

UPDATE

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Schools
Newsletter

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SUPERINTENDENT BOARD MEETING UPDATE

Quincy Together – Community Engagement Update

Our third *Quincy Together* community meeting was held last night, and we were excited to see continued growth in participation with 98 attendees. Of those, 59 were returning participants and 39 were new, reflecting both sustained engagement and expanding community involvement.

The session focused on school finance, with Ryan Whicker providing a detailed and informative overview of how funding works in Quincy Public Schools. Participants then shared feedback on priorities for how funds are used, as well as perspectives on addressing the gap between revenue and expenses.

The next meeting will shift toward exploring potential solutions to address financial challenges. We encourage staff and community members to join us on **Tuesday, April 21 from 5:30–7:30 p.m. at Quincy High School** as we continue this important work.

Superintendent Search Update

We are pleased to share that the Board of Education has finalized its selection process for the next Superintendent. A **Special Board meeting will be held on Friday, April 17 at 12:00 p.m.** to formally appoint and introduce the new Superintendent. Following the meeting, there will be opportunities for media engagement and school visits, with additional plans for a community meet-and-greet.

QHS Winter State Qualifiers Recognized

QHS Athletics proudly recognized its Winter State Qualifiers. These student-athletes demonstrated outstanding dedication, hard work, and excellence throughout their seasons.

- The Q-City Pommer Competitive Dance Team, which earned 4th place in the AAA Lyrical Division at the state contest. Coached by Kim Dinkheller and Sam Landwehr, team members include Meredith Albright, Grace Baudino, Ryleigh Bush, Thea Figge, Laila Hickman, Brooklyn Little, Devyn Loos, Emma Pales, Abigail Rush, and Josslyn Wingerter.
- The QHS Rifle Team, named 2026 Illinois Precision Rifle League Scholastic Team State Champions. Led by coaches Alexis Klinner and Jim Holtman, team members include Vayda Swango, Avery Klinner, Amelia Chbeir, Kalayla Swango, and Cierra Breckenkamp.
- The QHS Wrestling state qualifiers: Brody Baker, Zoe Bloyd, and Karsynn Vogel, coached by Phil Neally, Donnie Peters, Marty Smith, Daryl Zessin, and PJ Moody.

We congratulate all of these athletes and their coaches for representing QHS with pride and excellence at the state level.

APPOINTMENTS/CHANGES IN ASSIGNMENT

AUDRA ALLGOOD – 1ST GRADE - ROONEY 2026-2027
EMMA ARANGO – FAMILY SUPPORT SPECIALIST – ECFC 03/09/2026
BRITTANY BLEICHNER – READING RECOVERY - DENMAN 2026-2027
JORDAN BOYER - PARA – LINCOLN-DOUGLAS 03/13/2026
JENNIFER BUSS- ACADEMIC CURRICULUM LIAISON (SS)–QJHS 2025-2026
TANYA CORLEY – SECURITY GUARD – QJHS 03/18/2026
HOLLY ELSIE - ASST. VOLUNTEER TRAP COACH – QHS 03/10/2026
TAIGEN FELKER – PT TITLE 1 TUTOR - NON-PUBLIC 03/09/2026
HARRISON FEY – 2ND GRADE - ROONEY 2026-2027
ROSE FINLEY – CERTIFIED NURSE – LINCOLN-DOUGLAS 2026-2027
SHANNON HAERR – SPECIAL ED TEACHER - THE ACADEMY 03/18/2026
JACOB HOLLENSTEINER–ASST. TRACK & FIELD COACH - QHS 02/20/2026
TRACIE JACKSON – CERTIFIED NURSE – DENMAN 2026-2027
LAUREN KLINGELE – CLASSIFIED NURSE – LINCOLN-DOUGLAS 2026-2027
CHLOE LIESEN – 2ND GRADE - ILES 2026-2027
ANGELA RAINES-CALDWELL – SSFL – ILES 2026-2027
ALEX REED – MID-DAY CUSTODIAN – ILES 03/09/2026
PATRICIA ROWLANDS – PT TITLE 1 TUTOR - NON-PUBLIC 03/09/2026
STEPHANIE SOHN – RECEPTIONIST/SUB COORD – QJHS 02/25/2026
JARRICA STOUT – CLASSIFIED NURSE – DISTRICT 2026-2027
TERA TERWELP – FULL TIME SPEECH PATH - DISTRICT 2026-2027
RYANN ZIMMERMAN – SSFL – ACADEMY 2026-2027

RESIGNATIONS (END OF 25-26 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

HAROLD (MIKE) LLEWELLYN – HEAD GOLF COACH – QJHS 03/02/2026
TORI CAMPBELL- TEACHER – ROONEY
CARLEY ENGELMEYER –TEACHER – ILES
LOUANN GOEHL – KITCHEN HELPER – DENMAN 04/10/2026
JAICEE GRIGGS - TEACHER - BALDWIN
KATHLEEN HELSABECK – PARA – ECFC 04/03/2026
ABBY HIVELY – CAFETERIA COORD – QJHS 03/12/2026
GENEVA KINDHART – HEAD START – ECFC
JUDITH LYNN CARTER – CAFETERIA COORD – ROONEY 02/27/2026
RENEE MITCHELL – PARA – ROONEY 03/06/2026
KIRK MOSLEY – PE TEACHER – BALDWIN
MORIAH PUGH – SSFL – ROONEY 03/06/2026
ALAN STOCK – MAINTENANCE 03/09/2026
MASON SWISHER – TEACHER – QHS
MASON SWISHER – ASST. VARSITY FOOTBALL COACH – QHS 03/09/2026
KELLY VANDERMAIDEN – SSFL – ILES

Calendar Update:

As of today, the last day of student attendance is scheduled for Friday, May 22, and the last day for teachers is Tuesday, May 26. The amended school calendar will be presented for approval at the April Board of Education meeting.

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The Board also approved:

- Awarded the ECFC roof project to Tournear Roofing in the amount of \$499,000
 - Appointed Adam Booth to the Finance Committee
 - Appointed Chad Keppner, Tom Piepora, and Richard McNay to the Building & Grounds Committee
- Additionally, the Board rejected all bids received for the ECFC HVAC project.

NO SCHOOL EASTER BREAK Monday, March 30—Monday, April 6



Graduation
Sunday, May 17
4:00 p.m.
at
Flinn
Stadium