

Board Honors “88’s Best” for January

The Board of Education recognizes students who excel at Addison Trail and Willowbrook High Schools through **88’s Best**. They were pleased to honor the following students for their academic accomplishments:



Sarah Phipps has demonstrated success in academics and extracurricular activities at **Addison Trail**. Her strong commitment to challenging herself has led her to take numerous Advanced Placement courses including AP European History, AP Biology, AP U.S. History, AP English Language and Composition, AP U.S. Government, AP English Literature, AP Spanish Language and AP Calculus AB.

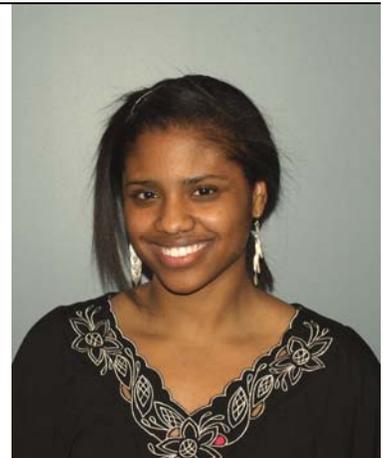
In addition to excelling in academics, Sarah has participated in many extracurricular organizations including the Academic Club, Science Olympiad and Orchestra. She has been the secretary and is currently the President of the Science Club. Sarah is also a member of the National Honor Society and Tri-M Club.

Sarah is planning to attend DePaul University to study Japanese and Chinese in the fall. Her career goal is to become a translator in the business world.

Sharree Walls has excelled in academics and extracurricular activities at **Willowbrook High School**. She has been recognized as an AP Scholar and Illinois State Scholar. Sharree has completed three Advanced Placement courses, and is currently enrolled in seven Advanced Placement courses. She is also a member of the Social Studies honor society, Civitas, the National Honor Society and Student Council.

While at Willowbrook, Sharree has also sought involvement outside the classroom as a member of the Speech team, Cross Country team and Track team. She also has been active in drama and the New Beginnings program.

Sharree hopes to attend Stanford University and is awaiting acceptance. She plans to pursue a degree in law.



EDUCATIONAL FOCUS ITEMS:

- **Guidance Directors Kevin Redding (AT) and Cathy Bendicsen (WB) and Curriculum and Instruction Assistant Principals Adam Cibulka (AT) and Ann Kimpton (WB)** presented initiatives on the course selection process as well as financial aid and scholarship assistance opportunities. The course selection process begins with the graduation requirements and school code. Courses are broken down into 1) prescribed courses, recommended based on test scores, teacher recommendation and past performance and 2) elective courses, based on college requirements, career choices and interest. The Guidance Department has increased opportunities for students and their parents to learn more about course options and meet with guidance counselors during the selection process.

The financial aid assistance has included additional workshops, group and individual FAFSA guidance and tax assistance. Scholarship information is advertised in the Guidance office, student bulletin, school website and local cable channel. Financial aid offices from individual schools also offer scholarship opportunities.

BUILDING THE FUTURE IN DISTRICT 88:

- **Jeannine Eicker**, of Bovis Lend Lease construction management, presented aerial photographs of the construction progress at Addison Trail and Willowbrook. The work has included pre-cast floor plank and brick work for the new classroom wing addition at AT, shell and core and stone backfill for the music wing at WB and civil and site utility work at both schools.

THE CONSENT AGENDA, which included the following items, was approved by the Board:

- The **List of Bills** from December 2008 except check #452522 to Mark Johnson, check #452528 to Sharon Kucik and check #452725 to James Irvin; **fundraiser contracts** with anticipated revenue of \$1,000 or more; **resolution authorizing permanent Inter-Fund Transfer** for capital projects purposes; the **2009-2010 Supply/Capital Outlay budget**; the **personnel report from January 12, 2009**; a **monetary donation** from the Lauren M. Kiefer Foundation, Inc. to the Willowbrook Athletic Department in honor of Lauren Kiefer and a **donation of a Sigma guitar** from Mr. Tom Gervais, to be used by the Willowbrook music department and **revised and amended Board Policies 8:10, 8:25, 8:40, 8:70, 8:80, 8:90, 8:95, 8:100 and 8:110.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION, which included the following, were approved by the Board:

- Check #452522 to **Mark Johnson**, check #452528 to **Sharon Kucik** and check #452725 to **James Irvin.**
- The **Treasurer's Report and Budget Status Report** from December 2008.
- **Building The Future** Contractor Payment Requests.
- Recommendation for **BTF Change Order #001** for sprinkler work in the Willowbrook Auditorium.
- **Revised and amended Board Policy 8:20** Community Use of School Facilities.
- **Meeting minutes** from the December 15, 2008, **Regular Business/Educational Focus meeting** with amendment to the Roll Call Vote for BTF Bid Release # 3, section U.
- **Meeting minutes** from the December 15, 2008, **Closed Session Board meeting.**

DISCUSSION ITEM REQUIRING ACTION, will be revised and brought back to the Board in the future:

- **Board Policy 8:30** Visitors to and Conduct on School Property.

IN PERSONNEL ACTION: the following items were approved by the Board:

- Certified Staff Appointment for **Stacy Moshos**, AT Part-time (.1) Physical Science Teacher.
- Certified Staff Change of Status for **Kerry Leaf**, from AT Part-time Teacher 2/11th to 3/11th with addition of Health Class.
- Certified Staff Resignation for **Debra Caputo**, AT Family & Consumer Education Teacher effective the end of the 2008-2009 school year.
- Classified Staff Appointment for **Angela Bauers**, AT Teacher Aide; **Stacy Moshos**, AT Teacher Aide Part-time and **William Ridder**, WB Math Teacher Aide.

SCHOOL RECOGNITION:

Addison Trail Principal Dr. Scott Helton highlighted recent events and recognition:

- Approximately 650 students qualified for the 1st semester PBIS celebration, which included fun activities and a barbeque.
- The Special Olympics Basketball team "Pack The Place" was well attended and the band, Poms, Orchesis, Cheerleaders, Best Buddies and Varsity Basketball team all participated to make this a memorable event.
- Upcoming events include: Course Information Night, Winter musical and the T.P.O. Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser.

Willowbrook Principal Mr. Dan Krause highlighted recent events and recognition:

- The Speech team placed 7th out of 24 schools at the Rolling Meadows High School competition.
- The Guidance department continued their parent presentation series with information about the course selection process and exploring career opportunities.
- Upcoming events include: Curriculum Showcase, Student of the Quarter Breakfast and "Sweeney Todd" performances.

SEPARATE ACTION ITEM: Following closed session, the Board approved:

- A student expulsion.

Mark Your Calendars:

February 9, 2009	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Regular Business Meeting	District Boardroom
February 23, 2009	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Educational Focus Meeting	District Boardroom