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The Rockland School Fall Musical Showcase for fourth and fifth graders will be held at 7 TONIGHT (**Nov. 2**) at Highland Middle School, 310 W. Rockland Road. The theme of this year's concert is Jazz: A Swingin' Celebration! The Rockland Chorus Club also will perform.

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Grandparents of Rockland third-graders will spend sometime in school on **Nov. 3** to talk about how school has changed during a celebration of Grandparents Day. The grandparents and youngsters will meet for a sack lunch together. Then they will spend time in the classroom in a "Then and Now" activity, which looks at how life was different for their grandparents when they were 8 years old, said third grade teacher Danya Sundh, along with Becky Wickboldt and Linda Snader. The event will run from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the school, 160 W. Rockland Road, Libertyville. The event is in line with the Immigration Unit the grade level is studying in social studies.

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Copeland Manor kindergartners will celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Day of School from 1-2 p.m. **on Nov. 7** at the school, 801 S. Seventh St., Libertyville. Students will dress in their 1950s attire, have a Sock Hop to 50s music and learn some 1950s dance steps. The group is meeting in the multipurpose room.

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Chemists will help Copeland Manor fifth-graders learn about chemistry by mixing chemicals and creating odd substances such as Jiggle Jelly in a program called Kids & Chemistry. Copeland chemist parents with leader Aneesha Gupta will help fifth-graders with special chemistry kits purchased by the school from the American Chemical Society. The project will focus on mystery powder and create a substance now known as 'jiggle jelly' in a section called polymers between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. on **Nov. 8, 2017, Feb. 7, 2018, and March 7, 2018** at the school, 801 S. Seventh St., Libertyville. During these science activities, the students will learn about chemistry and how it relates to their lives, said Copeland teacher Jennifer

Stermitz. Other future topics include chemical change and the colorful chemistry of acids and bases.

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A District 70 Bilingual Family Games and Reading Night for all five schools will run from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on **Nov. 9** at Butterfield School, 1441 W. Lake St., Libertyville. Books will be available in the students' native languages and snacks will be provided. English Language Learner families will meet to share playing games and reading with their children in the school's Learning Center.

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The Highland Middle School symphonic band will perform at the Libertyville High School Band festival at 7:30 p.m. on **Nov. 9** at the high school.

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In honor of American Education Week, Libertyville Elementary District 70 parents are invited to observe their children in class during specific days throughout the week of **Nov. 13-17**.

Rockland School parents and friends are invited to attend during the time that has been set aside by their child's classroom teacher during this week. The school is located 160 W. Rockland Road, Libertyville.

At Adler Park School, parents can tentatively observe between 9 to 11 a.m. and from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Nov. 14. The format may be changed as the event is being reviewed. More information will be announced. The school is located at 1740 N. Milwaukee Ave.

At Butterfield School, 1441 W. Lake St., parents can observe on Nov. 14. Classroom teachers will send home information regarding specific times. Please confirm with the child's classroom teacher should a visit to the classroom be planned.

At Copeland Manor School, 801 S. Seventh Ave., parents are invited to observe classrooms for a 30-minute period at 8:45 and 9:15 a.m., or 12:45 p.m. on Nov. 14.

In celebration of American Education Week, parents may receive invitations to observe or participate in their child's classrooms at Highland Middle School. Additionally, parents may make arrangements to visit

specific classes by simply contacting their child's teacher and scheduling a date during the week for a visit.

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Adler Park School will host its 12th Annual Basketball Turkey hoot with students and their families on **Nov. 13 and 21.**

Students in kindergarten through second grade will compete on Nov. 13 while students in third through fifth grade will play on Nov. 21. Both events will be held 5pm to 7:30 p.m. at the school, 1740 N. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville.

Families are asked to donate a canned food item to benefit the Libertyville Township Food Pantry.

There are four different categories for the competition with mother/son, father/son, mother/daughter or father/daughter as the categories. Contestants will shoot baskets at hoops in three categories, including free throw, the 30-second shoot, and around the world / spot shot.

The scores of both contestants will be added together. These combined scores will be totaled to determine the top three winners for each grade level.

There also will be a drawing for frozen turkeys.

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Adler Park School will join in on a statewide Family Reading Night on **Nov. 14.** Adler Park School families will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Cook Park Library downtown and listen to a story read by Adler Park Learning Center Director Erin Carr and Cook Park librarians. Then they will explore the Children's Department and read together there.

Rockland School families will start their program at 5:15 p.m. on **April 5** as about 12 students dine with author Sarah Weeks at the school, 160 W. Rockland Road, Libertyville. Doors to the Family Reading night at the school will open between 6 and 6:30 p.m., with the Family Reading program running from 6:30-8 p.m. Weeks will do book signings after 8 p.m.

