

The Link

School District of Shiocton
Newsletter Connecting Home, School, and Community

Please
remember to
vote on
Tuesday,
April 5.



Tornado/Severe Weather: Drills for School and Home

April is Tornado Safety month and a time to remind ourselves of the proper ways to stay safe in the event of a tornado. The school district will again participate in the statewide tornado drill planned for the afternoon of **Thursday, April 14.**



For the first time, an evening drill has also been planned by the Wisconsin Emergency Management division. The mock tornado warning will take place at **6:55 p.m. on April 14** as well. This is an excellent opportunity for students and families to practice their severe weather plans at home. According to Get Ready Get Safe, a few key safety tips include:

- ⇒ **Seek shelter** — The safest place in the home is the interior part of a basement. If possible, get under something sturdy such as a heavy table. If you do not have a basement or storm cellar, consider an interior bathroom, closet, or hallway on the lowest floor.
- ⇒ **Seek cover** — If you are outside and not able to get inside, choose a safe place in a designated shelter or nearby sturdy building. If there is no building nearby, lie flat in a low spot and use your arms and hands to protect your head and neck.

Visit www.savethechildren.org and type 'tornadoes' in the search bar to read more of the 10 Tips for Tornadoes and how to prepare your family for such a storm.

New Start Time for Board Meetings

All regularly scheduled meetings will now start at 6:00 p.m. in the LMC. **April board meeting dates:**

April 11 at 6:00 p.m.

April 25 at 6:00 p.m.

Meetings after that will return to the first and third Mondays of each month beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the school library (LMC).

Youth Wrestlers Headed to State

Congratulations youth wrestler Colton Schuh and middle school wrestlers, Grant Oskey and Jared Jahnke, on your qualification to the State Wrestling Tournament on March 25 - 26 in Madison. Congratulations to Grant on your regional championship. Best of luck boys.

Also, job well done to our regional participants Garret Oskey, River Hobbs, and Jericho Helser.



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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.

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FACTS, FIGURES, and the FUTURE

by Mrs. Schweitzer

\$15,720

The estimated amount of tax-payers' dollars that the School District of Shiocton will pay to fund private school students through the Voucher program.

75%

... of students *already* attending a private school who are now doing so with tax-payers' dollars through the Voucher program

\$15,720

The estimated amount of Voucher dollars that the State gives the Shiocton School District the right to *levy back* on the tax payers.

Districts are not allowed to know who or how many students the dollars are supporting nor their grade level or previous school.

The District chose not to levy back the \$18,000 taken from our aid allocation last year. That may not be the case this next year as we seek to maintain programming and services for our youth.

There are most certainly days when I wish I had a crystal ball - a clear view into the future. While I do not have such a resource, I can share with you some of our excitement that we do know about the future at Shiocton Schools.

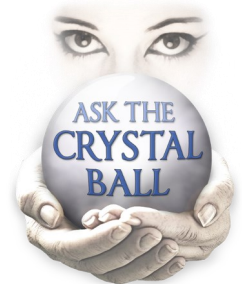
TECH ED: From new courses that offer industry-standard certifications such as MIG welding to IT hardware support instruction, the Tech Ed programming is experiencing a transformation as we welcome Mr. Harley Griesbach as our new HS Tech Ed teacher. Along with new courses come new equipment including a replacement for our WWII mill and lathe, as well as new welding equipment. Stay tuned as the changes occur and the future unfolds!

English Language Arts (MS): Analytical writing and higher level thinking skills are just two of the foci embedded within the new *Collections* series students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will learn this fall.

English Language Arts (HS): Mrs. Michelle Sixel has been approved by St. Norbert's College to teach two senior-level courses at Shiocton High School for high school and college credit: *Intro to Writing* and *Intro to Literature*. If taken for college credit, the four-credit courses will cost families just \$180 each and will provide students who earn a passing grade with a transcript from St. Norbert's College that is readily transferable among Wisconsin colleges.

Algebra I and II: This fall, Mr. Ortlieb and Mrs. Foster will formally pilot the *TechBook* in Algebra I and II. An on-line math curriculum, the *TechBook* provides students with scenarios in which to apply their learned skills, naturally answering the age-old math question: When will we ever use this stuff? For instance, did you know that logarithms are the base for calculating the magnitude of an earthquake on the Richter Scale? And now you know why you need to know this stuff.

The future is bright for students at Shiocton Schools!



Shiocton School District Annual School Census June 1 - July 6, 2016

The annual census count will include all children in the Shiocton area School District ages 0-20 years. A census taker will contact you sometime during June 1 - July 6. The district would also like to be made aware of children with potential problems in the areas of learning, behavior, physical disabilities/development disabilities, and speech/language. This is a requirement of the Federal Law. **If you have a newborn and/or small child and have not been contacted, please feel free to call the district office at (920) 986-3351.**

March Paper Drive Totals

Many thanks to all who contributed to the March paper drive. We filled four dumpsters and brought in 8.765 tons. Filling one dumpster per day is about as good as can be done!

Future paper drives:

Monday, April 25 — Friday, April 29

Tuesday, May 31 — Friday, June 3

Please contact me with any questions or concerns,
Tim Huebner 986-3351, ext. 739.



Getting Ready for the Cellcom 5K

Attention — Grades 2-8 Students!

Mrs. Uelmen will be doing a training for another student health run. For the last three years we have done the Bellin 10K, but this year we are going to train/run the Cellcom 5K. We are looking at changing to this event because it's in May. It's a shorter distance, and the training will be more accommodating than the June run. Watch for a flyer being sent home soon that gives generic information. Please keep your eyes open for it. The Cellcom 5K will be held on May 21, rain or shine.

