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## **School District of West Salem** "Serve with Passion to Ignite Creativity,

Innovation and Excellence."



### Success at State Trap!

Congratulations to our Trap Team, who recently had an outstanding performance at the Wisconsin State High School Clay Target League State Tournament! The team took first place in the Varsity division with a score of 485 thanks to top scores from Zach Clements, Owen Kendhammer, Jesse Loging, and Trent Perrett! Some notable individual performances, included Liz Bramblett who received 3rd place in JV for High Gun - Female, Trent Perrett, Reid Rasmussen, Ryan Nickles, and Jesse Loging who each shot a perfect round of 25 straight, Isaac Olson who shot two perfect rounds of 25 straight, one in each session., and Owen Kendhammer and Jesse Loging who each shot a 50 straight in session two. In total, 43 students from 6th-12th grade competed, and 12 will be moving on to compete at the National tournament in Mason, MI in July.



# FAM SCHOOL LOCAL FOODS, HEALTHY KIDS

### **Did You Know?**

Kale can be green, white, reddish green, purple, or bluish green and the leaves can be different shapes!



Check out videos and photos of the innovative things happening in your student's classroom at our district Facebook page and Twitter page. Our social media features videos of student activities, teacher features, classroom selfie photos, etc...

Check out our Facebook page @SchoolDistrictofWestSalem and Follow us on Twitter @WestSalemSD and Instagram @schooldistrictofwestsalem



For WSHS athletic events, visit our website: \*click Calendars and then \*click Coulee Conference/Mississippi Valley Conference You can also set yourself up to receive automatic text or e-mail notifications for any of the activities listed OR subscribe to RSS.

### School District of West Salem Regular Board Meeting Minutes continued... June 13, 2022 Marie Heider Meeting Room 7:00 p.m.

R. Fitzgerald moved, E. Peterson seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 7:48 p.m. A roll vote was taken: R. Fitzgerald, Aye; E. Peterson, Aye; C. Peterson, Aye; and C. Griffin, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Closed Session

R. Fitzgerald moved, C. Peterson seconded to reconvene into Open Session at 9:06 p.m.

#### Open Session

E. Peterson moved, R. Fitzgerald seconded to set the wage for the superintendent, which included adjusting the Tax Sheltered Annuity. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

E. Peterson moved, R. Fitzgerald seconded to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk

### School District of West Salem Regular Board Meeting Minutes June 27, 2022 Marie Heider Meeting Room 7:00 p.m.

#### Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Catherine Griffin. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district website, and district office on June 22, 2022.

#### Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Ryan Rieber led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Sean Gavaghan recited the District Mission Statement.

#### Roll Call

Present: Chris Peterson, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, Robin Fitzgerald, and Sean Gavaghan. Also in attendance – Administrators: Ryan Rieber and Shawn Handland; Student representative: Madison MacRogers. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Erik Peterson, Bob Minard, Mike Malott, Ben Wopat, Tami Bagstad, Deanna Wiatt, Heidi Horton, and Brennan Kennedy.

#### Approval of Agenda

C. Peterson moved, S. Gavaghan seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Written and Oral Reports

District Strategic Initiative updates from the Directors Team and the Superintendent were reviewed.

CESA #4 Board of Control – C. Griffin reported on the Board of Controls agenda.

District Strategic Initiative updates from the Superintendent's Cabinet Team and the Superintendent were reviewed.

Human Resource updates: the hiring of Nikki Woods as a middle school administrative assistant, and the resignations of paraprofessional Keauna Bjorkman, bus driver Christopher Norman, paraprofessional Stephanie Sprehn, and paraprofessional Emily Urich.

Superintendent Rieber provided a district update.

Connection with the Community

- Madison MacRogers, Student Representative, reported on:
- 1. The high school American Legion baseball team continues their season.
- 2. Summer basketball has kicked into gear with many tournaments.

3. The summer musical, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, was a spectacular production this past weekend. The cast and crew recognized Rhonda Andres, who is retiring, for her dedication to the drama department.

