

Board of Education Highlights

May 14, 2008 - Johnson Elementary School

Recognitions & Achievements

The Board of Education recognized staff members who have served the District for 15 and 25 years. There were 42 staff members with 15 years of service and seven with 25 years of service.

The Board of Education recognized the three high school student representatives with a proclamation. Allie Winburg and Nick Novostad from Wheaton Warrenville South and Christine Ward from Wheaton North were acknowledged for being outstanding ambassadors for their schools and for the students of District 200.

Superintendents Report

The Edison Middle School Jazz Band and the Edison Middle School Eighth Grade Concert Band were invited to perform at the Illinois Grade School Music Association (IGSMA) Northern Division State Contest. The Northern Division consists of 419 IGSMA-member middle schools located in 51 counties north of Springfield. Both Edison bands are under the direction of Jill D. Carr who has been guiding students' musical growth and talent since her arrival at Edison Middle School in 1995.

Middle school bands competing in the State Contest are awarded either a Division I, II or III ranking, with Division I being the highest honor. Earlier this spring, seventeen middle school concert bands, and eight middle school jazz bands were invited to compete in the IGSMA Northern Division State Contest. Both the Edison Jazz Band and the Edison Eighth Grade Concert Band were awarded the highest honor of Division I. The IGSMA State Band Contest was held Saturday, April 26, 2008 at Chicago Christian High School in Palos Heights, Illinois. The IGSMA State Jazz Band Contest was held Saturday, May 3, 2008 at Lundahl Middle School in Crystal Lake, Illinois.

The National Council of Teachers of English sponsored the 2008 NCTE Promising Young Writers Program. Schools nominated 631 students and 200 were chosen as outstanding writers. Each student submitted two pieces of writing, which were read and evaluated by two judges. Papers were judged on content, purpose, audience, tone, work choice, organization, development, and style. Adam Billingham, a student at Monroe Middle School, was 1 of 5 state winners and received a certificate of recognition from NCTE.

High School Student Reports

Students from Wheaton North organized a Locks of Love drive and collected and donated 34 feet, 4 inches of hair for wigs made for cancer patients undergoing treatment. Last year they collect 27 feet.

North and South students are also sponsoring a Relay for Life this Saturday to raise money to fight cancer.

Wheaton Warrenville South students will host their Art Show, the Finale Orchestra, Band, and Choir Concert, and the District's Academy Graduation on May 19th. South High School's Musical, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat, will be performed on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, May 15, 16, 17.

The Board took the following action:

Approved a Memorandum of Understanding and payment in full with West Chicago District #33 regarding the annexation of the Fox Hollow subdivision in 1990.

Approved the extension of the contract with GCA Services Group for custodial services for the 2008-2009 school year. The contract sets a rate increase of 2.5%.

Approved a one-year contract extension with OAD Orthopaedics for athletic trainer services at Wheaton North and Wheaton Warrenville South High Schools.

Approved the Library Learning Center Program as posted at the last meeting.

Next Meeting:

May 28, 2008 at Lowell Elementary School