EL Blog de Mr. Nielsen

Mr. Nielsen now has a blog at <http://raynielsen.blogspot.com>.

This blog will become a resource for classroom and content area teachers. He plans to include a variety of information and articles which pertain to educating the booming demographic known as English Language Learners.



New Elementary Music Website

by Farin Ludtke

I have created a music website to give updates on concerts, music events, activities, and access to music games, precorder information, YouTube videos, songs/ lyrics, and much more! Please e-mail me at fludtke@shiocton.k12.wi.us if you have any questions or comments!

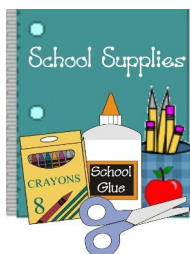


How to get to my website:

- ♦ One way is to go to my website directly at <http://shioctonmusic.weebly.com/>
- ♦ Go to the Shiocton website, click on "staff directory," and type in my name.
- ♦ Then click on the "website" button, which should be next to my picture.

School Tool Box™ Sale Starts May 1

by Tammy Welch



I know it seems early to think about the first day of school this fall, but our School Tool Box Sale starts May 1. This is a great resource for our children. It is a huge time saver. I order for my son each year and am finished buying school supplies in the time it takes to write a check. Parents from other school districts wish they had this opportunity. Prices for each grade level are listed below. Ordering will be available from May 1-27 and pick-up will be at registration in August. Please watch for your order form coming home soon. Don't miss out. The School Tool Box is brought to you by SPICE. If you have any questions, please call me at (920) 268-3307.

4-year-old kindergarten	\$28	4th grade	\$45
5-year-old kindergarten	\$65	5th grade	\$44
1st grade	\$33	6th grade	\$49
2nd grade	\$33	7th grade	\$40
3rd grade	\$65	8th grade	\$35

Each box sold = one child fed.

Every School Tool Box sold will provide one meal to a starving child through *Feed My Starving Children*. When we say "Help is here," we mean it.



Softball Dugouts: Community Collaboration, Authentic Learning

For the past few weeks, students in Mr. Lowney's Building Trades class have employed their newly learned masonry skills as they build on to the softball dugouts with folks from Pahlow Masonry.

Students are also applying their skills as they work along side Scheeler Construction crew members to add on steel roofs to the dugouts.

Their efforts couldn't have been more well timed given the start of the softball season.



2016 Shiocton Youth Baseball Clinic

For: Grade 2 through Grade 8 Boys
When: Saturday, April 9
Where: Shiocton High School and Elementary Gyms
Times: 9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.
Cost: \$25 and includes a T-shirt (make checks out to Shiocton Baseball)

The purpose of the clinic is for the youth of the Shiocton to be instructed on basic fundamentals and techniques of baseball that we continue to teach in the Shiocton Baseball program.

Clinic skills will include:

Offensive: working on hitting, bunting, and base running

Defensive: warm up routine, our throwing progression, IF/OF drills, fielding, pitching, and catching

***If the weather is nice, the outside areas may be used.*

****Please bring a glove, tennis shoes (no cleats), bat, and a helmet if you have them.**

Player Registration: (please try to send back payment as soon as possible)

Name: _____

Age/Grade: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

T-Shirt Size: (CIRCLE) ADULT SIZES:
S M L XL

Contact: Jude Backman at 920-986-3351, ext. 723
jbackman@shiocton.k12.wi.us



Come Check out
Shiocton Chiefs

vs.

Seymour Thunder
at the

Timber Rattler's Stadium

Saturday, April 30, 2016

Timber Rattlers will start at 1:05 p.m.
Chiefs will start at approx. 4:15 p.m.

\$9.00 per ticket

Ticket includes:

- Timber Rattler Game
- Shiocton Game
- Shiocton Tailgate Event

Parking lot tailgating party will start at NOON!
(FREE!!!! hot dogs, chips, soda & bottled water) **Look for the Shiocton BUS!!

*purchase your tickets prior to March 10, 2016 and you will be entered into a prize drawing for Shiocton Chiefs Baseball shirts and hats!

*tickets can also be used for any Timber Rattler Game Sunday-Tuesday for the 2016 season!

Return this portion with payment to Jude Backman
(3rd grade teacher/varsity baseball coach)

- ♦ make checks payable to Shiocton Baseball

Print student's name: _____

Print student's teacher: _____

Number of tickets ordered: _____ x \$9 = \$ _____

- ♦ Tickets will be sent home in a sealed envelope with your child.

Counselor's Corner

April Issue

Rhonda Uelmen

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7-12 School Counselor, ext. 762

Sandee Cornell

scornell@shiocton.k12.wi.us

K-6 School Counselor, ext. 711

Dear Reader,

Welcome to the Counseling Department. Our counseling program offers services of individual counseling, group counseling, or outside referrals. Please feel free to contact us at any time regarding academic, emotional, or social needs of your child.

7-12 Students

Seniors: Once again, keep working on your scholarships. Most are due on **April 13**. If you need help with the FAFSA, please contact me as soon as you can. The FAFSA became available on January 1 at fafsa.ed.gov. Seniors will also be signing up to take any exams they can take if they are in AP classes. Those exams are held in May.

Juniors: All juniors have completed their first ACT; scores should be in 6-8 weeks after. I know they all did great. Remember, students may take this exam as many times as they wish.

Freshmen/Sophomores: These two grades will be taking the ACT Aspire tests. See the calendar on the right for testing days. Please try to avoid appointments during this time.

All Students: The master schedule has been created and soon your children will have their schedules. Please look them over. We will also have new courses offered through our new technical education teacher so check them out!

Youth Apprenticeship: The Youth Apprenticeship representative held an informational meeting for the parents of the sophomores and juniors. If you were unable to attend and want more information please contact Mrs. Uelmen. They may have come home with the packets. This program awards two high school credits per semester.

