# UPDATE

#### Quincy Public Schools Newsletter

Issue No. 10 May 22, 2024

# SUPER'S 8 DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. Lincoln-Douglas students were treated to a Garden Party thanks to a Dream Big Grant. Students decorated garden rocks, planted flowers and learned about soil quality.
- 2. Rooney students held their second annual Rooney Biz Town where 5<sup>th</sup> graders created businesses from the ground up for the whole school to enjoy. Each student got 50 "Biz Town Bucks" to spend on food, activities and games.
- 3. On Thursday, May 23, Iles students will be hosting an art show featuring student pieces for sale. Proceeds will go to Mr. Brown's Children's Education Fund in memory of Iles teacher Dave Brown who passed away this year.
- 4. The Early Childhood and Family Center celebrated their end of year carnival at South Park. Families were invited to lunch and games including sack races, a bounce house and shaved ice.
- 5. QHS Art Teachers Lexi Brumbaugh and Paige Cummins were nominated and selected to win the Award of Meritorious Service at the ISBE Those Who Excel and Teacher of the Year Banquet.
- 6. The Golden K Kiwanis visited each of the five elementary schools this month for their annual Golden Deeds luncheon honoring 5<sup>th</sup> grade student leaders and one staff member.
- 7. The QHS drama department put on its spring play, Deceiving Granny" to rave reviews.
- QJHS 8<sup>th</sup> graders in Mr. Baker's class reproduced NASA's Double Asteroid Redirection Test where they tried to save Earth (a solo cup) from a deadly asteroid (a basketball). The jury is still out on whether these Comets are Earth's last hope.
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#### SPOTLIGHT ON LINCOLN-DOUGLAS AND ILES ELEMENTARY

Principal Trowbridge shared a video created by his team highlighting the following events put on by the family engagement team:

- \* Polar Express Nights
- \* Fairy Tale Ball
- \* Blue Devil Bingo
- \* Garden Party
- \* Ron Clark House selection with 5th graders

He also thanked the Lincoln-Douglas PTO for fundraising so they can purchase additional swings for the playground.

Principal Funkenbusch shared a Power Point spotlighting some of their school year activities:

- \* Thanks to the Masonic High 12 Club for sponsoring the CAF Rise Above and giving students the opportunity to see the Tuskegee Airmen exhibit in honor of their school's namesake, Colonel George Iles.
- \* Iles students scored above the 50th percentile for growth on all MAP tests
- \* Thanks to Trudy Gay for implementing the Intramural Basketball and Cheerleading at Iles. This program aims to teach kids the fundamental of basketball and cheerleading while building skills and team spirit.
- \* A penny drive raised \$4,000 to honor our educator and colleague Dave Brown with proceeds going to Mr. Brown's Children's Education Fund. The 5th grade students created a butterfly observation garden as a memorial to Mr. Brown and also a living classroom.
- \* Iles Art Fair today, May 23 from 3:45-5:30pm with all proceeds going to Mr. Brown's Children's Education Fund



# 2023-2024 RETIREES

Amador, Wanda	ECFC	Paraeducator	August 1, 2024
Anastas, Kathy	lles	Paraeducator	May 30, 2024
Anders, Clifton	QJHS	Custodian	October 10, 2023
Barnes, Dane	Maintenance	Director	December 31, 2023
Bartley, Shane	BOE	Custodian	March 8, 2024
Bradley, Diana	Special Ed	Occupational Therapist	May 30, 2024
Brinkman, Rhonda	Rooney	Teacher	June 30, 2024
Capps, Brian	Maintenance	Electrician	February 29, 2024
Cashman, Deborah	QJHS	Secretary	May 30, 2024
Cornwell, Patricia	lles	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Demers, Mary	lles	Social Worker	June 30, 2024
Eisenberg, Laura	Rooney	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Eversden-Duesterhaus, Krykette	Denman	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Groves, John	Transportation	Driver	September 22, 2023
Guthrie, Carla	lles	Paraeducator	May 30, 2024
Heineman, Alyson	Rooney	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Hill, Nancy	Baldwin	School Nurse	June 30, 2024
Howerter, Cathy	ECFC	Head Start	August 1, 2024
Jennings, Michael	Transportation	Driver	August 13, 2024
Kruse, Pennie	QHS	Cafeteria Cook	May 24, 2024
Llewellyn, Harold "Mike"	QJHS	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Ludwig, Penny	QHS	Paraeducator	March 31, 2024
Machold, Lisa	QAVTC	Teacher	May 30, 2024
McNeil, James	Flinn	Groundskeeper	September 30, 2023
Meyer, Cheryl	ECFC	Paraeducator	June 30, 2024
Meyers, Ronda	Transportation	Rider	November 30, 2023
Miller, Christina	ECFC	Paraeducator	June 30, 2024
Mock, Camellia	BOE	Administrative Assistant	February 2, 2024
Neal, Dawna	Denman	Cafeteria Cook	May 24, 2024
O'Quinn, Suzanne	Rooney	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Pierceall, Catherine	Baldwin	Cafeteria Coordinator	June 30, 2024
Redd, Tami	ECFC	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Reichert, Stacey	Denman	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Sapp, Nancy	ECFC	Student Support	May 30, 2024
Schuering, Amanda	ECFC	Paraeducator	May 30, 2024
Triplett, Barb	Denman	Paraeducator	May 30, 2024
Tuley, Julie	Lincoln-Douglas	Teacher	June 30, 2024
Vogler, Cheryl	QHS	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Westerman, Susie	Baldwin	Teacher	May 30, 2024
Wilson, Mary	lles	Teacher	May 30, 2024
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## PERSONNEL

