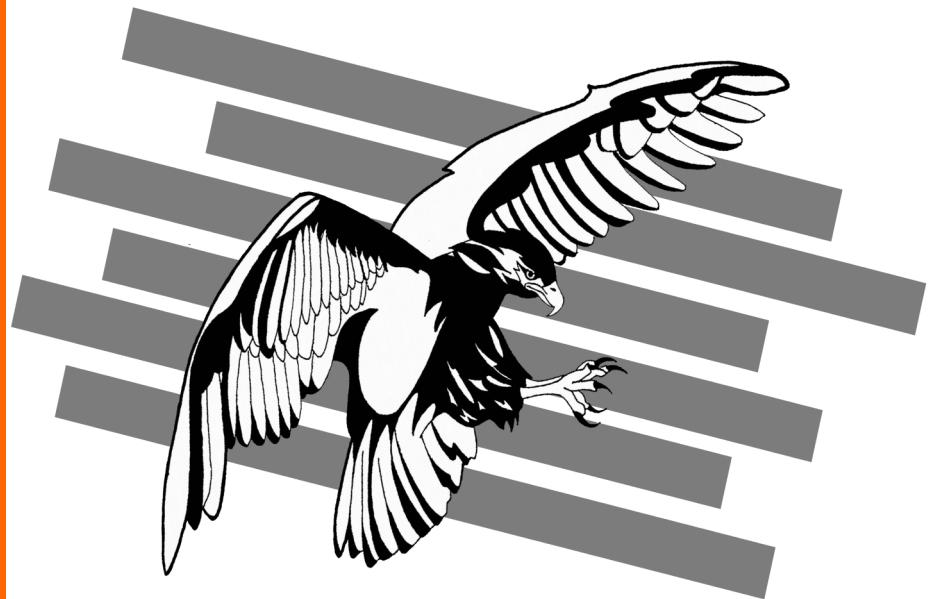


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## Referendum Update

*Submitted by: Kyle Cronan, Superintendent*



During the spring election of 2019, the voters of the District approved the following question on the ballot: Shall the School District of Port Edwards, Wood County, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$600,000 per year for five years beginning with the 2019-2020 school year and ending with the 2023-2024 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of maintaining educational programs and paying for operational and maintenance expenses?

### **Some accomplishments from the spring of 2020 through the current date and into the summer:**

1. Replace roof section over JEHS/MS Music and Technology Education
2. Replace steps on the east side of JEHS/MS that are at the middle school hallway entrance
3. Replace carpet in the 1st/2nd Grade rooms at Elementary School
4. Replaced classroom curtains in Kindergarten/1st grade/2nd grade
5. Replace JEHS/MS library carpet
6. Update JEHS/MS computer system that controls heating system that feeds southwest part of the building
7. Installed additional upgraded cameras
8. Removed old flooring in MS Hallways/Art area and library
9. Removed obsolete heating unit and piping in the art room area
10. Removed old pipe wrap from art room, library and tech. ed. mezzanine and replaced with new wrap encased in hard plastic
11. Renovated MS hallway floors and art room floors with a polished concrete surface
12. Painted all MS/HS lockers, art room and library
13. Installed new signage throughout MS/HS building
14. Replaced ceiling tile in library and several classrooms...installed LED lighting in classrooms with new ceilings (light had already been done in library)
15. Replaced aging library furniture
16. Installed new classroom doors for the art room
17. Replaced sidewalk on south side of building that runs adjacent to tech. ed. and band
18. Removed aging sidewalk near 5/6 doors and replaced with pavement
19. Installed AC units in business education classroom, middle school resource room and MS/HS food service
20. Installed new dishwasher in MS/HS
21. Conducted tree trimming at MS/HS near track/football field
22. Installed new walk-in freezer at Elementary and cooler at MS/HS
23. Purchased new lawnmower
24. MS/HS library computer lab converted to a high-tech production lab vs. a word processing lab
25. New siding installed on press box with new sound system
26. Upgraded sound system in high school gymnasium
27. Purchased 3 Clevertouch Units to begin replacement of SmartBoards (now obsolete)
28. Purchased 6 wireless clocks to begin replacing failing school clock systems in both buildings
29. Cleaned and coated front cast lime steps at MS/HS in effort to prevent further degradation by salt and water
30. Landscape updates around buildings to create clean sight lines and cleaner appearance

