



# Report from the Superintendent

Dr. Floyd E. Williams, Jr.

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## District 62 to conduct communications survey

I'm excited to announce that the district will join with School Communications Performance Evaluation (SCoPE) Surveys to gain input on our communications. The survey will be open from October 2 through October 16 and will be available through links hosted on the district's website, [www.d62.org](http://www.d62.org)

Input will be sought from staff, parents and residents. Through the surveys, we will learn whether people prefer receiving an email, seeing a post on social media, or reading about something in the local paper. We will also learn if we are providing enough information about key topics and issues.

Participants can access the surveys on desktop and laptop computers as well as most tablets and smart phones. The surveys are available in English, Spanish and Polish and participation is completely anonymous.

More details about the survey will be shared with our staff, parents and residents. We look forward to sharing the results later this fall.

## Thumbs Up Award

This year, I introduced the "Thumbs Up" award for the purpose of highlighting outstanding individuals and the work that they do for District 62. As we begin the school year, it gives me great pleasure to recognize Director of Second Language Programs Milagros Bravo and Curriculum Coordinator Sheleen DeLockery for the leadership and collaboration that led to the development of an interactive webinar to support the implementation of the new English Language Arts curriculum in English and Spanish.



Congratulations to Millie and Sheleen for a job well done.

## Institute Day



September 12 marked the district's first Institute Day of the school year. Staff had the opportunity to focus on various topics included Middle School Redesign implementation, the new McGraw Hill implementation, methods and techniques within our fine arts as well as additional support from Dr. Charlene Myklebust regarding Second Step/Restorative Practices.

## INSPIRA Awards

School District 62 was among the districts honored at the Illinois Chapter/National School Public Relations Association (INSPIRA) Communications Contest held on September 15 at Maggiano's in Oak Brook.

Congratulations to the following winners in the INSPIRA 2017 Communications Contest:

- **Award of Excellence:** Moving Forward E-Newsletter published by Dr. Floyd E. Williams, Jr. and Jennifer Tempest Bova
- **Award of Merit:** Superintendent's 100+ Day Report published by Dr. Floyd E. Williams, Jr. and Jennifer Tempest Bova
- **Award of Merit:** Board Briefs published by Jennifer Tempest Bova
- **Award of Merit:** District 62 Facebook Page managed by Jennifer Tempest Bova
- **Award of Merit:** "Meet Dr. Williams" video produced by Dan Chianelli, Pablo Sands and Dr. Floyd E. Williams, Jr.



Entries were judged against criteria of excellence. More than 160 entries were submitted in a variety of categories including annual reports, electronic publications and marketing materials.

INSPIRA works to strengthen support for Illinois public schools and improve education for students through responsible public relations.

## Key Dates

- September 12: Institute Day
- September 14: Instructional Improvement Council (IIC)
- September 19: English Language Facilitators