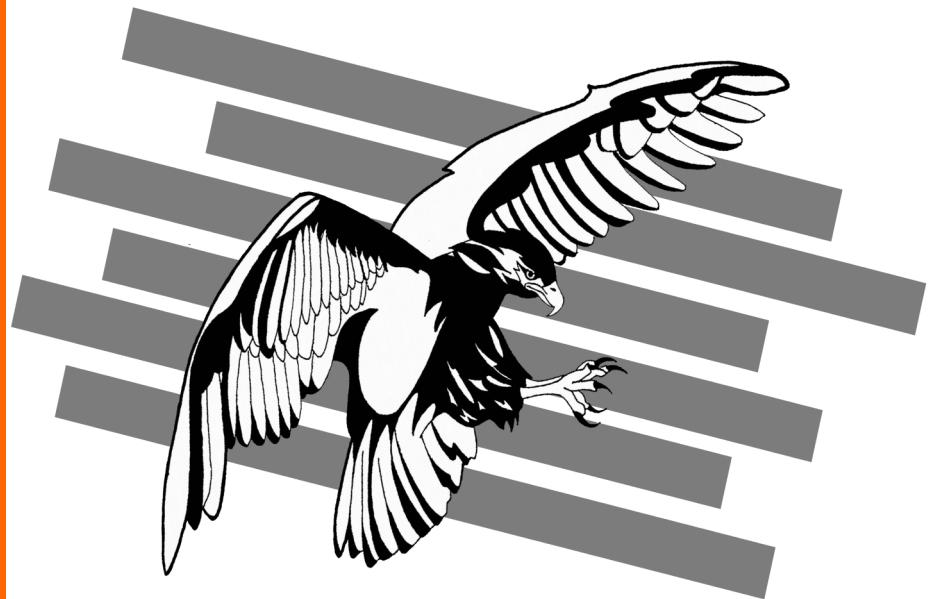


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One Student at a Time*

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

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Building for the Present, While Maintaining and Honoring our History

Submitted by: James Bena, Superintendent



One of the most impressive features of the Port Edwards School District when guests visit is the architectural beauty of John Edwards High School. Built in 1932, the building's appearance and original character have been maintained, as its classrooms have been updated on a routine basis to stay current with modern teaching practices. Over the last several years, the Dorothy Alexander Auditorium, building entry ways, and central office area have all received physical updates that have made these spaces more practical, safe, and welcoming.

The most recent physical upgrade to John Edwards High School is the complete renovation of the chemistry lab. Until the renovation, the lab walls, sinks, countertops, and many other features dated back to the early 1950's, and had outlived their useful lives. Throughout the summer of 2022, various companies worked on a scheduled basis to replace the plaster walls, outdated ceiling and worn out floor, electrical, and plumbing components. The Port Edwards School District worked with a master contractor from CESA 10 to help contract and schedule the various companies that performed the work. The chemistry lab project wasn't free from the problems that other projects nationwide are facing, however, difficulties in securing materials, as well as labor, at times, delayed the anticipated completion date. After several months, during the week of October 10th, the final work was completed in the lab, and our custodians and Chemistry Teacher, Mrs. Griffith were able to begin moving her materials back into the new classroom with plenty of time to spare before her first labs are taught during trimester number two.

John Edwards High School continues to be an example of the character of our village: welcoming and timeless. With the support of our community, it is a goal of our district to continue to keep JEHS a building that will allow our students to maximize their learning potential, by maintaining it for years to come.



Exhaust Hood for
Chemical Experiments

New Lab Tables/Work Stations



Eyewash/Shower Safety
Station

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Donna Shroda, 6-12 Principal



The new PESD website went live on August 1st. I hope you have had a chance to familiarize yourself with the new site. Recently, we have personalized it and made it more user friendly. It is important to note that we have developed a Google calendar for all district events. It can be found on the home page, 5th tab to the right, called activities. This calendar will provide concerts, parent-teacher conferences, drama performances and more. It will be a great resource that will provide family updates regularly. We

hope this will keep a current connection with the community and share the wonderful events happening in our schools.

The night of October 20th the building was bustling with parents. Parent-teacher conferences have been held for teachers to share student progress since the 1930s. There are so many benefits to parents and teachers meeting. One of the major benefits include the sharing of information, by both parents and teachers, to further the child's academic and social development. This meeting should also establish good relationships between home and school. Teachers can clarify the meaning of grades, explain curriculum and clear up possible misunderstandings. While we will offer a night of conferences each trimester, please feel free to call or email your child's teacher(s) at any time if you have questions or concerns, or to share a positive with the teacher. We love to celebrate those with families!