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### **Upcoming Spring/Summer of 2022**

1. Social Studies Curriculum review and possible addition/change of some resource materials
2. Chemistry lab remodel—floors, cabinets, HVAC and ventilation, lighting, ceiling, plumbing and paint
3. New roof over Dorothy Alexander Auditorium/Chemistry with insulation added and rain gutters reinstalled
4. New carpet installed in 3rd grade/4th grade/5th grade classroom areas and new lighting
5. Possible Replacement of Main Gymnasium Outside Exit Doors---doors are rusting through on frames
6. Continued classroom ceiling and lighting replacement in MS/HS as feasible
7. Repair of the ELC (Environmental Learning Center) deck as deck is heaving due to freezing water issues

### **Continued in the future:**

1. Continue with curriculum updates...Health, CTE, Art, Spanish, PE
2. Replace locker room doors through MS/HS facility
3. Replace many classroom doors that are delaminating
4. Replace some classroom carpets each year in MS/HS...may have continued asbestos to abate
5. Continue to replace fluorescent lighting in classrooms at MS/HS with LED lighting
6. Plan to renovate Elementary Gymnasium and possible solution to combination cafeteria/gymnasium...creates many scheduling issues to be dual purpose
7. Replace floors in music common area and tech. ed.
8. New ceiling in band area
9. Look to renovate other sciences labs...middle school and biology
10. Determine future for aging track
11. Replace MS/HS Generator
12. Add Elementary Generator
13. Continue to update HVAC systems in both buildings
14. Replacement of HVAC cooling tower at Elementary in near future
15. Continued tree trimming and tree maintenance at MS/HS and Elementary School

Thank you for your support of the Port Edwards School District, we are working to keep our curriculum updated, our facilities modernized and our students engaged. We are halfway through the five-year time span of this referendum and we will provide you with more updates as to the progress we have made on the initiatives we laid out during the time leading up to the passage of the referendum.

## MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

*Submitted by: Donna Shroda, 6-12 Principal*



February wrapped up the 2nd trimester of school with a whirlwind of activities. While March 1st starts the final trimester of school, the high school students have already registered for next year and the master schedule is in the process of being built. Please continue to discuss academic opportunities with your children such as MSTC credits, School to Work, and Early Graduation.

Middle School Student Council broke the cold day blahs with a pep assembly. Their organization and enthusiasm had the auditorium filled with cheers and laughter. They even included some academic games such as ‘are you smarter than a 6th grade teacher’? Although Griffin Tranel and Ayden Schumer gave Mrs. Willcome a challenge, in the end she won on a math problem.

Mrs. Peters recently took sixteen 7th graders to UWSP for STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) Point days. The sessions were hands-on and included topics from how the brain works to cyber-hunting. These experiences sparked some interest the kids didn’t even know they had!

Congratulations to the three high school students who were inducted to the National Honor Society on February 16th: Emily Frizzell, Dakota Bares, and Aubree Shroda. These three new inductees along with the current five members offered tutoring sessions the last week of the trimester to support students who were struggling with homework and projects.

The last week of February the school building was buzzing. Monday, February 21st, the MS/HS band performed their second concert with the challenge of playing “Moscow” from 1941. Ms. P entertained on Friday, February 25th with the MS/HS choirs performing their program “Stage and Screen”.

At the same time music was being played, Mrs. Griffith, HS Forensics coach, hosted a Forensics meet. Five schools arrived to compete in 20 events: 10 speech and 10 performance of literature events. The last time Port Edwards hosted was in 2015.

A busy school house was a perfect time for other kids to become involved. The Culinary 2 students prepared a very attractive and professional spread as dinner for the judges and advisors at the forensics meet. Thank you to Mrs. Rebeschke for making a connection between the classroom and real life. The Junior Class also offered concessions to raise money for Prom. Ms. Leonhardt, junior class advisor, was busy with her students all night scooping home-made Mac and Cheese and other goodies. The profits will be used to decorate for Prom which is scheduled for April 30th. Mark your calendars!

