

SHIOCTON SCHOOL DISTRICT PO BOX 68 SHIOCTON WI 54170-0068

September, 2013

Second at State for Van Asten

Congratulations to Jacob Van Asten, who placed second in the Division 3 discus

event at the State Track and Field Meet in June with a throw of 151'1". Jacob qualified for State by finishing first at the regional meet and second at the sectional meet.



Mill Rate to Rise Slightly

In February of 2010, voters approved a five-year, non-recurring referendum. The amount to be levied beyond the revenue caps is \$700,000 this year, the fourth year of the referendum.

At the August 12 Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing, the Shiocton Board of Education recommended a <u>preliminary</u> Total Fund Tax Levy of \$3,322,904 for the 2013-14 school year. This is an increase of 4.94%.

With a projected zero growth rate in property value, the levy rate needed to support the total levy would be \$11.64 per \$1,000 of equalized property value. This compares to \$11.10 for the 2012-13 fiscal year, resulting in an increase of \$54 on a home valued at \$100,000.

The levy recommended for approval on August 12 is preliminary. The final levy will depend on school enrollment counts taken in September, the district's 2013 equalized property valuation received the first week in October, and the final notification of State Aid received in October. The board must set the final tax levy by the end of October.

Welcome!

by Nichole Schweitzer, Superintendent

It seems as though Mother Nature is just now granting us the heat and humidity that customarily signifies summer break. While many of you enjoy these last days together, teachers and staff are back in the halls and classrooms readily preparing for the children's return on September 3. Creative bulletin boards, inspiring posters, and vibrant furniture pieces are turning the well-cleaned and spit-shined rooms into welcoming learning environments.

In addition to setting up their classrooms, teachers have been in and out all summer long participating in trainings and conferences to further their own education. Many have studied the instructional practices of Lucy Calkins and are excited to enjoin their learners with the strategies and techniques unique to Readers' and Writers' Workshop. Other educators spent time this summer breaking down student performance data right down to the roots, from which learning improvement plans are currently being created. Mrs. Zeinert and Mrs. Griesbach collaborated on the framework for what will be our September 26 inservice focus: *Build Your Own Curriculum*. Through BYOC, staff will be able to fully align instruction to the new Common Core State Standards; internal and even external users will be able to view the course curriculum, which will aid in better understanding the expectations we have for learning and for our learners.

Our custodial team has also been working diligently, spending hours scrubbing and waxing, cleaning, and painting as they work with our support and teaching staff to ready our building and grounds. Soon, the efforts of all will be enjoyed by the over 800 students. As smiling faces flood our halls eager to learn, excited to return, I am certain the word "welcome" will be an oft-repeated chorus sung throughout the days and weeks ahead.

For me, it is extremely gratifying to be able to echo to you a greeting that has been expressed to me over and over since recently joining the Shiocton School District. From veteran and new staff, to students, parents, and community members, this universal greeting has been a pleasure to hear and now a pleasure to give to you. So ... welcome to the 2013-14 school year!



Meet Our New Staff Members

School District of Shiocton

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NICHOLE SCHWEITZER Superintendent

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KIM M. GRIESBACH Principal (Grades PK-6)

> DENISE GUEX Business Manager

School Board

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

The Link is published monthly, from September through June, and can be viewed at <u>www.shiocton.k12.wi.us</u>. If you do not have Internet access, you may request a copy by mail by calling (920) 986-3351 ext. 517. Submit any articles for publication by mail to the school address or by e-mail to: <u>thelink@shiocton.k12.wi.us</u>.

> *Editors:* Shelley Podell, Sue Hill, Kurt Wismer

> > *Student Editor:* Courtney Coenen

Beckie Timmers — Grade 5

I was born and raised in Seymour where I attended the Seymour School District. After graduating in 2007, I went to college at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and graduated with a bachelor's in education with dual minors in science and social studies.



Prior to coming to Shiocton, I was a long-term substitute for 4th and 5th grade at Wisconsin Connections Academy, a public online charter school in Appleton. Before that I substitute taught in various school districts in the area (including Shiocton).

I am married to Weston Timmers, and we do not have children. Weston and I enjoy loading up our bikes and finding new trails to ride, going geocaching, reading, traveling, and spending time with family and friends at our family's cottage on Legend Lake. I also really enjoy crocheting and crafting.

My goals for the school year are to excite students about what we are learning and create a community within the classroom where students feel comfortable to ask questions and take chances to advance their understanding.

Sandee Cornell — PK-6 Counselor

I grew up in Black Creek and attended Black Creek and Seymour Schools. I attended college at UW-Green Bay and UW-Milwaukee. I previously worked as a school counselor in Greenville and Manawa.

My husband, Ty, and I are parents to four children, ages nine, seven, four, and one. My four children keep me very busy. I enjoy watching athletic events, reading, and walking my dogs.

My goals are to get to know and establish relationships with the students, families, and staff at Shiocton.

Krista Klanderman — HS English

I am from the Fox Cities and graduated from Neenah High School. I hold a bachelor's degree in secondary education (English and theater emphasis) and a master's degree in English (emphasis creative writing) from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

I worked as an English and drama teacher for the past fourteen years at Menasha High. I directed the technical side of over 25 productions and was a co-advisor for the school magazine.

I am married to fellow SHS teacher (business, marketing, and information technology) Kurt Wismer. We don't have kids, but we have two cats.

For fun, I am very active and love the outdoors. I enjoy mountain and road biking, running, hiking, fishing, and cross-country skiing. I am an avid gardener and grow, can, and freeze a lot of my own food. I am also a dedicated writer. I have written two poetry books and am currently writing a young adult novel with a friend.

My goals are to continue incorporating the common core standards into the English classes offered at SHS, to foster creative thought and expression, and to start a school magazine.

Jessica Miller — HS Business Education

I was born and raised in Hazel Green, a small town in the southwest corner of Wisconsin. My parents still live there. I attended schools in the Southwestern School District K-12, and I had both my parents as teachers — Mom for 7th grade English and Dad for HS Computers. After high school I graduated from Edgewood College in Madison.

I taught for two years at Northland Pines High School in Eagle River and six years in the Chilton School District prior to this position. Before that, I was a barista at Gloria Jean's Coffee Shop during college (that's where I acquired my addiction to coffee).

I am married and have two daughters, ages 3 and 4½. I love playing and watching sports. My favorite sport to play is softball (I played through college — D3). My favorite sports to watch are gymnastics, softball/baseball, and football. I also really enjoy reading, traveling, and (most of all) spending time with my family and friends.

For my first year at Shiocton, my biggest goal is to get to know my students, their families, and the community. I am really excited to be back in a small, close-knit community like the one I grew up in!

Ben Taylor — HS Social Studies

I was born and raised in Galesburg, Illinois, and attended UW-Platteville, where I played football. I graduated in December of 2012. I spent last year in the Lancaster School District completing my student teaching and serving as a substitute teacher. I also coached football there.

I am single and have no children. I enjoy doing anything outdoors and sports-related — hunting, fishing, golf, etc. I am a huge Packers fan, so I also enjoy anything Packersrelated.

My goal for this year and every year is to prepare students to become valuable members of society. I also want to add to the great things that are already happening in the Shiocton community!



Other Staff News

- Amanda Peterson (Tetzlaff) moves from HS English to HS Spanish.
- Michael Marchetti will be student teaching in elementary phy. ed. for nine weeks.
- Lynda Fischer joins the custodial team.
- Sharon Wright will work as a library paraprofessional.
- Mrs. Griesbach is now principal for grades PK-6.
- Mrs. Zeinert is now principal for grades 7-12.
- Mrs. Murphy is now secretary for grades PK-6.
- Mrs. Herrmann is now secretary for grades 7-12.
- Mrs. Cornell is now counselor for grades PK-6.
- Mrs. Uelmen is now counselor for grades 7-12.