Correspondence - None.

Public Comments - None.

Consent Agenda

R. Fitzgerald moved, S. Gavaghan seconded to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

a. the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2022;

b. the invoices to be paid;

c. the resignations of Jenny Morgan-middle school yearbook co-advisor, Lisa Gerke-Elementary School Associate Principal, Jessica Tripp-high school counselor, and Carrie Wilson-Smith-high school special education teacher;

d. the hiring of Elisabeth Kirchner-middle school Spanish teacher and Whitney Folkers-5th grade teacher; and

e. to accept the administration's co-curricular recommendation for Matt Hatzinger-boy's hockey coach.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### Discussion/Action Items:

Director of School Nutrition Emily Klunk presented her recommendation for summer school eal prices. R. Fitzgerald moved, C. Peterson seconded to accept the administration's recommendation for 2022 summer school meal prices as presented:

| 1 1        | Full-pay | Reduced |
|------------|----------|---------|
| Breakfast  |          |         |
| Elementary | 1.70     | Free    |
| Middle     | 1.90     | Free    |
| High       | 2.05     | Free    |
| Adult      | 2.50     | N/A     |
|            |          |         |
| Lunch      |          |         |
| Elementary | 2.85     | .40     |
| Middle     | 3.05     | .40     |
| High       | 3.20     | .40     |
| Adult      | 4.25     | N/A     |
|            |          |         |

Motion carried unanimously.

The list of to do items / information requests was reviewed. No action was taken.

#### Adjournment

C. Peterson moved, S. Gavaghan seconded to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk

Adjournment

E. Peterson moved, B. Minard seconded to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Erik Peterson, Acting Clerk

### School District of West Salem Regular Board Meeting Minutes June 13, 2022 Marie Heider Meeting Room 7:00 p.m.

#### Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Catherine Griffin. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district website, and district office on June 9, 2022.

#### Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Deanna Wiatt led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Mike Malott recited the District Mission Statement.

#### Roll Call

Present: Erik Peterson, Chris Peterson, Catherine Griffin, and Robin Fitzgerald. Also in attendance – Administrators: Ryan Rieber, Ben Wopat, Mike Malott, Deanna Wiatt, and Shawn Handland; Student representative: Madison MacRogers. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Bob Minard, Tom Grosskopf, Sean Gavaghan, Brennan Kennedy, Heidi Horton and Tami Bagstad.

#### Approval of Agenda

C. Peterson moved, E. Peterson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Written and Oral Reports

Teaching and Learning Committee – R. Fitzgerald reported on the agenda items: district score card and performance indicators in the strategic plan.

CESA #4 Board of Control – C. Griffin reported on the Board of Controls agenda.

District Strategic Initiative updates from the Superintendent's Cabinet Team and the Superintendent were reviewed.

Superintendent Rieber provided a district update on the parking lots, swimming pool and the end of the year staff recognition night.

Middle School Band Director, Ryan Waldhart, introduced to the Board "Tornadoes of Fire" by Dr. Michael Forbes. This was a project from the 2019-2020 Board Grants. The grant funds were used to commission a project to have a composition written for the 8th graders (class of 2024). Due to COVID-19, the project was delayed.

#### Connection with the Community

Madison MacRogers, Student Representative, reported on:

1. The 2021-2022 school year has come to an end, and the 2022 graduates will be missed.

2. Spring seasons have officially ended and on a high note. Jack and Kyle Hehli are state champions for duos in tennis; track and field team made an appearance in multiple events at state; baseball had a good run in the playoffs; girls soccer made it all the way to a sectional game; and just this past weekend the trap team became state champions.

3. Summer sports have started, legion baseball and summer league basketball.

4. The swimming pool has now opened and swimming lessons have begun.

Correspondence A thank you note from CCLR Scholarship recipient, Kate Fitzgerald, was read.

A thank you note from Eric Jensen was read.

Public Comments - None.

