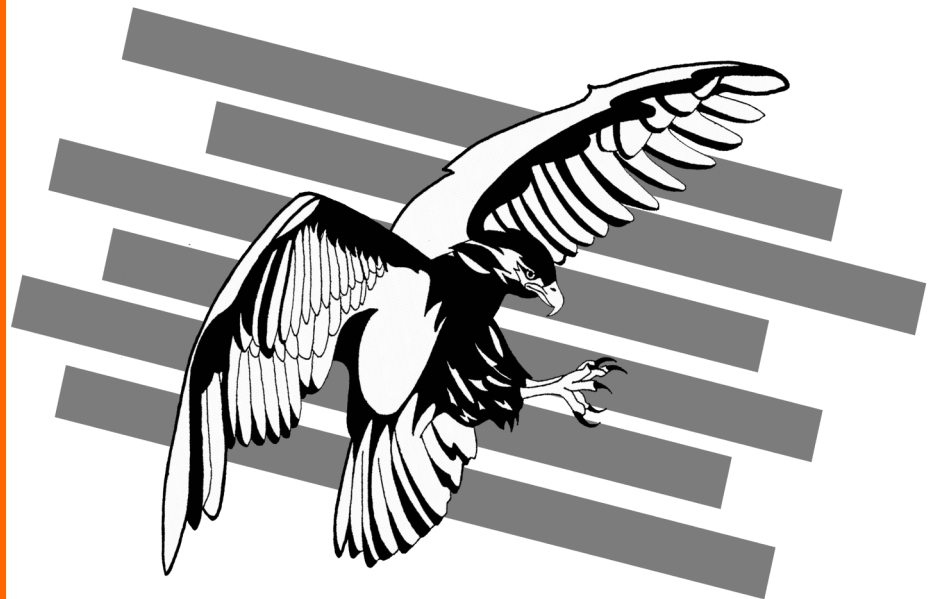


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*Improving America's Future...
One Student at a Time*

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The district encourages informal resolution of complaints under this policy. A formal complaint resolution procedure is available to address allegations of violations of the policy of the Port Edwards School District.

For assistance, please contact James Bena, Non-Discrimination Compliance Officer, at 801 Second Street, Port Edwards, WI 54469 or call 715-887-9000, ext. 102.

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Great Things are Happening in Port Edwards Schools!

Submitted by: James Bena, Superintendent



In addition to the excellent academic courses offered in our schools, several members of our staff are going “above and beyond” to continue making Port Edwards Schools the best School District in Central Wisconsin. Here is brief overview of some of the outstanding additional programming that is currently offered or in planning stages for P.E.S.D. students:

Mrs. Natasha Mentch is in the process of creating the “**Port Edwards Middle & High School Art Club**” for the 2023-24 school year. This afterschool club will allow students to try out new art materials, create fun projects, and spend time with fellow students who have the same shared interest in art. The club will be open to both middle and high school students. It will participate in community art projects, compete in the Wisconsin Visual Arts classic and Youth Art Month competitions, and learn gallery techniques outside of the classroom, in order to support local Art venues, including the Alexander House



Mr. Jeff Erdmann is currently in the 2nd year of developing an **Instrumental Strings Program** for Port Edwards students. During the 2021-22 school year, Jeff was able to purchase 6 instruments for the school along with method books, through the sponsorship of the Port Edwards Education Foundation. With further financial assistance from P.E.E.F. during the current 2022-23 school year, Jeff is working with 16 students:



- 4th Grade (1st Year): 3 Violin, 4 Viola, 1 Cello, 1 String Bass
- 5th Grade (1st/2nd Year): 4 Violin, 1 Viola
- 6th Grade: (2nd Year): 1 Violin, 1 Cello

In data collected through a survey, Mr. Erdmann learned that there is interest in his Strings Program for as many as 38 John Edwards Middle School students for the upcoming 2023-24 school year.

Mr. Steve Birno is one of four coaches of the **Lincoln-Nekoosa-Port Edwards-Adams-Friendship Trap Team**. The Port Edwards School District joined this consortium team in the fall of 2016. The team meets once per week for approximately 10 weeks each season; there is both a fall and a spring season. The home field is the Wisconsin Trapshooting Association’s Facility in Rome. The sport is open to all students in grades 6-12, and competitors are eligible to qualify for league, state, and national level competition. Trap shooting is the fastest growing extracurricular activity in the nation, and the team is a member of both the Wisconsin and USA Clay Target Leagues.



Natasha, Jeff, and Steve are three of the several outstanding educators who provide a very well-rounded education for Port Edwards School District Students. Thank you to all of the incredible Port Edwards staff for all that you do!