Kurt Wismer Attends Google Teacher Academy

(condensed from the Advertiser Community News)

Business, Marketing, and Information Technology Education teacher Kurt Wismer was selected to attend the Google Teacher Academy, held in Chicago in July. The Google Teacher Academy is a two-day intensive program that recognizes educators who are doing innovative and exciting things in their classrooms with technology. The 50 participants get hands-on experience with their products and technologies, learn about innovative instructional strategies, and receive resources to share with colleagues.

Upon completion, Academy participants become Google Certified Teachers who share what they learn with other K-12 educators in their local regions and beyond. Google Certified Teachers are exceptional K-12 educators with a passion for using innovative tools to improve teaching and learning, as well as creative leaders and ambassadors for change.

Wismer was honored to be selected to represent Shiocton High School. "It is very humbling to be selected and to be able to work with the best teachers in the world at the event," Wismer said in a press statement by Google. As part of the application process, Wismer had to make an application video, for which he had a lot of help. "I want to thank those people who helped me," Wismer said. "The students and staff, specifically Bradd Yenor, who helped with the final editing."

The mission of the School District of Shiocton is to provide an exceptional education to secure the future of our children and our families.

Milk Cap Program Discontinued

Attention Parents: Thank you for your help with donating milk caps to our school over the past years. We have been able to purchase great items for school supplies and groups due to your efforts.

Unfortunately, Morning Glory is discontinuing their milk cap program; therefore, we will no longer be collecting any milk caps (Morning Glory, Kemps, or Golden Guernsey) at school.





Market Day is a unique fundraiser offering a wide

selection of high quality foods at competitive prices, many of which are not available in your grocery store. Products range from butcher shop meats and poultry to easy family meals, delicious appetizers, and gourmet desserts. Order sheets are distributed each month at school. Customers can order online at their convenience at marketday.com, or complete an order guide and return it to school. Market Day delivers to the school once a month, and families pick up their order on a designated date and time. **A percentage of each order is provided back to the school**, and these funds are used to pay for playground equipment, musical instruments, library books, and more.

If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Baggot at (920) 986-3351 ext. 788.

Fall Paper Drive Dates

by Tim Huebner

We will again be running the paper drive this fall. Please consider dropping off your recyclable paper and cardboard in the large yellow dumpster behind school. The paper drive dates for the fall are:

> Monday, September 9 to Friday, September 13

Monday, October 7 to Friday, October 11

Monday, November 11 to Friday, November 15



Many thanks to all who contributed in the past. Funds raised by the paper drive have paid for five interactive white board units in the middle school. Your support helps make this a success! If you have any questions, call me at (920) 986-3351 ext. 739.

Entertainment Book Sale is Fast Approaching!

by Tami Singler

The Entertainment Book sale kicks off September 11 and runs through September 25. Books can be purchased at the cost of \$30 from any elementary student, or contact 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 25.

You may also order online at www.entertainment.com and use account #608388. For out-of-town books you can go to www.fundraising.entertainment.com/support.

Students can:

- Sell 1 book by 9/13 and earn a mustache set to join in Mustache Mania!
- Sell **2** books by 9/18 and earn a plush frog/monkey!
- Sell 3 books and get 15 seconds in the **Prize Machine!!**
- Sell 5 books and get 1 free!
- More prizes available.



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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

ANNUAL INCOME LEVEL

MONTHLY INCOME LEVEL

| Family (Household) Size | Free Must be at or below figure listed | Redue Must be a figur | | etween | Free Must be at or below figure listed | Must be at | e d Price or between s listed |
|---|---|-----------------------------|-----|----------|---|-------------|--|
| 1 | \$14,937 | \$ 14,937.01 | and | \$21,257 | \$ 1,245 | \$ 1,245.01 | and \$1,772 |
| 2 | 20,163 | 20,163.01 | and | 28,694 | 1,681 | 1,681.01 | and 2,392 |
| 3 | 25,389 | 25,389.01 | and | 36,131 | 2,116 | 2,116.01 | and 3,011 |
| 4 | 30,615 | 30,615.01 | and | 43,568 | 2,552 | 2,552.01 | and 3,631 |
| 5 | 35,841 | 35,841.01 | and | 51,005 | 2,987 | 2,987.01 | and 4,251 |
| 6 | 41,067 | 41,067.01 | and | 58,442 | 3,423 | 3,423.01 | and 4,871 |
| 7 | 46,293 | 46,293.01 | and | 65,879 | 3,858 | 3,858.01 | and 5,490 |
| 8 | 51,519 | 51,519.01 | and | 73,316 | 4,294 | 4,294.01 | and 6,110 |
| For each additional household member, add | + 5,226 | + 5,226 | and | +7,437 | + 436 | + 436 | and + 620 |

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 write "none" if they do not have a Social Security Number. 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, Food Service Director*, will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian is dissatisfied with the ruling of the 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, 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.

The U.S Department of Agriculture prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.)

If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, found online at http:// www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or e-mail at program.intake@usda.gov. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-

6136 (Spanish). For any other information dealing with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) issues, persons should either contact the USDA SNAP Hotline Number at (800) 221-5689, which is also in Spanish, or call the State Information/Hotline Numbers (click the link for a listing of hotline numbers by State);

found online at http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/contact_info/hotlines.htm. USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



Hoops Club Ready to Kick Off 2013-14 Season!

Attention, Shiocton youth basketball players, parents, and coaches.... mark your calendars and

get ready for the upcoming 2013-14 Shiocton Hoops Club season! Students enrolled in Shiocton Schools are eligible to participate.

2nd Grade Tournament Teams

There isn't a league available for 2nd grade, but there are a few tournaments available at this level. We're opening registration earlier this year to provide more practice time prior to tournament play. See Registration Information below. **Teams will be formed if enough interest; we also need volunteer coaches.** If you're interested in coaching, contact Terri Brouillard at <u>rpbtlb@aol.com</u> or (920) 525-3349.

Registration Fee: \$30 Late Fee: \$30

3rd-6th Grade League Teams

Assuming there are enough participants and coaches, grades 3-6 league teams will be formed in October.

Registration Fee: \$40 Late Fee: \$40

For details on registering for league play, see Registration Information below. Tournament team selection and registration will occur in December; more information will be shared with eligible players at that time.

7th-8th Grade Tournament Teams

Selection and registration will occur in December/ January.

2nd-6th Grade Registration Information

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

| - Registration Period: | September 7-21 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| - Registration Contact: | Brad Jorgensen |
| | (920) 525-4111 or e-mail |
| | bjorgen720@aol.com |

Register online starting September 7 via the website <u>www.shioctonbasketball.com</u>. You must also review the Shiocton Hoops Club Handbook on the website prior to registration. This will reduce the amount of information covered at the annual Tip-Off Meeting. If you don't have a computer or need assistance, we have help available for you: - **Computer access:** Stop by the Shiocton Public

Library

- Registration assistance in the school library: September 18 4:30-7:30 p.m.

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

October 14 6:30 p.m., cafeteria Mandatory attendance to participate



- Jerseys, practice and game schedules will be provided
- Break-out session to meet with coaches
- Door prizes!

