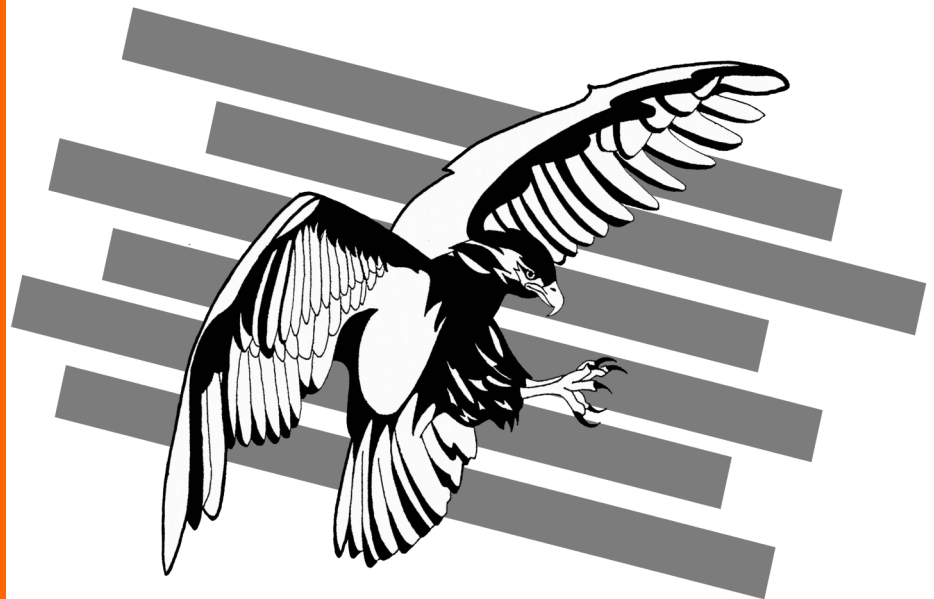


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One Student at a Time*

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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 Kyle Cronan, Non-Discrimination Compliance Officer, at 801 Second Street, Port Edwards, WI 54469 or call 715-887-9000, ext. 102.

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2022 Enrollment and the Effect on the District

Submitted by: Kyle Cronan, Superintendent



Enrollment has an effect on many aspects of a school district, with the school funding formula being an item that is almost exclusively driven by enrollment. This has recently been an area of good news for the Port Edwards School District. As of the writing of this article, the enrollment of students in our seats is 446. Enrollment certainly fluctuates and for Port Edwards School District we experienced an increase of about 30% between September 2015 and September 2019. After two years of the COVID-19 pandemic, we still have more students attending our classes today than we did when compared to each year during the period from September 2012 to June 2018. While last year we experienced a decline in enrollment due to the pandemic, this year our enrollment has rebounded.

While it appears that we peaked in enrollment during the 2019-2020 school year, it is evident that the pandemic has driven some drastic changes in enrollment across the state for the past two years. We continue to monitor our enrollment and look for trends. We know that currently the largest classes are in our middle school grades and that our smallest class is in our high school. In the middle school, the average enrollment is 39 students per grade level and in both the high school and elementary school the current average is 30 students per grade level. It is vital that as we emerge from the pandemic, we keep a careful watch on our early elementary grade levels, as enrollment at these levels will drive our state funding formula in the future. The chart below shows several items:

- The revenue limit that is established by the state funding formula
- The three year average enrollment used to set our funding
- The Department of Public Instruction calculated enrollment
- The actual number of students in the seats in September

Year	Base Revenue Limit Factored on Previous 3 Year Average Enrollment	Previous 3 Year Average Enrollment Based on DPI Calculated Enrollment	DPI Calculated Enrollment Based on State Funding Formula	Actual Enrollment of Students in Seats in September
2022-23	\$4,965,203	445	TBD Sept. 2022	TBD Sept. 2022
2021-22	\$4,920,572	441	448	453 (current 446)
2020-21	\$4,731,846	431	421	439
2019-20	\$4,418,738	409	465	458
2018-19	\$4,191,859	388	437	443
2017-18	\$4,105,429	380	391	408
2016-17	\$4,116,233	381	398	387
2015-16	\$4,256,682	394	375	360
2014-15	\$4,366,334	410	368	368
2013-14	\$4,501,078	428	401	390
2012-13	\$4,632,012	443	416	417