While we start the 3rd trimester, Juniors will be preparing to take the ACT test early March. Seniors are finalizing career choices and busy completing scholarships. Finally, if your child is still searching for a summer job all students are invited to the Wood County Teen Job Fair at Lincoln High School on Wednesday, March 16th from 3:30 to 5:30 pm. Opportunities are abundant, we just have to seize them when the sunshine is out!

## 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 2022-2023 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 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 6th - June 24th 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!



## Notes from the Nurse

Submitted by: Katie Bortz, CESA 5 School Nurse

March is a month that has many health related “awareness” days, which include

- Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month
- National Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month
- National Kidney Month
- National Traumatic Brain Injury Awareness Month
- Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month
- International Down Syndrome Month
- Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness (March 26)

Did you know that nearly 1 million people are living with MS in the United States? Did you also know that 1 in 220 children will be diagnosed with epilepsy this year? If you know or love someone who has been affected by one of those conditions, this month might be a great time to reach out and make a donation for research in their honor. If you do not know anyone affected by these diseases, then you have another reason to be thankful for the health that you have.

As always, please reach out to the health office staff with any questions, needs or concerns you may have about your students health.



### Covid Corner

We continue to offer both rapid and PCR testing for PESD students, staff and their direct household contacts. Please be in touch with the health office staff to schedule a test if needed. The link for testing is below:

<https://www.lifepoint40.com/NOAH/lpi3/?event=PatientPortal:auth.outreach>

As of Monday, February 14, students are no longer required to quarantine out of school if they are deemed non-household close contacts. Instead, students will be asked to mask for at least 5 days from their date of exposure. In addition to this change, calls will no longer be made to families on weekends or after school hours. We appreciate your patience as we continue to make these changes.

## **PEPO [Port Edwards Parent Organization]**

*Submitted by: Jennie Breitrick, PEPO President*

**ATTENTION SCHOOL FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS:** Are you looking for Blackhawk apparel? We will be having our online Spring apparel sale starting around March 17th. Please keep an eye out on the school district Facebook page or PEPO's Facebook page for the link to the store when it opens. This will be the last sale of the year so be sure to purchase all of your Blackhawk apparel now.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support our School Store fundraising program. Since the beginning of the 2021 school year, the teachers have received \$5,745 from donated gift cards. PEPO has earned \$853.38 through shopping through online purchases or items purchased. Be sure to ask your child's teacher what they have been able to purchase with your generous donations.

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. Through your scanning, we were able to purchase an outdoor volleyball net for the playground. Watch for it to be installed this Spring. Keep on scanning!

We will be switching our PEPO meetings back to the 3rd Wednesday of each month. This means our next meeting will be March 16th at 6:30p.m. in the Elementary School library. We hope to see you there!

**Thank you for your continued support!**





## 2022-23 Kindergarten Registration Reminder

*Submitted by: Tina Melvin, Elementary School Secretary*

Plans are being finalized for the kindergarten class of 2022-23. By law, a child must be five years of age on or before September 1, 2022 to be eligible for kindergarten in the 2022-23 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](mailto:melviti@pesd.k12.wi.us) or drop off at the elementary school office at 951 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

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### 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, 2022 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](mailto:melviti@pesd.k12.wi.us) or drop them at the elementary school office at 951 5<sup>th</sup> 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

## Technology Education Department PEEF Grant Updates

*Submitted By: Steve Birno, Technology Education*

The Technology Education Department has benefited significantly from the generous grants from the Port Edwards Education Foundation (PEEF) throughout the past 7 years. We are happy to announce that the grants have benefitted the students, school, and community in a variety of ways. Below is a list of the grants received, along with a compiled list of many of the projects that we were able to achieve. We anticipate this list to grow significantly as time goes on.

**3D Printer Grant: 2014-2015:** A 3D Printer was purchased to teach students about prototyping within Engineering Courses.

- Each Engineering 1P student creates a custom 3D printed Keychain Flashlight.
- An Independent Studies Engineering student 3D printed a CO2-Powered Dragster
- Replacement parts for chairs and other items were custom-made using the 3D printer.
- A student in Game Club printed a custom character for a game that they were playing.



**CNC Router Grant: 2015-2016:** A CNC (automated) Router was purchased to teach students about automation in manufacturing and to create custom projects with wood and plastics.

