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Notice of School Board Election

School District of Auburndale
April 4, 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the School District of Auburndale, on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, the following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term of office for a school board member is three years beginning on Monday, April 24, 2023.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Incumbent</u>
School Board Member	Susan Raab

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that a Campaign Registration Statement and a Declaration of Candidacy, must be filed with the school district clerk or school district notary no later than 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, in the School District of Auburndale District Office located at 10564 School Street, Auburndale, WI.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that if a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023.

Interested candidates, including incumbent(s), who desire to seek an office can pick up ballot access documents in the School District Office after December 1, 2022. A description of the school district boundaries can be obtained from the 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.

Sheila Cherney
School Board Clerk

School Closing Information

It is getting to be that time of year again when it may be necessary to cancel or delay school due to inclement weather. The District uses Infinite Campus as its main communication source with student families and staff. A pre-recorded phone message and/or text message, if requested, will go out to contact numbers registered for each family with students in the District. The message will include details of the cancellation.

Please log in to your Infinite Campus account to verify your correct and preferred phone number for such messages. Any changes that need to be made can be requested in Infinite Campus and passed along to the school secretary for acceptance. (Changes may not be visible immediately.) Please contact Krystal Kieliszewski at 715-652-2812 for additional information or assistance on how to use this service.

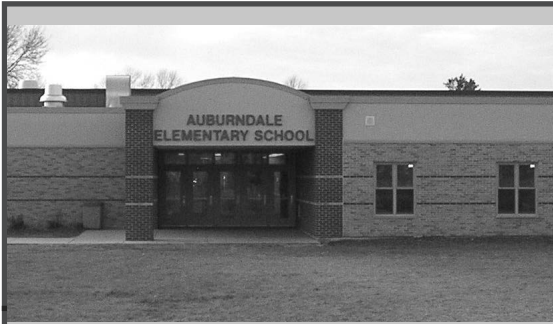
In addition, cancellations can be found on WAOW-TV 9 and WSAW-TV 7 and on the Marshfield News Herald Website. An announcement will also be made on local radio stations, WSAU/WIFC/WIZD/WDEZ/WOFM/WRIG, WDLB/WOSQ, WAXX, WGLX, and WFHR..

Please be sure to discuss with your child(ren) what your alternate plan is in the event that school is closed early.

Notice to Rescind Photograph Option

If you have ever elected to opt out of having your child's picture taken and printed in school materials (paper or digital form) and would like to change that option, please contact the school office in which your child attends to rescind your previous election.

High School office: 715-652-2115
Elementary School office: 715-652-2812



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From the Administrator's Desk

by Mr. Kevin Yeske

I am hoping that this article will be both informative and descriptive regarding the many projects that have occurred in the District over the past couple of months or will be occurring as you are reading this. I'm writing this article on October 20th knowing that it will not be seen until November due to the fact that the District Mirror is printed off site and requires a three-week turnaround time before it is returned to us to be sent out. In order to keep everything in order, I will attempt to break topics down into relevant groups.

Building and Grounds:

- The dust collection with the fire suppression system in the wood room is installed but needs to be energized to ensure that it operates according to the fire code. Once this is completed, all of the machines will be able to be used at the same time and the sawdust generated can be safely removed.
- Within the paint room, the heater, the tracks for the garage door, and the air intake all need to be moved to accommodate the re-design of the original plan. The ceiling in the room will also have to be blocked off where the overhead door used to pass through. This will seal the room and keep dust out and allow paint fumes to be safely removed from the room.
- We are waiting on a meat cooler and meat rail in the processing room in the agriculture area. We are being told that this will be here in November. This cooler will be used throughout the year as students have opportunities to process food and safely store in an onsite freezer.
- The greenhouse needs to have a heater installed and a couple of leaks and open cracks filled before snow flies. Again, this will be important as we utilize the warmth and sunshine during the colder months to germinate plants in anticipation of spring.
- To the west of the football field and baseball diamond you will see new block dugouts, a cement slab that will contain four batting cages separated by a storage building, a new announcers booth/concession stand directly behind the backstop, and a large storage building just off the end of the football field to be used for storage during the winter and summer months and coach/athlete access during the football, track, softball, and baseball seasons. The fence will also be re-routed to include the shed inside the confines of the field and the scoreboard will be moved to the north to accommodate access to the shed. All of this was made possible by a generous donation from Mandy and Jordan Zimmermann toward the athletic complex that exists as part of the baseball and football fields.

Curriculum:

- Teaching staff, especially at the secondary school, are working at identifying and sharing learning targets with administrators. This is being done as a means of ensuring that what we are expecting of students lines up with what we say we are teaching and the state standards as related to the curriculum.

