

District Parent Announcements – October 2015

ACT Awards

Congratulations to the following seniors for their outstanding ACT scores (24 or higher): Michael Bruns, Jonathan Byers, Abbey Lantz, Maddie Ramsey, and Randallynn Smith.

Six Day Enrollment Numbers

	2015	2014	2010
Elementary	279	285	316
Junior/Senior High	215	204	226
Out of District	26	24	15
Total	520	513	557

FY2016 Budget

The FY2016 budget can be found on the district website. Go to www.southeastern337.com. Go to "District." Go to "Budget." The fast facts of the FY2016 budget are:

- Last year, we received \$5,176,367 in revenue and spent \$5,600,406 in expenditures.
- Our beginning fund balance as of July 1, 2015 was \$2,600,074.
- Our FY2016 budget revenue prediction is \$5,489,204. Our FY2016 budget expenditure prediction is \$5,698,432. This is a predicted deficit of \$209,228.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Obviously, parent and teacher communication has changed over the years due to technology (e-mail, parent portal, social media, etc). However, I still believe the most effective (not necessarily the most comfortable) communication is still face to face. Please take the time to meet with your child's teacher(s). Conferences at the elementary will be scheduled. Conferences at the junior/senior high are not scheduled. Parent-Teacher Conferences are Tuesday, October 20, 2015 from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Friday, October 23, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 20, 2015 will be a regular 3:15 dismissal. There will be no school on Friday, October 23, 2015.

Immunization Requirements

As you know, the state of Illinois has made changes to the immunization process. The timing of these changes was poor. According to state law, every student must meet all vaccination requirements by October 15, 2015. According to state law, students who do not meet these requirements must be suspended from school. There are only two acceptable exceptions. The first acceptable exception is based on medical reason. This must be written by a health care provider and it is through the Illinois Department of Health. The second acceptable exception is based on a religious reason. This must be written by a parent or guardian (next year the religious exception must also be provided by a health care provider). Therefore, students will be suspended from school beginning October 16, 2015 unless they have 1) provided proof of required immunizations (97% of you have already done this), 2) provided written proof of medical exception through the IDPH, or 3) provided written proof of religious exception. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we go through this very important process.

Parking Lot at Junior/Senior High School

Obviously, the Junior/Senior High parking lot is busy before school and after school. It is important everyone does their part to ensure the safety of our young people. There are two simple things that all of us can do that will really help with parking lot safety: Do not use the circle drive from 7:45-8:00 a.m. and 3:00-3:30 p.m. Do not drop your children off in the middle of the parking lot. Drop them off at the sidewalk. When picking up your children, please go get them. Do not have them come to you.