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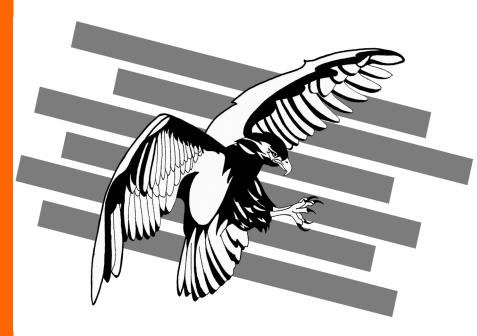
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Improving America's Future...
One Student at a Time

It is the policy of the Port Edwards School District that no person may be denied admission to any public school in the district or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curriculum, co-curricular, pupil service, recreational, career and technical education classes or other program or activity regardless of race, religion, political affiliation, sex or sexual orientation, age, national origin, handicap, pregnancy, marital or parental status, ancestry, color, creed, physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, arrest or conviction record, membership in the National Guard, state defense force or any other reserve component of the military forces of the United States or Wisconsin, or any other reason prohibited by state or federal law.

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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#### Last Letter

Submitted by: Kyle Cronan, Superintendent



Homer Fairfield graduated from John Edwards High School in 1944 and went onto serve in the United States Navy during the last year of World War II. Homer was Prom King in 1943 and played both football and was on the 7-C Conference Championship Basketball Team of 1944. Homer's nickname was "Squeak" and his senior quote was "swift decisions are not sure." As part of the Senior Will in the 1944 yearbook Homer stated the following: "I Homer Fairfield, leave my basketball success to Bill Oilshlager. Bill, we shall all look forward to seeing you on the World's Championship Team." Bill was one of Homer's classmates.

Homer was a proud alumnus of John Edwards High School. In 2012, the year that I started as the high school Principal, I also started receiving occasional letters from Homer. Homer introduced himself to me as a former employee of Boeing who was interested in helping students become engineers. Homer would send copies of a corporate publication from Boeing called *Frontiers* so that our students could get a first-hand look at a corporation engaged in highly advanced aeronautical engineering. Homer stated it was his goal to have at least one person at JEHS settle on engineering as a career; he said his approach was, "If Homer could do it, anybody can do it."

In some of his letters, Homer would talk about the other students in his class like Bill James who Homer met up with after World War II at Tokyo Bay. Homer once sent me a newspaper article from 1943 that announced that he was Prom King and Julie Bruener was Prom Queen. By the way, in 1943, the Junior Promenade entertainment was Tom Temple and his orchestra, definitely a different era. Homer wrote me in 2013 that he was having hip surgery; it went well. I received my last letter from Homer in 2017. He talked a bit about duck hunting in every corner of Washington state and of course, he was still encouraging students to go into engineering. Homer, in his career, worked on the B-1 bomber and the Minuteman missile system. He even worked on aircraft for Indonesia. Homer was proud of his time at Boeing.

What impressed me about Homer was his absolute love of his time at Port Edwards in the early 1940s and his desire to encourage students in 2012 at Port Edwards to become engineers or at least to go into a technical field. Even a long way away from Port Edwards and well into retirement, Homer wanted to see the kids from his hometown do well in life. What an amazing thing for Homer Fairfield to remember Port Edwards some 70 years after graduating.

After my last letter from Homer in 2017 we lost touch with one another. As I have been sorting through some files, I came across my letters from Homer and wondered what happened to him. I did what people do today, a quick Google search. Homer, my pen pal, passed away on September 19, 2019 at the age of 93. Homer was married and had two children; his wife and son passed on before him. Homer kept in touch with his classmate LeRoy Sigler who had remained in Port Edwards. Homer was buried at the Tahoma National Cemetery in Kent, WA. It is with great sadness that I write of his passing in this newsletter article, but I wanted to share with each of you the remarkable story that Homer shared with me through his letters. Homer grew up and graduated from school in Port Edwards, served in the United States Navy during wartime, went onto have a family and a great career. To Homer, I say thank you!