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Donna Shroda, 6-12 Principal



The end of the year is just as exciting as the beginning as we celebrate lots of successes. The seniors are ending their careers as John Edwards High School students and planning the next chapter in their lives. There are an abundant amount of activities for students, parents, and community events to participate in. Thanks for supporting our children and school.

Sunday, May 7th	Band & Choir Concert @ 1:00pm
Friday, May 12th	MS Dance @ 7pm
Wednesday, May 17th	Senior Dessert @ 6:30pm
Saturday, May 20th	Variety Show @ 7pm
Saturday, May 27th	Graduation @ 11am
Wednesday, May 31st	Last Day of School

Every spring, I hear, “Where did the school year go?” This year was no exception. I loved attending events and seeing our kids shine, talking to parents, and having a bag of popcorn for dinner. But on a more serious note, please know my door is always open. If you have questions, concerns, or need clarification about something please email or call. It might take me a couple of hours, or perhaps a day, to respond but I will. I am old fashioned in the sense that sitting at a round table is more productive than venting to a neighbor or posting on social media. We are all in the same business—educating our children in a safe and positive environment. I have open office hours this summer and if interested, I encourage you to stop in for conversation.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Cara Christy, 4K-5 Principal



As the school year draws to a close, I would like to acknowledge the tremendous growth and learning that has occurred at our school and in our district. I also want to express my heartfelt gratitude to our staff, students, and families for their unwavering commitment to making this year a success.

As most of you may already know, this will be my last newsletter article as Elementary Principal. However, I am excited to continue serving our district in a new role as both the Special Education Director and Director of Curriculum and Instruction for the 2023-24 school year. We are so fortunate that our elementary students will have the opportunity to have Mr. Bena, our superintendent, as their new principal next year. I am confident that this realignment of administrative duties will serve our students and families in the best way possible, as we strive to provide the highest quality education and support for all students. I am looking forward to taking on this new challenge and using my prior experience in curriculum leadership to support our teachers and students.

As we look ahead to the summer, we are excited about the fun learning experiences that will be happening at our elementary summer school program. We will also be serving free breakfast and lunch to all students during this time, and we encourage all Port Edwards students and their siblings under the age of 18 to participate.

In closing, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve your children again this school year, and I look forward to watching them learn and grow in the years to come. Thank you for your continued support of Ed Heuer Elementary School and the Port Edwards School District.

News from the Counseling Department

Submitted by: Jennifer Moore and Ernestine Neve

Senior Dessert

All seniors and their parents are invited to join us on Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30p.m. in the cafeteria to recognize the achievements of the Class of 2023. We encourage all of our seniors to attend.

Remaining ACT Test Dates

ACT Testing Dates:

June 10, 2023 - Register by May 5, 2023

July 15, 2023 - Register by June 16, 2023

School Code 501840

Websites for additional information on these assessments:

<http://www.actstudent.org/sampletest/>

Senior Graduation

John Edwards High School graduation ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 27th at 11:00 a.m. in the large gym.



The staff and students of the Port Edwards School District wish you all the best!

***Chris Aasen
Emily Callahan
Jayden Duehlmeier
CJ Franck
Emily Frizzell*
Nate Gibbs
MacKenzee Gruba
Bella Hanten*
AnnaLeigh Hillemeier
Aija Keeling
Tim Tranel***



***Jaydyn Kesler
Blayke Lecy
Adam Lewis
Sian Luhman
Austin Martinson
Jacob Orheim
Adam Schraeder
Amber Schulz
Gillian Searles**
Melanie Sillars***

** Valedictorian ** Salutatorian*

Notes from the Nurse

Submitted by: Katie Bortz, CESA 5 School Nurse

Unwinding of Medicaid Enrollment

I hope that this newsletter finds you enjoying the warmer spring weather. This month, I wanted to focus on a pressing public health issue that has the ability to impact millions of people in the nation. At the start of the pandemic, Congress enacted a Families First Coronavirus Response Act, which included a requirement that Medicaid programs keep people continuously enrolled through the end of the month in which the COVID-19 public health emergency ends. Because of this, Medicaid enrollment has grown substantially. That policy expired March 31, 2023. Because of this, state officials are required to check whether every person currently enrolled in Medicaid is still eligible and then either terminate or renew coverage. Families who are no longer Medicaid eligible may lose their coverage or be moved to other forms of coverage. This process is being referred to as *The Unwinding*. In Wisconsin, the process was projected to begin as early as April with June being the first month individuals may be disenrolled.

