



THORNTON TOWNSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 205

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

JANUARY 10, 2024

Serving All or Portions of the Following Communities:

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OPEN SESSION

C A L L T O O R D E R

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- A. Report from Curriculum Committee**
- B. Report from Finance Committee**
- C. Report from Policy Committee**
- D. Report from Discipline Committee**
- E. Report from Facilities Committee**

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session Minutes dated December 13, 2023**
- B. Approval of District 205 Bills: Dated December 14, 2023 through January 10, 2024**
- C. Personnel: Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires & Terminations dated January 10, 2024**
- D. Ratification(s):**
 - i. Approval of the Thornwood High School Overnight Trip, Illinois High School Theatre Festival, January 11-13, 2024, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois**

CONSENT AGENDA

D. Ratification(s):

ii. Approval of the Thornton High School Speech Team Overnight Trip, Downers Grove Speech Tournament, January 19-20, 2024

iii. Approval of the Thornton Township High School Boys Basketball Team Overnight Trip, February 3-4, 2024, Boys' Basketball Bank of O'Fallon Shootout, O'Fallon, Illinois

iv. Approval of the Thornton Township High School Boys Basketball Team Overnight Trip, February 10-11, 2024, Boys' Basketball Davison Shootout, Davison, Michigan

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

We now open the Public Participation section of our agenda. At this time, members of the community are invited to address the Board. We ask that you state your name and town, limit your total time to two minutes, and talk only about items on the current Board Agenda.

In addition, if your comments are of a critical nature about specific people, the Board requests that you present your comments during the personnel portion of the “executive session.”

Your name will not be called if you do not sign in and list a topic or the topic is not on the current Board agenda or if public participation has begun.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA)

DR. DOSS





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COMMUNICATIONS

N E W S F R O M T H E S C H O O L S

MR. FICKES

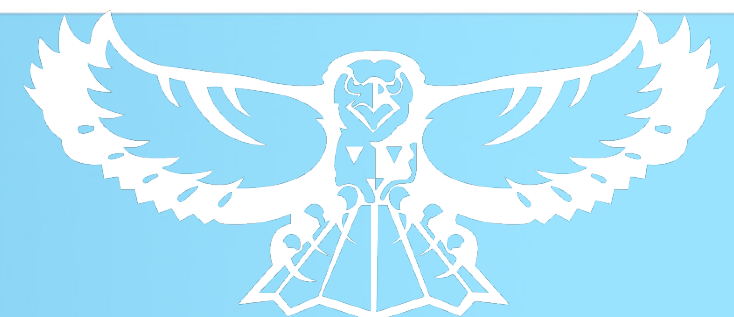
THORNBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

SCIENCE CLUB



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The Thornridge Science Club volunteered in a woodland restoration stewardship day at Bob Mann Woods in LaGrange, Illinois on Saturday, December 9, 2023. Under the guidance of the Shedd Aquarium and the Forest Preserves of Cook County, 11 students spent a few hours clearing out invasive species, such as the European buckthorn and honeysuckle trees, that are harmful to Illinois' ecosystems.



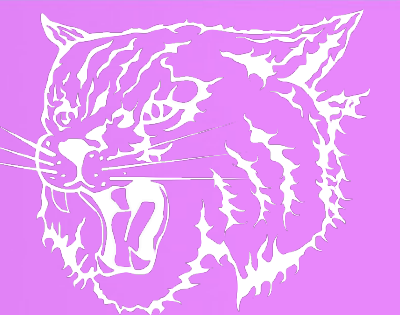
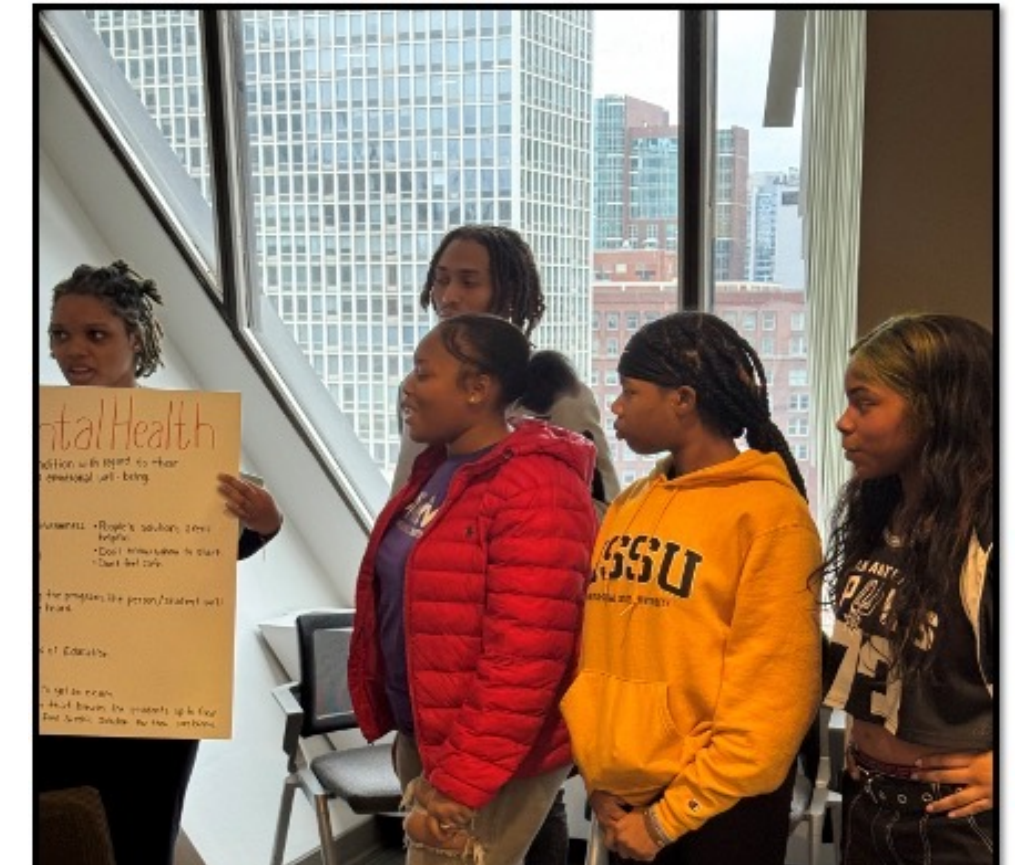
THORNTON

