



## **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.

## **Administration Assignments at the Junior/Senior High School**

As part of the district's plan to save over \$225,000 and to enhance curriculum through additional online learning opportunities, each of the district's administrator assignments have increased and/or changed. Mr. Fox will now be responsible for student discipline and the daily organization of the building. Included in this responsibility will be setting and maintaining performance expectations for everyone in the building (students, faculty, staff, visitors, etc.). Mr. Kerr will now be Jr/Sr High School Principal of Academics, Curriculum, and Online Learning. This includes overseeing all aspects of the district's enhanced online learning opportunities, which include expanded curriculum, credit recovery, and dual enrollment. Mr. Rigg will now be Jr/Sr High Principal of Student Activities, District Athletics, and Building & Maintenance. He will have an expanded role in building-wide school discipline as well as building and grounds responsibilities. Mrs. Akers will remain the building Principal at the Elementary and District Technology Coordinator. Her duties have been increased in the area of teacher evaluations.