

November 2019



Newsletter

School District of West Salem

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Letter from Superintendent Troy Gunderson

Giving Thanks

One of our principals recently recounted the story of a family who is new to our school district. The members of this family simply could not say enough good things about our amazing teachers, spectacular campus, and wonderful community. Sometimes it takes a new set of eyes to express an appreciation for what the rest of us can too easily take for granted. Therefore, and in honor of Thanksgiving, we offer our heartfelt appreciation for the opportunity to serve the children and families of this wonderful community – thank you.

The annual budget development cycle reached completion on Monday, October 28th when the school board approved of the final 2019 – 2020 school budget and 2020 tax levy. The process was considerably different than in previous years due to a referendum to exceed the revenue limit approved by district voters in April, a new state budget cycle, a completed debt schedule, and expanded access to private school vouchers.

The school board adopted the final budget to include a tax levy of \$9,240,504 with a mill rate of \$9.55. The levy includes an additional \$1,600,000 as authorized by voters in the referendum held last April and a smaller

debt payment as the district pre-paid debt during the past two years. The final levy amount also includes a required \$254,618 levy, or \$.26 on the mill rate, to pay for private school vouchers at area private schools. In addition, the final levy amount reflects a school board decision to levy \$290,958 less than the maximum allowed by the State of Wisconsin. The school board reduced the levy by an amount approximately equal to the additional taxing authority provided in the new state budget which was approved after the referendum.

Budget highlights include an increase in both resident and open-enrollment students, a larger than expected increase in district property value, an increase in state equalization aid, an increase in per-pupil taxing authority, a significant increase in the required tax levy for private school vouchers, and a substantial reduction in health insurance costs due to a change in carrier.

The statewide private school voucher program allows families with children attending a participating private school to request a taxpayer funded tuition voucher. The law also requires public school districts to levy property tax in order to fund the vouchers used by those students who are district residents. In accordance with state law, the number of vouchers allowed statewide will gradually increase until 2026-2027 when limits will no longer apply. As more private schools

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agree to accept vouchers and as more families qualify, the cost to local taxpayers will increase. For reference, the amount paid by West Salem taxpayers was \$70,772 in 2019 and will increase to the previously referenced \$254,618 for 2020.

Financial information directly connected to the April referendum includes correcting the budget deficit, restoring funds to a depleted fund balance, a wage increase for all employees, the purchase of a new bus, restoring the maintenance budget, and setting aside

funding for the high school roofing project to begin next summer. Please note the included "referendum scorecard" on page 5. The scorecard is intended to provide transparency over the next three years regarding the district commitment to pre-referendum assurances.

Thank you for reading and tune in next month for an in depth look at a typical School District of West Salem tax bill.



WEST SALEM ATHLETICS BOOSTER CLUB Sponsorship Form

490 North Mark Street, West Salem, WI 54669

The West Salem Athletics Booster Club provides a valuable service to our athletic programs by providing equipment needs to each program to keep our athletes safe and competitive. Some recent examples include: football equipment shed door, wrestling mats, Soccer Hudl program, Girls Basketball Hudl program, and State Championship banners in the gymnasium. The Booster Club supports all athletic programs. This Sponsorship drive is one way the Booster Club raises money to support the athletic programs.

Board Members include:

Bryan Novy - President
Kim Dummer - Vice President
Emily Rogge - Secretary

Therese Novy - Treasurer

Members: Matt Quick, Brent Brigson, Mark Ziegler

Yearly Family Sponsorship-\$25.00

(2019-2020 School year)

*With each sponsorship you will receive a
Panther yard sign or a Panther window cling to proudly display.
Please put a check mark next to your selection. ☐ Sign ☐ Cling*

-----Please return bottom portion with payment-----

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Make check payable to WS Athletics Booster Club and
send to 490 N. Mark St, West Salem, WI 54669

Becoming a sponsor of the Booster Club does not require you to attend meetings but you are always welcome. Monthly meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6pm. Contact a board member for location.

