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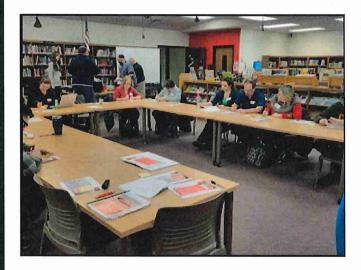
Recap on Facilities Focus Group Meetings

Danielle Mikula, Superintendent

Over the past month, a large group of stakeholders within our community have dedicated multiple hours of their time over three workgroup meetings dedicated to future planning at South Shore. The team worked together to better understand our facility needs, review master plans, provide feedback, and evaluate the financial scope and impact of potential solutions.



Through this process, the focus group has reviewed significant facility needs that impact the health and safety of our students. A recap of the greatest prioritized needs are summarized as follows:



1. Failing Major Building **Systems**

- a. The heating and ventilation system is double the life expectancy and failing.
- b. HVAC systems are not efficient, which leads to waste and inefficiency in utility costs.
- c. Indoor air quality is a major area of concern and does not meet current codes.
- d. Most electrical and plumbing system components are

original to building and deteriorating.

2. Safety Concerns

- a. Pick-up/drop-off areas are poorly configured, creating congestion and safety issues.
- b. Main entrance needs to be better secured to control visitor access to the building.
- c. Major components of security cameras and emergency communication systems need to be replaced.
- d. Multiple areas of the building are not ADA compliant.
- e. The building has had flooding and drainage issues.

3. Small and Outdated Classrooms and Support Spaces

- a. Classrooms and labs are small and outdated, limiting the educational experience for students and decreasing opportunities for collaboration and innovation in learning.
- b. Hallways and cafeteria are too small for enrollment, which has grown 25% over the past 10 years and continues to increase.
- c. Significant replacement needs exist with items such as flooring, cabinetry, windows, lighting, etc.

One theme that resounded loud and clear from the focus group is that the South Shore School District can and should be the "hub of the community". They emphasized the strong desire and importance of having facilities that are designed to bring our community into the school. Plans discussed include a community accessible fitness center, the potential for expanded childcare space, and gathering spaces readily available for community member use.

Next Steps

The focus group will be presenting information to the Board of Education on February

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21st beginning at 5:30pm. The board will hear the feedback from the focus group and consider the next step of hiring an independent firm to conduct an unbiased community wide survey to all taxpayers in our district. The information provided by all of you as community members will provide key information to our school board on whether moving to referendum is a viable option that our community would support, and which priorities are most important to you.

We will continue to communicate updates to keep you informed on discussions and progress. After the February 21st board meeting, our team will begin to share draft concept plans and hold facility tours to anyone interested either by appointment or during upcoming events. Please reach out to Dani Mikula (dmikula@sshore.k12.wi.us) to schedule a tour, ask questions and get more information.



Spotlight on Student Learning: CTE Month

Michelle Simpson, 4K-12 Principal & Director of Curriculum & Instruction

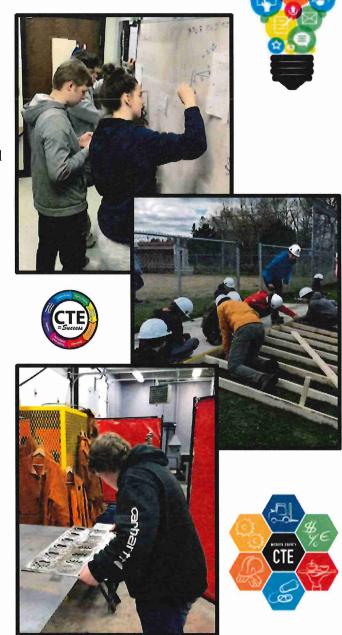
February is Career and Technical Education (CTE) month! The South Shore School District has two different departments through which students can take CTE courses. Every high school student at South Shore is required to take a Life Skills course through our Business Education Department. Through this course, students explore potential careers, develop budgets, create resumes, and engage in mock interviews. Students have the opportunity to take a variety of other elective courses through the Business Education department including Personal Finance, Entrepreneurship, Microsoft Office Specialist, Desktop Publishing, Social Media Marketing, and Business Law.

For the last two years, South Shore's Technical Education teacher has partnered with the high school math teacher to offer Geometry and Construction to all students; through this course students have the opportunity to take a hands-on approach and apply geometry skills to real-world situations. The students in the course are currently working collaboratively on building sheds. Through the district's Technical Education department, students also have the opportunity to engage in a variety of pathways for learning, including a welding and woodworking pathway.