7/8 Grade: All eighth graders have selected their wish list of classes for their freshman year. Schedules will be out soon. There is opportunity to discuss the class selections more thoroughly at your child's Chief Chat in June. Grade 8 students will also be attending a career fair in Clintonville on April 13 during the day. Permission slips will be coming home soon.

Seventh graders covered teamwork/cooperation in their classroom guidance lesson. We are all working on getting along as a team. Keep up the good work!

K-6 Students

Forward Exams

In the months of April and May, students in grades three through eight and ten will be taking the new Wisconsin computer-based state test called the Forward Exam. Thank you for your hard work, students. Do your best on the test!

Fifth Grade Chief Chats

REMINDER: Fifth grade Chief Chats have begun. This is an opportunity for the student, parents/guardians, and counselor to meet together to discuss, plan, and collaborate to help ensure academic success and healthy transitions. During the conference the following will be discussed: goals, interests and skills, co-curricular activities, career clusters, learning style, and transitioning to middle school.

Please contact Mrs. Cornell to schedule your 30-minute Chief Chat – 986-3351, ext. 711, scornell@shiocton.k12.wi.us.

Upcoming Events

April 4 — School board scholarship is due today.

April 13 — All local scholarships are due unless otherwise noted.

April 13 — Grade 8 Career Fair in Clintonville.

April 20 — Marine recruiter is here at lunch.

April 27 — ACT Aspire-Freshmen

May 3 — ACT Aspire-Sophomores

May 4 and 11 — ACT Aspire-Freshmen and Sophomores

Character Education Theme for April

Resiliency

What is this all about? Every month the counseling department will put out a theme, districtwide, for developing and fostering our students' character. This month's theme is "Resiliency." We will list ideas for parents to try at home and support what students learn in school.

TIPS:

- ◇ Practice patience — Make sure children wait to talk until someone else is done talking.
- ◇ Practice having a positive attitude.
- ◇ Practice coping techniques — Check out <http://hubpages.com/health/Coping-Strategies-Skills-List-Positive-Negative-Anger-Anxiety-Depression-Copers>.
- ◇ Maintain good nutrition.
- ◇ Pick an activity you can be good at and build confidence.

MS/HS Principal

It seems like the past few months have just flown by. It has been a very busy few months and as spring approaches, the high school continues to be very busy.

I want to recognize the great things happening in the high school and let you know about the accomplishments of our young students. Our winter athletes have wrapped up their season and I want to acknowledge their accomplishments. The wrestling team sent 11 wrestlers on to Regionals and five (Henry Fielding, Mason Gomm, Sawyer Theobald, Sam VanStraten and Billy Reif) on to State Competition. Great job, gentlemen! Both our girls basketball and boys basketball team finished strong in the season, but lost in playoffs. I am very proud of each and every one of our teams!

I also want to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the Shiocton Music Department. We have several students who will be going on to state as a result. They are Christie Depner (piano), Riley Bellin (piano); the Dolce' Bella group consisting of Jeanie Beer, Megan Coenen, Molly Coenen, Hollie Wise, Missy Krause, Caitlyn Henry Olivia Bloch, Alyssa Leopold, Desiree Pelky, Brianna Pelky, Jewel Brunner, and Stephanie Olmsted; and the Madrigal group consisting of Megan Pigsley, Caitlyn Pingel, Rylee Davis, Hollie Wise, Jeanie Beer, Megan Coenen Jenna Collar, Caitlyn Henry, Missy Krause, Tabitha Morris. Also going on to State is the Duet of Molly and Megan Coenen; Solosists Jeanie Beer, Josh Parker, Brian Dawes, Megan Coenen, Olivia Bloch, and Missy Krause. I am always amazed by the talent that comes out of our small school.



The junior class has been working hard, getting ready for Prom. This year's Prom will be held April 16 at Tryba's Simply Country Barn at N3504 Country Road E, Freedom from 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.. The theme is "Here's to the Night." For those of you who would like to take pictures, the court will be announced at 10:00 p.m. Immediately following Prom, we will once again be hosting a Post-Prom event. That event will take place at the high school. The Post-Prom committee has some outstanding prizes, as well as entertainment this year. If your child has never come to Post-Prom, please encourage them to do so, it is a great time and it is free (to anyone who attends Prom). You *do not* need to attend Prom in order to attend Post-Prom. A FREE bus will leave from the high school at 6:45 p.m. and return at 11:00 p.m. If you would like more information about the bus, please contact the 7-12 grade office.

As the weather gets nicer and spring fever begins to take over, I would like to remind students and parents about the consequences for a skip day. In the past, the tradition in Shiocton (like in many schools) was for the seniors to take a day off and have a party. As an alternative and to deter the skip day, seniors have been given the Friday before graduation to go on a canoe/tubing trip with a cookout, all free of charge. The Class of 2016 has already been warned that if there is a senior skip day the canoe/tubing trip will be cancelled and students will be required to attend school on that day (after graduation rehearsal). Any student who skips will be required to make up all of the time absent prior to graduation or they will not be able to participate in the ceremony. This strategy worked well the past few years and hopefully it is a trend that will continue in the future.

Spring athletics are underway, and I would like to encourage fans to attend games and cheer in a positive manner. Your support is greatly appreciated by the athletes and coaches.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact me at 986-3351 ext.751. Have a great month!

Kelly Zeinert

You're Invited...

What: Post - Prom

When: Saturday, April 16

Starting: 11:30 p.m. until 3:00 a.m.

Where: Shiocton HS

Shiocton High School students are invited to Post-Prom at Shiocton High School following Prom.