Calendar of Events November

Athletic Events

Saturday, November 16, 2019

9:00am Basketball: Girls JV/Varsity Scrimmage
vs. Bloomer, Durand & Fall Creek
@ Fall Creek High School

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

6:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Onalaska
@ West Salem High School

7:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs.
Onalaska @ West Salem High School

Thursday, November 21, 2019

5:30pm Ice Hockey: Boys JV/Varsity Scrimmage
vs. De Forest, Reedsburg @ RACA

6:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs.
Osseo-Fairchild @ West Salem
High School

7:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs.
Osseo-Fairchild @ West Salem
High School

Friday, November 22, 2019

5:30pm Basketball: Boys JV/Varsity Scrimmage
vs. Reedsburg & Tomah @ Reedsburg
Area High School

Monday, November 25, 2019

6:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Holmen
@ West Salem High School

7:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs.
Holmen @ West Salem High School

Saturday, November 30, 2019

1:00pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs.
Bangor @ West Salem High School

1:00pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Bangor
@ West Salem Middle School

2:30pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Bangor
@ West Salem Middle School

2:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs.
Bangor @ West Salem High School

Band Events

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

6:45pm Girls Basketball Game vs. Onalaska
Black Pep Band

Elementary School Events

Friday, November 1, 2019

7:25am Walking School Bus
Meet at the corner of N. Tilson &
W. Hamlin Streets

8:30am 3rd Grade to the OEC (Deml, Davis &
Mathison)

Tuesday, November 5, 2019

6:15pm 4th Grade Music Concert @ Heider
Center

6:30pm 4K Story Time @ Hazel Brown Leicht
Memorial Library

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

12:20pm Early Release
Students dismissed at 12:20pm
Buses depart at 12:30pm

Friday, November 8, 2019

7:25am Walking School Bus
Meet at the corner of N. Tilson &
W. Hamlin Streets

Monday, November 11, 2019

9:00am Veterans Day Program @ ES Gym

Friday, November 15, 2019

7:25am Walking School Bus
Meet at the corner of N. Tilson &
W. Hamlin Streets

Friday, November 22, 2019

7:25am Walking School Bus
Meet at the corner of N. Tilson &
W. Hamlin Streets

9:00am 4K to the Coulee Region Humane
Society

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 28, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, November 29, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

Calendar of events continues on next page...

Middle School Events

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

12:20pm Early Release
Students dismissed at 12:20pm
Buses depart at 12:30pm

Monday, November 11, 2019

7:50am Veterans Day Program @ MS Gym

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

All Day Trimester 1 Ends

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 28, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, November 29, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

High School Events

Friday, November 1, 2019

All Day End of 1st Quarter

Monday, November 4, 2019

6:00pm Winter Sports Meeting @ Heider Center

Tuesday, November 5, 2019

All Day Grades Submitted for 1st Quarter

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

12:20pm Early Release
Students dismissed at 12:20pm
Buses depart at 12:30pm

Monday, November 11, 2019

12:55pm Veterans Day Program @ HS Gym

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 28, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, November 29, 2019

All Day No School-Thanksgiving Break

School District of West Salem April 2019 Referendum

How Did We Do?



April 2019 Referendum Goals	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Correct structural budget deficit	✓		
Raise wages and maintain benefits for employees	✓		
Restore funding and purchase a new bus	✓		
Restore funding for maintenance and operations to pre-referendum levels	✓		
Set money aside to replace the high school roof, beginning in Summer 2020	✓		
Set the mil rate at \$9.55	✓		

Unity Day Celebrations

Wednesday, October 23rd was Unity Day, and students across the School District of West Salem celebrated in a variety of ways. Unity Day is an annual event started by the PACER National Bullying Prevention Center to bring awareness to bullying and have people from all over come together and wear orange to show that they are against bullying and united for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion for all.

As part of this year's events, the WSHS Youth Frontiers Leadership Council surveyed WSHS students about instances where they or someone else was bullied, or where they showed compassion towards others. They received over 400 responses and created a video to show the impact that both bullying and compassion can have on a person. Their message was simple, "Be Compassionate. Stand Up." Their video was shared by WKBT and viewed over 500 times! In addition, students in all of our buildings wore orange and discussed how bullying can affect others and how to be kind. We are very proud of our students for standing up for others and speaking out about an important cause.



District Announcements



Exploring the Outdoors

Our 7th grade students, along with their teachers, recently spent a day out at the Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge and Perrot State Park, exploring the land and water, and learning a lot about nature in the process. They had the opportunity to go canoeing along the Mississippi River, hike up Brady's Bluff, search the marsh for macro-invertebrates, and take in nature during a relaxing quiet sit time. They were all very tired by the end of the day, but it was a great way for them to learn in a different environment and get hands-on experience in the subjects they are learning about in class. Thank you to our teachers and staff for "Serving with Passion to Ignite Creativity, Innovation, and Excellence" and offering these opportunities to our students!