Consent Agenda

R. Fitzgerald moved, C. Peterson seconded to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

a. the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2022;

b. the invoices to be paid;

c. the resignations of Jason Holter as the Esports team coach, and middle school teacher Teri Lassig;

d. to hire Benjamin Luther as a 1.0 FTE high school social studies teacher, Nicholas Seibert as a 1.0 FTE high school physical education teacher, Stacey Burds as a 1.0 FTE Speech and Language Pathologist, Payton Steiner as a 1.0 FTE elementary teacher, and Scott moline as a 1.0 FTE School Psychologist;

e. the middle school and high school WIAA memberships for 2022-2023; f. Becki Murphy-head high school volleyball coach, Justin Jehn-head high school football coach, Julie Kamla-head high school girls tennis, Justin Stakston-head high school cross country coach; Ammar Sabar-head hihh school boys soccer coach;

g. and to accept donations from the La Crosse Area Builders Association for the high school Tech. Ed. Department; and from Kristen Schwanke, Leslie Hill, Shelley Addington, Michelle Turnipseed, Christy Brodsky, Kelly Ostrem, Tabitha Ostrem, Laura Lambert, Rachel Aspenson, Michael Johnson, Jamie Steinhoff, Nancy Pradovic, Theresa Martinson, Peter Horth, Patricia Cox, April Anderson, Kate Pischke, Cassandra Fry, Lois Schams, Bradley Stoll, Wendy Engh, Heather Antony, Megan Weibel, Robin Fitzgerald, Jeanette Niemeier, Kaitlyn Melson, Sarah Grosz, Michelle Niemeier, Timothy Snyder, Lindsay Patterson, Sara Griffin, Terra Steuerwald, Jessica Munson, Emily Maxwell, Laura Farley, Kelly Scheel, Andrea Fritts, Jessieann Guentz, Emily Bowe, regan Koonce, Kris Gautsch, Angela Tamke, Kymberly West, Carla Davis, Mary Olson, Brook Middleton, Belen Vega, Brittany Parry, Heather Gustafson, Collette Schockman, Eve Zellmer, Jane Bangsberg Brenda Peterson, Chelsea and Adams. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Discussion/Action Items:

E. Peterson moved, C. Peterson seconded to approve for a second reading of Neola Board Policy 750.03-Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety, as it came out of the Policy/Communication and Engagement Committee and as it was for a first reading. Motion carried unanimously.

R. Fitzgerald moved, E. Peterson seconded to approve the co-curricular requests and schedule revisions for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Peterson moved, R. Fitzgerald seconded to adopt the budget adjustments for the 21-22 school year as presented.

R. Fitzgerald moved, C. Peterson seconded to approve the administration's request for a part-time EL (English Learner) Teacher. Motion carried unanimously.

The list of to do items / information requests was reviewed. No action was taken.

Live Streaming of the Board Meeting ended, as noted on the Public Meeting Notice.

C. Griffin welcomed the motion for closed session: The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stats §19.85(1) (c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility" regarding the evaluation of the superintendent and setting the contract for the superintendent for the 22-23 school year.

### School District of West Salem Regular Board Meeting Minutes May 23, 2022 Marie Heider Meeting Room 7:00 p.m.

#### Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Catherine Griffin. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district website, and district office on May 19, 2022 and the revised agenda was posted on May 20, 2022.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Ben Wopat led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Deanna Wiatt recited the District Mission Statement.

#### Roll Call

Present: Erik Peterson, Bob Minard, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, and Sean Gavaghan. Also in attendance – Administrators: Ryan Rieber, Ben Wopat, Heidi Horton, Deanna Wiatt, and Shawn Handland. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Chris Peterson, Robin Fitzgerald, Tami Bagstad, Madison MacRogers, and Brennan Kennedy.

#### Approval of Agenda

E. Peterson moved, T. Grosskopf seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Written and Oral Reports

Teaching and Learning Committee – was cancelled. Business Operations Committee – T. Grosskopf reported on the agenda items: dental insurance, support staff wages for 2022-2023, expenses and projects.

District Strategic Initiative updates from the Directors Team and the Superintendent were reviewed.

