

What's Happening in the Ashwaubenon School District

SPRING 2016

Saluting our most important resources...our Staff and Community!



After 33 years in the education business I clearly have come to learn and understand that other people are our best resource. Our Ashwaubenon community continues to be blessed with caring and talented professionals who do what it takes to serve our youth. For this I salute your ongoing support and value your place on encouraging children to work hard so each child can reach their potential.

Thank you to the numerous parents, grandparents and community members who volunteer in our schools. This newsletter will again highlight many positive happenings and events to consider as we continue to move forward. All three building projects continue to be on schedule, and we

are in the planning stages to celebrate a grand opening for the community center on July 21, 2016, and the pool/ auditorium in November.

Again, thanks for having high expectations and valuing our youth. We continue to be so very grateful for the contributions that our staff and community members provide children.

In Appreciation, Brian H. Hanes, PhD Superintendent

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Ashwaubenon BLAST

Because of the positive responses from the 6,000-8,000 people who attended AHS's 50th Anniversary Celebration last August, the Alumni Association and Village of Ashwaubenon are making a community picnic like this an annual event. So, save the date of Saturday, August 13, 2016, for the Ashwaubenon BLAST. The entire community, along with friends, relatives, neighbors and alumni, are invited to join



us at Ashwaubomay Park for food, drink, children's games and activities, free swimming at Ashwaubomay Lake for everyone and music by The Cougars and Big Mouth.

We hope to see you at Ashwaubenon BLAST 2016!

Beaux Mettler Innovation Center Fundraising Kickoff Event

On Thursday, May 12, 2016, Ashwaubenon High School will be hosting a Fundraising Kickoff Event for the Beaux Mettler Innovation Center.

The purpose of this project, which is a collaboration between AHS, NWTC, the NEW Manufacturing Alliance and the Beaux Mettler Foundation, is to prepare Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) students to be innovators and contributing members of tomorrow's workforce in Northeastern Wisconsin and beyond. To be successful in this endeavor, we must partner with higher education, business, and the community.

The Innovation Center will be located in the current engineering area of AHS. It will:

- · Give students authentic, hands-on experiences,
- Sustain our local workforce with quality employees through student preparation,
- Expose students to training opportunities and jobs, and
- Educate students on the needs/demands/skill sets required for tomorrow's workforce.

Beaux Mettler was born with a heart defect and passed away at a young age. He participated as one of AHS' first Project Lead the Way and SkillsUSA students. After graduating from AHS, Beaux earned a Mechanical Design degree at NWTC. The Innovation Center is named after Beaux's diligent and spirited focus on technology and engineering education.

For more information about this exciting initiative, please contact Tom Barnhart, AHS Instructor, at tbarnhart@ash-waubenonk12.org.

2015 Golden Apple Award Recipient



Chris Skogg - Kindergarten Teacher Cormier School & Early Learning Center

15 years of service to the ASD School Board



On March 14th Ginny Laukka was recognized for her 15 years of service on the Ashwaubenon School Board. Throughout her time on the board, Ginny has served in every capacity. Thank you for your dedication to our students, staff and community. Your passion for education and <u>all</u> students has set a great example. You will be missed!

ASD Mobile App

The Ashwaubenon School District mobile app is FREE and available for both Apple iOS (iPhone/iPad) and Android devices. The app features the most sought after information in a mobile-customized format.

Received notifications and access up-to-date Calendars, Lunch Menus, News, Social Media Feeds and Contact Info with Maps.

Visit <u>http://launch.customschoolapp.net/ashwaube-non/</u> our launching site which has links to the app in both Apple's App Store and Google's Play Store.

Shoe Drive

Over the last few months, the Ashwaubenon High School Activities Department and JagBackers held a district shoe drive to raise funds for all AHS activities. All shoes collected were purchased by Funds2Orgs and redistributed in developing nations. Thank you to all district students and staff, PCM, Altrusa of Green Bay, the dance team,

and stan, FOM, Antusa of and community members for the donation of many many pairs of shoes, boots, sandals! Special thanks to the high school office staff and maintenance team for rubber banding, bagging, and transporting 2,880 pairs of shoes. Thank you for helping us exceed our goal of 2,500 pairs!



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In the Spotlight



SkillsUSA District Competition Ashwaubenon had 32 middle and high school students compete in the SkillsUSA District Competition in December. They won a total of 19 medals.