With that, I want to take a moment to thank all of the students, staff members, parents, and community members that welcomed me to John Edwards Middle/High School in fall of 2012 as the Principal and then supported me in my transition to the Superintendent position in 2015. I have been fortunate to work in a great District and to have my children attend school here, with

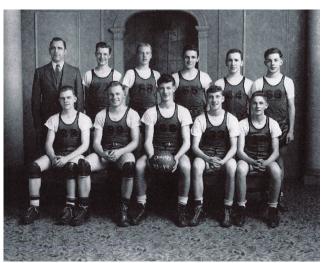
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my son graduating this spring. While I may be moving onto another stage in my career and life, I will cherish the time spent here in Port Edwards. I, much like Homer did, look forward to continuing to hear about the great accomplishments of the students from Port Edwards.



Homer Fairfield



The 1943-1944 Basketball team.



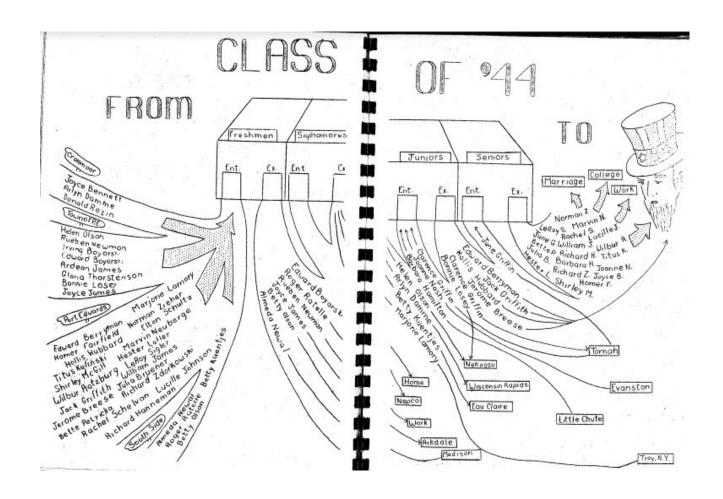
Port Edwards 1944 yearbook with Homer pictured in the center.

Homer Fairfield "Squenk"
"Swift decisions are not sure."
Bachelors' Club 2; Class Vice
Fresident 3; Engeant 3-4; Prom
King 3; Basketball 1-2-3-4;
Pootball 1-2-3-4; Bend 1-2-3-4;
Class Play 4; PAFYRUS 4.

Homer "Squeak" Fairfield Senior 6'1" 180 lbs. Center

An Old Faithful at the center spot. He never missed a game or practice. He made the Second All-Conference team as forward.





#### CLASS OF 1944

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					Navy	F1/c	
		Breese	"Tuffy"	Sports	Army		Pacific
	A .	Damme	- <b>-</b>	Football	Army		
		Fairfield	"Squeaky"	Basketball	Navy	F2/c	St.Louis
	J.	Griffith	"Slug"	Sports	Navy	S1/c	San Diego
	В.	Hamilton	"Barb"	Chorus	Nurse	Cadet	Marshfield
	R.	Hanneman	"Hanny"	Radio	Navy	F1/c	Lafayette, Ind.
	F.	Hauser	"Curley	Music	Navy		
	н.	Hubbard	"Holly"	Shop	Navy	S2/c	Pacific
	W .	James	"Bill"	Sports	Navy	F2/c	Boston, Mass.
	T.	Kulinski	"Grit"	Forensics	Navy	S2/c	Pacific
	R.	Newman	"Rube"	Football	Army	Pvt.	Ft.Bragg,N.C.
1	R.	Ratelle	"Rog"	Art	Army	Pvt.	Hon. Discharge
	₩.	Ratzburg	"Willy"	Dramatics	A.AirCorps		Texas
	D.	Rezin	"Don"	Football	Paratroops		France
	E.	Schultz	"Red"	Basketball	A.AirCorps	Pfc.	Europe
	R.	Zdorkowski	i"Nick"	Sports	Navy	52/c	Ft. Pierce, Fla.
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Pictured is the list of the 1944 class members, among Homer, who joined the Armed Forces upon graduation.

#### MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Donna Shroda, 6-12 Principal



Learning opportunities are abundant here in Port Edwards. In the past couple years, we have added several MSTC classes to our curriculum. This means the students remain on our campus, take the class with our teachers, and earn credit that may be transferred to a tech school or even college. It is a win-win for all involved! For several years these classes were only offered in the area of business, family and consumer education and tech ed. Just recently we expanded our offerings. Tim Miller, our instructor in Social Studies, Carla Leonhardt who teaches English and Tami Griffith in the Math world enrolled in summer classes themselves to become licensed to teach 'Dual Credit

Classes'. This means the students earned both credits in high school to graduate but also are privileged to use these credits to further their education. For example, a high school senior could possibly leave with 14 earned credits that are accepted at MSTC or UW-Stevens Point. This trimester Aija Keeling took English Comp and said, "I was grateful for the opportunity, I had easy access to these classes and it prepared me for my further education." In Intro to Sociology, Colin Cronan shared, "these classes gave me a deeper understanding to the college mindset, while still being in high school." And, Aidan Andreasen, who took Metals 2 commented, "it gave me an open mind in the process of engineering which will allow me to use in my future career."

#### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS**

Submitted by: Cara Christy, 4K-5 Principal



It has been another year of learning and growing here at Ed Heuer Elementary School. As this school year comes to a close, I am grateful that we were able to see our students in person every day and provide the consistency of a normal school day to the children in our community.

Of course, this school year was successful due in part to our wonderful teachers, paraprofessionals, custodians, secretaries, and aides who have gone above and beyond to make sure our school was a safe and healthy place to learn. The flexibility the staff has shown this year has been the key to

healthy, happy kids. Moreover, the understanding and cooperation of the parents and caregivers of our children, even during the most difficult times, has been amazing. We are thankful for our proactive parents and adults who have partnered with the district to do what is necessary to keep our school open and safe for everyone.

Summer break is right around the corner, and we are looking forward to all the fun learning experiences that will be happening at our elementary summer school program. During the days of summer school at the elementary building, we are also serving free breakfast and lunch to all students. Breakfast will be served from 7:45-8:15am and lunch will be served from 11:30-12:00pm during June 6th-June 24th. All Port Edwards students and their siblings under the age of 18 are welcome to participate. The elementary school will be closed in July.

Once again, I am grateful that I have the pleasure of serving your children this school year. I look forward to watching them learn and grow in the years to come!

#### **Notes from the Nurse**

Submitted by: Katie Bortz, CESA 5 School Nurse

It is hard to believe that we are already entering the last month of the school year. Summer break is right around the corner! The change in seasons brings something else for you to think about when sending your kids outdoors....ticks. While there are many kinds of ticks, deer ticks cause the most worry as they carry the bacteria that causes Lymes Disease. On average, about 22% of deer ticks carry this bacteria - meaning 1 in 5 ticks are may infect you with Lymes Disease. Deer ticks are very, very small and telling them apart from other kinds of ticks can be difficult. If you do find a tick that has embedded into your skin the following tips may help:

- 1. Use clean, fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible.
- 2. Pull upward with steady, even pressure.
- 3. After removing the tick, clean the bite area & your hands with soap and water.
- 4. Never crush a tick with your fingers.
- 5. Applying petroleum jelly/nail polish to the tick may make it back out of your skin



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

## A few end of the school year reminders:

- Any medications that your student has at school must be picked up by the last day of school or they will be disposed of
- Letters will be sent home later in the month as a reminder
- The month of may brings many field trips if your child needs any medications on these trips, outside of what they already take at school, please alert the health office staff so that we can make arrangements for your student to have access to those medications

#### John Edwards Middle School Fundraiser

Submitted by: Joe Hintz; Middle School Student Council Advisor

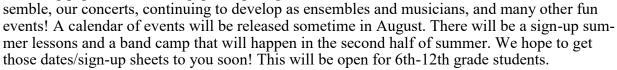
Student Council Tie-Dye Fundraiser

Who's ready to Tie-Dye?! On May 21, during the Port Edwards Village Garage Sale, Middle School Student Council will be holding a Tie-Dye fundraiser. Come on down to the school in the teacher parking lot off of 3rd Street! White T-Shirts cost \$5. There will be a variety of sizes provided. Also, students will be providing water, soda, chips, and baked goods for purchase as well! All proceeds will go towards the Leukemia Lymphoma Society in honor of Scarlett Griffith. Hope to see you there!

