

# **One-of-a-kind properties, opportunities**

# District looks to sell unused buildings

Imagine raising the blinds of your newly rehabbed loft and seeing the city skyline. Or heading out for a night of fun at a multipurpose entertainment center that looks like a castle and was built in the early 1900s. These opportunities — and many more — are available through the Saint Louis Public Schools Building Revitalization Collaborative (BRC).

As the city's population has decreased, so has the population of school-aged children, requiring the District to close several dozen schools. Most SLPS schools were designed by noted architect William B. Ittner and are architecturally significant. Huge windows, stunning brickwork, oak cabinetry, brightly polished wood, grand staircases and decorative stained glass are among the features that set SLPS schools apart.

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The Clark school building is located at 1020 N. Union Blvd. This historic school is just north of Delmar Boulevard with commercial areas nearby. The W.B. Ittner-designed school was named for explorer William Clark.



# Transformation Plan 2.0 moving district in right direction

Our mission is to provide a quality education for all students and enable them to realize their full intellectual potential. Saint Louis Public Schools has continuously improved over the past five years and is provisionally accredited by the state.

During the 2014-15 school year, Superintendent Dr. Kelvin R. Adams introduced the District's new strategic plan for achievement. Transformation Plan 2.0 takes into account our steady gains over the past few years and sets four goals for higher achievement.

These goals will allow the District to operate at a higher academic level, clearly communicate our focus, relentlessly use data to accomplish our goals and have fun doing it. To learn more about Transformation Plan 2.0, please visit www.slps.org/plan.

Goals



Saint Louis Public Schools 801 N. 11th Street Saint Louis, MO 63101

#### schools.

• SLPS will be fully accredited, and 75% of schools will achieve provisional or full accreditation by 2017. • SLPS will be financially sound and have a 10% unrestricted fund balance by 2019.



## The district cultivates school leaders in administration and the classroom.

• By August 2016, leader effectiveness and retention within the district will increase.

• Teachers will lead instruction that increases student achievement on multiple assessments, including reading benchmarks and state tests.

• Lowest-performing students will increase their performance by 25%.



#### All students read to lead and succeed.

By the end of the 2018 school year, 80% of 3rd graders will be reading on grade level.
By the end of each school year, 85% of students will demonstrate a minimum of one year's growth in reading.

• By 2020, 90% of our students will be prepared for the college and/or career of their choice upon graduation from high school.



#### Partnerships support students.

• By 2016, the district will maximize the number and amount of grant awards it receives.

• By 2017, 90% of families and community partners will give our schools an "A" when asked to rate if schools are welcoming and supportive.

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# Welcome to the 2015 school year



There is nothing quite like the first day of school. It is a time when students are excited about reconnecting with their friends after summer vacation and teachers are equally excited to welcome a

new group of eager students and begin the school-year-long journey of working and learning together.

Saint Louis Public Schools is excited to begin another school year! Parents have been sending their children to the SLPS for more than 150 years and it is an honor for every staff member to help prepare students for the brightest future possible. We believe 2015-16 will be another outstanding school year.

As we begin a new school year, there are a few changes I'd like to highlight for you.

First, the Special Administrative Board approved an adjusted school year calendar and bell time changes for this year. Parents, staff and community members voiced a concern about the school year beginning too early in August and the SAB voted to change the first day of school from August 10, 2015 to August 17, 2015. There were also numerous requests to move the start time for first tier schools from a 7:10 a.m. time to a later time. After reviewing several options, the SAB voted to move all start and dismissal times by 20 minutes to bring the District more in-line with other area schools.

District students at three schools will be starting school in a new location this year. The Collegiate School of Medicine & Bioscience will expand to include students in grade 9 through grade 11 this school session and will relocate from the Des Peres School to a larger building, the former Wyman School.

Middle school students presently attending the Academy of Environmental Science and Math (AESM) will now attend school at Toussaint L'Ouverture. Finally, College Prep High School at Madison seniors will attend school at Vashon this school session, while underclassmen were directed to other schools.

As one school year ends and another begins there are always new faces to welcome and long-time friends to say goodbye to as they leave for retirement or other opportunities. The 2015-16 school year is no different. The District is excited to welcome several new teachers, principals, support staff and administrators to our SLPS team. While space prohibits us from listing all staff members in this issue of "School and Home", I encourage you to familiarize yourself with our school principals, as they are listed on this page.

Looking forward, I know SLPS students will continue to improve in the classroom and beyond thanks to the tremendous support they receive from our community partners. Our children are truly blessed to receive mentoring, tutoring and other resources from our local churches, non-profit partners and corporate benefactors. It is amazing to have so many who are ready and willing to do whatever is needed for our children. Summer vacation is officially over as of Monday, August 17. The custodial team has worked extremely hard this summer to prepare our schools to welcome students and staff. I look forward to another successful school year and can't wait for the first day of school.

