

BLACKHAWK BULLETIN

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*Improving America's Future...
One Student at a Time*

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Blackhawk Bulletin is an official publication of the Port Edwards School District, offering news, announcements, and details of upcoming events. The school district welcomes newsletter contributions, comments, questions, and suggestions.

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Public School Funding in Wisconsin & Port Edwards

Submitted by: James Bena, Superintendent



On Wednesday, February 15, Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers released his proposed biennial (2023-25) budget for the state of Wisconsin. One of the key takeaways is that Wisconsin now holds its largest financial surplus in state history: Wisconsin will have an estimated \$7.1 billion financial surplus by July 1, 2023. Several important state programs, which have seen their financial support frozen or reduced over the past several years, could benefit from this historic surplus - one of them being Wisconsin's public schools.

How are Wisconsin's Public Schools funded?

Wisconsin's schools are funded with a combination of local, state, and federal revenues. The amount of each of these tax sources varies from district to district, depending upon property value and other characteristics of the district. Local and state revenues combined make up approximately 80% of a district's funding source, while federal revenues and local fees account for the remaining approximately 20%.

What is the funding issue that Wisconsin Public Schools are facing?

In 2002, Wisconsin ranked 11th in the United States in per-pupil funding for its Kindergarten - Grade 12 students. Over the course of the next 18 years, the Badger state slipped from 11th in 2002, to 25th in 2020 (Wisconsin's annual per-pupil spending increases during this 18 year period was only less than two other states).

To compound the issue of reduced aid increases, the 2021-23 Wisconsin state budget froze per-pupil revenue limits on schools, which placed a hard cap on the dollar figure that school districts could utilize from both local property taxes and general school aid. Although one-time federal funding during COVID helped to offset this freeze to some degree in a number of state school districts, this money was a one-time "stop-gap", and will disappear completely in 2024.

How have Wisconsin Schools responded to the school funding issue?

In order to address the 20+ years of relatively stagnant state-level funding, Wisconsin school districts have asked its local taxpayers to pay for the remainder of needed revenues by exceeding the local property tax limit through school referendums, during either the April or November election.

On the November, 2022 voting ballot, Wisconsin school districts held 81 referendums: 39 of them were capital referendums (used to fund construction and maintenance projects), and 42 were operational referendums (used to fund day-to-day operations and staffing).

Funding for the Port Edwards School District

The Port Edwards School District has not been immune to stagnant state funding. In April, 2019, Port Edwards Schools asked its local taxpayers to exceed the revenue limit through a five-year referendum, at a cost of \$600,000 annually. This money has been used very carefully in each area of our district, to maintain a quality educational program for our families. Some of the areas that the referendum monies have addressed include: maintenance of academic programs, necessary building and grounds work (repairs or replacements of roofs, parking lots, school vehicles, heating systems, masonry, etc.), and increasing costs for transportation, utilities, food, and staffing.

This five-year referendum which district voters approved will end in 2024. Although Wisconsin school districts are hopeful that additional money will be provided as a result of the current state budget surplus, the increase will not be significant enough to offset the last 21 years of stagnant funding combined with the rising costs associated with operating a successful, viable 21st century school system. Additionally, Wisconsin's public schools do not

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anticipate a significant change in the formula by which schools are currently funded by our state government. As a result, we anticipate that state funding will continue to be either stagnant, or continue to fall further behind other states, for the support of our schools. With that in mind, initial planning has started in preparation for an April, 2024 Port Edwards School District referendum, for the continued operations of our school district.

For decades, the Port Edwards School District has proudly held the reputation in Central Wisconsin as a district which provides a high-level of individualized instruction, as well as academic and co-curricular programs which prepare its students to be highly successful upon graduation. However, like most other Wisconsin School Districts, Port Edwards is scheduled to face a severe financial "cliff" in 2024, as both federal COVID relief and 2019 referendum funding expires. Please continue to read future editions of the Blackhawk Bulletin, as plans for the April, 2024 school referendum continue to develop.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Port Edwards School District!

