



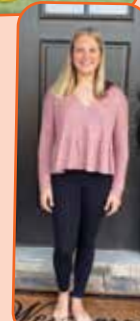
THE Phantastic PHANTOM

Back to School

The mission of the School District of West De Pere is to create a safe comprehensive educational and social environment for students and staff which will produce life-long learners with the capacity to succeed in the local and global community.



A Vision of
Pride and Excellence
HOME OF THE
PHANTOMS





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West De Pere Community,

Welcome to our 2021-22 school year! As we start this year, I want to take a moment to reflect on a few lessons learned. This past year, we each learned new skills like how to communicate in groups remotely and the right way to wear a mask. We supported each other through differences and found strength in our diversity. Teachers, administrators, support staff, and parents went to great lengths to find ways to keep students both engaged in learning and safe. Together, as a community, we traversed uncharted times with dignity, humility, and innovation! I am sincerely grateful to everyone for continuing to honor our district's commitment to our students.



Dennis Krueger
SUPERINTENDENT

The pandemic may have slowed the pace of our progress, but it didn't even come close to stopping it! September 18, 2021 marked the official dedication of our new Intermediate School which was followed by open houses at both the Intermediate School and High School. These additions and upgrades will assist us in providing exceptional experiences for students for decades to come.

Capital Projects: We anticipate the high school auditorium will reach completion prior to the end of 2021. This expanded and updated venue will enrich experiences within our fine arts programs and increase our capacity for community attendance for these events. This is the final project from the 2018 referendum. We are excited to share that the projects will then all have been completed on time and under budget.

West De Pere's history of working together reminds us that no matter what our differences may be, we are better together. Now more than ever, we need to consciously continue to support each other in caring and thoughtful ways. Our successful and ongoing pandemic response is directly related to the West De Pere community's extraordinary creativity, dedication, and commitment to the students we serve. Together, we are building a bright future for our students! Thank you to everyone for all that you do to support our students, staff, and teachers. As always, it is a great time to be a West De Pere Phantom!

Together,

Proud to be a Phantom!



**WEST DE PERE 2021-2022 SCHOOL CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE AT
WWW.WDPSD.COM (ABOUT THE DISTRICT, DISTRICT CALENDAR)**



In the News...

WDP BOOSTER CLUB NEEDS HELP

Booster Club

- Gave \$15,000 for weights in the new weight room
 - All sports use them
- Donated \$30,000 to the new track/soccer/football digital scoreboard
- Gives \$\$ per athlete for coaches to use at their discretion
- Gave \$7500 in scholarships to senior athletes in 2021
- Contributes to annual award ceremonies
 - Pays for Bay Conference plaques for each sport
- Built a new concession stand at soccer field
- Contributes to homecoming fireworks every year

How can we do that??? → Profits from CONCESSION STAND SALES

But we need help staffing the concession stands or there would not be concessions.

We need parents and students to staff the concession stands 2 shifts per athlete per sport.

- Students can earn volunteer hours!

Go to bit.ly/3rWQG2o to sign up for your shifts.

All are welcome to join our monthly meetings to find out more about the club.

We meet from 6 to 7pm, upper floor of the Brickhouse at 500 Grant St.

- Oct 27
- Dec 1
- Feb 23
- March TBD (spring break)

Email wdpboosterclub@gmail.com with questions

*Thank you
for your support!!!*

Track and Field at State

Pictured are the boys Track & Field 4x400 Meter Relay team that broke the school record and qualified for State where they ended up taking 2nd place in our division.

Some other students that placed at State were;

Eliza Aitken, Camryn Baciak, Ellie Drews, Faith Kibbe, Jonathan Kuster, Dayton Lambert, Najeh Mitchell, Lilah Peterson, Jayna Schema, Emma Schoenwalder, Emily Sharapata, Kendra Smits, Jocelyn Thomson, Erika Ukkola, and Davian Willems.



Pictured from L to R; Jackson Van Den Heuvel, Bryce Smith, Robbie Jones, Gyriecce Goodman, Tejay Evans, and Jacob Breier. (Not pictured)



Students at Hemlock Creek being Phantastic Phantoms are selected to sit at the fancy lunch tables.

The first annual West De Pere Middle School outdoor spring band dinner concert was Tuesday, May 18, 2021 and it was a huge success! The concert was held on the playground behind the school. Audience members brought lawn chairs and blankets to sit on and enjoyed the music and the following food trucks were also in attendance for the audience, so thank you to them! They included; Philly's and York, Frackin' Hungry, The Dough Shop, and Ice Clouds. We cannot wait for this year's performance in the Spring!

