

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 196  
Rosemount-Apple Valley-Eagan Public Schools  
*Educating our students to reach their full potential*

**Parent Leaders Meeting**

9:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 15, 2009  
District Office

**Present:** Linda Anderson, Deerwood Elementary; Veronica Barnas, Southview Elementary; Diane Belfiori, Glacier Hills Elementary School of Arts and Science; Kim Bernstein, Thomas Lake Elementary; Melanie Paulseth (sub for Kari Bollum), Westview Elementary; Kristi Conway, Rosemount Elementary; Jim Cronin, Red Pine Elementary; Kristin Hanson, Eagan High; Kathy Hilton, Woodland Elementary; Gail Lentsch, Dakota Hills Middle (and sub for Jennifer McKenzie, Pinewood Elementary); Tracy Monro-Moran, Diamond Path Elementary School of International Studies; Barb Moon, Black Hawk Middle; Dawn Morrison, Parkview Elementary; Jill Murphy, Shannon Park Elementary; Roger New, Northview Elementary; Amy Orzolek, Echo Park Elementary; Bill Radichel, Falcon Ridge Middle; Lisa Roehl, Apple Valley High; Thana Ross, Eastview High; Michele Snare, Rosemount High; Peter Vogel, Cedar Park Elementary Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM); Colleen Wagner, Oak Ridge Elementary; Molly Wellik, Highland Elementary; Laurie Meyer (sub for Lois Williams), Valley Middle; Kim Craven, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Jane K. Berenz, Superintendent

**UPDATES**

**Welcome and Introductions**

**H1N1/Influenza-like Illness (ILI)**

District Lead Health Nurse Jane Schleisman reported on the district's efforts to mitigate the effects of influenza-like illness (ILI) on students, staff and families with the goal that students and staff remain healthy and in school. We are focusing our efforts on education about hand washing, respiratory etiquette and staying home when ill. An effort is being made to communicate with staff and families in a clear, concise and consistent manner. We have asked all principals to put a link on their home page to the district's ILI page so documents will only need to be updated in one place.

The exclusion policy for ill students and staff has changed since last spring. Students and staff need to remain at home until they have been fever free for 24 hours without the aid of fever-reducing medication. This will still be 5-7 days in most cases, but it will keep those who have colds from missing more school than necessary.

Questions arose about seasonal flu and H1N1 flu vaccinations. Seasonal flu vaccine is available now from your healthcare provider; H1N1 vaccine is expected to be available in early October in a one-dose immunization. Distribution of H1N1 vaccine will be through local public health (Dakota County) and our schools may be used as clinics if requested by Dakota County; no students will be immunized without parental permission.

**Community Education Parent Conference,  
Eastview High School, Saturday, November 7, 8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

District 196 Community Education is hosting a free, half-day Districtwide Parenting Conference. Local experts and District 196 teachers and staff will facilitate the more than 25 breakout workshops (attendees will be able to choose two workshops). Representatives from area organizations will be at the resource fair as well. Keynote speaker, Dr. William Doherty, will discuss *Too Fast with Too Much: How to be a Grounded Parent in a Crazy World* from 8:30-9:45 a.m. For more information visit the Community Education website.

**School Board Election, November 3**

Eight people have filed for three open positions on School Board. Three incumbents: Art Coulson, Mike Roseen and Kevin Sampers have filed, along with Rochell Al Ansari, Steve Bolluyt, Jack Gresser, Rob Killian and Jackie Miller. To learn more about the candidates, watch for articles in local newspapers and for any candidate forums that might be scheduled (none are scheduled at this time).

**School Enrollment**

Although enrollment will not be official until the October 1 count is submitted to the state, we anticipate being approximately 100 students above projections, which is down 300 students from this time last year. More information will be shared with Parent Leaders at the October 20 meeting.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**  
**9:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 20, 2009**  
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