Finally, I would like to continue providing information on attendance and explain what constitutes a student being considered truant. Being absent can lead to doing poorly in school. Students who miss many days of school are more likely to fail their classes, drop out of high school, and/or have poor relationships with parents and teachers. A student is considered habitually truant when they are absent without an acceptable excuse all or *part of ten or more days* in a school year. The Middle/High School will be sending a letter to notify families when their child is absent for 5 days and then 10 days. After 10 days are recorded, parents will be invited to a meeting to problem solve attendance barriers with our staff which could include the principal, counselor, nurse and SRO officer. The meeting is to make a plan to improve the students attendance and avoid legal tickets and Wood County truancy referrals.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by: Cara Christy, 4K-5 Principal



We have had many fun and exciting activities happening in and around our school this fall. Many of our students have had the opportunity to take advantage of the beautiful fall weather as they ventured out for educational field trips with their classes. Our 4K and Kindergarten classes visited the Port Edwards Fire Station as part of our Fire Safety and Prevention week, and our kindergarten, first, and second grade students had the opportunity to attend the play “Don’t Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!” at the PAC in Wisconsin Rapids. These educational opportunities have been valuable learning experiences for our students.

Our elementary students learned a lot about safety this fall. Our Port Edwards Volunteer Fire Department visited our school to talk about fire safety and some of our younger Blackhawks took walking field trips to the fire department. In addition, Officer Abbott joined us to talk about bus safety and every student practiced the evacuation drill on a Lamers bus.

Our parent organization has been hard at work as well. PEPO hosted the Fall Festival at the elementary school on October 20th. They have also hosted an apparel sale and continue to raise funds through our school store online fundraiser. Please consider supporting PEPO or joining the PEPO organization to help out where you can.

Elementary parent-teacher conferences are also being held on November 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th. Our teachers will be offering several options, including meeting in-person or virtually. If you didn’t sign up for a time to meet with your child’s teacher, please do so soon. Having constant communication with home is key to student success. Have a wonderful fall!



Notes from the Nurse

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

I hope your family has been enjoying the start of the fall season. The holiday season and colder weather are right around the corner. This is a time when we tend to get out of our typical eating routines and let those healthy choices slide. We know that good nutrition is vital to student success at school. Flavonoids are a group of natural substances found in certain foods. When flavonoids are consumed, they activate an enzyme that stimulates the flow of oxygen and blood to the brain, improving focus and working memory, which can in turn help improve students performance at school. Flavonoids are found in fruits, vegetables and whole grains. Below are a few easy suggestions for incorporating flavonoids into your and your child's diet.

Sugar swaps: Cutting 1 or 2 sugary foods in your child's diet and replacing them with a fruit or a whole grain can make a huge difference. Consider replacing cookies with whole grain fig/fruit bars.

Cereal swap: Look out for cereal that contains whole grains. It is indicated on the front of the box. You can then add chopped bananas or berries to sweeten it!

After school snack swaps: Try snacks with no added sweeteners like plain rice cakes or popcorn, veggie sticks and hummus. Add peanut butter or yogurt based dip for more flavor! Please contact the health offices at any time if we can assist your student or family! at any time if there are concerns you have for your child that we may be able to assist with.

Winter Clothing Reminder!

The weather is turning colder by the say—BUT—your students are still heading outside each and every day for recess! Here are some tips for keeping your student comfortable, warm and safe as the temperatures drop:

- Dress your child in layers
- Send an extra sweatshirt or jacket for them to keep at school when the temperatures are fluctuating frequently.
- Send gloves and hats everyday (as well as snow pants and boots once the snow flies)
- Put an extra pair of socks in backpacks in case they get wet or cold feet.



COVID Antigen Tests

The Port Edwards School District has a stock of COVID antigen tests, which are available free of charge to families that have children attending the Port Edwards School. Tests are limited to one test per family.

If you would like to pick up a free test, please stop at the main desk of either Ed Heuer Elementary or John Edwards Middle/High School.

News from the Counseling Department

Submitted by: Jen Moore and Ernestine Neve



November Greetings!

