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## Six Qualify for State Wrestling

On Saturday, February 17, Shiocton High School wrestlers competed at the Sectional meet for a berth at the State Tournament. Six wrestlers advanced to State, the most wrestlers the team has sent in any one year.

Heading to the Kohl Center for the State Tournament are: Dylan Larsen (SR), Hunter Schuh (SR), Dylan Herb (JR), Dion Helser (JR), Jordan Jahnke (FR), and Blake Carton (FR). During the morning Pep Rally held on Thursday, February 24 , Coach Gunderson noted that the whole team has performed very well this year. Of special note was how well the team has worked hard to improve their wrestling skills as much as to build a culture and climate of working hard for one another. Together, the team accrued 21 dual meet victories. The team also won back-to-back conference titles this year and wrestled to a victory as regional champions.

Coach Gunderson shared a few special notes about the state-bound athletes during his introduction. Hunter amassed the most wins by pin this season at 32 , while Blake scored the most wins as a freshman. In addition to their successful win-loss record, Coach Gunderson noted the grit and dedication of the wrestlers, including Dylan Herb who "wrestles at a hard pace and really gives it his all", and Dylan Larsen who is "just a real tough

got". The younger brothers of wrestling stand-outs from past seasons, Helser and Jahnke were complimented for their passion for the sport. "Dion bought in, did what he needed to do and is peaking at the right time," commented Coach Gunderson, who also noted that Jordan was "good at finding ways to score and ways to win".

Congratulations to our six State-bound wrestlers. We'll be cheering for you as the tournament gets underway the evening of Thursday, February 24.



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## NEWS FROM GRADES 7-12 OFEICE

Dear Shiocton Community Members,
Greetings from the Shiocton 7-12 grade office. There are many great things happening in our school district to share. As we approach the end of the 3rd quarter and the homestretch of the school year, I want to express how glad I am that I am part of this excellent school community. I have appreciated every day that I have been able to spend here in the building with our students.

With the end of 3rd quarter, and the transition into 4th quarter, we have officially entered testing season for our middle school and high school students. As many of you know, all 11th graders in the state of Wisconsin are required to take the ACT in the spring. Our 11th grade students will be taking the ACT with Writing on March 8th here at the high school. If you have a student that is a Junior, please talk to them about the importance of a healthy diet and getting good sleep prior to the test is to their success. Later on in the year we will have our 7th, 8th and 10th grade students take part in the Forward Exam. The ACT Aspire exam is also coming up for our 9 th and 10th grade students during 4th quarter. More information on these standardized tests will go out to parents/guardians of students in those grades.

I would also like to inform you about a few other events. On March 8, we will be holding our Spring Parent/ Teacher Conferences. We will be able to allow parents the choice of doing their conference virtually or inperson. The end of our 3rd quarter grading period is coming up on March 24. After that, we are in the homestretch moving towards the end of the year. As always, please reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Mr. Nick Ortlieb 7-12 Grade Principal

## S.P.I.C.E.

S.P.I.C.E. is in need of your help! We are in urgent need of volunteers to fill upcoming openings on our board. If you or someone you know is interested in leading our school PTO program into the future, please reach out to us by email at spice@shiocton.k12.wi.us. We will have openings for Treasurer, Vice Chairperson, and Chairperson coming available for this next school year. Please let us know if you are interested by Wednesday, April 20, 2022. Position descriptions available by request.

Want a chance to win something fun to share with your family? S.P.I.C.E. is currently selling tickets for our raffle. The grand prize is a 4-pack of tickets for Noah's Ark including a $\$ 50$ gift certificate for Macs and other swim treasures. There are also many other prizes available. Tickets can be purchased for $\$ 5$ each, or 3 for $\$ 10$. Only 500 tickets will be sold!

Please join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 6:00PM in the LMC.

See you soon!

## MOVIE NIGHT by S.P.I.C.E.

"Clifford, The Big Red Dog"
A magical animal rescuer gives young Emily a little red puppy that quickly grows into a 10 -foot hound. With her single mother away on business, Emily and her fun but impulsive uncle set out on an adventure that takes a bite out of the Big Apple.


Come and join us for a fantastic night of fun and treats with your family and friends on March 18, 2022 at 7:00PM. Please feel free to come at 6:30PM to see short trailers to kick off the movie.