#### **Appointments/Change in Assignment**

CAITLYN ADAMS - GUIDANCE SECRETARY/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR HAILEY ALVIS - SECONDARY SPANISH/QHS 2024-25 SCH YR MORGAN BLACK - PARA/ECFC 2024-25 SCH YR TONYA BOKER - SPECIAL ED AUTISM/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR ERIN BOZARTH - SPECIAL ED RESOURCE/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR FRAYA CARROLL - MS 7TH GR ELA/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR TRAVIS DINKHELLER – STUDENT ATTENDANCE LIAISON/QHS 2024-25 SCH YR ALEX EGGERT - SECONDARY FLEX ENGLISH/QHS 2024-25 SCH YR KAYLA EPLEY - SECONDARY ENGLISH/QHS 2024-25 SCH YR MATTHEW ETZLER - MS COMM. ARTS/ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT-ELA/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR PATRICK FROELICH - 4TH GR/BALDWIN 2024-25 SCH YR ELEANOR (TRUDY) GAY - PARA/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR STACY GIBSON - PARA/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR JAMES GOODWIN - DAY CUSTODIAN/ROONEY 05/01/2024 MARY GREWELL - 1<sup>ST</sup> GR/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS 2024-25 SCH YR CHEYENNE GRISSOM - HEAD 8TH GR GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR BETH HAMMER - PREK SPECIAL ED/ECFC 2024-25 SCH YR CALEIGH HAYHURST - SPECIAL ED CROSS CAT/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR TONY HILGENBRINCK - DAY CUSTODIAN/ECFC 05/22/2024 JOANNA HOCHGRABER - 4TH GR ACCELERATED/ILES 2024-25 SCH YR MEGAN HOWELL - PREK SPEICAL ED/ECFC 2024-25 SCH YR STEPHANIE KAMM - IMC PARA/DENMAN 2024-25 SCH YR KARA KOYER - PARA/BALDWIN 2024-25 SCH YR KRISTA KURFMAN – SPECIAL ED COORDINATOR/QHS 2024-25 SCH YR NATASHA MADDOX - PARA/BALDWIN 2024-25 SCH YR ASHLEY MARQUARDT - PARA/ECFC 2024-25 SCH YR KAYLA MAST - SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST INTERN/DISTRICT 2024-25 SCH YR ALEXIS MOORE - SPEECH & LANGUAGE PATH/ROONEY 2024-25 SCH YR GAVYN MOORE - SECONDARY HISTORY/QHS 2024-25 SCH YR CAITLIN MUNGUIA - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/QJHS 07/01/2024 MIKE PETTIT - RIDER/TRANSPORTATION 04/22/2024 GARRETT PETTYJOHN - NIGHT CUSTODIAN/QJHS 05/13/2024 IMMANUEL PURSLEY - SECONDARY MATH/QHS 2024-25 SCH YR KAILEY RECKERS - 8<sup>TH</sup> GR HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH/QJHS 2024-25 SCH YR ISIS REKART - MID-DAY CUSTODIAN/DENMAN 05/06/2024 ABIGAIL STEINWAY - 2ND GR/BALDWIN 2024-25 SCH YR AMY WARNING - PARA/DENMAN 2024-25 SCH YR DANIEL WELLS - BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CHILDCARE ASST/DENMAN 05/02/2024 MEGAN WILLIAMS - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/QHS 07/01/2024



### **Quincy Public Schools**

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#### Resignations (end of 2023-2024 unless otherwise noted)

KATHERINE BALDWIN – PREK SPED TEACHER/ECFC DEANNA BAZE – DRIVER/TRANSP. 05/07/2024 MEGAN GANNINGER – SPECIAL ED TEACHER/BALDWIN LARRY HECK – TEACHER/QHS 05/02/2024 TRISHA HILGENBRINCK – SPEECH PATHOLOGIST/ROONEY 05/01/2024 ISABELLE KENNEDY – TEACHER/QHS ISABELLE KENNEDY – COACH/QHS HAROLD LLEWELLYN – 8<sup>TH</sup> GR HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH/QJHS 04/05/2024 JESSICA SNIDER – MUSIC TEACHER/ILES KATHY TOURNEAR – RIDER/TRANSP. 04/19/2024 GREG WELLMAN – ASST. GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH/QHS 04/26/2024

#### In other action, the Board approved:

- Resolutions on Tentative Amended Budgets for Special Education Association, West Central Region, Quincy Area Vocational Technical Center, and the District for 2023-2024. Hearing date is June 26, 2024
- Taxing Body Resolution to Add Territory to the Quincy Adams Brown County Enterprise Zone
- Escalating fuel price bid from Niemann Foods for the 2024-2025 year
- PRESS Policy Updates from March 2024
- Meal increases for lunches 24-25 School Year: K-5 \$2.95 6-12 \$3.20
  - Adults \$3.70

#### Tuesday, May 28—student last day Wednesday, May 29—staff last day *End of Year Celebration at QJHS 8:30am*

HOUSE FOR RENT \*\*Available August 2024 Three bed, two bath, one car garage, central location, unfinished basement with washer/dryer hook ups, large yard, one year lease. NO smoking, prefer no pets. \$1300 a month plus deposit.

Serious inquiries—call Janet 217-257-0581