#### **New to our School District**

My name is Emilie Anderson, and I am the new band director for Port Edwards! I am so excited to have the opportunity to teach in the this district. I grew up in Menasha, Wisconsin and graduated from the University of Stevens Point. I earned a bachelor's degree in Instrumental and General Music Education, and my primary instrument is the trombone. I have a cat named Nala that loves to steal and hide my hair ties, and my favorite activity is roller skating. My goal is to continuously strive to create a safe and respectful classroom culture that allows all of my students to build confidence in themselves, their music-making, and their learning. I am excited to learn the traditions and values of this community to ensure that my students meet my expectations and those of the district to represent Port Edwards well!

There are so many things I am looking forward to this year, including pep band, marching, participating in solo and ensemble, our concerts, continuing to develop as ensembles and music



I cannot wait to meet all of you, and I look forward to all the wonderful music we will make together! Feel free to email me if you have questions at the email listed: emiliea0320@gmail.com

Musically,

Ms. Anderson



#### **Port Edwards Education Foundation Awards 2022 Grants**

Submitted by: Karen Isaacson, Grants Committee Chairperson

Since 1996 the Port Edwards Education Foundation has been an integral part of our educational community making a difference for Port Edwards students. The Foundation's Board of Directors is comprised of community members, the district's superintendent, and two teacher reps. Through our fundraising efforts, we provide money to enhance and enrich the educational experiences of students in the Port Edwards School District. Most of the funds we raise come from our annual fund drive in the fall and our annual golf outing.

Every year the Port Edwards Education Foundation is honored to offer the opportunity for staff members of the district to apply for grants to be used in the classroom to benefit our students. All of the funds raised this year were available for these grants.

Since our first grant was given, we have awarded over \$321,316. The Foundation deeply appreciates the staff members who have put in the time and effort to write the grant proposals and provide these wonderful opportunities for our students. We are most thankful for the generosity of our donors and encourage everyone to help us continue our support of these extended learning activities for the students in the Port Edwards School District. This year, because of the generous support from our donors and our Golf Scramble, the Foundation was able to award grants to the following recipients:

#### Creative Life-Writing Project/Collaborative Children's Book: Carla Leonhardt

This grant will be used to purchase hardcover books of two different sizes for the Life-Writing and Children's book projects. Students in the Creative Writing Course will write a series of personal narrative essays. At the end of the trimester, students will receive a published hard-cover book of their course writing to keep with them for years to come. The collaborative children's book project will have HS students collaborate with students at the elementary school to create their very own children's books.

#### Woodcarving Wonders: Kristen Winters and Natasha Grawey

This grant will be used to purchase polyurethane foam blocks for the entire K-5 student body, popsicle sticks to use as a carving knife, and safety goggles. The project will be integrated into Ms. Grawey's art program during each grade-level regular scheduled art class. Each student will choose a predetermined animal to carve during their art class. Community member and local carver, Dave King, will guide this activity with Ms. Grawey's assistance.

#### Yoga/Recovery Package: Riley Thomas

This grant would be used to purchase a yoga recovery package which includes Deluxe Yoga Mats, Foam Rollers, and Yoga/Stretching Straps. The package will guide 24 students through a safe, effective, and challenging workout with yoga poses, stretches, and foam rolling. The project will be used for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade PE students, extracurricular activities, and summer school.

#### **Beginning to Intermediate Strings: Jeffrey Erdman**

This grant will be used to continue the strings program that was started this year at the Elementary. It will allow the program to obtain more instruments to help student musicians regardless of their ability or inability to rent an instrument upon beginning instruction. This would also help to purchase cleaning cloths (for instrument cleanliness) and books for current students as they enter their second year of study.

#### **Ironworker Machine and Tooling: Steve Birno**

This grant will be used to purchase a piece of metalworking machinery called an ironworker and several tools that attach to the machine. The ironworker is a "Jack-of-All-Trades" in that it is capable of doing many different processes such as cutting, bending, and punching holes. This helps the metalworking shop immensely because the machine has a compact design and does multiple operations.



#### Donate Books to Support United Way's Great Book Giveaway

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

At Great Book Giveaway events, volunteers read books to children, then each child selects books to take home and keep. Reading with young children is one of the easiest and most effective ways to improve school readiness, boost literacy skills, and stimulate brain development.