**CNC Spindle Upgrade Grant: 2016-2017:** A spindle motor upgrade was purchased for the CNC Router to make it run more efficiently.

- 300+ light-up name plaque boxes have been machined for 8th grade students, so they can learn about basic circuitry with a keepsake project.
- 50+ Cutting boards have had drip edges designed and machined into them by Woodworking 1 students.
- Pizza paddles and cup coasters were machined on the CNC router by Woods 1 students.
- 25+ Nightstand tops have had custom designs placed on them.
- Bow holders, gun racks, and coffee tables have been designed and machined by Woodworking 3 students.
- A working electric guitar was designed and machined by a Woodworking student, which gained social media attention nationwide.
- 2nd grade students came over to the High School to learn about manufacturing and saw a demonstration of the CNC router in action.
- Parents and community members have seen demonstrations of the CNC router during open house events.



- The Monarch Village enclosure (downtown) had the monarch, caterpillar, and name etched onto the eaves using the CNC router.
- A monarch silhouette was created for the monarch booth during the Village Festival.
- A moon bench was created for Prom.
- The Pumpkin Fest Sign in River Park (Nekoosa) was machined with our CNC router.
- An Eagle Scout Project was machined using the CNC router.
- 10 Adirondack Chairs were machined for the Current Issues Class to fundraise for the 100th Anniversary of the auditorium.
- The Kastner Gymnasium sign was machined by the CNC router and hung above the entrance to the gym.
- A set of buddy benches were created for the Elementary School.



**Vinyl Cutter Grant: 2018-2019:** A vinyl cutter was purchased to help students learn how to make custom designs and custom decals.

- 8th Grade students and Graphic Design 1 students design and run custom decals as a part of an exploratory project
- Over 100 square feet of vinyl has been turned into projects by students.
- Over 50 square feet of vinyl has been turned into projects for the school and community.
- Two FBLA students created custom decals to compete at their state event.
- A custom decal was created for the Elementary School Library for their book return cabinet.
- Vinyl Signs were created for the multiple access doors of the school.
- Test Blackhawk decals were made in-house to prep for staining of the Middle School floors.
- Decals were made for the Football team when they made Conference champs.
- Decals were made to denote the machines that were funded through PEEF Grants



**Computer Upgrades: 2019-2020:** The computers in the Technology Education Department had extra RAM (memory) and video cards purchased to make them run more efficiently with the various different softwares that we use.

- Students use the program Blender® to make 3D worlds and animations. This program takes a high-end computer to run properly, which the upgrade helped significantly with.
- Students use a game design software for the Video Game Design class, which runs much more efficiently after the upgrade.
- We were able to add an additional video game design software for Independent Studies Video Game Design students.

## Male Basketball Alumni Recognition January 4, 2022

Submitted by: Walter Iwanski

Photos by: Tim Habeck



Front from left: Larry Coleman (1968), Carson Parks (2021), Fred Jesse (1959), Walter Iwanski (1957)  
Back from left: Alex Hernandez (2021), David Gibbs (2021), Ben Hanton (2021), Austin Hildebrandt (2016), Dave Gibbs (Coach 2012-2019)



## Female Basketball Alumni Recognition January 6, 2022

Submitted by: Walter Iwanski  
Photos by: Bobby and DeDe Gibbs



From left: Jade Martin (2019), Alivea Riemer (2021), Heather (Hallett) Landen (2002), Natalie (Schmick) Diggles (2005), Dominique Griffith (2021)



# March 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 Mini Pancakes Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	2 Scooby Snacks Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	3 Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk	4 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
7 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	8 WG Mini Donuts Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	9 Smucker Fruit Juice Milk	10 Cereal Bar Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	11 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
14 Rice Krispie Berry Granola Bar Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	15 Mini French Toast Sticks Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	16 Poptart Fruit Juice Milk	17 Yogurt Crunch Mania Graham Snack Fruit Juice Milk	18 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
21 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	22 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	23 Chex Mix Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	24 Glazed Donut Fruit Juice Milk	25 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
28 SPRING BREAK	29 SPRING BREAK	30 SPRING BREAK	31 SPRING BREAK	