The purpose of Post-Prom is to provide a safe and fun environment for our students to play games, participate in activities, eat, win prizes, and hang out with friends without any pressures to partake in alternative/unsafe Post-Prom activities.

Having said that, Post-Prom does have some rules.

- ◇ Everyone attending Post-Prom will have to follow the school rules.
- ◇ Only Shiocton High School students and **Pre-approved guests** will be allowed in.
- ◇ Once you leave Post-Prom, you will not be permitted to return.
- ◇ All students must enter/exit through the back door.

Post-Prom will provide a variety of activities to participate in. There will also be tons of prizes to win. Prizes are on display in the trophy case located by the district office.

Post-Prom is FREE!

YOU DO NOT
HAVE TO GO
TO PROM TO
BE ABLE TO
COME TO
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POST-PROM IS
OPEN TO ALL
SHIOCTON HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS AND **PRE-
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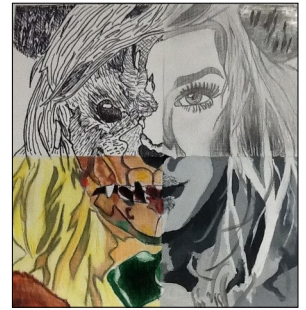
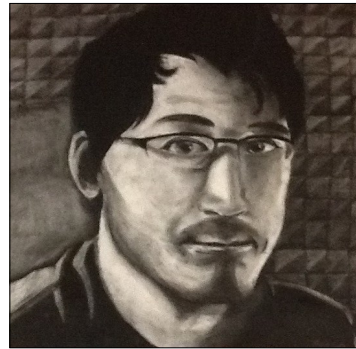
2016 High School/Middle School Art Awards



Best in Show
Nicole Pomeroy
Charcoal Drawing "Tech Man"

High School Principal's Choice

2nd Place
Alyssa Scott
Charcoal
Drawing "Man with Glasses"
Morgan Knoke
Charcoal
Drawing
"Tiger"



Honorable Mention
Paige Stein
4 in 1 Media "Face"

Middle School Principal's Choice

Best in Show
Aliyah Schmidt,
Cassidy
Defferding,
Dylan Van
Camp
Grid Painting
"Gestat-Rugo"



2nd Place
Abbie Hanks, Litzy Padilla, Sky Green,
Haley Apple/Grid Painting "I and the Village"

Honorable Mention
Tanner Baeten, Elizabeth Van Voorhis,
Nansi Ramirez/Grid Painting
Logan Heindl/Mini Painting
Mickayla Denis/Animal Crayon/
Watercolor Resist
Haley Apple/Clay Gargoyle



Best in Show
Morgan Knoke
Charcoal Drawing "Tiger"

*Thank you to **everyone** who made the artwork for this year's show. We had many positive comments about the quality of all the artwork. Thank you to all of our judges this year. It is extremely difficult to pick winners when the work is so diverse and of such overall high quality.*

Mr. Greider
MS/HS Art Teacher

People's Choice

2nd Place
Tayler
Wickesberg
Acrylic on
Canvas "Cow
Portrait"



Honorable Mention
Caylee Guyette/Octopus Clay Box
Desiree Pelky/Black and White Lady Face
Makayla Kleiber/Deer Cookie Jar
Payton Schnur/Black and White Man with Hat in Hand

Wake Up to Breakfast Winners



The School District of Shiocton celebrated National School Breakfast week March 7-11. School breakfast helps students perform their best at school. The foodservice department offers whole grains, fruits, proteins, and dairy for breakfast. Studies have proven that breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Breakfast helps fuel the body and brain when offered a nutritious meal with all the nutrients and calories of the daily allowance. Breakfast helps students get motivated and ready to succeed in their academics. To help promote school breakfast, the foodservice department did a random drawing for the students who chose to eat breakfast. We handed out prizes to the student winners.



Winners (*pictured above*) were Isaac Sanchez, Dilsia Molina Calona, Edwin Santos Calona, Connor Mohnen, Sabah Zaatrah, Brett Schmidt, Mason Ziewaz, Kaleb Anderson, Violet Heinz, Maliyah Meyers Gilbert, Charles O'Brien, Jennifer Osorto, Izaiah Sanchez, Beau Oskey, Bentley Enders, Daltyn Enders, Iliajah Sanchez, Brady Mohnen, Ariel Schiavone, Nealle Hinkle-Twaites, Israel Sanchez, Miles Surprise, Hunter Austin, Brandi Mohnen, and Kiersten Drath.

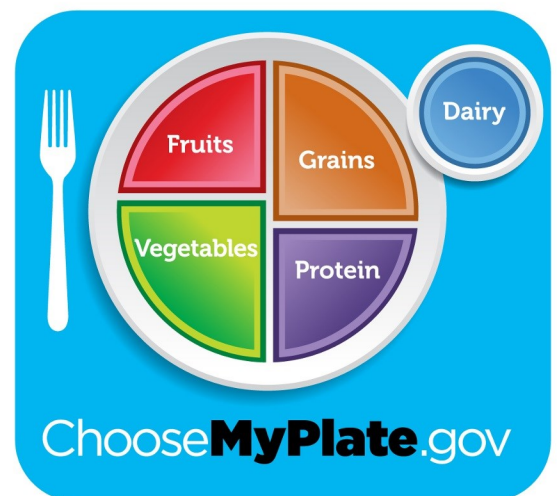
MyPlate Food Icon

In 2005, the USDA along side of First Lady Michelle Obama and the Agriculture Secretary introduced a new MyPlate Icon. The icon is designed to be a simple visual reminder for Americans to make healthier choices at meal time. The image is to provide consumers with a visual for building meals. The easy-to-recognize place mat setting features fruits, vegetables, grains, protein, and dairy as the primary food groups.