Through Start College Now and Early College Credit, students also have the ability to further their Career and Technical Education learning through earning college credits while still enrolled in high school. Students at South Shore have engaged in hands-on learning experiences through Northwoods Technical College's Welding program and Machine Tool Technician's program.

Youth Apprenticeships

This year, South Shore partnered with four other schools in CESA 12 to launch Youth Apprenticeships for students in grades eleven and twelve. In a Youth Apprenticeship, students have the opportunity to build their skills for a future career



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through a job. Students enrolled in a Youth Apprenticeship complete 450 hours or work on a job site. They are connected with a mentor through their job site who ensures that they have experiences in a variety of areas of the career. Students have the opportunities to earn certifications specific to their apprenticeship, and can put the Youth Apprenticeship on their resume once it has been completed. South Shore currently has four students who are enrolled in an apprenticeship for the 2023-2024 school year, and has several students who are interested in pursuing a youth apprenticeship next year.



Career Day

On February 14th, South Shore will be hosting a Career Day for our students in grades 7-12. Throughout the day, our students will have the opportunity to engage in break-out sessions, attend a career fair, and meet with our YA coordinator. Students will also begin the process of developing their schedules for the 2024-2025 school year, with the goal that students are able to connect the classes they are registering to help prepare them for life beyond the South Shore School District. South Shore is so blessed to have over thirty community members who have volunteered to be part of this special day!

College and Career Readiness Team

South Shore has a dedicated team that meets every other week to ensure the district is supporting students with graduating college and career ready. I would like to thank Jodi Truchon, Aidan Olkowski, Mikaela Franson, Patsy Benedict, and Erin Sullivan for their dedication to providing our students with learning

experiences that allow students explore careers and develop employment skills for life after graduation.

Bayfield County Land & Water Conservation Announces winners of the "May the Forest be With You, Always" Poster Contest



Congratulations to South Shore's three winners in the 4th-6th grade division in the Bayfield County Land and Water Conservation Department poster contest! This year's theme was "May the Forest Be With You, Always."

Sadie Johnson received 1st place, 2nd place - Kate Missinne and 3rd place - Cassidy Josephson.

Congratulations!! We are so proud of you!!







Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

THANK YOU Bayfield Electric for making a generous donation of \$3,000 to South Shore for equipment to harvest maple syrup.







Honor Roll



High Honor Roll

12th Grade: Ethan Bratley, Paige Lahti,

Gracelyn Lovejoy, Jed Lovejoy

Emily Montgomery, Giorgia Pellizzoni,

Kiley Mueller, Carter Ray

11th Grade: McKenna Coy, Estela Dias Saiz,

Azure Grant, Natalia Greene Kalyssa L'Heureux, Rosa Lund

Maximillano Martinez,

Emmitt Peterson, Samuel Swanson,

Daniel Truchon

10th Grade: Ameri Fujimore, Erica Johnson,

Adeline L., Chalee Luzzatto,

Alexys Wehrman

9th Grade: Sylas Jardine, Trinity Maki,

Mosiah Martinez, Madeline Purzner,

Sophia Truchon

8th Grade: Rylee Dahlgren, Josephina Martinez,

Idella Wilcox

7th Grade: Jaxson Kaseno, Ella Kennedy,

Anna L., Sophia Nollet, Rhyah Ray,

John Truchon, Owen Zakovec

Honor Roll

12th Grade: Peyton Jardine

Faith Whitmore-Langley

11th Grade: Bryce Bertrand

Christian Francisco Thanawat Kaewrith

Elliott Klavon, Brandee Madison, Caleb Phillips, Edward Pudas

10th Grade: Lyric Belan, Owen Bratley,

Emma Curtis, Lillian Nollet, Ainhoa Pareja Fernandez

9th Grade: Richard Caratzola

Gabriella L'Heureux

8th Grade: Myla Deputy-Phillips

Spencer Jensen Tucker Mueller Summer Nicoletti **Brody Verne**

7th Grade: Elijah Ciembronowicz

Henry Driessen

South Shore School District Board of Education Meeting Agenda In Compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law

Public Notice §19.84 (3) §19.85 (1)(c) Mark Hoefling, President Rebecca Kavajecz, Clerk

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held in the Instructional Media Center (IMC) at South Shore Jr-Sr High School, Port Wing, WI at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2024.