The West De Pere Forensics team and its coaches: Ms. Buhl, Mrs. Knapp, and Ms. Schroeder, earned the Distinction in Speech Award in 2021. It is given to schools whose student medal achievement in State Forensics Competition is in the top 6 to 10 percent in the state. Congratulations!



Congratulations to Kaden VanPrice, Alek Kralovec, and Lorraine Qui, on their achievement of earning semifinalist status in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program competition. Alec, Lorraine, and Kaden achieved this accomplishment by demonstrating their strong academic abilities on the PSAT test last school year. They share this honor with only 16,000 other students nationwide. Alec, Lorraine, and Kaden will now have the opportunity

to compete for finalist status, before final consideration to earn a National Merit Scholarship, in which only 1.25 percent of the top test takers in the nation achieve. Congratulations to Alec, Lorraine, and Kaden!

WEST DE PERE HIGH SCHOOL DONOR BRICK PAVERS

Cement the name of a loved one in West De Pere history with a personalized brick that will be set in the plaza area of the football stadium or baseball field. *For more information contact, Stacy Schaeetz sschaeetz@wdpsd.com • (920) 337-1393 ext.8025

Dedication & Open House



DEDICATION & OPEN HOUSES



West De Pere Intermediate School



West De Pere High School

The Dedication and Open Houses took place at West De Pere Intermediate School and West De Pere High School on Saturday September 18, 2021. It was great to see students, staff, administrators, and the community come out to tour the facilities.

At the Intermediate School, some students were selected to give tours and answer questions. They were named Student Ambassadors for the day. The High School band, choir, and chamber Choir performed at the Intermediate School as well.

At the High School people had the opportunity to tour the new Indoor Athletic Facility and the updated classrooms. It was a successful day. We appreciate the community's continued support!



Making a Difference



Christmas will be here before we know it! The De Pere Christian Outreach Christmas Store will be providing an amazing Christmas experience for De Pere families for the fourth year in a row! The goal of the Christmas Store is to help 200 families from both sides of the river, including students from Syble Hopp, this holiday season. Families that are financially struggling will be invited to shop at the Christmas Store for BRAND NEW items sold at rummage sale prices or no cost at all! Stay posted for the list of items that you can donate! Thank you in advance for your kindness, support, and generosity! The holidays will be extra special for our students and families with your help!

If you're looking to help in the meantime, we are accepting donations in the form of checks that can be made out to "Christmas Store-De Pere Christian Outreach". Checks can be dropped off in the main offices of any of our school buildings. All money collected will go directly towards purchasing brand new items for families in need. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact either of the school social workers, Brooke Watzka (920-655-6267) or Sabrina Esala (920-639-0519).

Phantom Cancer Walk

Please mail or drop off completed registration to:

West De Pere High School
Attn: Sting Cancer
665 Grant Street
De Pere, WI 54115

Form can be found online @ www.wdpsd.com, in the WDP office or email kbesel@wdpsd.com or nkempen@wdpsd.com or

This is NOT a timed race/event. Check-In begins at 10:00 a.m.

Power Hour Walk
10:20-11:00 a.m.



\$5.00 Students/Children
\$10.00 Adults
2 yrs & under FREE

Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021

West De Pere High School Track and Turf
This is a walking event to raise cancer awareness and a fundraiser for WDPHS scholarships and Sting Cancer.
If it rains, the event will be moved indoors to the feildhouse track.



Farm to Desk

The West De Pere Food Nutrition Program is offering staff a new lunch option.

Every Wednesday staff can purchase a meal to be delivered to their building for a mere \$5!

We are looking for donations of your kids' gently used winter gear!

Did your kids grow out of their winter gear from last year? Cold weather is right around the corner and Westwood/Hemlock Creek have a shortage of winter clothing for our students. Some kids forget their snow pants or boots at home while other students don't have the financial means to purchase these costly items. The school would like to have supplies on hand to make sure all of our students are warm this winter.

This includes coats, snow pants, and boots. We need clothing in all sizes, shapes, and colors. Any newly purchased items such as hats or mittens would also be greatly appreciated and would go a long way in keeping our students warm this year! Drop offs of clean donations can be made in the front office of any of our buildings.

Thank you so much for your generosity and for keeping our students warm! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact either of the school social workers, Brooke Watzka (920-655-6267) or Sabrina Esala (920-639-0519).

