

Quincy Public Schools Newsletter

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8 SUPER'S 8 DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. The QPS Foundation completed its recent grant funding cycle, awarding a total of \$147,631.37. Projects of note were representing grants to all QPS schools.
- 2. Summer Academy ends this Friday. Nearly 700 students engaged in intervention and enrichment learning opportunities, credit recovery, and took courses they are not able to fit into their school year schedule.
- 3. Recently, emergency response teams from Quincy City Police and Adams County Sheriff's Office conducted training drills for their officers at the BOE, Lincoln-Douglas and Rooney.
- 4. During the 2023 2024 School Year, I have been out and about in our schools. I was able to visit 205 class-rooms, make 45 school building walks and attend 37 extracurricular competitions and events.
- 5. The first year of funding from the Teacher Vacancy Grant pilot program has been distributed to all certified staff. QPS was awarded approximately \$210,000 for three years. New certified staff this year received a \$750 stipend. All special education teachers received an additional \$450 dollar stipend. All certified staff received a \$200 Amazon gift card to use for classroom supplies.
- 6. QHS Administration and staff have worked together this spring to revise the use of electronic devices rule. QHS administration and teacher have made some revisions to the basic policy that has been in the handbook for the last 5+ years, limiting the use of cellphones with the goal of increasing student engagement and curtailing distractions.
- 7. QPS Transportation Department is fully operational in the new Central Services facility. Summer school has been a test run for the department on a smaller scale, and Scott Douglas, Director of Transportation reports everything has worked smoothly. Work continues on the technology and maintenance departments.
- 8. Kim Dinkheller has been appointed to a three-year term on the Adams County Historical Society board, high-lighting the strong connection between QPS and the broader Quincy community.

Dr. Todd Pettit Superintendent



PERSONNEL

Appointments/Change in Assignment (2024-2025 unless otherwise noted)

ALI ASKEY - CHILDCARE INSTRUCTOR/QAVTC BRANDY ATTEY - PARA/ECFC BRENNA BAKER - 4TH GR/BALDWIN JODI BLIVEN – PARA/DENMAN CARSON BOWEN - ASST. 8TH GR BOYS BASKETBALL COACH/QJHS ELIZABETH CHANDLER - KITCHEN HELPER/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS JAROD CLARK - ASST. 8TH GR GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH/QJHS CHRISTINA DUFFY - MARCHING BAND ASST. DANCE COACH/QHS SCHAENON ELBUS – 2ND GR/BALDWIN JENNIFER ENGELMEYER - PHYSICAL THERAPIST/DISTRICT JEFF GRAWE - SECURITY GUARD/BOE 08/12/2024 KRISTIN HAMILTON - ASST. VOLLEYBALL COACH/QHS KENNEDY HAWKINS - 5TH GR/ILES LAMOR HICKMAN - ASST. WRESTLING COACH/QHS KATIE HOGGE - SPED ED/DENMAN TYRIN HOLDER - DEAN/QJHS JESSICA HOLTMAN - COOK/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS JAMIE ISAACKS - READING INTERVENTION/BALDWIN STEPHANIE JOHNSON - INSTRUCTIONAL COACH SOCIAL EMO-TIONAL LEARNING/QJHS AMANDA JONES - PARA/QHS KRISTEN LIPPOLD - SECONDARY ENGLISH/QHS MEGAN MAIN - SECRETARY/QJHS LORIE OBERT - KINDERGARTEN/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS KATRINA PARKER - K-5 SPED COORDINATOR - BALDWIN KATIE PELLMAN – TRAVELING PROCEDURE NURSE/DISTRICT KATIE RUFFNER - 4TH GR/ILES HALEY RUTHS - SPED CROSS CAT/DENMAN CARLEE SAPP - NIGHT CUSTODIAN/QJHS 06/17/2024 TAELOR SHEETS - PARA/ROONEY JENNIFER SMITH - SECONDARY HISTORY/QHS KAITLIN SMITH - PARA/ECFC MEGAN SOHN - FAMILY SUPPORT SPECIALIST/ECFC LEXUS STARR - ASST. CHEER COACH/QHS SYDNE STINNETT – SOCIAL WORKER INTERN/DISTRICT ALAN STOCK - HVAC/REFRIGERATION/MAINTENANCE JAVIER TODTENBIER-MAGALLON – ISS SUPERVISOR/QJHS ERIN VAN DEN BOGAERDE - MUSIC/ILES WENDY VENVERTLOH - SPED COODINATOR - ACADEMY/ACYH

AMY WARNING - 5TH GR CO-TEACHER/DENMAN

AMANDA WOLLBRINK – PARA/DENMAN

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Resignations (end of 2023-2024 unless otherwise noted)

JODI BLIVEN – PARA/DENMAN 06/17/2024
RANEY CANNON -SPED TEACHER/DENMAN
ABIGAIL CASH – TEACHER/QHS 06/30/2024
MELINDA COURTIN – SPED COORDINATOR/BALDWIN
06/30/2024

STEPHEN CULLO – SECURITY/BOE KATELYN GUTHRIE – KINDERGARTEN TEACH-ER/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS 06/04/2024 EVELYN HOLLANDER – ISS SUPERVISOR/ROONEY 05/29/2024

CHRISTOPHER HOLTSCHLAG – ASST. WRESTLING COACH/QJHS 05/22/2024

SAMANTHA LANDWEHR – MARCHING BAND ASST.
DANCE COACH/QHS

TOM LEPPER – ASST. VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL COACH/QHS 05/29/2024

KIM LILO - PARA/QJHS 06/21/2024

GARRETT PETTYJOHN – NIGHT CUSTODIAN/QJHS 05/23/2024

LYDIA ROTH – TEACHER/ROONEY 06/14/2024 ADAM STINSON – SPED TEACHER/THE ACADEMY 05/31/2024

LOGAN WOLF - ELA TEACHER/QJHS

In other action, the Board approved:

- Amended Budgets for Special Education Association, West Central Region, Quincy Area Vocational Technical Center, and the District for 2023-2024
- > Hazardous Busing Resolution
- ♦ Physician Indemnification Letter
- ♦ 2024-2025 School Board Meeting Calendar
- ♦ 2024-2025 School Handbooks
- **♦ New Course Approval-Science Research -QHS**
- ♦ 1st & 4th Grade New Report Card
- ♦ 2nd, 3rd, & 5th Grade Report Card Pilot
- ♦ 24-25 District Improvement Plan
- Skyward Business Qmlativ Transition Proposal
- Resolution Authorizing Intervention in PTAB Appeal and Proceedings
- Revised MOU for Paraeducator Comp Time
- ♦ Emergency Health & Life Safety Amendment for Thomas S. Baldwin