorial and mentoring services.
 - A STEM club with a focus on coding will be offered in partnership with the community-based STEM Advisory Council.
 - Parent education opportunities in technology (continuation of our training over the last four years) and language.

District 105 Continuous Improvement

Our district's strength is the relentless pursuit of improvement as reflected in our strategic goals. Our progress toward these goals is reflected in our district dashboard and regular update presentations to the School Board – both of which can be found on our website. Below are our annual targets for improved district performance:

Strategic Goal: All students will demonstrate continuous growth and achieve college and career readiness standards.

- *Target: 55% of our eighth grade graduates will qualify for accelerated/honors high school courses in English, Math, and Science.*
- *Target: District 105 will rank at or above the 90th percentile nationally in the progress students make in spring-to-spring math and reading progress.*
- *Target: All District 105 grade levels will rank at or above the 85th percentile nationally in student math and reading achievement.*

Strategic Goal: All Students will attend school in a safe, supportive and healthy learning environment.

- *Target: 90% or more of students will provide positive responses to survey items about a safe, supportive, and healthy school environment.*

Strategic Goal: Recruit, retain, and develop a high quality, collaborative staff

- *Target: 90% or more of staff will provide positive responses to survey items about climate, instructional programming, professional development, involvement, and communication.*



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Bienvenidos al Año Escolar 2017-18. Este es el primero de los seis Boletines del Distrito 105 que enviaremos a lo largo del año escolar. Este boletín de una página es otra manera de destacar la información importante del distrito que compartimos en nuestro sitio web ya través de medios sociales, presentaciones y foros.

Sabía usted que el último año escolar...

- La escuela Secundaria de Lyons Township administró una encuesta a estudiantes de primer año sobre sus experiencias en la escuela intermedia y preparación para la escuela secundaria. Las respuestas de nuestros ex alumnos de Gurrie fueron extremadamente positivas y comparadas muy favorablemente con las respuestas de promedio de otras escuelas intermedias del municipio. .
- El noventa y nueve por ciento de los estudiantes de la Escuela Secundaria de Gurrie estaban involucrados en al menos un club escolar, actividad o deporte fuera del día escolar.
- El progreso de la primavera a primavera de nuestros alumnos que han alcanzado sus metas, un área de concentración para mejorar, clasificados en el percentil 90 a nivel nacional en lectura y por encima del percentil 90 en matemáticas.
- Más de 300 estudiantes participaron en el programa STEM después de la escuela. Estos programas incluyeron el Equipo de Matemáticas, Fusión/IMSA, Feria de Ciencias, Makers' Club, el Equipo de Robots Bajo el Agua.

Centro Comunitario de Conexiones

Estamos muy entusiasmados con la apertura de nuestro Centro Comunitario de Conexiones el 10 de octubre en la Escuela Ideal. El centro estará abierto de 4:00-7:00 P.M. los martes y jueves. A continuación hay algunos aspectos interesantes sobre el centro. La información detallada sobre las oportunidades de aprendizaje para los estudiantes y adultos será enviada próximamente.

- El centro no será financiado con fondos del distrito. Las donaciones de Vulcan Materials y Republic Bank y los fondos de la donación se utilizarán para cubrir los gastos.
- El programa incluirá:
 - Se proporcionarán servicios y tecnología de tutoría para apoyar el aprendizaje del estudiante / familia.
 - Gimnasio abierto supervisado para estudiantes que estudian en el centro.
 - Estudiantes de secundaria y escuela intermedia para brindar servicios de tutoría y tutorial.
 - Club STEM con un enfoque en la codificación se ofrecerá en asociación con el Consejo Asesor Comunitario de STEM
 - Oportunidades de educación para padres en tecnología (continuación de nuestro entrenamiento durante los últimos cuatro años) y lenguaje.

Mejoramiento Continuo del Distrito 105

La fortaleza de nuestro distrito es la búsqueda incesante de la mejora, como se refleja en nuestros objetivos estratégicos. Nuestro progreso hacia estos objetivos se refleja en nuestro panel de distrito y presentaciones regulares de actualización a la Junta Escolar - las cuales se pueden encontrar en nuestro sitio web. A continuación se presentan nuestros objetivos anuales para mejorar el desempeño del distrito:

Objetivo Estratégico: Todos los estudiantes demostrarán un crecimiento continuo y alcanzarán los estándares de preparación universitaria y profesional.