The Shiocton Food Services Department has specific guidelines which need to be followed under the USDA restrictions. They must provide a well balanced meal to every student. Students are only allowed to have certain amount of calories. Half of the students plates are filled with fruits and vegetables. Milk is served as fat free or low fat. Half of the grains served are whole grains. By following the MyPlate icon it makes it easier to follow the restrictions set by the USDA.

Last month the Shiocton 4th graders focused on making healthy food and beverage choices. Each student was to create their favorite meal using all five food groups. The students learned everything you eat and drink matters. They had to focus on the variety, amount, and nutritional value of their meal. Choosing foods and beverages with less saturated fat, sodium, and added sugars create a healthier lifestyle.

By using the MyPlate icon it allowed the student to visually see how important it is to eat a well rounded meal that covers all food groups.



Lunch Account Reminder

Parents/Guardians: Please remember that all lunch accounts need to be paid in full at the end of the school year. All positive balances will carry over to the 2016-17 school year. The Skylert Automated System and/or e-mail notifies families of their current account balance. If you have any questions, please call (920) 986-3351 ext. 796 or e-mail me at ddanke@shiocton.k12.wi.us.



Parents of graduating seniors: If your family lunch account has a negative balance, **the account must be paid in full prior to senior checkout** even if a sibling shares the account.

Debbra Danke, Nutrition Program Director

Parents of the Shiocton Schools:

This year, we need 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's why we encourage all students to begin the school day with a nutritious breakfast.

The **School Breakfast Program** is available for purchase to all students every weekday morning. You do not have to register your child in advance. Your child can eat breakfast at school every day or only occasionally. School breakfast makes good sense – it provides $\frac{1}{4}$ of your child's nutritional needs, meets Dietary Guideline recommendations, and offers children a chance 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. Whatever the reason, if breakfast at home is not convenient, please have your child take advantage of breakfast here at school.

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

Sincerely,

Debbra Danke, Nutrition Program Director

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2016-17 School Year Calendar School District of Shiocton

August

16, 17 — Professional Development for K-12
18 — Professional Development for All Staff
29, 30, 31 — Professional Development
30 — Open House, 4:00 — 6:00 p.m.

September

1 — First Day of School
5 — No School, Labor Day
7 — Picture Day
30 — Homecoming

October

3 — No Students – Professional Development
13 — Picture Re-Take

November

4 — End of the 1st quarter, 12:10 p.m. dismissal
23 — 12:10 p.m. dismissal, PD* in p.m.
24 & 25 — No School

December

13 — 12:10 p.m. dismissal, PD* in p.m.
23-31 — Winter Break

January

1-2 — Winter Break
3 — School Resumes
18 — PD*/Snow Day make-up: PD* all day for staff **unless** a snow day needs to be made up
17 — End of the 2nd quarter, 12:10 p.m. dismissal

February

14 — 12:10 p.m. dismissal, PD* in p.m.

March

9 — 12:10 p.m. dismissal, PD* in p.m.
22 — End of the 3rd quarter, 12:10 p.m. dismissal
23, 24 — No School

April

13, 14, 17 — Spring Break
22 — Prom

May

5 — PD*/Snow Day make-up: PD* all day for staff **unless** a snow day needs to be made up
28 — Graduation
29 — No School, Memorial Day

June

2 — Last day – End of the 4th quarter, 12:10 p.m. Dismissal

- Professional Development

NOTE: Dates for the fall and spring Parent/Teacher Conferences for fall and spring will be forth coming.



"I WANT YOU FOR SHIOCTON BAND!"

Is your 4th grader interested in joining band next year?

PARENT MEETING
TUESDAY
APRIL 26
6:00 p.m.
BAND ROOM

ATTENTION ALL GRADE 4 PARENTS!

The *GRAND BAND RECRUIT* is here! Throughout April, we'll demonstrate all the instruments in band to our 4th graders, visit some of the band classes, and even test out and pick an instrument to play next year. Then on **Tuesday, April 26**, we'll have a **Parent Meeting** for all parents of students interested in joining band. The meeting will take place in the **band room at 6:00 p.m.** We'll talk about instrument rentals and what it takes to join band. We look forward to seeing you there!

Groovy Book Fair Successful



The groovy book fair was a big success. Over \$400 in books were donated to class libraries and over \$1200 was raised for our PTO. Monies raised will help fund equipment requests throughout the year, senior scholarships and other projects.

A big thanks to all who helped run the fair and to all families and staff that supported the event through purchases. Thanks again and look forward to seeing you in the fall.



Happy Spring from SPICE

by Mindy Hofacker

SPICE has been busy as the weather gets warmer! We held our 17th annual evening at **Funset Boulevard** and had a great turnout again this year. Thank you to all the families that purchased wristbands and attended. It was a fun night had by all. Our **Spring Book Fair** was held in March and coincided with the Health/Fine Arts Fair. We cannot thank all the families that supported our efforts through purchases enough. A huge thank you to all the people who spent their time volunteering to help make the book fair a success. We simply could not do what we do without your support. The book fair raises crucial funds for our organization and it earns books for our school and classrooms. Plus, the kids love it! What a great thing to see our kids passionate about reading. We also brought back a fun tradition of holding a **quilt raffle**. We cannot thank Jeanne Reese and her family enough for creating and donating the quilt. We also received many donations from area businesses and their support means so much to us. We sold many tickets and the raffle was a huge success! John Ullmer won the quilt, which we are thrilled about this, because his triplets each have a square on it!