• <u>Teachers of Distinction</u>: Congratulation to this year's Golden Apple Teachers of Distinction: Chris Skogg (Cormier), Francine Cook and Cassandra Burns (Ashwaubenon High School). These outstanding educators will be honored at the 23rd Annual Golden Apple Awards on April 20, 2016.



Read Across America/Dr. Seuss' Birthday at Valley View

- **Parkview Receives Award:** WREA awarded Parkview Middle School's Peer Mentor Program with a 2016 Challenge Award. This is one of five grants awarded in the State of Wisconsin. Along with the award, the Peer Mentor Program will receive \$2,000. Thank you to staff member Vanessa Talus for taking the initiative to secure this grant!
- Neville Museum Partners with Valley View: Kristin Turnbull's 4th grade class recently joined Neville Museum's Kevin Cullen and Ryan Swadley and County Executive Troy Streckenbach in a Google Hangout to learn about "Technology Through the Ages". Google Hangout is a great opportunity to use technology in a positive way to education our students. Students are able to connect with museum collections and staff without leaving the classroom. Thank you to Jamie Averbeck, our Instructional Technology Coordinator, and the Neville Museum for continuing our digital initiative partnership.
- School of Choice Advisory **Rep:** The Ashwaubenon School District welcomes its new School of Choice Advisory Representative, James Andersen. Mr. Andersen is a non-voting advisor to the board representing the viewpoint of the district's large open enrollment The School of Choice family. Advisory Representative is a two year position appointed by the board. Mr. Andersen is replacing the outgoing advisory representative John Van Dyck. The district thanks Mr. Van Dyck for the valuable insight he brought to the board over the last 2 years.



Pioneer Students at Work Pioneer students have been working hard. On March 8th the school held its first Marathon of Knowledge. Students collected pledges and put their knowledge to the test raising approximately \$10,000. All money raised from the fundraiser will go towards new playground equipment.

Sneak Peek Inside Our New Facilities



Competition Pool



Auditorium

News from Cormier

The District's 4K & 5K students have been busy this winter! Students have participated in events like Fallen Timbers Snowshoeing, Fancy Nancy Day, the Biggest Bedtime Story, singers/songwriters Tom Pease and Stuart Stotts, Read Across America Day/Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration and a field trip to the Children's Museum.





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Special Points of Interest

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2016-17 Enrollment

4K and 5K Resident Enrollment: To be eligible for four year-old kindergarten in 2016-2017, a child must be four years of age on or before September 1, 2016. To be eligible for five year-old kindergarten in 2016-2017, a child must be five years of age on or before September 1, 2016. To register your child, please contact Cormier School and Early Learning Center, 2280 South Broadway, 448-2870 during the hours of 7:30 am and 3:00 pm.

Grades 4K - 12 Resident Enrollment: If you are new to Ashwaubenon with children in grades 4K - 12, please visit http://www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/enroll.cfm or contact your home school for registration information: Gr. 4K & 5K 448-2870

- Cormier School:
- Pioneer Elementary: Gr. 1-5 492-2920
- Valley View Elementary: Gr. 1-5 492-2930
- Parkview Middle School: Gr. 6-8 492-2940
- Ashwaubenon High School: Gr. 9-12 492-2950

Open Enrollment: Open enrollment for non-resident students is now open! The 2016-17 Open Enrollment application period runs from February 1, 2016, to 4:00 pm on April 29, 2016. To apply to for open enrollment visit <u>http://oe.dpi.wi.gov/</u> or contact Jennifer Bower at 492-2905 ext. 1002.

Remaining School Year at a Glance

MAY - 2016

May 4 May 30 JUNE - 2016 June 7 June 8 June 8

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Gr. 9-12 conferences 4-8 pm Memorial Day - no school

Full ay K-8; Early Release Gr. 9-12 K-12 Early Release (no 4K classes) Last Day of School; End of Semester 2

SUMMER SCHOOL 6/13/16 - 7/8/16 To register for summer school visit: http://www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/summer_school.cfm

First day of school for the 2016-17 school year is Thursday, September 1, 2016.

The 2016-17 school year calendar may have some mofications. Final dates should be available in May at: http://www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/docalendar.cfm

EARLY RELEASE DISMISSAL TIMES

Grades 4K-5	11:00 am (no lunch)
Grades 6-8	11:30 am (no lunch)
Grades 9-12	11:30 am (no lunch)