GREATER GREEN BAY TEEN LEADERSHIP

Submitted by Lisa Boyd
High School Counselor

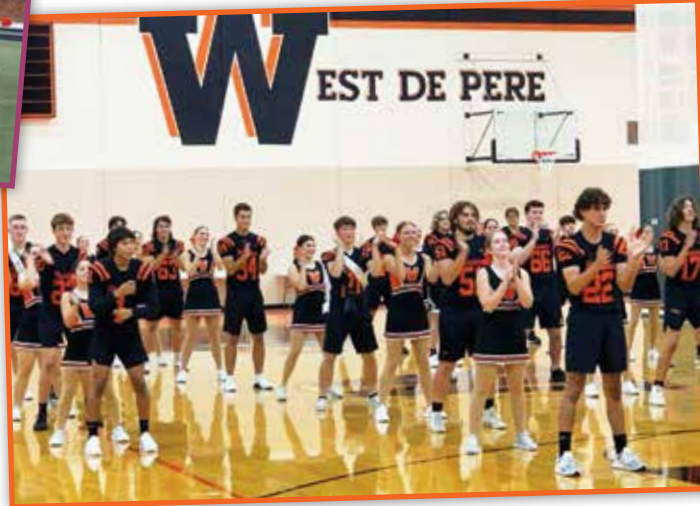
West De Pere is proud to announce five students chosen by the Greater Green Bay Teen Leadership Steering Committee to be members of the Teen Leadership Class of 2021. This program is part of the Greater Green Bay Chamber. The program mission is to build and strengthen emerging young leaders with skills, knowledge, and experiences that prepare them to be effective partners for positive change in Brown County. Leadership skills will be a focus for this group as they take part in numerous activities during the school year.

In order to be considered as a participant, students had to go through an application procedure. Last spring the high school teachers nominated potential leaders from the freshmen class. Fifty-eight students were nominated. Then, each student had the opportunity to apply to the Teen Leadership program. Five of our students were selected. West De Pere High School is proud to have the following students as our Teen Leadership representatives: Avi Gupta, Caleb Moehr, Cassidy Micheau, Isaac Sinkula, and Seth Stueber.



Homecoming Week

POWDER PUFF FOOTBALL GAME, CLASS DODGEBALL,
AND PEP RALLY



Homecoming Week

COMMUNITY NOISE PARADE & FOOTBALL GAME





2021 NEW STAFF



Jullian Holtger



4K AIDE
4K

Laurie Maes



4K AIDE
4K

Maureen Manning



4K AIDE
4K

Megan Thurman




EDUCATIONAL INTERPRETER
4K

Danielle Hettmann



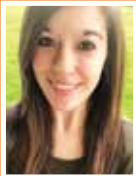
COUNSELOR
Hemlock Creek Elementary

Kaitlyn Kuchenbecker



MUSIC TEACHER
Hemlock Creek Elementary

Heather Leitzke



ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHER
Hemlock Creek Elementary

Katie Ribarchek



GRADE 3 TEACHER
Hemlock Creek Elementary

Julia Stanzel



KINDERGARTEN TEACHER
Hemlock Creek Elementary

Neha Upadhyay




INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE
Hemlock Creek Elementary

Danielle Van Camp



CLERICAL/OFFICE AIDE
Hemlock Creek Elementary

Leah Vertz



SPEECH AND LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST
Hemlock Creek Elementary

Erica Beyer



LIBRARY AIDE
Westwood Elementary

Amy Cook



SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST
Westwood Elementary

Kelleigh Fink



SPEECH AND LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST
Westwood Elementary

Welcome to our district!





2021 NEW STAFF



Justin
Reynders



GRADE 3 TEACHER
Westwood Elementary

Jamie
Schnurer



INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE
Westwood Elementary

Chris
Abaray



GRADE 6 TEACHER
Intermediate School

Stacey
Dressel



GRADE 5 TEACHER
Intermediate School

Caitlin
Michaelis



GRADE 5 TEACHER
Intermediate School

Isaiah
Rosdahl



PE TEACHER
Intermediate School

Kim
Hanamann



INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE
Intermediate School

Shannon
Van De Hei



INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE
Intermediate School

Carolyn
Volkman



SPED TEACHER
Intermediate School

Tad
Dworshok



GR 7 & 8 SCIENCE TEACHER
Middle School

Lori
Martin



CLERICAL AIDE
Middle School

Gabrielle
Paul



ELA TEACHER
Middle School

Stanley
Smith



SPED TEACHER
Middle School

Traci
Breitrick



SPECIAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE
High School

Alex
Crogan



MATH TEACHER
High School

Welcome to our district!