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Donna Shroda, 6-12 Principal



Host Solo and Ensemble, and everyone will come! On February 25th, for the first time in seven years Port Edwards hosted Solo and Ensemble under the direction of our band teacher, Emilie Anderson and choir teacher, Tammy Parszewski. In 2017, the last time Port hosted, over 300 students participated. Students prepared either a solo, small ensemble piece, or both and presented it in front of a judge for a rating. There are three categories: A, B, and C. Those that perform on the A category and receive a 1* at the district level, have the opportunity to perform at the State level which will be held at UW-Stevens Point on May 6th. A big shout out to everyone who made this successful. In-house, Tammy and Emilie, kept their enthusiasm all day and greeted everyone with a smile. The custodians worked all day through the night, when we hosted a basketball game. The Music Boosters and their board members Priscilla Weis, Nikkie Nelson, Crissy Heath, and Lisl Detlefsen were key organizers for volunteers and concessions. Good luck to the students who will compete at state!

As we head into March our counseling office becomes busier than usual. Pre-ACT prep, Forward, and ACT are all important tests. In high school, these tests qualify high school students for college, tech schools, and make them eligible for scholarships. Other test results assist us in curriculum planning and goal setting at the department level, in the classroom, and individually. Please take a minute to read the messages sent informing you of your child's testing dates and times. We appreciate having everybody in school, rested, and feed, ready to put 100% effort in their test. If students require make up tests, they miss other valuable class content.

The counseling office is also creating the 2023-2024 school schedule for middle and high school. This becomes a more challenging task as we offer an abundance of opportunities for our students such as dual credit classes, MSTC classes, youth apprenticeships, and Going to Work. While we encourage students to be an advocate for themselves, we also ask that you support and guide them in this important decision making. Procedures and deadlines are constantly being updated and it is extremely important to read them and ask questions if you need clarification.

As we turn the calendar to March, we start our third trimester. Students start a new schedule, spring sports begin, the forensics teams compete, the music department prepares for spring concerts, and drama organizes their variety show. There are endless activities while graduates also prepare for commencement. Check the PESD calendar for dates and times on these activities.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Cara Christy, 4K-5 Principal



This school year is flying by and for the past month, Ed Heuer Elementary has been registering new little Blackhawks for 2023-2024 4K and 5K classes. If you haven't registered your child for four-year-old or five-year-old kindergarten classes yet, registration is still open and materials are available on the Port Edwards School District website. Students registering for kindergarten must be five-years-old by September 1, and students registering for four-year-old kindergarten must turn four before September 1 as well. As always, we are accepting enrollment from other districts for both 4K and 5K next year as well and would love to welcome any new families who might

be interested in the quality education that Port Edwards School District provides. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Speaking of our littlest Blackhawks, the Port Edwards School District is available to assist parents in need of early childhood screenings as well as provide information about resources in our community and the surrounding areas. Child Find is a continuous process of public awareness activities, screening, and evaluation designed to locate, identify, and refer as early as possible all young children with disabilities and their families who are in need of an Early Intervention Program (Part C) or Early Childhood Special Education (Part B) services of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). If you have any questions or concerns about the development of your child between the ages of 3-5 years of age, please feel free to contact us at any time and we would be happy to help you find the appropriate resources for your child.

Have an enjoyable and restful spring break. Before we know it, summer will be here. Speaking of summer, please consider signing your child up for summer school this year. Elementary summer school is set for June 5th - June 23rd and open to any Port students currently in grades 4K-4. This year we have some new and exciting opportunities being offered during summer school, so keep an eye out for the brochure. There is something for everyone, so sign up as soon as possible because classes fill up fast!

Port Edwards Ed Heuer Elementary School invites all elementary school families in grades 4K-5 to a Title 1 Ice Cream Social and Author Event!
Tuesday, March 28th from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Local author, Lisl Detlefsen will be here to read her latest book, *Farm Boots*. Copies will be available for purchase (cash or check only) and autographs. After Lisl's presentation, everyone is welcome to enjoy ice cream sundaes in the cafeteria! **Students must be accompanied by an adult.** The presentation will begin promptly at 6:00 pm in the Elementary IMC. Doors will open at 5:45 pm.



Notes from the Nurse

Submitted by: *Katie Bortz, CESA 5 School Nurse*

Childhood and adolescence is the time for young people to develop healthy habits which will jumpstart a healthy life. Unfortunately, the number of students reporting poor mental health is increasing. In 2021, 1 in 3 adolescents reported poor mental health and 1 in 5 students reported contemplating suicide. Children as young as 3 years of age are being diagnosed with anxiety and depression. Studies have shown a sharp increase in diagnosis of anxiety, depression and other mental health/behavioral issues starting at around age 6. We also know that children with one of these conditions are likely to have others.