Hot Shots Camp – K-1st Grade Hoopsters



The Shiocton Hoops Club will now be offering 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! Each child will receive a Hoops Club Hot Shots T-shirt on the last day of camp. 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 20**. 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 5, 12, 19, 26 |
| Time: | 9:00-10:00 a.m. |
| Contact: | Brad Jorgensen; (920) 525-4111 or e-mail |
| | bjorgen720@aol.com |

Program Communication

In addition to the website, the Hoops Club's primary methods of communication to players and parents are the Shiocton Hoops Club Facebook page and e-mail. **Please be sure to "Like" the "Shiocton Hoops Club" page on Facebook** ... and provide an accurate e-mail address when registering or you may miss important communication. Our program is run by volunteers who are also managing their busy family schedules and careers, so we rely on electronic communication to send important information to our Club participants.

Here's to a great Hoops Club season – we're excited to see our club continue to evolve as a premiere program in northeast Wisconsin! If you have any additional questions about the upcoming season, please contact a Hoops Club board member:

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

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 <u>www.cdc.gov</u>
 - General information regarding meningitis disease - A Meningitis Fact Sheet
- National Association of School Nurses <u>www.nasn.org</u>
- Meningitis Foundation of America
 <u>www.meningitisfoundationofamerica.org</u>
- National Meningitis Association
 <u>www.nmaus.org</u>



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. There are two

versions that may be viewed — Interactive Version and Printer Friendly Version. The Interactive Version is displayed magazine-style. Pages may be viewed but not printed from this version. The Printer Friendly Version is displayed as a PDF file. If you wish to have a hard copy, you can print any or all pages from this version with your home printer.

If you have older technology or a dialup Internet connection, you will be able to view the *Interactive Version* more quickly.

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.

The deadline for the next issue is listed on the calendar in the current issue. It is generally the 15th of the month. You can help us do our job more effectively by submitting 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 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

SPICE...Off to a Good Start!

by Steve Parker

SPICE is off to a good start this year. We have lots of activities planned for the upcoming year, including a couple of Free Family Movie Nights, Book Fairs, Cookies with Santa, and other fun events. Be on the lookout for the volunteer sign-up sheet that will come home with your children. To have successful events, we need people to help run them. Your time and energy toward the betterment of our school is appreciated by all.

SPICE also spearheads the collection of Box Tops for Education and Campbell's soup labels. Look for grocery items with these identifiers, collect the Box Tops and labels, and turn them in at school. It is amazing how much money the school can earn from these simple collections!!

This year we have added a morning meeting time for those busy folks who have trouble making our evening meetings. We will meet at the Hometown Grill on the second Wednesday of



each month. Meetings will be informal and will start at 8:15 a.m. Come have coffee, and learn how you can help out our school. Of course, we will still have our evening meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:15 p.m. in the school library.

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!! We hope to see you at a meeting sometime soon! If you are not able to attend one of our meetings and have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (920) 757-8871 or <u>siparker92@gmail.com</u>.

2012-13 Spending for the 1998 Referendum

The following is a summary of spending for the \$160,000 that was approved via referendum in May of 1998. Each year an accounting of this money is provided to the community. Without this referendum, many projects would not be possible.

| 2012-13 Technology | |
|--|-----------|
| Wireless expansion/firewall/remote desktops | \$ 5,000 |
| Network switch for high school | 4,100 |
| Instructional software — Tech. Ed. | 700 |
| Staff development | 900 |
| Misc. equip., boomboxes, cameras, iPad printer/scanner | , |
| Chromebooks, switches/laptops | 8,700 |
| Apple iPads elementary classrooms | 19,600 |
| Administrative software | 22,000 |
| Tech. Ed. workstations | 19,000 |
| Technology subtotal | 80,000 |
| 2012-13 Maintenance | |
| HVAC system upgrades | 42,646 |
| Roof replacement | 31,054 |
| Floor tile replacement | 6,300 |
| Maintenance subtotal | 80,000 |
| Total | \$160,000 |



Principal's Report

Welcome to the 2013-14 school year! We are looking forward to the school year starting and anticipate an exciting year of growth.

The Shiocton School District believes in providing the highest quality education for our students. I want to provide you with information about a three-tiered instructional approach we are using to meet this goal, referred to as Response to Intervention (RtI) which is now part of the federal educational law.

For RtI, all students will participate in the core curriculum, with three levels (tiers) of interventions for students who demonstrate at-risk skills in general academics or behavior. Each tier provides additional support beyond the core curriculum. All students will be tested three times a year to measure their progress to determine if they are performing at grade-level. Behavioral expectations will also be monitored on a regular basis through the year.

- Tier One Teachers will use different strategies within the core curriculum to address all student educational needs.
- Tier Two Based on progress data, students who are unsuccessful in Tier One will be provided supplemental research-based interventions matched to their needs. We will use Extended Learning Time (ELT) to meet with the students who need additional support. The RtI team, an instructional support team, will track the students' progress.
- Tier Three Students who continue to struggle in Tier Two will receive more intensive interventions at this level. After Tier Three implementation, students who continue to display limited progress may then be considered for further evaluation and services.

Our school is excited to take part in this process to improve educational outcomes for all students. As always, do not hesitate to contact your child's ELT teacher or me if you have any questions or concerns.

There are many changes that have occurred over the summer and I am excited about the upcoming year and the potential that it holds. We have several new teachers. Benjamin Taylor will be replacing Mik Newlin in



the Social Studies department. Ben is fresh out of UW-Platteville and eager to start his teaching career. Jessica Miller will be replacing Roberta Ligocki. Jessica comes to us from Chilton, where she has worked for the past few years. Ray Nielsen accepted a job with the Shawano School District in June. As a result, Amanda Tetzlaff (now Peterson) has moved to Spanish, and we have hired Krista Klanderman as her replacement. Krista comes to us from Menasha High School, where she has taught English for the past 13 years. We are excited about the new staff and the energy that they are bringing to the district. Please stop in and introduce yourself.

Before Mr. VanderHeyden left, the administrative team met and decided to have Mrs. Uelmen and I supervise the 7th and 8th grade staff and students. I am thrilled about the change and am looking forward to building a greater connection between the middle school and high school.

Class registration for the high school was held during the month of June. We had a great turnout of parents and students again this year. Registration provided an opportunity for parents and students to sit down with Mrs. Uelmen (the high school counselor) and create a four-year plan, as well as make sure those students are on-track for graduation. If you have further questions about scheduling, please do not hesitate to contact the guidance or high school offices.

Sports continue to be an important part of our school as well. If you would like updates on sporting events throughout the year, you can log on to our school website www.shiocton.k12.wi.us for the latest information. I would like to wish all of our fall athletes and coaches good luck!

Once again the custodial staff has done an outstanding job of cleaning and getting the school ready for another year. I would like to congratulate Dick Kuettel and his staff on the excellent job they have done this summer and thank them for the way they maintain the building throughout the year. Our buildings and grounds are a source of pride for Shiocton and that is something that can't be said everywhere.

I want to encourage parents, students, and staff to let each other know if there is a question or concern. Many of the problems we face can easily be fixed if they are addressed early on. We are here to work with you and for you. Communication and your support help create positive experiences for everyone. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 986-3351 ext. 751.

Chromebooks Are Here

This year, all students in the high school will receive a Samsung Chromebook laptop. The Chromebooks are the main component in the high school 1-to-1 technology initiative to enhance



student learning and engagement. All teachers have already received their Chromebooks. Students are very excited about this opportunity to have new tools for learning. On the first day of school, students will be thoroughly trained on the devices and how to properly use them for educational purposes.