# SLPS 2015-16 School Listings

	Grades	Principal	Address	Phone Number
Elementary Schools				
Adams	PS-6	Cameron Coleman	1311 Tower Grove	314-535-3910
Ames Visual and Performing Arts (VPA)	PS-5	JaVeeta Parks-Prince	2900 Hadley	314-241-7165
Ashland	PS-6	Lisa Brown	3921 N. Newstead	314-385-4767
Bryan Hill	PS-5	Dr. Sarah Briscoe	2128 Gano	314-534-0370
Buder	PS-5	Michelle Flores	5319 Lansdowne	314-352-4343
Carver	PS-4	Anna Westlund Dr. Donna Owens	3325 Bell	314-345-5690
Clay Columbia	PS-5 PS-6		3820 N. 14th 3120 St. Louis	314-231-9608 314-533-2750
Cote Brilliante	PS-6	DeShaonda Payton (interim) Mildred Moore	2616 Cora	314-531-8680
Dewey IS	PS-5	Andrew Donovan	6746 Clayton	314-645-4845
Dunbar	PS-6	Jacara Sproaps	1415 N. Garrison	314-533-2526
Farragut	PS-6	Patricia Cox	4025 Sullivan	314-531-1198
Ford	PS-6	Joseph Williams	1383 Clara	314-383-0836
Froebel Literacy Academy	PS-6	Mamie Womack	3709 Nebraska	314-771-3533
Gateway MST Elementary	PS-5	Dr. Rose Howard	#4 Gateway	314-241-8255
Gateway - Michael SpEd	PS-8	Dr. Rose Howard	#2 Gateway	314-241-0993
Hamilton	PS-5	Starlett Frenchie	5819 Westminster	314-367-0552
Herzog Academy	PS-6	Sandra Bell	5831 Pamplin	314-385-2212
Hickey	PS-5	Peggy Starks	3111 Cora	314-383-2550
Hodgen College Bound Academy	PS-6	Brandon Murray (interim)	1616 California	314-771-2539
Humboldt Acad. of Higher Learning	3-5	Jacqueline Russell	2516 S. 9th	314-932-5720
Jefferson	PS-6	Michelle Jones	1301 Hogan	314-231-2459
Kennard CJA	PS-5	Dr. Wanda LeFlore	5031 Potomac	314-353-8875
Laclede	PS-5	Dr. DaMaris White	5821 Kennerly	314-385-0546
Lexington	PS-5	Myra Pendleton	5030 Lexington	314-385-2522
Lyon Academy @ Blow	K-8	Dr. Ingrid Iskali	516 Loughborough	314-353-1349
Mallinckrodt Acad. of Gifted Instruction	PS-5	DeAndre Thomas	6020 Pernod	314-352-9212
Mann	PS-5	Dr. Nicole Conaway	4047 Juniata	314-772-4545
Mason School of Academic & Cultural Literacy	PS-6	Deborah Leto	6031 S.west	314-645-1201
Meramec	PS-5	LaKena Curtis	2745 Meramec	314-353-7145
Monroe	PS-6	Felicia Miller	3641 Missouri	314-776-7315
Mullanphy ILC (Investigative Learning Center)	PS-5	Kelli Casper	4221 Shaw	314-772-0994
Earl Nance Sr. Elementary School	PS-6	Jana Haywood	8959 Riverview	314-867-0634
Nahed Chapman Preparatory Academy	K-10	Donnie Harris (interim)	1530 S. Grand	314-664-1066
Oak Hill	PS-5	Dr. Karessa Morrow	4300 Morganford	314-481-0420
Gilkey Pamoja Preparatory Academy @ Cole	PS-8	Sean Nichols	3935 Enright	314-533-0894
Patrick Henry Downtown Academy	PS-6	Colby Heckendorn	1220 N. 10th	314-231-7284
Peabody	PS-5	Monica Seawood	1224 S. 14th	314-241-1533
Shaw VPA	PS-5	Dr. Lori Craig	5329 Columbia	314-776-5091
Shenandoah	PS-6	Sonya Wayne	3412 Shenandoah	314-772-7544
Sigel	PS-6	Hollie Russell-West	2050 Allen	314-771-0010
Stix ECC	PS-2	Diane Dymond	647 Tower Grove	314-533-0874
Walbridge	PS-6	Sarah Briscoe	5000 Davison	314-383-1829
Washington Montessori	PS-5	DeAdrienne Torrey	1130 N. Euclid	314-361-0432
Wilkinson ECC@ Roe	PS-2	Yvette Levy (interim)	1921 Prather	314-645-1202
Woerner Woodward	PS-5 PS-5	Margaret Meyer Carla Cunigan	6131 Leona 725 Bellerive	314-481-8585 314-353-1346
Middle Schools	F 3-5			314-333-1340
AESM @ L'Ouverture	5-8	CeAndre Perry	3021 Hickory	314-932-1465
Busch Middle School of Character	6-8	Robert Lescher	5910 Clifton	314-352-1043
Carr Lane VPA	6-8	Cornelius Green	1004 N. Jefferson	314-231-0413
Compton Drew ILC	6-8	Susan Reid	5130 Oakland	314-652-9282
Fanning	6-8	June Berry	3417 Grace	314-772-1038
Gateway MST	6-8	Aisha Grace	1200 N. Jefferson	314-241-2295
Langston	6-8	Lanetra Thomas	5511 Wabada	314-383-2908
Long	6-8	Brenda Smith	5028 Morganford	314-481-3440
McKinley CJA	6-12	Steve Warmack (interim)	2156 Russell	314-773-0027
Yeatman-Liddell Preparatory	7-8	Dr. Leslie Bonner	4265 Athlone	314-261-8132
High Schools				
Carnahan High School of the Future	9-12	LaTasha Jones	4041 S. Broadway	314-457-0582
Central VPA	9-12	Dr. Kacy Seals (interim)	3125 S. Kingshighway	314-771-2772
Cleveland NJROTC	9-12	Dr. Susan Viviano	3125 S. Kingshighway	314-776-1301
Clyde C. Miller Career Academy	9-12	Michael Brown	1000 N. Grand	314-371-0394
Collegiate School of Medicine & Bioscience	9-10	Frederick Steele	1547 S. Theresa	314-696-2290
Gateway STEM Academy	9-12	Debra Powell-Childress	5101 McRee	314-776-3300
Metro	9-12	(interim) Dr. Wilfred Moore	4015 McPherson	314-534-3894
Metro Northwest Academy of Law		Dr. Wilfred Moore Valerie Carter-Thomas	4015 McPherson 5140 Riverview	314-534-3894 314-385-4774
	9-12			
Nottingham CAJT	9-12	Brian O'Connor	4915 Donovan	314-481-4095
Roosevelt	9-12 9-12	Dr. Crystal Gale	3230 Hartford	314-776-6040
Soldan IS	9-12 9-12	Dr. Thomas Cason	918 N. Union	314-367-9222
Sumner	9-12	Dr. Michael Triplett (interim)	4268 West Cottage	314-371-1048
Vashon	9-12	Stanley Green (interim)	3035 Cass	314-533-9487
Programs Fresh Start @ Sumner	ages	Dr. Debra Powell	4268 West Cottage	314-371-1048
	17-21			
Griscom	5-12	James Harris	3847 Enright	314-552-2219
Innovative Concept Academy @ Blewett	9-12	Ciceley Johnson	1927 Cass	314-231-7738
Multiple Pathways at Beaumont		Justin Moore	3836 Natural Bridge	314-533-2410
Stevens Center for Academic Development	6-8	Angelique Brown	1033 Whittier	314-533-8550



# SLPS names the Teacher of the Year

## Stix music teacher John Culver Wilson selected

Stix Early Childhood Center music teacher John Culver Wilson is the Saint Louis Public Schools 2014-15 Teacher of the Year. Wilson was presented with the honor during a surprise visit to his classroom by Deputy Superintendents David Hardy and Rachel Seward during the last week of school.

"Mr. Wilson designs music lessons that are interesting and interactive for all of our students," said Stix ECC Principal Diane Dymond. "All children are exposed to different genres of music, famous music composers and modern day musical artists.

... He is an asset to our staff and our district."

Wilson was selected by the District's Professional Development Office as the overall Teacher of the Year from a pool of 17 educators honored in November as subjectmatter-specific SLPS Teachers of the Year. At that time, Wilson received the Webster University Leigh Gerdine College of Fine Arts Elementary Music Teacher of the Year award. Wilson is a former recipient of a Pettus Excellence in Teaching Award. He completed a master's degree in teaching from Webster University, plus 30 additional hours of graduate work, and has been a professional, performing musician for 40 years.

"John's aptitude for involving young students in music is just phenomenal," said Linda Haynes-Smith, Stix ECC's physical education teacher and longtime mentor to Wilson. "I've had the opportunity to witness the teaching strategies that are employed in his daily classroom setting, which encourage students to enjoy, learn, desire and perform music at an advanced level. John's proficiency in the field of education — and more specifically the area of music — allows him to create lyrics and songs that are specific to our school's culture."

As the District's overall Teacher of the Year, Wilson was eligible to compete in the Missouri Teacher of the Year contest.



Deputy Superintendent for Academics David Hardy surprises John Culver Wilson with his award.

# SLPS 2014-15 Teachers of the Year

Saint Louis Public Schools presents the 2014-15 Teachers of the Year. These educators represent the best of the best. Nominees must explain their teaching philosophy and approach to teaching; provide examples of classroom lesson plans; and be recommended by an administrator and a professional colleague. Retired SLPS principals and teachers decide the winners. The awardees were honored with a reception at Palladium St. Louis. Each winner received a trophy and a \$1,000 award from the St. Louis Public Schools Foundation. All subject-area teachers also received a \$500 award for related education materials through the Parsons Blewett Memorial Fund. The 2014-15 honorees are:



Glenn Barnes Clyde C. Miller Career Academy



**Linda Mitchell** Parents as Teachers



**Danielle Butler** Oak Hill Elementary School



**Colette Morton** Gateway STEM High School





**Evelyn Fields** Metro Academic & Classical High School



Phillip Norris Gateway STEM High School







Michael Paradise Roosevelt High School





Kathryn Kramer Ames VPA Elementary



Natasha Payne Roosevelt High School



Kelly Hahn Wilkinson Early Childhood Center



Stephen Michael Pipitone Woerner Elementary

Carolyn Recke Kennard Classical Junior Academy

**Jacob Reft** Mullanphy ILC

**Kelly Taylor** Carnahan High School of the Future

**Shari Telaar** Soldan International Studies



Fabian Turner Hickey Elementary School



John Culver Wilson Stix Early Childhood Center

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# Child Find Public Notice

#### This notice will be provided in alternative formats, as needed

Do you know a child who may be in need of special education services? If you suspect a child of having a disability, Saint Louis Public Schools can open a window of hope for a brighter future.

#### WHAT IS CHILD FIND?

"Child Find" refers to the process of locating, identifying, and evaluating children with disabilities to ensure that they receive services to which they are entitled if it is determined that a disability interferes with learning.

## DISABILITY CATEGORIES AND SERVICES

Children, ages 3 to 21, who are suspected of having a disability may be referred for a possible evaluation to determine if they are eligible for special education and related services. Difficulties may be experienced in one or more of the following disability areas:

- Autism
- Deaf/Blind
- Emotional Disturbance
- Hearing Impairment/Deafness
- Mental Retardation/Intellectual Disability
- Multiple Disabilities
- Orthopedic Impairment
- Other Health Impairment
- Specific Learning Disabilities
- Speech and/or Language Impairment
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Visual Impairment/Blindness
- Developmental Delay in Young Children

All special education services, which are determined to be necessary, are provided at no cost. Services may include:

- Audiology
- Counseling services
- Interpreting services
- Occupational therapyOrientation and mobility services
- Orientation and mobility service. Physical therapy
- Psychological services
- School health and school nurse services
- School social work services
- Speech and/or language therapy
- Transportation

#### REFERRAL

Parents, social workers, medical professionals, representatives of an agency, or anyone who is concerned, may refer a child suspected of a disability. Further information about referrals for special education services is available at the closest

# Title I Parents Right to Know

The Saint Louis Public School District is required to inform parents of students attending Title I schools that they can request certain information, according to the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-110).