Admission is FREE! Snacks and rinks will be available to purchase. Make yourself at home, bring along anything you would like to snuggle with to watch the movie. See you there!

## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Writers Workshop: Kindergarteners are learning that brave writers write stories in a way that makes the readers feel they are right there (who they are with, what they are doing, including words and pictures). Brave writers need lots of practice hearing sounds and matching them to letters. To get the letters down, writers say the word they want to write, stretching it like a rubber band. Then they record the first sound they hear and reread. Then they stretch the word out again to heard the next sound (and so on...).

Math: Kindergarteners compose and decompose numbers $11-19$ into tens and ones and extra ones. They represent addition and subtraction with objects, fingers, mental images, drawing, sounds (claps), acting out situations, verbal explanations, expressions or equations.

Handwriting Without Tears: Students are practicing writing "magic c". The lowercase letter c is used in writing many lowercase letters like $a, d, g, o, q$ and of course $c$.

Phonics: Kindergarteners are growing in their vowel power. They have been listening to each vowel and are able to listen closely to tell vowel sounds apart. They have learned that every word has a vowel and that in a long word, each syllable has a vowel.
~Mrs. Malesa, Mrs. Pigsley and Mrs. Scott

## WHAT TIME IS IT IN GRADE 2?

That is a question being asked by many of our second graders lately. The students are busy learning about telling time on an analog and a digital clock, as well as distinguishing between AM and PM. This month they will also be busy describing, organizing and representing data in graphs. In Writing Workshop, our second graders have been learning more about how to write their opinions. They can have opinions on what they think is the best animal, book, restaurant, or video game. They are also learning how writing their opinions well might be able to change things if they give good reasons. For example, their opinion might be that they should be able to have a later bedtime, or be able to chew gum in school. Learning to write their arguments logically is a great skill they can use as they get older.

Take me out to the ball game! Our Fang Reading Incentive Program is in its last inning and will end on March 21st. This program is always a great way for kids to read some interesting books while working toward a goal and earning fun rewards! The students who earn all four baseballs over 8 weeks will be receiving a Timber Rattler game ticket along with a hot dog/soda voucher. Each second grader has been striving to read 100 minutes each week! Reading is a great activity on these cold and snowy evenings! So...snuggle up with a good book, second graders!
~Ms. Sippel, Ms. Schmidt and Mrs. Otto

## GRADE 4

Fourth graders have been hard at work. We wrapped up learning how to solve word problems by writing and solving equations. Our unit concluded by playing Connect Four review. We're now starting our unit on Measurement, which has us learning how to convert units of measurement. In reading and writing; we spent time exploring historical fiction. We used our knowledge of significant events and time periods to write our own Historical fiction stories. We've now moved on to the American Revolution; and we're creating our own informational books. In Social Studies; we gained understanding of how Wisconsin became a state and are becoming informed about Wisconsin's role in the Civil War. Science has us exploring electromagnets and brine shrimp. Four grade is having FUN!

~Ms. Phillips, Ms. Schreiter, and Ms. Sauer


> March 8, 2022
> 4:00-7:00PM

During parent/teacher conferences, please take a walk through the Shiocton School District hallways and check out the 2-D and 3-D pieces of artwork. The 3-Dimensional works will be in the display cases and on tables outside of the Elementary Art Room. Enjoy all of the works from Kindergarten through 5th grade and GT Art 1st grade through 8th grade.


## FUN IN FIFTH GRADE

February and March have been productive times in fifth grade. In ELA, students have focused on researching and writing about a foreign county of their choice. In addition, they wrote patriotic opinion essays on how to help families of U.S. Veterans. Our young mathematicians have been sharpening their division skills while putting all they have learned toward working with equations. In science, students have been learning about mixtures and solutions. Students have created mixtures, learned about their
 properties, and then dissected the meaning of "dissolve or melt". Next up, students will create their own flavored drinks while learning about the properties of solubility and saturation. Students have also been developing
their observation, teamwork, and communication skills during their experiments. Lastly, it wouldn't be fifth grade without some fun. The grade had a fantastic experience snowshoeing at the Navarino Nature Center.

outdoor exercise activity with lessons about forest ecology was awesome. The kids learned a lot and had a blast as well. We look forward to making this trip an annual tradition!
~Mr. Parker, Mr. Backman, and Mrs. Ver Voort


