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The Link

School District of Shiocton

Newsletter Connecting Home, School, and Community

September, 2015

Market Day Ends; Thanks for Your Support

Market Day has been bought by World's Finest Chocolates (WFC). Over the summer, Shiocton Schools were notified of the dissolving of Market Day. Any extra Market Day products are available through GFS-Appleton (Gordon Food Service).

Thank you to all of our faithful Market Day customers. Many school groups and classrooms have benefited from your generous purchases in the past, which helped with their fundraising projects.

The good news is that we still can continue with our pie and cookie fundraisers through WFC. Pies will be delivered November 24 and the cookies on March 2, 2016.

Thanks again for your support of our school's fundraising projects.

Joyce Baggot
WFC Chairperson



Max Beecher Golfs at State

Congratulations to Shiocton golfer Max Beecher, who competed in the State Golf Meet on June 8-9 at University Ridge Golf Course in Madison.

Max qualified for State by winning a playoff at the WIAA Division 3 Sectional at McCauslin Brook Golf Course in Lakewood. Four golfers, including Max, carded 80, and the playoff determined which two would advance to State.

At State, under windy conditions on a tough course, Max placed 23rd with scores of 91 and 82.



Please welcome our new teachers for 2015-16 (*l to r*) — Wendy Pfundtner, Gifted/Talented and MS Spanish; Bonnie Kirschman, grade 3; Ashley Dagenais, grade 3; Jessica Zuleger, speech language pathologist; and Colleen Worthman, grades 7/8 math. Learn more about them on pages 4 and 5.



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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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A Glance Behind, A Look Ahead

The summer has once again provided us with many opportunities for fun in the sun, trips and travel, and maybe even a few quiet moments with a good book. Summer brings with it a slower pace and time to reflect on all that we have accomplished.

During the 2014-15 school year, the Shiocton School District:

- Maintained small classroom sizes K-12
- Added CAPP Art courses while maintaining AP Chemistry, AP Biology, and AP Calculus, as well as articulated and transcript courses with FVTC
- Finalized plans to begin *Career Pathways*, a succession of courses that lead to industry-standard certifications
- Implemented *Math Expressions* in grades K-6; revamped grade 6 schedule to provide block of math and ELA learning time
- Held the first annual Math Morning for parents — a training and learning opportunity
- Studied literacy instruction in grades K-5 with recommendations for program implementation in 2015-16
- Wrote two grants to provide computer software at the high school level and start-up funds for the wellness efforts districtwide
- Expanded the 1:1 computer initiative into grades 7 and 8, with Chromebook pods for classrooms at grade 6
- Implemented State/Federal required testing: ACT Aspire for grades 9 and 10; ACT for all juniors; Badger Exam for grades 3-8
- Remodeled the track/football concession stand
- Maintained “open access” from 3:30-8:00 p.m. each school day for students and community to be in the school building using the wireless Internet access free of charge
- Offered four Community Education Events for parents and community members to learn more about education in Shiocton
- Created a video showcasing what is great about education in Shiocton (view at www.shiocton.k12.wi.us)

Summer also affords one the time to look excitedly at what lies ahead and where we will grow to, including:

- Adding a third 4K classroom and reducing class sizes for our youngest of learners
- Implementing *Big Ideas Math* in grades 7 and 8 using an on-line “textbook” complete with a dynamic learning environment
- Piloting a new Algebra 1 curriculum for advanced students in grade 8
- Exploring curricular resources and needs for grades 9-12
- Revamping grades 7 and 8 schedule to provide 70-minute blocks of math and ELA instruction
- Piloting the *Collections* series for grades 7 and 8 English Language Arts
- Implementing a *Balanced Literacy* program in grades K-6, including units of study based upon state standards and Continuum of Learning
- Continuing implementation of *Math Expressions* in grades K-6
- Implementing FOSS Science instruction in grades K-6 (first stage)
- Revamping grades K-6 schedules to provide blocks of instructional time for math and ELA
- Adding formal instruction in keyboarding to grades 3-5 in preparation for the standardized test that is now online
- Switching to mobile polycom unit for KSCADE courses
- Growing course offerings through connection to SW WI network, including access to over 30 CAPP credits
- Implementing the new Compensation Model designed to recognize and retain quality educators districtwide

Small schools are synonymous with a welcoming atmosphere and the feeling of family, a direct reflection of our community and its members. I look forward to the 2015-16 school year and the educational opportunities that it holds for the youth of our community. THANK YOU for continued support of our students, staff, and school.

Mrs. Schweitzer



Office Information

For anything pertaining to students in grades PK-6, please contact the grades PK-6 office at 986-3351:

- Mrs. Murphy, Secretary – ext. 721
- Mrs. Cornell, Counselor – ext. 711
- Mrs. Griesbach, Grades PK-6 Principal – ext. 747

For anything pertaining to students in grades 7-12, please contact the grades 7-12 office at 986-3351:

- Mrs. Herrmann, Secretary – ext. 782
- Mrs. Uelmen, Counselor – ext. 762
- Mrs. Zeinert, Grades 7-12 Principal – ext. 751

Back-to-School Reminders

- ☑ Broad Street is CLOSED to northbound traffic (except for buses) on school days from 7:30-8:00 a.m. and 3:00-3:15 p.m.
- ☑ Exit from the west parking lot onto Broad Street is prohibited at all times.
- ☑ Students who walk to school or are dropped off at school should not arrive before 7:45 a.m.
- ☑ Smoking or other use of tobacco products is prohibited on school premises and in all facilities at all times.



Please Watch for Students

It's that time of year again when students begin to cross the street on bikes and on foot.

Parents, be sure to drop your child off by the crosswalk. Elementary students should be dropped off by the elementary wing. Mrs. Leeman will once again be on duty each morning at 7:40 a.m. to help students and parents cross Broad Street safely. Mrs. Boelter will be at the north end of Broad Street helping youngsters cross Highway 54, while Mrs. Brum will be located at the intersection of Pine and Broad Streets.

PLEASE be on the lookout for our young students!

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School District of Shiocton

Our Mission is to
"Provide an exceptional education
to secure the future of our children and our families."

Our Vision is
"Expect and provide excellence in education
for the children and families
of the School District of Shiocton."

Look for *The Link* Every Month

The mission of The Link is to promote effective communication between home and school and within the community.

Look for *The Link* online Look for the current issue of *The Link* on the school website, www.shiocton.k12.wi.us, just prior to the first of the month. On the home page, click on "*The Link*," then click on the date for the issue you would like to view. You can print any or all pages with your home printer.



Submitting articles Our job is to edit and publish the news, but we depend on school staff, parents, community members, and students to submit articles and photos for publication. Submit articles and photos by e-mail if possible, to this address: thelink@shiocton.k12.wi.us.

DEADLINE The deadline for the next issue is listed on the calendar in the current issue. It is generally the 15th of the month. We need your cooperation to get the issue published in a timely manner. **Please submit articles on or before the deadline date.**

Printed copies

- If you do not have Internet access in your home, you may request to have a copy of *The Link* mailed to you by calling Sue Hill at (920) 986-3351 ext. 517.
- You can also pick up a copy at school in any of the offices or at any of several locations around town, including the public library, the bank, Shiocton Mini-mart, Subway, Colwitz's Convenience Store, and Hometown Grill.

The editors

Meet Our New Staff Members

Jessica Zuleger — Speech Language Pathologist

I was born and raised in Little Chute, where I still live today. I attended Little Chute High School and graduated in 2008. From there I went to UW-Whitewater and received my bachelor's degree in Communicative Disorders in May of 2012. I received my master's degree in Speech Language Pathology from the University of South Dakota in December of 2014. Before coming to Shiocton, I worked as a line therapist for Fox Valley Autism, and I had two long-term subbing positions for speech language pathology, one in Ashland and the other in Neenah.

I am not married and have no children. I enjoy running, biking, and going for walks. I also enjoy reading and hanging out with family and friends.

As the new speech language pathologist, my goal for this coming school year is to make a difference in each child that I provide services to and help them have fun as they reach for their goals.



Bonnie Kirschman — 3rd Grade

I'm very excited to kick off the school year in Shiocton! This is my fourth year teaching and my second year as a classroom teacher. Before joining the Shiocton staff, I taught 3rd grade in Sturgeon Bay. I live in Green Bay with my two children, Emily, 17, and Thomas, 13.

Teaching is my second career. I graduated from Iowa State University with a BA in Mass Communication and Speech Communication, with an emphasis in broadcast journalism. I worked as an anchor/reporter for NBC26 for 13 years before deciding to take a different career path. I received my teaching certification in 2011 from Marian University in Appleton.

I grew up in a family of teachers. My father taught high school English, drama, and speech for 35 years. My mother topped that, and taught preschool (4K) for nearly 40 years. My only sister teaches music at Clive Elementary School in West Des Moines. I grew up in Pella, Iowa, home of Pella Windows and the annual Tulip Festival.

In my spare time I love to write children's books, read, go for walks, and spend time with my kids. I have a passion for theater. I teach summer acting classes for Evergreen's Youth Theater Arts program in Green Bay. I also direct their summer children's production. This year we put on a comedy called *Camp Twilight*. I also perform in adult plays with Evergreen Theater and Green Bay Community Theater.

I strive to create a safe, positive, and caring learning environment for all my students. I'm looking forward to getting the school year started and working with the 3rd grade team.