Human Resource updates: the hiring of Michael Johnson as bus driver; the resignations of Mary Bahr as a cook, Sydney Bodendorfer as a paraprofessional, Kaleigh Roeder as a paraprofessional, Edward Shank (effective December 16, 2022) as a cook, and Stephanie Sharp as an administrative assistant.

Superintendent Rieber provided a district update.

Connection with the Community Board reports by high school student representatives - None

Correspondence - None.

Public Comments - None.

#### Consent Agenda

S. Gavaghan moved, T. Grosskopf seconded to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

a. the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2022;

b. the invoices to be paid;

c. the resignation of Erik Mathison as an advisor/coach of FIRST Robotics Competition Team 5019, the Gearbox Heroes;

d. the hiring of Elissa Kinstler as a 1.0 FTE middle school instrumental music teacher, Caden Servais as a 1.0 FTE high school science teacher; Michelle Passehl as a 1.0 kindergarten teacher; Karen Kais as a 1.0 FTE elementary school Reading Interventionist;

e. the request to borrow sports equipment;

f. to hire Abby Maliszewski and Katie Maliszewski as co-pool directors. Motion carried unanimously. Discussion/Action Items:

E. Peterson moved, S. Gavaghan seconded to approve to self-fund dental insurance. Motion carried unanimously.

T. Grosskopf moved, S. Gavaghan seconded to approve the Open Enrollment requests for the 2022-2023 school year, with the exceptions of students A, B, C, D, E, and F as noted. Motion carried unanimously.

The list of to do items / information requests was reviewed. No action was taken.

Neola Board Policies for consideration of a second reading were reviewed. E. Peterson moved, T. Grosskopf adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the bylaws and policies printed and codified in the comprehensive document entitled "Bylaws and Policies of the School District of West Salem Board of Education" are hereby adopted and that all bylaws and policies heretofore adopted by the School District of West Salem Board of Education are hereby rescinded, further be it

RESOLVED, that in the event any policy, part of a policy or section of the bylaws is judged to be inconsistent with law, inoperative by a court of competent jurisdiction or is invalidated by a policy or contract duly adopted by this Board, the remaining bylaws, policies and parts of policies shall remain in full effect.

With the exception of Neola Policy #7540.03 Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety.

A copy of the policies is available at https://go.boarddocs.com/wi/wsalem/ Board.nsf/Public#

Take notice that the foregoing resolution will be considered by the West Salem Board of Education at a public meeting held at the Marie Heider Meeting Room, located at 405 East Hamlin Street, West Salem, Wisconsin on May 23, 2022.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Griffin welcomed the motion for closed session: The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stats §19.85(1) (c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility" salaries for individual district staff member(s) and the superintendent, and the superintendent's evaluation.

E. Peterson moved, B. Menard seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 7:43 p.m. A roll vote was taken: S. Gavaghan, Aye; E. Peterson, Aye; C. Griffin, Aye; T. Grosskopf, Aye; and B. Minard, Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

S. Gavaghan moved, T. Grosskopf seconded to reconvene into open session at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Open Session**

T. Grosskopf moved, S. Gavaghan seconded to accept the recommendation of the Business Operations Committee and approve the support staff wages for the 2022-2023 school year and approve wages for the district staff (Director of Buildings and Grounds, Director of Transportation, Director of Technology, Director of Communications/Grant Writer, District accountant, Nurse-Lead, Nurse, Nurse Assistant, Psychologist I, Psychologist II, Reading Specialist, and the Superintendent/School Board Executive Assistant) for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried. E. Peterson didn't participate in the discussion of the support staff wages and abstained from the vote.

The Board set the Board Retreat to be on July 11, 2022, with the Regular Board Meeting starting at 5:30 p.m.