2021 NEW STAFF



Catherine Ellingson



LIBRARY AIDE
High School

Tara Emme



PE TEACHER
High School

Elizabeth Nelson



SPECIAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE
High School

Sara Perock



SUPERVISORY/ CLERICAL AIDE
High School

Brandon Roberts



BUSINESS & MARKETING TEACHER
High School

Kyle Steuck



PE TEACHER
High School

Hiedi Van Camp



SUPERVISORY/ CLERICAL AIDE
High School

Kris Bostedt



SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATE
Food Service

Sherlyn Calderon



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Melanie Groh



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Kathleen Leahy



SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATE
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Anne McVey



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Food Service

Theresa Ropson



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Food Service

Sue Vandekreek



SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATE
Food Service

Whitney Eidahl



DISTRICT OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST
Student Services

Sabrina Esala



SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER
Student Services

Michelle Neumann



DISTRICT SCHOOL NURSE
Student Services

Alee Yang



CLERICAL AIDE-DEPT OF CURRICULUM & TECHNOLOGY
District



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WEST DE PERE STRATEGIC PLAN 2021-26

PRIORITIES

PRACTICES AND PATHWAYS



We acknowledge the diverse needs of our **students** by emphasizing instructional practices that prioritize **student** needs, with a focus on diversified practices and pathways **to student** success and wellness.

RECRUIT, RETAIN, AND DEVELOP STAFF

We prioritize strategies to recruit and retain all exceptional staff, as well as empower them to lead their learning toward enhanced professional practices, organizational processes, and well-being.

GROWTH



We continue to monitor growth and educational trends to plan and communicate future needs while maintaining and **upgrading** facilities and programming in a fiscally responsible manner.

CORE ELEMENTS

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

We strive to create environments that prioritize the needs of all students so that they can realize their own success.

STAFF CAPACITY

We understand that staff members are our most important conduit to assist students, our most valuable resource, to become successful.

SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES

We focus on practices that promote long-term viability which influence success for all.



In Case of Inclement Weather

The school will conduct weather-related notifications via technology communications called School Messenger. This service allows the district to communicate rapidly with parents/guardians through voice, text, and email messages. Information that is currently stored in PowerSchool will be used to send these notifications.

If you need this information changed for your child(ren), please contact the school. The district will continue to notify local radio and television stations for school delays, early closing, and cancellations. **Please do not call the school unless it is an emergency.** Calling the schools hinders our efforts to communicate the news effectively. Parents are asked to have a plan in place for their children's supervision and care in the events a school day is altered due to inclement weather or other emergencies.

Our district calendar for the 2021-2022 school year can be found on our website at wdpsd.com/District/Calendar. This is where you will find the most current and up to date information. If you have questions on early dismissal or no school days, please contact your child's school office.



Board of Education Meetings

School District of West De Pere residents are cordially invited to attend regular board meetings held once a month, 5:30pm, at the District Offices, 400 Reid St., Suite W (Reid Street Crossing, second floor) unless otherwise posted. An opportunity is provided at each regular meeting for citizens to address our Board of Education. Please visit our district webpage at: www.wdpsd.com/board-of-education/ or call the District Office (920) 337-1393 to confirm the meeting date, time and location.

The More You Know

Pre-School Developmental Screening

The School District of West De Pere offers developmental screening for preschool-aged children. The school district uses census data to mail out the Ages and Stages developmental questionnaires throughout the year, asking parents to complete the questionnaire and return it promptly by mail. As the questionnaires are returned, school professionals score them and provide written feedback to parents on the general developmental readiness of their child(ren). In certain circumstances, the school district will invite children to participate in an additional on-site screening. If you would like to request a developmental questionnaire, please call the Department of Student Services at (920) 337-1393 ext. 8012.

Five-Year-Old Kindergarten Registration

The School District of West De Pere held kindergarten registration for children who are planning to attend kindergarten in the fall of 2021. In case you missed it or your child does not attend our 4K program and you are planning on sending your child to kindergarten, please register your child as soon as possible at your school of residence: Hemlock Creek Elementary School, 1900 Williams Grant Dr, De Pere or Westwood Elementary School, 1155 Westwood St, De Pere.

Children must turn five years of age on or before September 1, 2021 and live in the West De Pere School District to be eligible for the West De Pere kindergarten program. For registration, you will need to bring your child's birth certificate, proof of address, and immunization records. The child does not have to attend the registration. If you have any questions, please call (920) 425-1900 ext. 3320 for Hemlock Creek or (920) 337-1087 ext. 1320 for Westwood.

Open Enrollment Wisconsin's public-school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend school districts other than the one in which they live. For more information, please visit the open enrollment web site at: dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment or call the district office at (920) 337-1393, extension 8025.

Census

The Census counts every person in the 50 states, District of Columbia and the five U.S. territories. The Census is mandated by the Constitution and the information will provide critical data for government officials, business owners, lawmakers and many others. Over \$765 billion in federal funding is allocated annually to hospitals, schools, fire departments, roads and other resources based on census data. Beginning in mid-March, households will receive an invitation to participate in the Census online, by phone or by paper. Help shape the future of our schools and community by filling out the Census. For more information on the Census, visit <https://census.gov/en.html>.