- *Objetivo: 55% de nuestros graduados de octavo grado calificaran para cursos acelerados/honores en Ingles, Matemáticas y Ciencias.*
- *Objetivo: El Distrito 105 se clasificara en o más alto del percentil 90 en el nivel nacional en el progreso que los estudiantes hacen en Matemáticas y Lectura de primavera a primavera.*
- *Objetivo: Todos los niveles de grado del Distrito 105 se clarificaran en o más alto del percentil 85 en el nivel nacional en Matemáticas y Lectura.*

Meta Estratégica: Todos los estudiantes asistirán a la escuela en un ambiente de aprendizaje seguro, de apoyo y saludable.

- *Meta: 90% o más de los estudiantes proporcionaran respuestas positivas a las preguntas de la encuesta sobre un ambiente escolar seguro, de apoyo y saludable.*

Objetivo Estratégico: Reclutar, retener y desarrollar un personal colaborativo de alta calidad

Objetivo: 90% o más del personal proporcionara respuestas positivas a las preguntas en la encuesta sobre el ambiente, programación de instrucción, desarrollo profesional, participación y comunicación.

Gurrie Middle School

Ed Hood, Principal

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Gurrie Middle School: Empowering students to pursue their interests, talents and dreams.

October 4, 2017

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Please be advised that on Tuesday, October 17th, Gurrie Middle School will be holding a *Code Red/Lockdown Drill*. This drill will allow our students and staff to practice the proper procedures to follow should an intruder enter our building with the intent to do harm to our students or staff.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at school (708) 482-2720.

Sincerely,



Ed Hood

Principal

Gurrie Middle School

Escuela Intermedia Gurrie

Ed Hood, Director

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Escuela Intermedia Gurrie: Empoderando estudiantes a perseguir sus intereses, talentos y sueños

Octubre 4, 2017

Estimados Padres o Acudientes Legales:

Por favor tenga en cuenta que el martes, 17 de octubre, la Escuela Intermedia Gurrie llevará a cabo un simulacro de Código Rojo / Bloqueo. Este simulacro permitirá a nuestros estudiantes y empleados practicar los procedimientos apropiados a seguir si un intruso entra a nuestro edificio con la intención de hacerles daño a nuestros estudiantes o empleados.

Si tiene cualquier pregunta o inquietud, por favor llámenme a la escuela (708) 482-2720.

Sinceramente,



Ed Hood

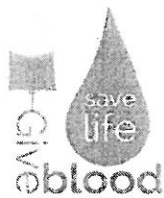
Director

Escuela Intermedia Gurrie

PLEASANTVIEW FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ANNUAL SAFETY DAY 2017



Free Fire Truck Rides!



Great fun for the entire family:

- Free Fire Truck Rides
 - Live Burn
 - Live Helicopter Landing
 - Firefighters in Action Challenge
 - Free pumpkins for the kids
 - Many vendors
 - Live Demos
 - Blood Pressure Checks
 - I - CHIP
 - *NEW! Lifesource Blood*
- Drive Walk-ins Welcome*

Saturday, October 7, 2017



PLEASANTVIEW FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
1970 Plainfield Road
LaGrange Highlands, IL 60525
1.708.352.9229

10 AM to 1 PM Family Fun for all Ages!

MUSIC MATTERS

LaGrange School District 105 Music Department Newsletter
For the Week of October 2 - October 6

Check out our new website:
<http://tinyurl.com/D105PerformingArts>

NEWS/REHEARSALS THIS WEEK

NEW WEBSITE!

BAND

Monday: Rehearsal: Concert Band 7:20am;

Lessons: Ideal/7th Ave.

Tuesday: Rehearsal: Symphonic Band 7:20am;

Lessons: Hodgkins/7th Ave./Gurrie

Wednesday: Rehearsal: Concert Band/Percussion

Ensemble 7:20am; Lessons: Spring

Thursday: Symphonic Band 7:20am; Lessons:

Spring/Gurrie; No PM Jazz Rehearsals (conferences)

Friday: NO SCHOOL!

CHOIR

Tuesday: Gurrie Choir - Stage - 7:20am-Alto's

Only- Check the List that has been sent home and on the Choir Webpage

Wednesday: D105 Elementary Choir -7th Ave Gym - 7:20am

Thursday: Gurrie Choir - Stage - 7:20am-

Soprano's Only-Check the List that has been sent home and on the Choir Webpage

Friday: NO SCHOOL!