# Summer Drama Camp

for Kids in 4K-8th grade <u>REGISTRATION DEADLINE -</u> <u>FRIDAY, JULY 29!</u>

August 8-11, 2022 9 am - noon Cost: \$30.00

Includes t-shirt, snacks, script & mp3 recordings

Performances Thursday, August 11 @ 7:00 pm Friday, August 12 @ 7:00 pm Marie W. Heider Center for the Arts



Join us on the Heider Center stage this summer as we produce the 60 minute musical, PETER PAN JR! All camp participants will be cast as **Pirates, Lost Boys, Fairies, Mermaids or Indians!** 

Students entering 3rd-8th grade can submit audition videos for a singing or a speaking role. Please indicate that on the form below and Mrs. Hanson will email audition materials. Your child can submit an audition video by by July 1.

Camp is open to students from ANY school district, so INVITE YOUR FRIENDS and FAMILY and join us for the 2022 WSHS On-Stage Summer Drama Camp for Kids!!! Sponsored by the WSHS Drama Club!

Registration deadline: Friday, July 29 (t-shirts not guaranteed for late registrations) Please make checks payable to West Salem High School and mail with registration form to: WSHS Drama Dept. Attn. Amy Hanson 490 N. Mark St., West Salem, WI 54669

### REGISTRATION FORM

| Student's Name   | ent's Name Grade this fall |               | 2        |        |      |
|--|----------------------------|---------------|----------|--------|------|
| Home address   |                            |               |          |        |      |
| City   | State                      | е             | Zip Code | э      |      |
| Parent/Guardian's Name   |                            |               |          |        |      |
| Name and phone # of emergency contact  |                            |               |          |        |      |
| Email address for registration confirmation  |                            |               |          |        |      |
| Allergies or medical conditions  |                            |               |          |        |      |
| T-shirt Size (circle one) Youth 6/8 Youth 10/12  | Adult Sizes: 8             | Small Med     | Lg       | XL     | XXL  |
| My child is interested in auditioning for a speaking role (for students entering grades 3-8) |                            |               |          |        |      |
| My child is interested in auditioning for  | a singing solo             | (for students | entering | grades | 3-8) |
|  |                            |               |          |        |      |

Which shows will this child perform in? \_\_\_\_Thurs, Aug. 11 @ 7 pm \_\_\_\_Fri, Aug. 12 @ 7 pm







# NOW HIRING COOKS!

# Part-time with summers off!

Duties and responsibilities include cooking and preparing food, cleaning tables, washing dishes, serving students, as well as other various tasks.

Positions available at the following times: 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. -12:45 p.m. 9:45 a.m. -1:30 p.m. 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY PLEASE CONTACT: EMILY KLUNK, DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL NUTRITION 608-786-3078 KLUNK.EMILY@WSALEM.K12.WI.US OR APPLY VIA WECAN



## **District Announcements**

# Heider Center



### **Individual Show Tickets**

Tickets for all Heider Center shows will go on sale Monday, August 15th at noon online and at 1:30 p.m. at the box office. They can be purchased at the box office during business hours shown below or online at www.heidercenter.org. For a look at this season's shows, please visit www.heidercenter.org

Summer Hours Box Office (608) 786-2550 Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. www.heidercenter.org



### **Transcript Information**

\*Are you transferring to a different college or do you need a copy of your high school transcript?\*

WSHS graduates that need a transcript can request one online (alumni who graduated 2008 or later), or print out an official transcript request form (alumni who graduated prior to 2008) by going to the Student Services page on the district website at www.wsalem.k12.wi.us. Navigate by going to 'Schools'' > "High School" > "Students'' > "Student Services'' > "Transcripts."

If you have questions, please call the High School Student Services Office at (608) 786-1220. Summer hours may vary.

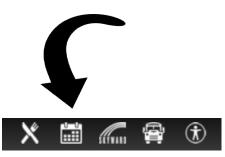
# Enrollment for 2022-2023

Are you new to the district and looking to enroll your students for the 2022-2023 school year?

All enrollment information can be found by going to our website at www.wsalem.k12.wi.us and clicking on "Enrollment" at the top of the page. Here you can learn more about our district and print off the required enrollment forms. Once completed, you can bring them to the District Office to complete registration. If you do not have a printer, you may also come to the District Office and fill out the forms in person.