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Open enrollment has a significant effect on our enrollment. This year, over a quarter (approximately 27%) of our students attending in the District were open enrolled into the District. This is by far the largest percentage of students open enrolled into a District in Wood County. Our two closest neighboring districts have a much lower rate of open enrollment: WRPS 3.6% and Nekoosa 8.3%. Port Edwards School District for years has had fairly significant numbers of both students open enrolled into and out of the District. The District is bringing in through open enrollment over a quarter of the total student enrollment. At the same time, we are seeing about the same percentage open enroll out of our District. The vast majority of students who open enroll out of the District have never attended school in the District (approximately 88%). For funding purposes, we are not able to count students open enrolled into the District, so these students are subtracted from our enrollment totals, however we can add back into our total students that are Port Edwards residents but open enrolled out. This past fall we had 126 students open-enroll into the District and we had 126 students open enroll out of the District.

As we have seen more families move into the District, there are times when those families have chosen to keep their children enrolled in their original District. This is especially true when it comes to older children. To illustrate this, our current senior class of 2022 has 10 students open enrolled into the District and 17 students open enrolled out of the District. Only one of those students open enrolled out ever attended John Edwards High School and only one other student attended in Port Edwards at any other time. So, 15 of those senior students open enrolled out have never attended Port Edwards. Further, to illustrate the change in population in the District, when the current senior class of 2022 was in their 9th grade year, 11 students open enrolled in and only 9 students open enrolled out. At some point during their high school years, approximately 6 more students moved into the District, but attended school elsewhere.

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or comments, please contact the school at 715-887-9000.

Substitutes Needed

Port Edwards School District is seeking individuals to serve as substitute teachers and/or substitute paraprofessionals. Please consider this opportunity to join our team and make a difference in the lives of students.

Benefits of Substitute Teaching

- Be part of a fun, motivated team of educators
- Help students learn and grow
- Gain beneficial work experience in education, applicable to related fields
- Network with other professional educators
- Enjoy a flexible schedule
- Earn competitive pay (\$115/day for substitute teachers; \$13.50/hour for substitute paraprofessionals)

Necessary Qualifications

Substitute Teacher

- Four-year college degree and sub license
- OR Associates Degree with an online course through DPI and sub license

Substitute Paraprofessional

- High School diploma desired

How to Apply

Please call the district office and ask to speak to Ernestine Neve or visit the Teachers on Call website.

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Donna Shroda, 6-12 Principal



Most people make New Year's resolutions in January. The school world is quite different; most activity is from September through early June. While we make goals and prepare at the beginning of the year, we also take time to reevaluate often. Although academics is our primary goal, we also know a student's physical and mental health, especially in this pandemic, is important. This is why we often have a team supporting a student. This could include a teacher, a nurse, a counselor or Blackhawk advisor. As a parent, please be part of that team for your child. Ultimately, we want the same goal for our students: success! This plan could

include frequent communication between school and home, consistent student check-ins, or modified instruction.

The past several years have been challenging enough; we need to stay focused and positive on our goals. We have learned and operated through modified schedules, virtual lessons, quarantine and/or attendance mandates, and rescheduling of extracurricular events. These changes have become the norm, and our kids have become very resilient. We are all part of their support systems and we need to encourage our students.

We are asking everyone involved in each student's academic plan to remain vigilant. Ask the teachers and coaches about your child, read Infinite Campus alerts, and engage in active conversations with your child. I welcome the direct phone call to help or clarify information. It is difficult to respond to an anonymous note or social media. I like to think that together we can "Identify our problems and give power and energy to the solutions." -Tony Robbins

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Cara Christy, 4K-5 Principal



Port Elementary School students have been very busy learning and working hard this winter. Our students are progressing and making gains and our staff is so proud of how much they have accomplished so far this school year. We are fortunate to have both reading and math interventionists on staff this year helping to close the gaps for our students struggling in those areas. Our interventionists work with small groups of students to target particular areas based on data gathered throughout the year. They give our students the additional support they need which helps them stay on target and be successful in the classroom.

This month is also the beginning of 4K and kindergarten registration. Registration begins on February 14th and runs through February 18th. Forms are available online and can be dropped off at the elementary school office at 951 Fifthth Street from 7:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. Students registering for kindergarten must be five years old by September 1, and students registering for four-year-old kindergarten must be four years old by September 1. 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.

