

THE COMMISSION CONNECTION

JUNE 2017

CHARTER COMMUNITY CORNER

100 Percent of Southland College Prep Seniors Accepted to College

Click [here](#) to read more.



WHAT'S NEW AT THE COMMISSION?

WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK

In preparation for the Commission Collaborative workshop for the new school year, your input is very important to us. Please click [here](#) and answer a few questions to help us better support your school.



Mastery Academy Charter School submitted an appeal to the Commission on May 15th.

The proposal for the Maywood charter school will be voted on at the Commission meeting in July.

As communicated during the May 24th webinar, a copy of the FY17 audit memo can be found [here](#).

Reminder: FY17 Audits are due by December 1st.





Since the Commission Connection will be taking a break during the summer, we recommend you add Motion Leadership by Michael Fullan to your list of summer reading. Click [here](#) to "read" more.

OTHER CHARTER NEWS

HB768 UPDATE

The bill was voted out of the Senate Committee on May 19. It is now headed to the Governor's desk

ISBE INFO



Illinois State Board of Education

As a part of ISBE's CSP Grant, schools will be asked to complete a short survey for data collection that will be used to inform potential professional development opportunities. Please be on the lookout for the survey from the Charter School team at ISBE in the coming weeks!

ISBE's Charter Schools page now has a Best Practice Corner. Check it out [here](https://www.isbe.net/Pages/BestPracticeCorner.aspx) (<https://www.isbe.net/Pages/BestPracticeCorner.aspx>), feel free to use any great ideas that you see on the page, and do not hesitate to reach out to charter@isbe.net if you would like to include any practices of your own!

For ISBE Superintendent Tony Smith's Weekly Message, click [here](#).

UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS



Commission staff will offer office hours June 5 - 8 to discuss the amendments to the Accountability System.

If you would like to schedule office hours, please send an email to SCSC.CommissionSchools@illinois.gov.



Just a
friendly
reminder...

The Final 2016-17 SchoolCalendar is now available via the Public School Calendar on IWAS. Finals school calendars must be completed and submitted by the *last day of school*.

Next Commission Meeting

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

Michael A. Bilandic Building
160 N. LaSalle Street 3 - 6PM

2017 Special Education

Directors' Conference

July 19 - 21, 2017

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

August 1, 2017

Q1 Enrollment Certification Forms are Due



OPPORTUNITIES



THE POSSE FOUNDATION, INC.

POSSE Nominations Now Open Until June 12

Nominations are open **NOW** for rising seniors. Please review the information below and contact a member of the Posse team with questions or concerns. **Do not miss this opportunity to nominate your students!**

To be eligible, a high school senior MUST:

- Be **nominated by their high school or a community-based organization.**
- Be in the first term of their senior year in high school. (**Rising Senior**)
- Demonstrate **leadership** within their high school, community or family.
- Demonstrate **academic potential.**
- The Posse Scholarship is **neither a minority nor a need-based scholarship** and is open to students of all backgrounds.

Links to More Information:

[Posse Partner Colleges & Universities](#)

[Posse Foundation, Inc Website & More Information](#)

Chicago State University is hosting a free Trauma Informed Schools Training on June 12-13 or June 21-22

Many children today are affected by trauma—in their homes, in their neighborhoods and in their wider communities. Such trauma exposure can have devastating and lasting effects on a child's social, emotional and academic development.

CSU invites you to participate in a project to provide school teams knowledge and strategies

