

The Oakfield Difference

School and Community News

November 2015 Oakfield School District, PO Box 99, Oakfield, WI 53065

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Message from the Superintendent



Dear Oakfield Families,
 I hope that everyone is enjoying the beautiful Wisconsin fall weather!
 We know that winter is right around the corner, making it time to review our practices for school closings related to the weather. The District checks on the weather at the start of the school day, and how the weather may change during the school day, as well as the conditions on roadways. We are in communication with Johnson Bus Co. regarding the condition of the roads, as well. If the weather conditions include significant snow, ice, wind, or temperatures that make travel inadvisable, or make it extremely dangerous for individuals to be outdoors, we will cancel school.

If we must close school, we will make that announcement by 6:00 a. m. the day of closing. There are times when we can make this critical decision the night before and, if possible, we will do so knowing this can help with family arrangements for childcare.

The District will send families a call-out on our auto-dialer system for all school closings. The announcement will also be shared on radio stations WFDL, WTCX, KFIZ, WFON and on television stations WLUX FOX 11, Channel 26, WITI FOX 6, WFRV TV 5, WBAY TV 2.

It may be a good idea to determine your family plan now on what you will do if the schools close due to the weather. When there is talk about pending extreme weather, please listen to the radio or watch the local news for our announcement.

Please remember that when our schools close for weather concerns, we also close our Oakfield Child Care Center.

If the schools remain open and you have significant concerns about your travel or safety, you may call the school to report your child's absence for this reason.

It is always important to be ready for our state's changing, sometimes challenging weather! We value every day of school for our students and do not make the decision to close schools easily. We will always consider the safety and well-being of our students and their families when making this difficult decision. We appreciate your ongoing support.

I hope that you have a special Thanksgiving holiday with your family and friends.

Stay safe and stay warm!
 Sincerely,
 Mrs. Green

Faces in the crowd

Right: A group of senior students huddle around Ms. Vaughan to find out how to complete a tough problem.



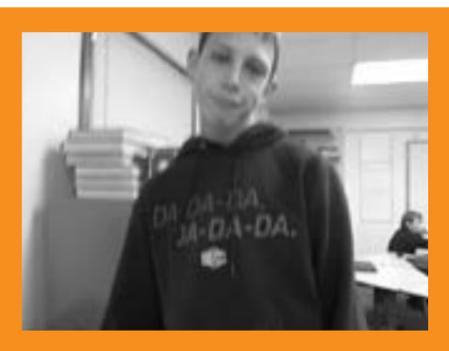
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8th Grader Jenna Anderson looks over her homework one last time before class begins.



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8th Grader Grant Burbach ponders what to do while asking his teacher a question.



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Senior Ross Ellison works hard on his class project.



COMMUNITY CONTACT LIST
 Anyone interested in being on the phone call or email contact list for board meetings, community chats, special meetings, school concerts, or any other district wide community functions please email: info@oakfield.k12.wi.us or call 920-583-4117.

Gymnasium Order Form

Be a part of Oakfield Gymnasium History



Our school was built in the 1960's and has not had major common area upgrades since then. The School District has committed funds to update and modernize the Middle School/High school, including the halls, cafeteria, and gym. Some of the items that are being upgraded are as follows: replace lockers, new flooring, fresh paint, new cafeteria furniture, and new gym components. It is the gym that we are writing to you about today.

Here's your chance to be part of Oakfield history...choose one or two items from the list below to make sure you are part of the remodeling project and own a piece of Oakfield School History...

Option 1 - purchase your very own piece of the historic floor...pieces of the floor will be cut into approx. 6" x 1' pieces...you may buy your own for \$ 20.

Option 2 - purchase a painted "brick" on the new wall. Families, individuals, companies - all are welcome...two sizes...

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SCRIP - That great program that pays you back for everyday purchases!

Upcoming HOLIDAY ordering Deadlines

~~ Thanksgiving (11/26) and/or Black Friday Shopping (11/27)

Scrip orders are due by 10:00 am 11/16 into the Elementary Office; will be in Elementary Office by 11/24.

~~ December Holiday Gifts

Scrip orders are due by 10:00 am 12/14 into the Elementary Office; will be in Elementary Office by 12/21.