Members of public may attend in person or through ZOOM. All public participants' phones, microphones, and chat dialog boxes will be muted or disabled during the meeting. Members of the public who do not wish to appear in person may email dmikula@sshore.k12.wi.us with "Public Comment" in the subject line. Those messages received prior to the start of the meeting will be provided to the Board President who may then allow them to speak during Public Participation.

Any person wishing to attend who, because of a disability, requires special accommodations, should contact the office at least 24 hours before the scheduled meeting time, so appropriate arrangements can be made.

Regular School Board Meeting Agenda Wednesday, February 21, 2024 5:30 p.m. Jr-Sr High School IMC

- 1. Welcome
 - 1.01 Call to Order /Roll Call
 - 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Recognition/Highlight
 - 2.01 We Are South Shore
 - 2.02 Acknowledge and Accept Donations
- 3. Audience Participation
 - 3.01 Audience Participation Guidelines limited to five (5) minutes
- 4. Agenda Modifications
 - 4.01 Modifications to Agenda Items or Prior Minutes
- 5. Consent Agenda
 - 5.01 Approve Meeting Minutes January 17, 2024 Regular Board Meeting, January 31, 2024 Special Board Meeting, and February 7, 2024 Special Board Meeting
 - 5.02 Approval of Bills and Budget Report (Ending January 2024)
 - 5.03 Approve Personnel Report
- 6. Committee Report/s
 - 6.01 Teaching and Learning
 - 6.02 Finance & Operations
 - 6.03 Policy & Governance
- 7. New Business
 - 7.01 Facility Master Plan Presented by Community Focus Committee
 - 7.02 Presentation of Library Plan
 - 7.03 District Assessment Data Discussion
 - 7.04 Achievement Gap Reduction
- 8. 8.01 1st Reading po8510 Wellness Policy
 - 8.02 2nd Reading po5511 Dress & Grooming Policy
- 9. Board/Admin Reports
 - 9.01 State Education Conference Updates Justine Broderson9.02 CESA 12 Delegate Report

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9.03 Superintendent's Report

10. Upcoming Dates

10.01 Upcoming Dates

 Closed Session - The Board will Convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statues 19.85(1)(c) as Specified.

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12. Meeting Closing

12.01 Adjournment

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School Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Meeting Held Wednesday, January 17, 2024 5:30pm - 6:19pm

(Minutes to be approved at the 2-21-24 Board meeting)

A REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING was held on Wednesday, January 17, 2024 in the LMC at South Shore Jr-Sr High School, Port Wing, WI and virtually via Zoom. The meeting had been properly publicized in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

1. Welcome

1.01 Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President Hoefling at 5:30pm. Roll call: Present: K. Terry Burhans, Clyde Clauson, Merlyn Coy, Mark Hoefling, Rebecca Kavajecz, James Stemwedel. Absent and excused: Justine Broderson. Also present: Danielle Mikula, Superintendent.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Recognition/Highlight

2.01 We are South Shore

2.02 Acknowledge and Accept Donations

The South Shore School District would like to thank Bayfield Electric for the donation of \$3,000 for maple syrup equipment.

3. Audience Participation

3.01 Audience Participation Guidelines - None

4. Agenda Modifications

4.01 Modifications to Agenda Items or Prior Minutes - None

5. Consent Agenda

5.01 Approve Meeting Minutes

 Meeting Minutes of December 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

5.02 Approval of Bills and Budget

(Approval of Bills and Budget (ending December 2023) General fund 96522-96662 and payroll/direct deposit 900013350-900013425 and manual check 1813 and 3760-3764

5.03 Approve Personnel Report

- · No new hires.
- Retirement: Patsy Benedict, Business Education teacher, effective June 30, 2024.

Motion by Burhans second by Kavajecz to approve the consent agenda as printed and posted. Absent: Broderson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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6. Committee Reports

6.01 Finance & Operations

The committee met on January 10, 2024, and reviewed bills and balances, discussed kitchen inspection and quote, activity bus and facility manager job description.

The committee met on January 17, 2024 for the Community Focus Group #1 related to facility needs.

7. New Business

7.01 7.01 Dress & Grooming Policy

A presentation was given on the advisory group process for developing the draft policy and discussion followed.

