



Newsletter Connecting Home, School, and Community

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Approved: Ice Fishing, Next Superintendent



At their meeting on Monday, March 17, the Board of Education took action to approve the establishment of the Shiocton Ice Fishing Team beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

Dr. Jolene Pintar and Mr. Jeremy Drath presented the Board with information regarding this past season of ice fishing with over 20 students participating. With great support from the parents and Shadows on the Wolf, the team competed as a community-based club, which afforded the students and parents an opportunity to learn more about the sport, competitions, and tournaments.

While the Wisconsin Interscholastic Fishing Association (WiFA) afforded the club the opportunity to participate in the events, the team was restricted from competing in the State Tournament due to the lack of direct affiliation with the school district. In approving the Shiocton Ice Fishing Team as a formal sports team offered to middle and high school students, the team will now be eligible for participation in the State Tournament offered for high school students, as well as eligibility to apply for grants and to receive tax-deductible donations.



In other action, the Board approved the hiring of Mr. Garrett Zimmerman as the next superintendent of the School District of Shiocton. Mr. Zimmerman brings with him a rich and diverse educational background with a strong understanding of school finance and school curriculum, including Montessori charter school experience as the principal of the Alliance Charter School in Neenah. Mr. Zimmerman and Mrs. Schweitzer will collaborate on a transition plan in anticipation of his July 1, 2025 start date.

Welcome, Mr. Zimmerman!

Learn more about our current openings and how to apply by visiting our website:
https://www.shiocton.k12.wi.us/district/employment_opportunities.cfm



Find Out More About the Referendum - www.shiocton.k12.wi.us/district/referendum-2025

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All residents of the school district are welcome to attend board meetings to keep informed on school issues or to voice any concerns they may have.

The Link is published monthly, from September through June and can be viewed at www.shiocton.k12.wi.us.

If you do not have Internet access, you may request a copy by mail by calling (920) 986-3351 ext. 700. Submit any articles for publication by mail to the school address or by e-mail to: thelink@shiocton.k12.wi.us.

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Pride in our Schools Pride in our Community

The School District of Shiocton is seeking a Building Referendum to assist with the repairs and replacement, renovation and building of critical educational components and learning environments, while also improving access to school facilities for students and community. A successful referendum will support the following four critical areas of need and aid us in our efforts of Moving Shiocton Forward.



"Security isn't just about precaution—it's about prevention. Strengthening our entry points will provide the necessary oversight to prevent unauthorized access...and allow for better supervision of visitors and even improve the visibility of the student parking lot, helping us proactively address security concerns. "



"School safety is not just a priority. It's a necessity. Addressing critical security concerns at our school is essential to ensuring a secure environment for students and staff. .. By restricting access until a visitor's purpose has been verified, we reduce unnecessary traffic and limit potential risks. These security updates will help ensure that everyone in our building is accounted for."



"Some systems are simply at the end of their useful life. As equipment ages, maintenance costs continue to rise, putting further strain on resources...By upgrading to energy-efficient systems, we have an opportunity to reduce costs over time while improving reliability."



"A school's infrastructure is more than just walls and roofs—it's the foundation of a safe and effective learning environment... Our heating, cooling, and electrical systems were installed before 1996. These systems are inefficient, difficult to maintain, and costly to repair. Some equipment can't be serviced anymore because parts are no longer available."

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SHIOCTON

Registered Wisconsin voters may request an absentee ballot and vote absentee by mail. Learn about your options, get step-by-step instructions, and track your ballot.

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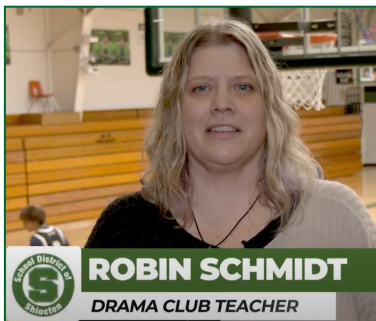
Your vote counts!

