Bill Newton CommuniK 9-21-2004

2005-2006 Calendar

Please send me copies of all newsletters, announcements, etc. that you have used to communicate to parents and students about the calendar process, deadlines, etc. I need this information to file should there be questions about the extent of our commitment to fully advertise this process. Thanks for your efforts and suggestions.

Chapter 37

Chapter 37 information will be sent to in the next few days for you to distribute to all professional staff and get a signed release that it was received. Put the receipt in the campus personnel file.

Letter Jackets and Blankets

Just a reminder that only students that earn letter awards through an approved School Board activity with Board approved criteria will receive a jacket or blanket from the District. All athletic awards are ordered through the Athletic Director's Office. All others are ordered through my office. Any jackets used as a part of a uniform are not award jackets, and may not be the same design as the "Official " letter jacket for that High School. Students may receive only one "major award" during their High School career. A student eligible for multiple awards may choose the activity for the award. Award criteria were sent to principals and sponsors that we are aware of in August. If you need information, contact Jocelyn Whitener at 744-1059.

If you have activities that currently do not receive awards that you feel could qualify, please send me a proposal. The nature of the award is that it is competitive, not only participation. There should be a way to discriminate between those individuals who participate and those who achieve a high level of proficiency. An example could the Academic Decathlon Team. To letter, you must qualify for and compete at the state meet. These proposals will be considered for the 2005-2006 school year as they are not in this year's budget.