



## An Update from the District Office

### **Primary Election for School Board Tuesday, February 15**

There are six community members running for two board seats in this year's election. Because there are more than four candidates running we are required to hold a primary election that will result in the top four vote-getters being on the April 5 ballot. All district residents will be asked to vote for their top two candidates from the list of six at their regular polling location. As always, only residents of the school district can vote in board elections. The candidates on the primary ballot, in order as they will appear are; Steve Becker, Dale A. Aue (incumbent), Scott Karl, Mike Sabel, Pamela K. de Boer (incumbent), and Dave Homb. Like the last election, the school district will send out a brief questionnaire to all candidates and will publish the answers that we receive. We will post those answers next week.

### **Welcome to our Mental Health Coordinator**

Samantha Phillips has joined our staff as the district wide Mental Health Coordinator. Sam received her Bachelor's of Education and Special Education from UWSP and her Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from UW-Superior. She worked through CESA 5 at Wood County Alternative School for 10 years, 3 of those years as the program director. She then taught in Stevens Point as a 4th grade virtual teacher and first grade teacher. Sam is excited to join Auburndale School District in both the Elementary and Middle/High School buildings. She will be working with students, staff and families regarding Mental Health and Mental Health Awareness and is passionate about Social and Emotional Learning. She is originally from Antigo, WI, but now lives in Stevens Point with her husband and three sons, soon to be four sons. They enjoy getting outside together by camping, hiking, fishing, and hunting. Welcome Mrs. Phillips!

### **Building Project Updates**

All the new and improved interior rooms are being used this quarter for instruction, with a little work left in the woods teaching area. The only major work left to complete at this point is what you can see outside. The metal building is already getting a lot of the interior work done, and the greenhouse will start going up as soon as it gets warmer. Once the metal

building is accessible the district will begin posting more pictures and even videos for you to enjoy.

### **New Website is Up and Running**

If you have been on the new website, you've likely noticed we have a new face. The website has been updated, and should be far more user friendly for you, especially on a smartphone, as you look for information that is useful. We've heard a lot of praise and hope that you too find the new site a welcome addition.



Sincerely,

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