If your family is currently enrolled in Medicaid, you should begin to take steps now to ensure that you do not find yourself without coverage over the summer. Below are some critical steps to take to make sure this doesn't happen:

- Contact the state Medicaid office (800-362-3002) now to make sure your contact information and mailing address is up to date. Notices (with required timeframes to respond) will be sent to families as this process rolls out
- WATCH-READ-ACT: **Watch** your mail - **read** your mail- **act** on any renewal requests/forms ASAP
- Download the MyACCESS smartphone app which can help walk you through the steps or updating your information and renewing if needed

This will be a long and cumbersome process for both government officials and affected families. Please do not hesitate to connect with me if you have questions about this process.

End of the School Year Medication Pick Up!

As a reminder, student medications are not stored over the summer. If you have not already done so, please make arrangements to pick up unused medication on the last day of school. **Medications not picked up by 3:30 on the last day of school will be disposed of.** If your student is attending summer school and will need their medications then, please contact the health office to arrange for pick up at the completion of summer school.



Immunization Updates

Earlier this year, DHS announced changes to Wis.Admin.Code ch DHS 144, Immunization of Students. These changes are still moving through the legislature and no final decisions have been made at this time. Please watch for updates in the fall or be in contact with your primary care provider to ensure your child is up to date with their required vaccinations.

Katie Bortz
CESA 5 School Nurse
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Port Edwards Education Foundation 17th Annual Blackhawk Scramble

Monday, June 19, 2023
Lake Arrowhead Golf Club ~ Lakes Course

1472 Apache Avenue, Nekoosa, WI 54457
(715) 325-2929
www.lakearrowheadgolf.com

TIME: 9:30 a.m. registration & driving range
11:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

COST: \$75 each / \$300 per foursome
*Includes greens fee, cart rental, range balls, prizes,
and **once again a meal is included***

ALL proceeds go to student enrichment projects!

Blackhawk Scramble Registration

Golfers _____,

Address _____
Phone _____



Make checks payable to "PEEF"

Mail with registration form to Port Edwards Education Foundation, P.O. Box 99,
Port Edwards, WI 54469

FOR INFORMATION: Contact Sharon Morell (715-340-0155), email scmorell@charter.net or
Corey Searles 715-884-6650 or Sue Mitchell (715-213-0156) email mitchell5@charter.net

Sponsor \$100.00 _____ Prize Sponsor _____

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High School Forensics

Submitted by Rachel Frizzell, Forensics Advisor

Public speaking continues to rank among people's biggest fears, but the high school had over 20 students choose to join the Forensics team this year! Team members prepared and presented their pieces at two meets this spring. Team members included students in grades 9-12. ALL of our students who competed at the Sub-District Meet qualified to go on to the District Level. Some of those students were Morgan Sturgis, Poetry; Isabeau Dobush, Poetry; Joana Moreno, Poetry; and the group of Annie Friday, Alliyah Ruiz, and Jadan Demarco, Group Interp. Those who qualified for the State Competition traveled to De Forest High School on April 22nd and competed in one final round for the season. State judging is tough, but our students did very well!

Earning Silver Medals (scoring 23-24 out of 25 possible) were:

Play Acting: (group) Dakota Bares, Emily Frizzell, Charlie O'Connor, and Aubree Shroda

Informative Speech: (solo) Nevada Rice

Demonstration Speech: (group) Alicia Heath and Felicity Clouse

Earning Bronze Medals (scoring 20-22 out of 25 possible) were:

Poetry: (solo) Noah Haltner

Prose: (solo) Chase Baumgart

Congratulations to all & we look forward to another great season next school year!



notes from the **MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

The Music Department has had an amazing year! Hundreds of you have enjoyed choir and band concerts, pep band and national anthem performances, grade school programs and string recitals... and the students are still talking about how amazing it was to see you there! But we're not done yet! The end of the year is one of our busiest times and we would love to see you again. Mark these dates on your calendar!

Coming up in May!

May 4 at 6:30pm

Elementary (3rd-5th) Program... *Dorothy Alexander Gymnasium*

May 6 All Day

State Solo & Ensemble... *Hosted by UW-Stevens Point*

May 7

1:00pm Instrumental (6th-12th) Program... *Dorothy Alexander Gymnasium*

2:30pm Vocal (6th-12th) Program... *Dorothy Alexander Gymnasium*

May 25 at 6:30pm

Orchestra Open House... *Elementary School Library*

May 27 at 11:00am

Band and Choir performances at graduation

May 29 at 10:00am

Band plays at Memorial Day Service... *Port Edwards Cemetery*

Save the Dates!

Next fall will be here faster than we think! Please save these dates on your calendars. We will be sure to send more info out, as the dates get closer!