Upon parents' request, the Saint Louis Public School District is required to provide parents/guardians, in a timely manner, the following information:

- Whether their child's teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualification or licensing criteria has been waived.
- What baccalaureate degree major the teacher has and any other graduate certification or degree major held by the teacher and the field of discipline of the certification.

In addition to the information that parents may request, the Saint Louis Public School District must provide to the parent/guardian:

- Information on the achievement level of their child in the state academic assessments as required.
- Timely notice that their child has been assigned, or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks, by a teacher who is not highly qualified.
- Notification if the District or their child's school has been identified for school improvement, and options available for their child.
- A Complaint Resolution Procedure annually (SLPS Complaint Resolution Procedure information is listed in SLPS Student Rights Code and Conduct Handbook.)
- Notification to parents of the option to transfer their student if student is enrolled in an identified persistently dangerous school, or student has been the victim of a criminal offense while on school property to a school not identified.

For more information about Title I parental notification requirements, please contact: Office of State and Federal Programs Saint Louis Public Schools 801 N. 11th Street

St. Louis, MO 63101 (314) 345-2324

## **SLPS** Hotlines

314-345-2466

SLPS Weather Emergency Hotline:

SLPS Events/Comments Hotline: 314-345-INFO (4636) **SLPS School Safety Anonymous Tips Hotline:** 314-241-7577

## **SLPS Phone Numbers**

#### **STUDENT SERVICES**

**Early Childhood** 314-331-6150

Family & Community Engagement 314-345-2484

**Gifted & Talented** 314-345-2435

Recruitment and Placement 314-633-5200

**Special Education** 314-633-5344

**Students in Transition** 314-345-5750

**Transportation** 314-389-2202

**Volunteer Services** 314-345-4577

#### **CENTRAL OFFICE**

Academic Office 314-345-2488

Athletics 314-345-4418 314-345-4405

**Curriculum & Instruction** 314-345-4486

**Dropout Recruiter** 314-345-4424

**Operations** 314-345-4669

**Public Information** 314-345-2367

**Safety & Security** 314-865-2020

Superintendent's Office 314-345-2500

# ESOL/INTERNATIONAL NUMBERS

**ESOL Bilingual Migrant Program** 314-664-1066

**The Nahed Chapman New American Academy** 314-776-3285

school in your neighborhood or at the Central Office located at 801 N. 11th Street.

#### IDENTIFICATION

All responsible public agencies are required to identify, locate, and evaluate children with disabilities, including children with disabilities who are in transition (homeless children) or are wards of the state, and children with disabilities attending private schools who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability. This includes children attending private schools, including non-residents if attending private schools within the agency's jurisdiction; highly mobile children, such as migrant and homeless children; and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade.

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# **Student Transcripts** 314-645-2648

# Human Resources 314-345-2379

#### Innovative Pathways 314-345-6950

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This past year, the District established the BRC to promote the redevelopment of District-owned properties no longer in use as schools. Funding is limited to maintain these buildings. However, SLPS realizes their significance and wants to encourage the public to generate ideas for how they can be repurposed. Past successful projects include the Field School Lofts, Franklin School Apartments and the Better Family Life Cultural, Educational and Business Center (Emerson School). For additional information about the BRC or to submit an idea, please visit www.slps.org/ realestate. Also, you can find the BRC on Twitter and Instagram at @SLPS\_LISTINGS.

In the spring and summer of 2015, SLPS scheduled a series of open houses at 28 closed schools to discuss possible repurposing scenarios for each property. Along with neighbors, SLPS alums, and urban explorers, SLPS Real Estate Director Walker Gaffney invited members of a newly established technical advisory committee (TAC) team to weigh in on the properties. TAC members include architects,

building planners, preservationists, real

estate developers, and representatives from the fields of finance, education, construction and healthcare.

By bringing together community stakeholders and TAC members, SLPS hopes to find creative solutions for these properties that will benefit the District and the St. Louis community as a whole. Follow-up sessions with those who visited the properties are being scheduled for this fall.

# Saint Louis Public Schools 2015-16 Academic Year Calendar

#### July`15

27 11-Month Staff Returns to Work

#### August `15

- 3 10.5-Month Staff Returns to Work
- 10-Month Staff Returns to Work 10
- 10-14 **Opening Activities Days (2 Districtwide Professional** Development, 2 Classroom Prep, 1 Principal's Day)
- 17 **First Class Day for All Students**

#### September `15

- Labor Day Holiday (District Closed) 7
- 18 Interim Progress Reports for Quarter 1

#### October '15

- 9 Professional Development (No Students)
- 15 Quarter 1 Ends
- 16 Parent Conferences (No Students)
- 19 Quarter 2 Begins

#### November `15

- Veteran's Day Holiday (District Closed) 11
- 20 Interim Progress Reports for Quarter 2
- No School for Non-12-Month Staff, 12-Month Staff Works (Schools Closed) 25
- 26-27 Thanksgiving Holiday (District Closed)

#### December `15

- Professional Development (No Students) 11
- 17 Quarter 2 Ends
- Record Keeping Day (No Students) 18
- 21-23 No School for Non-12-Month Staff, 12-Month Staff Works (Schools Closed)
- Christmas Holiday (District Closed) 24-25
- 26-31 Winter Break (Schools Closed)

#### January`16

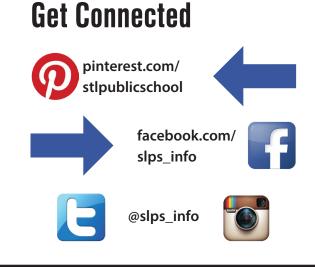
- New Year's Day Holiday (District Closed) 1
- 4 Classes Resume, Quarter 3 Begins
- Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (District Closed) 18

#### February `16

- 5 Interim Progress Reports for Quarter 3
- President's Day Holiday (District Closed) 15
- 26 Professional Development (No Students)

#### **March** `16

- Quarter 3 Ends 10
- Parent Conferences (No Students) 11
- Quarter 4 Begins 14
- 21-25 Spring Break (Schools Closed)



# 2015-16 Bell Times

#### First Tier Schools • 7:30 a.m. - 2:27 p.m.

High Schools Multiple Pathways at Beaumont Clyde C. Miller Cleveland NJROTC Carnahan HSOF Central VPA

Gateway STEM McKinley CLA Metro Northwest Law Nottingham CAJT Soldan Int'l Studies

#### Middle Schools

Busch Carr Lane Compton-Drew Long McKinley CJA Stevens Center for Academic Development

#### Second Tier Schools • 8:25 a.m. - 3:22 p.m.

Sumner

Vashon

#### **High Schools** CSMB

Roosevelt

#### Middle Schools

Gateway Middle Langston **Elementary Schools** Adams Ashland Buder Clay Columbia Gateway Elem. Gateway Michael Hamilton Hickey Jefferson

#### Lexington Lyon @ Blow Mann Mason Monroe Nance Gilkey Pamoja Prep Academy @ Cole Peabody Walbridge

#### Second Tier Schools • 8:35 a.m. - 3:32 p.m.

Middle Schools Fanning

Amer. Acad. Yeatman-Liddell

#### Nahed Chapman New **Elementary Schools**

Bryan Hill Cote Brilliante Dunbar Farragut

Ford Herzog Laclede Henry

#### April `16

22 Interim Progress Reports for Quarter 4

#### May `16

#### 26 Last Class Day, Quarter 4 Ends

27 Record Keeping Day (No Students), Last Day for 10-Month Employees

Memorial Day Holiday (District Closed) 30

#### **June** `16

- Last day for 10.5 Month Employees 3
- 6 Summer School Begins
- 10 Last Day for 11-Month Employees
- 30 Summer School Ends

#### July `16

4 Independence Day Holiday (District Closed)

#### Third Tier Schools • 9:30 a.m. - 4:27 p.m.

High Schools Innovative Concept @ Blewett Middle Schools AESM @ L'Ouverture

#### **Elementary Schools**

Ames VPA Shenandoah Sigel Carver Stix ECC Kennard Woerner Mallinckrodt Washington Montessori Meramec Wilkinson ECC Mullanphy Oak Hill Woodward

Third Tier Schools • 9:40 a.m. - 4:37 p.m. **Elementary Schools** 

Hodgen Humboldt Shaw VPA

Dewey

Froebel

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# The Importance of Immunizations: Safe, Effective and Required

School will start in just a few days. Are your kids ready? According to Missouri law, all children must show proof of immunization compliance before enrollment in school. If children show up without proper immunizations on file, they may be sent home until their records are up to date. It's not too late! Schedule an appointment with your child's doctor or nurse practitioner to get needed immunizations before the first day of school. You can also visit one of these resources.