Our last **movie night** was on March 11 and we had a great turnout. Thanks to all who came! We are still collecting **plastic bags and films** in the elementary foyer, the foyer at the main entrance, and in the hall by the high school office. Please keep bringing them in so we can win a bench from Trex for our school yard! Plastic bags will be collected until April 15. Another **Box Tops Challenge** will be held in the coming weeks. Keep saving as they add up quickly and raise a great deal of funds for our school.



We are holding our **bi-annual election** at our May meeting. The positions of chairperson and treasurer are up for election. If anyone is interested in running for either position, please contact a board member. We are a fun group to work with and do so many wonderful things for our school! Our next meeting will be April 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the LMC. We hope you can make it! Thank you for your continued support of SPICE! If you have any questions please contact me at Shofackers@gmail.com. Enjoy the sunshine!

Elementary Art



Clay Heart,
Kindergarten



Clay Frame and Self
Portrait, Grade 4

Clay Slab House
Media: Clay and
Glaze, Grade 1



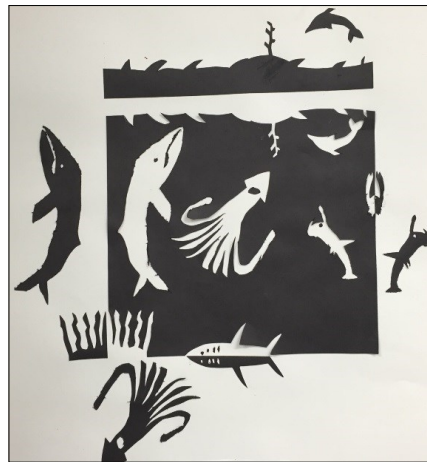
Lascaux Cave painting, Grade 1



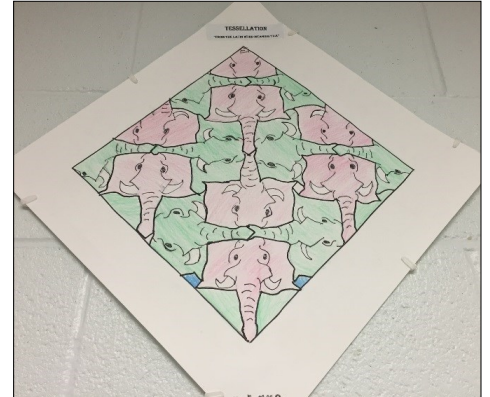
Paper Mache' Fish, Grade 8



Clay Sunflower Trivet, Grade 3



Positive Negative Space, Grade 4



Tessellation, Grade 5

Matisse, Grade 2



Clown, Grade 2



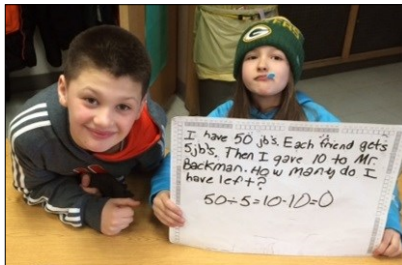
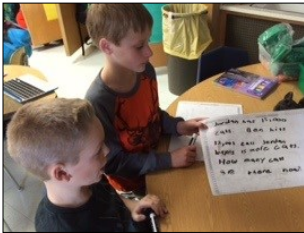
Greek Urns, Grade 5



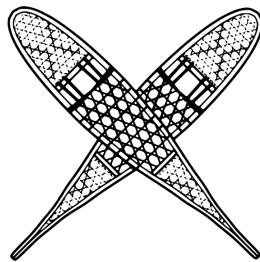
Third Graders Enjoy Working Together In and Out of the Classroom



Third grade student math teams working on two-step story situations



Third Grade Mosquito Hill Adventures



Celebrating Read Across America Third Grade Style



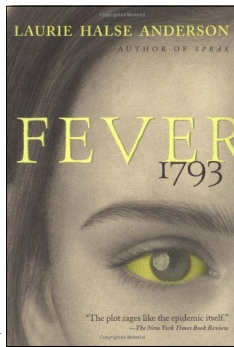
We celebrated Read Across America in Mrs. Dagenais' room the first week of March. We had dress up days, guest readers, and other Dr. Seuss-inspired activities. One special guest reader was Stacy Engebretson from NBC26, who read to all of the third graders and shared what life is like as a news anchor. We also were buddy readers with Mrs. Behnke's class.



Blast From the Past! 5th Grade Historical Fiction Book Clubs

Fifth graders worked really hard reading historical fiction books in their clubs. One book club read *Fever 1793*, and they found the book to be real interesting. Here's their insight about it. *"I feel that it is really fun to be able to talk about a certain book that we read nightly,"* Amelia Schuh says from the book club. Ashlyn Van Camp says, *"It is interesting and fun to build on each others thoughts and ideas."* Colten Schuh says, *"This book is great because it gives so much vivid detail about the characters and Philadelphia."* *"If you are in grades 3-6 this book will be a good fit. I recommend this book to others because it is entertaining."* Davin Piechocki says, *"I scream, you scream, we ALL scream for BOOK CLUBS!"*

Submitted by Ashlyn Van Camp



Middle School Student Council News

Next meeting dates — April 13 and May 4

Upcoming Events:

Wear Your Favorite Outfit or Color Day — April 14

Sandals and Sunglasses Day — May 13

Dance for grades 5-8 from 3:15-5:00 p.m. — May 13

Students Participate in Career Cluster Fair

Students in grades 6 and 7 participated in a Career Cluster Fair in the school LMC. Pictured are sixth grade students Cameron Kriewaldt, Ethan Stenz, and Ron Diemel trying on equipment with the National Guard.