Building strong bonds and connecting to youth can protect their mental health. Schools and parents can create these protective relationships with students and help them grow into healthy adulthood. One of the ways our school is partnering with families is by offering school based mental health counseling. Providers come into the building weekly to meet with students in a supportive and convenient environment.

At home, you can promote strong mental health by encouraging social connections, providing structure and boundaries for your student and by engaging in open and honest conversations about mental health. One way to get the conversation started may be taking advantage of the many resources available on YouTube or in a podcast. "Mental Health Minute" is an initiative to educate people of all ages about mental health. The next time you have an extra minute, sit down with your student and seek out one of these platforms. It may be the most important minute of your day.



As always, do not hesitate to contact the health offices if we can assist your student or family!

Medication At School Reminder!

Unfortunately, we continue to have issues with medications being sent to school in inappropriate containers or with the assumption that students will self-carry and self-administer medications.

As a reminder - our school board policy states:

Students are prohibited from possessing, using, carrying, or distributing in school or on school grounds drugs (medications) or other products which, even though not defined as a drug, are used or marketed for use for medicinal purposes, such as to relieve pain or to relieve the symptoms of an underlying medical condition (including aspirin, ibuprofen, dietary supplements, CBD oil products, etc.).

Simply put, medications must be locked in the health office, unless it is one of the few circumstances where it is approved that students may self carry/administer medications. Additionally, when completing a medication consent for your child, you are agreeing to the following:

1. Medication will be sent to school in the original manufacturer's packaging and be labeled with the student's name.
2. Medication will be delivered by parent/guardian.
3. Parent/guardian will maintain a sufficient supply of medication.
4. Parent/guardian will keep school personnel informed of new/changes with the medication.

Please help keep your student and others safe by adhering to our safe medication handling practices!



PEPO (Port Edwards Parent Organization)

We were able to have a night of Bingo fun on January 13th. We had approximately 100 people come in to the elementary school gym and enjoy a night of Bingo, candy and fun with our school families. Thank you to everyone who attended to make this night a HUGE success! We would like to take a moment to thank Superintendent, James Bena for calling our Bingo numbers all night. We would also like to thank Mrs. Wilhorn and Mrs. Dorshorst for helping with this event. We couldn't put on these family nights without the help of everyone!

We were looking forward to a family night of snow fun at Ripple Creek on February 10th; however, we had to cancel due to lack of snow and the warmer weather. We can never depend on Wisconsin weather! We are planning a fun, family event for the month of April but we have not finalized our plans yet. Stay tuned for further details...

We are hoping to have a Spring Blackhawk merchandise/apparel sale. We are hoping for the sale to begin mid March. We will keep you posted on when/if that sale happens.

Did you know we have a Facebook page? This is a great tool to keep engaged with all of our current events. Check us out!

If you have questions, you can email us at portedwardsparentsorg@gmail.com.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 15th at 6:30 p.m. Come and say "hi". We are a great group of parents that love to do great things for our school!



TundraTales READING PROGRAM

Submitted by: Kristen Winter, K-5 Interventionist

As you read this issue of the Blackhawk Bulletin, Superbowl LVII has a champion. Did you know that right here at the Port Edwards Ed Heuer Elementary School our own Superbowl is happening in reading? Tundra Tales, offered through the Green Bay Packers, has given the K-5 students a chance to score their own touchdown in the race for reading! The opportunity to submit reading records is wrapping up with an end date of March 5th. Students had a goal to read nightly at home for 10 minutes during a 4 week period. Completed record sheets will earn 1 student and 1 adult voucher for free admission to the Packers Hall of Fame. Other incentives are included to promote reading and our hope is to meet some of these goals to help fund reading materials. Included with this opportunity is player reading links shared weekly to classroom teachers for students to view.

Ask your child what Packer players they have watched!