If as a parent, you have not turned in your agreement for the device with your school registration paperwork, please do so as soon as possible so your child(ren) can receive their Chromebook on the first day. Training materials for your child can be found at <u>bit.ly/studentedtech</u>. Resources for parents and agreements on the Chromebooks can be found at <u>bit.ly/parentedtech</u>. Please be sure to contact the LMC Technology Help Desk (<u>LMChelpdesk@shiocton.k12.wi.us</u>) with any questions or concerns.

Fall FBLA Meetings Planned

by Kurt Wismer and Jessica Miller

The first two meetings for Shiocton FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) have been set for

• Tuesday, September 10, at 2:21 p.m. (during ELT)

• Tuesday, October 1, at 2:21 p.m. (during ELT) Topics discussed will be upcoming activities and trips for the school year as well as competitive events.

Membership in FBLA helps students learn about business and gives them the opportunity to see the "real world" through interaction with business leaders from across the country! Students will discover the secret of

being able to talk confidently with prospective employers and experience the chance to test business skills in state and national competitions. FBLA also looks great on college applications and resumés.



You can learn more about Shiocton FBLA at <u>www.shiocton.k12.wi.us/highschool/FBLA.cfm</u>, as well as on Facebook and Twitter (<u>@ShioctonFBLA</u>). To be requested for the meeting during ELT, please see Mr. Wismer or Mrs. Miller.

Other High School News

- Student Council holds first blood drive Student Council will be holding their first Blood Drive of the year on September 25 from 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Please contact the high school office after September 13 to make an appointment to donate. Walk-ins are also welcome!
- The 2013 Yearbook will be distributed during Homecoming Last year's graduates will be able to get their copy at the concession stand at the football game on Friday, October 4. After that, they will be available in the high school office.

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 <u>https://apply.wisconsin.edu</u>. 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 16 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. Juniors will have to meet with Mrs. Uelmen starting in mid-October to talk about post-secondary plans. Parents are welcome to attend the meeting as well. There will be an ACT prep given in November (TBD) 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 the dates and times below. Continue exploring and practicing for the ACT using the website <u>www.actstudent.org</u>. If juniors do not fill up the time slots for the ACT prep, then sophomores may take the exam.

Attention all students:

| September 23 | 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Wisconsin Education Fair (WEF) UW-Fox Valley campus* |
|--------------|--------------------|---|
| September 25 | 9:00-11:00 a.m. | WEF on UW-Oshkosh campus* |
| September 25 | 6:30-8:30 p.m. | WEF on St. Norbert campus* |
| September 26 | 9:00-11:00 a.m. | WEF on St. Norbert campus* |
| October 16 | 8:00-11:20 a.m. | PSAT exam at school |
| November | 8:00 a.m12:00 noon | ACT prep in the KSCADE room (specific date to be determined). |

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

* Please visit www.wefs.org to register for the WEF event. IT'S FREE!

Homecoming News

Homecoming week is September 30-October 4. Dress-up days will be held throughout the week. Friday, October 4, will be a day of school-spirited fun, beginning with a parade at 2:00 p.m. and the football game at 7:00 p.m. The dance will be held from 8:00-11:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 5, in the school cafeteria.

Fundamentals of Sportsmanship

Sportsmanship reveals character regardless of the final outcome

Gain an understanding and appreciation for the rules of the contest.

Being well informed is essential. Know the rules. If you are not knowledgeable about the rules, refrain from expressing opinions on decisions made by officials, coaches, and administrators.

Exercise representative behavior at all times. The true value of interscholastic competition relies upon everyone exhibiting behavior which is representative of a sound value base. Your behavior influences others whether you are aware of it or not.

Exhibit respect for the officials.

The officials of any contest are trained, impartial arbitrators who perform to the best of their ability. Mistakes by all those involved are a part of every contest. We should not rationalize our own poor or unsuccessful behavior by placing responsibility on an official. A rule of good sportsmanship is to accept and abide by the decision made.

Openly display respect for the opponent at all times.

Opponents are guests and should be treated cordially, provided with the best accommodations, and accorded tolerance at all times. Be a positive representative of your school, team, or family.

Display pride in your actions at every opportunity.

Never allow your ego to interfere with good judgment and your responsibility as a school representative. Regardless of whether you are an adult, student, player, coach, or official, this value is paramount since it suggests that you care about yourself and how others perceive you.

- from www.wiaawi.org

Babe Ruth Team Summer Update

by Jude Backman



The Shiocton Babe Ruth team completed the summer season with a record of 15-11. The team was coached by Kevin Leitzke, Mike Bellin, and me. The team finished third in the Wolf River League regular season, took first

place in the Omro tourney, and placed third in the Shiocton tourney. Members of the team included Tanner Nabbefeld, Alex VanDenBosch, Ray Herb, Mason Gomm, Nate Schmidt, Sam Otto, Gage Kamp, Cole Conradt, Mitchell Dorn, Ethan Haufschildt, Josh Leitzke, and Riley Bellin.

Chiefs Spring Sports Awards

Softball

| • | Adriana Ziemer | Offensive MVP |
|----|------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | First Team All-Conference |
| ٠ | Holly Pingel | Co-Defensive MVP |
| | | Second Team All-Conference |
| • | Kari Williamson | Co-Defensive MVP |
| | | Second Team All-Conference |
| • | Mckenzie Calder | Most Improved |
| | | Honorable Mention All-Conference |
| • | Haley Ehrle | Coaches Award |
| • | Brittany Schmidt | Honorable Mention All-Conference |
| Ba | aseball | |
| • | Logan Majerus | First Team All-Conference |
| • | Jake Dahlke | Second Team All-Conference |
| • | Brandon Gomm | Second Team All-Conference |
| • | Mitchell Ebben | Honorable Mention All-Conference |

Golf

| Max Beecher | Golden Club MVP |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| | Second Team All-Conference |
| Andrew Louis | Coaches Sportsmanship Award |
| Travis Schultz | Most Improved Player |

Golfers Receive Academic Honors

(condensed from the Advertiser Community News)

The Golf Coaches Association of Wisconsin (GCAW) has announced the recipients of the second annual "Team Academic All-State" award, established to recognize high school golf teams with the highest team grade point averages ("team" is defined as the five



designated golfers for the 2013 WIAA regional tournament). The three teams with the highest cumulative team GPA in each WIAA division are recognized with gold, silver, or bronze medals for each student-athlete, and their schools receive a certificate to note this accomplishment. Shiocton High School finished in third place in Division 3, and the golfers recognized were Max Beecher, Andrew Hoersch, Andrew Louis, Eric Bunnell, and Henry Fielding, who compiled a cumulative high school GPA of 3.636.