#### FREE OR LOW-COST RESOURCES AVAILABLE:

- Family Care Health Centers: 314-531-5444
- Grace Hill: 314-898-1782
- Missouri Health Department (South County): 314-367-5820
- People's Health Centers: 314-367-7848
- St. Louis Children's Hospital Healthy Kids Express: 314-286-0947
- Saint Louis University Health Resource Center: 314-389-0008
- Urgent Care for Kids: 314-932-7333
- Explore other options at: stlouisihn.org

#### WHAT TO BRING TO THE APPOINTMENT:

- Insurance card/information
- Current immunization record
- Letter from the school nurse indicating immunizations required
- If your child receives an immunization at a location other than their primary care physician/nurse practitioner, be sure to also provide a copy to that clinic or doctor's office.

#### 2015-16 Missouri School

Immunization Requirements		Doses Required by Grade												
Vaccines Required for School						5			8	9	10	11 12		
Attendance	к	1	2	3	4		6	7						
DTaP/DTP/DT	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	
Tdap									1	1	1	1	1	
IPV (Polio)	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	
MMR	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2 2		
Hepatitis B	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	
												No doses re	equired however vaccination is	
Varicella	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	highly reco	mmended	

#### **ARE THEY SAFE?**

Vaccination is safe and effective. All vaccines are only given to children after a long and a careful review by scientists, doctors and other healthcare professionals. Claims that vaccinations are tied to autism have been dismissed by the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Institute of Medicine, the National Institute of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and many other medical experts.

#### WHAT IS THE PURPOSE?

Vaccines have reduced and, in some cases, eliminated many diseases that killed or severely disabled people just a few generations before. For example, smallpox vaccinations helped eradicate that disease worldwide. Some diseases that are considered to be a thing of the past can resurge, making vaccinations more important than ever. For example, most adults and children in the United States have been vaccinated for measles-mumps-rubella (MMR). This has greatly reduced the number of cases. However, outbreaks still occur. Parents who choose not to vaccinate their children put them at risk for getting these diseases when an outbreak occurs. Additionally, those with compromised immune systems depend on everyone else to get vaccinations so they are at less risk.

#### HOW DO I NOTIFY THE SCHOOL WHEN MY CHILD GETS A NEW IMMUNIZATION?

Notify the school nurse when your child gets a new shot. If the school nurse sends a Notice of Need letter to you regarding the child's need for an immunization, take the child to the doctor promptly to avoid the child being excluded from school. Some immunizations require multiple doses. The state law requires exclusion from school of all students who do not complete vaccinations once started.

#### **OTHER QUESTIONS?**

Please contact School Nurse Coordinator Surilla Shaw at 314-345-4401 or surilla.shaw@slps.org.

#### Child Find continued from pg. 4

Identification of children with disabilities and programming for such children will be implemented after a determination of eligibility. The Saint Louis Public School District assures that it will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 under its jurisdiction either locally or through contractual arrangements in accordance with RSMo [162.675(2)(3)] and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

#### EARLY INTERVENTION

The Saint Louis Public School District assures that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of the Part C early intervention system (First Steps) for infants and toddlers suspected of having a disability.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY

The Saint Louis Public School District assures that personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement, or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/ or reviewed by their parents. Parents may request amendment to the educational record if the parent believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their child. Parents may register a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) if they feel the agency is in violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). The Saint Louis Public School District has adopted the Missouri Local Compliance Plan for the implementation of State Regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency's policies and procedures regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention, and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency's assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA). This plan may be reviewed at the Office of Special Education during normal business hours. Every child has the capacity to learn, to develop and to grow to his or her full potential. If you are aware of a child with a disability and would like further information regarding options for evaluation and services, please call 314-633-5344.

Saint Louis Public Schools Foundation

# Taylor family gift will build great futures for SLPS preschoolers

On May 27, the family of Jack Taylor, the founder of Enterprise Rent-a-Car, made a historic gift of \$22 million to youth and children-serving organizations in St. Louis. The St. Louis Public Schools Foundation received \$5 million, designated to the District's early childhood education programs. "This is a monumental gift," said St. Louis Public Schools Foundation President, Jane Donahue. "The Taylor family will help make access to quality, free preschool education a reality for so many of our children and families." The donation is also the largest in the Foundation's history.

Since 2011, Saint Louis Public Schools has made substantial investments with some one-time funding (from the Desegregation Capital Fund) to expand its early childhood education from serving 1,200 students to engaging more than 2,300 students. It's seeing the rewards. Within SLPS, current fourth graders who attended SLPS preschool are scoring dramatically higher both in communication arts and in math than are students who did not attend SLPS preschool. By 2018, the goal is for 80% of preschool children to achieve kindergarten readiness, and that, by 3rd grade, those graduates are reading at grade level. As the District gains momentum in delivering high-quality early childhood education, it must also be proactive in ensuring that the progress is sustained.



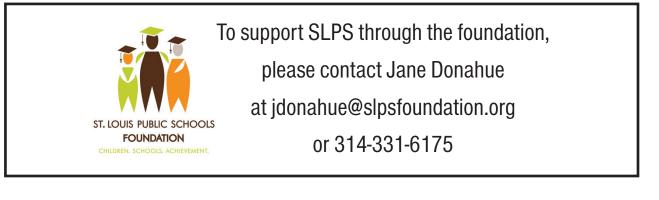
cover Pre-K expenses, and the one-time funding from the Desegregation Capital Fund will expire in school year 2017-2018.

"The gift from the Taylor family comes at a critical moment. Providing strong early childhood education is one of District's top priorities, and this funding will help ensure that we continue a commitment to our youngest learners," noted Saint

Currently, Missouri's public school funding formula does not Louis Public Schools Superintendent, Dr. Kelvin Adams.

# Emerson commits \$1M to SLPS Foundation

St. Louis Public Schools Foundation is thrilled to announce that Emerson will invest \$1 million in the students of Saint Louis Public Schools over the next three years. Emerson was the first corporation to make a commitment to funding Saint Louis Public Schools' Transformation Plan; it's strategy for accelerated student success. The support will be allocated to two of the Foundation/ District's priority areas: cultivating great school leaders and intensifying college and career readiness. "We appreciate Emerson's early decision and bold leadership," said Superintendent Dr. Kelvin Adams, "the company's confidence in our students and educators is invaluable."



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# Pettus Foundation Awards of Excellence

n its newest strategic plan, Saint Louis Public Schools identifies great teaching as the critical ingredient to student achievement. Success depends on the moments of discovery, imagination, trust and learning that dedicated educators create in schools and classrooms across the City.

Now in its eighth year, the Pettus Awards of Excellence program continues to be a unique source of recognition for SLPS educators, assuring them that they are valued and appreciated by their colleagues and community.

The educators recognized with Pettus Awards demonstrate excellence in teaching and leadership, inspire students to achieve and are actively engaged in creating a positive culture in their school. These worthy individuals have earned the respect and admiration of their students, parents and colleagues.

James Finch III, the managing trustee of the Pettus Foundation, is responsible for starting the Pettus Awards of Excellence. Traditionally, the awards have been given exclusively to teachers and principals, but this past year the District recognized teachers and elementary and secondary school counselors—a change recommended by Finch.