Wendy Pfundtner Gifted/Talented and MS Spanish

Hello! I'm excited to be a part of the Shiocton team and am eager to meet Shiocton's students and families! I was born in Milwaukee and attended four school districts 4K-12: Wauwatosa, Brookfield, Kewaunee, and Iola-Scandinavia. My undergraduate and graduate studies were completed at UW-River Falls, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Stevens Point, and UW-Whitewater. I have attended numerous colleges within Wisconsin for ongoing education, as well as colleges in Michigan and Oregon.

I'm coming to Shiocton with a plethora of various work experiences, mostly in education. As a student teacher, I worked with Australian children in Sydney and at an open classroom (no grade levels) in Stillwater, Minnesota. I've taught all levels K through college, been a classroom teacher in one and combined classrooms, and an interventionist and coach for reading and math. My first public teaching position was in Crownpoint, New Mexico, on the Navajo Indian Reservation. A very memorable summer job was working in Yellowstone National Park. Some of the perks included hiking on trails most visitors don't get to explore, hiking 24 miles in the Tetons, and whitewater rafting down the Snake River for free.

I'm not married but had several opportunities to do so. I do not have human children, but have considered the stray pets I've adopted throughout my life my "family." I've also sponsored children in various countries around the world and am currently corresponding with four girls through Pearl S. Buck. Two live in the Philippines, one in Thailand, and one in Vietnam. I've lots of room in my heart for all the children I've been privileged to meet on my professional journey.

For recreation, I enjoy hiking, riding my bike, traveling, reading, watching a good movie, and traveling on the water (kayak, canoe, etc.). I love art and music and used to work with stained glass.

My goal this year will be to challenge myself to challenge the students to actualize their own goals and dreams by achieving their highest potential. I want to get to know each student I work with and plan meaningful lessons which will inspire creative energies and actions. Learning is an enjoyable journey and experience. The future of this world is in the hands of our young people. The best gift we can give them is the ability to believe in their own abilities, think, problem solve, communicate, uphold Shiocton's goals/expectations, and collaborate. To prepare young people for jobs that may not have been created yet is an awesome challenge!

(more on next page)

HELLO

Ashley Dagenais – 3rd Grade

I have lived in a few different areas throughout my life. I was born in Las Vegas, Nevada; my dad was in the Air Force. We then moved to Upper Michigan, which is where I like to say I grew up. However, we did move to Appleton while I was in high school, and I graduated from Appleton North. My hometown roots called me back for college. I attended Northern Michigan University and later transferred and graduated from UW-Oshkosh. I earned my bachelor's degree in elementary education with a minor in mathematics. For the last two years I worked as a 6th grade teacher in Manitowoc, at Madison Elementary School.

I currently live in Appleton with my husband and two boys. Corbin is 3 years old and Blake is 5 months old! We love to take family vacations, which often consist of spending time in Michigan visiting relatives. We enjoy being outdoors, swimming, biking, kayaking, and hiking. With family you can find us around the table playing card games. I certainly enjoy watching the Packers and attending games every now and then.

This year I hope to spark my third graders' curiosity for new learning, especially in reading and math! Finding "good fit" books for students so they are engaged and excited about reading is one of my goals. Also, setting a good foundation and understanding of multiplication and division is key to their future success in math. I look forward to building strong relationships with the students, staff, and community!

Colleen Worthman — 7th/8th Grade Math

I was born in Sheboygan and lived there until I was 8 years old. I then moved with my older sister and parents to Cascade, Wisconsin. I attended Plymouth High School followed by five years at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, where I earned a BE in Math Education.

My first teaching position was at Mishicot, where I taught both middle school and high school. This was followed by a teaching position at Seymour High School.

I am not married and do not have any children. However, I do have a wonderful boyfriend of two years. For recreation I enjoy bike riding, hiking, and swimming.

My goal for the upcoming school year is to engage every student through an active learning environment. I want to see my students exceed their own expectations for mathematics and to accomplish the goals that they set for themselves.

More Staff News

- Clint Kriewaldt is our new Police School Liaison officer.
- Sarah Ver Voort moves from grade 6 to grade 5.

Paper Drives Continue for 2015-16

First drive will be September 8-11.

by Tim Huebner

I want to say a big thank you for the huge level of support the community gives the paper drive. With your help the paper drive again broke the record with a total weight of over 51 tons. That far exceeds the previous best of 46 tons of paper recyclables.



Based on our success, the middle school paper drive will again be running this year. Please consider bringing in any and all paper recyclables to the large yellow dumpster that can be found behind school during the weeks of the paper drive. Here are the 2015-16 dates:

September 8-11	March 14-18
October 12-16	April 25-29
November 16-20	May 31-June 3
January 4-8	

If you have any questions, please contact me at (920) 986-3351 ext. 739.

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2:00 pm Cabbage Chuck Intermission - until 2:30pm
2:00 pm Mad Dog & Merrill Grilling Kraut "Live"
 Airing "Midwest Grillin' TV Show" from the Cabbage Chuck
4:00 pm Live Music by Local band Black Sand - until 6:00pm
5:00 pm World Record Cabbage Chuck Attempt
6:00 pm Live Music by Jake Warne - until 9:00pm
7:00 pm Raffle Ticket Drawings Begin

For more information about the event or to enter a "cabbage chucker" please contact:
 St. Denis Parish Office at 920-757-5090
 Visit us on the web at: www.cabbagechuck.com

Archery Club Gears Up

by Gina Schupp



Shiocton archery (NASP) is gearing up for the 2015-16 school year. Any new and returning 4th-12th graders who are interested in being a part of our team this year are welcome to join us for the informational meeting, which will be held Tuesday, October 27, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Parents need to attend to complete the required paperwork. We hope to see you there.

Softball Team Holds Rummage Sale to Help with Cost of Florida Trip

by Michael Bellin

The high school softball team is having a multi-family rummage sale on Saturday, September 12, from 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. There will be household items, clothing, toys, crafts, holiday décor, baked goods, and much more. There will be something for everyone! All proceeds go towards the softball team's trip to Florida



in the spring of 2017 to play ball. Come on out and support a good cause! We hope to see you there!

Entertainment Book Sale Kicks Off September 8

by Tami Singler





Elementary students will be selling Entertainment Books during the month of September. The sale kicks off **Tuesday, September 8, and runs through Tuesday, September 22.**

Entertainment Books can be purchased at the cost of \$30 from any elementary student, online, or by contacting me at 986-3351 ext. 768. Make checks payable to Shiocton Elementary. All unsold books must be returned and all money and orders are due September 22.

If you would like to order online, go to Fundraising.entertainment.com, and use account #608388.

There is a mobile app that shows online offers! Save just by showing your phone across the country! Download an app to your phone, it will search what Entertainment offers there are in that area, and it directs you to them.

Prizes -

-  Sell 5 books and get 1 free.
-  Sell 1 book by September 11 and win a Minion key chain.
-  Sell 2 books by September 18 and win a plush with a secret pocket.
-  Top seller prize yet to be determined.

Summer Babe Ruth Highlights

by Jude Backman

This summer the Shiocton Summer Sports Babe Ruth team finished with a 15-10 record. A few highlights of the summer season included taking first place in the South Division of the Babe Ruth Wolf River League, taking third place in our Shiocton tournament, and advancing to the semi-finals in the end-of-the-year tourney.

The league consisted of teams from Bonduel, Weyauwega-Fremont, Wittenberg-Birnamwood, Seymour, Shawano, Manawa, and Clintonville. Members of the team included Josh Leitzke, Ervin Stedjee, Reiley Tyler, Sawyer Theobald, Brandon Spencer, Mitch Dahlke, Riley Krull, Jacob Bolssen, Sam Van Straten, Drew Schultz, Trevor Van Straten, and Ethan Flannery. The team was coached by Mark Schultz, Chris Tyler, and Jude Backman.



New Fundraiser to be Implemented

by Robin Schmidt

Terracycle is a company that allows schools to recycle specific items as a fundraising option. This organization recycles numerous items in a variety of different ways — upcycling, disassembling, reusing, and returning. This eliminates tons of waste in our planet's landfills. Here is a link to Terracycle for anyone who is interested in learning more:

http://s3.amazonaws.com/tc-us-prod/download_resource/downloads/1023/TerraCycle_Elementary_School_Lecture_2013.pdf.

Here at Shiocton I have signed us up to participate in four brigades: the writing utensil brigade, the Go Go Squeez brigade, the juice pouch brigade,



as well as the Little Bites pouch brigade. A flyer will be sent home soon with the specifics of the drop-off locations. Until then, if your family has



these items, please start saving them in a Ziploc bag rather than throwing them in the trash. If you have any questions, please e-mail me at rschmidt@shiocton.k12.wi.us. Thanks for helping us save our planet!





Shiocton Hoops Club Ready to Kick Off 2015-16 Season!

Attention Shiocton basketball players, parents, and coaches.... it's time to get ready for the 2015-16 Shiocton Hoops Club season!

2nd Grade Tournament Teams

Although there isn't a league for 2nd grade, we are hoping to recruit many new hoopsters, as we're pleased to announce that Shiocton will host a 2nd grade home tournament this season! If your 2nd grader is interested, please follow the registration instructions (right sidebar). Teams will be formed if there is enough interest; we'll also need a volunteer girls coach.

Registration fee: \$35 | Late fee: \$35

3rd-6th Grade HOV League Teams

If there are enough participants and volunteer coaches, 3rd-6th grade league teams will be formed in October.