Top 10 Tips for Dealing with a Picky Eater

When you get home from a long day at work, the last thing you want to do is wage war over broccoli at the dinner table. That's why it's so easy to fall into the trap of making mac-n-cheese or ordering pizza. It keeps you out of an "eat your vegetables" fight. The good news is, getting a picky eater to eat a nutritious meal doesn't have to be a battle. Here are some tips for dealing with a picky eater:

Start by introducing healthier elements into foods that your child already likes. For example, offer blueberry pancakes, carrot muffins, fruit slices over a favorite cereal, chunks of bell pepper in a potato salad, or shredded veggies over rice.

Include your kids in the prep work. By being involved in grocery shopping and food preparation, your kids will have more 'buy-in.' If they feel some ownership over the meal, they may be more likely to eat it.

Don't buy unhealthy foods. Out of sight, out of mind. If the chips and cookies aren't around, your kids can't eat them. They may resist at first, but when they get hungry, they'll start munching the carrot sticks. Keep healthy foods on hand — 100 percent juice instead of colas or sugary drinks, and a bag of apples instead of a bag of chips.

Schedule snack time and stick to it. Most kids like routine. If your kids know they will only get food at certain times, they'll eat what they get when they get it. Try to have snacks incorporate two food groups. For

example, offer cheese and whole-grain crackers or apple slices with low-fat yogurt or cottage cheese.

Have healthy finger foods available. Kids like to pick up foods, so give them foods they can handle. Fruit and veggie chunks (raw or cooked) are great finger-food options.

Repeal the "clean your plate" rule. Kids know when they're full, so let them stop. Overeating is one of the major reasons we get too many calories.

Encourage kids to "eat their colors." This game works well with younger kids. Food that's bland in color often also lacks nutrients. Eating a variety of brightly colored foods provides more nutrients in greater variety.

Don't cut out treats altogether. Think moderation. A scoop of ice cream or a serving of Oreos is all right occasionally. If you cut out all the goodies, your kids will be more likely to overeat when they do get them. Make sure to moderate the treat consumption.

Veg out at the dinner table, not the TV. Eating in front of the TV is distracting, and kids may not notice that they're full because they're wrapped up in the show. Eating as a family is a great time to catch up.

Be a good role model. The best way to influence kids is by example. Don't expect them to eat spinach if you won't touch it.

Source: American Heart Association

THE UPBEAT!

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR SHIOCTON MUSIC



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MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND STUDENTS SEE BADGER BAND

We're coming to the home stretch of our Badger Band trip. The kids are very excited to go. All remaining balances are due at this time. If you haven't done so already, please turn in your second payment of \$25 to Mr. Yenor. The University of Wisconsin Badger Band is one of the premiere college marching bands in the country. And we get to hear them play! *On Wisconsin!*

ATTENTION ALL 4TH GRADE PARENTS...

The *GRAND BAND RECRUIT* is here! Throughout the month of April, we'll demonstrate and test out all the instruments in band. The 4th grade classes will even visit some of the band classes to hear the full band play. Then on **Tuesday, April 26**, we'll have a **Parent Meeting** for all parents and students interested in joining band. The meeting will take place in the **band room** at **6:00 p.m.** We'll talk about instrument rentals and what it takes to be in 5th grade band. We look forward to seeing you there!

BADGER BAND TRIP

Friday, April 15
Kohl Center, Madison
6-8 BAND STUDENTS

KRAZY BOWL

Saturday, April 23
T & T Lanes, Shiocton

GRAND BAND RECRUIT PARENT MEETING

Tuesday, April 26
6:00 p.m.
Band Room
ALL PARENTS OF 4th GRADERS
INTERESTED IN JOINING BAND!!

STATE SOLO and ENSEMBLE

Saturday, April 30
SELECT HS STUDENTS

SHIOCTON SHOWCASE

Friday, May 13
HS Gym
7:00 p.m.
9-12 BAND and CHOIR

UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

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KRAZY BOWLING!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 23
T & T LANES, SHIOCTON**

Krazy Prizes

Bucket Raffles

50/50 Drawings

Black Sand (student band)

And much more!!

Ever want to bowl with a plunger or an oven mitt!? How about blindfolded!? Get some friends together and go

Krazy Bowling! Join us for an afternoon or night of fun while helping raise money to get our high school band and choir to Niagara Falls in 2017!

You need is a team of four to five friends 21 or older.

Students are welcome to bowl with their parents.

All bowlers receive one drink/soda ticket, free snacks, and plenty of opportunities to win fabulous fun prizes!! Food available for purchase, too. Prior bowling experience NOT necessary!

MUST be 21 to play (or have parents bowl with you) and MUST be pre-registered by April 8. Go to:

[Facebook.com/ShioctonMusicParents](https://facebook.com/ShioctonMusicParents)

