

THE COMMISSION CONNECTION

February 2018

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

KUDOS CORNER



Dr. Blondean Davis, of Matteson District 162, Earns 2018 ...

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Horizon Science Academy - McKinley Park Robotics Team Advances to the State Championship



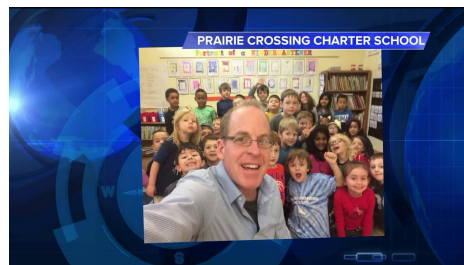
The team also brought home additional awards won based on motivation, inspiration, rigor, and sportsmanship.



Southland College Prep Charter High School Wins IHSA...

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Tim McGill, WGN Weather Guy, visits the Kindergarten Class at Prairie Crossing Charter School



Tim McGill

Modeling the nice jacket I got from Prairie Crossing Charter School. Thanks again!

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Speech tournament for ...

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Betty Shabazz International Charter School Helps Set Box Office Records



'Black Panther' Sets Records as Crowds Pack Theaters...

As she clutches her movie ticket for a 7 p.m. showing, 9-year-old Akeelah Jaco is beaming. She has yet to see a minute of footage of Black Panther, but she already knows something about the film. "There's a black superhero. There's a lot of..."

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Artist examines black womanhood in '100 Acts of Resistance'

Midway through her performance, Lynsey Ann Moxie stopped the music and spoke directly to the audience. As a black woman and artist, she said that it was time for her to be vulnerable. Moxie sang, danced and recited poetry as part of "100 Acts of..."

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dailynorthwestern.com

ANOTHER LEGAL VICTORY FOR THE COMMISSION



Judge sides with Waukegan charter school in lawsuit...

The Waukegan District 60 school board is leaning against challenging an appellate court ruling that allows a local charter school to continue operating. The unanimous decision handed down last month by a panel of three appellate judges gives...

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WHAT'S NEW AT THE COMMISSION



NEW COMMISSIONER MELISSA CONNELLY

Welcome to newly appointed Commissioner Melissa Connelly, Chief Program Officer of OneGoal.

For more information on Commissioner Connelly, click [here](#).

This month, the Commission hosted two public hearings as part of the Charter Appeal Process. The Commission will vote on appeal decisions at its next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 20th.



2016-17 Annual Reviews are Underway

Annually, a school's progress is measured by the analysis of the school's academic performance, financial performance and organizational performance.

The assessment is then compiled into an **Annual Performance Review Report** which is an essential authorizing practice for effective oversight, communication with schools, and public accountability and transparency.

UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

March 6, 2018
Operations Committee Meeting

11AM

Schools Committee Meeting
3PM

160 North LaSalle Street
Room N502
Chicago, IL 60601

March 15, 2018
4th Quarter Enrollment Certification forms due



March 20, 2018
Commission Meeting
3PM
160 North LaSalle Street
5th Floor Auditorium
Chicago, IL 60601

ISBE INFORMATION



Illinois
State Board of
Education

Message from State Superintendent Tony Smith, click [here](#).

OPPORTUNITIES

The Illinois State Charter School Commission is seeking an Administrative Analyst. Click [here](#) for more information.



Elgin Math & Science Academy is building their founding team. Click on the link below to find out more.

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