



## Brehm announces \$7 Million Enhancements

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Brehm Preparatory School has been a premier international boarding school for students with complex learning disabilities. Brehm is known for focusing on the academic, social and emotional needs of their students.

Brehm is proud to announce over \$7 million in program enhancements and new facilities. In addition to issuing every student a new laptop loaded with assistive technology and providing a secure wireless network environment, Brehm has added over 40,000 square feet in facilities including a new Student Activities Center, new academic building for the Jr. High, High School and Post-Secondary Programs, a new girls' dormitory, and tremendous remodeling/construction of existing structures.

The new Student Activity Center houses a full size

gym, amphitheatre, commercial kitchen (with chefs preparing meals from scratch), a large dining hall, student lounge, and school store. The new east academic building allows Brehm to maintain their 1 to 8 student/faculty ratio. It includes additional classrooms, chemistry and biology lab, and the photographic, digital and video graphics Macintosh lab.

The new girls' dormitory provides spacious housing while providing needed services to the underserved female student population struggling with complex learning disabilities. In addition, the new dormitory allows Brehm to help equalize the male to female ration by allowing 42% of their rooms available only to girls.

Brehm has built new soccer/baseball fields and upgraded our fiber optic cabling for

phones and computers, installed new fire and security systems, completed extensive road work and increased parking. Brehm has also upgraded and expanded their woodshop, and their applied physics and automotive tech facilities.

Lastly, Brehm has a new integrated Student Information System that allows parents to log in via internet and view their child's IEP, report cards, behavior events, homework, recreational activities, appointments and much more.

If you are interested in learning more about Brehm, please visit their website, [www.brehm.org](http://www.brehm.org).



## The RCDTS Code, What is it and Where to find it

If you have ever been asked for your RCDTS code and not known what it is or what it even means then read on.

RCDTS stands for Region County District Type

School. You will see your facility code number buried in there. Often public school districts need this information for assessment. 14-7.02 Schools never need to know their number, other than giving it to a district

if requested.

To find your code simply access [www.isbe.net](http://www.isbe.net) and click on Student Information System (on the left), then click on RCDTS Look Up land follow the links



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As you know this is our first newsletter, and we would like to thank everyone who has given information to make this newsletter possible. Hopefully, we will have more information to include in the future newsletters. If you have any information for the future newsletter please forward it to Tracy Nudd at [tnudd@seal-il.com](mailto:tnudd@seal-il.com) or via fax at (630) 916-6552.

## Special points of interest:

- The Governor has declared October 15th thru October 20th Principal's Week and October 20th as Principal's Day
- Just a reminder: Immunizations and Dental Exams are the responsibility of the district and not the 14-7.02 school. If the district is not paying tuition the immunization information should be submitted.
- Tim Imler will be attending the November 14th Meeting.
- ISBE Division of Special Education has received a grant from the Children's Mental Health Act, which will include one support person and two professionals. Both of these positions are in Springfield.

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5. Tuna Fish, 6. 3° Degrees Below 0,  
7. Shape up or Ship out