

Type 2 - Communicating			
Activity Name	Activity Description	School	Contact Information
Elementary Schools			
"State of the District" Presentation	An opportunity for parents and community members to learn about financial issues of District 203	Beebe	Laurie Yndestad 420-8817
Parent Coffees	The team and principal host coffees to discuss topics of interest to parent/guardians, usually 4-5 per year. Topics vary by year. This year's tentative topics are: a 5 <sup>th</sup> grade parent junior high information session, 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> grade study skills, Cooking with Kids, and Internet Safety.	Ellsworth	Pat Todd 416-6387
Publicity / "Mentionings"	Dedicated SFCP team member who works to publicize team events in the school "Mentionings" newsletter, as well as utilizing flyers, school sign, and outside sources.	Ellsworth	Karen Helle 420-7462
Parent Information Night	Parents of all incoming 1 <sup>st</sup> graders were invited to attend a presentation by 1 <sup>st</sup> grade teachers the week before school started.	Elmwood	Laura Peterson, Principal <a href="mailto:lpeterson@ncusd203.org">lpeterson@ncusd203.org</a>
Coffee with the Principal	The principal hosts coffees for all parents/guardians to discuss topics that parents have expressed interest in learning more about, such as: new math curriculum, district finances, foreign language, student enrichment and State testing.	Highland	Jeanne Coyne <a href="mailto:+coyne8523@aol.com">+coyne8523@aol.com</a> Anna Fattore <a href="mailto:afattore@aol.com">afattore@aol.com</a>
Communication Survey	Surveyed parents on communication	Maple-brook	Terri Stevens 416-6199
Parent Survey	Conducted in march	Maple-brook	Terri Stevens 416-6199
Principal Coffees	Hosted coffees with principal.	Maple-brook	Karen Guerra 961-5372
Kindergarten Picnic	We hosted a picnic in August to acquaint families with our school, with SFCP, Home & School, and with school leaders and staff.	Meadow Glens	Robyn O'Halloran 527-9496 Yvonne Janvrin 848-0337
Parent Bulletin Board	Bulletin board with current information on upcoming lectures, free services, community notices etc.	Meadow Glens	Robyn O'Halloran 527-9496
Directory	Student Directory	Naper	Rhonda Forster 357-2441
Ice Cream Social	Theme based year end celebration and open house.	Naper	Suzanne Greene 637-9536 Mary Ellen DiMatteo 305-3126
New Family Coffee	Principal hosts coffee hour for new parents and kindergarten parents to welcome them and for them to learn about Naper School.	Naper	Mary Derwinski 357-2782
Popsicle Party	We provide Popsicles and a few simple games on the playground before school starts.	Naper	Mary Derwinski 357-2782

Welcome Phone Calls	New parents are called and invited to attend SFCP meetings.	Naper	Mary Derwinski 357-2782
New Subdivision Informational Folder	With a new subdivision joining the Ranch View community, our SFCP team organized information to be provided at the model office for our new neighbors. This provides prospective parents with a positive first impression of our school.	Ranch View	Kirsten Laurin Kovitz <a href="mailto:Klkovitz@aol.com">Klkovitz@aol.com</a> Karen Currier <a href="mailto:Kcurrier@ncusd203.org">Kcurrier@ncusd203.org</a>
Parent Bulletin Board	Focused on our School Improvement Plan goals in literacy and math, the Parent Bulletin Board is a central location for parents to gain access to valuable information. It is located in the lobby of our school in our parent corner. Through this board, parents have access to information about helping their children at home, workshops, seminars, and interesting articles.	Ranch View	Kirsten Laurin Kovitz <a href="mailto:Klkovitz@aol.com">Klkovitz@aol.com</a>  Linda Conway <a href="mailto:Kcr615@aol.com">Kcr615@aol.com</a>
Teddy Bear Picnic	One week before school begins, new kindergarten students and their families come to Scott to meet the teachers and make new "friends."	Scott	Mary Ann Marcin 416-7404
<b>Junior High Schools</b>			
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade/New Student Survival Guide	Booklet, presented in question and answer format, that addresses the most frequently asked questions by incoming students and parents.	KJHS	Lisa Trychta 369-5162
Team Newsletters	Team newsletters are published each month (sent home on the last school day of the month) by parent volunteers. The parent volunteer editors work in conjunction with the team teachers to keep parents updated with the latest information of what is happening on a particular team. A tear off form is supplied that parents fill out and return with their student acknowledging that they have read the monthly newsletter. Students are "rewarded" by teachers if they return the acknowledgement slip.	KJHS	Maureen Dvorak 305-8477 <a href="mailto:modvorak@aol.com">modvorak@aol.com</a>
Weekly Announcements	Weekly announcements are printed and posted at various locations throughout the school to provide students and parents with every opportunity to keep up-to-date on what is happening at KJHS.	KJHS	
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration	We sponsor and execute the 8 <sup>th</sup> grade celebration to honor "graduating" 8 <sup>th</sup> graders. The hour-long activity, held at the end of the school year, includes each student receiving a CD-ROM with pictures of every student in the class taken throughout the year.	Lincoln	Sue Wallace 983-1698
Dads Celebration	The Dad's Celebration is a Saturday morning event focussed on portraying the interactive engaging activities so much a part of middle school life.	Madison	Ann Swiderek 548-2636
Parent Orientation Programs	Orientation programs for 6 <sup>th</sup> grade parents, new student parents and 8 <sup>th</sup> grade students transitioning to high school.	Madison	Jamie Shahidehpour 778-7094