VOTE
April 1, 2025



ACCESS TO FACILITIES

"We rarely have access to the full stage; it's always shared with other activities. **Every student deserves a dedicated space to practice their passion and talents.** An additional gym would provide the space needed to give Drama Club dedicated practice time, just like the athletes."



"We believe that **every student should have the opportunity to excel** in their passions, whether it's academics, athletics, and even the FINE ARTS. ... Every student deserves a dedicated space to practice their talents, just as they do for welding, cooking, and physical performance. An updated, acoustically appropriate environment would help students become life-long practitioners of their craft."



CAREER & TECH ED



"Outdated electrical capacity means we can't fully utilize modern tools or even accept donated equipment that would enhance learning....we simply don't have the power, space, and infrastructure to support the technology our students need to be competitive in today's workforce.."



"Student involvement in this area has grown significantly over the past decade, but our facilities have not."

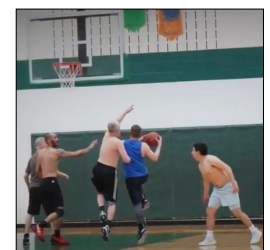
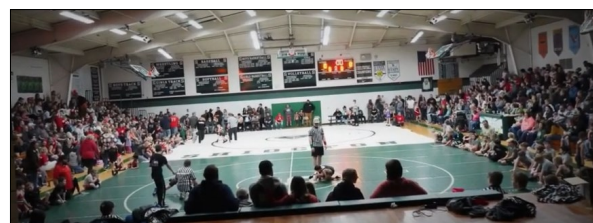


"Our facilities are more than just buildings or spaces—they're the **heart of our community.** Our facilities were not built (for) the current demand. Locker rooms are not equitably designed for everyone and look their age. Visiting teams sometimes need to use the Art Room as their locker room because it is the only available space."



"Whether it's hosting sports events that bring people to town or giving our community groups a place to gather and share their talents, the requests for use of the District's facilities continue to grow."

"It's about ensuring fair and accessible facilities for both our athletes and our visitors. It's about providing adequate space, ensuring maximum use with a minimum number of cancellations, rescheduling, or bumping out events. It's about giving our school and community room to gather, grow, and thrive together so the **youngest of athletes and oldest of community members has a positive Shiocton experience.**"



April

**** Menu subject to change without notice ****

Breakfast prices: 4K-12— \$1.40 per day

Lunch prices: 4K-8—\$2.60 per day

9-12—\$2.85 per day

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Breakfast Choice of Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel or Cinni Mini Roll, Breakfast Sandwich, French Toast Sticks, Pancake Wraps or Fruit, Juice, Milk | Yogurt Parfaits, Waffles, French Toast Sticks, Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk | Choice of Chocolate Chip or Blueberry Muffin, String Cheese, Breakfast Sandwich, French Toast Sticks, Pancake Wraps, Fruit, Juice, Milk | Choice of Cereal and Granola Bar, French Toast Sticks, Waffle, Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Juice, Milk | Long John Donut, Pancake Wrap, French Toast Sticks, Fruit, Juice, Milk |
| | 1 Pizza Dippers, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit Fluff, Milk | 2 NEW Homemade Chicken Quesadillas, Corn, Pears, Craisins, Milk | 3 Ooey Goodness Macaroni and Cheese, Uncrustable, Green Beans, Peaches, Milk | 4 Grab & Go Salad, Chicken Noodle Soup, Peas & Carrots, Applesauce, String Cheese, Dinner Roll, Milk |
| 7 Spaghetti and Meatballs, Garden Salad, Garlic Bread, Pears, Milk | 8 Pizza Slice, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges, Milk | 9 Chicken Nuggets, Rice, Peas, Fresh Local Apples, Milk | 10 Cheeseburger on a Bun, Baked Beans, Pineapple Chunks, Sunchips, Milk | 11 Grab & Go Salad, Soft Shell Tacos, Corn, Peaches, Milk |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| S P R I N G B R E A K ! | | | | |
| 21 Chili and Homemade Buns, Peas & Carrots, Strawberry Cup, Milk | 22 Chicken Patty on a Bun, Baked Beans, Pears, Milk | 23 Mini Corn Dogs, Peas, Fresh Oranges, Craisins, Pudding, Milk | 24 Pizza Dippers w/Marinara, Cheesy Broccoli, Fruit Fluff, Milk | 25 Grab & Go Salad, Meatballs over Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Mandarin Oranges, Dinner Roll, Milk |
| 28 Grab & Go Salad, Pizzaroni, Fruit Mix, Garlic Bread Stick, Corn, Milk | 29 Super Nachos, Green Beans, Apple Juice Box, Oatmeal Chocolate Bar, Milk | 30 Chicken Nuggets, Rice, Baked Beans, Strawberry, Blueberry, and Apple Mix, Milk | | |