Registration fee: \$45 | Late fee: \$45

For details on registering for league play, see right sidebar. This season, all league players will make the tournament team practice squad — if they desire — to continue their skills development after league play ends. Tournament team roster finalization and registration is in December; more information will be shared at that time.

2nd-6th Grade Season "Tip-Off" Meeting

Sunday, October 11 — 6:30 p.m., cafeteria
Mandatory attendance for parents and players.

- Practice jerseys, practice/game schedules, key dates, and overview of key club changes provided.
- Break-out session to meet with coaches and peers.
- Door prizes!

Hot Shots Camp – K-1st Grade Hoopsters

The Shiocton Hoops Club will host a free Hot Shots Camp for boys and girls in kindergarten and 1st grade. Kids will learn beginning basketball skills, play games, and have lots of fun! Sign-up sheets will be sent home the second week of school. Please return those signed forms to Mrs. Jorgensen (Title 1/Reading Teacher) **by Friday, September 18**. There will also be required concussion paperwork to be completed on or before the first day of camp.

Where: Shiocton elementary gym

Dates: Saturdays, October 3, 10, 17, and 24

Time: 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Contact: Brad Jorgensen; (920) 525-4111
or e-mail bjorgen720@aol.com

2nd-6th Grade Registration Information

To make registration more convenient, we will again be handling the registration and payment online.

- Registration period: September 5-19
- Registration contact: Brad Jorgensen; (920) 525-4111
or e-mail bjorgen720@aol.com

Access online registration at www.shioctonbasketball.com. You'll need to create a Sport Ngin account to complete the online registration, Code of Conduct, and Concussion Forms. The Club Handbook is also linked to the website; PLEASE print a copy and review the critical details of the upcoming season.

NEED REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE?

- Computer access: Stop by the Shiocton Public Library
- Personal registration assistance in the school library on September 16 from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

7th-8th Grade Tournament Teams

Tournament team selection and registration will occur in the December/January timeframe.

Make a Difference — Coaches Needed!

We are seeking volunteer coaches for our 2nd/3rd grade girls and 3rd grade boys teams. Basketball experience is not required; if you love kids and enjoy seeing them grow, please consider a coaching position. Our program has grown to become highly-reputable, as we are modeled after our high school program. Coaches are provided a playbook and practice curriculum, and they participate in a coaches clinic run by varsity coaches Rob Hendrickson and Chad Schmidt to provide training on basketball fundamentals, drills, and skills. If interested in coaching, please contact Jennifer Twombly.

Program Communication

In addition to the website, the Hoops Club's primary methods of communication are the Shiocton Hoops Club Facebook page and e-mail. Be sure to "Like" the "Shiocton Hoops Club" page on Facebook and provide an accurate e-mail address at registration, or you may miss important communications.

If you have any additional questions about the upcoming season, please contact a Hoops Club board member:

- Jennifer Twombly, President (920) 527-8560
- Brad Jorgensen, Vice-President (920) 525-4111
- Jill Leopold, Treasurer (920) 850-7239
- Terri Brouillard, Secretary (920) 525-3349

“Fall Back to Shiocton”



During student registration, parents received information about an upcoming event sponsored by the AED committee, AODA board, and the Shiocton Scholarship committee. On October 1, hopefully a beautiful fall day, students in kindergarten through grade 12 will participate in “Fall Back to Shiocton.” They will walk, jog, or move around on the track for an hour. We hope to accomplish two things by doing this — camaraderie among our students and to promote wellness, all while raising money.

We invite family and friends to join us in helping raise money for these groups. The students will be asking for sponsor donations from their relatives, colleagues, and friends. Please return the addressed labels that were in your child’s student packet by September 18. Then please join us in encouraging your child to be active that day and every day. Parents are welcome to come to the event and walk with their child. If you have questions, contact any Fall Back to Shiocton committee member at school at 986-3351: Rhonda Uelmen (ext. 762), Rebecca Ecker and Tara Nabberfeld (ext. 714), or Kay Boelter (ext. 713).

News from the Nurse — Meningococcal Disease: Protect Your Child

by Rebecca Ecker, RN

Public health authorities recommend that teenagers and college-bound students be immunized against a potentially fatal bacterial infection called **meningococcal disease**, a type of meningitis.

Meningococcal disease is a rare but potentially fatal bacterial infection that can cause severe swelling of the brain and spinal cord (meningitis) or a serious blood infection (meningococcemia). Meningococcal disease strikes up to 3,000 Americans each year; nearly 30% of these cases are among teenagers and college students. Up to 83% of all cases among teens and college students may potentially be prevented through immunization, the most effective way to prevent this disease. A meningococcal vaccine is available that protects against four out of five strains of bacterium that cause meningococcal disease in the U.S.



The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other leading medical organizations recommend that all 11-12 year-olds should be vaccinated with meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4). A booster shot is recommended for teens at age 16 to continue providing protection when their risk for meningococcal disease is highest. Teens who received MCV4 for the first time at age 13 through 15 years will need a one-time booster dose at 16 through 18 years of age. If a teenager missed getting the vaccine altogether, they should ask the doctor about getting it now, especially if they are about to move into a college dorm or military barracks.

About Meningococcal Disease

Meningococcal disease is often misdiagnosed as something less serious because early symptoms are similar to common viral illnesses. Symptoms of meningococcal disease may include high fever, severe headache, stiff neck, nausea, vomiting, sensitivity to light, confusion, exhaustion, and/or a rash.

Teenagers and college students are at increased risk for meningococcal disease compared to the general population, accounting for nearly 30% of all U.S. cases every year. Meningococcal disease can be misdiagnosed as something less serious, because early symptoms like high fever, severe headache, nausea, vomiting, and stiff neck, are similar to those of common viral illnesses. The disease can progress rapidly and can cause death or permanent disability within 48 hours of initial symptoms.

Meningococcal disease is spread through direct contact with respiratory and/or oral secretions from infected persons (for example, kissing or sharing drinking containers). It can develop and spread quickly throughout the body, so early diagnosis and treatment are very important. Even with immediate treatment, the disease can kill an otherwise healthy young person within hours of first symptoms. Of those who survive, up to 20% may endure permanent disabilities, including brain damage, deafness, and limb amputations.

Lifestyle factors common among teenagers, college students, and military personnel are believed to put them at increased risk of contracting meningococcal disease. These lifestyle factors include crowded living situations (for example, dormitories, sleep-away camps), active or passive smoking, and irregular sleeping habits. Teens should avoid sharing eating utensils and drinking out of the same container, since infections may spread through this type of close contact.

To learn more about meningococcal disease, vaccine information, and public health resources, visit the following websites.

- Center for Disease Control and Prevention
www.cdc.gov
- General information regarding meningitis disease
- A Meningitis Fact Sheet
- National Association of School Nurses
www.nasn.org
- Meningitis Foundation of America
www.meningitisfoundationofamerica.org



Principal's Report

It seems like everything is set for another promising school year. The floors are waxed, the students are prepared, and our fall sports season is underway. Things seem to pick up right where we left off. The weather always seems to heat up once students are back in school, and this year was no exception. We are very fortunate to have air conditioning in our schools so there isn't any instructional time lost due to high temperatures in school.



In August all staff members of the school district met to analyze information and data from the various state mandated tests. This data is used to drive instruction and focus on areas of improvement. We continue to adopt new curriculum and resources for our students. Seventh and 8th grade will adopt the *Big Ideas* math curriculum. Many of you may be familiar with the K-6 counterpart, entitled *Math Expressions*. Health, social studies, and Spanish are other areas where curriculum changes are being made. As a district we have placed importance on making sure our students have up-to-date information.

Homecoming week is September 21-26. As in the past, there will be a variety of events throughout the week sponsored by the Student Council. The Homecoming



parade led by the high school marching band (under the direction of Mr. Bradd Yenor) will start at 2:00 p.m. and will follow the usual route in front of school. The Homecoming dance will take place Saturday night. It will be held in the school cafeteria from 8:00-11:00 p.m. At the dance we will officially crown the

Homecoming King and Queen at 10:00 p.m. We hope that you are able to join us for the week's events.

If there is anything that I can help out with or if you have a comment or concern, feel free to contact me at 986-3351 ext. 751. Have a great month!

Kelly Zeinert, Grades 7-12 Principal

Athletes Honored

- Golfers Max Beecher, Logan Cummings, Henry Fielding, Josh Parker, and Eric Zurfluh were named 1st Place Academic Team All-State for Division 3.
- Garrett Gunderson and Riley Wood played for the North team in the Small Division contest at the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-Star Football Game in Oshkosh in July.

Counselor News — Welcome Back

Attention seniors: Don't wait; get those college applications in. The earlier you submit them, the earlier you get your decision. The UW application link is <https://apply.wisconsin.edu>. Seniors will meet with Mrs. Uelmen to go over post-secondary plans one more time. Parents are welcome to attend the meeting to discuss this information.

Attention juniors: The PSAT will be administered on October 14 in the morning. Mrs. Uelmen will administer the exam in the LMC. Bring calculators and pencils. The cost is \$15 and can be paid up until exam day. **Pay ahead of time**, though, and you will get the study guide that comes with payment. This is a great opportunity to practice for your ACT and qualify for a national scholarship. There will be an ACT prep given in November (date to be determined) at 8:00 a.m. in the KSCADE room. Juniors who are interested should sign up in pupil services.