NOTE: NO SCHOOL 12/24/15 through 1/1/16 ~ No orders filled.

Otherwise, orders are filled daily at the Elementary School.

>> Some things you may not know:

~ The Oakfield Elementary School, Middle School, and High School each have their own Scrip accounts.

~ Each teacher, club, group can have their own Scrip Account(s).

~ Profit from your purchases can be donated to any school/teacher/group/club within OSD. Just mark on the back of the yellow order form, where you would like your profit to go. Thanks for considering it!

An updated Order Form has been issued. Recently added were:

~ Backyard Bar & Grill (FDL)

~ Disney

~ Gino's (FDL)

~ Panera Bread

~ Panda Express

~ Philly's on the Miracle Mile (FDL)

~ Under Armour

~ Also, Kwik Trip has changed their policy again, and the profit percentage will go from 10% back to down last year's 5%.

Contact Grace Kaer in the OES Office for questions or program details! gkaer@oakfield.k12.wi.us or 920.583.3146.



The Oakfield School District, Comitte, as well as the staff and students, would like to give a HUGE thank you to all of the donors who helped make the gymnasium upgrades possible.

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Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Written by: Jered Strong

Breast cancer is the second most common kind of cancer in women. Around 1 in 8 women born this month in the United States will

get breast cancer at some point. The good news is that many women can survive breast cancer if it's found and treated early because of the new cures and treatments. A mammogram, the screening test for breast cancer can help find breast cancer early when it's a lot more easier to treat. National Breast Cancer Awareness Month is a chance to raise awareness about the importance of early detection of breast cancer. Let's make a difference! Spread the word about mammograms and encourage communities, organizations, families, and individuals to get involved.



WELCOME TO OAKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Welcome to the 2015-16 school year!

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and encourage you to participate in the PTO for our school. My name is Sarah Laning and I have 3 children, 15, 13 and 9, in the district. I am currently the President of the PTO. I would like to encourage you to attend the PTO meetings that are held throughout the year. We have discussions and make decisions that affect children and also receive lots of great information about the district and other community events.

The PTO is involved in many events throughout the year that are beneficial for YOUR children both in their involvement in these events and the benefits that they receive. We would like as many parents contributing ideas as we can get. Yes, we do look for volunteers to help on some projects but if you are unable to volunteer, please don't hesitate to attend the meetings!! YOUR IDEAS AND INPUT ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO US!! We spend an average of \$8,000 each year supporting our schools!! Please let me know of any questions or concerns on

Please feel free to contact any of the officers with and questions or concerns!!

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Please mark your calendars!! PTO meeting on Monday November 30th at 6pm located in the OES Library!

Cameras Introduced to OHS/OMS

Recently cameras were installed in the hallways of Oakfield Middle/High School. Many questions and rumors have been going around about these controversial security cameras, and we've decided to get the facts about them, so we sat down for an interview with Carmen Klassy, students, and staff to get some answers.



Here are some basic facts about the cameras. Cameras can be costly to install, but the school board approved the cost as part of the facility budget that should be spent by the end of the fiscal year. Schools all over the U.S. are installing new security cameras as a safety measure, so from an administrative perspective it makes sense for Oakfield to get security cameras. According to the National Center for Education Statistics, 89% of public high schools have security cameras. 73% of high schools with less than 300 students have cameras too. There are various cameras installed and the cameras will not disrupt or intrude upon the lives of students.

Many students have been wondering what the purpose was of installing cameras in the hallways. There have been theft issues in the past year, so cameras would help deter students from making poor choices. Cameras would have been very helpful last year in solving some of the problems that occurred. Another goal of the cameras is to make it safer for the students. Some people may argue why a small school like Oakfield would need cameras, but it is for the protection and safety of students. A staff member commented, "God forbid something happens you would run the risk of Oakfield being sued." Cameras could protect the district from being liable. We asked questions to some of the students in Oakfield High School about their opinion on the cameras. A senior student said that, "The cameras are a good thing to have, but I do not agree with the idea of them. Some students could feel victimized by the cameras. Cameras in reality only show the physical bullying which is rare in Oakfield, but do not show the verbal abuse between students." Another student commented in favor of the cameras, "I have been bullied in the past and I think that these security cameras will help deter other students from bullying." Many other students were asked opinions on the security cameras but most of students did not care or have an opinion.