If you have any questions, please call (608)-786-0700.

### **Looking for Important Dates?**



The district school year calendar, as well as individual building events and athletic events can all be found on our district website. Go to www.wsalem.k12.wi.us and navigate to the top right corner and click on the calendar icon. From here, you can view the school year calendar, Coulee Conference Athletic calendar, Mississippi Valley Athletic calendar, and individual building events.

### Summer School Reminders

Summer school for students K-8 starts Monday, July 18 and ends Friday, August 5. Classes for all students run from 8:30 a.m. to 11:35 a.m. each day.

Buses for summer school will run on main roads only. As a reminder, there will also be no swimming lessons during summer school.

If you have any questions, please contact Deanna Wiatt, Director of Curriculum and Instruction at wiatt.deanna@wsalem.k12.wi.us or (608)-786-0700.

### Middle School Beginner Band Lessons

For all students enrolled in 6th Grade Band this fall, required summer band lessons begin July 18th at West Salem Middle School. Please scan the QR code below to view the schedule.

Beginner Band Classes are critical for our students to help them with the following key areas:

- Proper Instrument Assembly
- Proper Hand Position
- Creating a Good Tone on the Instrument
- Identifying 5 Pitches on the Music Staff
- Learning FIngerings & Hand Positions for those 5 Pitches
- Learn Simple Songs & Exercises using those 5 Pitches
- Percussion Learn Stick/Mallet Grip, Hand Position & Stroke for Snare Drum & Xylophone

Mrs. Glasel & Mr. Waldhart are excited to work with you this summer!



### **One Last Walk**

The Last Walk Through and Senior Sing Out are cherished traditions for our graduating seniors, and on their last day of school, the Class of 2022 got to walk through the halls of the elementary school and the middle school one last time, reminiscing on the last 13 years of their educational careers and all of the memories they have made along the way before making their way to Senior Sing Out for their last time together as a class before graduation.

This day can be bittersweet, but it's also full of lots of smiles, laughs, hugs, and fun memories for our seniors as they prepare to close this chapter of their lives and move on to the next. We can't wait to see where life takes you, Class of 2022!







## **District Announcements**



### **Exploring Our Nation's Capital**

After a two year hiatus, our 8th graders were able to enjoy their annual end of the year trip to Washington, D.C.! Students filled their coach buses bright and early and headed out for a long drive and a packed and fun-filled five days,

seeing all sorts of attractions and learning about many different aspects of our nation's history. They visited tons of historical sites including the Flight 93 Memorial, Gettysburg, Mount Vernon, the White House, the Smithsonian National Museum of American History, Arlington National Cemetery, the Washington Monument, the National Zoo, the Lincoln Memorial and several war memorials. There was lots of hands-on learning and many memories made. This trip is a highlight for our students as they finish out their middle school careers, and we'd like to thank our staff and parent chaperones for all of their hard work along the way! We can't wait for next year!





### **School Board Members**

| Catherine Griffin, President ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~  |
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| Tom Grosskopf, Vice President ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~ |
| Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk~~~~~~~~~~~~792-4130                        |
| Sean Gavaghan, Treasurer~~~~~~~~~~~~797-3585                       |
| Erik Peterson, Director~~~~~~~~~~~~~792-5370                       |
| Chris Peterson, Director~~~~~~~~~~~385-3103                        |
| Bob Minard, Director ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~786-9998                       |

\*Board meetings are held the second and fourth Monday of every month\*

# 2022-2023 Registration Informationand Reminders

### **High School**

High school registration is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, **August 9th** from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in the high school commons. Jostens will be here to take student pictures at this time. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending!

### Link Crew Freshman Orientation

### Link Crew Freshman Orientation August 19, 2022 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. WSHS Gymnasium

The purpose of this orientation is to make the transition from middle school to high school a positive one. Seniors and juniors will be serving as leaders and mentors to the freshmen. Large and small group activities are designed to address students' needs and concerns in an enjoyable manner. Students should wear comfortable shoes and clothing, as this will be an active day! Lunch will be served at this event. Students are expected to attend and stay for the duration of the event.