Secondary Education

Colleges, universities and tech schools continue to accept applications for fall 2023. Please make an appointment in the Counseling Department if you have any questions about applying. Housing options fill quickly, we encourage you to apply if you have not already done so.

Check the UW college/university websites for Preview Days. Many colleges are still offering both virtual and in person tours.

Informational websites for secondary education:

Federal site for grants FAFSA: studentaid.gov/

Application for admission: apply.wisconsin.edu/homepage

Student site to find out which colleges offer specific majors: majormania.uwex.edu

UW Help: uwhelp.wisconsin.edu

SENIOR Scholarships

INCOURAGE opens *December 15, 2022 – January 26, 2023*. Seniors are reminded to check the Scholarship Opportunity list on a regular basis; it is updated frequently. There are a lot of scholarships out there; we encourage you to look for award opportunities that are not highlighted on our scholarship page.

2022-23 ACT Test Dates

To register for any of these test dates, please go to ACT online at actstudent.org. Off site test dates have a fee. Juniors will be tested, in school, on March 7th at no cost.

| <u>Off Site Test Dates are as follows:</u> | <u>Registration Deadline</u> |
|--|------------------------------|
| December 10, 2022 | November 4, 2022 |
| February 11, 2023 | January 6, 2023 |
| April 15, 2023 | March 10, 2023 |
| June 10, 2023 | May 5, 2023 |
| July 15, 2023 | June 16, 2023 |

2023-24 High School Class Registration

High school class registration packets for the 2023-24 school year will be sent home before Christmas, more information to follow. Parents are asked to go over the course registration materials with their students. At the upperclassman level, we offer a variety of coursework that that may be transferred to colleges/tech schools. We encourage students to take advantage of these offerings.

NCAA Eligibility

Any high school student considering playing sports in a Division I or Division II school should visit the NCAA Clearinghouse website to review academic eligibility. It is the student's responsibility to know and comply with all of the requirements. Visit: ncaa.org

Senior Class Fundraiser

Submitted by: Kerry Doran, Senior Class Advisor



The Port Edwards HS Senior Class is kicking off their fundraiser for the holiday season! We began ordering these delicious desserts last year, and they received rave reviews!

The cake rolls have 6 flavors to choose from, including Strawberry Cheesecake, Chocolate Crème, Carrot Cake, Pumpkin Cake, Lemon Crème, and Red Velvet.

The Fundraiser will run from 11/7/2022 through 11/21/2022. To order, please contact any Port Edwards senior or you can order online by the following link!

<https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/d40fc501-e89e-46cb-9638-9342eb7e25e0>

Delivery is scheduled for mid-December.

Thank you for supporting the Port Edwards Senior Class in 2023!



Meet Coalition Member Girl Scouts of the North Western Great Lakes!

Want to shoot a movie, build a robot, speak up for what you believe in? Girl Scouts has all the tools you need!

This isn't just another activity— you and your family will meet new people, try new & exciting things, and make lifelong memories.

By becoming a member, you'll join a group of girls and families called a troop and get a full year of adventures, including trips, events, and special programs. Girls can join at any point from kindergarten through 12th grade.

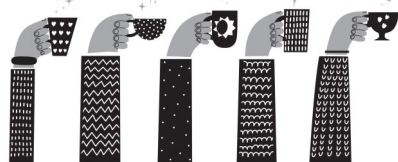
For more details, or to find a local troop, visit their website at: www.gsnwgl.org.

John Edwards High School Fall Play

Submitted by: Marissa Rebischke & Rachel Frizzell, Drama Advisors

Whole Latte Love

By
Todd Wallinger



The JEHS Drama Club is presenting a fall play this year! Students have been working hard and are putting on a great show! Mark your calendar to come out and see our awesome student actors and crew present the play "Whole Latte Love." This is a fun comedy that all ages will enjoy! Check out the plot summary below:

Whole Latte Love is a coffee shop with a catchy slogan: "Where There's Magic in Every Cup." Only it's more than just a tagline. Each one of the six special blends really has a magical power — if only for the duration of the cup. For instance, Fuzz Buster clears the cobwebs and makes you a genius while Chill Pill relieves you of all worries. With "perks" like that, it's no wonder this coffee shop has such loyal customers! But when an overzealous health inspector flusters the new employee, she mixes up the coffees, leading to a hilarious "brew"-haha as customers are served the wrong blends.