JULY BAND LESSONS

Band lessons for grades 6-12

AUGUST CHOIR CAMP

Aug. 14-18 Voices Boot Camp
Choir, grades 9-12

AUGUST BAND CAMPS

Aug. 21-24 Marching/Pep Band Camps
Band, grades 7-12



STATE SOLO & ENSEMBLE!

These five musicians received the highest ratings possible at District Solo & Ensemble in February, earning the chance to compete again at the State level in May. Wish them luck!

Jasper (trombone) and Emmanuel (euphonium), duet; Emmanuel, euphonium solo; Easton and Jack, vocal duet; Easton, bass solo and musical theatre solo; Jack, bass solo and musical theatre solo; Morgan, mezzo-soprano solo.

Students, from left: Jasper Detlefsen, Jack Schraeder, Morgan Sturgis, Easton Gasch and Emmanuel Van Lysal.

Everything we do is with you in mind. Thank you for supporting us... We saw you clapping at concerts. We heard that you helped us out by volunteering at an event. We even know you bought a fundraising item or two. We are grateful for it all... we couldn't do what we do without you. Thank you... thank you.

See you soon! - Ms.P, Ms. Anderson and Mr. Erdman

P.S. If you see Lisl Detlefsen, Cris Heath, Nikkie Nelson or Priscilla Weis, give them a huge high-five! Those four ladies are our new Music Boosters Officers - and they are moving mountains for our program! Woo-hoo!

JEMS Students Compete in Middle School Math League Competition

Submitted by: Beth Willcome, MS Math Teacher

Students from John Edwards Middle School recently traveled to Edgar to compete in a Middle School Math League competition. Students competed against 38 teams from 14 area schools. Each student completed tests in fractions/decimals/percents, algebra, geometry, individual problem solving, and group problem solving. The Port Edwards Black Team consisting of Griffin Tranel, Kaden Dassow, Wesley Detlefsen, and Izaiah VanLysal placed 6th overall. Members of the Port Edwards Orange Team who placed 15th included Carter Doran, Khayla Peckham, Kaelee Price, and Kelson Casey. The Port Edwards White Team of Victor Lawson, Caden Isaacson, Miles Hanson, and Emma Baumgart also participated in the event. Out of 152 competitors, top individual finishers were Wesley Detlefsen (14th), Victor Lawson (19th), Griffin Tranel (20th), and Kaden Dassow (25th). Congratulations to all of the participants for a job well done!



Top Individual Finishers:

Victor Lawson (19th)

Wesley Detlefsen (14th)



**Port Edwards
Black Team**



**Port Edwards
White Team**

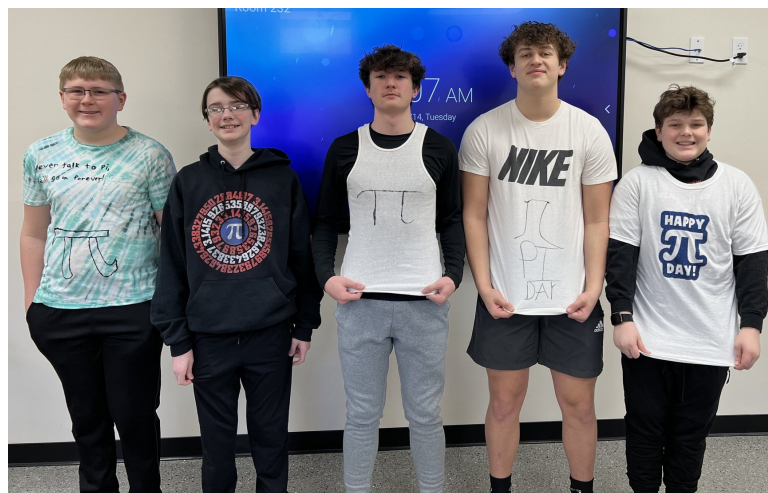
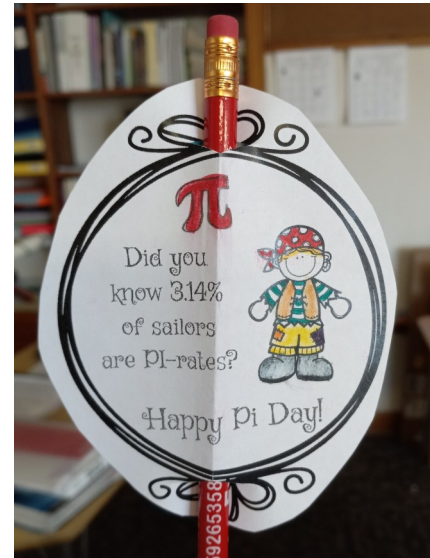


**Port Edwards
Orange Team**

John Edwards High School Celebrated Pi Day!

