

Intermediate
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District 917

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1300 145th Street East
Rosemount, MN 55068

ISD 917 BOARD NOTES

September 4, 2018

Regular Board Meeting

Welcome Back!

917'S NEW CONCORD EDUCATION CENTER!

9015 Broderick Boulevard, Inver Grove Heights



Intermediate School District 917's recent expansion is complete with the addition of a new site, **Concord Education Center in Inver Grove Heights**. The site houses SUN programming as well as itinerant staff. There is room for further additions to programming which is anticipated to include additional SUN classrooms as well as the TEA program in future years. As we open the doors at CEC this fall, we occupy 10 of the available 20 classrooms. The site, a former Rainbow Foods store, has great common space including sensory rooms, cafe-gym-atorium, gym, and life skills, as well as a training room for professional development needs district wide. On September 17th from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. ISD 917 will host an open house at CEC so people may check out the new building.

PERSONNEL

New Hires: Nicole Ahlstrand, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Lucretia Andrews, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Jaime Bartels, Program Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Mark Bauer, Special Education Teacher, effective August 23, 2018. Ramon Bender, Program Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. JoAnna Collins, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Craig Curtis, Computer Network Specialist, effective August 20, 2018. Mackenzie Eckman, Program Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Alison Hild, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Lucina Kayee, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Kelly Kennedy, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Nicole Lohman, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Katrina Mayes, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Lauren Melzer, Special Education Teacher, effective August 23, 2018 (from Classroom Assistant to Tier 1 Special Education Teacher). Linda Minjares, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Heather Moss, Program Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Jonathon Mulville, Language Arts Teacher, effective August 30, 2018. Norelle Pearson, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Katherine Phillips, Special Education Teacher, effective August 27, 2018. Marshall Ramsay, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Leah Riege, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Riley Viner, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. LaQuayila Wells, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Heather Winblad, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Jackson Woolems, Program Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Keng Xiong, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Soua Yang, Program Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Anna Zappetillo, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. **Rehires:** Ann Hawkins, Special Education Teacher, effective August 24, 2018. **Change in Status:** Kirstie Gabbert, Special Education Teacher, maternity disability leave effective on or about February 8, 2019, with an expected return date of May 6, 2019. **Resignations and Terminations:** Kelly Branch, Classroom Assistant, effective August 22, 2018. Riley Buschke, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Kim Furstenberg, Classroom Assistant, effective August 31, 2018. JoAnn Golden, Program Assistant, effective September 3, 2018. Johnathan Harlin, Special Education Teacher, effective August 28, 2018. Sheila Johnson, Classroom Assistant, effective August 20, 2018. Timothy Knight, Classroom Assistant, effective August 29, 2018. Bonnie Korman, Program Assistant, effective August 22, 2018. Mary Lawrence, Classroom Assistant, effective August 30, 2018. Kathryn Papendick, Program Assistant, effective August 23, 2018.

Calendar Information

September 17, 2018 - 3:30 - 6:30 PM, Open House Youth Transition Program, 12425



River Ridge Boulevard, #200, Burnsville
September 17, 2018 - 3:30 - 6:30 PM, Open House Options, 151 W. Burnsville Parkway, #100, Burnsville

September 17, 2018 - 3:30 - 6:30 PM, Open House Juvenile Services Center, 1600 Highway 55 West, Hastings

September 17, 2018, 4-7 PM – Open House Concord Education Center, 9015 Broderick Boulevard, Inver Grove Heights

September 27, 2018 - 3:30 - 7:30 PM, Open House DCALS, 1300 145th Street East, Rosemount

September 27, 2018 - 3:30 - 7:30 PM, Open House DCALS North, 150 E. Marie, West St. Paul

November 1, 2018 - 3:30 - 7:30 PM, Open House TESA, 1300 145th Street East, Rosemount

WATCH FOR BUSES!



Motions & Reports

- Superintendent Zuzek and the School Board reviewed the 2018-2019 Operational Focus initiatives. This will be approved at the October 2, 2018, School Board meeting held at Concord Education Center.
- Policies 411-Bullying, 413-Harassment and Violence, 414-Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect, 415-Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults, and 6.32-Student Sex Nondiscrimination were reviewed on a first reading basis.
- Motion passed to approve Agreements between ISD #199 and ISD#192 and ISD 917 for the Purchase of Early Childhood Special Education teacher for early childhood mental health programs.

SAFESCHOOLS IS READY!

Log into www.isd917.org, then go to For 917 Staff, Safeschools Online Training, to begin your annual training. (Your 917 email is your username and if you need it your password is your first name.) All due by October 1, 2018. Easy way in (copy and paste below):

<http://www.isd917.mn.safeschools.com/login>

Baby Congratulations!