Evaluation:

- When students left in the spring of 2020 due to the pandemic, teacher evaluation was put on hold. We are now back on schedule as we attempt to make up for the lost years as it relates to providing important feedback to staff regarding the delivery and assessment of the instructional program.

Strategic Plan:

- We are in the process of working with twenty-five community members to identify strengths and weaknesses of the School District of Auburndale and build goals that support what is deemed important to the district. This plan will allow the district to prioritize the items that need to be addressed in a timely fashion and develop strategies on how they can be supported. We thank the community members who were recommended for this committee and the work they did to identify and prioritize the goals. I look forward to sharing that plan with you in the next newsletter.

Staffing:

- Within our regional educational area, we are one member of a 32 member consortium of schools. Of the 32 schools making up our CESA, we were only one of two who were able to put a teacher into every open position prior to the start of the school year. Staffing with qualified, certified teachers continues to be the biggest challenge administrators across the United States, Wisconsin, and locally face. I'm proud of the fact that we were one of the two rather than one of the thirty who were unable to fill every position and therefore had to cancel classes, programs, or fill courses using alternative (virtual) options. If you have a four-year degree or know someone who does and may be looking for a career change, I encourage you or them to contact the school. I would love to speak to anyone regarding a career in education and explain the certification process to those interested.

Services:

- I want to take the opportunity to promote the availability of the high school building for those wanting to exercise by walking hallways or using either the weight room or cardio room. If you are interested in hearing more regarding the times and access to these areas, please call the high school office at 715-652-2115 to get more details.

If you have any questions regarding anything school related, please let me know. I can be reached at 715-652-2117.

Elementary School Report

by Mr. Andy Scharenbroch, Principal

As the seasons turn to the cooler weather the elementary school continues to strive for excellence and provide amazing opportunities for all students every day. Throughout the early months of the school year the students have been able to utilize the greatest classroom; the school forest. Along with getting outside into nature the students are using the Marleen Knutson Learning Center and discovering great experiences in a variety of ways. The School Forest continues to provide endless learning opportunities in a safe environment that fosters curiosity, exploration, and creativity.

Mark your calendars for the 3rd - 5th grade holiday concert in the elementary gym at 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm on Tuesday, December 20th. Grades K-2nd will have their concert in the springtime.

Please remember to label your child's coat, gloves, hats, etc as the weather gets colder. The lost and found table continues to get more and more full. Please read with your child every night or have them read independently.

Thank you again to everyone as we continue the learning and positive growth here at AES! Go Eagles!

Auburndale Middle and High School Report

by Mr. Steven VanWyhe, Principal

Greetings Auburndale School District Families,

The 2022-23 school year is well underway. This school year we have focused on recognizing positive examples in our school system. Each month we have highlighted a character trait that we value. September was respect, and October was responsibility. We have started recognizing students of the month at both the middle and high school level who demonstrate these character traits. These students are nominated and selected by our teachers. We look forward to recognizing students who are going above and beyond what is expected of them.

A new addition to our school is Aubie the Eagle, our new mascot! You will see Aubie at many of our events. Last school year, we started a culture committee, and Aubie the Eagle was part of that. We also have added signage in our buildings. We are hopeful these changes will help our students grow their school pride.

We are looking forward to a great school year. Thank you for all of your support that you give to our students. Go Eagles!

District Speaker

On December 16th, Adam Peterson will be coming to us from Morris, Illinois. Adam is an educator, author, and presenter. What if we could make the world a brighter, kinder place by focusing on something as simple as a color? Using Adam's 6-Step process YOU can join a movement of kindness and connection that will make the world more Y.E.L.L.O.W. one person at a time. Imagine what WE can do together!

Veterans on Main Class of 2023

The Community Leadership class is able to display 29 Veteran banners on Main Street in Auburndale from Memorial Day through Veterans Day in 2023. To sponsor a banner, it costs \$350 and the sponsor receives the banner, a proof of the banner, along with five Veterans on Main booklets. The proceeds of this program go towards sponsoring our Veterans Duck Trip to Wisconsin Dells, local veterans on the Never Forgotten Honor Flights, and eventually a Veterans Memorial within our school district. If you are interested in sponsoring a Veterans on Main Banner, for the Class of 2023, please contact Joren Anderson janderson@aubschools.com or call 715-652-2115 ext. 2250.

