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CPS Takes Classroom Outdoors, Enlists Athletes For "Science Of Sports"

Nancy Harty Reporting
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CHICAGO (WBBM) - Physics and kinesiology can be boring if it only involves reading from a textbook.

So, Chicago Public Schools moved its classroom outdoors and spiced up the course materials.

"The Science Of Sports" class explored why skates glide on ice, why baseballs curve and featured a gummy bear long jump, among other nontraditional science projects.

Physics, of course, is the science of matter and energy and of interactions between the two. Kinesiology is the study of the anatomy, physiology, and mechanics of body movement, especially in humans.

The day-long event at Malcolm X College on Saturday also featured Olympic and paralympic athletes, the mascot from the Chicago Fire soccer team and lots of people walking around in lab coats.

Executive Director Scott Meyers of World Sports Chicago says the Chicago Public Schools students who attended may not have realized they were in class.

CPS students who attended are eligible for extra credit.

Organizers say the city's 2016 Olympic bid will help broaden students interest in sports and maybe science as well.

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 Halloween brings with it both tricks and treats. WBE Hultman reports on one "trick" folks hope to avoid t the dividing line between Chicago and Evanston.



Obama Rally Changes
 If you're planning on heading to Grant Park next Barack Obama's Election night rally, there are a consider. The city says there won't be any live m sales and the event could last until one-am. But, Political Editor Craig Dellimore reports, you can still attend, e didn't nab a ticket.



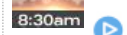
Early Voting in Illinois Ends Today
 Local candidates are out stumping for votes, in th days before the election. Nearly ten-percent of all voters in the state have already been to the polls final day of early voting. WBBM's Suburban Bureau Chief Ju



Hudson Murders: 2nd Person Involved?
 A West Side woman seems to be backing up a p that says more than one person could have been Hudson family murders, or at least could have dri the 13th and Kolin, where 7-year-old Julian King's was found in a white SUV. WBBM's Steve Miller reports.



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