We need your help in planning for the future in the West De Pere School District. If you have not previously filled out our Census Form, you have just moved, or you are new to the District, please contact the District Office of West De Pere or your child's school to request one.

Who needs to be counted? Household members under the age of 21 who reside at a West De Pere School District address need to be recorded on our school census even if they do not attend or plan on attending West De Pere Public Schools. If you are living in the West De Pere School District and your child(ren) attend a private school or attend school in a different district than West De Pere, they still need to be counted on the school census of the district in which they reside.

How to complete the form-

- If you have children under the age of 21 who reside at a West De Pere School District address. Be sure to include any post office box or apartment number with the actual address of the residence.
- If there are no children under the age of 21 residing at a West De Pere school district address, please complete the address section on the form, indicate there are no children under the age of 21, and return the form. We will then remove your address from our records.

Should you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the West De Pere Schools District Office (337-1393 ext. 8010). Thank you for your help!



Fuel Up to Play 60 Day for Hemlock Creek and Westwood Elementary students took place September 24, 2021 outside on the playground. Students got to play, dance to music, try out the photo prop station, and sign the FUTP60 pledge banner. Students were reminded of the importance of playing 60 minutes each day and fueling their bodies with healthy foods.



Sports & Clubs



Congratulations to Kaden Kosobucki and Josh Blount from the West De Pere Baseball 2021 for making the 1st Team All-Conference and WBCA North All-Star team!



In the spring track season 2021, Kate Schmoll in her 8th grade year, she shattered the 1600 and 800 meter run records and her name is now engraved on the new middle school track records board that is proudly displayed in the Middle School Gym. They are:
 Kate Schmoll, 1600-meter run, 5:09.14, 2021
 Kate Schmoll, 800-meter run, 2:28.20, 2021
 Great job Kate!



Congrats to our High School Boys Golf team on becoming the first golf team from West De Pere to qualify for State in the 2020-2021 school year!

BAY CONFERENCE SOFTBALL AWARDS

First Team - Leah Kocken
Second Team - Morgan Hansel, Nevaeh Wagendorf
Honorable Mention - Ella Arendt

ATHLETIC CALENDAR UPDATES

For the most up-to-date West De Pere AND Bay Conference schedules, please go to www.bayconference.org

If you are not familiar or need help printing an individual sport schedule, please contact the District Office, High School or Middle School Athletic Secretaries ahead of time and they can email or print these for you.

Alee- DO - 920-337-1393 ext. 8010
Kelsey- HS - 920-338-5200 ext. 4229
Lori- MS - 920-337-1099 ext. 2123



Congratulations to Elijah Zifferblatt on being the Sectional Champ for High School Boys Tennis in the 2020-2021 school year!



Leah Kocken surpassed Coach Timm's single-season homerun record with 10 homeruns in May 2021. Congratulations Leah!



WIAA DIVISION 1 SECTIONALS

were held on June 17 and both the West De Pere Women and Men took 2nd in Team Rankings. Below is the list of our students that qualified for State:

Girls 100 Meter Hurdles
 Ellie Drews

Boys 100 Meter Dash
 Najeh Mitchell

Girls Pole Vault
 Camryn Baciak

Girls 400 Meter Dash
 Jocelyn Thomson

Girls 300 Meter Hurdles
 Ellie Drews

Boys 200 Meter Dash
 Tejay Evans
 Daekwon Smith

Girls High Jump
 Madeline Zirbel

Boys Long Jump
 Gyriecce Goodman

Girls 4x100 Meter Relay
 Faith Kibbe
 Jayna Schema
 Erika Ukkola
 Lilah Peterson
 Eliza Aitken
 Emma Schoenwalder

Boys 4x100 Meter Relay
 Najeh Mitchell
 Jonathan Kaster
 Gyriecce Goodman
 Tejay Evans
 Dayton Lambert
 Davian Willems

Girls 4x400 Meter Relay
 Eliza Aitken
 Emily Sharapata
 Erika Ukkola
 Ellie Drews
 Jocelyn Thomson
 Kendra Smits

Boys 4x400 Meter Relay
 Jackson Van Den Heuvel
 Gyriecce Goodman
 Bryce Smith
 Tejay Evans
 Robbie Jones
 Jacob Breier

Boys 4x200 Meter Relay
 Jackson Van Den Heuvel
 Najeh Mitchell
 Jacob Breier
 Gyriecce Goodman
 Davian Willems
 Jonathan Kaster

