

 *Empower All Learners to Excel*
Superintendent's Message 
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TO DO:

1. Register your child for Activity Based Summer School classes. [More details.](#)
2. May 5 is Incoming 5th Grade Orientation at Meridian.
3. May 6 is Kindergarten Roundup/Registration at Tripp and Pritchett Schools.

PTO At A Glance

D102 Challenge included a Visit from Staley Da Bear



Thank you to everyone for coming out and supporting our 2nd Annual D102 Challenge. For race results [click here](#).

School Supplies

Save yourself time and help your PTO earn money by ordering school supplies. There are two ways to order school supplies for the upcoming school year.

1. Use the order form on our website and pay by check; orders due 5/16/11.
2. Order online at www.epipacks.com - orders due 5/27/11.

Go to www.d102.org for order forms and contact information.

Dear District 102 Families,

This week's message is to inform you of two administrative reassignments as a result of the departure of our current Director of Teaching and Learning, Mrs. Ann Hofmeier. Mrs. Hofmeier has accepted a position as Principal in Arlington Heights SD 25 for the upcoming school year. We sincerely appreciate all that Ann has contributed to the Department of Teaching and Learning and Pritchett School when she served as Assistant Principal. I am sure that you join me in wishing Ann much success.

Selecting the right people to lead our district and providing qualified staff new opportunities is one of my most important responsibilities. To this end, I have made the following recommendations to the Board of Education:

- That Dr. Robert Hudson's title of Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning change to Assistant Superintendent of Educational Innovation to focus on, and provide, all students with world-class learning environments
- That Dr. Julie Brua, currently Principal at Aptakistic Junior High School be promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction and work in tandem with Dr. Hudson in the Teaching and Learning Department
- That Jessica McIntyre, currently Assistant Principal at Aptakistic Junior High School, be promoted to Principal of AJHS

These changes will create an Assistant Principal vacancy at the

Chairpersons Wanted for the 2011-2012 School Year

We are looking for parents to chair our various events and fundraisers for the 2011 - 2012 school year. The D102 PTO raises close to \$100K each year to help our schools, and we need your help. We have chairperson opportunities for one time events, for ongoing events and opportunities to help from your home! Not sure what to do? Call Missy (847-409-8781) or Tara (847-383-5011) and talk to them. Go to www.d102.org for a list of opportunities.

Save the Date

Barnes and Noble Book Fair
Saturday, June 4, from
9:00am - 9:00pm.

Find PTO events by

visiting <http://www.d102.org/pto.html>.

School Notes**Thank You for Giving**

Daisy Troop #40176 would like to thank everyone who contributed to our Personal Care drive. These items will help make Mother's Day a little brighter for moms at a local woman's shelter.

NEW Online Registration Service Coming Soon to District 102

Watch for our new online registration service in the coming weeks. Toward the end of May, a letter will be sent home with detailed instructions.

8th Grade Graduation Party Planning

junior high. We will initiate a search for a new Assistant Principal in the upcoming weeks so we have access to the very best internal and external candidates.

Background

Dr. Hudson has a unique and deep understanding of the type of learning environment necessary to engage today's student, coupled with a deep appreciation for the culture and values of District 102. He is well known and respected in the field, and is currently helping many other districts "get started" with 21st century learning in accordance with the National Education Technology Plan and the Common Core State Standards Initiative. He is in his fourth year leading the Teaching and Learning Department. Dr. Hudson is poised and excited to work in partnership with Dr. Brua to apply the advanced technologies used in our daily, personal and professional lives to our entire education system. The department's focus will be to improve learning opportunities, accelerate the adoption of effective practices, and use data and information for continuous improvement.

Dr. Brua continues to demonstrate her effectiveness as a leader and administrative team member during her nine-year tenure as Principal of both Tripp and Aptakisic. She possesses the qualities necessary to lead the re-alignment of our curriculum and instructional practices to the new Common Core State Standards Initiative. Dr. Brua will be managing the district's five-year curriculum cycle with the K-8 subject area teams and organizing the professional development program. Her background and experience in language arts and gifted education, coupled with her vast experience as a building leader, will provide very pragmatic leadership to our principals and teachers.

