



Quincy Public Schools

# UPDATE

SEPTEMBER 27, 2023



## SUPER'S 8 DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

1. QHS pommers, cheerleaders, band and football teams were featured on the Today Show's Friday Morning Lights segment. Today Show staffers shared how impressed they were with how smoothly the event went.
2. Students from Rooney are sorting into houses this week. Already in place at Denman and Iles and in the planning stages at Lincoln-Douglas and Baldwin, the Ron Clark Academy house system encourages community and camaraderie amongst students from different grade-levels and classes.
3. Thanks to a grant by Director of Nursing Brandy Kirby, QPS is the recipient of the Delta Dental of Illinois and Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation's H2O on the Go Water Bottle Filling station. Studies have found that providing access to safe, fluoridated drinking water will reduce cavities, improve hydration, and boost energy.
4. It's Homecoming week at QPS. Students across the district are celebrating their school pride. Students are participating in spirit days such as: anything but a backpack day, twin day and album cover day.
5. Fourth graders left campus for a trip to the John Wood Mansion. While exploring the mansion and grounds, students learned about life in the 1800s and John Wood, founder of Quincy and 12th governor of Illinois.
6. JHS Comets cleaned up the Crusader Classic cross country meet. Peyton Kuhl took home first place in the girls' division and Eli Poe won first place in the boys' race.
7. Staff members from the Early Childhood and Family Center attended professional development workshop on Conscious Discipline, a trauma-informed social emotional method of behavior management. The staff who attended the seminar will share what they've learned with the entire ECFC team.
8. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Blue Devil boys' soccer team. To commemorate the team's legacy, Muddy River News is running a series called the QHS All-Time Starting 11, highlighting eleven standout players from throughout the program.



### SPOTLIGHT ON BALDWIN

Mr. Sohn shared a PowerPoint presentation of highlights of daily activities at Baldwin. Many of these included takeaways from their visit to Ron Clark Academy such as: chants and callbacks, celebrating student accomplishments, greeting each other, sportsmanship, and students making weekly announcements. Each week in their morning assembly, they focus on a different quote and essential rule to help teach students manners and accountability.

With Blue Devil Pride,

*Dr. Todd Pettit*

Superintendent

## PERSONNEL ITEMS

### Appointments for 2023-2024

DONALD AMEN – DRIVER/TRANSP

EVAN BOYER – DAY CUSTODIAN QJHS

DON BYRD – SECURITY GUARD/BALDWIN

ERICA DIETERLE – PARA/ROONEY

ROGER EDWARDS – DRIVER/TRANSP

CAROL EGGLEY – DRIVER/TRANSP

HANNAH FOURNIER – PART-TIME TITLE 1 TUTOR NON-PUBLIC/ST. JAMES

ALLISON GABRIEL – PART-TIME TITLE 1 TUTOR NON-PUBLIC/BLESSED  
SACRAMENT

AUSTIN GAINES – MID-DAY CUSTODIAN/ILES

KASEY GOODING – ISS SUPERVISOR/ROONEY

TRACI GRAHAM – DRIVER/TRANSP

JACOB HAYS – PARA/QJHS

ANDREA HEIDEN – 7TH GR STUDENT COUNCIL SPONSOR/QJHS

CHRISTOPHER HELSABECK – TR MATH TEACHER/QJHS

THOMAS HOSTENG – HEAD GIRLS GOLF COACH/QHS

LAURA KELLE – EXTENDED DAY INSTRUCTOR/THE ACADEMY

DEENA KROEGER – KITCHEN HELPER/L-DE

WILLIAM MUMMEY SR. – DRIVER/TRANSP

STEVE NEISWENDER – DAY CUSTODIAN/QHS

APRIL OBERLY – PARA/DENMAN

JAMIE PARROTT – PART-TIME TITLE 1 TUTOR NON-PUBLIC/ST. FRANCIS

GERALD PERKINS – RIDER/TRANSP

DARLA RARDON – DISPATCH/TRANSP

DANNIELE ROBERTSON – KITCHEN HELPER/QHS

JASON RUFF – AUTOTECH INSTRUCTOR/QAVTC

KASEY SAXBERY – ISS SUPERVISOR/QJHS

IMMANUEL SCENSY – DRIVER/TRANSP

DANIELLE SHADWELL – PARA/ILES

ALICIA SHAFFER – TR – SCIENCE TEACHER/QHS

RYAN SPARKS – ASST. BASEBALL COACH/QHS

ERIN SPIDLE – KITCHEN HELPER/L-DE

DANA STAFFORD – EXTENDED DAY INSTRUCTOR/THE ACADEMY

MOLLY STROOT – PART-TIME TITLE 1 TUTOR NON-PUBLIC/ST. DOMINIC

SCOTT THOELE – CROSSING GUARD/ST. DOMINIC

VICKIE VANHOVE – RIDER/TRANSP

JAMES WATERS – LEAD GROUNDSKEEPER/FLINN

DANIEL WELLS – ISS SUPERVISOR/DENMAN

HALEY WELTY – PARA/BALDWIN

PEGGY WILSON – KITCHEN HELPER/L-DE

### Resignations

DANA BARTELT – ATHLETIC SECRETARY/QHS 10/01/2023

RYAN CLAIR – HEAD WRESTLING COACH/QJHS 09/06/2023

CAROL EGGLEY – ECFC DRIVER/TRANSP 08/24/2023

BRIGHAM JOHN – ASST. BASEBALL COACH/QHS 09/06/2023

LYDIA LINDBERG – PARA/L-DE 09/22/2023

ROBERT MILLER – FLOAT-DRIVER/TRANSP 07/31/2023

WILLIAM MUMMEY SR. – ECFC RIDER/TRANSP 08/21/2023

ANDREA RUTHS – KITCHEN HELPER/L-DE 08/22/2023

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### Resignations (continued)

JACQUELINE SHARKEY – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TEACHER/L-DE 10/05/2023

MARTHA SORRILL – COOK/QHS 09/29/2023

TINA TENHOUSE – PARA/BALDWIN 09/29/2023

NANCY WELLS – COOK/DENMAN 09/08/2023

LISA WILLIAMS – KITCHEN HELPER/ROONEY 09/12/2023

TRUDY WILLIS – SSFL/BALDWIN 09/08/2023

### **SICK LEAVE BANK OPEN ENROLLMENT**

**Open enrollment begins October 2 and ends  
October 13, 2023.**

If you are a member of the Quincy Federation Union and have completed one year of employment with QPS, you are eligible to enroll. Enrollment forms will be available starting October 2 on the QPS website @ [www.qps.org](http://www.qps.org)

**Thursday, October 6**

**1/2 Day School—1/2 Day School Improvement**

**Friday, October 7**

**No School—Teacher Institute**

**Monday, October 9**

**No School—Columbus Day**

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

- ◆ *2023-2024 District Budget*
- ◆ *MOU for Teacher Vacancy Grant*
- ◆ *Copier Lease Bid to Digital Copy Systems for 60 months at a monthly cost of \$12,802.00*
- ◆ *Iles Playground Bid to PlayPower for \$183,721.54*
- ◆ *QHS HVAC Equipment Bid to Thermal Mechanics, Inc. for \$748,350.00*
- ◆ *Graphics 1 & Digital Media as computer requirement credit*