Motion by Clauson, second by Burhans to approve the first reading of po5511 Student Dress & Grooming Policy DRAFT A. Absent: Broderson. Motion carried by voice vote (5 yea, 1 no).

7.02 Designate the Number of Open Enrollment Regular Education Spaces, by Grade, and the Number of Open Enrollment Special Education Spaces, by Program or Service, Available for the 2024-25 School Year

Motion by Burhans, second by Coy to approve 2024-25 Open Enrollment Space Availability as presented in Open Enrollment Estimated Space Availability document. Absent: Broderson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Coy, second by Stemwedel to approve that applications for students with disabilities will be evaluated on a case by case basis and approved based on space available in special education existing programs. Absent: Broderson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

7.03 Kitchen Inspection:

Motion by Clauson, second by Kavajecz to approve the quote from KBK Services, Inc. for installation of a hand-wash sink (approximately \$7,300) to fulfill health code requirements. Absent: Broderson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

7.04 Facilities Manager Job Description

Motion by Burhans, second by Clauson to approve the Facilities Manager position description. Absent: Broderson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

8. Board/Admin Reports

8.01 CESA 12 Delegate Report

No meeting this month due to the WASB Convention

8.02 Superintendent's Report

- · Audits are going on civil rights, ESEA, food service
- Next week is Spirit Week: dance, basketball games and other fun activities Staff identified themes for each month. February is Wellness Month with blood drive, food drive and some fun activities. End of the quarter this week, staff day on Friday

9. Upcoming Dates

- January 24, 2024 Finance & Operations Committee 6-8pm (2nd focus group meeting)
- January 31, 2024 Finance & Operations Committee 5:30pm
- February 7, 2024 Teaching and Learning Committee 4:30 pm
- February 7, 2024 Finance & Operations Committee 6-8pm (3rd focus group meeting)
- February 14, 2024 Policy & Governance Committee 6:00pm
- February 21, 2024 Regular Board Meeting at 5:30pm

10. Meeting Closing

10.1 Adjournment

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Motion by Coy to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:19pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rebecca Kavajecz, Clerk South Shore Board of Education

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School Board Special Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Held Wednesday, January 31, 2024 6:00pm - 6:23pm (Minutes to be approved at the 2-21-24 Board meeting)

1.0 - Call to Order/Roll Call

1.01 - Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President Hoefling at 6:00pm. Roll call: Present: Justine Broderson, K. Terry Burhans, Clyde Clauson, Merlyn Coy, Mark Hoefling, Rebecca Kavajecz, James Stemwedel. Also present Mikula, Superintendent. Absent-None.

2. Closed Session: The Board will convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) to Consider Employment, Promotion, Compensation or Performance Evaluation Data of any Public Employee over which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility

2.01 WI State Statute 19.85(1)(c) - Discuss Performance Evaluation Data of Public Employee

Motion by Clauson, second by Stemwedel to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss performance evaluation data of public employee. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried by roll call vote.

3. Meeting Closing

3.01 Adjournment

Motion by Coy to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:23pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rebecca Kavajecz, Clerk South Shore Board of Education

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School Board Special Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Held Wednesday, February 7, 2024 5:30pm - 5:34pm (Minutes to be approved at the 2-21-24 Board meeting)

1.0 - Call to Order/Roll Call

1.01 - Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President Hoefling at 5:30pm. Roll call: Justine Broderson, K. Terry Burhans, Clyde Clauson, Mark Hoefling. Absent and excused: Merlyn Coy, Rebecca Kavajecz, James Stemwedel. Also present Mikula, Superintendent.

2. New Business

2.01 Approve Personnel Report

Motion by Clauson, second by Broderson to approve Donya Pudas' resignation, effective February 5, 2024. Absent: Coy, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. Motion carried by voice vote.

3. Meeting Closing

3.01 Adjournment

Motion by Burhans to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Justine Broderson, Clerk Pro Tempore
South Shore Board of Education

You may apply for open enrollment from February 5-April 30, 2024

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend a school district other than the one in which they live. Applications may be submitted to up to three nonresident school districts.

Pupils in 5-year-old kindergarten to grade 12 may apply to participate in open enrollment.

Open enrollment for prekindergarten, four-year-old kindergarten and early childhood education is limited. Parents should call their resident school districts to find out if their preschool-aged children qualify for open enrollment.

The open enrollment application period for the 2024-25 school year is from February 5-April 30, 2024. The application period closes at 4:00 p.m. on April 30, 2024. Late applications will not be accepted for any reason.