After taking the books home, families are encouraged to leave them out in the open on tables and shelves in frequently used areas to be easily accessible.

This year's Great Book Giveaway is bigger and better than ever, with two new locations to offer families more opportunities to participate!

For more details and a full schedule of this year's Great Book Giveaway events, or information on any other United Way initiatives, contact Ben Eberlein at 715-421-0390 or email ben@uwswac.org.



**Wood & Adams Counties** 





#### 5K9 Run/Walk

Saturday, June 11th, 2022, from 8am - 11m

(Registration 8-9am and Walk/Run starts at 9am

We encourage individuals, families, groups, and team with their furry companions to go head-to-head to raise money for SWCHS. Try and get business to match your donations.

Register online at <u>www.swchsh.com</u> \$25/early registration (guarantees a T-shirt and Goodie bag)

and \$30 registration after 5/15

Raffle Baskets and 50/50 Raffles

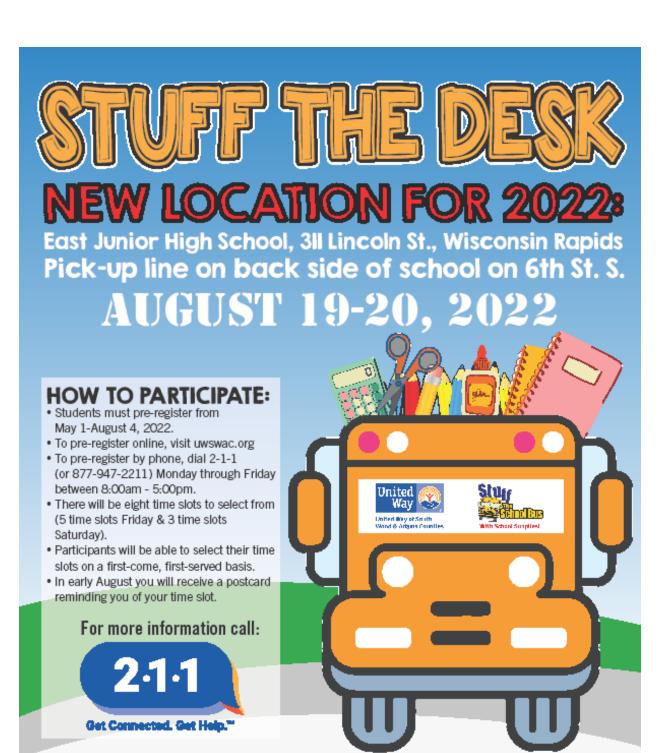
SWCHS Event Hosted by:

#### Blue Grass on the Lake

Lake Music Festival featuring LIVE Bluegrass Bands from WI and MN South Wood County Park. Enclosed Shelter at Red Sand Beach \$25/person (17 under free with paying adult) Early Bird Discount online prior to 5/31/22 June 9-11, 2022

More information https://www.bluegrassatthelake.com





Stuff the Desk Committee Partners:







## May/June 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
2 NO SCHOOL	3 French Toast Sticks Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	4 Poptart Fruit Juice Milk	5 Yogurt Crunch Mania Graham Snacks Fruit Juice Milk	6 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
9 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	10 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk	11 Chex Mix Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	12 Glazed Donut Fruit Juice Milk	13 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
16 Rice Krispie Berry Granola Bar Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	17 Egg & Bacon Sandwich Fruit Juice Milk	18 WG Mini Donuts Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	19 WG Banana Bread Fruit Juice Milk	20 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
23 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Milk	24 WG Muffin Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	25 Mini Cinnis Fruit Juice Milk	26 Bagel Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk	27 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk
30 NO SCHOOL	31 COOK'S CHOICE	June 1 COOK'S CHOICE	June 2 COOK'S CHOICE	

