



Quincy Public Schools

UPDATE

November 15, 2023



SUPER'S 8 DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

1. Wednesday was Board Members Day! Thank you to the QPS school board for your dedicated service to the district and the students, staff and families of Quincy Public Schools.
2. QHS English, yearbook and world history students sat down with Pulitzer Prize winning author James B Stewart while he and Principal Steinke talked about his career, the changing face of journalism and taking a leap to pursue their passion.
3. Quincy High School wrapped up this year's fall musical, White Christmas to sold out houses. BRAVO!
4. It's Dare to Care Week across the district. Students and staff have been showing gratitude through acts of service, sending gratitude grams and practicing kindness.
5. Rooney Elementary School hosted a family reading night where students and families were treated to stories by the fire, s'mores and hot chocolate. Yours truly enjoyed being a guest reader.
6. Quincy Jr. High students attended a Veterans Day assembly organized by 7th grade US History teacher, Mrs. Griffard. Students heard from their peers and keynote speaker and former superintendent Mr. Webb about the importance of honoring our veterans.
7. Retired QPS Teacher Kathy Humphry and her husband Kim raised \$3,590 benefiting teachers, schools and Horizons by selling firewood and donating the proceeds. Dr. Pettit recognized them with the Blue Devil Spirit and Pride Award.
8. This month's school spotlight is Quincy Senior High School. Welcome Jody Steinke to share what's happening at QHS.



SPOTLIGHT ON QUINCY SENIOR HIGH

Principal Steinke presented a PowerPoint presentation titled "The School That Never Sleeps" in which he noted their day starts at 5:30am with breakfast prep and often ends at 11:30pm with the musical cast leaving the building. He shared the multiple pathways to graduation options which include the flex program, online academy, graduate assistance program, JWCC Smart Start, Open Learning Center, Credit Recovery, CCR, 9th Hour, Night School/Wednesday Edgenuity, and Spanish Online.

With Blue Devil Pride,
Dr. Todd Pettit
Superintendent

PERSONNEL

Appointments/Change in Assignment

HEATHER ALLEN – PART-TIME ELL TUTOR/DISTRICT
MICHEL ARMSTRONG-LEWTON - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
MARK BRASSFIELD - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
DONALD BRIDDLE – SECURITY GUARD/ECFC
JENNIFER BUSS - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
CLAIR CLARK - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
RYAN COMLEY – NIGHT CUSTODIAN/QJHS
JENNIFER CUNNINGHAM – KITCHEN HELPER/QHS
ANDREA ECKHARDT – ACADEMIC LEADER/ILES
MELISSA FANTZ – SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEADER/ILES
TONY FESLER – SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEADER/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS
NICOLE FINNEY – SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEADER/ROONEY
AMANDA GRIESBAUM - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
MEGAN GRIFFARD - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
ANDREA HEIDEN - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
KIM HEILWAGEN - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
LAMAR HICKMAN – ASST. WRESTLING COACH/QJHS
KATIE HOLBROOK - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
JESSICA HUCKEY – ACADEMIC LEADER/ROONEY
STEPHANIE JOHNSON - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
ANGIE KEMP - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
ISABELLE KENNEDY – ASST. TRACK COACH/QHS
HEATHER LAIR - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
BRANDI MANY - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
HEATHER MASTON - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
GERARD PERKINS – SPED RIDER/TRANSPORTATION
CLARENCE RAPPA – MID-DAY CUSTODIAN/QHS
BRENDA REES - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
ELICIA SCHAFFER - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
NICOLE SCRANTON - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
TORI SHUMAKE - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
AMANDA SMITH – BEFORE SCHOOL CHILDCARE ASST/ROONEY
ERIN SPIDLE – CAFETERIA COORDINATOR/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS
KERI STAMPLEY – RIDER/TRANSPORTATION
TAMMY STEGEMAN – ACADEMIC LEADER/BALDWIN
MICHELLE STOUT – ACADEMIC LEADER/LINCOLN-DOUGLAS
BRIAN TEST – SECURITY GUARD/BALDWIN
HANLYNN VAHLKAMP - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
JESSICA WEBSTER – PARA/ROONEY
LISA WIEGAND – SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEADER/DENMAN
LAURA WILLIAMS – SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEADER/BALDWIN
MICHELLE WITTLER - TITLE 1 EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
HALEY WOMACK - 21ST CCLC EXTENDED DAY/QJHS
ABRA YOUNG – DRIVER “FLOAT ROUTE”/TRANSPORTATION

Resignations

MICHAEL BARAJAS – BEFORE SCHOOL CHILDCARE ASST/ROONEY 11/03/2023
ZACHARY BENTLEY – ELL TUTOR/DISTRICT 07/31/2023
STEPHANIE BUSS – KITCHEN HELPER/QHS 10/31/2023
GARY HANDRICK – ASST. FR. BOYS BASKETBALL COACH/QHS 05/01/2023
BARBARA JONES – COOK/L-DE 10/25/2023
DEENA KROEGER – KITCHEN HELPER/L-DE 11/15/2023
HEATHER NIEMANN – 4TH GRADE TEACHER/L-DE 11/07/2023
GERARD PERKINS – SPED PM RIDER/TRANSP. 10/20/2023
LISA SMITH – SECRETARY/L-DE 11/03/2023

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NO SCHOOL

THANKSGIVING BREAK

Wednesday, November 22–

Friday, November 24



WINTER BREAK BEGINS

Thursday, December 21

Staff and Students Return

Wednesday, January 3



QHS VESPERS

SUNDAY

DECEMBER 10, 2023

2 PM & 7 PM

TICKETS ON SALE

NOV 29TH

WWW.QPS.ORG/MUSIC

The Board also approved:

- Resolution Regarding Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2023, set public hearing for 12/20/23, and direct compliance with Truth in Taxation law as necessary.
- Intergovernmental Agreement with HOPE Trust.