Helpful Information

Wisconsin Immunization Law

Any student admitted to any elementary, middle, junior, or senior high school shall, within 30 school days after the date on which the student is admitted, present written evidence to the school of having completed the first immunization for each vaccine required for the student's grade and being on schedule for the remainder of the basic and recall (booster) immunization series for mumps, measles, rubella (German measles), diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), poliomyelitis, tetanus, and other diseases that the department specifies by rule or shall present a written waiver. The immunization requirement is waived if the student, if an adult, or the student's parent, guardian, or legal custodian submits a written statement to the school objecting to the immunization for reasons of health, religion, or personal conviction. The student, if an adult, or the student's parent, guardian, or legal custodian shall keep the school informed of the student's compliance with the immunization schedule.

For more information, please go to: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/immunization/childhood.htm> Contact the school nurse at extension 8031 if you have questions.

NOTES FROM THE NURSE

MICHELLE NEUMANN RN, BSN (920) 337-1087 EXT. 8031 E-MAIL: MNEUMANN@WDPSD.COM

Hello and Welcome to West De Pere School District. I hope everyone had a great summer. If you would like to meet with me confidentially to discuss your student's health, please contact me by phone or e-mail. Just a few reminders to ensure the health and safety of all students:

Please keep your student home if they are sick! I know we all hoped that COVID would be a thing of the past but it is still here along with other common illnesses. If your student becomes ill during the school day, staff will use the following guidelines to determine if your student should be sent home:

- **COVID-19 or Influenza like Illness**—symptoms such as temperature of 100.4 F or greater, along with respiratory symptoms of cough, shortness of breath, runny nose, sore throat, headache, body aches, chills, nausea and vomiting, diarrhea, new loss of taste or smell and fatigue.
- Vomiting and diarrhea
- Contagious illnesses such as chicken pox, strep throat, “pink eye” conjunctivitis, impetigo, scabies, live head lice or other determined by healthcare provider
- Rashes of unknown origin

Medication needs at school:

- **Prescription** medication must have a physician's order to dispense medication at school and is completed annually. The prescription drug must be supplied by the student's parent or guardian in the original pharmacy-labeled package. The package must specify the student's name, the prescriber's name, the name of the drug, the dose, the route, the effective date and the directions in a legible format.
- **Aerosol generating medication given with a Nebulizer will not be given routinely due to high risk of Covid-19. A nebulizer treatment will only be given on an emergency basis or if there is a medical documentation the student cannot do an inhaler.**
- **Over the counter/nonprescription** medication requires parent or guardian consent and is completed annually. The nonprescription drug product must be supplied by the student's parent or guardian in the manufacturer's package and the package must list the ingredients and recommended therapeutic dose in a legible format. A student may be administered a nonprescription drug product in a dosage other than the recommended therapeutic dose only if the request to do so is accompanied by the written approval of the student's healthcare provider.
- **Medication forms are now available on the School Nurse district web page or the school office.**

All medications will be dispensed by designated office personnel. Phone instructions or hand-written notes will not be accepted to dispense medication at school. The West De Pere School District will not supply medication.

Emergency Action Plan, Individual Health Plan or Health Alert; This plan communicates with school staff specific medical needs your student may have in the school setting. Health plans must be updated annually and are completed with the school nurse. Please contact the school nurse if you feel your student needs a health plan at school.

Meningococcal disease is a rare, but potentially deadly, bacterial infection that can take the form of meningitis. Teenagers and college students are at risk for this disease due to lifestyle factors. Meningococcal bacteria are transmitted through air droplets and/or by direct contact with secretions from infected persons. Meningococcal disease is often misdiagnosed since symptoms are similar to those of common viral illnesses. Symptoms may include a high fever, severe headache, stiff neck, nausea, vomiting, sensitivity to light, confusion, exhaustion and/or a rash. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend routine vaccine immunization for 11-12 years old with a booster at age 16. Teens and young adults (16- 23 years old) also may be vaccinated.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions. Thank you!

Attention Non-Residents of the West De Pere School District

This newsletter is a service provided to all residents of the School District of West De Pere. The most effective and affordable process utilized in circulating this newsletter throughout our community is to use a saturation mailing which occasionally picks up a few streets in the postal route areas of non-residents. It's difficult and costly to avoid a few non-residents from receiving this newsletter. Our effort to communicate with our resident families is important. Thank you for understanding.

W ANNUAL NOTICES

School districts must provide certain annual notices as required by law. Required notices are outlined below and are available on the School District of West De Pere's website (www.wdpsd.com). While we have included all the annual notices that we are aware of on the list below, it may not be all inclusive. When we become aware of additional notices, we will add them to the list. If you would like a paper copy of any of the items listed below, please contact the District Office at (920) 337-1393.