## May/June 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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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 NO SCHOOL	3 Mac-N-Cheese Dinner Roll Pineapple Jell-O Baked Beans	4 Pepperoni French Bread Broccoli Slushie	5 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pears	6 Big Daddy's Pizza Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate
9 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Baked Beans Peaches	10 Chicken Noodle Soup & Sandwich Green Beans Blueberries Cookie	11 Orange Chicken Rice Dinner Roll Broccoli Pineapple Fortune Cookie	12 Spaghetti Meatballs Garlic Bread Warm Apple Slices Peas	13 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Coleslaw Banana
16 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Curley Fries Baked Beans Apple Slices	17 Baked Potato Bar/Diced Ham Cheese Sauce Applesauce Broccoli	18 Hot Dog WG Bun French Fries Peas Peaches	19 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Pineapple Pudding Cup	20 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Crackers Sweet Potatoes Slushie
23 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Pears Peas	24 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Cooked Carrots Mandarin Oranges	25 Calzone Pizza Sauce Green Beans Pineapple	26 French Toast Sticks Syrup Applesauce Juice	27 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tater Tots Baked Beans Fruit: TBD
30 NO SCHOOL	31 COOK'S CHOICE NO ALTERNATIVE	June 1 COOK'S CHOICE NO ALTERNATIVE	June 2 Hot Dog WG Bun Baked Chips Raw Carrots Applesauce Cup No Alternative	

## May/June 2022 MS/HS Breakfast Menu

## Middle/High 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
2 NO SCHOOL	3 Cereal Bar Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	4 Crunch Mania Graham Crackers Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	5 Mini Donuts Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	6 Frudel Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk
9	10	11	12	13
Pop-Tart	Breakfast Sandwich	WG Muffin	WG Glazed Donut	Frudel
Yogurt	on Croissant	Sunflower Seeds	Cheese Stick	Cheese Stick
Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Apple Slices
Juice	Juice	Juice	Juice	Juice
Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
16	17	18	19	20
Cereal	Omelet	WG Mini Donuts	WG Banana Bread	Cinnamon Roll
Yogurt	Bagel	Cheese Stick	Sunflower Seeds	Cheese Stick
Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Banana
Juice	Juice	Juice	Juice	Juice
Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
23 Pop-Tart Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	24 Breakfast Sandwich on Croissant Fruit Juice Milk	25 Chex Mix Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	26 Mini Pancakes Syrup Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk	27 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk
30	31	June 1	June 2	
NO SCHOOL	COOK'S CHOICE	COOK'S CHOICE	COOK'S CHOICE	

## May/June 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
2 NO SCHOOL	3 Popcorn chicken Mashed potatoes Gravy Corn Pineapple Dinner Roll	4 Mac-n-Cheese Bar Applesauce Broccoli Sugar Cookie	5 Spaghetti and Meatballs Garlic Bread Warm Apple Slices Peas	6 Big Daddy's Pizza Pasta Salad Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate
9 Chicken Fajitas Salsa Sour Cream Spanish Rice Refried Beans Peaches	10 Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Pineapple Fortune cookie	11 Chili Cheese Filled Breadstick Green Beans Mandarin Orange Fluff	12 French Toast Sticks Syrup Omelet Applesauce Juice	13 Hamburger WG Bun Cheese Tray Tater Tots Coleslaw Grapes
16 Chicken Drummies Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Slushie Dinner Roll Rice Krispie Treat	17 Baked Potato Bar/Diced Ham/ Chicken/Cheese Applesauc Broccoli	18 Hot Ham & Cheese Curley Fries Pineapple Baked Beans Sherbet Cup	19 Beef or Chicken Burrito Bowl Rice/Chips Fiesta Beans Corn Grapes	20 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Apple Slices Peas
23 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Peaches	24 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Refried Beans Mandarin Oranges Sugar Cookie	25 Calzone Pizza Sauce Green Beans Slushie	26 Chicken Patty WG Bun Pasta Jell-O Corn Pineapple	27 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Peas Banana Ice Cream Sandwich
30 NO SCHOOL	31 COOK'S CHOICE NO ALTERNATIVE	June 1 COOK'S CHOICE NO ALTERNATIVE	June 2 Brat/Hot Dog WG Bun Baked Chips Raw Carrots Applesauce Cup	

#### PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

#### **Business Meeting of the Board of Education**

5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 9, 2022 - Elementary IMC, Fifth Street, 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, Ben Martinson

ABSENT: Cary Hildebrandt

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna Shroda, Jennie Breitrick, John Hanten

#### 1. Consider Approval of Agenda

Motion by Thomasgard, 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 Minutes of Past Executive Session January 12, 2022, February 9, 2022
- B. Discuss 2022-23 Certified Employee Staffing Plan
- C. Discuss 2022-23 Administration Support Contracts
- D. Discuss 2022-23 Administration Contracts

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

3. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene into Open Session to take any action deemed necessary from the closed session Motion by McGrath, second by Hildebrandt to adjourn the executive sessions and reconvene into open session.