*Congratulations to **Elizabeth Annoni**, Speech Language Pathologist at AEC and Farmington Paces and her husband **Nick** on the birth of **McKinley J. Annoni**. McKinley was born on August 6, 2018, at 7:32 AM, weighing 8 pounds, 14 ounces and 19.5 inches long.
Congratulations!*



THANK YOU!

Teachers' Union and Interpreters' Union

Thank you for Emily's Bakery Donuts on Opening Workshop Day!



GOOD NEWS—DCALS

- Fundamental Chef Training students and staff will be providing the food and beverage for Burnsville High School's Hall of Fame event on September 14, 2018. The students will prepare a selection of hors d'oeuvres for the reception before the hall of fame induction ceremony.



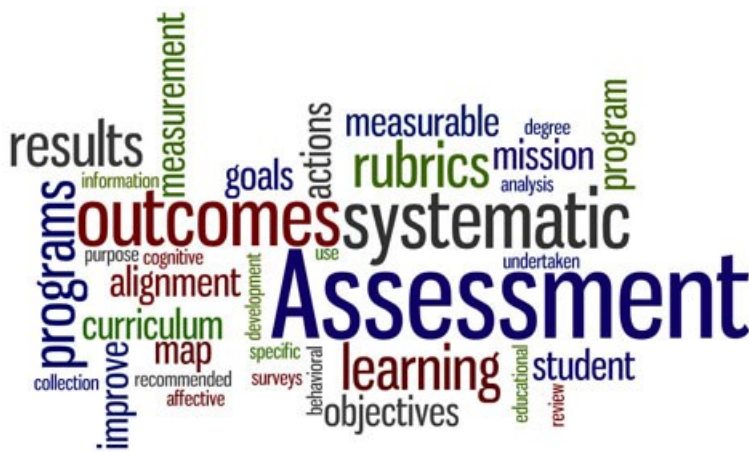
- Dale Engman and Lynn Morris** returned from training to teach Industry 4.0: Intro to Mechatronics. With the support of DCTC Customized Training we will be able to access the FANUC Intro to Robotics course when Dale and Lynn get training.

- DCALS and CTE staff were able to tour the **Cambria World Headquarters** and fabrication plants in LeSueur and Belle Plaine on Monday, Aug. 27th. **Madelyn Hertaus and Cody Webster, Recruitment Coordinators for Cambria** gave the staff a full view tour of the facilities. Cambria offers career opportunities for adults 18+ within a variety of skills and education levels.
- Members of the DCALS and CTE staff toured **Quality Forklift** in Shakopee on Wednesday, Aug. 29th. **Jennifer Sames, Human Resources Director** provided a behind the scenes tour. During our visit the staff was reintroduced to Tyler. **Tyler** was a student from Hastings who graduated from high school in 2009 and also attended **Tom LeDoux's Heavy Duty Truck** program as part of 917. Quality Forklift will continue to provide Tom's class with insight and materials to help students with maintenance and repair of the forklift they partially donated two years ago.



GOOD NEWS—Special Education

- Progress continues at Concord Education Center. The exterior sign is complete and staff are working hard to organize everything!
- Staffing continues to move mostly forward. We had a last minute resignation of a teacher at Alliance Education Center for which we are problem solving coverage. At this time, of our planned hires, we have a mental health practitioner and special education teacher opening at Lebanon Education Center and a special education teacher opening at Concord Education Center.
- The Options program completed the construction of a third classroom for the 2018-2019 school year. This will increase the program's capacity from a maximum of 48 students to a maximum of 60 students. **Charlotte Olson will be joining Teri Erickson and Melanie Rix** to make an even more dynamic teaching team at Options.
- A team of eight staff from Lebanon Education Center lead by **Wendi Renken**, lead teacher, took part in the first of a series of two-day trainings on becoming a Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) school as part of Cohort 14 through MDE. Over the next two years the team will develop and begin to implement the framework aimed at improving school culture and student behavior. The other members of the team include **Alex Buttdahl (teacher), Richelle Gernes (administrative assistant), Amber Kneer (paraprofessional), Brian Moga (teacher), Erin Stevens (MHP), Dave Stoll, and Jeryn Waldera (BCBA).**
- Licensed staff from Cedar and Lebanon spent a productive afternoon planning for the upcoming school year. Building off of the work done by the special education administrative team, each program developed a list of four precepts to focus on during the year. The staff also reviewed the high level practices chosen by the district and discussed what they were currently doing, what they wanted to start doing, and what they wanted to stop doing for each of the practices. Then they selected one high-level practice to focus on for each of the four areas (collaboration, learning, assessment, and social/emotional/behavioral practices). Next steps will include developing specific goals and developing an action plan for each of the high level practices selected.



Assessments