Weeks is the author of the New York Times bestseller "So. Be. It.," which came out as a movie last year. She also wrote "Pie," "Honey," as well as many picture books and chapter books.

During the day on **April 5**, Weeks will give three school presentations and meet with students for lunch at Butterfield School, 1441 W. Lake St., Libertyville. Then, on **April 6**, she will start the morning at Adler Park School, 1740 N. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville, for two school assembly

presentations. Then move to Copeland Manor School, 801 S. Seventh St., Libertyville, for at least two school assembly presentations. Weeks' multiple school visits are being sponsored by the D70 Family Associations.

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Rockland third grade teachers will hold a Family Ancestry Open House to families to review their work on studying immigration from 8:30-9:30 a.m. on **Nov. 15** at the school, 160 W. Rockland Road, Libertyville. Students will be making an electronic book of their ancestry and a paper doll to depict their heritage.

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Copeland Manor school fourth and fifth-graders will present their fall sing, at 6:30 p.m., on **Nov. 16** at the school, 801 S. Seventh St., Libertyville.

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The Family Associations of District 70 (FAD70) will meet at 9 a.m. on **Nov. 16** in the ERC, 1381 W. Lake St., Libertyville.

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### **HIGHLAND STUDENTS TO PERFORM IN NOV. 4, 2017 PRESTIGIOUS IMEA**

Several Highland Middle School orchestra students were selected to participate in the Illinois Music Educator's Association District 7 Honor Orchestra concert that will be held at 2 p.m. on Nov. 4 at Wauconda High School.

The students performing will include Ellie Chen, Melody Chen and Aaron Levenson, all on violin; Christopher Hanagan and Michael Lothspeich on viola; and Randy Huang and Katelyn Jacobs on the cello, said the school's orchestra director Carol Janossy. The November performance is "quite a gala," Janossy noted.

More than 300 students auditioned for a position in the orchestra on Sept. 23 at Round Lake High School in Round Lake, Janossy said, adding that about

125 students pass the audition. Members of the orchestra are from IMEA District 7, which encompasses the Northern section of Illinois. This year's conductor is David Eccles from VanderCook College of Music in Chicago. "Not only will the young musicians play great music but they will reunite with friends from other schools and also make a few new musical friends," Janossy said. "We are very proud of our selected participants."

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**LIBERTYVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT 70**

**STUDENT ARTWORK SHOWN AT RECEPTION NOV. 9**

The artwork of Libertyville School District 70 students will be on display at the Libertyville High School Art Gallery, under the theme of "Inside, Out," on Nov. 9.

Student artwork from Adler Park, Butterfield, Copeland Manor, Rockland and Highland Middle schools will be featured at the reception that runs between 6 and 7:30 p.m.

Artists involved in the show include: From Highland Middle School, artists include sixth-graders Ben Slight, Sophia Weick, Mia Westphal, Ava Harrison, Breanna Dunsworth; seventh-graders Cole Danner, Chris Able, Sebastian Dalsgaard, Nick Mahon, Aidan Levins, Will Buchert, Theo Schmidt, Ellie Chen, and Vaibhav Kaushal; eighth-graders Ryan Doherty, Christian Baquiran, Abby Muller, Amy Paulson, Arielle Mendoza, Kylie Skibitzki, Addie Moss, and Cecelia Lucarelli.

From Adler Park School artists include Cade Ochocinski, Ana Milinkovic, Kendell Johnson, Rayan El Kouhen, Tessa Famighette, Julia Mayer, Anna Garippo, Grace Jefferson, and Kayley Gunawan. From Butterfield School artist include Maia Letarte, Daniel Madrigal-Mora, Kate Werner, Ellie Johnson, Manuela Perico, Asa Foo, Sofie Figurelli, Claire Weadick and Sofia Griffith. From Copeland Manor School artists include Hayden O'Connell, Elijah Duncombe, Giles Tate, Martta Anderson, Cora McMillion, Ava Graditor and Caleb Hwang. From Rockland School, artists include Mikias Wojack, Olivia Janzen, Matthew Harris, Nara Feng, Pingru Chen, Sophia Jones and Sarah Ding.

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**COPELAND MANOR, DISTRICT 70 SCHOOLS  
TO HONOR VETERANS DAY ON NOV. 10**

In what is becoming a heartwarming tradition, Copeland Manor School is inviting Veterans and military members currently serving to a morning assembly to talk with students and recall some of their military memories.

During the assembly, set to run from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m., students will honor and entertain the group, which often ranges from military men and women serving in World War II to conflicts on the continent of Asia, with singing and poetry readings. The service men and women are then offered an open microphone session to tell a little bit about who they are and where they served or are serving.

The event is deeply moving as veterans talk about serving their country, meeting future wives and husbands, losing friends in the ravages of war, raising families afterwards and, at times, the memories that still haunt them.

