

**Summit Hill District 161**  
**Wednesday, October 9, 2013**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Administration Office Board Room**  
**Regular Meeting Agenda**

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance by Board President, Sean William Doyle
2. Roll Call by Secretary, David Faber
3. Information and Proposals
  - A. Freedom of Information Act
  - B. Letters and Communications
4. Public Comments
5. Action Items
  - A. Consent Agenda
    1. Approval of Minutes
      - a. Regular Session Minutes of September 25, 2013
      - b. Closed Session Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2013
      - c. Special Session Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2013
      - d. Closed Session Special Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2013
    2. Approval of Bill List of October 9, 2013
    3. Approval of September Financial Report
    4. Approval of Resignation of Staff
    5. Approval of Family Medical Leave
    6. Approval of Employment of Staff
  - B. Old Business
    1. Board Policy Manual Review - Section 5
  - C. New Business
    1. Appointment of New Board Member and Board Member Oath of Office
    2. Tinley Park Land Development Proposal
    3. Authorization to Conduct 2013 Levy Hearing
    4. Approval of Outdoor School Door Video Intercom Systems
    5. IASB Resolutions
    6. Approval of Dismissal of Employee
    7. Approval of Services
6. Presidents Comments

7. Superintendent and Staff Report
  - A. Enrollment Report
  - B. New State Report Card
  - C. Technology Update
  - D. Personnel and Negotiation Matters (Closed Session)
8. Information and Questions from Board Members
  - A. Board Member Comments
9. Public Comments
10. Future Meeting Dates
  - A. October 16, 2013, Policy Committee Meeting Administration Center 6:30 PM
  - B. October 23, 2013, Administration Center 7 PM
  - C. November 13, 2013, Administration Center , 7 P.M.
11. Adjournment

District 161  
Board of Education

# Goals

2013  
2014

Board goals set the vision for student learning and articulate beliefs about students and learning.

These goals serve as the foundation for District goals and direction for school improvement.

"What the best and wisest parents want for their own child, that must the community want for all its children."

John Dewey  
Educational Philosopher

## Goal 1

### Improve student achievement

by developing and implementing a challenging curriculum.

District 161 will enhance academic, social, and emotional resources for students through program initiatives, use of data, and staff training.

#### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Repack E/LA common core standards in grades K-8.
- Unpack and repack Math common core standards in grades K-8.
- Monitor Early Learning Program.
- Review Honors Program.
- Use technology productively to maximize student achievement.
- Implement Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) process.

#### PROGRESS TARGETS:

Gr. 1 Standards Based Report Card • English/LA technology integration • Writing rubrics • Curricular mapping/progressions

## Goal 2

### Ensure a safe, inspiring, and welcoming environment

for students, staff, parents, and community members.

District 161 will ensure that schools are safe and positive places to learn and work by implementing initiatives expanding school security, easing transitions between schools for families, and improving the learning culture.

#### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Promote a positive school culture through recognition, appreciation, and celebration.
- Maintain programming on anti-bullying and character education.
- Promote wellness/physical fitness in the learning culture.

#### PROGRESS TARGETS:

Chain of Command • PBIS • Safe Schools Program • Districtwide Run/Walk for Fun • Learning Readiness/PE

## Goal 3

### Strengthen communications & connections

by establishing a communications program that directly helps the District achieve its goals.

District 161 will promote and empower a collaborative culture by engaging stakeholders in the decision making process.

#### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Develop partnerships with the community that support student achievement.
- Develop opportunities for community involvement in district planning
- Maintain transparent, open communication about the quality of District schools.

#### PROGRESS TARGETS:

Shareholders Report to Community • District dash board • Friends of the District e-mail network • Public Boardbook • Superintendent Advisory

## Goal 4

### Maximize time, talent, and finances

by aligning these resources to the mission and goals of the District.

District 161 will engage stakeholders in collecting, analyzing, reporting, and acting on data to ensure efficient and effective use of our time, human, and financial resources.

#### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Develop 5-year building utilization plan.
- Analyze District fee structure.
- Analyze the insurance program.
- Research bond refunding programs.

#### PROGRESS TARGETS:

Superintendent Financial Advisory • Business Office training • Employee handbooks • Debt recovery program pilot