Submitted by: Deb Martin and Tami Griffith

On March 14, 2023, Mrs. Martin's and Mrs. Griffith's math students celebrated Pi day. Mathematically, Pi is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately 3.14, thus the celebration on or as close to March 14 as possible. Students spent their math classes doing activities associated with the number Pi. They got to measure pies, make "Pi-lentines", write and share Pi day poems, solve pi-related logic or Sudoku puzzles, or play a game of rolling dice to get the Pi digits. Many wore their Pi-Day shirts and of course they also got to enjoy eating some pie!



High School Spanish Students Traveled to Costa Rica

Submitted by: Rachel Frizzell, HS Spanish Teacher

The 2023 Costa Rica Crew had an amazing trip during Spring Break this year! Students who were part of the trip have completed 2-4 years of Spanish classes at the high school level. Thirteen students and two teachers made the trek south. They included Arik Andreason, Dakota Bares, Brynden Beck, Aleea Bonner, Jadan DeMarco, Jason Doebereiner, Annie Friday, Emily Frizzell, AnnaLeigh Hillemeier, Macie Kleifgen, Makayla McGuffey, Aubree Shroda, Lily Sillars and Mr. Van Dehy & Mrs. Frizzell.

Travel went smoothly throughout the week, although some of those curves on those mountain roads were a little rough! We enjoyed many interactive experiences, including eating fresh-picked pineapple in the field and tasting hot chocolate made from freshly ground cocoa beans. The tropical rainforest offered many amazing sights and sounds PLUS the awesome experience of zip-lining from tree to tree! We walked across a 264-meter-long hanging bridge, saw poisonous frogs close up, spotted multiple sloths up in the trees, and saw more tropical birds than we could count!

Other highlights include swimming in water heated by the Arenal Volcano and volunteering at a Children's Center. On our last full day in Costa Rica, we enjoyed the coast with snorkeling and a day at the beach.

Thank you to all those who helped make this trip possible! From our School Board to our administration for their permissions and support. From parents and families of travelers who trusted us with their students and made it possible for each one to participate in the trip. Generous donors through PEEF and those who supported our fundraising efforts--we couldn't have done it without you all! Muchas Gracias!



STUFF THE DESK

East Junior High School, 311 Lincoln St., Wisconsin Rapids

Pick-up line on back side of school on 6th St. S.

AUGUST 18TH & 19TH, 2023

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Students must pre-register from May 1-August 3, 2023
- Pre-register online by scanning QR Code or visit uwsnac.org
- To pre-register by phone, dial 2-1-1 (or 877-947-2211)
Monday through Friday between 8:00am - 5:00pm
- There will be eight time slots to select from (5 time slots Friday & 3 time slots Saturday)
- Participants will be able to select their time slots on a first-come, first-served basis
- In early August you will receive a postcard reminding you of your time slot



Stuff the Desk Committee Partners:





The South Wood County YMCA in partnership with the Boys & Girls Club of Wisconsin Rapids would like to invite you to take part in our upcoming Healthy Kids Day. The goal of this event is to celebrate the YMCA’s National Healthy Kids Day, helping families be active and have fun. The individuals participating in this event will be our staff, students, and members of the community. Advertising will be on all social media platforms, as well as through email, phone calls, websites, banners, and on-site which will ensure the local community has been well informed of the event. The event details are attached.

Date of the event: Saturday, April 29th, 2023

Location: South Wood County YMCA 601 W Grand Ave Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495

Contact: Tracy Vruwink or Heather Khachani 715.818.6019

Suggested arrival time to set up booth: 7:00 am

Vendor Fair hours: 10:00am – 3:00pm

Fees: \$20 for a booth with a 6’ table and 2 chairs
 \$25 for a booth with a 6’ table and 2 chairs and electricity

Indoors/outdoors: vendors indoors/activities outdoors

Form Due: March 31, 2023

South Wood County YMCA Healthy Kids Day Application Form – please complete all information.

Organization _____

Name (s) _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Description of Craft/Activity _____

Description of Display _____

VENDORS WILL BE SUPPLIED A TABLE AND 2 CHAIRS. If you would like a tent, you must provide your own. Please state any special needs here. We will do our best to accommodate your needs. However, guarantees cannot be made.

Vendors can begin setting up at 7:00 am, on Saturday, April 29th, at the YMCA. Parking and set up instructions to follow. Please email or fax completed form by March 31st to Email: vruwink@swcymca.org Or Fax: 715.887.3262 or drop off at front desk of YMCA Attn: Heather or Tracy

Thank you for your interest in being a part of the National YMCA Healthy Kids Day, we will be in contact soon about your participation.

Thank you,
 Heather Khachani khachani@swcymca.org or 715.818.6019
 Tracy Vruwink vruwink@swcymca.org or 715.818.6018



The Great Book Giveaway is Almost Here!