"I am not sure counselors get the recognition they deserve," said Finch after observing one counselor help a high school student navigate toward a promising postsecondary future.

Finch's vision for the Pettus Awards burned bright this year as more than 33 judges provided thoughtful observations of the nearly 150 nominees. They were looking for the qualities that Finch knew made great teachers and counselors.

Finch's contributions to the morale and progress of Saint Louis Public School educators were recognized at this year's judges' luncheon. "I hope his family knows that even if Jim Finch never met all of the Pettus awardees, he gave each of them the confidence and the respect they deserve to continue their calling of educating and inspiring our students," concluded one judge.



James Finch III

In October 2014, the St. Louis Public Schools Foundation lost a dear friend: James Finch III, who was the managing trustee of the Pettus Foundation. Read more about Finch and the Pettus Awards of Excellence, a program he started and through which the SLPS Foundation honors great educators from every SLPS school each year.

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Pettus Judge

# 2014–15 Pettus Counselors



Pictured from left to right:

Marilyn Firestone Desiree Speed Danielle Carter Jeri Bryant Crystal Hilson Katherine Muschinske Shauna Cunningham Wanda Garner

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# Philosophies

Amarpreet Ahluwalia Vashon High School



I will be frank – I have lived a blessed life. As the only child of two professional parents I got every bit of support I could ever need or want from my family. I was blessed with phenomenal primary and secondary school teachers who inspired me to study and succeed academically. Coming to college, I felt secure in my foundation in all subject areas. However, I quickly realized how much effort I needed to put in to keep succeeding at a collegiate level. I remember thinking, "I was the salutatorian of my high school class. If I am working hard at college, I cannot imagine what it would be like to arrive here and have no idea what I was doing."

As I left university determined to help battle the opportunity gap in the United States, I struggled to figure out

how I could possibly help my students navigate a world that has such inbred systemic classist and racist tendencies. I worried about the impacts (of) my own prejudices and biases and unconsciously pushing those on my students. In short, I was terrified of my power as an educator.

As such, I believe all students have the right to a quality education and educators that are qualified to meet those students where they are but continuously strive for where they need to be. I believe that all educators must maintain the belief that all children can and will succeed when given the opportunity to thrive and a learning plan that is structured for their success. I believe that school communities are the foundation of a community, and that unless we as a nation address issues of inequity in education, we will never be able to dismantle systemic racism, classism, and prejudice.

As an educator, my goal is to create a classroom where no one can stop my students. I am determined to show students, parents, and community members just how much they are capable of. My students will be able to choose their postgraduate plans and will leave my classroom on the path to unlimited opportunity because of dramatic academic and personal growth. As an educator, my role is to facilitate my students' exploration of the world around them and encourage a growth mindset through their development as student-leaders. My students can and will create a New Normal within our school, our city, and our nation, proving that they are at-promise, not at risk.

#### Jason Pense Yeatman-Liddell College Preparatory Middle School



Throughout my teaching career, my philosophy on education has evolved. I have learned that the best way to have a positive experience as a teacher is to follow these three principles -1) Have a well-managed class, 2) build strong relationships with students, and 3) find out how each student learns best. By following these three simple philosophies, I feel as if I have become a better teacher throughout my time in Saint Louis Public Schools.

A class well-managed is a class where learning will take place. I've always believed that in order to get quality instruction to students, you need to have students who are attentive and eager to learn. Therefore, it is important to engage students in lessons where they take ownership

in the material that is covered. One can do this by creating hands-on lessons or by having students create rigorous, yet rewarding classroom projects. If you have students who are interested in what's going on in the class, they will want to do their best on whatever material is presented to them! Having a classroom set up in this way will eliminate many of the disciplinary issues that teachers face today.

Another major philosophy I believe in is building personal relationships with the students. In my opinion, it's okay to make friends with the kids! At the start of the year, I always try to incorporate several "getting to know you" activities where I find out some of the interests of each individual student. From there, I can have normal, everyday conversations with the class about things they enjoy. By doing this, it instills in the students that I am someone who is normal, someone who cares, and someone they can talk to - regardless of the situation. This, in turn, leads to a positive relationship which, I believe, gets reluctant students to try a little harder in class. They'll do this because they have formed a good friendship with me and don't want to let me down. My final philosophy that I have learned throughout my tenure in Saint Louis Public Schools is that every student can learn. It's a very hard job, but each teacher has the responsibility to find out how each individual child learns best. Is the student a handson learner? Does he or she need the material repeated to them several ways? Is it best that they work alone or in small groups? The questions go on and on. But through hard work and determination, a good teacher will seek out all these answers, and in turn, will have a more positive, beneficial school year. More importantly, the students in the class will have a great year with many new concepts mastered! To conclude, my philosophy in education has been shaped by the experiences I've had. I now understand that in order to have a quality experience in the classroom, I need to have a well-managed class, build strong relationships with the students, and find out how each individual student learns. By incorporating these philosophies in my classroom, I am confident that I will have success in my many remaining years as an educator of young minds!

#### Asia Thorton

#### Lexington Elementary School

As I see things, education constitutes as lifelong development that students and teachers are capable of obtaining through the use of diverse experiences. Students should be working toward building skills so much that they become valuable, productive citizens to society. I believe in motivating students to be goal-oriented and independent learners. Educators should encourage their students to be superlative, critical thinkers.

I believe that students need exposure to as many experiences as possible. In order for students to be successful independent thinkers, they must build confidence and stamina to be able to accomplish a task. I am a very optimistic person, and I reflect and adapt to change as I see fit. Students should begin to practice such abilities through skills and strategies they learn.

Even more so, educators must build relationships with all aspects of the learning community, students, parents, staff, and administration. The core concept of being a part of a team starts in early stages of development and continues to build with such scaffold teachings. Being able to hold an accountable conversation is essential to student learning. Students should give explanations for their thinking and begin to question why.

I truly agree with one of this District's core beliefs: All students can learn. Student inquiry and self-motivation toward learning is what drives my instruction. Because there will always be students at different levels in the learning process, differentiated instruction must be attained in the classroom. Building on best practices and strategies always aids in student understanding and comprehension.

My goal as an educator is to drive students to think outside the box. I want my students to know that the wrong answer is not as important as how you got there. I encourage my students to speak in confidence about their understanding of the process of the learner. Students are our future and we have to be accountable for how we influence them. I always keep in mind that I was once a child who looked up to someone because they had a positive influence on my life.

#### Brenda C. Farmer Long Middle School



I strongly believe that each student is a unique individual who needs caring, security, and stimulation to assure their success academically and socially in the future. Therefore, to quote Robert Frost, "I am not a teacher, but an awakener."

My personal goal for all of my students is to prepare them to function effectively in today's society by enabling them with life-long skills. I want them to be able to have freedom in any situation that allows for them to be creative. In order for my students to accomplish this, I must always be open-minded, have high expectations of everyone and be straightforward with my instructions from the first day of school to the last day of school. James Baldwin made a straightforward statement that is

instilled in my mind, "A child cannot be taught by anyone who despises him, and a child cannot afford to be fooled."

For myself, I believe teaching provides an opportunity for continual learning and growth. Teaching is an opportunity to prepare students to change the world. I feel students need someone who is compassionate, dedicated, and will work with their sensitive needs. Nelson Mandela said it real clear – "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." I am an educator, I am a motivator, I am supportive, I want to help change the world, and therefore I will always strive to be the best educator that I can be.

#### Morgan Weeks <u>Carver Elementary</u>

For as long as I can remember, I have wanted to be a teacher. The main reason is because I wanted to do something that allowed me to make a difference in other people's lives. As an educator, I believe it is my job to help each individual child discover who they are by encouraging them to express their unique ideas. In my classroom discussions, every student is encouraged to participate and give an opinion. Education is extremely important in a student's life. It allows them to learn about the world around them while providing them with a solid foundation for their futures. As a teacher, it is my obligation to provide students with the proper tools to promote their love of learning. In order to achieve this goal, I need to understand and address each student's learning needs. The curriculum I teach not only meets state standards, but also draws connections between students and real life situations; allowing students to see the value and importance of learning each concept. Furthermore, I adapt my instruction to fit all learning styles so each student has the ability to be successful. Another important aspect of being a teacher is the classroom environment that is created almost like another family. My classroom is a safe, caring environment where each student can thrive and grow. I also make students responsible for themselves and their learning. In order to do this I implement techniques such as classroom meetings, positive reinforcement point systems, and discipline practices. This allows students to develop confidence as well as helps them to be successful in their future endeavors. Furthermore, I think it is important to include students' families in the learning process as much as possible. Parents are the most important/influential people in a child's life, so they should be included in the child's academic education. I do this by constantly keeping in contact with parents through phone calls, letters, emails, and a classroom newsletter which I send home every month. Finally, teaching is an everlasting process that involves learning from parents, communities, peers, and children. Just because I have a teaching degree and have taught for four years, I am not done learning. I will never stop striving to learn the best ways to inspire a love of learning in my students and help them be successful in their futures.