Creative Writing Creations

Submitted by: Carla Leonhardt, High School English Teacher



Students in Ms. Leonhardt's 11th and 12th grade Creative Writing course have been working incredibly hard throughout the course of Trimester 2. They have written personal narratives, a fairy tale, a play, a poetry collection, and several other genres of creative writing. Throughout December and January, Creative Writing students completed a project writing and illustrating original children's books. Students from Creative Writing collaborated with 2nd-grade students from Mrs. Wilhorn and Ms. Meissner's classes at the elementary school. Students from Creative Writing were partnered up with one or two 2nd-grade students, and the groups collaborated to come up with characters, plots, morals, and illustration ideas. Creative Writing students took the ideas developed by them and their partners and wrote the text and completed illustrations for their books. The classes then reunited to read the stories out loud for the classes and enjoy some snacks to celebrate the completion of their collaborative project. Students in both classrooms had a wonderful experience working together to come up with their original stories and getting to know their partners.



Musical News!

Submitted by: *Emilie Anderson, 5-12 Band Instructor*

February Concert:

All 6-12 band members had their concert on Monday, Feb 13th. The theme of the night was Exploration of the Universe. Each group had been working on music that related to space! The 6th graders had been working on playing as an ensemble, longer music, and more individuality in their parts. The 7th/8th-grade band performed The Space Cadet March, The 10th planet, The Tempest, and Starfire Fanfare. Their main focus this trimester was knowing the difference between 3/4 time signature and 6/8 time signature. The high school band performed Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker, and The Suite from The Planets. They were tasked with some difficult and long pieces of music. They definitely rose to the challenge and did well! We are very proud of all the hard work being done in the music department!

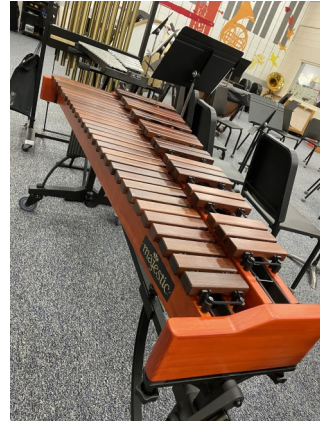
Herd Basketball Game:

The high school band combined with the band from Tri-County to perform at the Herd Basketball game in Oshkosh on Feb 7th! They had a fun day of rehearsal in the afternoon at Tri-County, pizza at The MineShaft, and then performing that night!



New Xylophone!

You may notice the excellent new addition to the Port Edwards band. The Port Edwards Educational Foundation along with a donation in honor of William Jasperson funded a brand-new xylophone. It is made out of genuine rosewood and is 4.0 octaves! We are so grateful to have strong support from our community!



Extra! Extra!:

We had two honors bands that Jason D., Emmanuel V., Caden I., Victor L. and Adydyn S. participated in as well as an alumni pep band! Please check out the photos!