Parents may apply online at https://dpi.wi.gov/oe.

A pupil may only open enroll to an online/virtual school if:

(1) the school has been created as a virtual charter school that meets the requirements of the charter school law [Wis. Stats. 118.40 (8)] or (2) the pupil is required to physically attend school in the nonresident school district every day that school is in session. Other important things to know about applying to virtual charter schools:

Can an application be rejected?

Yes. Nonresident school districts may deny an application if regular or special education space is not available for the pupil; special education or related services are not available; or if the pupil has been referred for a special education evaluation but has not yet been evaluated. Nonresident school districts may also deny an application if the pupil has been expelled during the current or preceding two years for certain violent conduct or if the pupil was habitually truant from the nonresident school district during any semester in the current or previous school year.

If there are more applications than spaces, pupils must be selected randomly, after giving preference to pupils already attending school in the nonresident school district and siblings of currently-attending pupils.

Some school districts establish waiting lists to fill unused spaces, but others do not.

Can a resident district prevent a pupil from leaving?

Yes, in limited circumstances. A resident district can deny a pupil's application for an invalid application (early or late application or missing information), ineligibility due to age (too young or too old), or if the resident district does not offer the same type of prekindergarten, four-year-old kindergarten, or early childhood program as the nonresident district or the pupil is not eligible for the program in the resident district.

Can parents appeal if an application is denied?

Parents whose applications are denied may appeal to the DPI within 30 days of the denial. State law requires the DPI to uphold the school district's decision unless DPI finds that the decision was arbitrary or unreasonable. The DPI's decision may be appealed to circuit court.

Must pupils reapply every year?

Once a pupil is accepted into a nonresident school district, the pupil may continue to attend that district without reapplication except that:

- The nonresident district may require a pupil to reapply one time—at the beginning of middle school, junior high or high school.
- A pupil may be returned to the resident school district

if the special education required in a new or revised IEP is not available in the nonresident district or there is no space.

- A pupil who has become habitually truant in the nonresident district may be returned to the resident district.
- Is there a cost for parents to participate in the open enrollment program?

There is no tuition cost to parents for participation in open enrollment. Parents of open enrolled pupils may be charged the same fees as resident pupils.

Who is responsible for transportation?

Parents are responsible for transporting their children to and from school.

If transportation is required in the IEP for a child with a disability, it must be provided by the nonresident district.

Low-income parents may apply to the DPI at the end of the school year for partial reimbursement of their transportation costs. Can a parent select a specific school in the pupil's nonresident school district?

Yes. A parent may request a specific school or program in the nonresident district. However, assignment to the requested school or program is *not guaranteed* and your pupil may be assigned to a different school other than the one requested. It is up to each nonresident district to determine a pupil's school assignment.

Can an open enrolled pupil participate in sports and other extra-curricular activities in the nonresident school district?

Open enrolled pupils have the same rights and responsibilities as resident pupils.

Inter-scholastic athletics are governed by the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA), which has rules concerning transfer pupils. Parents should check with the school district's athletic director about eligibility.

Important open enrollment dates

February 5 – April 30, 2024 – Parents must submit applications online or directly to the nonresident school district.

June 7, 2024 – Nonresident school districts must mail notices of approval or denial. If the application is approved, the school district must notify the parents of the specific school or program to which the pupil is assigned.

June 14, 2024 – Resident districts must notify applicants if the application is denied. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal.

June 28, 2024 – Parents of accepted applicants must notify the nonresident district if the pupil will attend the nonresident district in the 2024-25 school year. If the parent fails to make this notification, the nonresident district may refuse to allow the pupil to attend the district.

For more information contact:

Public School Open Enrollment Program Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction P.O. Box 7841, Madison, WI 53707-7841 Tollfree: 888-245-2732, option 2 Email: openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov Website: https://dpi.wi.gov/oe Email: openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov

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South Shore School District Job Vacancies Posting

Position: CUSTODIAN

FTE: Year around, 7 hour position



Position Closing Date: March 8 or Until Filled

Start Date: June 1, 2024

Position Summary:

The Custodian will be responsible for daily cleaning and maintenance of the physical school facilities and grounds. They will ensure conditions of operating excellence, cleanliness, and safety, so that full educational use of learning facilities may be made at all times.