6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Family Picnic	Family Picnic for all 6 <sup>th</sup> grade families held the 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of school.	WJHS	Karen Koch Lear 548-5797
Curriculum Topics	An overview of curriculum topics are given to parents at conference time.	WJHS	Rachelle Mason 357-3228
Parent Coffees	Coffees hosted by principal for all parents/guardians about various topics, i.e. Character Counts, Tech night and New Family night.	WJHS	Rachelle Mason 357-3228
High Schools			
Developed Progress Notification form Survival Guide and Honor Garden on website	Form to be used by parents, students, or teachers to update parents about progress before report cards Updates for parent survival guide and courtyard project (Honor Garden) are kept current on the NCHS website	NCHS	Sandi Bates 416-1634 Jane Sharka 420-6425
Coffees with the Principal	Coffees with the Principal continue to be a popular and effective way for parents to meet Principal Ross Truemper as well as other NNHS parents. These small group meetings allow parents to address topics of their concern in an informal, comfortable setting in someone's home, and hear the latest information from the administration. Five coffees were held in the fall and three are scheduled this spring for incoming freshmen parents. Most coffees are held in the evenings, but we did host a daytime coffee. The Parent Networking Committee continues to handle the logistics for the Coffees with the Principal, including setting the dates, recruiting hosts, mailing invitations, following up with invitees, developing feedback surveys and soliciting parents to attend.	NNHS	Debbie Kretzmann 369-1876 <a href="mailto:dhkretz@aol.com">dhkretz@aol.com</a>  Sheila Sarovich 961-9409 <a href="mailto:elle-la@lycos.com">elle-la@lycos.com</a>
NNHS Parent Survival Guide	The NNHS Parent Survival Guide contains all the pertinent information that parents need to know about NNHS and have access to <b>in one place</b> - how to report absences, sign up for athletics, college testing dates, academic proficiency information, when to call the Guidance Office, etc. A group of parent volunteers wrote the Survival Guide, modeled after a similar Survival Guide produced by NCHS, with a lot of input and help from several NNHS staff members. We also received a very generous grant from the Naperville Education Foundation to publish the Survival Guide. The Survival Guide will be mailed to all families this summer and updates will be included in the Huskie Howler newsletters during the school year as needed.	NNHS	Debbie Kretzmann 369-1876 <a href="mailto:dhkretz@aol.com">dhkretz@aol.com</a>  Sheila Sarovich 961-9409 <a href="mailto:elle-la@lycos.com">elle-la@lycos.com</a>
Systems Improvement – NNHS Website Enhancement	Parents initiated a dialogue with the principal to address issues relating to communication, specifically improving the NNHS website to make it a viable communication and information resource for parents. The Parent Networking Committee developed a survey to determine what parents were looking for on the website and included it in the Huskie Howler newsletter, along with a link on the website to get parent feedback. Results have been tabulated and will be shared with the Administration this school year so that plans can be made to develop appropriate content information and	NNHS	Debbie Kretzmann 369-1876 <a href="mailto:dhkretz@aol.com">dhkretz@aol.com</a>  Sheila Sarovich 961-9409 <a href="mailto:elle-la@lycos.com">elle-la@lycos.com</a>

	accommodate accurate and timely updates for the 2003-2004 school year.		
Welcoming New Families to NNHS	An attempt was made by the Parent Networking Committee to reach out to welcome new families to NNHS who joined us after the school year started. Usually it was just a phone call and an offer to help should the family have questions about NNHS and not know where to go for answers. We have 200 new families/students entering NNHS throughout the year, so it was very difficult to connect with all of them.	NNHS	Debbie Kretzmann 369-1876 <a href="mailto:dhkretz@aol.com">dhkretz@aol.com</a>  Sheila Sarovich 961-9409 <a href="mailto:elle-la@lycos.com">elle-la@lycos.com</a>