# March 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**

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<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Fri</b>
	1 Chicken Alfredo Pears Broccoli	2 Chicken Quesadilla Salsa Sour Cream Spanish Rice Refried Beans Orange Wedges	3 Lasagna Roll Garlic Bread Peas Pineapple	4 Big Daddy's Pizza Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich  No Alternate
7 Chicken Tenders Rice Peas Slushie Cookie	8 BBQ Pulled Pork WG Bun Baked Chips Green Beans Peaches	9 Softshell Taco Spanish Rice Pears Refried Beans	10 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Broccoli Mandarin Oranges	11 Mini Corn Dogs Hash Brown Patty Baked Beans Banana
14 Chicken Nuggets Sauces Potato Wedges Cooked Carrots Apple Slices Pudding Cup	15 Mac-N-Cheese Dinner Roll Pineapple Green Beans Jell-O	16 Pepperoni French Bread Broccoli Slushie	17 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pears	18 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tator Tots Baked Beans Grapes
21 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Baked Beans Peaches	22 Ravioli Cheese Filled Breadstick Green Beans Blueberries Cookie	23 Orange Chicken Rice Dinner Roll Broccoli Pineapple Fortune Cookie	24 Spaghetti Meatballs Garlic Bread Warm Apple Slices Peas	25 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Coleslaw Banana
28 SPRING BREAK	29 SPRING BREAK	30 SPRING BREAK	31 SPRING BREAK	

# March 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 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	3 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	4 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
7 Poptart Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	8 Breakfast Sandwich on Croissant Fruit Juice Milk	9 Mini Waffles Syrup Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	10 WG Banana Bread Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	11 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
14 Cereal Bar Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	15 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	16 Crunch Mania Graham Crackers Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	17 Mini Donuts Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	18 Frudel Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk
21 Poptart Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	22 Breakfast Sandwich on Croissant Fruit Juice Milk	23 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	24 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	25 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
28 SPRING BREAK	29 SPRING BREAK	30 SPRING BREAK	31 SPRING BREAK	



# March 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**

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 Chicken Alfredo Breadstick Broccoli Peaches	2 Mini Tacos Salsa Sour Cream Spanish Rice Refried Beans Oranges	3 Lasagna Roll Garlic Bread Green Beans Pineapple	4 Big Daddy's Pizza Pasta Salad Cooked Carrots Banana Ice Cream Sandwich  No Alternate
7 Cheese Calzone Pasta Salad Green Beans Peaches	8 Chicken Tenders Sauces French Fries Baked Beans Slushie	9 Softshell Tacos Spanish Rice Refried Beans Pears	10 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Jell-O Cooked Carrots Mandarin Oranges	11 Mini Corn Dogs Hash Brown Patties Peas Banana Sugar Cookie
14 Pepperoni French Bread Apple Slices Green Beans Ice Cream Cup	15 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pineapple Dinner Roll	16 Hot Dog WG Bun French Fries Applesauce Cooked Carrots	17 Spaghetti Meatballs Garlic Bread Warm Apple Slices Chocolate Chip Cookie	18 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tator Tots Baked Beans Grapes
21 Chicken Fajitas Salsa Sour Cream Spanish Rice Refried Beans Peaches	22 Chili Cheese Filled Breadstick Green Beans Mandarin Orange Fluff	23 Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Pineapple Fortune Cookie	24 French Toast Sticks Syrup Omelet Applesauce Juice	25 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Coleslaw Banana Ice Cream Sandwich
28 SPRING BREAK	29 SPRING BREAK	30 SPRING BREAK	31 SPRING BREAK	

# PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Business Meeting of the Board of Education

5:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 12, 2022 – 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, Ben Martinson

ABSENT: John Daven

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Cara Christy, Donna Shroda, Jennifer Moore, Teresa Guillemot, Jennie Breitrick, John Hanten, Marissa Rebischke

#### 1. Consider Approval of Agenda

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

#### 2. Report from Student Representatives; Student & Staff Recognition

Jesse Van Dehy, Student Council Advisor, Dakota Bares and Aubree Shroda, Student Council members, updated the board on the recent activity at JEHS: Advisor Van Dehy stated that Student Council activities are getting back to normal which included this year's Homecoming activities. Dakota Bares and Aubree Shroda shared the following: NHS applications are currently available, NHS induction will be held on February 16<sup>th</sup>; updates were reported on both the girls' and boys' basketball teams - Nathan Gibbs is leading the conference in points and Taylor Martin signed a letter of intent to Dubuque University. Math league is currently in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

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

Vice President Thomasgard read the DPI Proclamation in Recognition of Adult School Crossing Guard Recognition Week.

