



## Class of '16 Earns Highest D303 ACT Score

East and North High Schools Also Score Highest Marks



Students who graduated from Community Unit School District 303 in 2016 earned an ACT Composite score of 23.8, which is the highest ever ACT Composite score for District 303 students. The Classes of 2010 and 2014 had earned the previous highest Composite score with 23.6.

The Class of 2016 posted the highest District 303 scores ever in English (23.6), and in Reading (23.8), and also tied the highest mark in Science (23.4).

District 303 scores for the 2016 Senior class are well above the Illinois state averages: 3.1 higher in English; 3.1 higher in Mathematics; 2.8 higher in Reading; 2.8 higher in Science; and 3.0 higher for the Composite score. Each of those margins is the highest spread ever between the District 303 score and the Illinois state average.

The St. Charles North H.S. Class of 2016 earned their school's highest Composite score ever with 24.1, which surpassed the 23.8 mark of the Class of 2011 and the Class of 2014. The North H.S. Class of 2016 also set new high marks for their school in English (23.9), Reading (24.1) and Science (23.7).

The 23.5 Composite score of the Class of 2016 at St. Charles East H.S. matches the highest Composite score ever posted at the school. The Class of 2010 and the Class of 2014 also earned a 23.5 score. The East H.S. Class of 2016 also posted the highest mark ever for the school in Reading (23.6) and tied the high mark in English (23.3) which was posted by the Class of 2012.

Also of note, the 1,182 members of the Class of 2016 who took the ACT is the largest number of District 303 students to have ever taken the test.

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## **Kick-a-Thon Takes Place Friday, September 16**

Kick-a-Thon is one of the top fundraising events in District 303 and in St. Charles every year. The event is conducted by the combined efforts of the drill teams at St. Charles East and St. Charles North High Schools. Please mark your calendar for this year's event as it comes up earlier on the school year calendar than in recent years. The Kick-a-Thon will be held on Friday, September 16 as part of the festivities surrounding the St. Charles East vs. St. Charles North football game. To donate, volunteer, or participate in Kick-a-Thon, [click here](#) to visit their website.

### **Haines Student Generates YouTube Buzz with “The Bully”**

Jonah Maxwell is a 7th Grade student at Haines Middle School who is also an aspiring filmmaker. During the Spring and Summer, Jonah wrote, produced, directed and edited a short film about how bullying affects students his age. The final product is “The Bully” and you can view the film on YouTube if you [click here](#).

“The Bully” has received over 100,000 views on YouTube. The film has been boosted thanks to a Tweet about the movie from CNN’s Chris Cuomo, and Jonah will appear Monday at 7 a.m. on the WGN-TV Morning News.





# A Note on Being Good Neighbors

Observe all posted speed limits and remember the speed limit in residential areas is 25 mph, and 20 mph in school zones. Please don't cut through neighborhoods as part of your route to or from our schools. Also, cell phone use is prohibited in school zones. Most important of all, do not pass a school bus that is stopped with the stop sign extended. This law is for the safety of students and violation of the law can result in license suspension.

Also, when parked in neighborhoods near the bus stops please do not block driveways or mailboxes.



## Additions to the Community Backpack

**NOW IS THE TIME** to enroll your budding soccer player in the Campton United Fall Soccer School, designed especially for soccer players ages 4-9.

Campton's weekly, player-centered program, taught by our national professional coaches, focuses on developing core soccer skills. For the beginner player, basic elements of soccer such as running, passing and receiving, teamwork and coordination with the ball are the focus. Staff will also build on the fundamentals of soccer and individual ball mastery, all taught with fun skill building activities and games.

**Why Campton?** For 25 years, Campton's extremely talented, national coaches and highly qualified nationally certified instructors and support staff have been providing the highest quality soccer instruction for over 25 years. Campton is the only soccer club in the western United States that has been awarded the National Soccer Development Academy.

**What:** Campton United's Fall Soccer School  
**Who:** 4-9 Year Olds  
**When:** August 30 to October 19 - 10 Saturday sessions  
**Where:** Campton Fields on the Corner of Deer St. & Park St., St. Charles, IL  
**Cost:** \$175 (includes 2 T-Shirts)

Campton United Summer Soccer School

[Learn More](#)

**SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES!!!**

**ERE:** Northwestern IL Association  
242 W. Main Street  
St. Charles, IL 60175

**EN:** Wednesday Evenings (10 week session)  
September 14 - November 16, 2016

**Class Dates as Follows:**  
9:14, 9:21, 9:28, 10:5, 10:12, 10:19, 10:26, 11:2, 11:9, 11:16

**FE:** \$35/week  
\$50 (includes family)  
\*\*All classes are offered in English\*\*

**OFFERED:** 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Level 1  
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Family Sign

**SCORED BY:** Northwestern Illinois Association

Sign Language Class - Fall 2016

[Learn More](#)

Calling All Middle School Students!

**Computer Coding/Tech Challenge: Election 2016**

Join 4th-8th grade students from area school districts to compete to support our 11th - 12th class election.

**The 4th-8th grade:**

- You must complete coding lessons on election!
- Must be 10-12 years old - this is a must!
- Citizen of America and area state

Your mission - work in teams to create an application, product, or service relevant to educating the public about voting and the 2016 election.

