



BARRINGTON 220
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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An Update from Extended Services

ES FAMILIES: November 2015

Look for...

- **Updated Extended Services Parent Handbook** posted on the district website: Teaching & Learning/ Extended Services/ ES Handbook.

- **Math Magic with Mike Bykster**

Date: 11/05/2015

Time: 7:00pm - 8:30pm CST

Location: Arnett C. Lines Elementary School (217 Eastern Avenue, Barrington, IL)

Sponsored by: Barrington Council for Gifted and Talented (BCGT)

RSVP today to reserve your spot at www.bcgt.org.

- **Center For Gifted, student weekend opportunities in Barrington! See flyer.**

Extended Services (ES): Elementary, Middle School, and High School Team Established!

I am proud to share that we have established an Extended Services (ES) Team of educators spanning all levels here in District 220! Many thanks to the elementary, middle school, and high school teachers and department chairs who have committed to creating a forum where we can review our ES Program, student identification, the continuum of services, and our curriculum to best meet the needs of our children. Over the next few years, we will be doing a deep dive into programmatic elements to enhance our services. This year's focus we will be on refining our ES Program philosophy and creating a definition with goals and objectives.

***Announcement:**

Fall placements for new students to the district have been completed with individual school review teams (a small few are undergoing further assessment). Official welcome letters have been mailed home.

6th Grade Extended Science Coming Soon!

Currently, our middle schools offer extended science in 7th and 8th grade only. Thanks to the work of Kelly Hansen (Director of Secondary Curriculum), Julie Baylor (High School Science Chair) and the Secondary Science Steering Team, we will be collaborating to create a 6th grade science course and curriculum for next school year. We look forward to establishing a robust curriculum that is in alignment with the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Further details are forthcoming...

Welcome New ES Families!

Please look for a personal invitation to meet one another and chat with the Director of Extended Services (ES) in an informal and intimate setting. In an effort to welcome our new ES families to the district, we would like to open this space for coffee and conversation in December!

Invitations will be mailed home.

Extended Services Book Studies

The ES Team is embarking on the following book studies as we research contemporary topics in the field of gifted education related to: philosophy, acceleration, twice-exceptional learners, talent development, and student identification. Feel free to read along with us!

Beyond Gifted Education: Designing and Implementing Advanced Academic Programs by Scott J. Peters (2013); *Modern Curriculum for Gifted and Advanced Academic Students* by Todd Kettler (2015); *Conceptions of Giftedness* by Robert J. Sternberg and Janet E. Davidson (2005); *Systems & Models for Developing Programs for the Gifted and Talented, 2nd Edition* by Joseph Renzulli (2009); *Fundamentals of Gifted Education, Considering Multiple Perspectives* by Carolyn M. Callahan and Holly L. Hertberg-Davis (2012); *Identification of Students for Gifted and Talented Programs* by Joseph Renzulli and Sally Reis (2004).

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