Performances will be held in the Dorothy Alexander Memorial Auditorium, and we are excited to offer TWO showtimes this year! Shows will be Friday evening, November 11 at 7:30 pm and Saturday, Nov. 12 in the afternoon at 3:00 pm. Ticket prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and school-age kids. Thank you in advance for supporting our creative and hard-working students!

Holiday Senior Citizens Breakfast

Submitted by: Joseph Hintz, Middle School Student Council Advisor

The John Edwards Middle School Student Council is planning to ring in the holiday season by hosting the school's annual Senior Citizens' Holiday Breakfast. This breakfast is to show our appreciation for all of your interest and support you have shown in our students and school through the year. All Port Edwards seniors are welcome to attend!

Please note the important details of the events below:

- Friday, December 2nd, 2022 in the John Edwards Middle/High School Cafeteria
- Breakfast will be served at 8:45 AM
- Event is hosted by John Edwards Middle School Student Council
- Music provided by Middle & High School Band & Choir
- Please RSVP by November 18th to Joseph Hintz, MS Student Council Advisor (715) 887-9000, ext 214 or email hintzjo@pesd.k12.wi.us



Port Edwards Education Foundation



October 2022

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

For the past 27 years, the Port Edwards Education Foundation (PEEF) has been providing money to enhance creative and diverse educational experiences for Port Edwards students. To date, the Foundation has provided grants totaling \$321,316 for this purpose. This year, because of the generous support from our donors and the Golf Scramble, the Foundation has been able to award funds for the following five grants:

- Creative Life-Writing Project/Collaborative Children's Book
- Woodcarving Wonders
- Yoga/Recovery Package
- Beginning to Intermediate Strings
- Ironworker Machine and Tooling

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It is through our fundraising campaign each fall and the Golf Scramble each summer that we are able to provide these grants. The Foundation is deeply appreciative of the time and effort put in by staff to write the grant proposals that provide so many wonderful enrichment activities for Port students. We are equally appreciative of you, our donors, whose generosity helps fund these grants.

We thank you for your past contributions and hope you will continue to support us this year and in the future. With your help, we promise to continue our efforts to provide enhanced learning experiences for the students of the Port Edwards School District.

Sincerely,


Corey Searles,
PEEF President



Kristi Bossert and her children Ava and Gavin volunteered to help PEEF board members Judy Miller, Karen Isaacson and Walter Iwanski spread cheer at the homecoming parade.



PEEF Donor Card



Yes. I want to support the work of the **Port Edwards Education Foundation**. I have marked the category of my tax-deductible gift below.

| | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Valedictorian: \$1,000 and up | <input type="checkbox"/> Class President: \$100 to \$249 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Salutatorian: \$500 to \$999 | <input type="checkbox"/> Honor Roll: \$25 to \$99 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dean's List: \$250 to \$499 | <input type="checkbox"/> Booster: Under \$25 |

I have enclosed my check for \$ _____ payable to the Port Edwards Education Foundation.

I would like to discuss a planned gift. Please contact me.

Name: _____ Date: _____
(as you wish it to appear on a report)

Maiden Name: _____

Address: _____

City & State _____ Phone: _____

Make check payable to PEEF and mail to: 801 Second Street, P.O. Box 99, Port Edwards, WI 54469-0099

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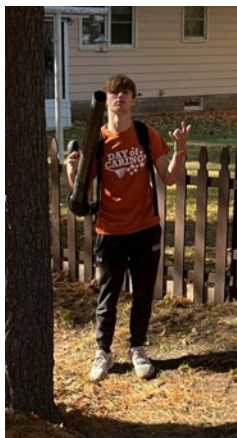
The John Edwards High School hallway has a new addition! A Blackhawk "5 R's" sign was created this past summer by Middle/High School Technology Education Teacher, Steve Birno (see photo), with support from Frank Neve, Director of Building and Grounds and school administration. After he designed and created it, Mr. Birno installed it near the high school entryway, across from the central offices.



Thanks to the grants from the Port Edwards Education Foundation in 2015 and 2016, Mr. Birno and his students have been able to create numerous plastic signs. The signs are designed in the computer lab, and the CNC Router is then used to engrave and cut the design into 3-layer plastic sheets.

Day of Caring

Submitted by Tami Griffith



In total, 21 high schoolers volunteered their Saturday morning to rake for the elderly in our community.