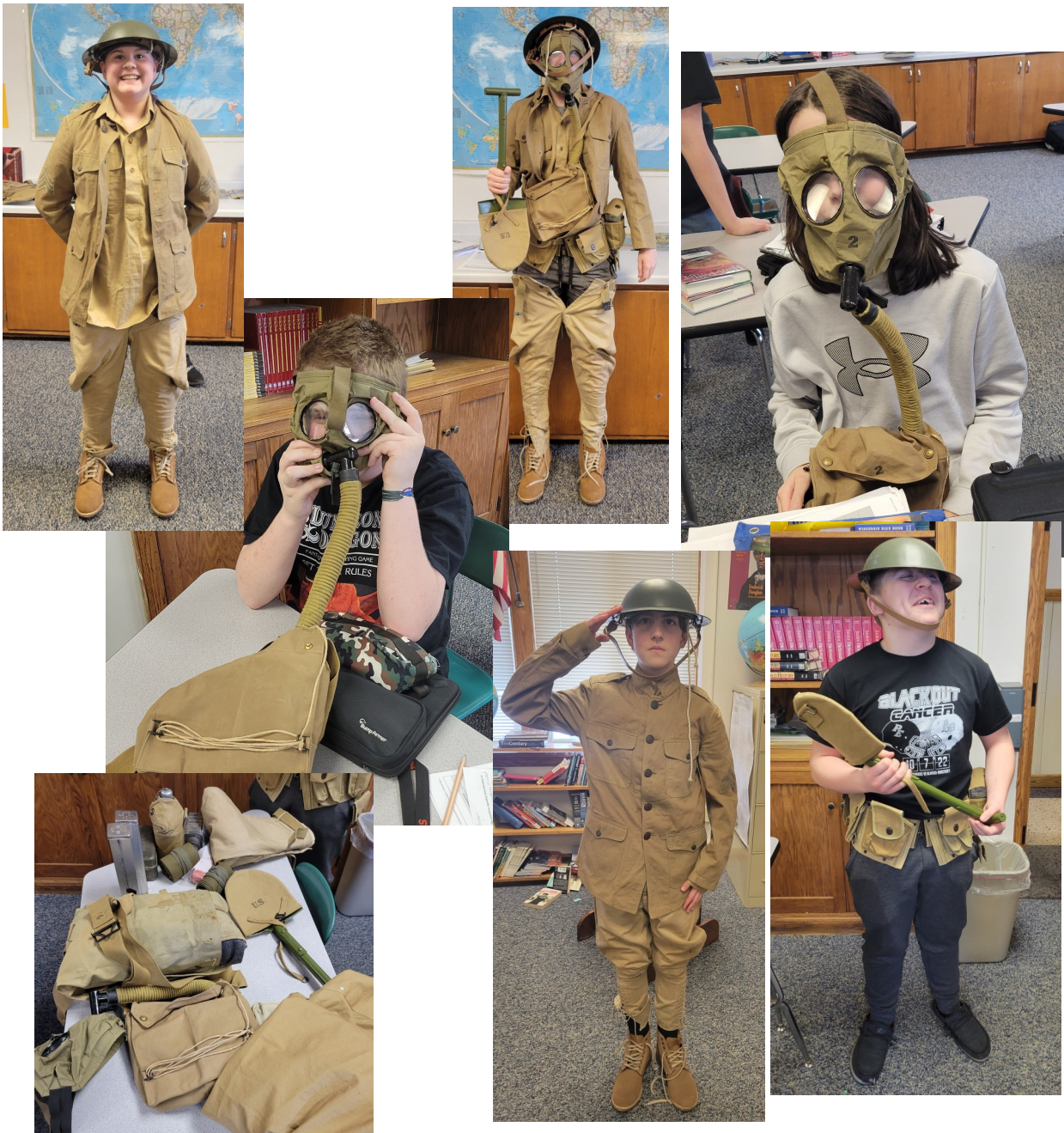


Middle School Fun

Submitted by: Joe Hintz, MS/HS Social Studies Teacher

Students in 8th grade social studies had the opportunity to learn about what life was like in the trenches for soldiers fighting in World War I.

One aspect of this unit is learning about the items and gear worn and carried by soldiers in the war. Thanks to the Wisconsin Veterans Museum, the students were able to learn, touch, see, and even try on some of the items and gear. This activity helped students envision the hardships of the trenches while learning about the limited resources provided to each soldier. The uniform was a little small, but that did not hinder student participation in the slightest!



2023-24 Kindergarten Registration Reminder

Submitted by: Tina Melvin, Elementary School Secretary

Plans are being finalized for the kindergarten class of 2023-24. By law, a child must be five years of age on or before September 1, 2022 to be eligible for kindergarten in the 2023-24 school year.

If you have not already done so, it is important that you log on to the website to register your child. You can email the forms to melviti@pesd.k12.wi.us or drop off at the elementary school office at 951 5th Street from 7:45-3:30. If your child is currently attending 4-Year-Old Kindergarten in Port Edwards, we have his/her registration and immunization records on file. Current 4K students do not need to register for 5K.

4-YEAR-OLD HALF-DAY KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION REMINDER



Once again, we will be offering this voluntary 2-1/2 hour program at the John E. Alexander South Wood County YMCA. Your child must be 4 years old by September 1, 2023 to be eligible for 4K.

Also, 4K classes will be offered at the following sites, subject to availability:

Building Blocks Learning Center, THINK Academy, Grant Elementary School, Grove Elementary School, Mead Elementary Charter School, St. Lawrence Early Childhood Center, Woodside Elementary, Humke Elementary 4K, and Head Start 4K (for Head Start students only).

Transportation will be provided within the Port Edwards School District. Parents must register in order for their child to attend. **If you have not already done so, it is important that you log on to the website and fill out the forms.** You can email those forms to melviti@pesd.k12.wi.us or drop them at the elementary school office at 951 5th Street from 7:45-3:30.

For questions regarding 4-Year-Old Kindergarten, please call 715-887-9070.