Hopefully this will help you be more informed about the security cameras in the high school. Overall, the reason that Oakfield installed the cameras was for legitimate purposes. The protection and safety of the students is a number one priority. Secondly, the community would have a peace of mind knowing that cameras are installed. Students also feel better because it will deter bullying.



A Great Season For Oakfield Football

By: Ross Ellison

The Oakfield football team has done something this year no one expected they would. The team has had a great year so far, posting a 7-1 record at one point, and have finished the year by competing in a jamboree for the first time in school history. The jamboree is a playoff, very similar to the bowl games that college football has. This year's Oaks team did so well that they received a bid to one of the more prestigious jamboree games.



There are 4 seniors on the squad that have enjoyed this last football season very much. Jered Strong, Tyler Burbach, Nick Ryan, and Ross Ellison are in their last football season as it is coming to an end. They have two games left and one of them is against Gibraltar, and coming from them they want this game big time. Their sophomore year was the first year the Oaks entered 8 man, and they have played Gibraltar all three years, only winning one of the three. The first game of the year they played each other which ended in the first win for the Oaks against Gibraltar in a high scoring shootout 53-48.



What's Your Most Memorable Moment?

My most memorable game this year in football was when we played Gibraltar in our first game of the year. We were expected to get blown out by more than 50 points, but we won 53-48. This team beat us by almost 80 points just two years ago, and I feel as if this was the biggest upset so far this season in 8-man football. During that game, I scored two touchdowns, my first 2 receiving touchdowns in my high school career. That game also set us up for the rest of the year, giving us lots of confidence.

-Ethan Tapp



Principal Message November 2015



Message From Mrs. Doyle
-Oakfield Elementary Principal

November is a time intended for giving thanks. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for taking the time to read with your children, check homework, communicating with your child's teacher and countless other things you do as a parent to encourage and support the education of your son or daughter.

Parent Teacher Conferences are planned for November. It is vitally important for you to attend at conference time in order for you to discuss your child's progress with his/her teacher. All faculty and staff members are in the building during conferences for your convenience so that you can feel free to communicate with all of the teachers that instruct your child.

The fall foliage is a beautiful sight to see around our community surroundings. You know only too well that the seasons can provide us with a different feeling in the outdoor air. There may be a chilly feeling early on in the morning, but there is warmth that begins to spread throughout our school once students enter and filter into their classrooms. I am happy to report that the students are getting used to the routine of school, the academic demands of a new grade level and the expectations of a new school year.

Geocaching in Physical Education Class at OES

by Karen Albert, OES Physical Education Teacher

The physical education classes in grades 2-5 have been enjoying geocaching this fall. With the help of grants from the Oakfield Community Foundation, I was able to purchase 5 new global positioning satellite (GPS) receivers, giving us a total of eleven. This allowed students to geocache in pairs, thus ensuring that they understood how to enter and manage waypoints.

The second grade students started with four paper punches hidden outside on school grounds. They were given slips of waypoints with specific latitude and longitude addresses on them. After entering the waypoints into their GPS unit, the students used the compass feature to locate the hidden treasure. Each group was given a specific order in which to find their Halloween punch and a team card to record their findings.

The 3rd through 5th grade students had a combination of 12 containers that were spread out on the school grounds. Their containers were camouflage, so they were a bit more difficult to spot. Each cache contained a slip of paper with a word on it. When their cache was found, students needed to record the specific word for their waypoint. In the end, students needed to have their words in order to make a sensible sentence. Groups were differentiated dependent on their various abilities to navigate and enter waypoints efficiently. Students followed an "Amazing Race" type of format.

Geocaching involves many areas of learning. Students learned about map skills, including the use of a compass and geographical awareness. We also learned some of the history of geocaching. Literacy is stressed when students use the correct terminology and navigate through their GPS menus. Students were informed that geocaching is free if one has access to the internet - just go to www.geocaching.com to find caches in your area. The bike trail in Oakfield has many caches close by.

Oakfield School District families and youth groups (scouts, 4-H,

etc...) are encouraged to use the GPS units as well. An Oakfield girl scout troop recently borrowed the GPS units on their camping trip and extended their learning into another setting at Camp Evelyn. Feel free to contact Mrs. Albert at OES if your family or youth group is interested in geocaching and would like to borrow the GPS units.

