



December 15, 2023

Greetings FSD Parents/Guardians & Staff,

As this is the last superintendent communication/newsletter for 2023, we want to take this time to extend our warmest holiday wishes to you, your family and friends. May Winter Break allow you the time to celebrate the wonderful gift of the holidays with your loved ones, and at the same time the opportunity to unwind and relax and recharge.

The school board meeting on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, will be held at Center Elementary School @ 6 PM. At this meeting, Board President Jack Sosnowski will be presenting the school with a plaque from US World News for earning the distinction of being named one of the Best Elementary Schools in Illinois. All are invited to attend in person.

Around the District

Here's a special snippet of a few things going on ["Around the District"](#) over the last couple of weeks. One feature this week is our Bilingual Education Department's first Family Engagement event with their newly formed Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee. The turn-out for this event at HCC last Friday evening was phenomenal. Facebook users check out our page for many more of the daily exciting things going on ["Around the District"](#). Academics, special recognitions, other extracurriculars, classroom learning, field trips, special events, we cover it all! You can also follow us on X (formerly [Twitter](#)).

~Upcoming Events & Opportunities~

The organizations & events listed below are not sponsored by or affiliated with FSD 145

Attached is the **Freeport Park District** sports & recreation programming and events for Winter 23-24. [View flier.](#)

REMINDERS

FSD Employment Opportunities

FSD still has job openings for the current school year. For more information on job openings and to apply [visit our website. fsd145.](#)

We are currently hiring bus drivers! Apply today!

Our new Visitor Management System requires staff and visitors to present a valid state ID, driver's license or passport upon entering FSD buildings prior to a badge being issued. This is one of the security upgrades that the district has invested in, in its effort to keep students and staff safe. Thank you for your cooperation.

Upcoming Notable Dates:

December 22 - Full Day School Improvement (*No school for Students*)

December 25 to January 5 - Winter Break

December 25, 26 & January 1, 2 - FSD Offices Holiday Closure

January 15 - MLK Day, FSD Closed

January 19 - 1st Semester Ends

The holiday performances across the district brings me a sense of joy and gratitude for the opportunity to celebrate our students and traditions that connect us as a community. Thank you for supporting our work.

Our next newsletter will be on 01/12/24. Be safe as you celebrate and we'll see you next year!

Sincerely,

Dr. Anna Alvarado,

Superintendent of Schools