## DIVSERSITY AND INCLUSION

## When is Cesar Chavez Day?

Cesar Chavez Day is always celebrated on his birthday, March 31st. President Barack Obama declared Cesar Chavez Day a national holiday in 2014.
It is not a federal holiday, but is a state holiday in California. It is either an optional or commemorative day in nine other states - Arizona, Colorado, Illinois, Michigan, New Mexico, Texas, Utah, Wisconsin and Rhode Island.
California, Arizona, Colorado, Michigan, New Mexico, Texas, Utah and Wisconsin observe Cesar Chavez day by closing schools and state offices.
In Los Angeles, government offices - city and county, and state - and also courts, libraries and schools are normally closed for César Chávez' birthday holiday. In past years, Los Angeles city and county and state agencies have chosen either his actual birth date on March 31st, or a Friday or Monday before his birthday for a three-day weekend.

## Background to Cesar Chavez Day

Cesar Chavez was born on March 31st 1927, in Yuma, Arizona. His family had moved to Northern California to work as migrant farm workers after losing their land in the great depression.
He served in the US Navy for two years at the end of the Second World War, returning to work on farms until 1952, when he became involved with the Community Service Organization, a Latino civil rights group, rising to become its national director by 1958.
In 1962, Chavez became a cofounder of the National Farm Workers' Association (now the United Farm Workers).
In this new role, Chavez became the best known Latino American civil rights activist. Leading the struggle for better rights for farm workers, his aggressive but nonviolent tactics made the farm workers' struggle a moral cause with wide support. His work also gained national awareness as he went on several hunger strikes to highlight his campaigns.
Cesar Chavez died on April 23rd 1993 of unspecified natural causes, with some believing that his death may have been caused in part by his hunger strikes.

## Some quotes from Cesar Chavez

"Preservation of one's own culture does not require contempt or disrespect for other cultures."
"From the depth of need despair, people can work together, can organize themselves to solve their own problems and fill their own needs with dignity and strength."
"We draw our strength from the very despair in which we have been forced to live. We shall endure."
"We need to help students and parents cherish and preserve the ethnic and cultural diversity that nourishes and strengthens this community - and this nation."
"There's no turning back...We will win. We are winning because ours is a revolution of mind and heart."
"Being of service is not enough. You must become a servant of the people. When you do, you can demand their commitment in return."
"Self-dedication is a spiritual experience."
"The end of all knowledge must be the building up of character."
"We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community."
"The fight is never about grapes or lettuce. It is always about people."
"If you really want to make a friend, go to someone's house and eat with him... the people who give you their food give you their heart."
"When we are really honest with ourselves we must admit our lives are all that really belong to us. So it is how we use our lives that determines the kind of men we are."
"To be a man is to suffer for others. God help us to be men!"
"The burdens of generations of poverty and powerlessness lie heavy in the fields of America. If we fail, there are those who will see violence as the shortcut to change."
"It is possible to become discouraged about the injustice we see everywhere. But God did not promise us that the world would be humane and just. He gives us the gift of life and allows us to choose the way we will use our limited time on earth. It is an awesome opportunity."


# Counselor's Corner 

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## KG-6 Students:

This month we are continuing Emotion Management. We are discussing strong feelings, how our bodies feel when we have a strong feeling, and what we can do to calm those strong feelings down: 1. Stop 2. Name Your Feeling 3. Calm Down. Students will learn how to practice calming down with belly breathing, self-talk, and counting. We will use strategies to help us solve problems.

In Grade 6, we are discussing ways to problem solve. We will also be starting our Academic Career plans in Xello.

## 7-12 Students:

Seniors: Local scholarship deadlines are fast approaching. Please check the school website to verify application instructions and deadlines.

Juniors: The state required ACT test will take place on March 8. Watch for more information. Many colleges have changed their requirements for standardized testing admission criteria. Please view the college website or contact your college for specific information on the ACT requirement.

Sophomores and Juniors: Applications for the 2022-23 Youth Apprenticeship Program will be due on March 4, 2022 to Pupil Services. Applications are available in Pupil Services.

Students received the application at the January meeting. Applications will also be available at the parent meeting on February 7, 2022 in the school library at 5:30 PM.

Sophomores: Watch for upcoming information on Summer School Health Class registration.

Grade 8 students: Eighth grade Chief Chats will take place in Spring of 2022. Please watch for more information to come.