Application Instructions: Interested applicants should submit resume, cover letter, references and qualifications to Danielle Mikula, Superintendent (dmikula@sshore.k12.wi.us)

Position: FACILITIES MANAGER

FTE: Part-time or Extra-duty contract

Position Closing Date: Open until filled

Start Date: June 1, 2024



Position Summary:

The Facilities Manager will be responsible for overseeing the maintenance of the physical school facilities and grounds in a condition of operating excellence, cleanliness, and safety, so that full educational use of them may be made at all times. They will supervise the functions that relate to the operation, maintenance, repair, and construction of district buildings and grounds, to include required safety codes district-wide.

Application Instructions: Interested applicants should submit resume, cover letter, references and qualifications to Danielle Mikula, Superintendent (dmikula@sshore.k12.wi.us).



Position: Business Education Teacher

FTE: 1.0

Position Closing Date: March 8, 2024

Start Date: August 19, 2024

The South Shore School District seeks an instructional leader in our Business Education Department who is committed to continuous improvement and passionate about serving students and families. The ideal candidate for this teaching position will be familiar with state and professional academic standards and have a firm grasp on impactful teaching practices. Candidates will be skilled collaborators and join a school community committed to the PLC process and living our mission for all students. Preference will be given to candidates who can demonstrate successful use of assessment data to guide instruction and foster student-ownership for learning.

Application Instructions: Interested applicants should submit application materials on WECAN. Please include 3 recent (last two years) letters of recommendation from previous supervisors, resume and cover letter.

Assistant Baseball Coach Vacancy

Position Closing Date: Open until filled FTE: Part-time

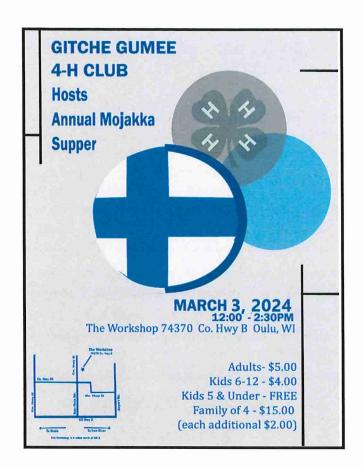
Season Dates: March 18 - May 29, 2024

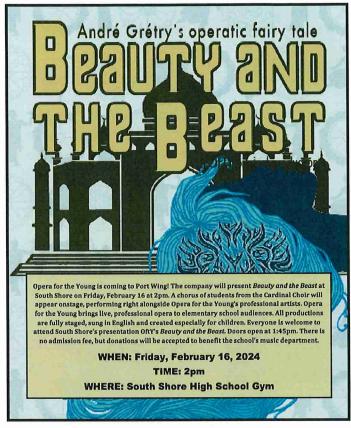
Application Instructions: Interested applicants can submit interest and qualifications to Athletic & Activities Director, David Gustafson



YOU'RE INVITED

to our next PTO meeting which will be held on Monday, March 4, 2024 Jr-Sr High School Library 5:30pm





National Honor Society Sponsors Blood Drive

South Shore's National Honor Society will be sponsoring a Blood Drive by Memorial Blood Center on Wednesday, February 28, 2024, from 11am to 3pm at the Jr-Sr High School. For

additional information or to schedule an appointment please contact Jodi Truchon, Guidance Counselor at 715-774-3103 or email her at jtruchon@sshore.k12.wi.us. To ensure the safety and reliability of the blood supply, there are some requirements for giving blood. While some restrictions may temporarily defer you from making a blood donation, we encourage you to find out if you would be eligible to save lives by donating blood or platelets.

Donating blood is safe and convenient when you are:

- In good health

GIVE THE GIFT OF BLOOD

- 17 years or older 16 with written parental consent
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- Free of antibiotics for 24 hours, unless taken for preventative reasons
- Symptom-free for at least 72 hours following a cold or flu
- Wait approximately 3 months after making a whole blood donation before donating again
- Make iron-rich foods part of your daily diet
- Get a solid night's sleep before donating
- Avoid strenuous physical activity or heavy lifting for 24 hours after donating
- Make sure your body is fully hydrated drink 16 ounces or more just prior to donating and plenty of fluids of the remainder of the day

Memorial Blood Centers' **iDonate** makes it easy and convenient for you to complete your health history questionnaire online on the day of your donation.