September Calendar of Events

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|-------|------------|--|-------------|
| 3 | Tue | First day of school for grades 1-12 | |
| | | K4 Open House/Parent Meeting in K4 classroom — 8:30 am or 1:00 pm | |
| | | K5 Open House/Parent Meeting in K5 classroom — 9:30 am or 2:00 pm | |
| | | Varsity Volleyball Quadrangular at Freedom — 4:00 pm | ı. |
| 4 | Wed | First day of school for Early Childhood, K4 (M/W class), K5 | |
| | | SPICE meeting in the LMC — $6:15 \text{ pm}$ | |
| 5 | Thu | First day of school for K4 (T/Th class) | |
| | | Market Day orders due in the elementary or high school office | |
| | | MS Volleyball at Weyauwega-Fremont — 4:00 pm | I |
| | | MS Football at Manawa — 4:30 pm | 011 |
| 6 | Fri | Varsity Football at Iola-Scandinavia — 7:00 pm | Received of |
| 7-21 | | Hoops Club grades 2-6 online registration (see page 6) | |
| 9 | Mon | JV Football at home vs. Iola-Scandinavia — 5:00 pm | |
| | | School Board meeting in the LMC — 6:30 pm | |
| 9-13 | M-F | Middle School Paper Recycling Fundraiser (see page 4) | |
| 10 | Tue | MS Volleyball at Manawa — 4:00 pm | |
| | | MS Football at home vs. Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 4:30 pm | |
| | | C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at home vs. Iola-Scandinavia — 6:00/7:30 pm | |
| 11 | Wed | Picture Day (retake day — Friday, October 18, picture day for T/TH K4 — Tuesday, October 1 | 22) |
| | | Entertainment Books kick-off in the elementary gym | |
| | | Market Day pick-up in the cafeteria — 3:00-4:00 pm | |
| | | SPICE meeting at Hometown Grill — 8:15 am | |
| 11-25 | | Entertainment Books available (see page 4) School Picture Day | |
| 12 | Thu | GridIron Club Banquet at River Rail Banquet Hall September 11 | |
| | | JV/Varsity Volleyball at Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 6:00/7:30 pm | |
| 13 | Fri | Varsity Football at Manawa — 7:00 pm | |
| 14 | Sat | Varsity Volleyball Invitational at home — 9:00 am | |
| 16 | Mon | <i>The Link</i> — Deadline for submitting articles for the October issue | |
| | | JV Football at home vs. Manawa — 4:30 pm | |
| | | MS Volleyball at Iola-Scandinavia — 5:00 pm | |
| 17 | Tue | MS Volleyball at home vs. Bonduel — 4:00 pm | |
| 10 | 1 | C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at home vs. Amherst — 6:00/7:30 pm | |
| 18 | Wed | Hoops Club grades 2-6 online registration assistance in the LMC — 4:30-7:30 pm | |
| 19 | Thu | MS Football at Amherst — 4:30 pm | |
| | | MS Volleyball at home vs. Iola-Scandinavia — 4:30 pm | |
| • | | C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at home vs. Manawa — 6:00/7:30 pm | |
| 20 | Fri | Varsity Football at home vs. Amherst — 7:00 pm | |
| 21 | Sat | Varsity Volleyball at Suring Invitational — 9:00 am | |
| | | JV Volleyball at Weyauwega-Fremont Tournament — 9:00 am | |
| ••• | | St. Denis 8th Annual Cabbage Chuck at Shiocton Lake Park — 11:00 am | |
| 23 | Mon | Market Day orders due in the elementary or high school office | |
| | | MS Volleyball at home vs. Wittenberg-Birnamwood — 4:30 pm | |
| | | JV Football at Amherst — 4:30 pm | |
| 24 | T | School Board meeting in the LMC — 6:30 pm | |
| 24 | Tue | MS Football at home vs. Weyauwega-Fremont — 4:30 pm | |
| 25 | XX 7 1 | C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at Weyauwega-Fremont — 6:00/7:30 pm | |
| 25 | Wed | Unsold Entertainment Books, money, and orders due | 2 |
| 26 | T 1 | Student Council Blood Drive — 10:00 am-3:30 pm (see page 10) | |
| 26 | Thu | Early Release for Staff Development — 12:10 pm dismissal | 5 |
| | | MS Volleyball at home vs. Manawa — $4:30 \text{ pm}$ | 2 |
| 20 | G (| C Team/JV Volleyball Quadrangular at Weyauwega-Fremont — 5:00 pm | /eek |
| 28 | Sat | Varsity Football at Pacelli — 1:00 pm 9/30-10/4 | |
| 30 | Mon | MS Volleyball at Bonduel — 4:00 pm | |
| | | JV Football at home vs. Pacelli — $4:30 \text{ pm}$ | |
| | | C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at home vs. Oconto — 6:00/7:30 pm | |

Coming Up in October

- 1 MS Volleyball at Menominee MS Football at Tigerton C Team/JV/Varsity Volleyball at home vs. Bonduel
- 4 Varsity Football at home vs. Bonduel (Homecoming)
- 9-11 Grade 5 goes to Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya
- 17 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 21 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 24/25 No school



Food Service Reminder — Low and Negative Balances

by Debbra Danke, Food Service Director

Parents, when you have a low and/or negative account balance you will receive an automated message from the school district's Skylert messaging system stating your balance. Calls will be made when your balance is at \$10 or below. Low balance calls will go out at 5:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, and negative balance calls will go out at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Breakfast served daily with a variety of cold cereal, milk, 100% juice, toast, and fruit. Cold sandwiches available each day as an alternative entrée for lunch. Whole grain white bread and buns are offered. All students must take a ½ cup of fruit or vegetables with breakfast and lunch.

Fresh fruit and vegetables are offered daily. Our milk is skim and 1% white and TruMoo fat-free chocolate.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|--|---|--|---|
| 2 No school | 3 Pizza slice, green beans, peaches, milk | 4 Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, broccoli with cheese, pineapple, milk | 5 Mini corn dogs, rice, sliced carrots, pears, milk | 6 Grab-n-Go salad or homemade chicken noodle soup, uncrustable sandwich, peas, applesauce, milk |
| 9 Grab-n-Go salad or soft shell tacos with trimmings, salsa, Wisconsin blend vegetables, mandarin oranges, milk | 10 Brunch for lunch: French toast, hash browns, fresh fruit, orange juice, yogurt, milk | 11 Grab-n-Go salad or pizzaroni, sliced carrots, peaches, bread, milk | 12 Grab-n-Go salad or cheeseburger on a bun, tri-taters, baked beans, pineapple, milk | 13 Grab-n-Go salad or BBQ on a bun, French fries, broccoli with cheese, pears, milk |
| 16 Chicken patty on a bun, baked beans, peas, peaches, milk | 17 Spaghetti with meat sauce, romaine/spinach salad, mandarin oranges, garlic bread, milk | 18 Nachos with meat and cheese, sour cream, pears, carrots, milk | 19 Pizza dippers with marinara sauce, green beans, strawberries, milk | 20 Grab-n-Go salad or tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, mixed vegetables, applesauce, milk |
| 23 Grab-n-Go salad or salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli with cheese, mandarin oranges, bread, milk | 24 Grab-n-Go salad or beef and bean burrito, sour cream, whole kernel corn, peaches, milk | 25 Chili, homemade buns, mixed vegetables, applesauce cup, milk | 26 Hot dog on a bun, baked beans, tri-taters, peaches, milk Early release | 27 Grab-n-Go salad or basket for lunch: ham and cheese on a bun, Sun Chips, fresh vegetables, apple juice, cookie, milk |
| 30 Grab-n-Go salad or turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, carrots, bread, milk | | | | Menu subject to change |

Lunch prices: Elementary — \$2.05 per day, \$10.25 per week, \$41 for September Middle/High School — \$2.35 per day, \$11.75 per week, \$47 for September

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.

Elementary/Middle School News

Welcome to the 2013-14 school year!

Before we talk about some of the changes that will be taking place for the upcoming school year, here are a few notes to share: A special thank you to all of the retirees



(Rosemary Stilen, Diane Boelter, Mik Newlin, Roberta Ligocki, Jeff Jansen). We thank you for all your years of service and 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! ⁽³⁾ Warm wishes are also extended to the SILA staff (Anne Louis, John Winter, Patrick Hollett) who have left us. We thank you for your dedication to the students who were involved with the charter school and wish you all the best! Also, best of luck to Ray Nielsen, Angela

Hammill, and Chris VanderHeyden who are moving on to other districts. It has been a pleasure working with each and every one of you!