#### Jonathan Griffin Carnahan High School of the Future



Each student should have options in learning because we all do not learn the same way. I think each student should have multiple options of gaining knowledge, whether it's reading it in a book, through personal experience, and having the instructor deliver information about the concept. Additionally, the instructor may choose a teaching tool such as; demonstrations, examples, projects, or personal experiences. Education can open the door for so many opportunities through relationships that you build with people. Delivering information to an audience brings on challenges but through my professional commitment I feel that I can adjust and adapt to multiple situations by applying various styles of management and leadership.

Each day as a dedicated leader I will do everything I can to insure everyone I come in contact with the importance of a great education. The creative mind goes a long way and I feel I will be in a position where I can reach a generation that seems to be lacking some motivation. I know that what they are learning and doing is very important and can be a gift of knowledge that can never be taken away from them. I will do this by sharing life experiences and other successful examples of a great education. I will not only teach them what it is that the school district in which I am working requires me, but I will make sure I set aside time to help them learn about things that the United States deems as important. I will find innovative ways to bring in the technology and media by using current and past stories from the mass communications. Also focusing on the social aspect, showing them why it's important for a healthy social circle and family to help show that it's important for good strong support into the learning environment. Therefore, each student will have a personal approach to learning and I will be able to intrinsically motivate my colleagues to the realm of success with me. I will do all of this by getting to know each student and staff member personally and on a professional level. I will make it my duty to create a nurturing environment each day by learning about everyone and building some type of trust within the school setting. Education is ongoing and should never be mastered at any level; therefore I will always be a lifetime learner.

#### Marilyn Firestone, Counselor Gateway Elementary

I am a proponent of the strengths-based approach to counseling. I feel that my role as a school counselor

is to believe in students until they can believe in themselves. It is often said that if just one person is firmly fixed in his or her belief in a child, it can make a significant positive difference in how that child feels about himself or herself. I believe that even the most challenged, unmotivated or oppositional student has strengths to be found and nurtured. I prefer to think of students as being "at promise" rather than "at risk." In my office, I try to create a space where all students feel safe, listened to, and respected. I help them problem-solve, set and achieve their goals, and celebrate their successes. I build my counseling program on these tenets and in accordance with the four components of the Missouri Comprehensive Guidance Support Program: Responsive Services, Guidance Curriculum, Individual Planning, and System Support.

Responsive Services - The students I see most regularly often have academic or behavioral concerns. Many live in poverty, come from single-parent households, have lost loved ones, are exposed to drugs in their homes, have undiagnosed psychiatric or learning issues, get inadequate nutrition or sleep, or have an incarcerated parent, and may feel anger as a result of these life circumstances. It is my role as a school counselor to help students feel safe enough to talk about whatever is troubling them, and then use resources to help, including collaboration with teachers, parents, school support staff, and resources out in the community. In addition to working with students individually, I work with them in small groups when they need help with issues such as anger management, social skills, and self-esteem.

Guidance Curriculum – In my guidance program I address Personal and Social Development, Academic Development, and Career Awareness. My guidance lessons align with our school's Character Education Words of the Month. For the past six years I have co-sponsored our Character Council, a student leadership group consisting of one representative from each first through fifth grade classroom. Character Council representatives are taught Character Education lessons which they, in turn, teach to their classmates. Other topics and events in my guidance program include drug prevention, bullying prevention, fire safety, child abuse prevention, tolerance for differences, conflict resolution, and a Career Fair in which students have an opportunity to meet with many

#### Yvette Hebron Herzog Elementary



My philosophy of teaching is similar to producing art. Artists want to provoke thought and inspire others through their artwork. I strive to create a learning environment that inspires and motivates all students to be creative, grow academically, socially, and emotionally to his/her fullest potential. To accomplish this outcome, I often create authentic hands-on learning experiences which challenge students' cognitive processes. I encourage students to think deeper and analytically and not always rely on events or text for answers.

I also strive to create a safe and nurturing learning environment for all. If the classroom is chaotic and unwelcoming, minimal learning will occur. I have high

expectations, rules, and procedures in place to ensure a safe learning environment for all students. I also believe in nurturing students' emotional, physical, and social needs. If students do not sense a feeling of being loved or cared for by his/her teacher, students' defense system will go up and learning will be greatly diminished. It is important to me that my students, their parents, and District staff members see me as someone that's caring, approachable, and trustworthy.

#### Donna Mussulman Nottingham CAJT

As I contemplate my philosophy of education, the first word that comes to mind is caring. It has been the cornerstone of my 37+ years in the educational field. Caring means that you care about the students more than your subject matter, and students quickly ascertain whether your actions and words are from your heart or from what is expected of you by others.

Very close behind that first thought came the thought about my belief that the best teachers are lifelong learners who are continually looking for and employing new techniques and strategies. I believe that is what keeps an educator vital. If teaching becomes the habit of doing what you've always done because it takes the least effort, your students will feel and know it. They will not give all they have to give, either.

I believe that all students can learn and improve and that it is the teacher's ultimate task to find a way to encourage the growth of the students. Education is not for the lazy. It requires passion, commitment, hard work, and perseverance. Ideally, improving your teaching becomes part of your life, not something you leave at the school door.

#### Anne Savio Buder Elementary School

I have enjoyed a variety of teaching experiences throughout my life; from preschool to adult education. Each teaching day, I draw from all that I have learned from my previous experience. Students come to me from a variety of backgrounds; I believe that my role is to welcome each student into a safe, inviting atmosphere where he feels comfortable to take risks and invest in his own education. I strive to be positive in my words and actions. I make a daily commitment to discover and create opportunities to make a difference in students' lives. Opportunities may come in the form of a personal connection, clarification in meaning of a particularly difficult concept, or perhaps an opportunity to encourage a higher level of motivation. I believe in insisting that each student strive for his personal best and believe that my role is to find ways to bridge any gaps for the student so they can reach their full potential. I want to enable each student to move ahead and offer them strategies to do so. My goals include enhancement of student independence, selfmotivation and setting of high personal goals.

As an ESOL teacher, I have opportunities to model interest, value and acceptance in students' cultures and backgrounds. Although I have direct responsibilities for the English language students within my classrooms, my unique position allows me to work with all students needing assistance.

Although teaching is a challenging profession, I am inspired by the professionals with whom I work; we learn from each other and draw strength and creativity from our collaborations.

#### Marvin Scott Kopf

different workers and interview them about their chosen careers.

Individual Planning – All students are introduced to the world of work and the six career pathways. Fourth and fifth grade students begin to identify their interests through inventories. Starting this year, I will be introducing fifth grade students to Missouri Connections, a computer-based career system, to help them explore their individual interests and strengths and begin to think about their own career path. All students add to their Career Awareness portfolio every year. At the end of the year, I plan Transition Day to give students a feel for the curriculum and expectations in the next grade level.

System Support – There are many hats that I wear as a School Counselor to support my school and influence school climate. I do daily morning cafeteria duty, Prekindergarten lunch duty, and after-school pick-up room duty, which all give me opportunities to touch base with many students. I serve as co-chair of the Positive Behavior Intervention Support team. I serve as the coordinator of the Student Intervention Team (the special education referral process). As the co-sponsor of the Character Council, I meet with students weekly to plan and implement service learning projects to benefit the school as well as the community. I also help plan and implement many other events, including our Halloween celebration, Veteran's Day Assembly, and Black History Program. I have also established a mentoring program in which staff members "adopt" mentees.