Here are some pictures from their adventures on Saturday, October 22, 2022.

Two things you should know.

1. It doesn't matter how old you are- it is still mandatory to lay in a pile of leaves! Picture proof by Nathan Gibbs, senior at John Edwards High School.
2. As the years pass, the number of leaf blowers each year increases. Picture proof by Brynden Beck, sophomore at JEHS.



Calling All Blackhawk Fans & Alumni

The girls' and boys' basketball teams will be hosting a recognition night for all basketball alumni from John Edwards High School on Thursday, December 22, 2022. Alumni will be honored in between our varsity boys and girls basketball games against Bowler. Our boys tip off at 5:30 and our girls are scheduled for a 7:30 start. There will be no junior varsity games that evening. Upon arriving, stop at the alumni table so they can check you in. All alumni will receive free admission to both games and be invited to a social in our cafeteria afterwards. If you have any questions, please contact our girls' coach, Marissa Ziegler, at zieglerm2115@gmail.com or our boys' coach, Justin Beck, at justinbeck82@gmail.com.

Special Dates for our Boys' and Girls' Programs

Boys

12/22/22 Alumni Night
1/6/23 Senior Night
1/23/23 Youth Night
1/26/23 Parent's Night

Girls

12/22/22 Alumni Night
1/27/23 Youth Night
2/2/23 Parent's Night
2/14/23 Senior Night

Middle School Basketball Programs

Our middle school boys' program begins the season with their first practice on Tuesday, October 25. Our middle school season will conclude on December 15, 2022 against Nekoosa. Our coaching staff of Ben Martinson and Max Ayres return for their second year together. Please contact either coach if you have any questions. They can be reached at ayresma@pesd.k12.wi.us or martinbe@pesd.k12.wi.us.

Our middle school girls' program begins the season with their first practice on Monday, January 2, 2023. Their season will conclude on February 13, 2023 at Pacelli. Our coaching staff of Danielle Peters and Jodi Waltenberg return for their second year together. Please contact either coach if you have any questions. They can be reached at peterda@pesd.k12.wi.us or waltejo@pesd.k12.wi.us.



November 2022 ES Breakfast Menu

Elementary School

Breakfast Prices:

All Students: \$1.60 Adults: \$2.45

Menus Subject to Change

This institution is a equal opportunity provider.

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| | 1 French Toast Sticks Syrup Fruit Juice Milk | 2 Pop-Tart 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 Pancake Sandwich Fruit Juice Milk | 16 Chocolate Crescent Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk | 17 WG Banana Bread Fruit Juice Milk | 18 Frudel Fruit Juice Milk |
| 21 Fuel 4U Cereal Kit Fruit Juice Milk | 22 Bug Bites Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk | 23 NO SCHOOL | 24 NO SCHOOL HAPPY THANKSGIVING | 25 NO SCHOOL |
| 28 Cereal Bar Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk | 29 Mini Pancakes Syrup Fruit Juice Milk | 30 WG Muffin Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk | | |

November 2022 ES Lunch Menu

Alternate Lunch Choice:

Monday: Smuckers

Tuesday: Taco Salad

Wednesday: Turkey Wrap

Thursday: Chef Salad

Friday: Cheese Pizza


LUNCH PRICES:

Elementary: \$2.60 Middle School: \$2.75

High School: \$2.80 Adults: \$4.08

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| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
|--|---|--|--|---|
| | 1 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pears | 2 Mac N Cheese Baked Beans Pineapple Dinner Roll Jell-O | 3 French Toast Sticks Applesauce Juice Syrup | 4 Big Daddy's Pizza Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate |
| 7 Chicken Nuggets Smiles Cooked Carrots Apple Slices Pudding Cup | 8 Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Pineapple Dinner Roll Fortune Cookie | 9 Hot Dog WG Bun French Fries Baked Beans Mixed Fruit | 10 Rotini Meatballs & Sauce Garlic Bread Peas Warm Apples Slices | 11 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Coleslaw Banana |
| 14 Hamburger WG Bun French Fries Baked Beans Apple Slices | 15 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Fiesta Beans Mandarin Oranges | 16 Hot Ham & Cheese Curly Fries Green Beans Peaches | 17 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Grapes Pudding Cup | 18 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Peas Slushie |
| 21 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Mixed Veggies Applesauce | 22 Pretzel Bun Sub Sandwich Baked Chips Baked Beans Mandarin Oranges Cookie | 23 NO SCHOOL | 24 NO SCHOOL HAPPY THANKSGIVING | 25 NO SCHOOL |
| 28 Calzone Pizza Sauce Peas Pears | 29 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Sweet Potatoes Peaches Dinner Roll | 30 Chicken Quesadilla Spanish Rice Fiesta Beans Orange Wedges Salsa Sour Cream |  | |