Photo 1: 5th grade students from Mrs. Kintzler's class gather for a photo after their first day of their "Amazing Race" geocaching competition.



Photo 2: "Amazing Race" winners from Mr. Rickert's 4th grade: 1st place Lilly and Rueben, 2nd place Treyden and Lola, 3rd place Zac and Selah



4K Students visit Meuer Farm

On Friday, October 2 the 4K students went on their first field trip to Meuer Farm! They got to go on a hayride, learn about bees, have a picnic lunch, go through a corn maze, and play with some really fun fall activities! It was a day filled with giggles, amazement, and memories!!



Celebrating Homecoming at Oakfield Elementary School

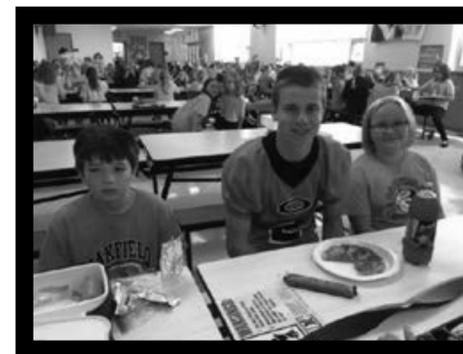
Once again, Oakfield Elementary School joined in on the fun for Homecoming 2015. Students participated in three dress up days throughout the week; Wacky Wednesday Day, Camo/Neon Day, and School Spirit Day. The Senior members of the football team joined students for a special lunch. They also interacted with students outside during a recess time as part of building relationships with all Oakfield School District students. On Friday, the High School Football Team, Homecoming Court, and MS/HS band led OES students in a pep rally to end the week of fun. This is one of the students' favorite days of the school year, showing this Oakfield Pride!



Students show their school spirit in many different ways on Friday.



The students were all smiles as students enter the building on School Spirit Day.



Nick Ryan, along with the other senior football players, joined OES students for a special lunch.



Tyler Burbach took time to take a picture with an admiring fan during lunch with the Senior football players.

BAKE SALE
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Elementary School News

Kindergarten Visits the Oakfield Fire Department and Public Library

As part of Fire Safety week and our Community Helper theme, both Kindergarten classes visited the Oakfield Fire Department and Public Library on Monday October 5th, 2015. We enjoyed a gorgeous fall walk, learned more about fire safety, and encouraged all Kindergartners to get their very own library card at the Oakfield Public Library. Did you know that on most early dismissal days the Library offers FREE programs after school? Not to mention the FREE DVDS, books galore, and clubs that take place there. Thank you to the fire department members who took time out of their schedule to teach us about Fire Safety and also to Mrs. DeHaan for giving us the Library tour.
Submitted by: Mrs. Collien (Kindergarten teacher)



Students Lose Teeth At Record Pace!

Four students from Mrs. Pinno's 2nd grade all lost a tooth on the same day with 30 minutes! Tooth-u-lous!



Second Graders Enjoy Nature Center

The 2nd graders had a fantastic time at the Living History Festival Education Day at Marsh Haven Nature Center by Waupun on Friday, September 25th. Students got to participate in hands on learning experiences which taught them about growing up in America many years ago. Thanks to Liz Roy for donating the cost of the bus so the students could enjoy this great experience!!



Elementary School News

Notes from Mrs. Klassy

PBIS Implementation at the Oakfield Middle School



PBIS stands for Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports and provides a foundation for how we manage behaviors in our building. The focus is on the positive, trying to recognize when students are doing the right thing and praising them for it. Too often in the past we have focused on the negative behaviors and have forgotten about the majority of students who are doing the right thing.

We are using a ticket system where students are given a ticket when they are exhibiting positive behaviors. Students can then accumulate the tickets and turn them in for incentives that teachers have in their rooms (such as sitting in a comfy chair), sitting at the cafe table at lunch, having lunch with a friend in a teacher's classroom and our big monthly drawings that consist of gift cards to various places.

To promote camaraderie among our staff and students, we have team building events throughout the year. These usually take place for about 45 minutes to an hour and give all students something to look forward to. Examples of these are the team building relay races that we did on the first day and the Power Buff competition we had during homecoming week.