Attention sophomores: Continue exploring colleges by attending the Wisconsin Education Fair in September. See dates and times below. Continue exploring and practicing for the ACT using the website www.actstudent.org. If juniors do not fill up the time slots for the ACT prep, then sophomores may take the ACT prep in November.



Attention all students:

The Wisconsin Education Fair schedule in our area is listed below. Register at <http://www.wefs.org>.

- September 16 Wisconsin Education Fair (WEF) on St. Norbert campus 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- September 17 WEF on St. Norbert campus 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- September 29 WEF on UW-Fox Valley campus 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- September 30 WEF on UW-Oshkosh campus 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Other dates

- October 14 PSAT exam at school 8:00-11:20 a.m.
- November ? ACT prep in the KSCADE room 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon (date to be determined)



After school starts there will be other dates posted, so **please check the school calendar and Facebook.**

PUBLIC RELEASE
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST PROGRAMS, SPECIAL MILK PROGRAM

RELEASE STATEMENT

The School District of Shiocton today announced its policy for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program or milk for split-session students served under the Special Milk Program. Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The following household size and income criteria will be used for determining eligibility. Children from families whose annual income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free and reduced price meals, or free milk if a split-session student does not have access to the school lunch or breakfast service.

FAMILY SIZE INCOME SCALE For Determining Eligibility for Free and Reduced Price Meals or Milk

Family (Household) Size	ANNUAL INCOME LEVEL			MONTHLY INCOME LEVEL		
	Free <i>Must be at or below figure listed</i>	Reduced Price <i>Must be at or between figures listed</i>		Free <i>Must be at or below figure listed</i>	Reduced Price <i>Must be at or between figures listed</i>	
1	\$15,301	\$ 15,301.01	and \$21,775	\$ 1,276	\$ 1,276.01	and \$1,815
2	20,709	20,709.01	and 29,471	1,726	1,726.01	and 2,456
3	26,117	26,117.01	and 37,167	2,177	2,177.01	and 3,098
4	31,525	31,525.01	and 44,863	2,628	2,628.01	and 3,739
5	36,933	36,933.01	and 52,559	3,078	3,078.01	and 4,380
6	42,341	42,341.01	and 60,255	3,529	3,529.01	and 5,022
7	47,749	47,749.01	and 67,951	3,980	3,980.01	and 5,663
8	53,157	53,157.01	and 75,647	4,430	4,430.01	and 6,304
For each additional household member, add	+ 5,408	+ 5,408	and +7,696	+ 451	+ 451	and + 642

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a notice to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals or free milk, households must fill out the application and return it to the school (unless notified at the start of the school year that children are eligible through direct certification). Additional copies are available at the office in each school. The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by agency or other program officials. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

To obtain free or reduced price meals or free milk for children in a household where one or more household members receive FoodShare, FDPIR, or Wisconsin Works (W-2) cash benefits, list the household member and the FoodShare, FDPIR or W-2 case number, list the names of all school children, sign the application, and return it to the school office.

For the school officials to determine eligibility for free or reduced price meals or free milk of households not receiving FoodShare, FDPIR or W-2 cash benefits, the household must provide the following information requested on the application: names of all household members and the adult signing the application form must also list the last four digits of his or her Social Security Number or mark the box to the right of "Check if no SSN." Also, the income received by each household member must be provided by amount and source (wages, welfare, child support, etc.).

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price meal and free milk policy, *Debbra Danke*, the Nutrition Program Director, will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian is dissatisfied with the ruling of the

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School Lunch and Breakfast Public Release *(continued)*

official, he/she may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. If the parent/guardian wishes to make a formal appeal, he/she may make a request either orally or in writing to *Nichole Schweitzer, District Administrator, N5650 Broad Street, P.O. Box 68, Shiocton, WI 54170-0068. (920) 986-3351 ext. 761.*

If a hearing is needed to appeal the decision, the policy contains an outline of the hearing procedure.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size changes, the family should contact the school. Such changes may make the household eligible for reduced price meals or free meals or free milk if the household income falls at or below the levels shown above, and they may reapply at that time.

Children formally placed in foster care are also eligible for free meal benefits. Foster children may be certified as eligible without a household application. Households with foster children and non-foster children may choose to include the foster child as a household member, as well as any personal income available to the foster child, on the same application that includes their non-foster children.

The information provided by the household on the application is confidential. Public Law 103-448 limits the release of student free and reduced price school meal eligibility status to persons directly connected with the administration and enforcement of federal or state educational programs. Consent of the parent/guardian is needed for other purposes such as waiver of textbook fees.

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Any questions regarding the application should be directed to the determining official.

Ten Back-to-School Essentials

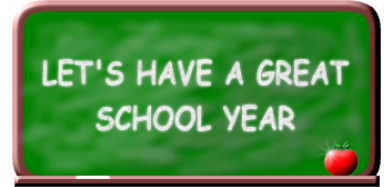
1. Ensure your child's daily and prompt school attendance.
2. Maintain strong nutrition, sleep, and hygiene habits.
3. Get an early start on building good relationships with your child's teachers and school staff.
4. Learn about your child's curriculum and classroom goals.
5. Make regular visits to school and your child's classroom.
6. Be there for your child with monitoring, support, and encouragement.
7. Insist your child be respectful and responsible for self and toward others and property.
8. Provide consistent "positive chatter" about school and its relevance to later success.
9. Give "positive strokes" to your child when good things happen.
10. Encourage involvement in school and in after-school and community activities.



- from *The Post-Crescent*

September Calendar of Events

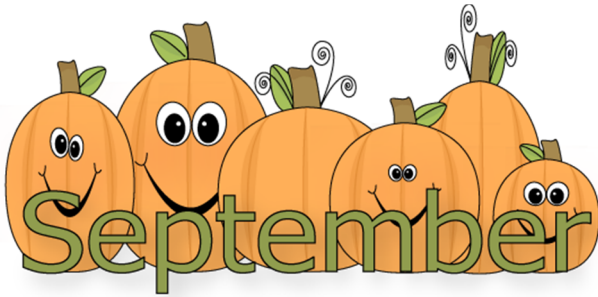
1	Tue	First day of school for grades 1-12 4K Open House/Parent meeting in 4K classroom — 8:30 am or 1:00 pm 5K Open House/Parent meeting in 5K classroom — 9:30 am or 2:00 pm
2	Wed	First day of school for Early Childhood, 4K (M/W class), 5K SPICE meeting in the LMC — 6:00 pm GridIron Banquet at the River Rail — dinner at 6:30 pm
3	Thu	First day of school for 4K (T/TH class) MS Volleyball at Weyauwega-Fremont — 4:00 pm MS Football at Manawa — 4:30 pm
4	Fri	Varsity Football at home vs. Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 7:00 pm
5-19		Hoops Club registration period (see page 7)
7	Mon	No school — Labor Day
8	Tue	MS Volleyball at Manawa — 3:45 pm JV Football at Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 4:30 pm MS Football at home vs. Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 4:30 pm C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at Pacelli — 6:00/7:30 pm
8-11	T-F	Paper Recycling fundraiser behind school (see page 5)
8-22		Entertainment Books available (see page 6)
9	Wed	Picture Day — (retake day Thursday, October 15)
10	Thu	C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at home vs. Iola-Scandinavia — 6:00/7:30 pm
11	Fri	Sell 1 Entertainment Book by today for a prize (see page 6) Varsity Football at Iola-Scandinavia — 7:00 pm
12	Sat	Rummage Sale sponsored by softball team in the school cafeteria — 7:00 am-4:00 pm Varsity Volleyball at Shiocton Invitational — 9:00 am
14	Mon	MS Volleyball at Iola-Scandinavia — 4:00 pm JV Football at home vs. Iola-Scandinavia — 5:30 pm
15	Tue	The Link — Deadline for submitting articles for the October issue MS Volleyball at home vs. Bonduel — 4:00 pm MS Football at Amherst — 4:30 pm C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 6:00/7:30 pm
17	Thu	MS Volleyball at home vs. Iola-Scandinavia — 4:00 pm C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at home vs. Amherst — 6:00/7:30 pm
18	Fri	Sell 2 Entertainment Books by today for a prize (see page 6) Varsity Football at Manawa — 7:00 pm
19	Sat	Varsity Volleyball Tournament at Berlin — 8:30 am JV Volleyball at Weyauwega-Fremont Invitational — 9:00 am St. Denis 10th Annual Cabbage Chuck at Shiocton Lake Park — 11:00 am (see page 5)
21	Mon	MS Volleyball at Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 4:00 pm JV Football at home vs. Manawa — 4:30 pm School Board meeting in the LMC — 5:30 pm Annual School Board meeting — 6:30 pm
21-26	M-S	Homecoming Week
22	Tue	Unsold Entertainment Books, money, and orders due MS Football at home vs. Weyauwega-Fremont — 4:30 pm C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at home vs. Manawa — 6:00/7:30 pm
24	Thu	MS Volleyball at home vs. Manawa — 4:00 pm C Team/JV Volleyball Quadrangular at Manawa — 4:00 pm
25	Fri	Varsity Football at home vs. Amherst — 7:00 pm (Homecoming)
28	Mon	Early release for Professional Development — 12:10 pm MS Volleyball at Bonduel — 4:00 pm JV Football at Amherst — 4:30 pm
29	Tue	MS Football at Waupaca — 4:30 pm C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at Weyauwega-Fremont — 6:00/7:30 pm



Parade
Friday, September 25
2:00 pm

Football Game
Friday, September 25
7:00 pm

Dance
Saturday, September 26
8:00-11:00 pm



Coming Up in October

- 1 "Fall Back to Shiocton"
Varsity Football at Pacelli
- 3 JV Volleyball Quadrangular at Iola-Scandinavia
- 5 MS Volleyball at home
JV Football at home
- 6 MS Football at home
- 15 Picture Retake Day
- 22/26 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 23 No school for students — Professional Development

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.