“This is a very special day for the entire Copeland community,” said Principal Lori Poelking, who has been opening the school up to veterans for the last four years. “Teachers enjoy starting their day sharing a cup of coffee with the veterans and active service members. The students learn about citizenship in a personal way by writing letters through Operation Gratitude and hearing the stories from our honored guests.”

Operational Gratitude is a national program that allows people to send packages and letters of thanks to those serving in the military.

The day actually begins at 7:30 a.m. when the special guests are invited to share a light breakfast with teachers at the school, 801 S. Seventh Ave., Libertyville.

Rockland School will be combining morning announcements on Nov. 10 with a special Veterans Day visit from a member of the armed forces, Bob Meyer.

The military veteran will prerecord a question and answer session with Rockland’s student council members that will be broadcast to all students that Friday morning.

“The morning will conclude with the leading of the pledge of allegiance to honor all veterans on this special day,” Principal Jeff Knapp said.

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**THIRTY-FOUR GRANTS AWARDED  
FOR INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS IN  
LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY DISTRICT 70**

More than 50 Libertyville Elementary District 70 teachers and staff members have been awarded Partners for Excellence in Education grant monies this year to enhance education through innovative and creative new programs in their classrooms.

Thirty-four grants totaling more than \$12,336 were awarded to progressive teachers in all five schools. There were 41 applications for the grants.

The grants are sponsored by Partners for Excellence in Education, a group of local business representatives who offer their time and financial donations to District 70. This is the 22<sup>nd</sup> year for the partnership's "Mini-Grant Awards" program, which has awarded more than \$150,000 over the years for direct use in the classrooms.

This year's grants will go to fund such programs as creating constellations on a Learning Center ceiling, teaching students reliable resources for internet researching, purchasing classroom seats that are flexible and move so students can choose their workplace, sending personal, hand-written notes to students for encouragement, creating STEM bins to encourage STEAM work and exploration, buying sewing machines to teach sewing, building a stage to build student confidence in presenting, subscribing to online programs to teach growth mindset and allow for digital storytelling.

“We continue to value the commitment of the Business Partners who review and support these endeavors,” said Supt. Dr. Guy Schumacher. “Staff has become increasingly imaginative and creative, offering innovative and unique opportunities that build upon learning standards and offer additional educational opportunities for the children of our schools.”

Principals presented the winning grants at a recent board of education meeting.

While Schumacher and administrators support the business group with the grant applications, they step out of the decision-making process. The business partners make all the final decisions based on 21st Century core criteria set up for the grants.

The individual grants range from \$130 to \$500.

The recipients are:

### **Districtwide Park and Rockland Schools**

Erin Carr, Becky Johnson, Keri Johnson, Tanya Surdick. Evaluating Websites for Research. Teach students how to evaluate the myriad of resources available to them on the Internet by buying and using a set of “Two Truths and a Lie: It’s Alive,” as textbooks that will be shared between schools.

### ***Adler Park School***

Michelle Bauer, Lauren Furmanski, Leah Shepard. Bouncy Bands for Desks. Use and buy rubber stretch bands for desks to assist students who concentrate better when moving without disturbing the rest of the classroom.

Whitney Adelman, Ashley Turner. Coffee Shop Classroom. Second year. Use and buy alternative seating, like balance balls and rocker chairs, to encourage students to engage and connect like in a coffee shop.

Sue Wisek, Denise Dorf. Neat Seats. Year two. Purchase alternative seating to help kindergartners sit still and to build their core strength.

Erin Carr. Sew Much to Learn. Teach students basic sewing skills with freedom to create by purchasing two sewing machines and needed material.

### **Butterfield School**

Holly Simon. All the World’s a Stage. Build a classroom stage to help students in speech therapy to improve communication skills with funds to build the stage.

Jonathan Wepler. Butterfield Broadcast Equipment. Purchase camera stand, case and microphone to film high quality school broadcasts and replace broken equipment.

Julie Serrecchia, Holly Simon. Come Sail With Us ... A Poetry Voyage. Second year. Students will learn about poetry, read it, memorize it and visit the Chicago Poetry Foundation. Monies support supplies and field trip.

Lisa Entin, Valerie Van Roeyen, Alexis Edelstein. Making Friends 101. Use the Color My Conversations: Social Skills Curriculum to help students learn the steps of conversation and work toward complex conversations.



Lisa Wolf. Rock, Wobble, Learn! Purchase stools that wobble but won't tip to help students be more productive and focus on work at the classroom small group table.

### **Copeland Manor School**

Victoria Vaccaro. Expanding Expression Tool: Helping Students Speak & Write More Effectively. Used the seven-part "Etchy" caterpillar in the Expanding Expression Tool throughout the school to help students communicate and write better.

