



## STOUGHTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT



September 2024

# Viking Vine



## Welcome to the 2024-25 School Year!

As we embark on a new school year, I'm thrilled to welcome our students, families, and staff back to school. Together, we'll continue to foster a positive and supportive learning environment where every student feels valued and empowered.

This year, our district will continue to prioritize literacy, mathematics, and a strong sense of belonging. We believe that these three pillars are essential for students' success and well-being. By focusing on these areas, we'll provide our students with the tools and opportunities they need to reach their full potential.

I'm excited to see what we can accomplish together this year. Let's work together to create a vibrant and thriving learning community for all.

*Dr. Dan Keyser*

## Facility Updates - Pardon Our Progress



There has been a ton of great updates to our facilities throughout the summer! Check out the newest Executive Summary for all the details.



## New BOE Policy - SASD Brand Usage

As Homecoming approaches, we would like to note a new Board of Education policy that requires businesses to obtain permission from SASD before selling products with our school logos. For more information, please refer to our upcoming Communications Guide, which will be launched this fall. If you have any questions, please reach out to Abbey Sharp.

## Upcoming SASD Events

**SHS Pool Notice:** Open swim is now extended to Fridays 4-5:30PM, and Sundays 2:30-4PM.

### **Third Friday Count**

- Friday 9/20

### **2024 Homecoming Week**

- 9/23-9/27

### **Homecoming Friday 9/27 Events at SHS**

- 4:15PM - Parade
- 5:00PM - Tailgate
- 6:15PM - Band Performance
- 7:00PM Varsity Football Game, Vikings vs. Portage

### **Homecoming Dance**

- Friday, 9/28 at 8:00PM



Scan the QR code for this month's athletic events or [click here!](#)

# Updates throughout the Schools



**Stoughton High School**

Student Board Rep Lily O. presented student updates at the latest board meeting! This month, SHS is promoting respect through various initiatives, focusing on kindness, empathy, active listening, and valuing diverse perspectives. Additionally, we're welcoming new staff members, including Principal Cassie Jemilo, and Assistant Principal Emily Boyd.



**River Bluff Middle School**

This month, RBMS kicked off its first PBIS Pep Assembly! Fall sports have also begun, including volleyball and cross country. Additionally, we're welcoming new staff members, including Principal Tamara Mouw and Assistant Principal Katie Sannes (formerly the Dean of Students at Kegonsa).



**Fox Prairie Elementary**

Fox Prairie has a ton of great events coming up!

- Paint Night: October 1 & 3
- Trunk or Treat: October 18
- All-School Field Trip: October 16 to see Bill Blagg's The Science of Magic at the Overture Center.



**Kegonsa Elementary**

Kegonsa believes in teaching students important life skills like executive functioning. Students are learning to organize their materials & keeping their lockers clean. To encourage this, the student council has been awarding "Clean Locker Gillies" to students who excel in locker organization!



**Sandhill Elementary**

As part of ongoing safety procedures, Sandhill had the first of their monthly fire drills of the year. Students and staff did a wonderful job. They also completed reading and math benchmark/screening testing for 2nd-5th grade students. Benchmarking/screening for 1st graders and Kindergarteners is next.



**4 Year Old Kindergarten**

Our 4K learners are building social skills and mastering early literacy and math concepts through fun activities. Play is a big part of their day, fostering creativity, imagination, and overall development. It's all about GROWing, PLAYing, and LEARNING in 4K!



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