

Parent Announcements – December 1, 2012

<p>Change in Filing Deadline The House unanimously passed an amendment to Senate Bill 3338. The amendment moves the filing deadline from 106 days before the election to 104 days before the election. This means school districts will not be required to be open on Christmas Eve (5:00 p.m.) to receive filing petitions from candidates for the school board election. However, school districts will need to remain open until 5:00 p.m. on December 26th.</p>	<p>Illinois State Scholars Congratulation to our 2012-2013 Illinois State Scholars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monica Janssen, daughter of David and Karen Janssen of Augusta. • Ashlan Taylor, daughter of Jerry and Donna Taylor of Plymouth.
<p>November Board Meeting Action Summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Approved the agenda items as presented. ➤ Approved the minutes from the October 22, 2012 regular meeting and closed session. ➤ Approved the bills, financial statements, and activity funds. ➤ Approved the tentative tax levy-as presented. ➤ Approved the scheduling of Truth in Taxation Hearing for Monday, December 17, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. ➤ Approved and placed on file the 2012 District Report Card, Elementary Report Card, and the Junior/Senior High Report Card. 	<p>IBCA Hall of Fame Congratulations to Chad Passley. Mr. Passley has been selected into the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association’s Hall of Fame for his commitment and dedication to Southeastern and Central-Southeastern Basketball over the past 23 years. He will enter the Hall of Fame as a “friend to basketball.” The induction ceremony will be held at the Illinois State University Union Ballroom in Normal, Illinois on Saturday, April 27, 2013.</p>
<p>PARCC Schools are now implementing the Common Core Standards (Illinois is one of 45 states adopting the Common Core Standards) and the state is preparing to replace ISAT with PARCC. This move will include an increase in the expectations on the ISAT for elementary and middle school students. We see this often. An elementary class will perform very well on the ISAT, but then perform very poorly on the PSAE when they get to high school. Our SIP days (5 of them throughout the year) are dedicated to Common Core implementation and we will be educating our parents on these changes throughout this school year. The complete transition will be made during the 2014-2015 school year.</p>	<p>Football Coop Congratulations to the Central-Southeastern football team on their incredible 2012 season. The Panthers finished the season with a 12-1 record and advanced to the IHSA state semi-finals. Unfortunately, this will be the last year of the football coop. On May 24, 2012, the Central Board of Education voted not to renew the football coop agreement after the 2012 season. Obviously, we are very disappointed with this decision. Central-Southeastern football has been in existence for 15 years. The first season was 1997-1998. In the spring of 2012, we were informed of the possibility of Central dropping the football coop after the current agreement expired in 2012. On May 23, 2012, we met with Central and respectfully requested they not drop the football coop. Despite our efforts, the decision was made to end our football relationship. On behalf of Southeastern, I want to thank the Central School District for providing our students with the opportunity to play the game of football for the past 15 years.</p>
<p>Emergency Days We will be using the Global Connect Phone Messaging System to communicate to you in regards to school cancellations, early outs, etc. If you want to add or delete phone numbers, please contact Erin Holst at eholst@southeastern337.com. She will take care of you. In addition, I will be calling the following television and radio stations: WGEM, KHQA, WCAZ, WTAD, and Public Radio.</p>	<p>Finances We are 33% into the fiscal year. We have received 54% of our budgeted revenue and have spent 33% of our budgeted expenditures. We have received \$2,797,077 in revenue and have spent \$1,855,330 in expenditures. Our fiscal year fund balance is \$941,748. Our overall total fund balance is \$4,783,260.</p>