If you have any questions, please contact either of the Link Crew Coordinators: Missy Haas (haas.melissa@wsalem.k12.wi.us) and Jamie Olson (olson.jamie@wsalem.k12.wi.us)

### Athletics

New for the 2022-2023 school year, the WIAA Sports Meetings will be part of the online registration process. We will no longer host a large all sport meeting. However, each individual sport will still host a break out session prior to the first date of practice. Dates for individual break out sessions will be placed on the school district calendar once determined.

Students participating in athletics must have a current physical on file with the main office of the high school prior to the first day of practice. Physicals must be dated on or after April 1, 2021, to be valid. Any athletes with physicals dated between April 1, 2021 and March 31, 2022, must also have an alternate year card on file with the main office. All forms can be downloaded by going to the district website and clicking on "Schools >High School >Activities > Athletics."

### **Bus Registration**

### K-12 Students

The deadline for registering your child for transportation is July 15th. Emails were sent out to all families with a Google Form attached. If you are new to the district and have not received this form, please call or email Monica Quinn at 608-786-0700 ext. 2306 or quinn.monica@wsalem.k12.wi.us. Bus schedules will be mailed in mid-August.

### **4K Students**

If your child will be a 4K student and you have not registered for bussing, please call or email Monica Quinn at 608-786-0700 ext. 2306 or quinn.monica@wsalem.k12.wi.us. Schedules will be mailed in mid-August.

# 2022-2023 Registration Informationand Reminders

### **Elementary School**

Online registration through Skyward Family Access for West Salem Elementary 4K through 4th grade students will start August 1st. If you are unable to register online, an in-house registration will be held on Tuesday, **August 16th** from 12:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Jostens will be here to take student pictures at this time. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending.

### 4K

If you have a child who will be four years old by September 1st, 2022, please call the Elementary Office (786-1662) ASAP to register your child, if you have not already done so. There is a morning and an afternoon session of 4K offered Monday through Thursday each week.

### Kindergarten

If you have a child who will be five years old by September 1st, 2022, please call the Elementary Office (786-1662) ASAP to register your child, if you have not already done so.

### **Middle School**

Online registration through Skyward Family Access for West Salem Middle 5th-8th grade students will start August 1st. If you are unable to register online, in-house registration will be held on Tuesday, **August 16th** from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Jostens will be here to take pictures at this time. Please plan on attending!

### Middle School W.E.B. Orientation & Leader Training

W.E.B. Leader Training

August 15 and 16, 2022 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

### W.E.B. 5th Grade Orientation

August 17, 2022 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. MS Gym

\*Please enter through the side door from the front of the middle school. DO NOT enter through the BGC since they will be open for child care.\*

We want you to come! We need you to come! It won't be the same without you! WEB is a program of 8th graders who will be there for YOU throughout the year! Wear comfortable clothes, don't bring all your stuff, and you won't need your cell phone ... travel light!

We are excited that you are joining us at West Salem Middle School! If you have any questions, you can email Mrs. Jehn, Mrs. Jarosh or Mrs. Coe at jehn.heather@wsalem.k12. wi.us, jarosh.alyssa@wsalem.k12.wi.us or coe.amber@wsalem.k12.wi.us

### CLASS OF 2023: IT IS YOUR TIME

Senior year is finally here! We have an important yearbook deadline to keep in mind. Each senior needs to submit the following photos:

### 1. Yearbook Portrait

This photo is a traditional, formal head and shoulders pose. You may use this same portrait for everything if you would like. \*No full-length poses, hats, props, "misty" filters, or distracting backgrounds.



2. Times of Our Lives This may be less formal.



### 3. Baby Photo

This photo will be used to morph into the "big kid" photo for the Senior Slide Show. The best morphs are created using baby photos where the baby's face is the dominant part of the photo.