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 Pizza dippers with marinara sauce, garden salad, mixed fruit, milk	2 Chicken nuggets, buttered noodles, seasoned broccoli, sliced peaches, milk	3 Grab-n-Go salad or homemade chicken noodle soup, peas and carrots, string cheese, dinner roll, applesauce, milk	4 Grab-n-Go salad or hamburger on a whole grain bun, French fries, baked beans, sliced pears, milk
7	No School	8 Mini corn dogs, seasoned rice, baked beans, pineapple, milk	9 Nachos with meat sauce, whole kernel corn, apple juice, milk	10 Chicken patty on a whole grain bun, tri taters, green beans, fresh apples, milk	11 Portesi Italian flat bread with marinara sauce, garden salad, sliced peaches, milk
14	Grab-n-Go salad or chicken fajitas with trimmings, shredded cheese, green beans, mandarin oranges, milk	15 Hot ham and cheese on a whole grain bun, tri taters, Wisconsin blend vegetables, sliced peaches, milk	16 Grab-n-Go salad or pizzaroni, whole kernel corn, pineapple, garlic bread sticks, milk	17 Hot dog on a whole grain bun, baked beans, sliced carrots, sliced strawberries, milk	18 Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, seasoned broccoli, fruit salad, milk
21	Chicken parmesan spaghetti noodles, marinara sauce, fresh garden yum salad, mixed fruit, milk	22 Grab-n-Go salad or Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, steamed broccoli, sliced peaches, bread slice, milk	23 Chili with homemade buns, mixed vegetables, strawberry cup, milk	24 Build your own burritos with trimmings, refried beans, whole kernel corn, mandarin oranges, milk	25 Pizza slice, green beans, fresh grapes, milk
28	Grab-n-Go salad or chicken teriyaki over steamed rice, steamed broccoli, whole grain dinner roll, sliced peaches, milk	29 Grab-n-Go salad or build your own taco boat with trimmings, refried beans, whole kernel corn, pears, milk	30 Grab-n-Go salad or chicken and gravy over mashed potatoes, peas, cranberry sauce, orange smiles, sliced bread, milk		
Breakfast prices: 4K-12 — \$1.00 per day Lunch prices: 4K-8 — \$2.25 per day, \$11.25 per week, \$47.25 for September 9-12 — \$2.55 per day, \$12.75 per week, \$53.55 for September					* Menu subject to change

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.

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Elementary/Middle School News



Welcome to the 2015-16 school year!

I hope you and your family were able to have some quality family time over the summer months, despite the fact that it zoomed on by as it always does. It was so wonderful seeing those of you who were able to make it to the Open House. This event is always so bittersweet for me. . . I LOVE seeing the smiling faces back in this building, but it is so very hard for me to realize that “our” babies are getting older. With each passing year, it seems that our kiddos are growing up faster and faster. It truly makes me want to press the “PAUSE” button so that we all stop and savor these precious moments.

Before we officially begin the school year, I'd like to make note of a few changes:

Best of luck to the following PK-6 staff members who are moving on to other districts: **Mrs. Kleiber**, **Mrs. Madsen**, and **Mrs. Kotenberg**. It has been a pleasure working with each of you! Thanks for all of your contributions to the Shiocton School District. We wish you all the best in your new positions. ☺

Happy “official” retirement to the following staff members: **Mrs. Karen Rudat** (G/T) and **Mrs. Patty Loppnow** (Speech and Language). Mrs. Rudat retired a few years ago as our reading specialist/Title I reading teacher and then came back to help us out in the G/T area. Mrs. Loppnow retired from another district and later came to help us out as a Speech and Language Pathologist for the district. We thank you both for all of your efforts within the Shiocton School District. We wish you all the best with your future endeavors. May your best years be yet to come! ☺

We welcome the following new PK-6 staff members:

Ms. Ashley Dagenais – Grade 3 teacher

Ms. Bonnie Kirschman – Grade 3 teacher

Ms. Wendy Pfundtner – G/T and MS Spanish

Ms. Jessica Zuleger – Speech and Language

To Be Announced – New Special Education teacher

OTHER NEWS TO SHARE

Picture Day: Picture Day is scheduled for Wednesday, September 9.

*Students in T/Th four-year-old kindergarten can be brought in by a parent or guardian during the morning hours to have their picture taken on this day or they may be brought in on retake day Thursday, October 15.



STAR Testing: Students in grades K-8 will be involved in STAR testing during the month of September. This computerized testing will allow teachers to get a baseline of each child's reading and/or math achievement. Depending on the grade level, students will be tested 3-4 times per year to help teachers make instructional decisions to meet individual needs and to monitor individual progress.

Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening (PALS):

The Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening (PALS) is a research-based screening, diagnostic, and progress monitoring tool that is required to be given to all students in grades 4K-2 in Wisconsin. First and second grade students will be tested in September/early October. Grades 4K and 5K will be taking this assessment in October/early November. Students within these grade levels will also take the assessment again in the spring.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: So you can mark your calendars in advance, this year's fall Parent/Teacher Conferences will take place on October 22 and October 26. Watch for more details in the near future.

Reading Volunteers Needed: This is the time of year when we solicit reading volunteers. If you have a few hours a week to read with elementary students, please contact the office at 986-3351 ext. 721 or Mrs. Jorgensen (Reading Specialist) at 986-3351 ext. 780. All you need is a few spare hours during the week and we will give you all the information that you need in order to be a successful reading volunteer. Please help spread the word to anyone else you think may be interested. We hope to hear from you soon!



I am looking forward to a great school year working with you and your child/children!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kim Griesbach ☺
PK-6 Principal



For school information at any time, visit the Shiocton School District's website at www.shiocton.k12.wi.us.

Click on the Elementary/Middle School tab where we continually update school information.

Promotion and Retention of Students in Grades 4 and 8

Wisconsin State Statute 118.33 (6) requires each school district to have a written policy specifying the criteria for promoting students in grades 4 and 8. The statute is very clear about what must be specified in the policy, including state assessment scores, academic performance, and teacher recommendations.

School District of Shiocton grade 4 and grade 8 students are required to meet or exceed a set of standards in order to be promoted to the next grade level without further intervention. The vast majority of students are able to achieve the standards. The students that do not meet the standards will be placed on an alternative delivery model that will help the student improve the areas below the standards, as well as guide the student in a path that can lead to school success in the future.

Each alternative delivery plan is created based on the unique needs of the individual child, and as a joint partnership between that student, the family, and the school. Plans are developed during the second semester of each year.

The minimum requirements for promotion without an Alternative Delivery Plan are as follows:

- Average grade of a C in all classes or a passing grade in English/Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies.
- A score of Basic or higher on the majority of the subtests of the grade 4 or grade 8 Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Examination (WKCE). A score of 3.0 or higher will be considered basic on the writing portion of that test.

SPICE Off to a Great Start!

by Mindy Hofacker

SPICE (Shiocton Partners in Children's Education) is our school's PTO. We are already starting to plan some great activities for the 2015-16 school year. Our first meeting was held August 19, and we discussed the events of the upcoming year. It was so great to see new faces in attendance! Some of the events we discussed and began planning include our popular Free Family Movie Nights, the Fall Book Fair, Cookies with Santa and the Holiday Fair, and new this year, we are bringing back the Quilt Raffle!

There will be more details to come on all of these events and more at our meetings and in our e-mails. Please be on the lookout for a parent volunteer sheet we will send home the beginning of this month with your youngest or only child. We ask that you consider helping our organization in any



capacity that you can. The more help we have, the more successful our events and group as a whole will be. These sheets should be returned by the date specified on the sheet. They help us determine what kind of help we have when planning events. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Please consider coming to our next meeting to see what SPICE is all about. The more parent/teacher involvement we have, the more we can do to make a difference!! Our meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month, and our next meeting will be September 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the LMC. Our October meeting will be Wednesday, October 7, at 6:00 p.m. in the LMC. Stay tuned for more updates and agendas.

SPICE is also the organization within our school that handles the collection and submission for the *Box Tops for Education* program that so many of our favorite household item brands participate in. This program provides real monetary funds to our school, which is used to supply our children with playground equipment as

well as other things. Please clip and save these Box Tops when you see them on items, and submit them during our Fall Challenge through your child's teacher. This helps your child's class win the challenge and the prize that goes along with it. Box Tops can also be left in the bins in the foyer of the elementary school outside the office. We thank you so much for your participation in this program that does so much for our school! **And please note again that SPICE is no longer collecting Labels for Education (aka Campbell's Soup Labels), so feel free to pass those on to family or friends that are using them.** Thank you!