Every donor completes the health history questionnaire at every donation, either using **iDonate** ahead of time or at the time of donation. This helps ensure the safety of the blood supply—to protect you, the donor, as well as the recipient of your generous gift. By reviewing and answering questions online ahead of time, you'll save time during your donation. You are encouraged to make an appointment prior to completing **iDonate**.



Household Notification of Summer EBT Benefits

"Summer EBT: If your child(ren) qualify for free or reduced price meals this school year, they are also eligible to receive Summer EBT benefits for this upcoming summer. Summer EBT provides funds for each eligible child to help with costs of food during the summer months. To learn more about this program, to update your contact information, or to opt out of receiving these benefits visit <u>Summer EBT Benefit Management.</u>"



School Lunch Program Information

South Shore School District believes a healthy, well-nourished child is better prepared to learn and achieve in school. Our district offers the USDA Child Nutrition Programs including the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program. We also participate in the Wisconsin School Day Milk Program for students in grades K-5.

Our district provides **free** breakfast, lunch, snacks and milk to all enrolled students in our district.

School Breakfast Program

All students in South Shore Schools are offered free breakfast each school day. Breakfast includes entree with whole grains and/or lean protein, fruit or 100% fruit juice, and 1% white or nonfat chocolate milk.

School Lunch Program

Our students also are offered free lunch each day. Our program offers a variety of hot and cold entrees, along with fresh fruit and vegetables. Lunch includes entree of lean protein and whole grains, 2 servings of fruit, 2 servings of vegetables, and 1% white or nonfat chocolate milk.

All parents/guardians are urged to complete the Free & Reduced lunch form to see if your child/ ren qualify for free or reduced breakfast and lunch meals.



Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled with the hope that they will bring about a closer relationship between parents and teachers, and that they will result in a direct benefit to the child through a better understanding of the child and the objectives of the school. Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, February 22nd from 2-4 p.m. and 5-8 p.m. at both the elementary and Jr-Sr High schools.

Elementary conferences are prearranged and junior and senior high conferences, you register when you get to the school.

Students are always welcome to accompany their parents/guardians to conferences.

SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURES

School may be closed at times due to inclement weather or other emergencies.

If a school closing should occur, preventing students from attending in the building, it will be announced over the following radio and TV stations. An announcement will also be sent over Remind and will reach you as a text, email or voice message depending on how you set up receipt of notifications. Please be reminded that every family should also have a plan, which has been practiced, reviewedand communicated with the school, in the event that there is a need to dismiss school early for an emergency.

- TV Stations: WDIO TV (Channels 10/13) and KBJR (Channels Channel 3 & 6) TV
- Radio Stations:
 - KDAL (AM 610) KDAL FM (Rock 96), MAGIC (95.7) KTCO FM (98.9) and KDWZ-FM, WDSM-AM, WGEE-AM
 - B105 KLDJ (KOOL 101.7) & KUSZ (MIX 108)
 - WATW (1400AM) & WJJH (96.7) & WBSZ(93.3) & WNXR (107.3)

In addition to local media, be sure to access the South Shore School District website at sshore.org and Facebook for updated school closing information.

SOUTH SHORE PTO

NEWSLETTER



BOARD'S MESSAGE

Dear South Shore Families.

As we enter 2024, we want to thank you for your support and give you an update on PTO happenings. It's been a busy year so far! We are so thankful for our students, staff, volunteers, parents, and community! If you are looking for ways to get involved, please let us know! Meetings are the 2nd Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the SS Library.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

So far this year, we had two fundraising events: The Homecoming Tailgate Party and the Harvest Dinner. Both were successful and so much fun! We are so thankful to our sponsors and our volunteers!

YEAR-TO-DATE HIGHLIGHTS

We started our year with three new board members – Toni Holly, VP; Dena Ostrander, Secretary; and Jennifer Davidson, at-large. Crystal Wehrman, President, and Amy LaFontaine, Treasurer, stayed on in their positions.

We were also able to provide gifts from Santa for every South Shore Student this Christmas, which we would not have been able to do without the incredible support of our staff, parents, and community!

UPCOMING EVENTS

-Middle School Volleyball Tournament-March 9 @ 9:30 a.m.

Mark your calendars and join us!.
We will be looking for volunteers to
help serve concessions during the
tournament.

Stay tuned for more details!

STAY CONNECTED

Join Remind for PTO Communications @k6bb2c

Facebook: South Shore PTO Website: southshorepto.com Email: southshorepto@gmail.com

MARCH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

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