We welcome the following new staff members who will be working with elementary and/or middle school students:

- Nichole Schweitzer Superintendent (replacing Chris VanderHeyden)
- Sandee Cornell Counselor for grades PK-6 (replacing Angela Hammill)
- Beckie Timmers Grade 5
- Jessica Miller Elementary Keyboarding and MS Computers (replacing Roberta Ligocki)
- Lynda Fischer Custodian on elementary end (replacing Diane Boelter)
- Sara Foster Middle School Spanish
- Sharon Wright LMC paraprofessional
- Michael Marchetti Student teacher in P.E.
- New ELL/GT teacher To be announced (replacing Lindsay Pribek)

Other changes:

For anything pertaining to students in <u>Grades PK-6</u>, 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 <u>Grades 7-12</u>, 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

Other News to Share

Picture Day Wednesday, September 11

> **Retake Day** Friday, October 18

Picture Day for T/TH K4 Tuesday, October 22

MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) Testing: District MAP testing for students in grades 3-8 will begin in September. The students will take computerized tests in the areas of reading, language, and mathematics.

STAR Testing: Students in grades K-8 will be involved in STAR testing during the month of September. This 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 monitor individual progress.

Reading Volunteers Needed: We will, once again, be looking for reading volunteers this year. If you have a few hours a week to read with elementary students, please contact Mrs. Jorgensen



(reading specialist) at 986-3351 ext. 780 or Mrs. Rudat (reading support teacher) at ext. 580. 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 look forward to another wonderful school year – working with you and your child/children!

Sincerely,



Mrs. Kím Gríesbach © Elementary/Middle School 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.

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Get Ready for the 8th Annual Cabbage Chuck!!

by Ann Shears

Gather your family, friends, neighbors, and kids for a day of fun September 21. The World Championship Cabbage Chuck is fast approaching and what a day it will be. The Chuck starts at 11:00 a.m. at Shiocton Lake Park with some local Chucker favorites and

a couple of new machines this year as well. The crowd pleaser Peeters Boyz Toys will once again be there with their 60-foot air cannon to blast cabbage and pumpkins for distance and at targets. For even more entertainment, they'll shoot telephone poles out into the target area and bowling balls through our VEHICLE target!! Ned the Dead is coming back for the 8th year to MC the event, and he'll be the first to tell you how much fun this event is. Wow, now these are things you don't just see anywhere. Come and see it for yourself!!

There are kids' games, a silent auction, a Cabbage Cook-Off, and a Largest Cabbage contest. So come down to Lake Park on

Saturday, September 21, and join in the fun! Great Lakes Kraut is sponsoring Mad Dog and

FOODS GREAT FOOD, GREAT TASTE Merrill this year for an afternoon of big time, fun ne grilling with the well known grill masters

time grilling with the well known grill masters of the area. Come and meet and greet them and try some samples of what they will be cooking up that day.

The fun continues with Cabbage Relay

games for all ages. Get a team of four people together and enter to win some money!! Contact Larry or Debbie Van Straten at (920) 986-3468 if you are interested in pre-registering your team. There are several age brackets to enter — so try your luck at some big prize money!!

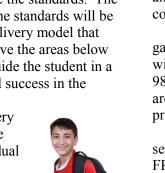
There is also an attendance drawing for \$100 that will be selected at 4:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 per person and under 16 is FREE. Upon entering the park with paid entry, you will be given a ticket. Maybe YOU could go home with \$100 in your pocket!! At 5:00 p.m. the World Record Attempt will be tried, and from there we head under the tent for live music by Take Two Acoustic, a local musical duo from Hortonville, from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. Raffle ticket winners will be drawn at 7:00 p.m., and you don't have to be present to win!!

There will be food and beverages available all day with all the favorites for the whole family!! Bring a lawn chair to get a great seat fenceside to see cabbages fly!! We are excited about the event and hope you are, too. If it is your first time out, I guarantee you will have a great time and see many things you will smile about for days to come. If you are returning to the event for your second, third, or eighth time like me, I guarantee you will have a wonderful time at a family-friendly event in a second-to-none community!!

I look forward to seeing you there, and if you have any questions about the event, you can e-mail me at ann@csm-wi.com or contact St. Denis Parish at (920) 757-5090.

SEE CABBAGES FLY!!!!!!





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.

Promotion and Retention of Students in Grades 4 and 8

Fifth Graders

Mark Your Calendars

Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya

will be from

October 9-11.

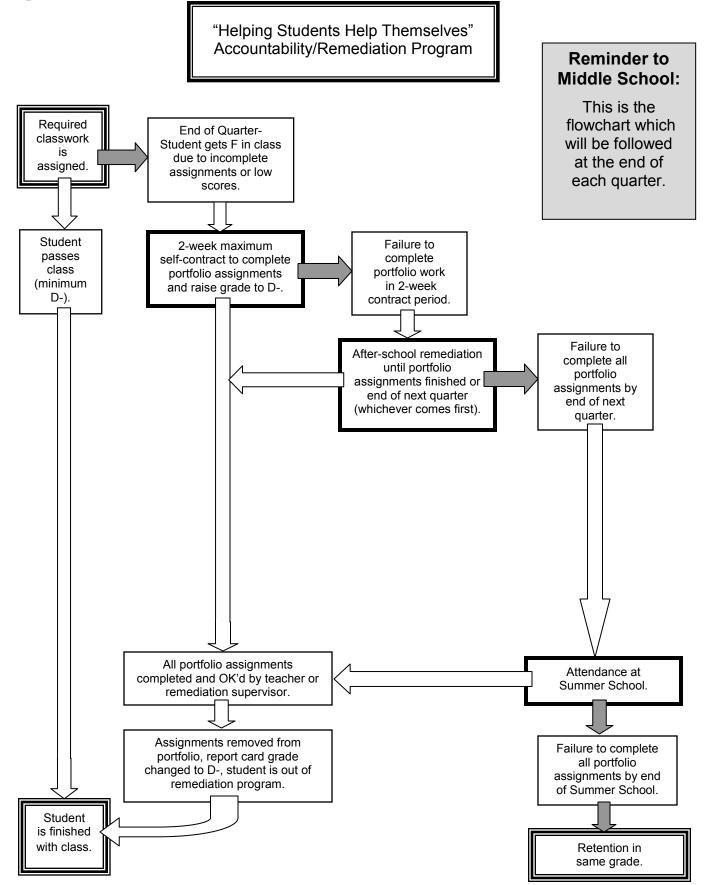
Wisconsin State Statute 118.33(6) requires each school district to have a written policy specifying the criteria for promoting students in grades 4 and 8. The statute is very clear about what must be specified in the policy, including state assessment scores, academic performance, and teacher recommendations.

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.



Shiocton Middle Schoo/



School Board Meeting Summaries

June 3, 2013

<u>Attendance</u>: **Board members** — Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Raymond Gomm, Mary Hoffman, Bradley Ritchie, Gregory Schoettler, Melissa Van Dyke. **Others** — Chris VanderHeyden, Denise Guex, Kelly Zeinert, Kim Griesbach, Tim and Jack Huebner, Caitlin Majerus, Nick Senger, Bob Brouillard, Christie Moder, Heather Korth, and Beth Bloedorn.

<u>Presentation</u>: Tim Huebner spoke on the paper drive proceeds and fund usage.

<u>Delegations</u>: A thank you note was received from Nick Van Dyke for being awarded the Board Scholarship.

In other discussion:

- Visioning Process update.
- Staffing for 2013-14.
- Retirement Benefits Committee meeting update.
- Salary Schedule Committee meeting update.

