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Check your mailbox for the District 303
 Special Edition FOCUS Newsletter.



The Special Edition FOCUS Newsletter features information regarding the middle school facilities upgrades.

You can also view this newsletter online, by [clicking here](#).

D303 Parent Survey Opens on December 5

The 2016 St. Charles Community Unit School District 303 Parent Satisfaction Survey will take place from December 5 through December 14. Parents of all District 303 students are strongly encouraged to participate.

Starting December 5, just click on the appropriate link below to take the survey.

[Take the Elementary School Survey!](#)

[Take the Middle School Survey!](#)

[Take the High School Survey!](#)

This anonymous survey takes 10-15 minutes to complete and will be available at www.d303.org by selecting "Take the Elementary, Middle, or High School Survey!" beginning on Monday, December 5. Parents can complete one survey for each of their children who attend a District 303 school. The survey is available in English and Spanish.

Changing Schools Used to be Quite Common in District 303



We've added a new video to the District 303 Video Vault on www.d303.org. Watch the video and you'll hear District 303 staff members who grew up in St. Charles talk about their journey through our schools and the schools they attended as the District changed to better meet the needs of students.

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Norris Arts Center Hosting Upstate 8 Art Show



The Norris Cultural Arts Center is displaying the Upstate 8 Art Exhibition which presents the creations of high school students from Upstate 8 member schools, including St. Charles East and St. Charles North. The display will be highlighted on Wednesday, December 7 by a reception at 7 p.m. followed by the announcement of the award winners at 8 p.m.

Superheroes & Princesses

The St. Charles North H.S. Student Council will serve up their annual Princesses and Superheroes Breakfast on **Saturday, December 10** from 8 - 11 a.m. in the North H.S. Cafeteria. The event will be an open house with numerous characters, activities, music, photo opportunities, and a continental breakfast. Santa will make an appearance from 9:30 - 11 a.m. Tickets for the event are \$10 per child, but families with three or more children get a discounted rate of \$25 for the family. Adults are free. Payment can be made at the event cash or check.

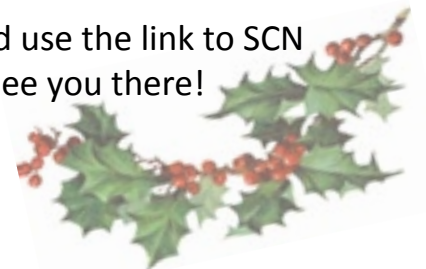


St. Charles North H.S. Madrigal Dinner Tickets on Sale Now

It is once again that time of year for St. Charles North's annual Madrigal Dinner at the Baker Memorial United Methodist Church in St. Charles. The students have been preparing their music for this event and are looking forward to another wonderful start of the holiday season. The dates are **December 8, 9 and 10** and tickets are on sale now. Tickets are \$40 and payment is by credit card. When your order is complete, you will receive confirmation by e-mail and have the ability to print an e-ticket.

To order your tickets, go to either north.d303.org or scnmusic.com and use the link to SCN Madrigal Dinner 2016. You may also use the link below. We hope to see you there!

[SCN Madrigal Dinner 2016](#)



2017 District 303 Board of Education Elections



Nominating petition forms for the April 4, 2017 Board of Education election in District 303 are now available. Forms are available online through the office of the Kane County Clerk's website www.kanecountyelections.org. Tuesday, September 20 is the first day that residents of District 303 may circulate the nominating petitions.

A school board candidate's petition must be filed in the Kane County Clerk's Office, 719 Batavia Ave., Building B (North Entrance), Geneva IL 60134 no earlier than **Monday, December 12 and no later than Monday, December 19.**

Four seats on the seven-member Board of Education will be filled by the results of the April 4 election. Candidates elected will serve four-year terms expiring in April, 2021.

To be eligible to serve, a school board member must be, on the date of election, a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age, a registered voter, and a resident of the State of Illinois and District 303 for at least one year immediately preceding the date of the election. The Board of Education election is nonpartisan and board candidates do not run under political party affiliation.

Illinois Law requires that any candidate seeking election to a board of education must file:

- Nominating petitions signed by at least 50 voters residing within the District.
- Statement of Candidacy.
- Statement of Economic Interest.
- Loyalty Oath – which is optional.

Important dates for candidates are:

Tuesday, September 20, 2016 – First day candidates may circulate nominating petitions.

Monday, December 12, 2016 – First day that prospective candidates may file nominating papers with the county clerk.

Monday, December 19, 2016 – Last day to file nominating petitions with the county clerk. Also, last day for candidates to file receipt for Statement of Economic Interest to accompany nomination papers.

Thursday, February 2, 2017 – Last day to file a declaration of intent to run for the school board as a write-in candidate in the April 4 election.

Tuesday, April 4, 2017- Election Day

For more information about the nature and duties of serving on a school board, visit the Illinois Association of School Board's website at: <http://www.iasb.com/elections/>.



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, 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.



Additions to the Community Backpack



Fox Tales
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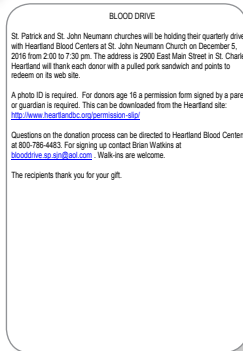
Little Strikers
Ball Mystery Clinic

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Fox Valley Concert

[Learn More](#)



Blood Drive

[Learn More](#)



Lights at Mooseheart

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[Click here to view more community events happening soon!](#)



Mark Your Calendars

December 19 - January 2
Winter Break

January 3
School Resumes

January 16
Martin Luther King, Jr Holiday

January 20
Teachers' Work Day
(Middle, High Schools No students)
Teacher Institute Day
(Elementary Schools No Students)

February 20
Presidents' Day Holiday

Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

Monday, December 12
Regular BOE Meeting - 7 p.m.

Thursday, December 15
Business Services Committee - 5 p.m.



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