

# UPDATE

Quincy Public  
Schools  
Newsletter

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April 23, 2025

## SUPER'S 8 DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

1. Students at the Academy have enjoyed using their new ping pong table as a recreation option for the last 15 minutes of their lunch break.
2. Kindergarten classes at Iles won the school-wide reading challenge, earning them an ice cream party and book for each student to take home.
3. I began my annual spring speaking tour at local service clubs this month. This year, I am joined by Mr. Steinke, QHS principal, as we highlight the various pathways students can take to graduate from QHS. Our goal is to provide options for their future endeavors.
4. Rooney students from Onraka have been holding a recycling drive for the month of April for their house purpose project.
5. Students from Baldwin visited QAVTC this month where the high schoolers set up stations to showcase the programs available there. The fifth graders learned about automotive technology, health occupation, welding, food service, and more.
6. Kinsey from the University of Illinois Extension Office visited Iles Elementary for Ag in the Classroom Day. Students made seed balls so that they can grow their own flowers at home.
7. A woodwind ensemble from Quincy University performed for the music classes at Lincoln-Douglas this month.
8. Fifth graders from each of the five elementary schools will be participating in the inaugural House Showdown Spectacular on April 29 at Flinn Stadium. This gives students the chance to meet fifth graders at other schools before they become classmates at Jr. High next year.

*Dr. Todd Pettit*  
Superintendent

## PERSONNEL

### Appointments/Change in Assignment (25-26 School Year unless otherwise noted)

ERIN ARMBRUSTER – SPECIAL ED TEACHER - ACADEMY  
KERI BERGMAN – 1ST GR. TEACHER - DENMAN  
BELYNDA BERNZEN – 2ND GR. TEACHER - DENMAN  
TONYA BOKER – SPECIAL ED CROSS CAT - QJHS  
NICOLE BROWNING – KINDERGARTEN TEACHER - DENMAN  
HEATHER CANNADY - ASST. VOLUNTEER TRAP COACH – QHS  
MARY CHRISTENSEN - PART TIME TITLE 1 TUTOR - ST. DOMINIC  
04/15/2025  
SHEA COYLE – 3RD GR. TEACHER - LINCOLN-DOUGLAS  
AMBUR EGER - SPECIAL ED AUTISM - QJHS  
FLORENCE “DEE” FLEMING – PRE-K TEACHER - ECFC  
TAMMY FRENCH – SPECIAL ED CROSS CAT (GR.S 3-5) - DENMAN  
JOSHUA GIBLEON - GROUNDSKEEPER -DISTRICT 04/07/2025  
ANJAY HEINECKE – SPECIAL ED TEACHER - QHS  
TABBATHA HILDEBRAND – 2ND GR. - BALDWIN  
JOANNA HOCHGRABER – INSTRUCTIONAL COACH - BALDWIN  
KATIE HOGGE – 1ST GR. TEACHER - DENMAN  
KRISTEN HOUSTON – 8TH SOCIAL STUDIES - QJHS  
NATALIE IBERG – 1ST GR. - DENMAN  
REBECCA KREGER – SPECIAL ED TEACHER - QHS  
HANNAH MARKS - TITLE 1 EXT. DAY TEACHER – LINCOLN-DOUGLAS  
03/17/2025  
TERESA MCDOWELL – ELA - QJHS  
CATHERINE MILLER – 5TH GR. ACC. - BALDWIN  
EMY MONSALVE – 1ST GR. TEACHER - DENMAN  
KELLY OBERT - TITLE 1 EXT. DAY TEACHER – LINCOLN-DOUGLAS  
03/17/2025  
BRANDI PATTON – 4TH GR. ACC. TEACHER - DENMAN  
HALEY RUTHS – SPECIAL ED E.D. (3-5) - DENMAN  
MORGANNE SHARROW – POSITION/SALARY TBD

### Resignations (end of 24-25 unless otherwise noted)

LISA BARNES – KITCHEN HELPER – ROONEY 04/25/2025  
JORDAN BOYER – PARA – LINCOLN-DOUGLAS 04/25/2025  
PATRICK CARROLL – SSFL – THE ACADEMY  
WHITNEY EDWARDS – K-5 SPECIAL ED COORDINATOR – ILES STI-  
PEND POSITION ONLY  
COURTNEY ERFFT – 4TH GR. ACC. TEACHER – DENMAN 06/30/2025  
ANA FOX – PARA - QJHS 03/28/2025  
LOGAN GAINES – MID-DAY CUSTODIAN – DENMAN 03/20/2025  
KRISTIN HAMILTON – ASST. VOLLEYBALL COACH – QHS 04/08/2025  
KAREN HOWELL – KITCHEN HELPER – QJHS 03/21/2025  
KELLY OBERT – 3RD GR. TEACHER – LINCOLN-DOUGLAS  
BRIAN OITKER – TECHNOLOGY 03/28/2025  
KENDRA RAMSEY – 2ND GR. TEACHER – ILES  
TERESA “TRACY” ROSE – SPECIAL ED TEACHER – QHS

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### Resignations –continued (end of 24-25 unless otherwise noted)

TINA SEAGO – PT CASE MANAGER – DISTRICT  
LAUREN TAYLOR – OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST –  
DISTRICT  
SARAH TIPTON – PARA – ECFC  
CHRISTIE WERT – 3RD GR. TEACHER – ILES

### Retirements will be listed on the May 2025 UPDATE

The Board approved the amended 2024–2025 calendar, establishing May 23 as the final day for students, comprising a half day of instruction and a half day dedicated to school improvement. The last day for teachers will be May 28.

The end of year celebration will be held on Wednesday, May 28 at QJHS at 8:30 a.m. A bus shuttle to QJHS will be provided from each building.

### *In other action, the Board approved:*

- ECFC Pilot for Frog Street Curriculum
- QHS New Course Accelerated Spanish I/II for freshmen
- QAVTC Graphic Sequence Dual Credit through JWCC
- QAVTC Horticulture Course
- QAVTC Emergency Medical Responders Course