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, or print out an official transcript request form by going to the Student Services page on the district website at www.wsalem.k12.wi.us

2019-2020 New Student Enrollment

Enrollment for new students can be completed at the District Office, 405 E. Hamlin St., Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit our website at www.wsalem.k12.wi.us or call the District Office at (608)-786-0700.

The West Salem School District prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, age, disability, and where applicable, sex, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, political beliefs, reprisal, or because all or a part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotope, etc.) should contact the Pupil Services Director at (608) 786-0700. To file a complaint of discrimination write to: Eric Jensen, Pupil Services Director at 405 East Hamlin Street, West Salem, WI 54669 or call 608-786-0700. The West Salem School District is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

School Board Members

Syl Clements ~~~~~ 786-1491
Jane Halverson ~~~~~ 786-1067
Ken Schlimgen ~~~~~ 786-4382
Catherine Griffin ~~~~~ 769-1714
Tom Grosskopf ~~~~~ 386-0168
Robin Fitzgerald ~~~~~ 792-4130
Sean Gavaghan ~~~~~ 797-3585

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

District Announcements

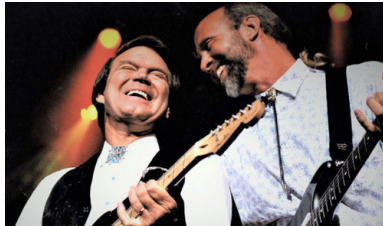
Heider Center



Salute to Glen Campbell
Saturday, November 23, 2019
7:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$24/\$22

Jeff's 15 years as bandleader and guitarist with Glen Campbell were filled with shows, adventures and stories as they traveled and recorded together. Glen remains one of America's best-loved and most-respected country/pop artists of all time, and since his Alzheimer's battle and recent passing, there's been a demand for his music to still be heard. Jeff has been answering that call with Salute to Glen Campbell, on tour now. The show is filled with Glen's hits, led by his former right-hand man.

Art Gallery
"Nine" by
Retired Art Teachers (RATS)
Runs October 16-November
29, 2019



Box Office (608) 786-2550
Monday: Noon to 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday: Noon to 4:00
p.m.
Friday: Noon to 4:00 p.m.
www.heidercenter.org

Attention Spanish & Ecology Club travelers to the Dominican in the Summer of 2020

Please bring yourselves and a parent or guardian to an informational meeting:

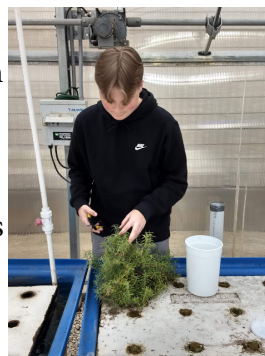
Thursday, November 7 @ 6:30 pm in the high school upstairs conference room

Our agenda will include To-do's, Time-lines, and Q & A time.



Aquaponics Class Enters Third Year of Production

The 2019-20 school year will be the third year that the high school aquaponics classes will be growing produce for the school lunch program. The first year was a big learning year for both Mr. Rueckheim and the students as they were working out the kinks and figuring out what the ideal growing conditions were for their system. Last year, they were able to produce a total of 370 head of lettuce, all of which were used in the school lunch program. The three primary types of lettuce they produce are Romaine, Green Butterhead and Red Oak-leaf. Students also harvested a variety of herbs including basil, rosemary, mint and sage. They also provided fresh produce for Mrs. Haas and her Basic and Advanced food classes. Last year they also added an herb tower to the system, which has allowed them to expand the variety of herbs they are able to grow. The aquaponics students will be experimenting with new herbs this year to see which varieties do well in their system. They also received 150 fingerling tilapia, the species used in the system, the first week of October. Their first crop of Romaine lettuce has already been planted and will be ready to harvest sometime in November. This year's classes are hoping to produce over 400 head of lettuce. They look forward to continuing to provide a high quality, local product for students to enjoy throughout the school year.



Donations Wanted

West Salem Middle School is looking for donations of embroidery floss (DMC) to make friendship bracelets to send with a UW-La Crosse professor who will be visiting India in June.

Professor Melissa Collum talked with 7th and 8th graders about the garbage dumps in India in connection with the read aloud book, "The Bridge Home." Donations can be dropped off at the middle school office. If you have questions, please contact Terri Martinson at martinson.terri@wsalem.k12.wi.us or call the middle school office at (608)-786-2090



Community Events

West Salem High School

Alumni Hall of Fame

Nominations open until
December 15.

