

The Independent News



Missouri Governor, Mike Parson, talked with students in the Hazelwood School District during his Aug. 29 visit.



Children in the HSD were excited to welcome Gov. Parson to their school. They had a special banner made just for his arrival.

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Missouri Gov. Mike Parson visited the Hazelwood School District on Thursday, Aug. 29. Gov. Parson recognized HSD SupT. Nettie Collins-Hart for her recent recognition as 2019 Superintendent of the Year by the National

Association of School Superintendents. He also spent time meeting with students in the district's GALACTIC program for gifted students.



2019 Superintendent of the Year, Nettie Collins-Hart, walks the hallways with Gov. Parson as he congratulates her for a job well done.

Hazelwood School District 2020 Kindergarten Information Night Oct. 7

The Hazelwood School District will host a Kindergarten Information Night on Monday, Oct. 7 from 5:45- 7:30 p.m. at Hazelwood Central Early Childhood Center, 15955 New Halls Ferry Road.

The event is open to families with children who will be Kindergarten eligible in August 2020. To enroll for Kindergarten in the 2020-2021 school year, a child must be five years old before Aug. 1, 2020. Registration is required; please call 314-953-7650 to register by Oct. 1.

Attendees will learn about a typical day in Hazelwood's full-day Kindergarten program, have the opportunity to see learning materials and ask questions about curriculum, and discuss parenting topics with HSD's Parents as Teachers educators. The first 100 families who register will receive a free book. Registered attendees will receive a light dinner. Free childcare is provided for registered families for children ages 3 to 11. Families should call 314-953-7650 to register

HSD Hosts Meeting with Mo. State Legislators

The Hazelwood School District and Superintendent Nettie Collins-Hart hosted a meeting for local legislators on Friday, Aug. 30. The group discussed a number of topics pertaining to education including access, opportunity, equity, and pending or proposed legislation.

Along with several district administrators, the attendees included: State Senator Brian Williams; State representatives Gretchen Bangert, Paula Brown, Alan Green, and Tommie Pierson, Jr.; St. Louis County Councilwoman Rochelle Walton Gray; Barb Fraser, Educational Liaison for the County Executive; and Sandra Houston, Special Projects Coordinator for Congressman Lacy Clay.

Collins-Hart was recognized during the meeting by U.S. Rep. Clay's office with a proclamation honoring her being named the 2019 Superintendent of the Year by the National Association of School Superintendents.

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Lifetime Achievers in Education

SHIRLEY BOWDEN BROWN
Retired Administrator,
Saint Louis Public Schools

CHARLES R. BROWN
Retired Assistant Commissioner,
Missouri Department of Education



PNC Bank Early Childhood Education Award



CHANDRIA TAYLOR
Preschool Teacher
Gateway MST
Elementary (SLPS)

SEMO Counselor of the Year



AMBER MITCHELL
School Counselor
Ritenour High School

Bayer School of Excellence

Flynn Park
Elementary School

Stellar Performer in Education

VALERIE BELL

Board Member
Immediate Past Board Chair,
Saint Louis Public Schools
Foundation



EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARDEES:



Petra Baker
Principal
Gateway Michael School (SLPS)



Duane McGowan
Career Technical Education Teacher
East St. Louis Senior High School



Monica D. Diggs, Ed.D.
English Language Arts Teacher
Hazelwood North Middle School



Tina Clark-Scott
Assistant Superintendent of Academics
and Support Services
Normandy Schools Collaborative



Victoria A. Harris
Director of Career Engagement and
Experiential Learning
Harris-Stowe State University



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Rance Thomas

Rance Thomas was awarded the Community Partnership Award by Hazelwood School District for being an outstanding community partner by serving as an advocate and overall champion for students by supporting the

purchase of uniforms, personal care items, food, and scholarships, as well as for promoting STEM programs, oratory contests, and annual youth awards. He is president of North County Churches Uniting for Racial Harmony and Justice.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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