



SFCP NewsBrief January/February 2004

Dear Principals and School Family Community Partnership Chairs,

Happy 2004! Although January is nearing its very frigid end, by our calculation, spring is right around the corner! Would you believe that roughly 35 school days separate us from Spring Break and only 75 school days remain until the end of this school year!

Listed below are several important SFCP dates we're asking you to keep in mind:

<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>PLACE</u>
District Core Team Meeting	1/31/04	8:00-9:30 am	PSAC
SFCP Chair Networking Session	2/24/04	11:30-1:00 pm	PSAC
District Core Team Meeting	4/10/04	8:00-9:30am	PSAC
SFCP Chair Networking Session	4/14/04	11:30-1:00 pm	PSAC
CELEBRATION BREAKFAST!	5/8/04	8:30- 9:30am	Ranchview
Core Team Year-end Planning Meeting	6/3/04	4:00-6:00 pm	PSAC

IMPORTANT 'DUE' DATES

Jeanine Nicarico Grant applications
Naperville Education Foundation Grants

1/30/04
2/4/04

Forms can be downloaded from the District website www.ncusd203.org
Click on the *Community* drop-down box

FOCUS on Results Survey due to NNPS
Survey on Improving Student Behavior and School Discipline (Manners Matrix data may apply).

1/30/04

Survey was mailed to SFCP chairs and Principals. Can also be downloaded from NNPS website www.partnershipschoools.org

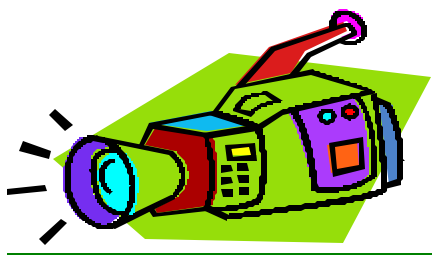
SFCP Celebration Video/Best Practice Forms
An electronic copy will also be sent to you via email

3/15/04

Please see back side for complete details and instructions. Best Practice Form enclosed.

OTHER INFO

- Should you need more School Family Community Partnership brochures to distribute within your school community, please contact Maureen Dvorak at mdvorak@ncusd203.org or 420 -6475.
- The District SFCP website has been updated to make it easier for you to find programs by the Six Types of Involvement as well as by School Level – elementary, junior high and high school. v it out at www.ncusd203.org . Click on the *Community* drop box and then *SFC Partnerships*.



SFCP CELEBRATION! VIDEO/BEST PRACTICE GUIDELINES

Included with this NewsBrief is the **'Best Practice Form'** from the SFCP District Core Team Celebration Committee. Please complete this form and send it, along with a 30-45 second video clip or 4-6 still shots of your school's 'best practice', to Karen Currier at Ranchview Elementary by **March 15, 2004**.

Karen's team will then create a video/CD of all 21 schools' Best Practices and show it at the May 8th Celebration Breakfast. The 'Best Practice' forms from all 21 schools will also be submitted to the National Network of Partnership Schools for possible inclusion in their annual Promising Partnership Practices book. Last year eight D203 schools were recognized nationally!!!

Don't panic!!! This isn't the Academy Awards and Hollywood producers we're not! Plus the Best Practice form is essentially the same as last year. Listed below are steps to get you through this process:

- Decide on your school's Best Practice and 'capture' it in 4-6 still camera shots or a 30-45 second video clip – **45 seconds max**. You may include an interview or voiceover.
- You may edit your own tape or submit raw footage – if doing the latter, indicate the exact location of the segment of tape you want included by the time code indicators.
- Your school's *TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION SPECIALISTS* are available to help you.
- Our team will then take care of editing, adding subtitles and musical background and compiling all the still shots and video clips into one video celebration of your great work.
- Please contact **Karen Currier** with any questions you have. Send your typed 'Best Practice' form, video footage or still shots, as well as any digital copies (in pdf format) of documents you use to support your Best Practice (flyers, invitations, etc.) to:

Karen Currier, Principal
Ranchview School
1651 Ranchview Drive, Naperville, IL 60565
Phone - 420.6575 Email - kcurrier@ncusd203.org

FINAL NOTES

We have much to look forward to in 2004 and the Core Team is here to assist your school team. As always, feel free to contact Co-Chairs Terri Stevens by email at stapsm@aol.com or phone 416-6199; and Jane Wernette by email at wwernette@aol.com or phone 428.3761.

If you have something you'd like included in the next SFCP NewsBrief, contact Sheila Sarovich at elle-la@lycos.com.