Another exciting event heading our way is Port Elementary Summer School. At this time, we are planning on having summer school in the same fashion as years past. This year, the elementary school will host summer school from June 6th - June 24th. We will be offering a wide variety of courses in the morning, and students will once again be offered afternoon swimming lessons and activities at the YMCA. Sign up will be available sometime next month, so stay tuned. Thank you!

News from the Counseling Department

Submitted by: Jen Moore , MS/HS Counselor

Scholarships

Continue to look at the Scholarship Opportunities document in Google. New scholarships are being added on a regular basis. Please pay close attention to deadlines. Many scholarships must be completed online.

College Open Campus Tours

Many colleges are offering virtual and in-person campus tours. If you would like to schedule a visit, your school of choice will have information on their websites. If you need assistance finding that information, please stop in the counseling department.

Secondary Schooling Fall of 2022

If you are going on to a technical or 4 year college in the fall, you may be required to take placement exams at their campuses. Please make sure you know if that is a requirement of your school and schedule the appropriate test dates.

Start College Now

Juniors or seniors interested in Start College Now or the Early College Credit Program for next fall should stop in the counseling department for an application. Applications are due March 1, 2022. Those specifically interested in classes at MSTC should sign up for an appointment with our MSTC representative who will be available February 3rd.

Assessment Dates

Juniors:

ACT Plus Writing grade 11 – March 8, 2022

Freshman and Sophomores:

ACT Aspire – Test window April Mar 28, 2022 - May 20, 2022

Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8:

Wisconsin Forward - Test window March 21 - April 29, 2022

Advanced Placement Exams

AP English Literature - May 4, 2022

ACT 2022 Test Dates Remaining (High School Code 501840)

<u>Off Site Test Dates are as follows:</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
April 2, 2022	February 25, 2022
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022
July 16, 2022	June 17, 2022

Notes from the Nurse

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

Even though COVID is top of mind, it is important to remember that there are several non-COVID related illnesses going around. COVID or not, we need you to keep your sick children home. Here is a reminder of our district health protocols. Please keep your child at home if they have the following signs or symptoms:

An oral temperature of 100.4 or higher

(may return 24 hours after fever subsides WITHOUT using fever-reducing medication.)

Diagnosed communicable diseases (influenza, RSV, strep throat)

Multiple cold like symptoms that are disruptive to learning

(Including cough, congestion, sore throat, headache, thick green drainage from nose)

Unexplained rash resembling a contagious disease

Red/mattering/itchy/watery eyes

Vomiting/diarrhea within the last 24 hours

Unexplained extreme fatigue (sleeping in class)

Until child has been on antibiotics/other treatment of diagnosed illness for 24 hours

Sick At School: If your child becomes ill during the school day, a call will be placed to the parent(s) of the child to arrange for the child to be picked up. If the parents cannot be reached, we will attempt to contact the emergency contacts listed in Infinite Campus. We consider the child sick if they are running a fever, have a vomiting or diarrhea episode, are coughing enough to disrupt learning (for themselves or others around them), or if they are not able to participate in class due to feeling ill. If the child is not running a fever and has not vomited/ diarrhea, we will have the child rest and try to send them back to class. If the child is not able to return to class, we will attempt to contact the parent for pick up. It is very important that contact information is always current; please inform the office of any changes immediately. These precautions are important for the health of not only your child, but the health of other students and our staff as well.

Covid Corner

Effective immediately, the PESD is now able to test students, staff and their direct household contacts as well! Please utilize this service for your family as needed.

As a reminder, in order to make the process as smooth as possible for your family if/when the need arises for testing - please fill out the NOAH labs registration/consent form today!

Each person testing will need to have the registration filled out: <https://www.lifepoint40.com/NOAH/lpi3/?event=PatientPortal:auth.outreach>

As you likely already know, the CDC guidelines have been ever changing since the end of 2021. The biggest change has been the shortened isolation and quarantine periods. Multiple district communications have gone out about these changes. We appreciate your patience as we navigate these changes.

PEPO [Port Edwards Parent Organization]

Submitted by: Jennie Breitrack, PEPO President

The students in grades 4K-through 3rd grade enjoyed a Christmas cookie from Treats by Tori as a special treat to celebrate the holidays. We also were able to purchase popcorn from Roger's Cinema for the K-3rd grade students to finish out the year and we were able to make donations to the teachers of grades 4K-3rd to help with a Christmas activity or gift for their students. Let's not forget grades 4th and 5th - we were able to pay for their fun day of bowling at Bowlmor Lanes.