## March's Character Trait

## LEADERSHIP

Every month the counseling department will provide a positive trait to help students develop and foster positive character traits. We will list ideas for families to try at home and support what students learn in school.

## TIPS:

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- Assign chores and household responsibilities
- Let kids make their own decisions
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## GT Art

Thank you to the following GT Art students who shared their works of art with the District Office during the months of December and January: Chloe N, Ruby F, Ryker S, Owen D, Hunter A, Cordelia M , and Brett S . The works of art were enlightening!


During the months of February and March, be sure to stop in the District Office to see the works of art created by several of our kindergarteners following their study of French painter, Claude Monet: Lucy, Olivia, Arden, Jaycee, Maci, Edward and Mylah.


High School Students, Ava L. and Brooke G., educate 5th grade students on the dangers of drugs and the importance of healthy eating.

The group high school TEAM group of students performed educational stations for the fourth and fifth grade students in January.

## Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are committed as ever to the academic success of all of our students. The School District of Shiocton needs your help to make sure all of our students are fully prepared for academic success. We all know that hungry children have a more difficult time doing their best work. That is why we encourage all students to begin the school day with a nutritious breakfast.

The School Breakfast Program is available to all students to purchase every school day from 7:30AM-7:50AM. You do not have to register your child in advance. Your child can eat breakfast at school every day or occasionally. School breakfast makes good sense-it provides $1 / 4$ of your child's nutritional needs, meets Dietary Guideline recommendations, and offers children a change to eat breakfast with their friends.

School Breakfast is an ideal solution on busy mornings when kids are running late or parents have to be at work early. Oftentimes, kids are not hungry when they first wake up, but are ready to each when school begins. Whatever the reason, if breakfast at home is not convenient, please have your child take advantage of breakfast here at school. Studies have shown that children who eat a nutritious breakfast have better behavior, better attendance, and improved test scores.

Thank you for helping us to make sure that all of our students start the day alert, well fed and ready to learn.

Deb Danke
Nutrition Program Director

University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension Human Development \& Relationships presents

## focus on fathers

## Thursdays |Feb 10, 17, 24 \& Mar 3-2022

 7 pm .8 pmJoin other fathers!
Explore parenting tips and learn ways to strengthen your relationship with your child.

- February 10 - Is That a Good Choice?
- February 17 - Keep Calm and Carry On
- February 24 - Feeling All My Feelings
- March 3 - Building Strong Relationships

Classes offered via Zoom Video Conferencing. Registration Required: tinyurl.com/FocusOnFathersWinter2022

## Early Childhood Screening Information

## By age 3, most children:

* are understood by family $75 \%$ of the time
* speak in short sentences
* answer simple questions
* understand most things said to him/ her
* enjoy listening to storybooks
* begin to play with other children
* enjoy helping adults
* match primary colors
* dress self with help
* walk up and down stairs; one foot per step
* pedal a tricycle
* snip with a small scissors
* draw lines with a crayon

By age 4, most children:

* speak clearly; are understood most of the time
* use language to express emotion
* frequently ask questions and demand a response
* participate in rhyming games
* talk about pictures in a book
* enjoy pretend play with children
* can point to at least four colors
* catch a large ball tossed to them
* know full name, age and gender
* cut paper with a scissors
* jump forward or over an object
* draw a circle
* rote count to 10 and count 1,2, or 3 objects

Early Childhood Development Days

* Free Developmental Screening for children 3 to 4 years old and not currently attending 4 K during the 2021-2022 school year for Shiocton School District Residents.
* Areas assessed include Communication, PersonalSocial, Motor, and Academic Readiness.
* Contact Rose Stingle, Special Education Secretary to set-up an appointment: 920-986-3351; ext. 764