##### D. Next Board Meeting

Vice President Thomasgard reported that the next meeting of the Board of Education will be held, Wednesday, February 9, 2022.

#### 4. Administrative Reports

##### A. Report on School Safety & Security Audit and Covid 19 Update – Superintendent Cronan

Superintendent Cronan gave an update on Covid 19. The district is currently experiencing a wave of cases and continue to update the dashboard daily. The Test-to-Stay program has been paused due to lack of tests. Currently, the middle/high school is under mandatory masking due to the number of cases. The district continues to work with the Wood County Health Department. The maintenance staff has increased their cleaning time to help mitigate the spread.

Superintendent Cronan shared information regarding the safety and security audit and the Crisis Plan. The district's plan is due for an audit. Port Edwards Police Chief Drew and Superintendent Cronan conducted a review of the previous audit and used that to conduct a new audit. They walked the entire property, inside and outside, to check the safety and security. The Crisis Plan will now be reviewed and updates will be made as needed.

##### B. Report on Special Education Open Enrollment for 2022-23 – Principal Christy

Principal Christy reported on the special education available spaces for 2022-23.

##### C. Report on Class Registration Process for 2022-23 - Principal Shroda

Principal Shroda reported that the high school students will begin the registration process for 2022-23 next Wednesday. Teachers will give a presentation to the students regarding each of the classes they teach to assist the students with their selections for the new year.

#### 5. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

##### 6. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – December 8, 2021, December 16, 2021

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

##### 7. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

###### A. Check Summaries December 1-31, 2021

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###### B. District Revenues Report December 1-31, 2021

###### C. District Expenditures Report December 1-31, 2021

###### D. District Cash Receipt Report.....December 1-31, 2021

###### E. December Cash Balance Report

- F. December Substitutes Report
- G. December Budget Revisions
- H. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director Miller reported the following gifts:

Alexander Charitable Foundation, Inc - \$12,000 for improvements in the Dorothy Alexander Auditorium

Mrs. Valerie Curler – Homemade knit hats for students at the Elementary School

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

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

8. Consider Approval of Open Enrollment Spaces for Special Education and Regular Education Programs for the 2022-23 School Year  
Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve the open enrollment spaces for special education and regular education programs for the 2022-23 school year.
  9. Consider Approval of Elementary School Safety Patrol Advisor – Pam Sorbo  
Motion by Martinson, second by McGrath to approve the Elementary School Safety Patrol Advisor – Pam Sorbo. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
  10. Consider Request for Post-Employment Benefits – Mary Kulinski  
Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve the request for post-employment benefits for Mary Kulinski. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
  11. Consider Approval of Contract Increase from .90 FTE to 1.0 FTE – Heather Lisitza  
Motion by Martinson, second by Hildebrandt to approve the increase from .90 FTE to 1.0 FTE for Heather Lisitza. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
  12. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment  
All board members congratulated and expressed appreciation for Mary Kulinski for her years of service to the district and wished her well in retirement.  
McGrath – Thanked the staff for all that they continue to do.  
Hildebrandt – Stated how good it was to have the student council members back at our meetings.  
Martinson – Encouraged parents to assist their students in choices for next years' classes.  
Thomasgard – Thanked the staff for all that they continue to do.
  13. Establish Future Board Meetings  
Wednesday, February 9, 2022, Closed Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC  
Wednesday, March 9, 2022, Closed Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC
  14. Consideration of Motion to Adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c),(f), and (g) of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, and evaluation data of any public employee over which the School Board has jurisdiction; preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems which, if discussed in public, would likely have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person involved in such problems; and conferring with legal counsel who is rendering advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which the District may become involved in, including the following:
    - A. Consider Approval of Past Executive Minutes – December 8, 2021
    - B. Consideration of Professional Staff Compensation Model
    - C. Discussion of Personnel Matter  
Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt, to adjourn into closed session. Voting yes – Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.  
The School Board will adjourn from the closed session without reconvening into open session.
  15. Call for Adjournment  
Motion by Hildebrandt, second by Thomasgard to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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