Please welcome our new board members: Chair – Mindy Hofacker, Vice Chair – Melissa Reese, Treasurer – Melissa Rettler, Secretary – Angie Smith. Please also welcome our new directors, coordinators, event organizers, and administrators: Director of Box Tops – Kim Polasek, Director of Book Fair – Steve Parker, Director of Cookies with Santa/Holiday Fair – Denelle Daniels, Director of Family Movie Night – Cher Marcks, Staff Appreciation Event Organizer – Jenni Becher, Coordinator of Funset Boulevard – Mindy Hofacker, and Coordinator of School Tool Boxes – Tammy Welch. We couldn't do what we do without these people!

If you have not contacted us to be on our e-mail list and would like to receive updates from SPICE, please contact me at shofackers@gmail.com. Contact me with any questions, concerns, or ideas you may have concerning SPICE as well. The parents and their ideas are what make our group successful for our children and the staff! Also, be sure to "like" our Facebook page listed under Shiocton Partners in Children's Education (SPICE). We use it for many updates throughout the year! We are looking forward to a great school year!

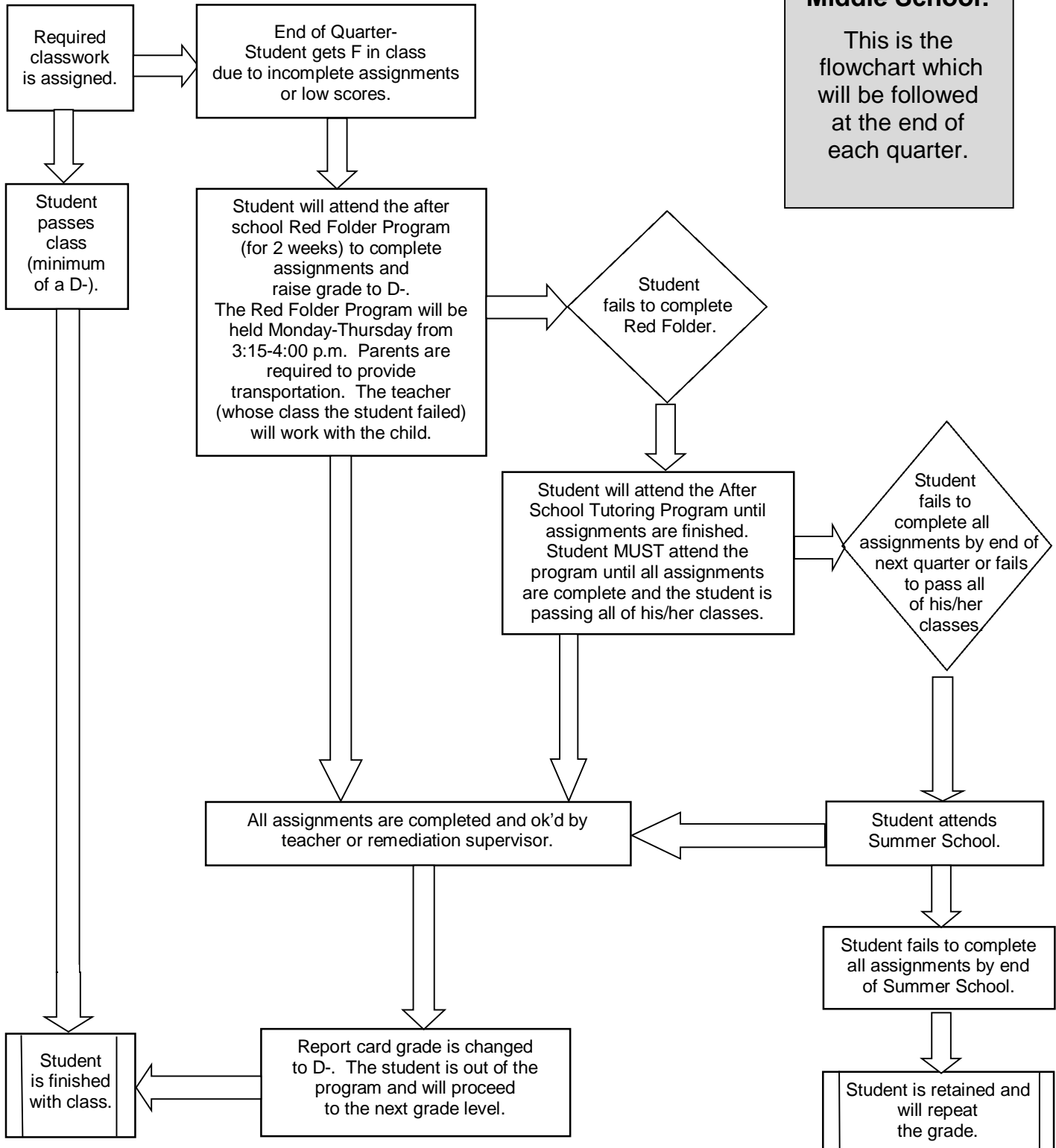


Shiocton Middle School

"Helping Students Help Themselves" Accountability/Remediation Program

Reminder to Middle School:

This is the
flowchart which
will be followed
at the end of
each quarter.



Come and Join Middle School Student Council

by Sandee Cornell



The Middle School Student Council is a fun opportunity for students to assist in planning school and community events. All middle school students are welcome to join at any time during the school year. The first meeting will be Wednesday, September 16, during lunch in the Distance Learning Lab (across from the pupil services office). Students interested in running for an officer position may pick up the forms from me prior to September 15.

School Board Meeting Summaries

June 1, 2015

Attendance: **Board members** — Michael Bellin, Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Bradley Ritchie, Gregory Schoettler, Melissa Van Dyke, Stacey Warning.

Others — Nichole Schweitzer, Kim Griesbach, Kelly Zeinert, Denise Guex, Bonnie Taylor, Greg Fischer, Ryan Spaulding, Logan Cummings, Amanda Peterson, Wendy Hartman, Sadie O'Brien, Eric Schmidt, Lisa Gunderson, Ann Young, and Beth Bloedorn.

Moment of Merit: Officer Greg Fischer was recognized for years of service as the school's PSL.

The board voted to:

- approve the 2015-16 Co-curricular Code Handbook as presented (updates presented by Ryan Spaulding).
- approve the request for a Spanish Club trip to Costa Rica in June of 2016.
- approve the request for a spring 2017 softball trip to Florida.
- table the 2015-16 Fee Schedule approval until the next meeting when suggested changes will be made.

In other discussion:

- Logan Cummings presented the Student Council report.
- Discussion and first reading of the Chromebook Care Incentive Program.
- Discussion and first reading of the Parent Link Mobile Application.
- Follow-up discussion on the May 27 Board Retreat.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Griesbach — Year-end and Summer School.
- Mrs. Zeinert — Senior Awards Night, graduation, year-end, and summer events.
- Mrs. Guex — 2014-15 general aid review and insurance transition.
- Mrs. Schweitzer — Congressional Breakfast, Southwest Wisconsin Academic Consortium, and the Accountability Holiday Bill.

June 15, 2015

Attendance: **Board members** — Michael Bellin, Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Bradley Ritchie, Melissa Van Dyke, Stacey Warning. **Others** — Nichole Schweitzer, Kim Griesbach, Kelly Zeinert, Denise Guex, Bonnie Taylor, Ben Prodell, Jude Backman, Kathy Kleiber, Connie Malesa, Deb Scott, Linda Pigsley, Robin Schmidt, Jeannie Otto, Julie Hoppe, Heidi Behnke, Connie Bellin, Laurie McNichols, Becky Timmers, Tami Singler, and Joel Beer.

Presentation: Balanced Literacy in Shiocton grades K-5.

The board voted to:

- approve participation in the Chromebook Care Incentive Program.
- move forward with the Parent Link Mobile App.
- approve the 2015-16 Fee Schedule as presented.
- participate in the Board Survey through the WASB.
- participate in the Meeting Survey through the WASB.
- accept the resignation of Terry Schwaller from his position as varsity golf coach.
- accept the resignation of Chad Klitzke from his position as assistant high school football coach.
- approve the CESA 6 Service Agreement for the 2015-16 school year.

In other discussion:

- The Board Retreat will be held on October 12 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- First reading of the 2015-16 Student Handbook.
- First reading of the 2015-16 Human Growth & Development Curriculum.
- Review of 2014-15 District Goals.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Griesbach — SOAR grant, Summer School update, and look ahead.
- Mrs. Zeinert — Prom 2016, Wellness Committee efforts, and look ahead.
- Mrs. Guex — Report tabled.
- Mrs. Schweitzer — Shirt Off Our Back Campaign and American Education Week.

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School Board Meeting Summaries *(continued)*

August 3, 2015

July 20, 2015

Attendance: **Board members** — Michael Bellin, Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Bradley Ritchie, Greg Schoettler, Melissa Van Dyke, Stacey Warning. **Others** — Nichole Schweitzer; Bonnie Taylor; Lisa, Jon, Alexia, and Max Beecher; Jodi, Dennis, and Eric Zurfluh; and Beth Bloedorn.

Moment of Merit: First Team Academic All-State golfers Max Beecher and Eric Zurfluh were in attendance. Also recognized were Josh Parker, Henry Fielding, and Logan Cummings.

The board voted to:

- accept the resignation of Kathy Kleiber, grade 3 teacher.
- hire Mike Breen as school psychologist.
- hire Bonnie Kirschman for the grade 3 teaching position.
- hire Ashley Dagenais for the grade 3 teaching position.
- hire Wendy Pfundtner for the G/T and reading support teaching position.
- hire Dylan Van Straten as the assistant football coach.
- approve the OPEB transfer in the amount of \$250,000.
- adopt the new Board Policy 1662: *Employee Anti-Harassment (Administration)*.
- adopt the revised Board Policy 3362: *Employee Anti-Harassment (Professional)*.
- adopt the revised Board Policy 4362: *Employee Anti-Harassment (Support)*.
- adopt, as amended, Board Policy 2260.01: *Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability (Program)*.
- approve the 2015-16 Student Handbook as presented.
- approve the 2015-18 Human Growth & Development Curriculum as presented.