Mrs. McIntyre is in her seventh year in the district and continues to demonstrate expertise in problem-solving and effective communication. She is well respected and liked by her colleagues and is equally respectful to students, staff and families. Mrs. McIntyre has a deep level of commitment to the culture and values of District 102 as shown in her role as co-leader at the junior high school for the past two years. In addition, her expertise in mathematics and technology will position us to become a premier junior high school in the state and beyond. Due to her understanding of key advances in instructional practices and her personal leadership style, I am fully confident that Mrs. McIntyre is poised and ready to assume the main leadership role in the junior

The planning for the 8th grade graduation party is well under way! The party is set for Friday, May 20 from 6:30 - 9:00 P.M. at AJHS. Interested parents of 8th graders who wish to volunteer for this event should contact Chris at chrisanne1009@aol.com.

Activity Based Summer School Registration Open

Session I - 6/13 - 7/1

Session II - 7/5 - 7/22

More details at

www.d102.org/summerprograms.

News From SHS

SHS Town Hall Forum

May 10

Don't miss the Town Hall Forum discussing adolescent alcohol and drug use, depression and anxiety, as well as bullying and cyber-bullying. The program is hosted by Stevenson & Buffalo Grove High Schools, in collaboration with the Lincolnshire & Buffalo Grove Police and will be in Stevenson's Performing Arts Center from 7:00 - 9:00pm.

Freshman Orientation Day

Monday, August 22, 2011

8:00am - 3:25pm. Freshman

are encouraged to ride the bus.

Community Briefs

Road Closure at CN

Railroad begins May 2 at

8:00am

The Canadian National Railroad announced the

high school.

On a personal note, I want you to be assured that every staffing recommendation I make to the Board of Education improves upon the overall learning system.

I welcome your questions, comments and ideas. I look forward to seeing many of you at end of year events.

Sincerely,

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intention to close the railroad crossing on Aptakistic Road (Lake County Route A-44) for repairs May 2 thru the evening of May 6.

Vernon Area Public Library Celebrates Children's Book Week May 2 - 8

Hidden Treasures: Picture Books for Older Readers, Tuesday, May 3, 7 - 8:00pm, Grades 2 - 4

Go Dog Go by P.D. Eastman Turns 5!
May 4, 2 - 2:30pm or May 5, 7 - 7:30pm
Pre K - Age 7 with a caregiver. Bring your favorite stuffed puppy!

Comfy Chair Drawing Challenge

Design your perfect reading chair and turn the design in by May 9. See www.vapld.info for more details.

Look Ahead

5/3 District 102 Band Concert, Stevenson High, 7:00pm

5/4 Art/Music Night, Meridian Middle School, 7:00pm

5/5 Incoming 5th Grade Orientation, Meridian Middle School, 7:00pm

5/6 Kindergarten Roundup/Registration, Tripp & Pritchett Schools, call school for appointment

5/11 Choral Concert
Grades 5 - 8, Stevenson
High, 7:00pm

5/12 Transition Night -
Incoming 7th Graders,
Aptakisic Junior High,
6:30pm

5/17 Orchestra Concert
Grades 5 - 8, Stevenson
High, 7:00pm

5/18 Meridian Learning
Showcase, Meridian Middle
School, 7:00pm

5/19 Pritchett Learning
Showcase, Pritchett School,
7:00pm

5/23 National Junior
Honor Society, Aptakisic
Junior High, 7:00pm

5/24 Holocaust survivor
Paul Argiewicz and author
Deanne Joseph
Presentation, Aptakisic
Junior High, 1:00pm

5/25 Tripp Learning
Showcase, Tripp School,
6:30pm

5/26 Mosaic Variety Show,
Aptakisic Junior High,
1:15pm

5/27 Parent Share Day,
Tripp School, 9:15am

6/1 Last Day of School for
8th Graders and 8th Grade
Graduation

6/6 Last Day of School for
Kindergarten and Early
Childhood

6/7 Last Day of School for

Grades 1 - 7

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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