ORCHESTRA

Monday: Rehearsal: Philharmonic 7:20am;

Lessons: Gurrie

Tuesday: Rehearsal: Chamber 7:20am; Lessons:

Spring Ave.

Wednesday: Rehearsal: Symphony 7:20am;

Lessons: 7th Ave (Beginners, basses, 4th gr viola)

Thursday: Rehearsal: Chamber 7:20am; Lessons:

7th Ave (continuing), and Ideal

Friday: NO SCHOOL!

Not rejoining band or orchestra?

If your child is not rejoining band or orchestra, the music department would greatly appreciate if your family would donate the used method books back to the music program.

Please bring to an ensemble director ASAP!

Thank you!

CHOIR PARENT REPRESENTATIVE

The Music Parents Association is looking for a choir parent to be a representative this year at the meetings!

Please email Miss Moroney at jmoroney@d105.net if interested! All are welcome to attend the next meeting on Tuesday, November 14th! Mark your calendars!

Chicago! My Kind of Town

We really do live in the best metropolis around! The access to the fine arts and culture is unprecedented. I have one wish for all of the families in our district ---- as a family, go and listen and watch a performing art!

Whether it may be the [Chicago Philharmonic](#), the Mariachi Heritage Foundation presents Pedro Fernandez, The Legend of Zelda Symphony, The Nutcracker, Ballet Nacional de Cuba with "Don Quixote", or maybe the gospel-jazz Messiah interpretation at the [Auditorium Theater](#) - don't let another minute pass by on experiencing with your entire family, the beauty of the performing arts!

Your kids will have a lifetime of memories :)

If you have any questions, thoughts or concerns, please contact me at jmoroney@d105.net

Make it a musical week!

Harmoniously Yours -

~ Miss Moroney, Fine Arts Coordinator

Dates to Remember

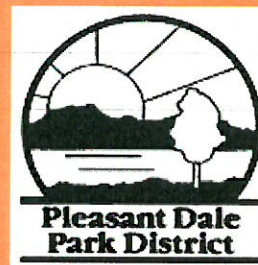
Thurs Sept 28: Miss Moroney's Birthday!

Fri Sept 29th: Junior High Marching Band Night at LT (Concert Band Only)

Sat Oct 14th: D105 Grand Jam



Fall Festival



Saturday, October 14

Walker Park 3:30-7:30

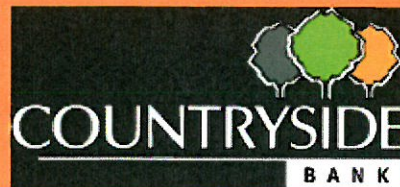
7425 S Wolf Road, Burr Ridge



- Hayrides through woods (Non-Haunted 3:30-6 & Haunted 6-7:30)
- Mini Pumpkin Painting (While supplies last)
- Games
- S'mores & Hot Chocolate
- Bounce House
- Bonfire
- Costume Parade at 5pm
- Fireworks Close the Evening at 7:30
- All Tickets \$1



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BOYS BASKETBALL LEAGUE

WAITLIST REGISTRATION ENDS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

Dates: 10/16 - 12/16

Location: Pleasant Dale Rec Center

Time: Practices: 4pm - 9pm

Games: 8am - 6pm

Parent MEET & GREET
will be held on OCT. 12th
from 7 - 7:30 pm



District 105 Announces



Tuesdays and Thursdays
4 to 7 pm
District 105 Community Center
Located at Ideal School

A place for D105 families to connect
through learning, talking, and playing

A place after school hours for students to safely gather

Homework help

Space to work on group projects

STEM classes

Guest speakers

Adult language classes

(English to Spanish / Spanish to English)

Computer access – your device or ours

Open gym

Opening Tuesday, October 10!



El Distrito 105 Anuncia



Martes y Jueves

De 4 a 7 pm

Centro Comunitarios Distrito 105

Situado en la Escuela Ideal

Un lugar para que las Familias del Distrito 105 se unan
A través de aprendizaje, platicando, y jugando

Un lugar para después de la escuela, para que los estudiantes
se reúnan en un sitio seguro

Ayuda en tareas

Espacio para trabajar en proyectos en grupo

Clases de STEM

Presentaciones Especiales

Clases de idiomas para Adultos

(Ingles a Español/ Español a Ingles)

Acceso a Computadoras– su computadora o la nuestra
Gimnasio abierto

Inauguración, el Martes 10 de Octubre!