Keri Johnson. Bill Etnyre. Growing Strong Minds & Bodies. Purchasing slacklining, similar to tightrope walking, to go with reading Crossing Niagara The Death-Defying Tightrope Adventures of the Great Blondin. That's right, we're teaching tightrope walking.

Kristy Treven. Moving Chairs. Purchase chairs that allow students to release energy in a non-disruptive manner.

Julie Jermakowicz, Amy Hay, Sasha Keske, Sara Snider. Operation Kindness. Create birthday bags to donated to a food pantry, and make fleece blankets for Project Linus or a youth group home.

Teresa Crandell. Seating for Success: Creating Collaborative Learning Spaces. Purchase comfortable seating material to provide flexible seating options in the classroom to help students focus.

Samantha DeRose, Brianne Smith. Stand Up & Learn. To help students focus and increase cognitive skills, students will be able to use stand-up desks in the classroom.

Teresa Crandell, Max Dolinko, Kelly Edelsberg, Becki Jo Miranda. STEM Bins. Materials placed in bins helps students become problem-solvers, design engineers, and complete challenges at hand. Monies used to buy play dough, wooden blocks, pipe cleaners, etc.

Bethany Alvarez, Jen April, Ann Marie Grote. Teaching to the Heart. Teaching social life-long social skills through class discussions and reading books by Julia Cook that will be purchased with this grant.

## **Highland Middle School**

Jennifer Dunlap, Carey Fox, Kristen Palic and Priya Varghese. Grassroots Shakespeare. Invite college theater instructor, Kymberly Mellen, to talk about Shakespearian theater through language, cues, and script to iambic pentameter.

Justin Buehler. Listen & Read to Learn: Building Spanish Acquisition & fluency Through Free Reading. Use portable CD players to listen to a native Spanish speaker read novels that are purchased.

Linda Mitchell, Erin Wyatt. LOO-king for a Good Book? Bathroom Blurbs Get Students Buzzing About Books. Purchase magnetic wall mount sign holders to advertise books on the back of bathroom stall doors to encourage reading.

Leslie Mueller. Organizing the Disorganized Student. Purchase organizational tools, including locker systems, binders, and white noise machines, to help Special Ed students.

Caren Kimbarovsky, Erin Wyatt. Personalize It. Purchase a circuit machine and materials so sixth grade students; for example, can decorate the cases for Chromebooks issued to them this year.

Holly Chapman. Stand Up & Learn. To help students focus and increase cognitive skills, students will be able to use stand-up desks in the classroom.

Kristen Kubala, Joe Romano, Jill Conley, Lily Lutz. Storyboard It: Interactive Learning Using Chromebooks. Subscribe to an online program to analyze literature and allow students to create digital storytelling.

Linda Mitchell, Erin Wyatt. What's Your Story? I'll Tell You Mine. Providing engaging Memoir/Biography Literature Titles that Connect Us and Help Us Tell our Own Story. Second year. Purchase high-interest memoirs and biographies to encourage reading.

Linda Mitchell. You've Got Mail Continuing the Class Act initiative by sending personal notes home to all 7 Gold Students. Second year. Send personalized notes to 160 seventh grade Gold Team student.

## **Rockland School**

Linda Snader, Jennifer Parkhurst, Becky Wickboldt. Calm Classroom. Purchase kits to help create mindfulness with a calm learning classroom environment that they could share with the entire school.

Linda Snader, Danya Sundh, Becky Wickboldt. Flexible Seating for fluid Learning. Second year. Purchase equipment that helps students focus in various types of work places.

Danya Sundh. Genius Hour: What's Your Passion? Second year. Students are allowed to study something new, including making sushi, cake decorating, digital photography, coding, and sewing.

Danya Sundh. Linda Snader. Becky Wickboldt. Grow Your Brain with Brainology. Purchase curriculum subscription that teaches students to develop a growth mindset with animated instructions and offline classroom activities.

Becky Johnson. The Little Lights ARE Twinkling! Purchase a fiber optic constellation ceiling for the Learning Center to help students learn about constellations.

Mike Kolar. My Muscles and Me. Purchase floor puzzles to teach students about muscles and the skeletal system with activity cards for workouts.

Mike Kolar, Danya Sundh. Steaming' with Strawbees. Second Year. Purchase Strawbee straws to build bridges, create what they will.

Mike Kolar, Danya Sundh, Stephanie Weatherly. Strengthening The Future: Hot Ground Gym. All school assembly of obstacle courses with students given missions of fitness, teamwork, leadership, problem solving, etc., to complete.

## **District Partners**

The award money is derived from local businesses belonging to District 70's Partners for Excellence in Education program. Local companies working as partners include A Village Green Montessori School, Access One, Arpino

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