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**102uesday** Empower All Learners to Excel  
**Superintendent's Message**  
Dr. Theresa Dunkin  
December 14, 2010

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**Happy Holidays to you and your family from everyone at D102!**  
This is the last newsletter for 2010. The next 102uesday will be emailed on January 4, 2011.

### **P/T Conference and Report Card Survey**

The staff and I would like to know whether or not you were satisfied with the report card and the fall parent-teacher conference experience. You will be helping tremendously if you take time to answer a short eight question survey. Results of the survey will be reported in next month's second Tuesday email.

[Please take the survey.](#)

### **Study Island Blue Ribbon Challenge**

We encourage students in grades 3 through 8 to use Study Island ([www.studyisland.com](http://www.studyisland.com)) to reinforce concepts aligned with Illinois Learning Standards. This is especially good over the winter break. As students complete questions grouped by topics, blue ribbons are awarded for mastery. Students earning blue ribbons from December

### **Dear D102 Families:**

I always like this time of year because it is so heart warming to see how generously our students and staff reach out to help others. A few examples include donations to Feed the Starving Children, the Holiday Stars Program, multiple food drives and more. These service events, along with all of our special concerts and the AJHS play, provide families and staff the chance to enjoy the most important things in life. As Helen Keller said, "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart." Wishing you a safe and wonderful winter break and continued good wishes for the new year. January 3 is the first day of school after winter break.

### **Review of School Closing Procedures Due to WEATHER**

As you are well aware, temperatures are dropping and snow is beginning to accumulate so the timing is perfect to review our procedures for closing school due to severe weather. We will always try our best to make the decision to close school as early as possible so that families receive notice via the Alert Now automated telephone between 5:30 and 6:00 a.m. Since there is no fool-proof telephone system, always remember to check the district website or watch to local television stations for the list of school closures. For Alert Now to reach you, please be sure you keep your school office informed of any changes to your phone number or email address.

### **Introduction of the District's Food Allergy Management Program Policy**

Last evening, the Board of Education adopted a new Food Allergy Management Policy which the state developed with input from various state-level committees. The goal of this policy is to reduce food allergy risks and provide accommodations and proper treatment for allergic

17 through March 17 will be entered into a prize drawing (one entry for each blue ribbon earned during this period). For help with login and password information, please refer to this linked support page or contact Jody Salus at [jsalus@d102.org](mailto:jsalus@d102.org) or by phone at 847-353-5690.

### **PTO At A Glance**

#### **Special Lunch Thursday, December 16**

Pritchett - Culver's

Tripp - Wiener Take All

Meridian - Go Roma

On special lunch days, there is no school lunch service available. Students who have not pre-ordered a special lunch that day must bring a lunch from home.

#### **Parent-Child DJ Party**

##### **January 28**

Early Childhood through 4th grade students and parents invited to Meridian for a 70's dance.

#### **2011 Savings Cards**

Discounts at nearly 70 area businesses; card delivered after winter break. [Order on PTO website.](#)

#### **Family Fotos**

Still need Holiday cards and photos? Call KC at 847-630-9874, sitting fee waved.

#### **Up-to-Date PTO Events**

Be sure to "Like" District 102 PTO on Facebook or visit [www.d102.org/pto](http://www.d102.org/pto).

reactions. For more information on this policy and the district's procedures, please visit our [Health Information page](#) on the District website.

### **Future Planning Update**

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our Future Planning Process! I am very excited to share the work from our November 15 meeting when we determined the broad areas of concentration. They are:

*Life and Learning Skills*

*Writing in 21st Century Contexts*

*Personalized Learning and Academic Rigor*

*Human Capital: Recruit, Develop, and Support Highly Effective Staff*

The group's challenge at the meeting tomorrow evening will be to take these broad themes and write specific goal statements which will then guide the work of District staff to create detailed action plans.

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Superintendent

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**Upcoming SHS  
Freshman Orientation  
Dates**

**Parents and students  
(incoming freshman) are  
welcome:**

Wednesday, January 19

Tuesday, January 25

Thursday, January 27

Located in the Performing  
Arts Center, SHS

6:00pm - pick up packets

6-6:45pm - tours of building

7:00pm - program begins

**SHS Co-Curricular Fair,**  
Wednesday, March 23,  
6:30 - 8:30pm, SHS Field  
House

**Freshman Orientation  
Day,** Monday, August 22,  
2011, 8:00am - 3:25pm.  
Freshman are encouraged to  
ride the bus.

**Community Briefs**

**12/19 - 1/30/2011 Winter  
Reading Club**

Vernon Area Public Library  
presents Winter Reading  
Club with a Blizzard Bingo  
theme.

**12/21 Games Around the  
World,** Vernon Area Public  
Library, Grades 1 - 3 from  
10:00 - 11:00am and Grades  
4 - 8 from 11:30 - 12:30pm.

**12/28 Family Craft Time,**  
Vernon Area Public Library,  
2:00 - 2:45pm.

**12/30 Family Craft Time,**  
Vernon Area Public Library,  
7:00 - 7:45pm.

**1/29/2011 Trent's**

**Arteberry's Big Show,**  
Vernon Area Public  
Library's grand finale for the  
reading club is at Stevenson  
High School from 11:00am -  
12:00pm.

**1/8 The Okee Dokee  
Brothers,** Vernon Area  
Public Library, 11:00 -  
Noon.

*Details and registration at  
[www.vapld.info](http://www.vapld.info)*

### **Petition Deadline December 20 for Board of Education Elections**

BOE Elections will be held  
in the Consolidated General  
Elections on April 5, 2011.

District 102 will have three  
open seats. Candidates may  
pick up signature petitions  
in the Superintendent's  
Office. Candidates can  
circulate signature petitions  
9-21-10 through 12-20-10.

Candidates may file their  
petitions at the District  
Office, 1231 Weiland Road,  
Buffalo Grove, between  
12-13-10 through 12-20-10.  
No petitions can be accepted  
after 5:00pm on December  
20.

### **Look Ahead**

**12/14 Meridian Beginning  
Band Concert,** MMS gym,  
7:00pm

**12/15 Future Planning  
Committee Meeting,** light

dinner at 6:00pm, meeting at 6:30pm, AJHS Cafeteria

**12/16 D102 Orchestra Concert, 7:00pm at SHS**

**12/20 Winter Break**

**1/3 School Resumes**

AJHS - Aptakisic Junior High School  
MMS - Meridian Middle School  
PES - Pritchett Elementary School  
TES - Tripp Elementary School  
DOCC - District Office Conference Center  
SHS - Stevenson High School

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