We were able to purchase some fun snow toys for the kids to play with on the playground. Ask your student if they use them.

Our Ruby Red fundraiser was a huge success! Without your continued support or our fundraisers, we would not be able to help the teachers and YOUR students have a great year at school!

Our next meeting will be February 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary School library.

Don't forget to download the Box Tops for Education app and scan your receipts. All proceeds from Box Tops goes directly into our playground fund. We are looking to use these funds to bring some new playground equipment and toys to the playground this year. **Keep on scanning!**

Thank you for your continued support.

Remember to stay connected with us on Facebook.

4-YEAR-OLD AND 5-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION WEEK IN PORT EDWARDS—FEBRUARY 14-18

Kindergarten and 4-year-old kindergarten registration for the 2022-2023 school year will take place February 14-18th. Registration materials are available on the website and can be emailed to melviti@pesd.k12.wi.us or dropped off at the Elementary School Office at 951 5th Street from 7:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Students currently enrolled in the 4K program at the YMCA do not need to register for kindergarten. Children must be 4 or 5 years old on or before September 1, 2022 to be eligible in the fall.

Parents considering Port Edwards Schools under Open Enrollment are asked to register their child. The school district will hold your registration paperwork until open enrollment decisions are made in June. For more information regarding registration, please call 715-887-9070.



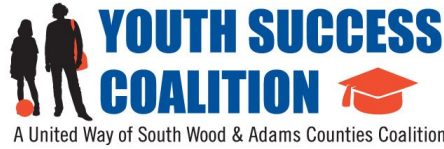
Open Enrollment

Public school open enrollment in Wisconsin officially begins on **February 7th for the 2022-2023 school year**. Parents and students who are interested in open enrolling their student(s) into the Port Edwards School District are welcome to tour our schools. Please contact either the elementary office or the middle/high school office to set up a time to explore what Port Edwards has to offer. More information on the open enrollment process is provided below.

Port Edwards Elementary School Office: 715-887-9070
John Edwards Middle/High School Office: 715-887-9000

Guidance for Parents and Guardians

- Parents and guardians may complete open enrollment applications online at <http://dpi.wi.gov/oe>. The online application will be available from **Feb. 7 until 4 p.m. on April 29, 2022**
- Parents are limited to no more than three applications to nonresident school districts for each child during the open enrollment application period.
- Applications must be filled out completely and accurately. Contact the local school district office or the DPI if assistance is needed in completing the application.
- Parents may request enrollment in a specific school or program in the nonresident school district; however, enrollment is subject to space and other limitations and is not guaranteed.
- Parents may apply for their children to attend 4-year old kindergarten under open enrollment only if the resident school district also offers a 4-year-old kindergarten program for which the child is eligible.



Find out what's happening with Youth Success Coalition member
McMillan Library!

Looking for warm and cozy adventures in the Wisconsin Rapids area? Stop by the McMillan Memorial Library and find fun for all ages.

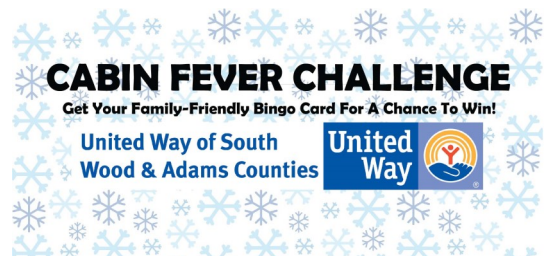
Did you know McMillan has weekly programming just for teens? Most Mondays at 4:30pm there will be programming for teens including book clubs, maker nights, curry nights, and game nights. All teens ages 11 to 18 are encouraged to sign up for any of these free programs. Email Miss Alicia at teen@mcmillanlibrary.org for more information on teen programs.

Children and families can enjoy new family fun kits every week. Take home kits will bring families on a tour of the world with a different location featured each month—kits include a variety of projects, with one containing ingredients for a new recipe from the featured world region. Recipe kits are limited and require registration.

For more information about any programming or upcoming events call 715-422-5136, visit the library at 490 East Grand Avenue in Wisconsin Rapids, or email ask@mcmillanlibrary.org.