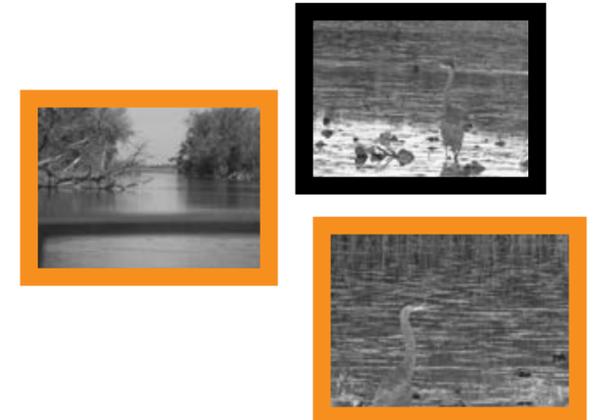
In addition to our team building events, we have incentive events planned throughout the year. Students who have stayed below a certain number of office referrals are allowed to attend these events. Our middle school dances for the year are October 30th, January 29th and April 29th. There will also be a special event held at the end of the year as well.

The newest piece of our PBIS implementation is our Student Team at the middle school level. Students in grades 6-8 could apply to be part of this team that helps us to make decisions about the events that we plan, the incentives that we offer and to be our positive leaders on a daily basis in our school building. This year we have 12 students on the team.

We are off to a great start this year and look forward to all the positives yet to come!

Students take Field Trip to Horicon Marsh

Students in Ms. Zimmerman's and Ms. Barganquest's classes went to the Horicon Marsh and while they were there, Aaron Shepherd, a junior at OHS, made sure he got some wonderful pictures of the scenery. Below are a few pictures that he took on the trip. Thanks, Aaron for the great pictures!



School District of Oakfield Child Care Center

Jenny Thompson
Director

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6:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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Movie Review: Sicario

Sicario is the new movie from critically acclaimed director Denis Villeneuve (Enemy and Prisoners) and was nominated for Palme d'Or at the Cannes International Film Festival. If you believe this film has already had enough praise, well I'm sorry, but I liked it. This whole film was dripping with intensity, whether it be through effective direction or Roger Deakins' cinematography (it's Roger Deakins so you know it's good). When you break it down to acting, Benicio Del Toro takes the cake with a very subtle yet suspenseful performance as the mysterious Alejandro. But no movie is without its flaws, and Sicario certainly has a few. For one, the story isn't much to rave about. The main character (played by Emily Blunt) barely has any purpose or development, as proof of her uselessness, I forgot her name. And at points, the movie feels like it's just a slideshow of disturbing imagery (YOU DO NOT WANT TO BE IN MEXICO PEOPLE, YOU DO NOT WANT TO BE THERE!!!). But as I said, I enjoyed this movie, its bizarre realism just adds to the point it's trying to make. And even just for trying, I salute you Denis Villeneuve.



BTW, next month I'm reviewing Spectre. I'm so excited!
Reviewed by: Ben Aschaker

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What's happening in School?



Left: Congratulations to Alyssa Sabel and Tyler Burbach for being crowned king and queen at the homecoming dance.



Above: a group of seniors poses for a picture to celebrate their final homecoming together.

Teacher Spotlight: Mr. Tapp

Interview by Jered Strong and Ross Ellison

Q: Where did you go to college?

A: Originally the University of North Texas, I then went back to school to get my teaching degree at Marian.

Q: What made you want to become a teacher?

A: I never would have seen myself as a teacher when I was younger, but when I had the chance to change careers, I felt teaching History was a great fit.

Q: How long have you been teaching at Oakfield?

A: This is my 9th year at Oakfield.

Q: What are the perks of being a teacher?

A: Everyday is something different. You never know what to expect. It is also nice having the same schedule as my kids.

Q: What are some struggles in teaching?

Teaching has changed a lot in the last five years. We spend a lot more time on non-teaching things now. Its also hard creating lessons that keep the students excited to learn.

Q: You do all the meetings and schedule the things for the seniors. Do you enjoy that?

A: I enjoy most senior classes! Planning all the senior events is a lot of work, but in the end of it is worth it to make sure they have a memorable senior experience. It is a lot of extra stress, some classes more than others, but seeing them walk across the stage is definitely worth it.