#### Fanning Middle School



Students will find my classroom as a safe space of belonging regardless of their class, gender, race, economic status, sexual orientation or citizenship. To create this culture of acceptance and belonging, differences will be celebrated with classroom decoration using quotes, pictures, and achievements from scientists and leaders from all walks of life. Classroom norms, procedures and rules will be displayed, reviewed and practiced. Students will be accepted with their past failures, celebrated in their successes and empowered to discover and embrace their purpose.

I will be creative in teaching to incorporate differing learning styles, voices and levels of participation that are necessary for students to traverse towards the achievement

goals in academics and leadership development. This will be accomplished by engaging the different learning styles and creating peer to peer, mentoring culture. My students will move towards their learning objectives through interactive lectures, well-designed learning videos, guided notes, independent learning, and use of stations that include hands on science projects, reading based learning, exploration of science apps and computer research.

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# Pettus Foundation Principal and Teacher Awards 2014-15

## **Elementary Schools**

Adams	
Ames	Etoi Johnson
Ashland	Cassandra Davis
Bryan Hill	Delores McFarlin
Buder	Anne Savio
Carver	Morgan Weeks
Clay	Savonia Courtney
Columbia	Julie A. Kirchmer
Cote Brilliante	Charmaine Mathis
Dewey	Anne Webb
Dunbar	Christine Fallert
Farragut	Genevieve Griffin
Ford	Kristine Golden
Froebel	Dalerea Porter-Brooks
Gateway	Christy M. Howell
Gateway Michael	Roosevelt Mitchell III
Hamilton	Lynn M. Stengel
Henry	Lindsey Smith
Herzog	Yvette Hebron
Hickey	Stephanie K. Winters
Hodgen	Delia Lomack
Humboldt	Maria Yvette Medina
Jefferson	Tamara Tally
Kennard CJA	Carolyn A. Recke
Laclede	Shawn E. Williams
Lexington	Asia Thornton
Lyon @ Blow	Elizabeth Trapp
Mallinckrodt	Brian J. Keller
Mann	Emily Zilm Bunyard
Mason	Desirae Denise Ellington
Meramec	Alisha Dianne Marshall
Monroe	Angela Perry
Mullanphy	Clarity Sayre
Nance	Shannon Crandall
Oak Hill	James D. Perotti
Gilkey Pamoja Prep Academy @ Co	leEsther Mbugua
Peabody	Debra K. Pleshe
Shaw	Secret Bohm
Shenandoah	Jacqueline Miller
Sigel	Camille A. Simmons
Stix	
Walbridge	Teresa Harris
Washington Montessori	
Wilkinson	
Woerner	•
Woodward	• •

## **High Schools**

Beaumont	Robert F. Nicholson
CAJT	Donna Mussulman
Carnahan	
Central	Matthew Clyde Pace
Cleveland NJROTC	Shuntel LaTrease Bozeman
Clyde C. Miller	Maggie Heyduk
College Prep @ Madison	DeAnna L. Meyer
<b>Collegiate School of Medicine</b>	Carrie Dodson-Ching
Gateway STEM	Ana V. Barrios
McKinley CLA High	
Metro	Ruth Bishop
Northwest	Anna McNulty Taylor
Roosevelt	Monica Nicole Perry
Soldan IS	Sharilyn C. Telaar
Sumner	Terrell N. Smith
Vashon	Amarpreet Ahluwalia

## **Middle Schools**

AESM @ L'Ouverture	Angela Clark
Busch	Katja Kopp
Carr Lane	Nikki DeLeo
Compton Drew	Carmille Johnson
Fanning	Marvin Scott Kopf
Gateway Middle	Michelle Buckley
Langston	Robin S. Roseman
Long	Brenda C. Farmer
McKinley CJA Middle	Alexandra Byrne
Yeatman	Jason Pense

## **Alternative Schools/Programs**

Fresh Start @ Sumner	Pearl Lee Johnson
Griscom	Gerald M. Liddell
Innovative Concept School	Margaret E. Smith
Nahed Chapman New American Acad	emyDiane Thurmond
Stevens Center	Angelique M. Brown

## Counselors

Dunbar	Katie Muschinske
Gateway Elementary	Marilyn J. Firestone
Herzog	Jeri Lynn Bryant
Nahed Chapman	Danielle Carter
Long	Crystal M. Hilson
Central	Shauna M. K. Cunningham
Cleveland JROTC	Wanda Garner
Gateway High	Desiree D. Speed

# **Pettus Judges**



Linda Beteet Bell Linda Benoit Cecelia Bolar David Cook Carlene Davis Beverly Dew Jim Dishman Joseph DuBose Delma Fransaw Essie Harrison Angelene Hayes Carol Howard Pamela Hughes Martha Hurley Linda Kraiberg Wilma J. LaGrone Sonja Little

Denise Lowery Alice McHugh Patricia Meredith Marquita Norman Melba Raymond Patsy Robinson Helen Rockman Isabella Scott Rosetta Scott Charles Shelton Jim Thompson Jackie Vanderford Terell Wayne Olivia White Malva Williams Dr. John Wright

## Food & Nutrition Services Free student breakfast, lunch continues

For the 2015-16 school year, Saint Louis Public Schools will continue to operate under a revised meal service policy (first implemented in 2014-15) that allows all SLPS school children to eat a free breakfast and lunch without having to fill out a Family Application for Meal Benefits.

The Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act (HHFKA), implemented by President Obama in 2010, was created in response to two major problems affecting millions of children in the United States childhood obesity and child hunger. HHFKA has provided new guidelines for the National School Lunch and School Breakfast programs with the goal of improving child nutrition.

Section 104(a) of the HHFKA amended the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to provide an alternative to family meal applications for free and reduced price meals in local educational agencies and schools in high poverty areas. This alternative is referred to as the Community Eligibility Provision.

The intent of the Community Eligibility Provision is to improve access to free school meals in eligible districts and to eliminate the administrative burden of collecting family applications.

#### **Benefits:**

- Lunches and breakfasts are served free to all students.
- No household applications for free and reduced price meals are collected or certified.
- · No certification means no verification is required.

Check out our short film about nutrition in our schools, along with others, at www.slpsstories.org

For additional information about the Community Eligibility Provision and the SLPS Department of Food and Nutrition Services, please contact Director of Food and Nutrition Services Althea Albert-Santiago at 314-345-4519 or Accountability Specialist Tenecia Williams at 314-345-2308. You can also visit www.slps.org/foodservices.

## New for 2015-16 school year

Students have some exciting new menu options to look forward to this upcoming school year. Based on student feedback and focus groups, SLPS food services provider Southwest Foodservice Excellence (SFE) has adjusted its menus for middle and high schoolers.

#### Middle School:

Traditionally, elementary and middle school students have been served the same options for breakfast and lunch. Starting next year, middle schoolers will have a revised menu that reflects their developing "big kid" tastes — a little more sophisticated than elementary school but not as sophisticated as high school.

#### **High School:**

Options for students in grades 9-12 continue to grow. Next year, SFE will add the following concepts to the mix:

- A gourmet approach to a student favorite, The Dog House combines authentic and flavor-packed ingredients as toppings on SFE's quality hot dogs and house-made buns. This concept features themed hot dogs from various parts of the country, such as Chicago and New York.
- In keeping with SFE's healthful approach to school nutrition, Blended features a great roster of smoothies that meet USDA regulations. A great option for athletes, vegetarians or any student looking for a fresh pick-me-up that won't slow them down.
- Classic Stacks takes burgers above and beyond. With house-made accompaniments and sauces, these burgers are anything but plain when they're built, which will be according to the students' requests.
- An East Coast staple, the cheesesteak is the core of the Philly Steak concept. Students will have the option of steak or chicken with their grilled veggies and house-made buns.

SFE (www.sfellc.org) is constantly evaluating and adjusting its menus. Last year, the company focused on SLPS elementary students, testing more than a dozen new items. Want to know more about what your child is eating? Please visit the SLPS Food Services and Nutrition page at www.slps.org/foodservices.