1:00 p.m. **BOWLING** session 1

4:00 p.m. **BLACK SAND** performs

6:00 p.m. **BOWLING** session 2



<p>Cold sandwiches available each day as an alternative entrée for lunch. Whole grain white bread and buns are offered. All students must take ½ cup of fruit or vegetables with breakfast and lunch. Fresh fruit and vegetables are offered daily. Our milk is 1% or fat free white and TruMoo fat free chocolate.</p>					
Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BREAKFAST	Muffin, string cheese, fruit, juice, milk	Cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk	Uncrustable peanut butter and jelly, fruit, juice, milk	Scooby snacks, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk	Whole grain long john, fruit, juice, milk
					1 Grab-n-Go salad or build your own hamburger on a whole grain bun with trimmings, French fries, baked beans, sliced pears, milk
4 Grab-n-Go salad or chicken alfredo over penne noodles, garlic toast, California medley vegetables, mandarin oranges, milk		5 Mini corn dogs, seasoned rice, baked beans, pineapple, milk	6 Nachos with meat sauce, whole kernel corn, apple juice, milk	7 Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, fresh apples, milk	8 Parfaits or portessi cheese fries with marinara sauce, fresh garden salad, sliced peaches, milk
11 Grab-n-Go salad or chicken fajitas with trimmings, shredded cheese, green beans, mandarin oranges, milk		12 Parfaits or tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, Wisconsin blend vegetables, sliced peaches, milk	13 Grab-n-Go salad or pizzaroni, whole kernel corn, garlic bread sticks, pineapple, milk	14 Hot dog on a whole grain bun, tater tots, baked beans, strawberry cup, milk	15 Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, seasoned broccoli, Mrs. Schultz's fruit fluff, milk
18 No School		19 Grab-n-Go salad or salisbury steak with fluffy mashed potatoes and gravy, steamed broccoli, sliced peaches, bread slice, milk	20 Chili with homemade buns, peas, applesauce cup, milk	21 Build your own burritos with trimmings, refried beans, black beans, whole kernel corn, mandarin oranges, milk	22 Pizza slice, green beans, fresh apples, apple crisp, milk
25 Grab-n-Go salad or chicken teriyaki over steamed rice, steamed broccoli, whole grain dinner roll, sliced peaches, milk		26 Grab-n-Go salad or build your own soft shell tacos , refried beans, black beans, whole kernel corn, pears, milk	27 Grab-n-Go salad or chicken and gravy over fluffy mashed potatoes, peas, cranberry sauce, orange smiles, bread slice, milk	28 Turkey/ham/cheese on a WG bun, Goldfish crackers, fresh vegetables, Fuitable juice, raisins, Birthday cake ice cream cup, milk	29 Grab-n-Go salad or gooey goodness creamy macaroni and cheese, uncrustable sandwich, green beans, mandarin oranges, milk
<p>Breakfast prices: 4K-12 — \$1.00 per day Lunch prices: 4K-8 — \$2.30 per day, \$11.50 per week, \$46 for April 9-12 — \$2.55 per day, \$12.75 per week, \$51 for April</p>					<p>* Menu subject to change</p>
<p>Parents/Guardians — Please remember, money is needed in the lunch account before purchases are made. If your account has a negative \$20 balance, please send money or a cold lunch. Your child may not be allowed to eat hot lunch. No a la carte purchases will be allowed.</p> <p>USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.</p>					

April Calendar of Events

4	Mon	Varsity Softball at Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 4:30 pm
5	Tue	Spring Election HS Track at home — 4:00 pm Varsity/JV Baseball at Little Chute — 4:30/6:30 pm Varsity Softball at Laconia — 4:30 pm
6	Wed	SPICE meeting in the LMC — 6:00 pm
7	Thu	HS Track at Bonduel — 4:00 pm Varsity Baseball at home vs. Manawa — 4:30 pm Varsity Softball at home vs. Bonduel — 4:30 pm
8	Fri	Varsity Softball at Algoma — 4:30 pm
9	Sat	Youth Baseball Clinic for boys grades 2-8 — 9:00 am-12:00 noon (see article in this issue)
11	Mon	The Link — Deadline for submitting articles for the May issue HS Golf Invitational hosted by Manawa (Cedar Springs Golf Course) — 12:00 noon HS Track at Tri-County — 3:45 pm JV Baseball at Weyauwega-Fremont — 4:30 pm Varsity Baseball/Softball at home vs. Weyauwega-Fremont — 4:30 pm School Board meeting in the LMC — 6:00 pm
12	Tue	HS Track at Wild Rose — 4:00 pm Varsity Softball at home vs. Oconto — 4:30 pm
14	Thu	MS Track at Weyauwega-Fremont — 3:45 pm Varsity Softball at home vs. Manawa — 4:30 pm
15	Fri	Badger Band trip for grades 6-8 band students HS Golf hosted by Stockbridge (Hickory Hills Golf Course) — 3:30 pm HS Track at Rosholt — 3:45 pm
16	Sat	Prom at Tryba's Simply Country Barn in Freedom — 7:00-11:00 pm Post-Prom in the HS gym — 11:30 pm-3:00 am
18	Mon	No school for students — Professional Development HS Track CWC meet at Iola-Scandinavia — 4:00 pm (rain date-Tuesday, April 19) Varsity Baseball/Softball at Iola-Scandinavia — 4:30 pm
19	Tue	Varsity Baseball/Softball at Manawa — 4:30 pm
21	Thu	MS Track at home — 4:00 pm Varsity Baseball/Softball at Pacelli — 4:30 pm
22	Fri	HS Golf Invitational hosted by Iola-Scandinavia (Whistling Straits Golf Course) — 11:00 am Varsity Baseball/Softball at Gibraltar — 4:30 pm
23	Sat	Krazy Bowl (see Upbeat page for more info)
25	Mon	MS Track Invitational at Rosholt — 3:45 pm HS Track Invitational at Iola-Scandinavia — 4:00 pm Varsity Softball at home vs. Amherst — 4:30 pm Varsity/JV Baseball at home vs. Amherst — 4:30/6:15 pm School Board meeting in the LMC — 6:00 pm
25-29	M-F	Paper Recycling fundraiser behind school
26	Tue	HS Golf Invitational hosted by Amherst (Glacier Woods Golf Club) — 12:00 noon Varsity Baseball at home vs. Oconto — 4:30 pm Grand Band Recruit meeting in the band room for parents of 4th graders — 6:00 pm
28	Thu	HS Golf at home (The Creeks at Ivy Acres) — 3:30 pm HS Track at Manawa — 4:00 pm Varsity Baseball/Softball at home vs. Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 4:30 pm
29	Fri	Grade 4 Grandparents' Day
30	Sat	State Solo and Ensemble Varsity Baseball vs. Seymour at Timber Rattler's Stadium — 4:45 pm