Youth Success Coalition and Early Years Coalition have teamed up once again to offer the **Cabin Fever Challenge** this February! In this month-long, bingo card style event, families complete a variety of fun activities to help fight off winter boredom. Suggested categories of activities include: **C**aring for **C**ommunity, **A**ctivity, **B**uilding Skills, **I**nterests & hobbies, and trying something **N**ew. Families may choose to complete any activity to fill in squares of the bingo card. For each row completed, the family will earn an entry to win one of three gift baskets, and if a blackout bingo is achieved (every square filled) that family will earn an additional entry. To be entered into the prize drawing, families must turn their game cards into United Way of South Wood & Adams Counties by Friday, March 4, 2022. To get a Cabin Fever Challenge Bingo Card visit the United Way Office, McMillan Library, or find it online along with the official rules at www.uwsac.org/cabin-fever.





File a 2021 Tax Return to Get the Remainder of Your 2021 Child Tax Credit

Many families got up to half of their estimated **2021 Child Tax Credit** as advance payments last year. Here are **three** steps to getting the rest of your credit:

Step 1: Review Letter 6419

- You should have received this letter in January 2022 if you received advance Child Tax Credit payments in 2021.
- It shows the amount of advance payments you received and the number of qualifying children the payments were based on.
- You or your tax preparer will use this information to figure your remaining credit accurately.
- If you misplaced your letter, you can look up your information using the IRS's **CTC Update Portal** or **Online Account**.

Step 2: Claim the Rest of Your 2021 Child Tax Credit

- File your 2021 federal tax return and claim the Child Tax Credit, if you're eligible.
- Choose direct deposit if you're getting a refund. Make sure your bank account information is correct.

Step 3: Get Paid!

- After you file your return, you can check on the status of your refund using the **Where's My Refund?** tool on IRS.gov or the mobile app **IRS2Go**.
- You can check within 24 hours of e-filing or within four weeks of mailing a return. Updates to the online tool are made daily, usually overnight.
- To use this tool, you need your Social Security number, filing status and the exact whole dollar amount of your refund.

Important Information

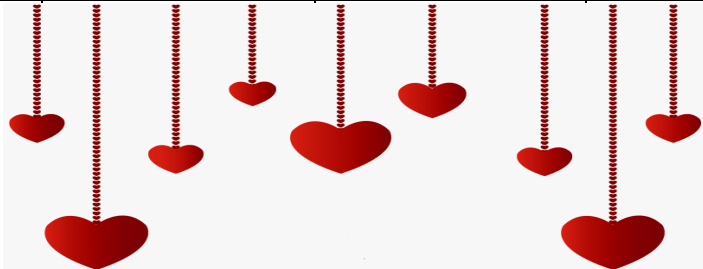
- » Filing a tax return is the only way to get the remainder of your 2021 Child Tax Credit.
- » Electronic filing with direct deposit is the safest and fastest way to get a tax refund.
- » Many people qualify for free e-filing through **IRS Free File** or at a volunteer tax preparation site.

February 2022 ES Breakfast Menu

Elementary School

Breakfast Prices:
 All Students: FREE Adults: \$2.00
 Menus Subject to Change

This institution is a equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 French Toast Sticks Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	2 Poptart Fruit Juice Milk	3 Yogurt Crunch Mania Graham Snacks Fruit Juice Milk	4 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
7 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	8 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	9 Chex Mix Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	10 Glazed Donut Fruit Juice Milk	11 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
14 Yogurt Granola Fruit Juice Milk	15 Egg & Bacon Sandwich Fruit Juice Milk	16 WG Mini Waffles Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	17 WG Banana Bread Fruit Juice Milk	18 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
21 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	22 WG Muffin Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	23 Mini Cinnis Fruit Juice Milk	24 Bagel Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	25 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
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February 2022 ES Lunch Menu

Alternate Lunch Choice:

Monday: Smuckers

Tuesday: Taco Salad

Wednesday: Turkey Wrap

Thursday: Chef Salad

Friday: Cheese Pizza

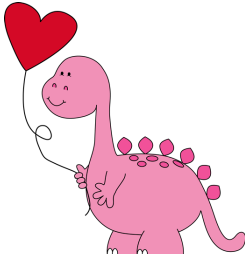
LUNCH PRICES:

Elementary: FREE Middle School: FREE

High School: FREE Adults: \$4.08

Menus Subject to Change

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.


Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 Mac-N-Cheese Dinner Roll Pineapple Jell-O Green Beans	2 Pepperoni French Bread Broccoli Slushie	3 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pears	4 Big Daddy's Pizza Baked Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate Choice
7 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Baked Beans Peaches	8 Ravioli Cheese Filled Breadstick Green Beans Blueberries Cookie	9 Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Pineapple Fortune Cookie	10 Spaghetti Meatballs Garlic Bread Warm Apples Slices Peas	11 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Coleslaw Banana
14 Hamburger WG Bun Curley Fries Baked Beans Apple Slices	15 Pancake on a Stick Syrup Hash Brown Patty Applesauce Juice	16 Hot Dog WG Bun French Fries Peas Peaches	17 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Pineapple Pudding	18 Grilles Cheese Tomato Soup Crackers Sweet Potatoes Slushie
21 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Pears Peas	22 WG Nachos Ground Beef Cheese Sauce Cooked Carrots Mandarin Oranges	23 Teriyaki Chicken Fried Rice Stir Fry Veggies Pineapple Fortune Cookie	24 French Toast Sticks Syrup Applesauce Juice	25 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tator Tots Baked Beans Grapes
28 No School				

February 2022 MS/HS Breakfast Menu

Middle/High School

Breakfast Prices:
 All Students: FREE Adults: \$2.00
 Menus Subject to Change

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	2 Crunch Mania Graham Crackers Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	3 Bacon Egg and Cheese Biscuit Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	4 Frudel Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk
7 Poptart Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	8 Breakfast Sandwich on Croissant Fruit Juice Milk	9 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	10 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	11 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
14 Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	15 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	16 Strawberry Mini Bagel Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	17 WG Banana Bread Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	18 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk
21 Poptart Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	22 Breakfast Sandwich on Croissant Fruit Juice Milk	23 Chex Mix Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	24 Mini Pancakes Syrup Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	25 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
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February 2022 MS/HS Lunch Menu

Alternate Lunch Choice:

Monday: Smuckers

Tuesday: Taco Salad

Wednesday: Turkey Wrap

Thursday: Chef Salad

Friday: Cheese Pizza

LUNCH PRICES:

Elementary: FREE Middle School: FREE

High School: FREE Adults: \$4.08

Menus Subject to Change

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pineapple Dinner Roll	2 Mac-N-Cheese Bar Applesauce Broccoli Sugar Cookie	3 Spaghetti Meatballs Garlic Bread Warm Apples Slices Peas Chocolate Chip Cookie	4 Big Daddy's Pizza Pasta Salad Baked Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate Choice
7 Chicken Fajitas Salsa Sour Cream Spanish Rice Refried Beans Peaches	8 Orange Chicken or General Tso Chicken Rice Broccoli Pineapple	9 Pretzel Bun Sub Sandwich Baked Chips Mandarin Oranges Peas	10 French Toast Sticks Syrup Omelet Applesauce Juice	11 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tater Tots Baked Beans Grapes
14 Chicken Drumsticks Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Slushie Dinner Roll	15 Chili Cheese Filled Breadstick Peas Mandarin Orange Fluff	16 Hot Ham & Cheese Curley Fries Pineapple Baked Beans Sherbet Cup	17 Beef or Chicken Burrito Bowl Rice Chips Fiesta Beans Corn Grapes	18 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Apple Slices Mixed Veggies
21 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Peaches	22 WG Nachos Ground Beef Cheese Sauce Refried Beans Mandarin Oranges Sugar Cookie	23 Teriyaki Chicken Stir Fry Veggies Fried Rice Pineapple Fortune Cookie	24 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Jell-O Pineapple Peas	25 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Coleslaw Banana Ice Cream Sandwich
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PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 8, 2021 – Elementary IMC, Fifth Street, Port Edwards, WI

Minutes

Meeting called to order by Vice President Leo Thomasgard at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath, Cary Hildebrandt (remotely), Ben Martinson (remotely)

ABSENT: John Daven

ALSO PRESENT: Kyle Cronan, Superintendent, Lisa Miller, Business Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Cara Christy, Donna Shroda

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by McGrath 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.