In other discussion:

- First reading of the Professional Staff Handbook.
- First reading of the Support Staff Handbook.
- Discussion on upcoming board meetings; travel to townships.
- Discussion on results of WASB Board Survey. It was determined that the board would focus on advocacy by attending legislative breakfasts and Day at the Capitol. Administration will monitor local legislators' calendars/events for opportunities to communicate directly with them.
- Discussion on WASB Meeting Survey.

Reports:

- David Gomm — CESA 6 Convention.
- David Gomm — Building and Grounds.
- Melissa Van Dyke — Personnel Committee.
- Nichole Schweitzer, superintendent — Village presentation, audit, curriculum, and polycom.

Attendance: **Board members** — Michael Bellin, Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Bradley Ritchie, Gregory Schoettler, Melissa Van Dyke, Stacey Warning. **Others** — Nichole Schweitzer, Kim Griesbach, Kelly Zeinert, and Beth Bloedorn.

The board voted to:

- approve the hire of Chris Coenen for the middle school volleyball position.
- approve the proposed Notice of the Student Academic Standards that are in effect for the 2015-16 school year as said proposed notice was presented to the board in written form.
- approve the 2015-16 Professional Staff Handbook as presented.
- approve the 2015-16 Support Staff Handbook as presented.

In other discussion:

- Board Policies and Bylaws updated by NEOLA — Several policies contained either technical or citation changes; others contained required language changes. Review of the language changes in #0100, 0140, 3220, 5114, and 5630.01. Policies updated for required technical or language changes include 2261, 3120.09, 4120.09, 8120, 3430.01, 4430.01, 7230, 8431, 9210.
- Advocacy update.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Griesbach — Elementary office, Data Dig, and Open House updates.
- Mrs. Zeinert — Fall sports update, finalized in-service schedule, and assessment updates.
- Mrs. Guex — Report tabled.
- Mrs. Schweitzer — Data Dig and curriculum updates.

School Board Meeting in the Town of Maine

The school board will be meeting at the Town of Maine Hall for the regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 5, at 6:30 p.m. The address for the Maine Town Hall is N8551 State Road 187.



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School Board Meeting Summaries *(continued)*

August 17, 2015

Attendance: **Board members** — Michael Bellin, Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Bradley Ritchie, Greg Schoettler, Melissa Van Dyke, Stacey Warning. **Others** — Nichole Schweitzer, Kim Griesbach, Kelly Zeinert, Denise Guex, Bob Brownson, Bob Smith, and Beth Bloedorn.

The board voted to:

- approve the resignation of William Nelson and include the assessment of liquidated damages in the amount of \$700 as per Board Policy #3149 for resignations received on or after July 15.
- approve the bid for bakery products from Bimbo Bakery.
- approve the bid for dairy products from Morning Glory.
- approve the bid for snow removal from Wilkinson Excavating, LLC.
- approve the bid for recyclables and waste material pick-up from Van's Waste, Inc.
- approve the bid for mop/towel services from G & K Services.
- sponsor one girl and one boy for Badger State.

In other discussion:

- First reading of 2015-16 Board Goals.
- Discussion of Board Retreat topics.
- Stacey Warning asked about the possibility of getting multiple year bids from vendors. Board policy will be reviewed on this item.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Griesbach — Elementary master scheduling, K-8 Data Dig, new teacher orientation, *Math Expressions* training, K-6 Literacy Training, Open House, and Board Meet and Greet.
- Mrs. Zeinert — AP Biology results, MS math resignation, interviews and forthcoming recommendation, Data Dig 9-12, registration attendance and funds collected.
- Mrs. Guex — E Funds, DPI waiver on lunch prices was not accepted, audit finalization, start of school year/new staff, and 2015-16 budget.
- Mrs. Schweitzer — Curriculum and enrollment update.

Upcoming events:

- GridIron Banquet — September 2, with dinner at 6:30 p.m. at River Rail.
- Legislative Breakfasts — September 11 from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at CESA 6 in Oshkosh; October 9 from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at CESA 6 in Oshkosh.
- WASB Fall Regional meeting — October 1 in Neenah (4:00-6:00 p.m., 6:00-9:00 p.m.)
- Board meeting at Town of Maine — October 5
- Board Retreat — October 12 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the LMC

2015-16 School Year Calendar

September

- 1 — First Day of School
- 7 — No School, Labor Day
- 9 — Picture Day
- 25 — Homecoming
- 28 — 12:10 p.m. dismissal, PD* in p.m.

October

- 22 & 26 — Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 23 — No Students – Professional Development

November

- 4 — End of the 1st quarter, 12:10 p.m. dismissal
- 25 — 12:10 p.m. dismissal, PD* in p.m.
- 26 & 27 — No School

December

- 8 — 12:10 p.m. dismissal, PD* in p.m.
- 24-31 — Winter Break

January

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

February

- 11 — 12:10 p.m. dismissal, PD* in p.m.

March

- 4 — No School
- 8 — Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 23 — End of the 3rd quarter, 12:10 p.m. dismissal
- 24, 25, 28 — Spring Break

April

- 16 — Prom
- 18 — No Students – Professional Development

May

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

June

- 3 — Last day – End of the 4th quarter, 12:10 p.m. dismissal

* Professional Development

Transportation Guidelines

As we embark on a new school year, please be aware of the general transportation guidelines for our school.

1. Wis. Statute 121.54 (2) requires the district to transport students living more than two miles from school. Students living less than two miles may also be transported if they live in an area identified as hazardous. A copy of the map showing the hazardous area may be obtained from the district office. In addition, parents of students not required to be transported may request the district to do so. In this case, state aid is not payable and a fee may be charged.
2. Students are assigned to a route with the same pick-up and drop-off.
3. Alternate pick-up/drop-off sites may be requested in writing.
4. Each student's pick-up/drop-off site remains the same from week to week (i.e. no alternating week/month schedules are honored). For your child's safety, schedules must remain consistent.
5. Normally, buses do not travel off of predetermined routes.
6. Changes in enrollment may affect bus routes.
7. Any variation from the schedule must be requested in writing to the office. Passes may then be given to students to use on the bus. (This is for occasional use — schedules must remain consistent.)
8. Safety is our top priority. Students must be let off at assigned locations, ordinarily the student's primary residence. **An adult is encouraged to be present when a four-year-old is dropped off.**
9. Buses do not proceed down roads where there is no room to turn around on a public road without backing into the road.



Our goal is to transport all children in a safe and efficient manner. Your cooperation and understanding is appreciated as we maintain our service. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

Pupil Records

The school district maintains pupil records, including information from screening and special education referral. All records directly related to a student and maintained by the school district are pupil records. They include records maintained in any way including, but not limited to, computer storage media, video and audiotape, film, microfilm, and microfiche. Records maintained for personal use by a teacher and not available to others and records available only to persons involved in the psychological treatment of a child are not pupil records.

The school district maintains several classes of pupil records.

- “Progress records” include grades, courses the child has taken, the child's attendance record, immunization records, required lead screening records, and records of school extra-curricular activities. Progress records must be maintained for at least five years after the child ceases to be enrolled.
- “Behavioral records” include such records as psychological tests, personality evaluations, records of conversations, written statements relating specifically to the pupil's behavior, tests relating specifically to achievement or measurement of ability, physical health records other than immunization and lead screening records, law enforcement officers' records, and other pupil records that are not “progress records.” Law enforcement officers' records are maintained separately from other pupil records. Behavioral records may be maintained for no longer than one year after the child graduates or otherwise ceases to be enrolled, unless the parent specifies in writing that the records may be maintained for a longer period of time. The school district informs parents when pupil records are no longer needed to provide special education. At the request of the child's parents, the school district destroys the information that is no longer needed.
- “Directory data” includes the student's name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, photographs, degrees and awards received, and the name of the school most recently previously attended by the student.
- “Pupil physical health records” include basic health information about a pupil, including the pupil's immunization records, an emergency medical card, a log of first aid and medicine administered to the pupil, an athletic permit card, a record concerning the pupil's ability to participate in an education program, any required lead screening records, the results of any routine screening test, such as for hearing, vision or scoliosis, and any follow-up to the test, and any other basic health information, as determined by the state superintendent. Any pupil record relating to a pupil's physical health that is not a pupil physical health record is treated as a patient health care record under sections 146.81 to 146.84, Wisconsin Statutes. Any pupil record concerning HIV testing is treated as provided under section 252.15, Wisconsin Statutes.

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Pupil Records *(continued)*

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and section 118.125, Wisconsin Statutes, afford parents and students over 18 years of age (“eligible students”) the following rights with respect to education records:

- **The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of receipt of the request.** Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal [or appropriate school official] a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The principal will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. The school district will comply with the request without unnecessary delay and before any meeting about an individualized education program, or any due process hearing, and in no case more than 45 days after the request has been made. If any record includes information on more than one child, the parents of those children have the right to inspect and review only the information about their child or to be informed of that specific information. Upon request, the school district will give a parent or eligible student a copy of the progress records and a copy of the behavioral records. Upon request, the school district will give the parent or eligible student a list of the types and locations of education records collected,

maintained, or used by the district for special education. The school district will respond to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of the records. A representative of the parent may inspect and review the records.

