
TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 211

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS OF EXCELLENCE

James B. Conant High School
William Fremd High School
Hoffman Estates High School
Palatine High School
Schaumburg High School

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS
District 211 Academy-North
District 211 Academy-South

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Township High School District 211 is committed to providing a high-quality educational program for your child. We are working hard to provide programs to help all students succeed in our school district.



Your child attends Hoffman Estates High School, which receives federal Title I funds. These funds provide help for your child to meet state achievement standards. In the 2012-13 school year, the school did not meet the adequate yearly progress (AYP) targets established as part of the No Child Left Behind program. Your child's school is in corrective action which means the school has failed to make adequate yearly progress for 4 years in the same subject and in addition to offering public school choice and supplemental educational services, at least one of the following actions will be implemented:

- Replace school staff relevant to adequate yearly progress;
- Institute and fully implement a new curriculum, with appropriate professional development for all relevant staff;
- Significantly decrease management authority at the school level;
- Appoint an outside expert to advise the school on its progress toward making adequately yearly progress, based on its school plan;
- Extend the school year or school day; or
- Restructure the internal organizational structure of the schools.

Our District's 2013 report card and the most recent AYP status report for your school show how your child's school compares to other schools in our district and state. These reports will be placed on our District Web site once it is received, and will be available at your child's school and at the school district office. The school's website is <http://www.d211.org/>.

This year, the AYP target was 92.5% proficiency. Your child's school has been identified because subgroups of Students with Disabilities, All Students, White, Black, and Economically Disadvantaged did not reach the AYP target in reading, and the subgroup Students with Disabilities did not reach the AYP target in mathematics.

The school is working to improve the school's academic program by:

- Initiating and implementing a 1-1 technology program with revised curriculum and related professional development;
- Receiving professional development assistance as provided by an outside consultant to assist teachers in providing differentiated instruction with a goal of accelerating our AYP performance;
- Developing and implementing the common core standards as a cornerstone of the English and Mathematics curricula.
- Formulating learning plans for course with specific objectives and assessment plans to provide focused instructional on standards most critical to student success.

The district and the State Board of Education are working with your child's school to help improve the academic standards of the school. This is being accomplished by providing technical assistance to the teachers and administrators within your child's school.

However, this may not be enough and we want to request your help as the school addresses its academic problems. We ask you to commit to attending the many forums and committees designed to gather parent input and to strengthen the partnership between parents and faculty that is essential to a successful educational environment. Of particular importance is the fall open house, scheduled on September 19, and College Night, scheduled on October 23. More information will be made available the school website.

The No Child Left Behind Act provides you, as a parent, the option to transfer your child to another public school within the district with transportation provided by the district. However, at this time we do not have a school within the district to which your child can transfer. We have contacted neighboring districts to request that they provide us with a school(s) we can offer you as an option. No school district has agreed to do so this school year so at this time no transfer option exists.

Thank you for your partnership with us in advancing your child's education. If you have any questions, you can call me at 847-755-6621.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jeffrey A. Butzen'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Jeffrey A. Butzen
District Title I Coordinator