UPCOMING EVENTS



4/1 SPRING ELECTION

4/1 Varsity Baseball vs Hilbert 4:30PM
4/1 Varsity Softball vs Almond-Bancroft 4:30PM
4/1 Girls Track @ UWO 4:45PM

4/3 COFFEE WITH COMMUNITY in LMC 8:30AM

4/3 Spring Election Canvass in LMC 4:15PM
4/3 Varsity Baseball vs Manawa 4:30PM
4/3 Varsity Softball vs Manawa 4:30PM
4/5 High School Prom @ Bubolz Nature Center
4/5 High School Post Prom at School 8:00PM
4/7 Varsity Baseball vs Bonduel 4:30PM
4/7 Varsity Softball vs Bonduel 4:30PM
4/7 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 6:00PM
4/8 HS Track Invitational @ Wild Rose 4:00PM
4/9 MS Baseball vs Amherst 4:30PM
4/9 MS Softball vs Amherst 4:30PM
4/10 Varsity Baseball vs Amherst 4:30PM
4/11 MS Baseball vs Wittenberg 4:30PM
4/10 MS/HS Musical in HS Gym 6:30PM
4/11 School Musical in HS Gym 6:30PM
4/12 School Musical in HS Gym 2:00PM & 6:00PM
4/14 - 4/18 SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL
4/15 MS Softball @ Wittenberg 4:30PM
4/17 HS Track Invitational @ Rosholt 4:00PM
4/21 HS Golf @ Glen Cairn Golf Course 10:00AM
4/21 Varsity Baseball vs Weyauwega 4:30PM

4/21 MS Baseball @ Port Edwards 4:30PM
4/21 MS Softball @ Port Edwards 4:30PM
4/22 HS Track CWC Meet @ Wittenberg 4:00PM
4/22 Varsity Softball @ St. Mary's 4:30PM
4/24 Varsity Baseball @ Wittenberg 4:30PM
4/24 Varsity Softball @ Wittenberg 4:30PM
4/24 MS Baseball @ Tri-County 4:30PM
4/24 MS Softball @ Tri-County 4:30PM
4/25 JV/Varsity Softball @ Oconto 4:30PM
4/26 HS Baseball vs Chilton, Markesan 10:00AM
4/28 Varsity Baseball vs Menominee 4:30PM
4/28 Varsity Softball vs Menominee 4:30PM
4/28 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 6:00PM
4/29 HS Golf @ Pine Hills County Club 10:00AM
4/29 HS Track Quad @ Shiocton 4:00PM
4/29 MS Track @ Weyauwega 4:00PM
4/29 Varsity Baseball @ Winneconne 4:30PM
4/29 Varsity Softball vs Amherst 4:30PM
4/30 FAMILY FUN NIGHT Gr K-6 5:00PM



Scan here for a full list
of upcoming school
events



Class of **2025**

**Celebrate Your Senior
Yard Signs now available!**

**Contact SPICE for more
details!**
spice@shiocton.k12.wi.us



Coffee with
Community

Members of the community are invited to gather
for coffee, conversation, and collaboration
about our community and school.

**Thursday, April 3, 2025
8:30 - 9:30AM
School Library (LMC)**