November 2022 MS/HS Breakfast Menu

Middle/High School

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

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| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| | 1 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk | 2 Chocolate Crescent Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk | 3 Crunch Mania Graham Crackers Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk | 4 Frudel Cheese Stick Apple Slices Juice Milk |
| 7 Pop-Tart Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk | 8 Croissant Sandwich Fruit Juice Milk | 9 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk | 10 WG Glazed Donut Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk | 11 Frudel Cheese Stick Fruit Juice Milk |
| 14 Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk | 15 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk | 16 WG Banana Bread Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk | 17 Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel Fruit Juice Milk | 18 Cinnamon Roll Cheese Stick Banana Juice Milk |
| 21 Pop-Tart Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk | 22 Croissant Sandwich Fruit Juice Milk | 23 NO SCHOOL | 24 NO SCHOOL HAPPY THANKSGIVING | 25 NO SCHOOL |
| 28 Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk | 29 Omelet Bagel Fruit Juice Milk | 30 WG Muffin Sunflower Seeds Fruit Juice Milk |  | |

November 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: \$2.60 Middle School: \$2.75

High School: \$2.80 Adults: \$4.08

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| | 1 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Pineapple Dinner Roll | 2 Mac-n-Cheese Bar Diced Chicken Taco Meat Broccoli Pears Sugar Cookie | 3 French Toast Sticks Omelet Applesauce Juice Syrup | 4 Big Daddy's Pizza Pasta Salad Green Beans Banana Ice Cream Sandwich No Alternate |
| 7 Chicken Nuggets Smiles Cooked Carrots Apple Slices Rice Krispie Treat | 8 Orange Chicken Egg Roll Rice Broccoli Pineapple Fortune Cookie | 9 Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Black Bean Corn Fiesta Peaches Salsa Sour Cream | 10 Rotini Meatballs & Sauce Garlic Bread Peas Warm Apple Slices | 11 Mozzarella Dippers Pizza Sauce Coleslaw Banana Ice Cream Sandwich |
| 14 Chicken Drumsticks Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apple Slices Dinner Roll | 15 WG Nachos Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Fiesta Beans Mandarin Oranges Sugar Cookie | 16 Hot Ham & Cheese Baked Beans Pineapple Sherbet Cup | 17 Beef or Chicken Burrito Bowl Rice Chips Black Bean Corn Fiesta Grapes | 18 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez-Its Peas Slushie |
| 21 All American Chicken Wrap Mashed Potatoes Mixed Veggies Applesauce | 22 Pretzel Bun Sub Sandwich Chips Baked Beans Mandarin Oranges Cookie | 23 NO SCHOOL | NO SCHOOL HAPPY THANKSGIVING | 25 NO SCHOOL |
| 28 Calzone Pizza Sauce Peas Pears | 29 Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Sweet Potatoes Peaches Dinner Roll | 30 Mini Tacos Spanish Rice Fiesta Beans Oranges Salsa Sour Cream | |  |

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Business Meeting of the Board of Education

4:45 p.m., Wednesday, September 14, 2022 – Elementary School, 5th Street., Port Edwards, WI

Minutes

Meeting called to order by President Daven at 4:45 p.m.

Roll Call

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

ABSENT: None

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

1. Consider Approval of Agenda

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

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

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

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

A. Consider Approval of Past Executive Minutes - August 17, 2022

B. Discuss Personnel Matter

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 into open session. Voting yes - Daven, Thomasgard, McGrath, Hildebrandt, Duncan. Motion carried.

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

ABSENT: None

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Cara Christy, Donna Shroda

4. Report from Student Representatives & Student Recognition

Seniors, Gillian Searles and Adam Lewis reported on recent activity at John Edwards High School. The students reported that the volleyball team lost their match last evening to Almond-Bancroft and will play Gresham on Thursday at home. The football team traveled to Thee Lakes last Friday along with a fan bus. The team lost a close game. They will be playing at home against Wausau Newman on Friday. This weekend will kick off Homecoming.