W I L D C A T S

My Influence Matters (MIM) students had the opportunity to visit the Tilt at 360 Chicago in addition to receiving a tour of 360 Chicago corporate office space. While in the conference room, the students were split into groups and created business style pitch presentations focused on social issues. The students chose to speak on homelessness, mental health, and unemployment. Great insight from our students.



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THORNWOOD

HOLIDAY BREAKFAST



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NSDA Honor Society

Each new degree presents hours of learning, practice, and improvement
by our students thanks to dedicated coaching.

*The following degrees were earned at Thornwood High School from 12/01 –
12/31:*

Jalen Canty – Merit

Jalen Canty – Honor

Jociaya Edwards – Distinction

Mahogany Williams - Honor



THORNWOOD

P O P U P S H O P

The objective of the activity was to support a student's comprehension of a unit of sale. They had to understand that you can't sell a unit for less than the amount of the expense to produce the product or service. We had 20 student pop-up shops in the cafeteria during all lunch periods.

The students had to manufacture their product, determine the price to produce it, then produce a selling price that maximized profit. During this time, all our students were extremely engaged in the process of making a sale. Our students sold everything from cupcakes to jewelry.



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The activity produced over \$3,500 in revenue during the 4 lunch periods.



NEW BUSINESS

A. Peace Center Highlights – Mr. Fickes and Mr. Cox-Bey

NEW BUSINESS

**B. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Lambda Tau Omega
Chapter - Ruby E. Roberson, Ed.D., President**

NEW BUSINESS

C. Recommended Approval of Noches De Plata, a Free Concert at Thornton Township High School, January 19, 2024, 6:30 p.m. – Mr. Fickes



Casa Celaya USA Presents:

NOCHES DE PLATA
Tribute to: El Rey
JOSÉ ALFREDO JIMENÉZ

FREE CONCERT
BILINGUAL SHOW

SCAN FOR TICKETS

DATE
JAN 19

TIME
6:30 PM
DOORS 5:30 PM

PLACE
THORNTON TOWNSHIP HS AUDITORIUM
15001 BROADWAY AVE. HARVEY, IL

THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL
15001 BROADWAY AVENUE | HARVEY, IL 60426
HOME OF THE WILDCATS

S.A.N. ANTONIO FOUNDATION

NEW BUSINESS

D. Recommended Approval for the Changes to the District 205 Reading Curriculum – Mr. Fickes

NEW BUSINESS

**E. Recommended Approval of Generator Repairs and Upgrades
for All District Schools – Thornridge, Thornton, and Thornwood
– Mr. Horton**

NEW BUSINESS

F. Recommended Approval of the Zoom Elite Transportation Contract – Mr. Horton

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Motion to enter into Closed Session, pursuant to 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to consider the following:**
 - **The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees;**
 - **Student discipline;**
 - **Collective negotiating matters; and**
 - **Pending, probable or imminent litigation**

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

ACTION ITEMS FOLLOWING OPEN SESSION

- a. Possible Action to Approve Resolution Regarding the Dismissal of Tenured Teacher.**

ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting

February 14, 2024

THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

District 205 Vision: Building an exemplary high-quality organization that produces major gains in student achievement and prepares all students to be productive citizens in a global society.

District 205 Mission: To develop productive citizens who are enrolled, enlisted or employed at the completion of high school.

District 205 Core Values: Empathy, Trust, Pride, Responsiveness, High Expectations with High Support Integrity, Commitment to Excellence, Innovation, and Collaboration