- **The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate or misleading.** Parents or eligible students may ask Shiocton School District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the district decides not to amend the record, the district will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and the right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
- **The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information in the student’s education records, except to the extent that federal and state law authorize disclosure without consent.** The exceptions are stated in 34 CFR 99.31, Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act regulations; Sec. 9528, PL107-110, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; and section 118.125(2)(a) to (m) and sub. (2m), Wisconsin Statutes. One exception that

permits disclosure without consent is disclosures to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the school board; a person or company with whom the district has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the district discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll. Also the district discloses “directory data” without consent, unless the parent notifies the district that it may not be released without prior parental consent.

- **The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the District to comply with the requirements of FERPA.** The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20202-4605.



Shiocton School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, age, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability.

Asbestos Notification

As a result of federal legislation (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act – AHERA), each primary and secondary school in the nation is required to complete a stringent new inspection for asbestos, and to develop a plan of management for all asbestos-containing building materials.

The school district has a goal to be in full compliance with this law and is following the spirit, as well as the letter of the law. As a matter of policy, the district shall continue to maintain a safe and healthful environment for our community's youth and employees.

In keeping with this legislation, all buildings (including portables and support buildings) owned or leased by the school district were inspected by EPA-accredited inspectors, and samples were analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the school prepared and the state approved a comprehensive management plan for handling the asbestos located within its buildings safely and responsibly.

Furthermore, the school district has completed its 3-Year Reinspection required by AHERA. School district buildings where asbestos-containing materials were found are under repair, removal, and Operations and Maintenance.

Federal law requires a periodic walk-through (called "surveillance") every six months of each area containing asbestos. Also, the law requires all buildings to be reinspected three years after a management plan is in effect. This will be accomplished under contract by MacNeil Environmental, Inc.

Short-term workers (outside contractors – i.e., telephone repair workers, electricians, and exterminators) must be provided information regarding the location of asbestos with which they may come into contact. All short-term workers shall contact the lead maintenance person before commencing work to be given this information.

Shiocton School District has a list of location(s) and type(s) of asbestos-containing materials found in that school building, and a description and timetable for their proper management. A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review in the district office. Copies are available at 25¢ per page. Questions related to the plan should be directed to our account manager under contract with MacNeil Environmental, Inc., Burnsville, Minnesota, at (800) 232-5209.

Notice of Child Find Activity

The school district must locate, identify, and evaluate all resident children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities. The school district has a special education screening program to locate and screen all children with suspected disabilities who are residents of the district and who have not graduated from high school. Upon request the school district will screen any resident child who has not graduated high school to determine whether a special education referral is appropriate. A request may be made by contacting Deborah Lohr, Director of Special Education, Shiocton School District, at (920) 986-3351 ext. 773, or by writing her at N5650 Broad Street, PO Box 68, Shiocton, WI 54170.

Annually the district conducts developmental screening of preschool children. Each child's motor, communication, cognitive, and social skills are observed at various play areas. The information is used to provide the parent with a profile of their child's current development and to provide suggestions for follow-up activities. Parents learn about community services available to them and speak with representatives of agencies serving families. The information from screening is also used to determine whether a child should be evaluated for a suspected disability. When school staff reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability, they refer the child for evaluation by a school district Individualized Education Program (IEP) team. Developmental screening will be part of the Child Development Days/Kindergarten screening. Watch for notices at your local school.

A physician, nurse, psychologist, or administrator of a social agency who reasonably believes a child brought to him or her for services as a child with a disability has a legal duty to report the child to the school district in which the child resides. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child's parent that the referral will be made. The referral must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. Others who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability may also refer the child to the school district in which the child resides. A referral of a child residing in the Shiocton School District may be sent to Deborah Lohr at the school district address above.

Notice of Non-Discrimination Policy

It is the policy of the Shiocton School District that no person shall be denied admission to any public school in this district or be denied participation in, denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil service, recreational, or other program or activity because of the person's sex, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, pregnancy, marital or parental status, homeless status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability or handicap as required by s. 118.13 Wis. Stats.

This policy also prohibits discrimination as defined by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (sex), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (race and national origin), and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

The Shiocton School District encourages informal resolution of complaints under this policy. A formal complaint resolution procedure is available, however, to address allegations of violations of this policy in the district. Any questions may be directed to the following:

Kelly Zeinert, Principal Grades 7-12
or Kim Griesbach, Principal Grades PK-6
PO Box 68 N5650 Broad Street Shiocton, WI 54170
(920) 986-3351

Notificación Pública de la Regla No-Discriminación

Es la regla del Distrito Escolar de Shiocton que: a ninguna persona pueda negarsele el derecho de ser admitida a esta escuela, o a cualquier plan de estudio, o a estudio extracurricular, o ser negada a participar a cualquier servicio de recreación o otro programa o actividad por razón de su sexo, raza, origen nacional, abolengo, credo, religion, embarazo, marital o parental situación social, sin casa, física preferencia sexual, o físico, mental o emocional impedimento, o dificultad para aprender como es requerido por s. 118.13 del Estado de Wisconsin.

Esta regla también prohíbe discriminación definida en Título IX de las Enmiendas del año 1972 (sexo), Título VI de los Derechos Civiles del Acta de 1964 (raza y origen de nacionalidad) y sección 504 de la acta de rehabilitación del año 1973

Cualquier pregunta concerniente a s.118.13 del Estado de Wisconsin o Título IX de las Enmiendas de Educación del año 1972, que prohíbe discriminación en las bases de sexo, deberá dirigirse a:

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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 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
USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Right to Receive Teacher Information

Federal law requires that the School District of Shiocton share with you the qualifications of teachers in this school. There are questions you may ask, including:

- ◆ Is my child's teacher licensed to teach the grades or subjects assigned?
- ◆ Has the state waived any requirements for my child's teacher?
- ◆ What was the college major of my child's teacher?
- ◆ What degrees does my child's teacher hold?
- ◆ Are there instructional aides working with my child? If so, what are their qualifications?



All teachers at the School District of Shiocton are licensed through the State of Wisconsin. Teachers hold at minimum a bachelor's degree, with many having advanced degrees. If you want to see the state qualifications for your child's teacher, you may contact the school district or find it on the DPI website at www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/dlsis/tel/lisearch.html.

In addition, we have instructional aides and they all are considered qualified for this work.

Should you have further questions, please contact the District Administrator at (920) 986-3351.

THE UPBEAT!

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR SHIOCTON MUSIC



SEPTEMBER 2015
VOLUME 11, ISSUE 1

WELCOME TO THE 2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR!

Hard to believe it's September again! We're very excited for the opportunities in store for us this year in music. You will find parent/student contracts coming home within the first couple weeks of school. On the contract, we're asking parents and students to commit to the rules outlined in the band and choir handbooks. We're also asking parents how they might volunteer within the music department this year. Please take time to consider how your gifts and talents might be used to enhance our band and choir programs for your children. We certainly cannot do what we do without a strong support base. It takes a community to educate our kids. Please consider volunteering and helping us make the best year possible for our kids!

We are so thankful for your support in Shiocton. You help make this a great place to teach and learn! If you have questions or concerns, our doors are always open. Welcome back!

STAY INFORMED...FASTER!!

The band and choir programs will continue to use Facebook this year as a way of delivering up-to-date class information and upcoming events to parents and students. Check us out! And if you haven't yet, be sure to "like us"!

BAND: [facebook.com/shioctonband](https://www.facebook.com/shioctonband)

CHOIR: [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com) (search "Shiocton Choirs Shiocton")

You can also find dates and class information on our website:

bit.ly/shioctonupbeat

HOMECOMING 2015: ROAD TRIP!

The band (grades 7-12) is proud to play again at half-time of the Homecoming football game **Friday, September 25**, with songs by AC/DC, Doobie Brothers, Sammy Hagar, and Tom Cochrane. Band students will meet in the band room to warm up at 7:15 p.m. and are required to wear their band V-necks for the show. We're pumped and ready to rock the field!

DID YOU KNOW...

College admissions officers continue to cite participation in music as an important factor in making admissions decisions. They claim that music participation demonstrates time management, creativity, expression, and open-mindedness.

PEP BAND
Friday, September 4
6:15 p.m.

SHIOC HOMECOMING
Friday, September 25
PARADE
2:00 p.m.
7-12 BAND
PEP BAND
6:15 p.m.
FIELD SHOW
Half-time of FB game
7-12 BAND

PEP BAND
Tuesday, October 6
6:15 p.m.

PEP BAND
Friday, October 9
6:15 p.m.

FALL CONCERT
Monday, October 19
HS Gym
6-12 CHOIR

UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

PARENTS and STUDENTS
for making arrangements in your schedule to make it to band camp this summer.

SHIOC FIRE DEPARTMENT
for letting us park cars as a fundraiser last month.

ALL WORKERS
at the Firemen's Festival, parking cars all day!

CHERYL PAHLOW
for letting us use her parking flags and gear.

PARENTS
who made and served food at our grill-out after our marching camp.

JENNY FRAHM and
SHIOCTON MUSIC PARENTS
for making a lot of this happen. Our kids thrive when we have parents rally behind them. Thank you!

WALL OF THANKS

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