Girls Basketball League

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, November 22nd

Dates: 1/16-3/10

**Location: Pleasant Dale
Rec Center**

Fee: \$89/\$109

Days: Monday - Saturday

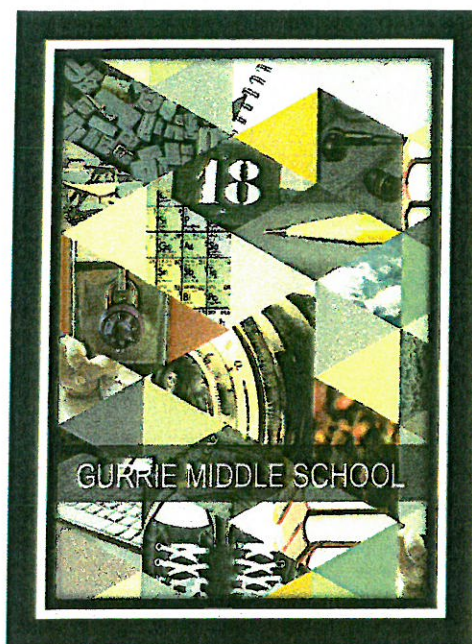
**Time: Practices 4pm-6pm
Games 8am-6pm**



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MUSIC
BRINGS US ALL
TOGETHER



The Gurrie Yearbook Just \$20!

Full-color...featuring student portraits, music, sports, clubs,
special events, activities, and more!



☐ Yes, I want to order a yearbook!

Student's First and Last Name _____

Advisors _____

I have enclosed \$20 (check one below):

☐ Cash

☐ Check (make payable to Gurrie Middle School)

Please return this form with payment to the Gurrie office or your advisor
OR go online to www.jostensyearbooks.com and search for Gurrie Middle School
(a credit card is required for online purchase)

Orders are due Thursday, March 15, 2018

ROBERT CROWN HEALTH CENTER
8th Grade FIELD TRIP

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We will be welcoming to Gurrie staff from the Robert Crown Health Center on Thursday, October 12th, 2017. The program begins at 1:00pm and lasts for approximately 90 minutes.

The eighth grade students will attend the program *Teen Sexual Health*. This program focuses on teen sexuality, relationships and consequences of sexual activity. Male and female reproductive systems are briefly reviewed and misinformation regarding the timing of conception and pregnancy is examined. The risks of teenage sexual activity, including unplanned pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections are discussed. The emotional and social changes occurring during adolescence are also explored, with an emphasis on what it means to be independent and how to make responsible choices. Abstinence is stressed.

Please call with any questions.

Sincerely,

Grade 8 Teachers
School Nurse

Please complete this form and return to your student's advisor no later than Friday, October 6th, 2017.

My child, _____ has my permission to participate in the Robert Crown presentation on Thursday, October 12th, 2017.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

CENTRO DE SALUD ROBERT CROWN
Paseo Educativo De 8º Grado

Estimado Padre o Acudiente Legal:

Le estaremos dando la bienvenida al personal de Gurrie al Centro de Salud Robert Crown, el jueves 12 de octubre de 2017. El programa comienza a las 1:00 pm y dura aproximadamente 90 minutos.

Los estudiantes de octavo grado asistirán al programa *Salud Sexual Para Adolescentes*. Este programa se centra en la sexualidad de los adolescentes, las relaciones y las consecuencias de la actividad sexual. Se revisarán brevemente los sistemas reproductivos masculino y femenino y se examinará la información incorrecta con respecto al momento de la concepción y el embarazo. Se discutirán los riesgos de la actividad sexual en adolescentes, incluyendo embarazos no planificados e infecciones de transmisión sexual. También se explorarán los cambios emocionales y sociales que ocurren durante la adolescencia, con énfasis en lo que significa ser independiente y cómo tomar decisiones responsables. Se enfatiza / resalta la abstinencia.

Por favor llámennos si tienen cualquier pregunta.

Sinceramente,

Maestros de 8º Grado
Enfermera de la Escuela

Por favor completar este formulario y devolverlo al consejero de su estudiante a más tardar el viernes, 6 de octubre, 2017.

Mi hijo _____ tiene mi permiso de participar en la presentación de Robert Crown el jueves, 12 de octubre, 2017.

Firma del Padre/Acudiente Legal

Fecha