Preschool Special Services

If you have a preschool child who seems to have any problems with physical development, vision or hearing, emotional/behavioral adjustment, speech or other communication skills, or learning in general, your child may be eligible for special services at no cost to you. For more information, please contact Cara Christy, 4K-5 Principal at 715-887-9070

March 6th - March 10th is National School Breakfast Week. This week celebrates the importance of nutritious school breakfasts fueling our students for success. The Port Edwards School District would like to thank our Elementary and MS/HS kitchen staff for providing breakfast each morning for our students.



Elementary Staff:
Kristen George & Debbie Duchlmeier



MS/HS Staff:
Bonnie Thomas & Jennie Breitrack



Teens Encouraged to Attend Teen Job Fair March 22nd

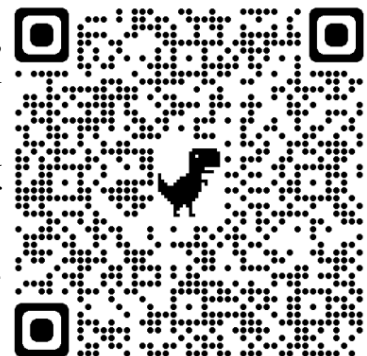
Whether saving for college or a dozen eggs, we could all use some extra cash these days. For teens, that means getting a job—but where to start? Who’s hiring? For what jobs? How do you apply?

The easiest way to get hired—and put money in your pocket—is by attend the Teen Job Fair at Lincoln High School on March 22nd.

Tons of local employers will be on-site with part-time, full-time, and summer opportunities—bring your resume and leave with interviews.

Register now using the QR code then attend on March 22nd between 2:00-5:00pm. Get help with your resume or sign up for mock interviews and feel extra confident meeting employers.

This event is free and open to the public, regardless of school district. Don’t miss out!





The Wisconsin Historical Society Presents

Great Lakes **SMALL STREAMS** HOW WATER SHAPES WISCONSIN

A traveling exhibit exploring our state's long relationship with water and the impact we have had on our vast waterways.

*South Wood County Historical
Museum*

540 Third Street South
Wisconsin Rapids

March 5th through
March 26th
Tues., Wed., Thurs.
& Sun. 1 - 4 p.m.



WISCONSIN
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY



The Wisconsin Historical Society gratefully acknowledges the Herzfeld Foundation, Wisconsin Humanities Council, and Ralph Evinrude Foundation for their generous support of this exhibit.

March 2023 ES Breakfast Menu

Elementary School

Breakfast Prices:
 All Students: \$1.60 Adults: \$2.45
 Menus Subject to Change

This institution is a equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 WG Muffin Fruit Juice Milk	2 Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk	3 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
6 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	7 Chocolate Crescent Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	8 Smuckers Fruit Juice Milk	9 Cereal Bar Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	10 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
13 Yogurt Granola Fruit Juice Milk	14 French Toast Sticks Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	15 Pop-Tart Fruit Juice Milk	16 Yogurt Blueberry Vanilla  Mini Bites Fruit Juice Milk	17 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
20 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	21 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	22 Chex Mix Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	23 WG Glazed Donut Fruit Juice Milk	24 NO SCHOOL
27 Yogurt Granola Fruit Juice Milk	28 Mini Waffle Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	29 Chocolate Crescent Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	30 WG Banana Bread Fruit Juice Milk	31 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk

March 2023 ES Lunch Menu

Alternate Lunch Choice:

Monday: Smuckers

Tuesday: Taco Salad

Wednesday: Turkey Wrap

Thursday: Chef Salad

Friday: Cheese Pizza


LUNCH PRICES:

