



# BOARD NEWS

for the School District of University City, Missouri

January 10, 2008

## BOARD OF EDUCATION HONORED FOR SERVICE

The Missouri School Boards' Association has designated January 27- February 2, 2008 as School Board Recognition Week.

School Board Recognition Week honors school board members for the time, effort, energy and support they provide as elected leaders. The special recognition also helps to build awareness and understanding of the important function an elected board of education plays in communities and schools.

Since the School District of University City Board of Education does not have a scheduled meeting during the official recognition week, members were presented with certificates and briefcases during their January 10 meeting.

## FLYNN PARK AND BARBARA C. JORDAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS PRESENT SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

As part of the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan, each school within the School District of University City, has been charged with developing a building level school improvement plan. Flynn Park and Barbara C. Jordan Elementary Schools presented plans that outlined their goals for increasing academic achievement for all children, especially for those who are furthest from meeting proficient levels on the Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) test.

Each plan will be monitored throughout the school year and supported with data to substantiate improvement.

## DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS & MEDIA SERVICES OUTLINES REVISED PROCEDURES

In an attempt to enhance communications efforts by the School District of University City, the Division of Communications and Media Services along with members of Information Systems and the Print Shop detailed a number of processes aimed at improving the dissemination of information to staff, students, parents and the University City Community.

The revised plan calls for the continuation of promoting various district events, activities and accomplishments, featuring more photos on the District's website, creating a new "informational tidbit "Did U Know" section on the website and conducting an end-of-year communications survey with staff and parents.

## 2007 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT (APR)

The Board of Education heard information regarding the District's Annual Performance Report (APR). The APR is based upon test results from the annual Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) test that is taken by School District of University City students each spring.

## BOARD REVIEWS/APPROVES NEW AND EXISTING POLICIES

- The Board of Education reviewed new and existing policies that deal with the Admission and Tuition of Non-Resident Employees' Children.
- The Board of Education has approved new and existing policies that deal with Title I ESEA-No Child Left Behind, Title I ESEA-NCLB, Automatic External Defibrillation, School District Vision, School District Mission Statement, School District Goals and Objectives, School District Beliefs Statement.

## BOARD APPROVES/REVIEWS OTHER BUSINESS

In other business, the board:

- Approved the drawing of checks in the amount of \$2,103,848.39
- Approved conference attendance that exceeds \$100 per individual
- Reviewed conference attendance that does not exceed \$100 per individual.

**The next meeting of the Board of Education will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 7, 2008 at the McNair Administration Building, 8136 Groby Road.**

Applicants for admission or employment, students, parents of elementary and secondary school students, employees, sources of referral, and all professional organizations that have entered into agreements with the School District of University City are hereby notified that our School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities. Inquiries or concerns regarding the application of this notice may be referred to our School District's Compliance Coordinator for civil rights laws, Dr. Judy Schair, Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources, 8136 Groby Road, University City, MO 63130, phone (314) 290-4023. Any person who is unable to resolve a problem or grievance arising under Title VI (race/ color/national origin), Title IX (sex), the Age Discrimination Act (age), Section 504 (disability), or Title II of the ADA (disability), may contact the Office for Civil Rights, Region VII, 8930 Ward Parkway, Suite 2037, Kansas City, MO 64114; phone (816) 268-0550.