The board voted to:

- Approve the revision to the Professional Staff Handbook for 2013-14.
- Approve the revisions to the Support Staff Handbook for 2013-14.
- Set the 2014 graduation date for Sunday, June 1.
- Approve the summer school health class.
- Hire Jessica Miller to fill the business education teaching position.
- Hire Benjamin Taylor to fill the high school social studies teaching position.
- Hire Rob Hendrickson to fill the girls basketball head coaching position.

<u>Board report</u>: David Gomm gave a brief Marketing Committee update.

<u>Student report</u>: Caitlin Majerus reported on Student Council.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Griesbach: Elementary events update.
- Mrs. Zeinert: 8th grade transition.
- Mrs. Guex: M3 Healthcare Webinar.
- Mr. VanderHeyden: State Budget update, Webinar, and Build Your Own Curriculum.

<u>Closed session</u>: To discuss employment matters regarding 2013-14 staffing.

June 17, 2013

<u>Attendance</u>: **Board members** — Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Raymond Gomm, Mary Hoffman, Bradley Ritchie, Gregory Schoettler. **Others** — Chris VanderHeyden, Denise Guex, and Beth Bloedorn.

<u>Presentation</u>: Review information on the grades K-5 Data Wall in the elementary school.

The board voted to:

- Approve the meeting minutes of June 3 as amended adding Bob Brouillard, Christie Moder, and Heather Korth in attendance.
- Approve the 2013-14 Student Handbook.
- Approve the CESA 6 2013-14 Services Contract.
- Approve Kim Hauser as the SWAT advisor.
- Approve Lisa Madsen as the MS Student Council advisor.
- Hire Sharon Wright to fill the one-year LMC paraprofessional position.
- Accept the resignation of Angela Hammill as elementary counselor.

In other discussion:

- Visioning Process follow-up.
- Review of the School Nursing Services Annual Report.
- Raymond Gomm commented that representative Luther Olsen may possibly attend the next CESA 6 meeting.

Board reports:

- Raymond Gomm: CESA 6 and Finance Committee.
- Bradley Ritchie: A thank you note was received from Rosemary Stilen.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Guex: Update from the business office.
- Mr. VanderHeyden: Legislative Breakfast and State Budget update.

<u>Closed session</u>: To discuss professional, support, administrative, and non-represented compensation.

July 15, 2013

<u>Attendance</u>: **Board members** — Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Raymond Gomm, Mary Hoffman, Bradley Ritchie, Gregory Schoettler, Melissa Van Dyke. **Others** — Chris VanderHeyden, Denise Guex, Dan and Robin Riehl, Joel Beer, Police Chief Kris Brownson, Joe and Kay Boelter, Nathalie Leeman, Sue Hill, Kitzie Brum, and Beth Bloedorn.

Delegations:

- Police Chief Kris Brownson reported that the camera install has been completed for the Village Police Department to access the school information. She also said that she had applied for a 3year PSL grant and would know the status of the grant application by September 28.
- Kay Boelter and Nathalie Leeman gave input regarding the superintendent search. Mr. Ritchie gave a brief overview of the process and timeline that the board intended to follow.

School Board Meeting Summaries continued The board voted to:

- Approve a resolution authorizing temporary borrowing in an amount not to exceed \$1,750,000; issuance of tax and revenue anticipation promissory notes; and participation in the Wisconsin School Districts Cash Flow Administration Program.
- Approve Jill Krohlow as Paradigm 21 Club advisor.
- Accept the resignation of Jackie Herrmann as middle school girls basketball coach.
- Approve an increase in contract for Ashley Derks from 80% to 100% for RtI support.
- Approve an increase in salary for Wendy Hartman due to job restructuring.
- Accept the resignation of Ray Nielsen as high school Spanish teacher.
- Accept the resignation of Chris VanderHeyden as school superintendent.

In other discussion:

- Visioning Process document placemats.
- Review of 2012-13 District Goals.
- Retirement Settlement Agreement first reading.
- 2013-14 budget update.

Board reports:

- Raymond Gomm: CESA 6.
- Bradley Ritchie: A thank you note was received from Roberta Ligocki.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Guex: Update from the business office.
- Mr. VanderHeyden: Legislative Breakfast/SAA meeting and State Budget update.

<u>Closed session</u>: To discuss professional, support, administrative, and non-represented compensation.

August 12, 2013

<u>Attendance</u>: **Board members** — Jeremie Birch, David Gomm, Raymond Gomm, Mary Hoffman, Bradley Ritchie, Gregory Schoettler, Melissa Van Dyke. **Others** — Chris VanderHeyden, Denise Guex, Kelly Zeinert, Kim Griesbach, Terri and Bob Brouillard, Keith Skenandore, Matt Van Dyke, Cynthia Herb, and Beth Bloedorn.

The board voted to:

- Approve the retirement payout settlement plan as presented.
- Approve the bid from Sara Lee for bakery products.
- Approve the bid from Morning Glory for dairy products.
- Approve the bid from Wilkinson Excavating, LLC for snow removal.
- Approve the bid from Van's Waste Inc. for recyclables and waste material pick-up.
- Approve the bid from G & K Services for mops and towels.

- Sponsor one girl and one boy for Badger State.
- Accept the resignation of Jacob Heinemeyer from middle school football coaching position.
- Hire Trevor Van Straten for the middle school football coaching position.
- Hire Lynn Leeman as dance coach.

In other discussion:

- Review of Annual Meeting Agenda.
- Visioning Process update.
- 2013-14 preliminary Board Goals first reading.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Griesbach: Start of school.
- Mrs. Zeinert: Start of school.
- Mrs. Guex: Historical staffing levels report.
- Mr. VanderHeyden: 2013 legal updates, correspondence, and middle school HVAC project.

August 12, 2013 — Annual Meeting

<u>Attendance</u>: **Board members** — Bradley Ritchie, Melissa Van Dyke, Raymond Gomm, Mary Hoffman, Gregory Schoettler, David Gomm, Jeremie Birch. **Others** — Chris VanderHeyden, Denise Guex, Kelly Zeinert, Kim Griesbach, Cynthia Herb, Bob and Terri Brouillard, Bob Brownson, Sue Hill, Nathalie Leeman, Diane Gomm, Keith Skenandore, and Beth Bloedorn.

Attendees voted to:

- Elect Bradley Ritchie as chairman for the meeting.
- Approve the 2012 Annual Meeting minutes.
- Approve the treasurer's report.
- Approve the resolutions as printed. State regulations require that a number of resolutions be acted upon each year at the Annual Meeting. Approval of these resolutions gives the school board the necessary legal authority to operate the school during the coming year. These resolutions are as follows:

A. Adoption of the Tax Levy

BE IT RESOLVED that there shall be levied upon the taxable property of the Shiocton School District the sum of \$2,615,169 for the purpose of defraying the costs of operation and maintenance of the public schools, \$81,635 for the purpose of funding the non-referendum debt, \$621,000 for debt service retirement, and \$5,000 for community service fund for a total levy of \$3,322.904.

B. Transportation Services

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education is authorized to purchase, operate, and maintain pupil transportation vehicles and to purchase such insurance as is necessary for such vehicles and/or to finance contracts for the use and services of student transportation vehicles.

C. Salaries for School Board Members

BE IT RESOLVED that the salaries be set for members of the Board of Education. The attendees voted to keep the salaries as listed below.

Annual Meeting Summary continued

- Per regular meeting \$55
- Per all-day meeting held outside the district \$70
- Per evening meeting held outside the district \$30
- Per special meeting held within the district \$25

D. Free Textbooks for Students

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board is authorized to furnish free textbooks to students who attend the Shiocton Public Schools.