5. President's Report

A. Board Member Attendance

President Daven reported that all Board members were in attendance.

B. Next Board Meeting

President Daven reported that the next meeting of the Board of Education will be by October 12, 2022

6. Administrative Reports

A. District Administrator Report – Superintendent Bena

Superintendent Bena reported that the first day of school, September 1st, was successful and a great start. This past week was one of the most challenging times our school district and community has experienced with the tragic passing of one of our JEHS students. Superintendent Bena publicly thanked our staff, volunteers, and community for the support that was given. The school districts of Nekoosa and Wisconsin Rapids immediately reached out offering their counseling services to us and other districts from the central Wisconsin conference also reached out offering support. Mr. Bena thanked the following

individuals for offering their professional services to the district on September 6th: Rauni Vruwink, Sam Casey, Jeff & Carey O'Connor, Tanya Callahan, Chris Hanten and Paul Liebherr. Superintendent Bena also thanked the administration team and commended Jennifer Moore and Heather Lisitza.

Superintendent Bena stated that the new website is up and running and that we continue to make updates.

Governor Evers has announced that schools will receive funds from the Federal American Rescue Act to address mental health and to attract and obtain quality teachers. The district will receive \$41,000 for academic resources and \$15,000 for mental health services. This funding will be received later this fall.

Superintendent Bena stated he will be serving on the Rural & Small Schools State Committee for the 2022-23 school year

B. Elementary Principal Report – Principal Christy

Principal Christy reported that they had a great start to the school year. The theme for the school year is "Yes to New Adventures". The theme was evident throughout the building with decorated bulletin boards and a decorated entrance into school. Principal Christy stated that she did her classroom visits during the first two weeks of school. The elementary school had their bus evacuation drill today and it was successful.

- C. MS/HS Principal Report – Principal Shroda
Principal Shroda reported on the number of programs that are available to our high school students such as Start College Now through MSTC and UWSP and dual-credit courses. The district will also will be starting the GEDO-2 for those struggling to graduate with a regular diploma. Principal Shroda stated that this is fiscally responsible for the district. Mrs. McMillen, At-Risk instructor, will be running the program. Students will attend 15 hours a week, will have required community service hours as well as work hours. This program is for credit-deficient juniors.

7. Questions and Comments from People in Attendance

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

8. Consider Approval of Minutes of Past Meeting – August 17, 2022

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

9. Consider Approval of Financial Reports

- A. Check Summaries August 1-31, 2022
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- B. Cash Receipt Summary.....August 1-31, 2022
- C. District Revenue Report August 1-31, 2022
- D. District Expenditures Report August 1-31, 2022
- E. August Cash Balance Report
- G. Budget Revision
- H. Consider Approval of Gifts

Business Director reported the following gifts:

Sidewalk chalk, school supplies – Ka & Jeremy Baumgart

School supplies – Dustin & Jessica Lease

\$300 for school library - Port Edwards United Methodist Church

Baseball field sign – Joan Palen

\$1000 donation from Solarus

\$1000 donation from Renaissance

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

10. Consider Approval of 66.03.01 Agreements – Nekoosa School District

Motion by McGrath, second by Duncan to approve the 66.03.01 Agreements with Nekoosa School District. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

11. Receive 2021-22 Seclusion & Restraint Report

Principal Christy shared the 2021-22 Seclusion & Restraint report with the Board.

Motion by Duncan, second by Hildebrandt to approve the 2021-22 Seclusion & Restraint Report as presented. Voting yes- all. Motion carried.

12. Consider Approval of JV Boys Basketball Coach – Dave Gibbs

Motion by McGrath, second by Duncan to approve Dave Gibbs as the JV Boys Basketball Coach. Voting yes – all. Motion carried.

13. Opportunity for Individual Board Member Comment

McGrath – Thanked the new staff for joining our district. Good to see that the ELC is being used by the community.

Duncan – Expressed empathy for last week's student's passing.

Hildebrandt – Great to see the students back and everyone's support of last week's tragedy.

Thomasgard – Everyone plays a role when living in a small community and the level of support that was given was a blessing.

Daven – Thanked all the staff and community for their support during this difficult time.

14. Establish Future Board Meetings

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

Monday, October 24, 2022, Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting, 6:00 p.m. – Elementary IMC

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

15. Call for Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Lisa Miller, acting secretary

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