- Student Academic Standards
 - o The School District of West De Pere will continue to implement the Wisconsin Academic Standards. Details of these standards can be viewed at <http://dpi.wi.gov/standards>.
- Educational Options
- Student Assessments and Information
- Public Notice of Nondiscrimination
 - o Title IX
 - o Student Nondiscrimination in Relation to Career and Technical Education
 - ◆ All career and technical education opportunities will be offered on a nondiscriminatory basis (without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, etc.).
- Education of Homeless Children and Youths-McKinney-Vento Act-Help for Displaced Families
- Notice of Child Find
- Notice of Student Privacy
- Human Growth and Development Instruction
- Notice of Special Education Referral and Evaluation Procedures
- Notice of Special Needs Scholarship Program
- District and School Accountability
 - o Because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the student assessment waivers for the 2019 - 2020 school year, the Department of Public Instruction is prohibited by Section 115.385 (6) of the state statutes from publishing a school and district accountability report in the 2020-2021 school year.
 - o The most recent school accountability reports can be found here: <http://wisedash.dpi.wi.gov/Dashboard/portalHome.jsp>.
- Title I Program
 - o Link to Title I Parent Involvement Policy 6191
 - o Parents of students in any of our Title I funded schools may request and obtain information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teachers, including, at a minimum:
 1. Whether the student's teachers as (a) met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction, (b) is teaching under emergency or provisional status through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived, and (c) is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher; and
 2. Whether the student is provided services by paraprofessionals, and, if so, their qualifications.
 3. Parents may request information regarding any state or local school district policy regarding student participation in any assessments mandated by law and by the district.
- Student Attendance
- Use or Possession of Electronic Communication Devices
- Student Bullying
- Student Records
- Recruiter Access to Students/Records
 - o The secondary (high school) student or parent of the student may submit a written request to the district that the student's name, address, telephone listing and electronic email address (as applicable) not be released to military recruiters or institutions of higher education without prior written parental consent. The district must comply with such a request.
- Meningococcal Disease Information
- Asbestos Management Plan Notification
- Student Religious Accommodations
- Education for Employment/Academic and Career Planning
- Program or Curricular Modifications
 - o Parents/guardians have the right to request the school board provide the student with program or curriculum modifications as outlined in section 118.15(1)(d) of state statutes, and the decision making process to be used in responding to such requests, including the right to request that the school board review and reconsider an initial decision.

BUSSING AND TRANSPORTATION

Policy #3541

Students who are residents within the School District of West De Pere attendance boundaries are entitled to transportation provided by the school district if the following conditions apply:

- All students living two miles or more from the school they are required to attend will be transported.
- Students living less than two miles from the school they are required to attend will be transported if they are subjected to an "unusual hazard" area while walking to school. All students between 4K and 6th grade will be considered for bussing if they live in an area considered an "unusual hazard". Such "unusual hazard" must be consistent with School Board Policy 3541(R). These hazardous areas will be re-evaluated every five (5) years. Affected families will be advised in writing of any bussing change that is a result of this re-evaluation.
- Parents of students not eligible for district funded transportation may contract for such directly with the bus contractor.
- Beginning the 2017-2018 school year, all resident 4K students will be offered transportation to and from the school they attend.

Disabled Students

- (a) Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, transportation shall be provided to those students who reside within the school district and the students' IEP determines transportation to be a related service.
- (b) Disabled students will be transported on the regular buses if they are

able to get on and off the bus with little or no assistance and do not require any special care while on the bus.

- (c) The district will provide the necessary transportation for disabled students who cannot ride the regular school bus.
- (d) Every occupant shall be secured to the wheelchair while being transported. The securement shall be separate and in addition to securing the wheelchair to the bus. Belts securing the occupant to the wheelchair shall be the responsibility of the owner of the wheelchair, parent or guardian.

A copy of the entire policy is available @ www.wdpsd.com or call the District Office, (920) 337-1393 during regular office hours.

USE OF VIDEO MONITORING SYSTEMS ABOARD SCHOOL BUSES

Policy #3545

In accordance with the West De Pere School Board policy 3545, please be advised of the following regarding video monitoring on school buses.

In an attempt to better regulate student behavior aboard contracted school buses, the district is utilizing equipment in the form of video monitoring devices on some of the buses. Buses with monitoring devices on board will have a notice displayed inside the bus near the camera.

A copy of the entire policy is available @ www.wdpsd.com or call the District Office, (920) 337-1393 during regular office hours.

Annual Notices continued on following page...