E. Sale of Surplus Property

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education is authorized to sell and dispose of any tangible personal property belonging to the Shiocton School District that is determined by the Board of Education to be no longer needed for school purposes, provided, however, that the maximum aggregate value of such tangible personal property disposed of during the current school year shall not exceed a \$2,500 value as evidenced by an independent appraisal and/or competitive bids.

F. School Breakfast and Lunch Programs

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education is authorized to maintain a school breakfast and lunch program for the students attending the Shiocton Public Schools and to appropriate funds to be used for that purpose.

G. Time and Date for the 2014 Annual Meeting BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education is

authorized in compliance with State Statutes governing same to set the time and date for the 2014 Annual Meeting. August 11, 2014 — 6:30 p.m.

Administration reports:

- Mrs. Griesbach and Mrs. Zeinert submitted written reports for the Annual Meeting booklet.
 Mr. Ritchie highlighted some of the information included in the Annual Meeting booklet.
- Mr. VanderHeyden reviewed revenues and expenditures from the 2012-13 budget.

Presentation/hearing on the budget: The

presentation and hearing of the 2013-14 budget was conducted by Mr. VanderHeyden. With a projected minimal growth in property value, the 2013-14 tax levy rate needed to support the total levy will be about \$11.64 per \$1,000 of equalized property value. This compares to \$11.10 for the 2012-13 fiscal year resulting in an increase of about \$54 on a home valued at \$100,000. This recommendation is preliminary. The final levy will depend on school enrollment counts taken in September, the district's 2013 equalized property valuation, and the final notification of State Aid received in October. The Board must set the final rate at the second regular board meeting in October.

School District of Shiocton District Goals for 2013-14

- 1. Expect all students to show proficiency in reading and math as measured by the annual administration of the Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts exam.
- 2. Expect the cohort graduation rate for the Class of 2014 to be 100%.
- 3 Continue to upgrade and implement technology in dayto-day function as well as in the instructional arena.
- 4. Develop an action plan to implement the strategic priorities of the School District of Shiocton.

2013-14 School Year Calendar

Aug 27-29 Staff Inservice

| Sept | 2 3 11 26 | Labor Day First day of school for students grades 1-12 Picture Day Staff Development — 12:10 p.m. dismissal |
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| Oct | 4 9-11 17 21 24 25 | Homecoming Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya for fifth graders Parent/Teacher Conferences Parent/Teacher Conferences Teacher Convention — No school No school |
| Nov | 8 27 28-29 | End of first quarter — 12:10 p.m. dismissal Early release — 12:10 p.m. dismissal Thanksgiving Break — No school |
| Dec | 4 23-31 | Staff Development — 12:10 p.m. dismissal Winter Break — No school |
| Jan | 1 2 22 | Winter Break — No school School resumes End of first semester — 12:10 p.m. dismissal |
| Feb | 12 | Staff Development — 12:10 p.m. dismissal |
| Mar | 4 7 26 27-31 | Parent/Teacher Conferences Teacher Convention — No school End of third quarter — 12:10 p.m. dismissal Spring Break — No school |
| April | 18/21 | No school |
| May | 26 | Memorial Day — No school |
| June | 1 6 | High School Graduation Last day of school for students — 12:10 p.m. dismissal Staff Inservice in the p.m. |

Transportation Guidelines

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

 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.
- 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.
- 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 <u>not</u> 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.

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.



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.
- \square Smoking or other use of tobacco products is prohibited on school premises and in all facilities at all times.

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 asbestoscontaining 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 is 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

Notification Publica de la Regla No-Discriminación

Es la regla del Distrito Escolar de Shiocton que: a ninquna 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 razon de su sexo, raza, origen nacional, abolengo, credo, religion, embarazo, marital o parental situacion 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 tambien prohibe discriminación definida en Titulo IX de las Enmiendas del año 1972 (sexo), Titulo VI de los Derechos Civiles del Acta de 1964 (raza y origen de nacionalidád) y sección 504 de la acta de rehabilitacion del año 1973

Cualiquier pregunta concerniente a s.118.13 del Estado de Wisconsin o Titulo IX de las Enmiendas de Educación del año 1972, que prohibe discriminación en las bases de sexo, debera dirigirse a:

> 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

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 <u>www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/</u> 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.

Easy Ways to Help Our School

If you use any of the products listed below, you can help our school without spending extra money. Just save the required proofs of purchase and send them in to school. By redeeming the proofs, the school can get money, supplies, and equipment.

- Campbell's Labels for Education Save UPC codes and lids from Campbell products. Visit labelsforeducation.com for a complete list of participating products and what to send in.
- **Box Tops for Education** Our school receives 10¢ for each Box Top coupon redeemed. Participating



brands include General Mills cereals and products from Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Kleenex, Ziploc, Scott, and more. Go to boxtops4education.com for a complete list.



WELCOME TO THE 2013-14 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 to commit to the rules outlined in the band and choir handbooks. We're also asking how you would be interested in helping our music department throughout the year. Please take time to consider how your gifts might be used to enhance our music program 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 this year, and help us make the best music program possible for them!

This year, every high school student is receiving a Chromebook. Students will be using an online classroom platform on their Chromebooks called Edmodo. High school band and choir parents are encouraged to join our band or choir Edmodo classes. This is a place where you can see dates of upcoming events as well as any classwork that has been assigned to students. This is a great way for parents to be involved in their children's education. Help us, as teachers, hold them accountable!

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!

SUMMER JAM CAMPS A HUGE SUCCESS

Last month, we offered a line-up of camps to prepare our band and choir students for success this year-Jammin' with the Basics (a music intro camp), Jammin' on Instruments (5th grade beginning band lessons), Jammin' with Jazz (middle school jazz camp), and Jammin' on the Field (marching camp to prepare our band field show at Homecoming). Our new high school jazz group met a few times back in June, too. Thanks to all the students who demonstrated their commitment to music by attending camps this summer. Thanks also to parents for making arrangements in their schedules to get their children to camp. We are geared up and ready to go for a very successful year!

CHRIS ANDERSON Director of Choirs canderso@shiocton.k12.wi.us (920) 986-3351 ext. 772 facebook.com ("Shiocton Choir Shiocton")

BRADD YENOR Director of Bands bye<u>nor@shiocton.k12.wi.us</u> (920) 986-3351 ext. 718 facebook.com/shioctonband





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 be sure to "like us"!

BAND: facebook.com/shioctonband

CHOIR: facebook.com (search "Shiocton Choirs Shiocton") ······

www.shiocton.k12.wi.us/upbeat.cfm

Class info, dates, and more...check us out online! Class info, dates, and more...check us out online! **SEPTEMBER 2013 VOLUME 9, ISSUE 1**

PEP BAND Friday, September 20 6:00 p.m.

SHIOC HOMECOMING Friday, October 4

> PARADE 2:00 p.m. 7-12 BAND

PEP BAND 6:00 p.m.

FIELD SHOW Half-time of FB game 7-12 BAND

HANSEN'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER

October 7-21 6-12 BAND/CHOIR

Life is Good! **CHOIR CONCERT**

Monday, October 14 7:00 p.m. High School Gym 6-12 CHOIR

PEP BAND

Friday, October 18 6:00 p.m.

LEOPOLDS and SCHNEIDERS

for providing our float and pulling us through the Firemen's Parade.

ALL WORKERS

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

CHERYL PAHLOW

for letting us use her parking flags and gear.

PARENTS

OF THANKS

NALL

who made and served food at our grill-out after Jammin' on the Field.

KAREN JANDOUREK

for making a lot of this happen, and for being our greatest cheerleader!