United Way of South Wood & Adams Counties are dedicated to preventing the summer slide and giving children the tools they need to succeed—which is why every year, free books are available to children through the Great Book Giveaway!

At these events, volunteers read books to children, then each child selects books to take home and keep. Reading with young children is one of the most effective ways to improve school readiness, boost literacy skills, and stimulate brain development. Join us at this year's events listed below!

2023 Great Book Giveaway Events:

6/6—THINK Academy, 10:30am

6/6—WR Zoo, 1:30pm

6/7—Ed Heuer Elementary, 10:30am

6/7—McMillan Library, 6:00pm

6/8—YMCA, 10:30am

6/8—Nekoosa Library, 1:30pm

6/9—Adams Library, 10:30am

6/9—Rome Library, 1:30pm

6/13—Vesper Library, 12:30pm

For more information, contact United Way—call 715-421-0390 or email ben@uwsvac.org

We Are Hmong! A Cultural Entertainment Presentation

**Thursday, May 4, 2023 6pm-7pm
at McMillan Memorial Library**

To help bring awareness and celebrate Hmong heritage in the month of April and Asian heritage in the month of May, we invite you to join us for a fun cultural night presented by our Hmong youth students from the Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School and Lincoln High School.

You will get to see traditional Hmong dance performances, a fashion show of many traditional outfits, and so much more about Hmong culture.

Join us in this celebration of Hmong culture and support our Hmong youth as they share their beautiful and proud cultural heritage.



May 2023 ES Breakfast Menu

Elementary School

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

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 VIRTUAL DAY	2 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	3 Chex Mix Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	4 WG Glazed Donut Fruit Juice Milk	5 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
8 Yogurt Granola Fruit Juice Milk	9 Mini Waffle Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	10 Chocolate Crescent Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	11 WG Banana Bread Fruit Juice Milk	12 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
15 Fuel 4U Breakfast Kit Fruit Milk	16 Bug Bites Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	17 Mini Cinnis Fruit Juice Milk	18 Bagel Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	19 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
22 Cereal Bar Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	23 Mini Pancakes Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	24 WG Muffin Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	25 Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk	26 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
29 NO SCHOOL	30 COOK'S CHOICE	31 COOK'S CHOICE		

May 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 VIRTUAL DAY	2 Chicken Nuggets Sauces Smiles Cooked Carrots Apple Slices Pudding Cup	3 Hot Dog WG Bun French Fries Baked Beans Mixed Fruit	4 Rotini Meatballs & Sauce Garlic Bread Peas Warm Apple Slices	5 Big Daddy's Pizza Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate
8 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Baked Beans Slushie	9 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Refried Beans Mandarin Oranges	10 Hot Ham & Cheese Curley Fries Green Beans Peaches Sherbet Cup	11 Chicken Nuggets Sauces Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Grapes	12 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Peas Apple Slices
15 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Mixed Veggies Applesauce	16 Baked Potato Bar Diced Ham Broccoli Peaches Dinner Roll	17 Pretzel Bun Sub Sandwich Baked Chips Baked Beans Mandarin Oranges	18 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Cooked Carrots Pears	19 Mozzarella Dippers Marinara Sauce Corn Banana
22 Calzone Marinara Sauce Peas Pears Pudding Cup	23 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Sweet Potatoes Peaches Dinner Roll	24 Chicken Quesadilla Spanish Rice Refried Beans Orange Wedges Salsa/Sour Cream	25 Lasagna Roll Garlic Bread Green Beans Pineapple	26 Sloppy Joes WG Bun Baked Chips Corn Applesauce
29 NO SCHOOL	30 COOK'S CHOICE No Alternate	31 COOK'S CHOICE No Alternate		HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

May 2023 MS/HS Breakfast Menu

Middle/High 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 VIRTUAL DAY	2 Pop-Tart Yogurt Craisins Juice Milk	3 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Applesauce Cup Juice Milk	4 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Peach Cup Juice Milk	5 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
8 Cereal Yogurt Dried Apples Juice Milk	9 Bagel Omelet Orange Juice Milk	10 WG Banana Bread Sunflower Seeds Applesauce Cup Juice Milk	11 Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel Strawberry Cup Juice Milk	12 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk
15 Pop-Tart Yogurt Craisins Juice Milk	16 Breakfast Sandwich on Croissant Apple Juice Milk	17 Chex Mix Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	18 Mini Pancakes Syrup Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	19 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
22 Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	23 Bagel Omelet Fruit Juice Milk	24 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	25 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	26 Frudel Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk
29 NO SCHOOL	30 COOK'S CHOICE	31 COOK'S CHOICE		