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WEST DE PERE
400 REID ST. SUITE W
DE PERE WI 54115

Non-Profit Org
US Postage
PAID
Permit No. 52
De Pere WI 54115
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TOBACCO/NICOTINE USE ON SCHOOL PREMISES

Policy #1335

Tobacco and nicotine use are prohibited at all times on school premises. "School premises" include all property owned by, rented by or under the control of the School District of West De Pere.

Possession of tobacco or nicotine products by minors is prohibited.

The administrative staff shall inform students, staff and the general public about this policy and shall establish enforcement procedures.

For purposes of this policy, "Tobacco and nicotine use" means to chew or maintain any substance containing tobacco, including smokeless tobacco, in the mouth to derive the effects of tobacco, as well as all uses of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, any other matter or substances that contain tobacco or nicotine, in addition to papers used to roll cigarettes and/or the smoking of electronic, "vapor," or other substitute forms of cigarettes, clove cigarettes and any other lighted smoking devices for burning tobacco, nicotine, or any other substance.

DISTRICT RESIDENT REQUEST FOR SCHOOL TRANSFER

Policy #5007

District residents who request to transfer schools within the School District of West De Pere for the 2020-2021 school year are due **January 31, 2020**. Guidelines to the West De Pere policy #5007 are:

1. Only written requests will be considered.
2. Requests by district residents for school transfer shall be made in writing during the month of January. Requests received after January 31st may be considered if space is available. Applicants should submit their written request by completing the "District Resident Request for School Transfer" form. Written requests should be submitted to the school office. Final decisions will be made by the building principals. Parents/guardians have the right to appeal decisions to the district office.

A copy of the entire policy is available @ www.wdpsd.com or call the District Office, (920) 337-1393 during regular office hours.

DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS

Policy #1336

It shall be the policy of the School District of West De Pere to adopt and maintain drug free facilities and programs. As such, use or possession of illicit drugs and/or alcohol by students, staff, or citizens will not be tolerated and will be punished to the fullest extent of existing laws. Enforcement of this policy may include canine searches, breathalyzers, and/or undercover investigations.

The District will develop education, prevention, and assistance programs for both students and staff recognizing that punishment is not effective as a sole measure. The community will also be informed of the drug-free expectations via public notice and posting in appropriate places throughout district facilities.

The drug-free efforts and programs shall be evaluated as to the effectiveness of the program and enforcement of sanctions.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WEST DE PERE ANNUAL ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

This notice has been written to comply with the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act

(AHERA) regulations requiring yearly notification of asbestos activities within the School District of West De Pere.

An Asbestos Management Plan was developed in 1988 and has been continually maintained and updated since that time. The Management Plan is available to anyone for viewing during normal business hours by appointment only, when such appointment is made with the designated person at least one working day in advance.

Abatement of asbestos containing building materials is performed when necessary by accredited persons prior to disturbance during scheduled renovation or construction projects.

Any future asbestos activities will again be published along with the annual written notice. If you have any questions regarding this matter, feel free to contact Terry Vande Hey, District Facilities Manager.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WEST DE PERE ANNUAL INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PLAN NOTICE

This notice has been written to comply with the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and State of Wisconsin indoor environmental quality (IEQ) program.

An IEQ Management Plan was recently developed and adopted (July 2013) and will be continually maintained and updated. The Management Plan is available to anyone for viewing during normal business hours by appointment only, when such appointment is made with the designated person at least one working day in advance.

The IEQ program was developed to ensure appropriate indoor air quality within our school buildings in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 118.075 (3) and (4), indoor environmental quality (IEQ) in schools.

Any future IEQ activities will again be published along with the annual written notice. If you have any questions regarding this matter, feel free to contact Terry Vande Hey, District Facilities Manager.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Policy 5130 (Reference: 1989 Wisconsin Act 120, Wisc. Stats.118.258)

It is the policy of the School District of West De Pere that students who possess an electronic communication device during the school day will be required to keep the device off should the administration have determined that the device has become a disruption in the school setting.

Electronic recording devices are prohibited from use and display while in district facilities or while in attendance at district sponsored activities in places where others have a reasonable expectation of privacy to include, but not limited to, locker rooms, shower rooms, restrooms.

If a device is confiscated for disruptive use, it will be held by school officials for return to parent(s)/guardian(s) of the student, retained for disciplinary reasons, or turned over to law enforcement officers. Students will be disciplined in accordance with procedures specified in relevant District policies, school handbooks, and State and Federal Statutes.

Use or possession of an electronic device is allowed if the school board or its designee determines that the device is used or possessed for medical, school, educational, vocational, or other legitimate use.

Students violating this policy may be subject to suspension, expulsion, or other penalties. Students shall be informed of this policy through publication in the student handbook.