Voting yes - Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Martinson. Motion carried.

#### 5:30 p.m. - Business Session

#### 4. Report from Student Representatives & Student Recognition

Student Representatives Adam Lewis, Bella Hanten and Gillian Searles reported on the plans for Prom which will be held April 30 at the Elks Club; a middle school Hawaiian themed dance will be held on Friday; spring sports beginning practices; a pep assembly was held to kick of the third trimester; five Forensics students will be attending the state competition.

#### 5. President's Report

#### A. Board Member Attendance

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

B. Reading of DPI Proclamation - School Breakfast Program

President Daven read the DPI Proclamation for the School Breakfast Program.

President Daven presented the Breakfast Hero Award – Jennie Breitrick, Food Service Director

C. Presentation of School Board Member Awards

President Daven presented the following awards:

WASB Award - Kathy McGrath

WASB Award - Ben Martinson

D. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2022.

#### **6 Administrative Reports**

#### A. Report on Grant Funds to the District – Superintendent Cronan

Superintendent Cronan reported on the grants received by the district from the Federal and State level as well as private sources. Federal grants received include: Title IA, IIA, IVA; IDEA; Carl Perkins; ESSER. Superintendent Cronan stated that ESSER (Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund) funds which are part of the American Rescue Plan, can be used over a set time. State grants received include: Educator Effectiveness; Reading Readiness; CTE Incentive; Special Education Transition. Private grants include: Mid-State Technical College; Alexander Charitable Foundation, Port Edwards Education Foundation; Solarus.

B. Report on Trimesters - Principal Shroda

Principal Shroda reported to the board that the change to trimesters has been successful. Principal Shroda shared data supporting the success. Special area teachers are finding the longer class periods very beneficial to their courses. Principal Shroda stated that with trimesters, there is more academic time and an opportunity for students to earn more credits. Study halls are also limited and all students

have a Blackhawk period. Ms. Shroda stated that there has been an improvement in grades overall and has also improved the athletic academic eligibility.

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

None

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

#### 8. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting - February 9, 2022, March 2, 2022

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

#### 9. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

A. Check Summaries February 1-28, 2022

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- B. District Revenue Report February 1-28, 2022
- C. District Expenditures Report February 1-28, 2022
- D. February Cash Balance Report
- E. February Cash Receipt Report
- F. February Substitutes Report
- G. Budget Revisions
- H. Consider Approval of Gifts

Motion by Thomasgard, second by McGrath to approve the financial reports as presented. Voting yes - all. Motion carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

10. Second Reading of Policies as Previously Presented

POLICY UPDATE				
0100	DEFINITIONS			
0144.2	DELETE BOARD MEMBER ETHICS (Rewritten as part of 0144.5)			
0144.3	CONFLICT OF INTEREST			
0144.5	BOARD MEMBER BEHAVIOR AND CODE OF CONDUCT			
0145	BOARD MEMBER ANTI-HARASSMENT			
0167.3	PUBLIC COMMENT AT BOARD MEETINGS			
0174.2	DELETE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT (REWRITTEN AS PART OF 2700.1 SCHOOL PERFORMANCE AND STATE ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARDS)			
1130	ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST			
3230	ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST			
4230	ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST			
1210	BOARD – ADMINISTRATOR RELATIONSHIP			
2240	CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES IN THE CLASSROOM			
2700.01	SCHOOL PERFORMANCE AND STATE ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARDS			
3120	EMPLOYMENT OF PROFESSIONAL STAFF			
4120	EMPLOYMENT OF SUPPORT STAFF			
4120.04	EMPLOYMENT OF SUBSTITUTES			
3170	DELETE SUBSTANCE ABUSE (INCLUDED IN 3122.01 DRUG FREE WORKPLACE)			
4170	DELETE SUBSTANCE ABUSE (INCLUDED IN 4122.01 DRUG FREE WORKPLACE)			
3215	USE OF TOBACCO AND NICOTINE BY PROFESSIONAL STAFF			
4215	USE OF TOBACCO AND NICOTINE BY SUPPORT STAFF			
5512	USE OF TOBACCO AND NICOTINE BY STUDENTS			
7434	USE OF TOBACCO AND NICOTINE ON SCHOOL PREMISES			

