

# D211 POST: NORTH CAMPUS STUDENTS GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY



Students from District 211's North Campus filled food packets

at Feed My Starving Children in Schaumburg as part of a program called The Circle of Courage. The students filled enough packets to feed 72 children for a year.

Jessica Quinterro, a social worker with North Campus, said the program has four key components, Belonging, Mastery, Independence, and Generosity, which help students build a better sense of self-worth. Volunteering at Feed My Starving Children focused on the fourth component.

"We try to help the students realize the world is so much larger," she said. "The volunteer work helps them realize this while helping them give back to their community."

Quinterro said once the students saw who they were helping, they were very eager to help.

"They kept saying, 'Come on. We need to move faster,'" she said.

According to Quinterro, North Campus takes students to Feed My Starving Children to volunteer approximately once per month. She said they typically try to choose different students for each trip, however, some students have had the opportunity to volunteer multiple times.



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## DISTRICT 211 TO HOST PARENT OPEN HOUSES ON SEPTEMBER 1



Township High School District 211 schools will host its annual Parent Open Houses.

William Fremd, James B. Conant, Hoffman Estates, Palatine, and Schaumburg High Schools will hold Parent Open Houses on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2016. Parents are invited to follow shortened versions of their child's schedule (10- to 14- minute segments) as well as take part in other special activities and events. The District's two alternative schools, District 211 North Campus and Higgins Education Center, also will host open houses on September 1.

Conant High School's (700 E. Cougar Trail in Hoffman Estates) Open House runs from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Highlights include a chance for parents to walk their child's schedule and meet with teachers. Each teacher will provide an overview of their course and discuss their expectations. The Booster Club will provide information and treats during non-academic periods. It is a great way to see Conant High School from

a student's perspective.

Fremd High School's (1000 S. Quentin Road in Palatine) Open House will be held from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Teachers will share class expectations and curricular materials with parents. Members of VAMP (Viking Advisory Mentoring Program), the Vikettes, Student Council, National Honor Society, the Fremd Speech team, and Fremd cheerleading squads will serve as guides to assist parents in locating classrooms and answering questions. Featured in front of the main entrance will be the Fremd Marching Band. In the media center, the Fremd Symphony will perform while parents visit with counselors. Parents are encouraged to stop by the English Department Book Fair located in Room 118, sign up as a member of the Fremd Booster Club in the main hallway, or visit the athletic and activity fair taking place in the student cafeteria.



Hoffman Estates High School's (1100 W. Higgins Road in Hoffman Estates) Parent Open House will take place from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Parents will have an opportunity to meet their child's teachers, receive a brief overview of course curriculum, and learn about student expectations and how parents can help at home. Language translators will be available throughout the evening for those needing assistance.

Open House at Palatine High School (1111 N. Rohlwing Road in Palatine) will be from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m., and provides a wonderful opportunity to meet your child's teachers. For those wishing to arrive early, the PHS marching band will play outside the main entrance prior to the start of Open House (weather permitting), beginning at 6:30 p.m. Topics teachers will discuss include: course objectives, class expectations, and curricular materials. Teachers also will encourage questions and provide insight into how parents can assist their child at home. Members of the PHS spirit squads will serve as student guides, refreshments will be served in the student cafeteria, and Pirate Booster Club members will be on hand selling school spirit merchandise. Additionally, childcare services will be available throughout the evening.



Schaumburg High School's (1100 W. Schaumburg Road in Schaumburg) Open House runs from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Student Ambassadors, Cheerleaders, Flags, and Pom-Pon squads will assist parents in finding classrooms. Topics that teachers will be prepared to discuss with parents include course objectives, class expectations, student achievement, curricular materials, and how parents can help their children at home. Parent questions also are welcome. V.I.P. booster club members will be taking memberships and selling school merchandise in the main hallway, while Band Boosters and the Schaumburg Township Library will have informational tables in the school cafeteria. The newly remodeled Media Center will be open for viewing, refreshments, and information. Orchestra students will be performing in the Media Center and cafeteria, where refreshments will be served throughout the evening.

The newly renamed District 211 North Campus (335 E. Illinois Avenue in Palatine) facility's Open House will be from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. Parents will be able to tour the facility, discuss program expectations, and ask questions of teachers and the program administrator. Within classrooms, teachers will review student progress and highlight student work. Staff will be available to supervise young children to allow parents to meet with teachers. Dinner will be served along with a parent presentation.



The Higgins Education Center (1030 W. Higgins Road in Hoffman Estates) will host its Open House from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. Visitors will be able to tour the facility, meet the program administrator and teachers, and discuss the programs. Staff will be on hand from all three programs: Academy-South, Adult Transition Program-South, and New Endeavors. Parents will follow their child's schedule and learn about program expectations and instructional material. A presentation will be made to address incentive and behavior management systems used by each program. Refreshments will be served.

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## BOARD APPROVES FACILITY NAME CHANGE TO DISTRICT 211 NORTH CAMPUS



The District 211 Board of Education approved to change the name of a District 211 facility formerly known as District 211 Academy-North.

At its June 16, 2016 meeting the Board of Education approved to name the facility District 211 North Campus. This title allows programs occupying the building (District 211 Alternative Learning Academy and District 211 Academy-North) to cultivate their own identity. Parents, students, community members, and staff

members will benefit from each program at the site maintaining distinct individual names.

The name change comes after budget cuts forced the North Cook Regional Office of Education's North Cook Young Adult Academy (NCYAA), a Regional Safe School program for general education students who have exhibited some instance of expellable misconduct, to move out of the facility effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year. As a result, District 211 created its own program. This new District program, District 211 Alternative Learning Academy, will begin operation in August and enrollment will fluctuate between 25 and 30 students at any given time during the school year.

For more information, please view the board report on [Board Docs](#).