

BOARD BRIEFS



Lake Park High School District 108, Roselle, IL

September 28, 2015

Presentation Item

Equity & Excellence Project

West Campus Principal Janet Constien presented information about Lake Park's acceptance into and involvement with the Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate (AP/IB) Equity & Excellence Project.

This partnership, supported by the Google Global Impact Awards and the Education Innovation Laboratory at Harvard University, provides match-funded technical assistance to help close the achievement gap and ensure students of every background have opportunity and access to a challenging education. Lake Park has the distinction as one of only nine school districts in Illinois and 119 school districts nationwide participating.

Partnership Director Marquise Roberson from Equal Opportunity Schools (EOS) provides Lake Park with consultative services related to identifying underserved students in AP courses. He visited the campuses and met with staff and administrators in September and will return again in October to review the results from student and staff surveys conducted this month.

The data should offer valuable insights and help with focused identification of current grade 10 and 11 underrepresented students in AP classes. The EOS model will help Lake Park to reduce barriers, create equitable enrollment for underrepresented students in 2016, and develop a plan of sustainability for student and staff success.

Discussion Item

Proposal for Residency Checks

West Campus Assistant Principal Tim Noverini presented a proposal from National Investigations (Channahon, IL), a licensed and fully insured investigation agency specializing in residency issues. He discussed the district's residency concerns that include approximately 55 families (2% of the student population) that have been red-flagged for residency and 28 families (1% of the student population) claiming homeless status.

National Investigations CEO Bill Beitler answered questions from Board members and shared his company's experiences from working in other districts, including Keeneyville School District 20 (sender school to Lake Park).

The administration recommends entering into an initial contract to verify the 55 families who are red-flagged in the system. Additional services could be added to pursue homeless verification or in the future to check all enrolled students. The process would take approximately two weeks to complete and could yield financial benefits that protect the taxpayers of the district.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Saturday, October 3, 2015

Uniting Through Service

Over 400 Lancers have committed to giving back on Saturday, October 3 and will be representing Lake Park High School at volunteer sites throughout the community.

The idea behind the inaugural "Make a Difference Day" is simple: involve as many students, teams, groups and clubs as possible in our community at the same time.

The event kicks off with breakfast at 8:00 a.m., service projects from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. and snacks and ice cream upon students returning to West Campus.

Special thanks to Director of Student Activities Dominic Manola and World Languages teacher Scott Flett for organizing this philanthropic effort.

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Action Items

Administrative Appointment for 2016-2017

During the August 24, 2015 Board of Education meeting, members appointed three positions as part of an administrative restructuring plan for the 2016-2017 school year. Lake Park recently concluded a district wide interview process with five internal candidates to fill the remaining vacancy for an Associate Principal.

Based on the administrative recommendation, the Board of Education unanimously approved the appointment of Jessica Foster, current Math Department Curriculum Leader, as Associate Principal of East Campus.

The opportunity to promote educational leaders from within reflects a high level of confidence and continues to shape an important culture of familiarity. The newly named administrators will assume their responsibilities on July 1, 2016.



Congratulations to Lake Park's newly appointed administrators for 2016-2017 (L-R): Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Jim Roberts; East Campus Associate Principal Jessica Foster; West Campus Associate Principal Tim Noverini; and Lake Park Principal John Gouriotis.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Panega provided an update about the recent release of the State of Illinois PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) results. The statements outlined below reflect concerns regarding the credibility and validity of the preliminary State-level results:

- The premature release of incomplete [PARCC results](#) compromises the credibility of the State's assessment system and further erodes confidence in public schools.
- The validity and reliability of the PARCC assessment has been compromised given the two different platforms, technical issues, and upcoming changes to the assessment structure in 2016.
- The PARCC 2015 results are an inaccurate representation of student achievement.
- The PARCC performance levels are inaccurate and misrepresent student competencies.
- District and school level data has not been provided in a timely manner; therefore, will have very limited, if any, impact on student learning.

An invitation has been extended by area high school superintendents to meet with Illinois State Superintendent Dr. Tony Smith to express their joint concerns and dialogue about future considerations of the assessment.

Fiscal Year Budget for 2015-2016

Assistant Superintendent for Business Services Jeff O'Connell reviewed information about the District's tentative budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016. Public notice was provided that the tentative budget was available for public viewing at the Administration Center for the past 30 days, and a public hearing was conducted at the beginning of the meeting.

As an action item on the agenda, Assistant Superintendent O'Connell presented the formal recommendation for the 2015-2016 fiscal year budget. Committed to maintaining a balanced budget, the Board of Education approved the final FY16 budget.

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The next meeting of the Lake Park High School District 108 Board of Education will be held on Monday, October 26, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the East Campus Community Room, 600 S. Medinah Road.