Nomination forms can be
found on our website at
www.wsalem.k12.wi.us

Save the Date: West Salem Community Flu and Vaccination Clinic!

West Salem Community Influenza and Vaccination Clinic:

Tuesday, November 5th, 2019
4-6 pm
West Salem Elementary School
Assembly Room
475 Mark St N
West Salem, WI 54669

Just need a flu shot? We will have the flu vaccination for children and adults.

- Flu vaccines for children (6 months through 18 years old) will be available. If your child will only be receiving the influenza vaccine and no other vaccinations, there is no charge for the flu vaccination for them.
- Influenza vaccine for adults age 19 and older will be available at the clinic on a fee for service basis with limited billable insurances. Call with questions.



Does your child need immunizations besides the flu vaccine? Please read below for important eligibility criteria!

- Vaccines will be available for children who qualify for the VFC (Vaccines for Children) Program. Eligibility requirements are child:
 - Has no health insurance OR has Medical Assistance or Badger Care (must present Forward cards/MA cards); or
 - Has private health insurance that does not cover vaccines or has a cap on vaccines; or
 - Are American Indian or Alaskan Native.
- Vaccines for children (thru 18 years old) will be provided, at no charge for families. There is a \$17.00 administration fee, although no child will be turned away due to inability to pay.
- Elementary school age children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.
- Middle and high school students may present to the clinic without a parent if their "Vaccine School Consent Form for Middle and High Schoolers" is completed and signed by their parent or legal guardian.
 - Consent form and other vaccine related information can be found on the La Crosse County Health Department website at <http://www.lacrossecounty.org/health/docs/ForYouHealth/Immunization.pdf>.

Call the La Crosse County Health
Department-Public Health Nursing
at 608-785-9723 with questions.



Prospective School Board Member Info Session

Are you interested in joining the School Board?

Are you passionate about education?

Do you want to make a difference in
your community?



Come join us and learn more!

Monday, November 18, 2019

7:00 p.m.

District Office

Marie Heider Meeting Room



AD FOR GRADS/FRIENDSHIP ADS

The Neshonoc Yearbook Ads for Grads program is a wonderful way to congratulate seniors on their accomplishments. The size options include anything from a full-page to a 1/8th page ad. The larger options provide more room for multiple photos and longer messages.

Friendship Ads are also an option for seniors. The ads provide an opportunity for seniors to celebrate their friendships with pictures and a message.

If interested please fill out the following form and turn it in to the yearbook staff by: **Monday, January 6, 2020!**

Your Name:_____

Address:_____

Phone: _____

Graduate's Name:_____

Ad size:
____ 1/8 (\$40) ____ 1/4 (\$65) ____ 1/2 (\$100) ____ Full page (\$185)

Message:_____

If the ad includes photos, please label them clearly, and send them along with this form as well as payment to West Salem High School – Attn: Andrea Armstrong Room 242. Please make checks payable to **West Salem High School**. **Photos will be returned.** If you are emailing your photos, please send them to:

armstrong.andrea@wsalem.k12.wi.us

Want to skip the middle man? You may also “build your own” ad online at:
www.jostensadservice.com

School District of West Salem

School District of West Salem Regular Board Meeting Minutes October 14, 2019 Marie Heider Meeting Room 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President 7:00. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, WIZM, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, St. Joe's Country Market, River Bank-Barre Mills, West Salem Post Office, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district web site, and district office on October 9, 2019.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

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

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Ken Schlimgen, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, Robin Fitzgerald, and Sean Gavaghan. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Ben Wopat, Eric Jensen, Mike Malott, Ryan Rieber, Deanna Wiatt, and Shawn Handland; Student representatives: Summer Houck and Liam Sjoquist. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: N/A.

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Connection with the Community

Summer Houck, Student Representative, reported on:

1. The Addams Family, premiered on Thursday and Friday in the Heider Center.
2. The student council discussed student concerns within the building such as having clear water bottles. They also discussed t-shirt designs and colors.
3. The ecology club had a meeting last Thursday morning. They discussed the cleanup event that was held on Saturday, October 12.
4. Boys Varsity soccer plays tomorrow night at Onalaska.