3216	STAFF DRESS AND GROOMING
4216	STAFF DRESS AND GROOMING
4161	UNREQUESTED LEAVES OF ABSENCE/FITNESS FOR DUTY
5112	ENTRANCE AGE
5500.01	CONDUCT IN VIRTUAL CLASSROOM
5520	DISORDERLY CONDUCT
5880	PUBLIC PERFORMANCES BY STUDENTS
6152	STUDENT FEES, FINES AND CHARGES
7440.01	VIDEO SURVEILLANCE AND ELECTRONIC MONITORING
7450	PROPERTY INVENTORY
7455	ACCOUNTING SYSTEM FOR CAPITAL ASSETS
8500	FOOD SERVICES
9500	RELATIONS WITH EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Motion by Martinson, second by McGrath to approve the board policies as presented. Voting yes - all. Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### 11. Consider Approval of Policy 5530 – Administration of Medication/Emergency Care

Superintendent Cronan presented Policy 5530 to the Board for the first reading.

#### 12. Consider Approval of 2022-23 CESA 5 Service Contract

Motion by McGrath, second by Thomasgard to approve the 2022-23 CESA 5 Service Contract. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

#### 13. Consider Approval of Start College Now Applications – Fall 2022

Motion by Daven, second by Martinson to approve the Start College Now Applications for Fall 2022. Voting yes - all. Motion carried.

#### 14. Consider Approval of Co-Curricular Positions:

A. MS Baseball Coach - Tom Schumer

Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve MS Baseball Coach - Tom Schumer. Voting yes - all. Motion carried.

#### 15. Consider Approval of 2022-23 Wisconsin School Nutrition Purchasing Cooperative

Motion by McGrath, second by Thomasgard to approve the 2022-23 Wisconsin School Nutrition Purchasing Cooperative. Voting – yes – all. Motion carried.

16. Consider Updates to the Port Edwards School District Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan Motion by McGrath, second by Martinson to approve the updates to the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

#### 17. Consider Approval of Spanish Trip to Costa Rica – March 2023

Rachel Frizzell, Spanish Teacher, shared the plans for taking a Spanish trip to Costa Rica in March 2023

Motion by Martinson, second by McGrath to approve the Spanish Trip to Costa Rica March 2023. Voting yes - all. Motion carried.

#### 18. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment

Martinson – Great to see all the different activities being recognized at the pep assembly.

McGrath – Art show at the Alexander house – over 120 pieces. Thank you to Ms. Grawey and the staff at the Alexander House for their work. Invite all to attend.

Thomasgard - Encouraged everyone to vote on April 6th.

Daven - Encourage everyone to vote on April 6th.

#### 19. Establish Future Board Meetings

Wednesday, April 13, 2022, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC Wednesday, May 11, 2022, Executive Session at 5:00 (if needed); Business Meeting at 5:30 p.m. – Elementary IMC

#### 20. Call for Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Lisa Miller, Acting Secretary

#### PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

#### **Special Session of the Board of Education**

2:30 p.m., Thursday, March 17, 2022 - District Office, 801 2nd St, Port Edwards, WI

#### **Minutes**

Meeting called to order by President Daven at 2:30 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: John Daven, Leo Thomasgard, Kathy McGrath

ABSENT: Ben Martinson, Cary Hildebrandt

ALSO PRESENT: Kyle Cronan, 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. Consider Approval of Co-Curricular Positions:

A. Head Softball Coach—Max Ayres

B. Assistant Softball Coach—Riley Thomas

Motion by Thomasgard, second by McGrath to approve the co-curricular positions. Voting yes—all.

Motion Carried.

#### 3. Call for Adjournment

Motion by Thomasgard, second by Mc Grath to adjourn the meeting. Voting yes—Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Lisa Miller, Acting Secretary

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