

# District Parent Announcements – July 2015

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## Registration 2015

Registration letters will be mailed the week of July 20. If you have not received your letter by August 3, please contact the district office at 217-392-2172. The registration process will be the same as last year. Registration materials will be found on the homepage of the district website (including school calendar, immunization requirements, and school supply list) starting July 20. All students grades pre-k through twelve will register at the junior/senior high in Augusta. Registration dates and times will be:

- Tuesday, August 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Thursday, August 6 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Thursday, August 13 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

## Opening Days of School

Open House will be Tuesday, August 18 at the elementary from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and at the junior/senior high from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The first day of student attendance will be Wednesday, August 19. This will be a 2:05 dismissal.

## Backpack Project

The Living Faith United Methodist Church will be sponsoring their Backpack Project on August 2 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The location will be the Living Faith United Methodist Church in Bowen. The Backpack Project provides book bags and basic school supplies to students free of charge. Please take advantage of this incredible opportunity.

## Physical and Immunization Requirements

All physical and immunization requirements are due by August 20. All physical and immunization requirements can be found at [http://southeastern337.com/district/immunizations\\_school\\_health/](http://southeastern337.com/district/immunizations_school_health/). As required by state law, if a child does not present proof of physical and immunization requirements by the school district's approved date, the student must be suspended. This suspension would begin Monday, August 24.

## Fees and Meal Prices

	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Registration Grades K-6	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$50.00	<b>\$50.00</b>
Registration Grades 7-12	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$70.00	<b>\$70.00</b>
Reduced Registration Grades K-6	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$25.00	<b>\$25.00</b>
Reduced Registration Grades 7-12	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$35.00	<b>\$35.00</b>
Driver's Education Fee	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	<b>\$50.00</b>
Reduced Driver's Education Fee	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$25.00	<b>\$25.00</b>
Breakfast PreK-Grade 6	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	<b>\$1.50</b>
Breakfast Grades 7-12	\$1.75	\$1.75	\$1.75	\$1.75	\$1.75	<b>\$1.75</b>
Breakfast Adults	\$1.75	\$1.75	\$1.75	\$1.75	\$1.75	<b>\$1.75</b>
Lunch PreK-Grade 6	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.25	\$2.35	<b>\$2.45</b>
Lunch Grades 7 - 12	\$2.25	\$2.25	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.60	<b>\$2.70</b>
Lunch Adults	\$2.75	\$2.75	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	<b>\$3.00</b>
Reduced Breakfast PreK-12 (State)	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	<b>\$0.30</b>
Reduced Lunch PreK-12 (State)	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40	<b>\$0.40</b>
Additional Milk	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.35	\$0.35	<b>\$0.35</b>

## Board Excellence Student of the Year

At every monthly board meeting, the board of education recognizes student, staff, and organizational accomplishments. It is called "Board Excellence." This cumulative list can be found at all times on the homepage of our district website (<http://southeastern337.com/>). We have so many good things going on at SE337. This is a tribute to our students, our

staff, and our parents. At the end of the school year, we select a Board Excellence Student of the Year. Our first ever Board Excellence Student of the Year is Dakota Limkemann. Dakota is the daughter of Donnie and Debbie Limkemann of West Point. Dakota will be attending Lindenwood University in the fall. Congratulations to our 2014-2015 Board Excellence Student of the Year, Dakota Limkemann.

### **Coach Swisegood**

At the June 22, 2015 board meeting, Coach Swisegood officially resigned as the head baseball coach at Southeastern High School. Coach Swisegood came to see me a couple of months ago and wanted to know if it would be okay if he stepped down as the head coach and became the assistant coach. As I was trying to talk him into remaining as the head coach he said, "Damn Coacher, do you realize I am going to be 85 in October!?" So therefore, starting during the 2015-2016 school year, Coach Swisegood will be moving from the third base coaching box to the first base coaching box. Cyle Rigg will be the head junior high and high school baseball coach and Coach Swisegood will assist him. Coach Swisegood's first season was 1955-1956 at Plymouth High School; The Korean War had just ended; Eisenhower was the President; and Disneyland opened its doors. And after 60 years and 950 wins, he steps over (not down) to the first base side. Thank you, Coach!

### **Major Changes for Junior/Senior High School**

Due to retirements, cost-saving measures, and other staff departures, we have numerous changes in store at the junior/senior high school for the upcoming school year. The Board of Education and I are totally committed to, not only continuing, but building on our well-respected learning environment and high standard of expectations for students and staff. I am confident our plan does just that.

Listed below are the individual changes.

- Mr. Foster - Hired in March to teach Physical Science, Biology, Advanced Biology, and Chemistry/ Physics
- Mr. Fox - District Superintendent, as well as Jr/Sr High building level duties as assigned by the Board of Education
- Mrs. Freeman - Retired at the end of last school year / foreign language will be offered online through IL Virtual High School
- Mrs. Glick - Classes will be taught by Mr. Rhea and Mrs. Kessler
- Mr. Gooding - Now teaches 7th grade Social Studies/ will continue teaching Government, U.S. History, and Psychology/Sociology
- Ms. Guthrie - Mr. Lamb and Mrs. Twidwell will teach her classes.
- Mr. Harris - Basically no changes / will continue teaching Jr/Sr High Physical Education
- Mrs. Harrison - Basically no changes / will continue teaching Math 1 and Math 3
- Mrs. Holst - Retired at the end of last school year / all high school English classes will be taught by Mrs. Twidwell and Mr. Lamb
- Mrs. Hurt - Basically no changes / will continue teaching Math 2, Math 4, Applied Math 4, Probability/Statistics, and Sets/Logic
- Mrs. Janssen - Now teaches Jr/Sr High Health / will continue teaching Resource Management, Food Science, and junior high Home Economics
- Mrs. Kerfoot - Classes will be taught by Mr. Rhea and Mrs. Kessler
- Mr. Kerr - Jr/Sr High Principal of Academics, Curriculum, and Online Learning
- Mrs. Kessler - Will teach Jr/Sr High Special Education and Job Skills
- Mrs. Kiah - Basically no changes / will continue teaching high school Band and Chorus and junior high Band
- Mr. Lamb - Hired in June to teach English 200, English 300, English 400, and Speech
- Dr. Lomax - Honorably dismissed as a cost-saving measure last spring / Mr. Foster will teach her classes
- Mrs. Phillips - Retired at the end of last school year / classes will be taught by Mr. Foster and Mrs. Janssen
- Mrs. Ramsey - Now teaches 8th grade Social Studies / will continue teaching 7th and 8th grade Science
- Ms. Reuther - Basically no changes / will continue teaching junior high Chorus
- Mr. Rhea - Honorably dismissed as a cost-saving measure last spring / hired in June to teach Jr/Sr High Special Education
- Mr. Rigg - Jr/Sr High Principal of Student Activities, Athletics, and Building & Maintenance
- Mr. Scheiter - Now directs the Work Study Program including Career Development / will continue to teach Computer and Business classes
- Mr. Schullian - Basically no changes / will continue teaching Agricultural classes
- Mrs. Twidwell - Now teaches English 100 /will continue teaching 7th and 8th grade English
- Mr. Ufkes - Basically no changes / will continue teaching Driver's Education
- Ms. Whewell - Basically no changes / will continue teaching 7th and 8th grade Math

These changes will also save the school district over \$220,000. I will provide additional details in the August District Parent Announcements, including information regarding administrative assignments.