Liam Sjoquist, Student Representative, reported on:

1. The dance team has their last football performance on October 18.
2. Football team lost to Tomah last Friday. The final score was 7-21. Their final game of the season is this Friday against Central at home.
3. The boys cross country won the Holte Invitational in Arcadia this past Saturday.
4. The Journalism class took a field trip to the Kempa Conference at UW-Whitewater on Friday, October 11. They had the opportunity to go to different sessions to learn more about Journalism and Yearbook designing.

Correspondence

A thank you note from Our Savior's Lutheran Church "Feed Our Children – West Salem" was read.

Wisconsin Department of Public Education Proclamation announcing October 1-31 as Gifted Education Month was read

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

CESA #4 Board of Control – Mrs. Halverson reported on the events

of the Board of Control's meeting.

Business Operations Committee – Mrs. Griffin reported on the following agenda items: Heider Center/Board 5-year plan for equipment, SEP requests, 19-20 budget update, committee calendar.

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

Mr. Gunderson announced: the hiring of Matt Mingus as a maintenance worker.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve the following consent agenda items:

- a) Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2019;
- b) invoices to be paid;
- c) donations from Hollie Senzig for the kindergarten unit, from Shaheera Saleem & Hafiz Fakih, Concrete Solutions, Seaver & Rachel Updike, Barbara Weibel, Chris & Jessica Munson for the 4K Book of the Month Club; from Altra Federal Credit Union for the school district, from Timmer's 10 Mile Pub LLC for the high school FFA, from Hope Evangelical Free Church for the Random Acts of Kindness Fund, from Brenengen Chevrolet, SSE Music and Dependable Solutions for Amy Chamber's – Tools for Schools Award recipient, from the Knights of Columbus for the special education department, and from Representative Steve Doyle for the school district;
- d) co-curricular recommendations: high school girls' basketball head coach-Matt Quick, high school girls' basketball assistant coach-Melissa Norman, high school boys' basketball head coach-Steve Kastenschmidt, high school boys' basketball assistant coach-Jared Hauser and Kenny Derosiers, high school boys' basketball volunteer assistant coach-Bill Jensen, high school gymnastics head coach-Carrie O'Hearn, high school gymnastics assistant coach-Brittney Hodgson, high school gymnastics volunteer assistant coach-Ana Botwinski-Kennebeck, high school wrestling head coach-Josh Brewer, high school wrestling assistant coach-Tyler Shrake and Mike Lyga, high school wrestling volunteer assistant coach-Zach Elliot, 7th grade boys' & 8th grade girls' basketball head coach-Heather Jehn, high school girls' soccer head coach-Lionel Karyea, high school girls' soccer volunteer assistant coach-Lino Cortez, high school boy's tennis head coach-Julie Kamla, elementary council of kids-Kayla Wegner, elementary after school art-Kaylin Lotspaih, elementary yearbook-Krista Mead, color guard-Kelli Martin, jazz band & pep band-Dave Kies, show choir-Amy Hanson, show choir assistant-Kelli Martin, drama club-Amy Hanson & Rhonda Andres, play director 1st and 2nd semester-Rhonda Andres, assistant one-act play 1st semester-Amy Hanson, Assistant one-act play 2nd semester-Elle Nimm, stage manager 1st and 2nd semester-Dan Heerts, forensics-Kim Volden, forensics assistant-Andrea Armstrong, summer theatre director-Amy Hanson, summer theatre instrumental-Dave Kies, summer theatre vocal-Rhonda Andres, summer theater stage-Dan Heerts, student council-Darren Fruit, Neshonoc Yearbook-Andrea Armstrong, Link Crew-Missy Haas, Jamie Olson & Andrea Armstrong, Visual Arts Classic-Quenten Brown, quiz bowl-Jim Klos, ecology club-Kelly Rueckheim, math club-Chris Milne, FFA-Kelly Rueckheim, Skills USA-Carrie Wilson-Smith, DECA-Jason Holter, DECA assistant-Brittney Hodgson, robotics-Erik Mathison, robotics assistant-Dave Halverson, pep club-Rhonda Andres, NHS-Jenny Stenberg, diversity club-Kim Volden, trapshooting club-Paul Liethen, Youth Frontiers-Ryan Nelson, homecoming supervisor windows-Quenten Brown, homecoming supervisor parade-Eric Borre, homecoming supervisor Mr/Mrs WS-Amy Hanson,