Homecoming Week

During the week of October 3-8, Auburndale High School held its annual Homecoming festivities. The week consisted of Homecoming games and competitions between the senior high classes. Placing first was the Senior Class (2023), second, was the Junior Class (2024), third place was the Sophomore Class (2025), and the Freshmen Class in fourth place (2026). On Friday, October 8, the high school students participated in a Homecoming Service Day in the morning. Students decorated and delivered pumpkins to residents, chalk decorated in front of AHS sidewalks, painted and hid rocks, and assisted in local clean-up around town, along with local roadsides cleanup. In the evening, the annual Homecoming parade was held. It was led by the Stratford-Auburndale VFW, followed by the Auburndale Band, and continued with over twenty school-affiliated floats, community businesses, along with the local fire departments. Thank you to all that participated in the parade to make it another successful year. After the football game, there was a bonfire at the School Forest. On Saturday, October 8, the Homecoming Dance was held with the theme of "Cards." The "Family Dance" was well attended by elementary students and their families. Homecoming Court members were Conner Brandl, Nathan Nikolay, Tim Schmitt, Connor Spindler, Mason White Eagle, Gabe Willfahrt, Delaney Becker, Destiney Blank, Grace Engel, Josie Ertl, Erin Griesbach, Ashlyn Grimm, Lilly Hasenohrl, Gracie Krings, King Lucas Yeske and Queen Kimmie Lundgren.



Health Office News

by Rachel Schmuhl

Tips for the winter season.

Make sure your child is dressed for the weather. Frostnip occurs before frostbite. Frostnip affects the areas of the skin that are exposed to the cold air. These areas will look flushed or white and will become tingly and numb. Frostbite occurs next with the skin becoming red, bluish-white and waxy looking. This can occur to areas not exposed to the cold air as well. Frostbite can lead to more serious complications and requires immediate action.

Frostbite Prevention

- Watch the weather forecast and dress appropriately.
- Limit your time outdoors and take warming breaks as needed. Frostbite can happen in minutes.
- Keep moving, as exercise increases blood flow.
- Know the early warning signs
 - Numbness or tingling
 - Red or pale skin

Frostbite Care

- Remove child from the cold and place in warm dry clothing if available. Be cautious of the affected area, do not rub, as rubbing could cause more damage. If feet are affected, carry the child.
- Take child to hospital or call 911.
- If warm water is available (NOT HOT) place the affected area in the water. You may place warm compresses to the area for 30 minutes. If warm water is not available place blankets around the affected area.
- If there is the risk of the area being frozen again, DO NOT thaw. This could cause more damage to the tissues.
- Do not disturb any blisters that have formed.

If frostbite is suspected please get your loved one emergency help as soon as possible.

Here at Auburndale Elementary the children do not go outside once the weather or wind chill temperature reaches 0 degrees.

Please remember to send warm winter clothing including: hat, mittens, boots, and jacket to play outside.



C.A.R.E. Program

C.A.R.E. -Community of Auburndale Reaching Everyone continues to provide assistance such as clothes, jackets and school supplies, as well as helping out during the holiday seasons to students who are in need and live and attend the Auburndale School District. The program is funded by our caring community members. Cash donations are greatly appreciated and can be made out to School District of Auburndale (with a note indicating CARE Program). Your donation may be mailed to the attention of: CARE Program, School District of Auburndale, P O Box 139, Auburndale, WI 54412.

What is the Auburndale Athletic Booster Club?

by Kim Kunderinger

The purpose of this organization is to develop student and community interest in all Auburndale School District interscholastic activities and to promote a superior athletic program with a focus on the student athlete. The main goal is to raise funds to be utilized for supporting student athletes and the athletic programs and facilities. Typically, this is done by running outdoor concession stands. This school year we voted to give each varsity athletic program \$1,000.00 for coaches to use as they see fit on needed equipment or supplies for their individual program and athletes. In the past we have purchased or put money toward: I-Pads for track and field, an athletic training table for the athletic trainer to use for student athletes, banners on the gym walls, scoreboards in the gyms, as well as paid for varsity leagues during the summer for basketball, volleyball, and softball. Under the Booster Club we also run the Youth Girls Basketball program and other youth sports that may not have their own organization.

Mr. Kevin Yeske had stated in the August edition of the District Mirror that almost all organizations coming out of the pandemic are damaged. Our organization is feeling that effect. We are a very skeleton crew that do our best to keep this organization up and running, but we need help if this organization is going to continue in the future. We have currently moved our meetings to the third Sunday of each month starting at 6:00p.m. at the Auburndale High School to hopefully accommodate more volunteers. If you have a son/daughter participating in sports, please consider attending a meeting in the future. We need you! Check out our Auburndale Athletic Booster Club Facebook page for more information.