4. Senior Photo for Slide Show This photo will be the photo that the baby photo morphs into for the slide show. It can be the same photo used for the Yearbook or Times of our Lives if you would like.



Photos due: Friday, Nov. 18, 2022

Submit **300 dpi jpeg** photo(s) via email to <u>armstrong.andrea@wsalem.k12.wi.us</u> Please label photos with the student name and publication - ex. JoeSmithYearbook. Labeled hard copy photos can be dropped off to room 241 - silver box

and our building open houses across the district.

Take care, be well, and Go Panthers!

Ryan G. Rieber Superintendent

## **Spring Sports Recap**

Congratulations to all of our spring sports teams on excellent performances this season! While we didn't always have the greatest weather for competing, our student-athletes had some wonderful performances this season! Girls softball improved on their record from last year, finishing 7-14 and fourth in the Coulee Conference. Their season ended a little earlier than they had hoped after they fell to Portage in the Division 2 regionals. Baseball had a excellent season, finishing with a 13-10 record and claiming the Coulee Conference championship. They fell one game short of qualifying for sectionals after taking on #1 Altoona. Junior Brett McConkey also recorded a no-hitter during their first playoff game against Arcadia. The boys golf team worked hard and improved all year, but unfortunately did not make it past the regional round of competition where they finished 9th.

Girls soccer finished with an impressive record of 10-5, claiming the Coulee Conference championship. They defeated Edgerton to make it to the third round of sectionals, but lost to #1 McFarland to end their season. Boys tennis captured the Coulee Conference Championship and sent the undefeated doubles team of Jack and Kyle Hehli to the sectional tournament. After a dominant performance at sectionals, they went on to compete at state where they continued their undefeated record and came home as the Division 2 Doubles Champions! This is the first ever tennis championship for West Salem and an outstanding accomplishment for the Hehlis. Both boys

and girls track and field teams had





great seasons, with the boys team winning the Coulee Conference Championship and the girls team finishing 3rd in conference. Several individuals and a relay team qualified for the WIAA Division 2 state tournament at UW-La Crosse after excellent performances at sectionals. Jaden Hammes competed in girls shot put, Connor Brown in boys 300m hurdles, Macey Tauscher in girls pole vault, Mia Olson in the girls 1600m run and Brennan Kennedy, Abram Lassen, Sam Stenberg, Carter Walters, and alternate Orin Schwier in the boys 4x200m relay. Great job to all of our athletes and keep working hard!



### **July 2022**



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### Letter from Superintendent **Ryan Rieber**

### Welcome to Summer!

When the calendar turns to July, it marks the beginning of the School District's fiscal year. The months of June, July, and August are busy ones in the district office as it ends one year and begins another. The district's fiscal year concluded on June 30th, which triggers district auditors to be on campus in July to review our books and provide a summary report for the district. The start of this new fiscal year also marks the beginning of our non-recurring referendum that was passed in April. There are projects and updates going on across the district, and it is exciting. A new parking lot between the Panther Den and tennis courts has been put in, the Heider Center parking lot is nearing completion, and we have redone the walkway between the football/track stadium and West Salem's Miller Field. I want to make sure to thank all of you for your support as we continue to update and maintain our facilities. We are proud of not deferring our facility maintenance, and we wouldn't be able to do that without your help and support! Thank you!

We are in the middle of interviewing and hiring new Panthers. The district will be onboarding new hires during the months of July and August. We are excited about the new additions that we have to our team, and would like to thank our employees that have either retired or resigned for new opportunities. Nido Qubein stated, "Many people looking for meaning in their lives find it by losing themselves in causes greater than they are." I want to thank everyone who has given to our students and played a part in our district's development. We are grateful for their years of expertise, experience, and wisdom.

The campus has been alive with the number of events and activities that our students are able to do over the summer months. It is always wonderful to see our students' smiling faces. Next up, our summer school programming will begin for the elementary and middle school students on July 18th.

July is the transition month as we all prepare for the start of the 2022-2023 school year! As we move into the end of the month, please be looking for communication on upcoming meetings for fall athletics, orientations,

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