Students of the Month

Senior

Ben Ashaker

This month's Senior of the month is Ben Ashaker. When asked about how it feels to be a senior he feels magnificent and extravagant. Ben's favorite subject is Current Issues and Politics with Dr. McCarty. Some of his favorite bands are Radiohead, Beck, and Passion Pit. When asked about what he specifically enjoys about Radiohead he said that they have cryptic and meaningful lyrics. What he enjoys about Beck is that he does everything and always does it very well. He stated that Passion Pit was the first indie band he heard and that the lead singer of the band, Michael Angelakos, is one of the best songwriters he has the pleasure of listening to. He also thinks that it's clever that Passion Pit composes music to reflect bipolar disorder (Ex. depressing lyrics but happy upbeat tune). Being with friends is what this Senior enjoys most about school, and his number one goal before he graduates high school is to make a movie. When he was asked about his feelings on his last year, he replied that it's depressing but exciting, like a good Passion Pit song.



Sophomore Alyssa

Ennis

School is going great and mighty fine for this bubbly sophomore. Alyssa's favorite hobby is sports. Alyssa is on the Oakfield volleyball and softball team. Lunch is her favorite part of the day at school; I'm sure many of us can relate. Alyssa's favorite color is blue. A fellow sophomore classmate said that Alyssa is a happy and uplifting person to be around.



Middle School:

Aryn Uttendorfer

For this eighth grader, school and her grades are doing very well and she makes school fun for her by seeing her friends. When Aryn is not in school, she enjoys hanging out with her best friend Jenna and drinking tea. Basketball is Aryn's favorite sport because she enjoys the challenge. Michael Jordan of the Bulls is her favorite athlete because he is amazing at basketball and inspires Aryn to work harder and be the best player she can be. When asked if she is nervous for high school next year she stated, "Yes, because it's going to be a big change and roaming around with other kids who are older is scary." So all you high schoolers make sure to make this future freshman feel welcome in the high school next year.



Congratulations Noteworthy Nuts!

Congratulations to the September Noteworthy Nuts! These middle school students have done a great job starting the school year on the right foot by being respectful, responsible and safe!



6th Grade Noteworthy Nuts:
Jacob Babler nominated by Miss Belanger

Ethan Batchelder nominated by Mr. Manier
Hannah Duke nominated by Mrs. Hein
Isabella Backhaus nominated by Mrs. Mohr

7th Grade Noteworthy Nuts:

Mary Hawkins nominated by Ms. Bates
Carley Kopf nominated by Mrs. Waisanen
Blake Justmann nominated by Miss Zimmerman
Brock Boelk nominated by Mrs. Owczarzak
Noah De Haan nominated by Mrs. Millard
Hope Lynn McKibbage-Rickert nominated by Mr. Ronca

8th Grade Noteworthy Nuts:

Avery Conger nominated by Mr. Wedel
Austin Gitter nominated by Ms. Sampson
Ellie Karls nominated by Mrs. Bruggink
Mya Lamonska nominated by Mr. Schreiner
Louie Schrafngel nominated by Mr. Thone



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"The child must know that he is a miracle, that since the beginning of the world, there hasn't been, and until the end of the world there will not be, another child like him."

--Pablo Casals

The Counselor Connection

Kelly Guenther
6-12 School
Counselor



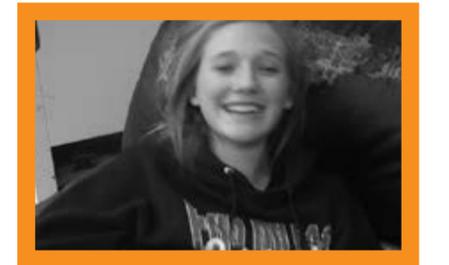
"It's not our job to play judge and jury, to determine who is worthy of our kindness and who is not. We just need to be kind, unconditionally and without ulterior motive, even - or rather, especially - when we'd prefer not to be." ~ Josh Radnor

This month I offer up a challenge. Emit kindness in everything you say and do. Creating a positive climate and culture begins with the simple concept of kindness, even in the most challenging situations. Our PBIS Oak Pride focus has been on the basic notion of being polite. Yes, even beyond elementary school we still need to teach and stress the importance of basic kindness. As adolescents grow and develop their own personalities, styles, and niches, the expectation of human decency among one another is even more crucial. Model, discuss, and expect kindness at home and watch it spread!