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- 1 box of crayons (optional)
- 1 package of markers
- 1 pair of scissors (blunt tip)
- 2 glue sticks (optional)
- 5 #2 pencils (optional)
- 1 12"/30cm ruler
- 1 box of tissue

#### **Third Grade**

- 1 age-appropriate book bag/backpack
- 2 3-ring binders
- 4 spiral notebooks/composition (wide ruled)
- 5 pocket folders
- 1 box of crayons (optional)
- 1 package of markers
- 1 pair of scissors (blunt tip)
- 2 glue sticks (optional)
- 5 #2 pencils (optional)
- 2 highlighters
- 1 box of tissue
- 1 12"/30cm ruler

- 1 box of tissue
- 2 black or blue pens
- 1 12"/30cm ruler
- 1 package of graph paper
- 1 scientific calculator (optional grades 6-8 only District will provide)

#### Ninth-Twelfth Grade

- 1 book bag/backpack
- 1 package of colored markers
- 1 package of colored pencils
- 2 3-ring binders
- 5 spiral notebooks/composition (college ruled)
- 1 protractor
- 10 #2 pencils (optional)
- 10 black or blue pens
- 1 scientific calculator (optional -District will provide)
- 5 pocket folders (per semester)
- 1 compass (optional)
- 1 12"/30cm ruler
- 2 packages of graph paper

# Congratulations, Class of 2015

he Saint Louis Public School District would like to extend heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2015 for their years of hard work, focus and dedication. Because of each student's individual academic efforts and determination, these outstanding SLPS seniors were awarded more than \$25 million in scholarships and grants and were accepted to 145 colleges and universities in 32 states.

SLPS high school students are given the opportunity to prepare for college and career with course offerings that include Culinary Arts, International Studies, Pre-Veterinary Science, Horticulture and Landscaping Management, Emergency Medical Services (EMT), Fire Science and Safety, Health Sciences, Rehabilitation Therapy, Project Lead the Way (Pre-Engineering), Business Management and Visual and Performing Arts — to name a few! SLPS also offers a military academy. Limited space is still available for St. Louis City and St. Louis County students at SLPS magnet and choice high schools. Enroll today for the 2015-16 school year – school begins on August 17!

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# The bus driver is in charge. Students must obey the driver.

# Students are to ride their assigned buses.

First Student Phone Numbers ROUTING NUMBER 314-389-2202 SPRING BASE NUMBER 314-772-3184 (For Routes 1000 - 1999) UNION/70 NUMBER 314-389-1111 (For Routes 2000 - 2999) EMAIL ADDRESS stlouisrouting@firstgroup.com

Refer to the SCCH booklet for more specific information.

#### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES Waiting to Board a Bus

- 1. Arrive at the bus stop 10 minutes ahead of your scheduled time. The bus must leave at the designated time.
- 2. Wait until the bus stops.
- 3. Stand well away from the street as the bus approaches.
- 4. Form a quiet, uniform line to board.
- 5. Littering or damaging property on or near the bus stop is prohibited. Keep sidewalks clear of books, clothing and other articles.
- 6. Observe all rules of conduct governing student behavior (see the Student Rights and Responsibilities related to Conduct Handbook).
- Report to the principal, parent/guardian any suspicious persons or activities.
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- 8. Remain with the group and do not talk to

- 4. Extending arms, legs or head out of the bus is prohibited.
- 5. Throwing objects on the bus or out of the window is prohibited.
- 6. Refrain from distracting or talking to the bus driver except in an emergency.
- Tampering with or damaging bus equipment is prohibited. Student and/or parent/guardians will be held liable.
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- 8. Fighting, pushing, shoving or creating loud disturbances is prohibited.
- 9. Smoking, eating and drinking are not permitted.
- 10. Place trash in receptacle provided near front of bus.
- 11. Use of profanity or obscene gestures is prohibited.
- 12. Bringing weapons or dangerous instruments of any kind is prohibited.
- 13. Be aware that the St. Louis Metropolitan Police may stop and search any school bus at any time for illegal items. Students found with weapons, liquor, drugs, etc., will be arrested.
- 14. Observe all rules of conduct governing student behavior.

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS**

- 1. Read, discuss and review this handout AND the Transportation Section of the SCCH booklet.
- 2. Encourage your children to observe all established guidelines.
- 3. Get to know your bus driver.
- Report to the Routing Department (314-389-2202) any related traffic hazards of any school bus observed operating carelessly.
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## Asbestos Management Plan Availability

Asbestos-containing building materials (ACBM) are present within various schools throughout the District. In accordance with the Federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), an accredited inspector and management planner have completed a review of the locations, quantities and friability of the asbestos containing materials and have prepared an assessment and response action plan to reduce exposure to asbestos fibers.

Copies of the asbestos program for all schools, which includes current inspection reports, are located in the Office of Operations located at 801 N. 11th Street, St. Louis, MO. Please note that one copy is also required to be kept at the school itself.

The plan is available to the public for inspection without cost or restriction within five working days after receiving a written request for inspection. Hours of availability and a copy of the form, "Request for Inspection of Asbestos Program," will be provided upon request.

Should a request be made for a copy of the report or parts of the report, SLPS may charge up to \$0.25 per page to make copies of the plan.

### Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Program

Since 2001, the District has implemented a Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction

strangers or get into a strangers car.

#### **Riding the Bus**

- 1. Be seated immediately and remain facing forward. Remain seated until the bus arrives at your stop and you receive instructions to unload.
- 2. Hold books and all personal items in your lap. Do not block the aisle.
- 3. Pets and animals of any kind are not permitted on the bus.
- 5. Report all observed misconduct on school buses and at school bus stops to the principal.
- 6. Place identification of your child where the bus driver can retrieve it, if necessary.
- 7. Report to the police any strangers observed at or near bus pick up/drop off points.
- 3. See that children are at the bus stop 10 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
- 9. Bus stop requests must be submitted in person to the school or at 801 N. 11th Street.



Program to reduce potential hazards associated with lead-based paint within our school buildings. City lead inspectors and numerous third party consulting firms have partnered with the District to provide testing, analysis, and assessment of potential lead-based paint hazards inside and outside our schools. In addition, the District has performed various lead abatement and interim control projects over recent years in response to our testing data. Copies of all testing information and abatement records are available upon request. We are also available to discuss current lead abatement and interim control projects being undertaken by the District. If you have further questions please contact the Office of Operations at 314-345-4669.

# Prop S made major impact on district

It doesn't seem possible that five years have passed since St. Louis voters approved Proposition S. During that time, the District has been very busy making more than \$150M in improvements to our school facilities.

As part of a promise to the St. Louis community, the Special Administrative Board required the District to set participation rates for Proposition S construction projects to ensure minority firms and women-owned businesses had an equal opportunity to compete for bids. The District is proud to announce that overall, 42.2 percent of Proposition S projects were awarded to minority-owned firms and 7.6 percent of the projects were awarded to women-owned firms. Also of note, 35 percent of the workforce completing Proposition S projects was minorities and/ or females.

As the final projects for Proposition S come to an end, School and Home shares with its readers a quick recap of the progress made - thanks to St. Louis voters passing Proposition S.

#### **PLAYGROUNDS**

The District invested more than \$3M to install new playgrounds for students and resurface the blacktops at our schools.

#### **CAFETERIAS**

The District invested almost \$9M to upgrade kitchens and install new cafeterias at our schools.

#### RESTROOMS

The District invested just under \$23M to renovate and update restrooms at our schools.

#### TECHNOLOGY

The District invested more than \$6M to add state-of-the-art technology at our schools.

#### SAFETY/SECURITY

The District invested almost \$1M to update and improve safety and security throughout SLPS.

#### **PRE-K CLASSROOMS**

The District invested almost \$2M to renovate and build new classrooms for our Early Childhood students.

#### **ADA COMPLIANCE**

The District invested almost \$7.5M to make our schools more accessible to our students, families and community members with disabilities.



More than \$4M of Prop S money was spent to update and improve our students' sports facilities.



More than \$60M of Prop S money was used to make building repairs and ensure that our schools and other buildings are ADA compliant.

#### LABS, LIBRARIES & AUDITORIUMS

The District invested just less than \$13M to build new science labs, improve libraries and update or build new auditoriums.

#### SPORTS FACILITIES

The District invested more than \$4M to improve sports facilities for our students.

#### **BUILDING REPAIRS**

More than 1/3 of the Proposition S funds, almost \$53M in total, were invested to repair roofs, replace windows and perform needed maintenance such as tuckpointing to District buildings.



Updated computer labs for SLPS students were a result of the approval of Prop S.

Teacher of the Year

Stix's Mr. John Culver

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