A. Consider Approval of Past Executive Session Minutes – November 10, 2021

B. Discuss Support Staff Compensation 2021-22

C. Professional Staff Compensation Model Review

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

3. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene into Open Session pursuant to section 19.86 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

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

4. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

Vice President Thomasgard reported that Board Members, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson were all in attendance. Board Member Daven was absent due to work obligations.

B. Next Board Meeting

Vice President Thomasgard reported that the next business meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022.

5. Administrative Reports

A. Report on School Report Card - Superintendent Cronan

Superintendent Cronan reviewed the state report card and shared the testing results for all grade levels. Superintendent Cronan stated that the link to the testing results are on the district website.

B. Report on Elementary School Book Fair – Principal Christy

Principal Christy reported that Elementary School Book Fair was very successful. Ms. Christy thanked Mrs. Sorbo for all of the hard work she puts into the fair. April 18 -22 the Book Fair will return and will feature the "buy one, get one" sale that the students enjoy.

C. Report on Middle/High School Recognition & Testing Information– Principal Shroda

Principal Shroda reported that at the end of the first trimester, the high school staff, organized by Tim Miller and Carla Leonhardt, recognized students in a number of categories: straight As, academic honors, perfect attendance, and a nomination for a contribution in adding to the positivity of our school. Each student received a certificate of acknowledgment and were entered into drawings for local gift cards. The message sent to the students was to keep working hard and remain positive. The staff plans to continue recognizing student's at random times throughout the remainder of the school year to promote school climate.

Principal Shroda congratulated senior, Sam Rasmussen and junior, Bella Hanten on their recognition by the Society of Women Engineers.

Principal Shroda reported that middle/high school will be using STAR screening offered by Renaissance Learning in Math and Reading. It offers universal screening, progress monitoring, and goal-setting data to move every student forward. The data received from this screening assists the teachers in meeting the needs of the students.

Principal Shroda reported that the middle/high school will be attending Roger's Cinema for a movie before break.

6. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

7. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meetings – November 10, 2021

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Martinson to approve the minutes of the past meeting. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

8. Consider Approval of Financial Reports
 - A. Check Summaries November 1-30, 2021
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 - B. District Revenues Report November 1-30, 2021
 - C. District Expenditures Report November 1-30, 2021
 - D. Cash Receipt Summary.....November 1-30, 2021
 - E. November Cash Balance Report
 - F. November Substitutes Report
 - G. November Budget Revisions
 - H. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director Miller reported that a budget revision was made to update Fund 21.

Business Director Miller reported the following donations:

- Wayne & Jan Dykstra – playground balls
- Dustin & Jessica Lease – school supplies
- Dave Mingo – boots, coats and snow pants

Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to approve the financial reports as submitted. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

9. Consider Approval of 2022-23 Course Description Changes

Motion by Martinson, second by McGrath to approve the 2022-23 course description changes. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

10. Consider Approval of Support Staff Compensation 2021-22

Motion by Martinson, second by McGrath to approve the support staff compensation 2021-22. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

11. Consider Approval of Chemistry Lab Bids to Date with Total Project Not to Exceed \$325,000

A. Flooring	Concrete Specialties	\$12,642
B. Asbestos Abatement	Dirty Ducts	\$23,445
C. HVAC	Complete Control	\$159,550
D. Ceiling	Schmitt Acoustics	\$9,000
E. Electrical	E-Con	\$11,965
SUB-TOTAL		\$216,602
F. Cabinets/Counters/Fixtures		TBD
G. Painting		TBD
H. Finish Work		TBD
NOT TO EXCEED		\$325,000

Superintendent Cronan requested that \$25,000 be added to the “Not to Exceed” amount for a total of \$350,000.

Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Martinson to approve the Chemistry Lab Bids with the Not to Exceed amount of \$350,000.

Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

12. Consider Approval of Middle School Girls Basketball Coach – Jodi Waltenberg

Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve Jodi Waltenberg as the Middle School Girls Basketball Coach.

Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

13. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment

McGrath – Congratulated Lisa Moen on her retirement and thanked her for her years of service.

Hildebrandt – Congratulations to Sam Rasmussen and Bella Hanten for their recognitions.

Martinson – Credit to the entire staff on the results of the school report cards.

Thomasgard – Thanked the staff for their efforts on recognizing students as Principal Shroda reported.

14. Establish Future Board Meetings

Wednesday, January 12, 2022, Closed Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

Wednesday, February 9, 2022, Closed Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

15. Call for Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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