



Badger Business

VOLUME 6 - JANUARY EDITION



A Note from the Principal- Emily Clark



Dear Badger Families,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope your winter break was filled with rest, joy, and time with loved ones. As we step into 2026, we're excited to continue building on the strong momentum your children created this fall. January is a wonderful time for fresh starts, renewed routines, and setting goals together, and our staff is eager to support every student as they return to learning.

Over the next few weeks, students will be re-establishing classroom expectations, diving into new units, and engaging in rich discussions and hands-on learning experiences. Your partnership makes a tremendous difference, and we appreciate your continued involvement—whether that's helping re-establish bedtime routines, checking folders and planners, or simply asking your child about their day.

Thank you for your ongoing support and for sharing your children with us each day. We're looking forward to a joyful, productive start to 2026!

Warmly,
Emily Clark
Principal

Upcoming Dates & Events

- January 12- PTA Meeting @ 6pm
- January 22- Stuc's Pizza Night
- January 31- Skater's Edge Fundraiser
(see more below in the PTA section)

Winter Clothing Reminder:

As the weather begins to get cooler, please remind your student to bring warm clothing along to school to wear for recess.

***** If warm clothes is needed, please have your student see Counselor Kristi.**



Counselor's Corner

Counselor Kristi Hill, hillkristi@aasd.k12.wi.us, 920-852-5440 x20115

In **Lifelong Skills class** all students are learning about their Sources of Strength and how we can use those strengths in our lives to help when we are going through a hard time. We also learned how we can regulate our emotions using the regulation railroad. Please ask your students about these tools.

Favorite Resources

Second Step, a social emotional curriculum around empathy, safety, & bully prevention is being taught in every grade, every other week by your students teacher! Here is the information previously sent home.

Parent Resource: The district provides parents with various mental health resources. You can learn more about resources around: grief, suicide prevention, wellness screenings, etc. here.



Calming Spaces

Every classroom has a calming corner when students may need a break to regulate their emotions. Most stations have a 5 minute timer and some breathing exercises to best support students. If your child is having a rough start to the day, please remind them of this resource.

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January Lifelong Skills class topic: Social Awareness

Social Work Scoop



Please reach out to Sara Allison, School Social Worker if you need assistance with any of the following:



Housing

Food Resources

Clothing Resources

Counseling Resources



920-852-5440 ext 20110



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Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday

Appleton Food Resources:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Appleton Salvation Army Pantry (food pick up) 8:30 AM-11:30 AM Address: 130 E. North St. Appleton, WI 54915 Phone: (920)734-3324</p>	<p>Appleton Salvation Army Pantry (food pick up) 8:30 AM-11:30 AM Address: 130 E. North St. Appleton, WI 54915 Phone: (920)734-3324</p>	<p>Appleton Salvation Army Pantry (food pick up) 8:30 AM-11:30 AM Address: 130 E. North St. Appleton, WI 54915 Phone: (920)734-3324</p>	<p>Appleton Salvation Army Pantry (food pick up) 8:30 AM-11:30 AM Address: 130 E. North St. Appleton, WI 54915 Phone: (920)734-3324</p>	<p>Appleton Salvation Army Pantry (food pick up) 8:30 AM-11:30 AM Address: 130 E. North St. Appleton, WI 54915 Phone: (920)734-3324</p>
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		<p>Freedom Food Pantry (food pick up) 3:45 PM- 5:45 PM Address: 1110 S. Oneida St. Appleton, WI 54914</p>		

To determine if you are eligible for Food Share:
Call 1-888-256-4563 or visit Human Services at 211 N. Commercial St in Neenah for an application or go online at www.access.wi.gov

To determine if you qualify for WIC (Women, Infants, Children):
Call (920)729-2945 or visit 211 N. Commercial St. Neenah on the 2nd floor will be pre-scanned for income eligibility. Potential participants include pregnant and breastfeeding women, women who have delivered within the last 6 months, or infants and children under 5 years of age.

****Information above is subject to change, please check all guidelines before attending****
If you need help locating food resources please contact your school social worker

Nursing Updates



My name is Katie Johnson and this is my third year at Badger Elementary!

Health Office Visit Notifications

Beginning in November, guardians will receive communication through Infinite Campus if their student visits the Health Office or receives any as-needed (PRN) medication during the school day. These messages are intended to keep you informed about your student's health and wellness while at school.

We encourage you to talk with your student about any Health Office visits they have, so you can stay connected about how they're feeling and any support they may need. If you have any questions about a notification or your student's health needs, please contact your school site directly. Thank you for partnering with us to support your student's well-being



Now accepting new medical, behavioral health and pediatric dental patients. Call 920-731-7445 for an appointment.

Services we provide:

Primary Care

PCHC provides quality healthcare for ages. Services range from wellness checks, physicals, and lab work all the way to acute illness and lifelong care services.

[Learn More](#)

Behavioral Health

Our Behavioral Health Consultants coordinate with your PCHC Primary Care Provider to address your physical, behavioral, and emotional concerns in a holistic manner.

[Learn More](#)

Pediatrics

Our pediatricians and family physicians provide compassionate healthcare to support you and your child through every stage of development.

[Learn More](#)

Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)

The road to recovery from addiction is difficult, but you are not alone. We are committed to helping you on your journey. Our primary care and behavioral health teams tailor a program to your needs and are with you every step of the way.

[Learn More](#)

PTA Needs YOU!



Happy New Year! Badger PTA is very excited for what the 2026 year will bring for activities.

January 22 have dinner at Stuc's Pizza (carry out or eat in) and let them know you're with Badger. A portion of the sales comes back to Badger to support the Musical - Finding Nemo Jr.

January 31 meet your friends at Skater's Edge for an afternoon of roller skating / rollerblading. Let them know you're with Badger and a portion of your entrance fee will come back to Badger (normal entrance / rental fees apply).

We're starting to plan for a spring event (April 23, 6-7pm) and could use your help. Do you have suggestions for an at school evening event? Please let us know what activities your family would like to attend (Bingo, games, crafts, other ideas?)

Email us at Badgerelementarypta@gmail.com

Next meeting: January 12, 2026 6pm Library

We'd really love an hour of your time to help plan the rest of the year.

NEW: We are now on Venmo! Make a donation to PTA Wisconsin Congress Badger @BadgerElementaryPTA