**By creating an application/product:**

- November 11, 18th, 24th and 30th
- Campton Middle School 1548 Union Street, Street Drive, St. Charles, IL 60175
- Cost: \$20 per student, lunch is included!

For more information and to register visit <http://cshs.org/competition>

Computer Coding & Technology Event

[Learn More](#)

**2016 Prairie Fest**

September 18-20, 2016  
10am - 7pm Open House

Wheeler Center Farm  
7050 Canyon Road  
Campton Hills, IL 60175

Prairie Fest 2016

[Learn More](#)

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL CLINIC**

for  
**2<sup>nd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys and Girls**  
Sponsored by  
**St. Charles East Girls Volleyball**  
Sunday, September 18, 2016  
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**St. Charles East High School Gym**  
Price **\$35.00** (Includes T-Shirt)  
Proceeds to Benefit Breast Cancer Research

**Want your 4th-8th grade team to see the Girls Volleyball Clinic for FREE?**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information, contact: [stcharleseastgirls@stcharleseast.org](mailto:stcharleseastgirls@stcharleseast.org)  
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St. Charles East Girls Volleyball Clinic

[Learn More](#)

**September 24th, 2016**  
10:00am - 1:00pm  
\$10 per person on restaurant items - \$10000 - \$10000

**Microbrewery Fieldhouse**  
Located between North Aurora St. & Illinois St. at the intersection of MacArthur Rd. & E. St.

**Midwestern \$2.00 beer and 1/2!**  
Cash, check, and all credit cards accepted  
No buying food/drinks on separate orders.  
Hot dogs provided (if so, pre-paying \$10)

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Baby equipment - seasonal children's clothing  
toys - books - games - puzzles - outdoor equipment  
toys - games - puzzles - books - outdoor equipment  
holiday items & more!

Semi-Annual TCMOTTC Resale

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**FOX TALES**

**BIG TRUCK SHOW**

**Fun Fair**

**Autumn Harvest**

Fox Tales Newsletter

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**Click here to view more community events happening soon!**



# North H.S. Student Organizes Event to Fight Hunger

St. Charles North H.S. senior Claire Miller is leading the effort to stage a community wide service event on **Sunday, November 6**. The entire District 303 community is invited to join together to fight hunger in the Make A Difference St. Charles Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) Mobile Pack Event. Community members can support this MobilePack by making a donation to cover the costs of the meals to be packed, or by volunteering to package food at the event. The goal is to pack 100,000 meals. Each meal costs 22 cents, making the funding goal \$22,000. Donations are being accepted now. Volunteer registration will be available September 25. To learn more, please visit [fmsc.org/MobilePack](http://fmsc.org/MobilePack). If you have questions please contact Claire Miller at [makeadifferencestc@gmail.com](mailto:makeadifferencestc@gmail.com).

## School Events of Interest

The St. Charles East Girls Volleyball Team will host their annual clinic on Sunday, September 18 from 1-4 p.m. in the St. Charles East H.S. Gym. The clinic is for boys and girls grades 2nd-8th and the cost of \$35 includes a clinic t-shirt. [Click here](#) to register on-line.

## Home Access Center (HAC)



### How to Set Up a Home Access Center Account

To create an account you must have a current and valid e-mail address on file with your school.

1. Supply a valid e-mail address to your school (if you haven't done so already).
2. Set up an ID. The Home Access Center (HAC) can be found on [district.d303.org](http://district.d303.org) in the "For Parents" menu.

**VERY IMPORTANT** - City name must be entered according to the posted instructions. Video tutorials are available online to assist with login and navigation.

[Learn more.](#)



## Get the App!

The District 303 Mobile App is available for free download for Apple and Android devices. Search CUSD 303 in the App Store or Google Play to download the app. If you would like to see a short video about the App, watch the video in the Video Vault at [www.d303.org](http://www.d303.org)



## Mark Your Calendars

### Friday, September 2

Teachers' Institute Day (No Classes)

### Monday, September 5

Labor Day (No Classes)

### Friday, October 7

School Improvement Day (No Classes)

### Monday, October 10

Columbus Day (No Classes)

### Friday, October 28

End of 1st Quarter for Middle and High Schools

## Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

### Monday, September 12

BOE Regular Meeting - 7 p.m.  
at **Corron Elementary**

### Monday, September 26

Community Relations Committee - 5 p.m.

### Monday, September 19

Learning & Teaching Committee - 5 p.m.



## Check Out Our Interactive Boundary Map

In addition to the boundary maps that are posted on our website, we now have an interactive map upon which you can enter an address and see the schools assigned to that address. [Click here](#) to check it out!

(Please keep in mind all attendance area questions are officially determined by contacting the schools.)



**Like Us on Facebook, Follow Us on Twitter, Watch Us on YouTube**

District 303 has added Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube to our community communications toolbox. In addition to [district.d303.org](http://district.d303.org), ParentLink and the FOCUS magazine, you can keep up with news from the District via Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. On Facebook, Like us by visiting our page and on Twitter follow us at @StCharlesD303. To check out our YouTube Channel visit StCharlesCUSD303 when you are logged into YouTube.