Elementary: \$2.60 Middle School: \$2.75

High School: \$2.80 Adults: \$4.08

Menus Subject to Change

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Chicken Quesadilla Spanish Rice Fiesta Beans Orange Wedges Salsa/Sour Cream	2 Lasagna Roll Garlic Bread Mixed Veggies Pineapple	3 Big Daddy's Pizza Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate
6 Chicken Tenders French Fries Peas Slushie	7 Chicken Alfredo Penne Pasta Broccoli Peaches Cookie	8 Softshell Taco Spanish Rice Fiesta Beans Pears	9 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Cooked Carrots Mandarin Oranges Jell-O	10 Mini Corn Dogs Hash Brown Patty Baked Beans Banana
13 Pepperoni French Bread Pizza Broccoli Apple Slices	14 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pears	15 Mac N Cheese Green Beans Pineapple Dinner Roll	16 French Toast Sticks Syrup Applesauce Juice	17 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tator Tots Baked Beans Grapes
20 Chicken Nuggets Smiles Cooked Carrots Apple Slices Pudding Cup	21 Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Pineapple Dinner Roll Fortune Cookie	22 Hot Dog WG Bun French Fries Baked Beans Mixed Fruit	23 Rotini Meatballs & Sauce Garlic Bread Peas Warm Apple Slices	24 NO SCHOOL
27 Hamburger WG Bun French Fries Baked Beans Slushie	28 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Fiesta Beans Mandarin Oranges	29 Hot Ham & Cheese Curly Fries Green Beans Peaches	30 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Grapes Pudding Cup	31 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Peas Apple Slices

March 2023 MS/HS Breakfast Menu


Middle/High School

Breakfast Prices:

All Students: \$1.60 Adults: \$2.45

Menus Subject to Change

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Applesauce Cup Juice Milk	2 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Peach Cup Juice Milk	3 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
6 Pop-Tart Yogurt Craisins Juice Milk	7 Breakfast Sandwich on a Croissant Apple Juice Milk	8 Waffle Envy Syrup Cheese Stick Mixed Berry Cup Juice Milk	9 WG Banana Bread Cheese Stick Applesauce Cup Juice Milk	10 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
13 Cereal Bar Yogurt Dried Apples Juice Milk	14 Omelet Bagel Orange Juice Milk	15 Chocolate Crescent Sunflower Seeds Strawberry Cup Juice Milk	16 Blueberry Vanilla Mini Bites Yogurt Raisins Juice Milk	17 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk
20 Pop-Tart Yogurt Craisins Juice Milk	21 Breakfast Sandwich on a Croissant Apple Juice Milk	22 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Applesauce Cup Juice Milk	23 WG Donut Cheese Stick Peach Cup Juice Milk	24 NO SCHOOL
27 Cereal Yogurt Dried Apples Juice Milk	28 Omelet Bagel Orange Juice Milk	29 WG Banana Bread Sunflower Seeds Applesauce Cup Juice Milk	30 Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel Strawberry Cup Juice Milk	31 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk

March 2023 MS/HS Lunch Menu

Alternate Lunch Choice:

Monday: Smuckers

Tuesday: Taco Salad

Wednesday: Turkey Wrap

Thursday: Chef Salad

Friday: Cheese Pizza


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6 Chicken Tenders Sauces French Fries Baked Beans Slushie	7 Chicken Alfredo Penne Pasta Broccoli Peaches Breadstick	8 Softshell Tacos Spanish Rice Fiesta Beans Pears Salsa/Sour Cream	9 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Jell-O Cooked Carrots Mandarin Oranges	10 Mini Corn Dogs Hash Brown Patty Peas Banana Sugar Cookie
13 Pepperoni French Bread Pizza Green Beans Apple Slices Ice Cream Cup	14 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pineapple Dinner Roll	15 Mac N Cheese Bar Diced Chicken Taco Meat Broccoli Pears Sugar Cookie	16 French Toast Sticks Syrup Omelet Applesauce Juice	17 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tator Tots Baked Beans Grapes
20 Chicken Nuggets Smiles Cooked Carrots Apple Slices Rice Krispie Treat	21 Orange Chicken Rice Egg Roll Broccoli Pineapple Fortune Cookie	22 Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Black Bean & Corn Fiesta Peaches Salsa/Sour Cream	23 Rotini Meatball & Sauce Garlic Bread Peas Warm Apple Slices	24 NO SCHOOL
27 Chicken Drumsticks Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Slushie Dinner Roll	28 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Fiesta Beans Mandarin Oranges Sugar Cookie	29 Hot Ham & Cheese Curly Fries Pineapple Baked Beans Sherbet Cup	30 Beef or Chicken Burrito Bowl Rice/Chips Black Bean & Corn Fiesta Corn Grapes	31 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Peas Apples Slices

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 11, 2023 – Elementary IMC, Fifth Street., Port Edwards, WI

Minutes

5:30 p.m.—Meeting called to order—President John Daven

Roll Call

PRESENT: John Daven, Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt, Dana Duncan

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: James Bena, Superintendent, Lisa Miller, Business Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Cara Christy, Donna Shroda, Jen Moore, Chris Boettcher

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

Motion by McGrath, second by Duncan to approve the agenda as posted. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

2. Report from Student Representatives; Student & Staff Recognition

No report due to inclement weather.

3. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

Board President Daven reported that all Board members were in attendance.

B. Reading of DPI Proclamation in Recognition of Adult School Crossing Guard Recognition Week

Board President Daven read the DPI Proclamation in Recognition of Adult School Crossing Guard Recognition Week.

C. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next meeting of the Board of Education will be Wednesday, February 8, 2023.

4. Administrative Reports

A. District Administrator Report – Superintendent Bena

- DPI Report Card Presentation – Chris Boettcher, CESA 5

Ms. Boettcher presented information to the Board of Education on the annual DPI report card. Ms. Boettcher explained the details of the report card, which reflected data from the 2021-22 school year.

B. Elementary Principal Report – Principal Christy

Principal Christy reported that the K-2 holiday concert scheduled for Thursday, December 15th was moved to Friday morning due to the snow day. The performance was held in the Dorothy Alexander Auditorium. Attendance was overwhelming. Those unable to attend had the opportunity to watch the live feed. The 3rd – 5th grade students will have a spring concert. Principal Christy reported that the teachers will be participating in CPI training on January 16th.

C. MS/HS Principal Report – Principal Shroda

Principal Shroda stated that a small number of middle/high school teachers will also be participating in the CPI training on January 16th.

Principal Shroda reported that the district is using a staff wellness program through CESA 5. Stacie Kettleson from CESA 5, will be visiting our district on January 23rd and February 15th to meet with staff and will focus on mental health.

Principal Shroda reported on co-teaching in both the middle and high school. Donica Goodwin from CESA 5 will be working with those doing the co-teaching and training them to be successful. Ms. Shroda stated that this is best practice for our special education students.

5. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

6. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – December 20, 2022

Motion by Duncan, second by Thomasgard to approve the minutes of past meetings. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

7. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

A. Check Summaries December 1-31, 2022

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B. District Revenues Report December 1-31, 2022

C. District Expenditures Report December 1-31, 2022

D. District Cash Receipt Summary.....December 1-31, 2022

E. December Cash Balance Report

F. December Substitutes Report

G. December Budget Revisions

H. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director Miller reported the following donations:
Port Edwards Lions - \$4640 Christmas Cheer Donation
United Methodist Church - \$77.44 Caring Closet
Incorporate Community Foundation - \$100 Proactive Grant – Caring Closet
Jeff & Becky Taylor - \$25 Donna Saeger Memorial

Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to approve the financial reports as presented. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Duncan. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

8. Consider Approval of Open Enrollment Spaces for Special Education and Regular Education Programs for the 2023-24 School Year

Motion by Duncan, second by McGrath to approve the Open Enrollment Spaces for Special Education and Regular Education Programs for the 2023-24. Voting yes – all.

9. Consider Approval of 2023-24 District Calendar

Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to approve the 2023-24 District Calendar. Voting yes – all. Motion carried

10. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment

Thomasgard - Recognized the passing of former teachers, Mary Haines and Donna Saeger.

Hildebrandt – Encourage all to attend and support the athletic teams.

Duncan – Talked about the importance of mental health and having a support system.

Daven – Thanked CESA 5 for attending the meeting and sharing the report card information. Stated he looks forward to hearing more on the success of the wellness program.

11. Establish Future Board Meetings

Wednesday, February 8, 2023, Closed Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

Wednesday, March 8, 2023, Closed Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

PRESENT: John Daven, Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt, Dana Duncan

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: James Bena, Superintendent, Lisa Miller, Business Director

12. Consideration of motion to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute:

19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Executive Session – December 20, 2022

B. Discussion—Personnel/Staffing

13. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene into Open Session to take any action deemed necessary from the closed session.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Thomasgard to adjourn the executive session and reconvene into open session. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Duncan. Motion carried.

Motion by Thomasgard, second by McGrath to approve staff compensation as approved in closed session. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

14. Call for Adjournment

Motion by Duncan, second by Thomasgard to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Duncan. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Lisa Miller, Acting Secretary

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