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homecoming supervisor floats-Laura Deal, homecoming supervisor dance-Rhonda Andres, freshman class-Randy Hughes, sophomore class-Darren Fruit, junior class-Kim Volden & Jenny Stenberg, senior class-Rhonda Andres, Laura Deal, Julie Arentz, Jessica Tripp, volunteer health occupation Student of America-Toni Key, volunteer interact club-Julie Arentz, volunteer fishing club-Darren Fruit & Brian Baker, volunteer Spanish club-Becky Tower & Shelly Helland, volunteer DECA-Josh Maliszewski, volunteer trapshooting-Patrick Burchell, James Schmitz, Terry Loging, Michael Larson, Lucas Miholovic, Kyle Helgeson, Ryan Rasmussen, Bryce Perrett, David Komay, Barry Loging, Ron Black, Joe Nickles, Dale Hewitt, middle school band assistant-Mardeana Glasel, middle school jazz band-Ryan Waldhart, middle school color guard-Sheila Van Dyke, grades 5/6 choir-Elle Nimm, middle school show choir-Elle Nimm, middle school show choir assistant-Alexandra Burch, WEB Leader Heather Jehn, Alyssa Jarosh and Ben Tashner, middle school leadership-Tammy Bentzen, Elle Nimm, Josh Brewer, Jason Mahlum, Sara Jeranek, Andrea Alvin and Katie Fink, middle school student council-Ben Tashner, middle school yearbook-Jenny Morgan and Nicole Friell, middle school forensics-Nicole Friell, middle school forensics assistant-Mary Czajka, Mathcounts-Tammy Bentzen & Sarah Weber, and middle school council of kids-Martha Burdick;
f) parent transportation contracts for the 19-20 school year
Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mrs. Fitzgerald moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to approve the 19-20 second semester Early College Credit requests, with Mr. Malott to verify the schedule conflict to take the AP Calculus course. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposed 19-20 budget, mill rate and tax levy. No action was taken.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to adopt the following Resolution: Be It Resolved that the School District of West Salem will borrow on a short-term basis the sum of \$5,000,000 for the operation of the schools of the district: \$2,500,000 on October 15, 2019, with an additional \$2,500,000 on November 15, 2019, with a payment of \$2,500,000 to be made on December 20, 2019, and the final payment of \$2,500,000 plus interest on January 20, 2020.
Motion carried unanimously.

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

Adjournment

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

School District of West Salem

April 7, 2020

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the School District of West Salem, on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, the following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term of office for school board member is three years beginning on Monday, April 27, 2020.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>	<u>Term</u>
School Board Member	Syl Clements	3 years-Expire April 23, 2023
School Board Member	Catherine Griffin	3 years-Expire April 23, 2023

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that a Campaign Registration Statement and a Declaration of Candidacy, must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, in the office of the school district clerk. The office of the school district clerk is located at 405 East Hamlin Street, West Salem, WI 54669

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that if a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2020.

A description of the school district boundaries can be obtained from the school district office.

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

Done in the School District of West Salem on October 28, 2019

Robin Fitzgerald, Clerk

More information, including a candidate's checklist, and required filing forms can be found by visiting our website at www.wsalem.k12.wi.us

Celebrating Excellent Teachers

Altra Federal Credit Union held a contest at the beginning of the school year, where community members could nominate a favorite teacher to win \$250 for their classroom. They received hundreds of nominations, including nine of our teachers here at the School District of West Salem, and Mrs. Rita Schwartz, a 3rd grade teacher at West Salem Elementary was chosen as one of two winners! Mrs. Schwartz was nominated by student Jake Bahl, who came home on the first day of school to tell his mom

all about how Mrs. Schwartz is the best teacher and how great she is with all of her students. Rita will use her funds to purchase reading resources for her classroom. We are so lucky to have so many passionate, caring educators here at the School District of West Salem, and we are happy that others in our area get to hear about our wonderful staff too! Thank you Rita for serving with passion to ignite creativity, innovation, and excellence in your students!



Did You Know?

Wisconsin is the nation's
#1 cranberry producer!

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

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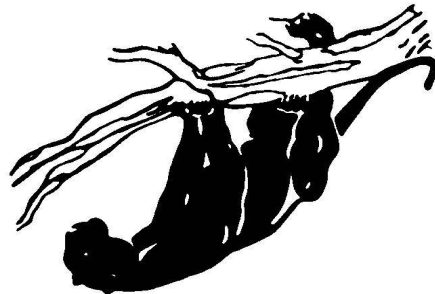


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