## Wednesday, March 2

3:30-6:15 pm Friday, March 4 8:30-11:15 am \& 12:30-3:15 pm RSVP by 02/23/2022


| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Choice of Cereal, String Cheese, Breakfast Sandwich, Pancake Wrap or French Toast Sticks, Fruit, Juice, Milk | Choice of Strawberry or Fudge PopTarts, Waffles, Pancake Wrap or French Toast Sticks, Fruit, Juice, Milk | Choice of Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable, Breakfast Sandwich, Waffles, Pancake Wrap, or French Toast Sticks, Fruit, Juice, Milk | Choice of Muffins, French Toast Sticks, Waffles, or Pancake Wrap, Fruit, Juice, Milk | Long John Donut, Pancake Wrap, French Toast Sticks, Fruit, Juice, Milk |
|  | 1 <br> Spaghetti w/ Meatballs, Fresh Garden Salad, Garlic Breadsticks, Chilled Sliced Pears, Milk | 2 <br> Pizza Slice, Whole Kernel Corn, Chilled Mandarin Oranges, Milk | 3 <br> Cheeseburger on a WG Hamburger Bun, Animal Crackers, Baked Beans, Sweet Pineapple Chunks, Milk | 4 <br> Grab N Go Salads, Cheese Quesadillas w/ Trimmings, Green Peas, Chilled Sliced Peaches, Milk |
| $7$ <br> Grab-N-Go Salad, Build Your Own Soft Shell Taco w/ Trimmings, Whole Kernel Corn, Chilled Sliced Pears, Milk | 8 <br> Grab-N-Go Salad, Homemade Pizzaroni, Seasoned Mixed Vegetables, Chilled Fruit Mix, Garlic Breadsticks, Milk | 9 <br> Popcorn Chicken, Seasoned Broccoli, Chilled Sweet Pineapple, Goldfish Crackers, Milk | 10 <br> Grab-N-Go Salad, Chicken and Gravy over Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Peas, Chilled Mandarin Oranges, Dinner Roll, Milk | $11$ No School! |
| 14 <br> Hot Dog on a WG Hot Dog Bun, Baked Beans, Sweet Pineapple Chunks, Milk | 15 <br> Grab-N-Go Salad, Tomato Soup and Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Peas and Carrots, Strawberry Cups, Milk | 16 <br> Super Nachos w/ Meat Sauce, Green Beans, 100\% Fruit Juice, Milk | 17 <br> Chicken Tenders, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Peas, Fresh Apples, Goldfish Crackers, Milk | 18 <br> Pizza Dippers w/ Marinara Sauce, Seasoned Broccoli, Chilled Sliced Peaches, Milk |
| 21 <br> Homemade Chili w/ Homemade Buns, Peas and Carrots, Strawberry Cups, Milk | 22 <br> Grab-N-Go Salad, Chicken Alfredo with a Twist, Flavored Green Beans, Garlic Toast, Chilled Fruit Mix, Milk | 23 <br> Mini Corn Dogs, Mashed Potatoes, Baked Beans, Mandarin Oranges, Milk | 24 EARLY RELEASE-12:10PM Basket for Lunch Deli Board Walk Turkey, Ham and Cheese on a Bun, Fruitable Juice, Dried Craisins, Ice Cream Cup, Milk | $25$ No School! |
| 28 <br> Brunch for Lunch <br> Waffles, Sausage, Fresh Broccoli, 100\% Juice, Milk | 29 <br> Walking Tacos w/ Trimmings, Whole Kernel Corn, Chilled Sliced Pears, Graham Cracker Cookie, Milk | 30 <br> Grab-N-Go Salad, Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, String Cheese, Dinner Roll, Peas and Carrots, Chilled Applesauce, Milk | 31 <br> Mini Corn Dogs, Hashbrown Patties, Baked Beans Mandarin Oranges, Milk |  |

## MARCHCALENDAR OF EVENTS

3/1 MS Wrestling @ Weyauwega-4:15PM
3/6 MS Wrestling Tournament @ Fond Du Lac
3/7 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING-6:00PM
MS Girls Basketball @ HOME—4:00PM
3/8 P/T Conferences 4:30-7:30PM
5th Grade Band Concert - 6:45PM
5th Grade Talent Show-7:00PM
Science/Fine Arts Fair-4:00-7:00PM
3/11 NO SCHOOL
3/12 MS Wrestling Conference Tournament

3/17 Boys Varsity Track @ UW Oshkosh—4:45PM

Boys Varsity Track @ Ripon—3:30PM
Varsity Baseball @ Stockbridge-4:30PM
Varsity Softball @ HOME-4:30PM
3/31 Varsity Softball @ HOME—4:30PM

## **Menu subject to change without notice** Breakfast prices: $4 \mathrm{~K}-12-\$ 1.40$ per day Lunch prices: $4 \mathrm{~K}-8-\$ 2.60$ per day 9-12-\$2.85 per day