At the high school, College Info Night was a success last month. 11th grade students and parents were encouraged to attend for information and insight as students prepare to apply for college early next fall. Students are always welcome to come into the Student Services Office to have these discussions and seek extra support and resources in this process beyond our one on one planning meetings. Planning ahead is a great step towards success when you finally reach your 12th grade year. Be sure to check the Student Services webpage for scholarship information and other resources. The library also has a section I keep updated with college information and materials received throughout the year for students to look through during their study hall.

Oaks Notch Regional Win In Volleyball!

Below is Olivia Holz's response after the Oaks defeated Lake School in their regional opener.



"Last night we had a great volleyball game. All of the players played with their all and had an amazing time. We felt confident coming to the game, because we had a great week of practice, and we felt good before the game even started.

We would also like to thank the fans. They were loud, supportive, and even took a lap around the volleyball court for us during a timeout. I can't believe they came all the way down to the Milwaukee area just to come watch us!" :)

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OAKFIELD OAKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday—September 28, 2015

Meeting called to order by Vice President Dercks at 5:30 p.m.

Roll call

Members: P. Dercks , J. Nyhuis, M. Murphy-Steinke, H. Kopf, A Patterson (left at 8:19 p.m.), T Marcoe

Absent: P Kottke

Staff: S. Green, B. Doyle, C. Klassy, D. Mock, M. Guth, M. Primeau, J. Ogle, J. Tyner, H. Rabe, M. Liebelt

Others: B. Deer, G. Deer, A. Lichtenberg

Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Murphy-Steinke, seconded by Mrs. Patterson, moved to approve the September 14, 2015 school board minutes. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Marcoe, moved to approve the warrants through September 28, 2015 as presented. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Public Input – Greg Deer presented certificate of thank you for use of the school facility from the Oakfield Car Show Club. Donations received from the recent car show went to local charities.

Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Kopf moved to approve the hiring of an elementary special education para-educator at 29 hours per week for a one-year period. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Following lengthy discussion on technology staffing needs, there was no action.

Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Murphy-Steinke moved to approve the 2015-2016 PI-34 contract with Michael Hayes as presented. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Second reading of Board Policies #2370–Education Options, #2605–Program Accountability and Evaluations, #5113.01–Course Options, #5460–Graduation Requirements, #9270–Home Based Private or Tribal Schooling – Motion by Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Murphy-Steinke to choose the option “may allow” any student who is being educated at a private or a tribal school to participate in activities. Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Murphy-Steinke moved to amend the motion to also include the options for both “non-WIAA sanctioned athletic or extra-curricular programs” and to approve the second reading of the policies listed. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Discussion/action on an update in the 2015 Professional Staff Handbook was tabled until the October 12, 2015 board meeting.

Mrs. Murphy-Steinke, seconded by Mrs. Marcoe, moved to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Art Gerhardt as the junior varsity basketball coach. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mr. Nyhuis, moved to approve adding a third boys’ basketball team. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Marcoe, approved the resolutions as presented for the annual meeting. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Administrator Green and Principal Klassy presented information on the 2015-2016 facility needs. A tour of the middle school/high school facility was conducted. Mr. Dercks requested three bids on all projects before any board decisions will be made.

Mrs. Marcoe, seconded by Mr. Nyhuis, moved to approve the 2015-16 budget with an under-levy of \$100,000 to be presented at the annual meeting. Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 noes, 2 absent.

Administrator Green did not have an administrator report.

Principal Klassy provided an update from the past week’s homecoming activities. Discussion took place on some concerns regarding some negative student behaviors.

Principal Doyle shared events going on at the elementary school including homecoming activities and positive interactions with high school students involved in some of the various homecoming activities. She also reported the Benchmark Assessments are being finalized.

Mr. Mock, Dean of Students/Athletic Director, reported on the football team success and a good homecoming week.

Next School Board Meeting will be Monday, October 12, 2015 at 5:30 p.m., followed by the Budget/Annual Meeting at 6:30 p.m. - Oakfield Elementary School.

Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Murphy-Steinke, moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 noes, 2 absent.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mary Guth, Acting School Board Secretary