May 2023 MS/HS 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 VIRTUAL DAY	2 Chicken Nuggets Sauces Smiles Cooked Carrots Apple Slices Rice Krispie Treat	3 Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Black Bean Fiesta Peaches Sour Cream/Salsa	4 Rotini Meatballs & Sauce Peas Warm Apple Slices Garlic Bread	5 Big Daddy's Pizza Pasta Salad Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate
8 Chicken Drumsticks Mashed Potatoes Mixed Veggies Slushie Dinner Roll	9 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Black Bean Fiesta Mandarin Oranges Sugar Cookie	10 Hot Ham & Cheese Curley Fries Baked Beans Pineapple Sherbet	11 Beef or Chicken Burrito Bowl Rice/Chips Black Bean Fiesta Corn Grapes	12 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Peas Apple Slices
15 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Mixed Veggies Applesauce	16 Baked Potato Bar Diced Ham Diced Chicken Broccoli Peaches Dinner Roll	17 Pretzel Bun Sub Sandwich Baked Chips Baked Beans Mandarin Oranges	18 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Cooked Carrots Pears Jell-O	19 Mozzarella Dippers Marinara Sauce Corn Banana Ice Cream Sandwich
22 Calzone Marinara Sauce Green Beans Pears Pudding Cup	23 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Sweet Potatoes Peaches Dinner Roll	24 Mini Tacos Spanish Rice Black Bean Fiesta Orange Wedges Salsa/Sour Cream	25 Lasagna Roll Garlic Bread Green Beans Pineapple	26 Sloppy Joes WG Bun Baked Chips Corn Applesauce
29 NO SCHOOL	30 MS: MT. OLYMPUS TRIP HS: COOK'S CHOICE No Alternate	31 Hot Dog/Brat WG Bun Chips Fruit Raw Carrots Ranch No Alternate		HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

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Served with your choice of 1% white or chocolate milk.

Menus Subject To Change.

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Breakfast and lunch are free to all students & their siblings 18 and under.

Students & their siblings are welcome to join us for lunch and breakfast.

Parents must remain in the cafeteria with any siblings not participating in summer school.

Any questions, please call the Elementary school office at 715-887-9070.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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5 Pop-Tart Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	6 Mini Blueberry Waffle Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	7 Muffin Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	8 Banana Bread Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	9 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk
12 Pop-Tart Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	13 Cinni Mini Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	14 Muffin Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	15 Banana bread Cheese stick Fruit Juice Milk	16 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk
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12 French Toast Sticks Syrup Applesauce Juice Milk	13 Pizza Peas Applesauce Milk	14 Chicken Patty WG Bun Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Milk	15 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tator Tots Baked Beans Pears Milk	16 Smuckers Baked Chips Baby Carrots Slushie Milk
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PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 8, 2023 – Elementary IMC, Port Edwards, WI

Minutes

Meeting called to order by President Daven at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: John Daven, Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt, Dana Duncan (arrival at 5:40)

ABSENT: None

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

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

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

2. 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

Motion by Thomasgard, second by Hildebrandt to adjourn into closed session. Voting yes – Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt. Motion carried.

A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Executive Session – February 8, 2023

B. Discuss 2023-24 Certified Employee Staffing

C. Discuss 2023-24 Administration Support Contracts

D. Discuss 2023-24 Administration Contracts

E. Discuss 2023-24 Certified Employee Contracts

F. Discuss 2023-24 Support Staff Compensation

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

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

Motion by Duncan, second by Thomasgard to approve items C – F as discussed in closed session. Voting yes – all. Motion carried. Hildebrandt recused himself from vote.

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, Kala Dorshorst, Kristen Winters

5:30 p.m.—Business Session

4. Report from Student Representatives

Student Council Members Jason Doebereiner and Oracio Hernandez gave an update on the current activities at JEMS/JEHS: Band Director Emilie Anderson is starting an extra-curricular Jazz Band and has invited interest students to come to practice on Mondays and Wednesdays after school. Members of Forensics performed recently at Assumption and will be traveling to SPASH this Saturday. Spring sports are underway. Track began this week, softball will begin on Monday and baseball will begin the following week.

5. Report from Dani Kilps, Athletic Trainer

Dani Kilps, Athletic Trainer, presented to the Board. Ms. Kilps shared the history of the athletic training program at the Port Edwards School District. Ms. Kilps stated that March is National Athletic Training Month and shared the Athletic Trainer Proclamation.

6. Instrumental Music Presentation – Jeff Erdman

Mr. Erdman and two of his students performed a strings presentation. Mr. Erdman also gave a report to the Board on the development of the strings club. Vision to collaborate for all river cities string. Will be submitting a budget request looking to enhance the program and increase this to be a co-curricular offering.

7. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

President Daven reported that all Board members were in attendance.

B. Reading of DPI Proclamation—School Breakfast Program

President Daven read the School Breakfast Proclamation.

C. Next Board Meeting

Board President Daven reported that the next meeting of the School Board will be Wednesday, April 12, 2023.

8. Administrative Reports

A. District Administrator Report – Superintendent Bena

- Presentations from Luke Schultz, CESA 10 and Debby Burnett, Baird on Referendum Planning

Luke Schultz from CESA 10 presented a Long-Range Facility Plan to the Board to assist with referendum planning.

Debby Burnett from Baird Financial also did a presentation for the Board. Ms. Burnett shared information on referendum planning, long-term impacts, state funding, and information on recurring, non-recurring and capital referendums.

The Board had discussion with both Mr. Schultz and Ms. Burnett regarding the information presented.

B. Elementary Principal Report – Principal Christy

Principal Christy reported that the elementary school celebrated Read Across America. There were many activities throughout the week including special guest readers, Mrs. McGrath, Mr. Bena and Mr. Dassow. Principal Christy stated that the week ended with the “Cat in the Hat” play put on by staff members. Emily Frizzell, senior student from NHS, organized a penny war in support of the Griffith family. \$3,470 was raised and a presentation was held to present a check to the Griffith family.

C. MS/HS Principal Report – Principal Shroda

Ms. Shroda stated that ACT testing went well and credited Jen Moore and Ann Aschenbrenner for all of the work they did to assure that the process went smoothly. Principal Shroda stated that our district decided to do the paper form of the ACT versus online. Principal Shroda stated that she learned many schools had issues with the online version so we were fortunate not to have those problems. Ms. Shroda stated that next year’s schedule is progressing. Principal Shroda reminded everyone to continue to vote for our high school band in the Heid Music competition.

9. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

10. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – February 8, 2023

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

11. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

A. Check Summaries February 1-28, 2023

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B. District Revenues Report February 1-28, 2023

C. District Expenditures Report February 1-28, 2023

D. February Cash Balance Report

E. February Cash Receipt Report

F. February Substitutes Report

G. Budget Revisions

H. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director Miller reported that Kathy McGrath donated two Jan Brett books to the elementary school.

Business Director Miller reported that there was a budget revision was done to update the Perkin Grant. (Accounting below)

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

12. Consider Approval of 2023-24 CESA 5 Service Contract

Motion by Duncan, second by McGrath to approve the 2023-24 CESA 5 Service Contract. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

13. Consider Approval of Start College Now Applications – Fall 2023

Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to approve the Start College Now applications for Fall 2023. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

14. Consider Approval of Co-Curricular Contracts:

A. John Sechen—Asst. Baseball Coach

Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to approve John Sechen as Asst. Baseball Coach. Voting yes- all. Motion carried.

B. Tanya Bever – MS Track Coach

Motion by McGrath, second by Duncan to approve above contracts Tanya Bever as MS Track Coach. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

15. First reading of Neola Policies

Superintendent Bena discussed the updates to the Neola policies.

16. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment

Thomasgard – Encouraged all to vote in the upcoming April election.
McGrath – Stated she is very proud of all that is going on in our district.
Duncan – Recommended that the school district look for opportunities to give the community members exposure to our buildings.
Hildebrandt – Stated it was great to see all the students this evening and praised Mr. Erdman for the strings performance.
Daven – Enjoyed the music this evening and proud to see the presentation to the Griffith family.

17. Establish Future Board Meetings

Wednesday, April 12, 2023, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
Wednesday, May 10, 2023, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

18. Call for Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Budget Revision:

Increase to Perkins Grant

	Debit	Credit
10 R 800 517 000000 962		\$412.00
10 E 800 312 132000 962	\$412.00	

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOL
Special Session of the Board of Education
5:00 p.m., Thursday, March 30, 2023 – JEMS/JEHS Library, 801 2nd St.
Port Edwards, WI

SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES

Meeting called to order by President, John Daven

Roll Call

PRESENT: John Daven (via Zoom), Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Dana Duncan

ABSENT: Cary Hildebrandt,

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna Shroda, Kristen Winters, Rod Winters

1. Consider Approval of Agenda
Motion by McGrath, second by Daven to approve the agenda as presented. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
2. Discussion on Referendum
Board members discussed referendum options with Luke Schultz, Lindsey Schreiner and Don Keck of CESA 10, Superintendent Bena and Business Director Miller. Discussion included the timeline, referendum scenarios and community survey.
3. Call for Adjournment
Motion by McGrath, second by Thomasgard to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – Thomasgard, McGrath, Duncan. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

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