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ASHWAUBENON SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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#### **Message from Superintendent Weyers**

Dear Ashwaubenon Students, Staff, and Families,

As we head into the final quarter of the 2021-2022 school year, I want to thank everyone for their ongoing support of our students and staff. Our five schools are full of talented staff members who share a deep love and commitment for molding the minds of our next generation. This work has never been easy and continues to be one of the most noble and rewarding endeavors. In my opinion, our district staff members have also been true heroes throughout this pandemic.

The springtime provides an opportunity for the Green Bay area to recognize amazing staff members across Brown County with the Green Bay Chamber's Golden Apple selection process. This year over 120 schools throughout Brown County were represented by the record high 3,000 nominations. Those 3,000 nominations are then narrowed down to either Teachers of Distinction or Golden Apple recipients through a very intensive selection process comprised of community members and business owners. We are very excited to announce that the Ashwaubenon School District had two Teachers of Distinction in Leigh Banks, 5K teacher at Cormier Early Learning Center, and Jake Imig, Teacher at Parkview Middle School. Our three Technical Education Teachers at Ashwaubenon High School, Tom Barnhart, Jeremie Meyer, and Dave Stroud were recognized as 2022 Golden Apple recipients. A special banquet will be held on April 20th at the Radisson Convention Center. Congratulations to all five of these amazing teachers.

Finally, I want to thank all of our students, parents, and staff members for a very successful parent/teacher conference session this spring. One positive thing that has come as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic has been the creation of virtual parent/teacher conferences. I have heard many positive comments from both parents and staff about this new format. We obviously value the importance of face-to-face communication with all stakeholders, but also understand how much more convenient it is for parents to be at home for conferences. We will continue to offer a combination of both virtual and in person conferences in the future.

We have had a lot to celebrate lately, and I want to thank all of you for our tremendous partnership in providing a high quality educational experience for our students. As always, we will continue to be Stronger Together.

With Unity, Kurt Weyers

# OPEN ENROLLMENT UNDERWAY!

The Ashwaubenon School District is currently accepting Open Enrollment applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Do you know of any 4K through 12th grade students who would benefit from joining our amazing schools? Applications will be accepted until 4pm on Friday, April 29th. You can find out more information by visiting our website at <a href="www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/families/open-enrollment.cfm">www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/families/open-enrollment.cfm</a>.











# SPOTLIGHT ON OUR SCHOOLS

## Large Donation Given to Valley View School

Valley View Elementary School has been the recipient of a very generous donation in recent weeks. A large donation was made to purchase a book vending machine and water bottle filler for our students. The donors have asked to remain anonymous.

This newest bottle filler makes three fillers at Valley View. Our fifth graders from last year donated one as part of their farewell ceremony, and Delta Dental donated one earlier this year through a grant.

The book vending machine has been a tremendous hit! Students receive a gold coin to select a book from the machine when they earn 125 HERO tickets for safe, respectful, responsible, and caring behaviors. Thanks to our PTO and Student Council, the machine is well-stocked with high interest books.





#### Reading is Fundamental at Cormier School

Cormier School is very excited to celebrate RIF (Reading is Fundamental) with all our students three times each school year! Reading is Fundamental is America's leading non-profit organization for children's literacy. Our students get to choose and keep special books of their very own to help nurture a love for books and reading! We are very grateful for our partnership with the former Ashwaubenon Lioness Club who help fund these very special events.



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#### Parkview Presents Moana Jr.

Parkview Middle School students presented Moana Jr. on February 24, 25 and 26. For productions to be successful, it takes students were up to the task. Auditions took place right after Thanksgiving and rehearsals began the following week. Startin December and ramping up to five rehearsals per week for the weeks leading up to the show. The cast each logged over 70 h the cast also came an hour earlier each day to help with props. The crew also logged significant hours building props and set the 20 foot outrigger canoe. The students were encouraged to find their strengths and share them with the group. Whether comedy, choreography, building or other skills, the students learned from each other and worked together towards the com

It always requires a large team to put on a production. This year's team consisted of 34 middle school cast members, 8 midd school helpers offering their mentorship, Directors Paul Seymour & Steve Delaney, Crew Advisor Joe Layden, the staff at the family and community volunteers. There were two shows for district students and three shows for the general public. The st production's run was enjoyed by approximately 2,000 guests! The cast, crew and directors are eagerly looking forward to ne







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### **Pioneer Elementary Celebrates Reading**

eer Elementary students and team celebrated and focused on reading in February! The ways that we have been celebrating re:

A-Thon Fundraiser: The first annual Pioneer Read-A-Thon Fundraiser occurred during February and raised \$15,190. A huge you goes out to all who donated! The proceeds will go toward books used in the classroom and replenishing books for the vending machine. Our goal is that all students will earn a book this year out of the book vending machine!

r Feature Book Talks: Students share what great books they are reading on Friday announcements. Students share out the author, genre, why we should read the book, and why the student enjoys the book. What a great way for students to learn other students about great books!

Monthly Activities: Recently, we have had monthly school wide reading activities such as a Reading Blizzard where students bed everything and read three times during a school day. Students also participated in a Reading Campout where they the blankets or stuffed animals and read anywhere in the classroom.

s fundamental and supports student learning growth in all subjects. In March, students are looking forward to getting ree book from the PcTO. We are excited at Pioneer to celebrate reading each and every day!









### **Ashwaubenon High School**

a great deal of work and our g with two rehearsals a week in ours of rehearsal time. Much of its with the crowning glory being those strengths were singing, amon goal of a successful show.

Ile school crew members, 12 high Ashwaubenon PAC and many tudents did an amazing job and the ext year's production.

#### **Golden Apple Award**

The AHS Tech Ed team of Dave Stroud, Jeremie Meyer and Tom Barnhart are recipients of this year's Golden Apple Award. In addition, Dave Stroud is the winner of the "Emerging Leader" award through the ITEEA, which is the National Association of Tech Ed teachers. Also, Jeremie Meyer has been named "Teacher of the Year" by the Wisconsin Technical Educators Association.



The Ashwaubenon High School Dance team won at State again! The team took D2 Champion Pom and Runner-up in Kick. Congratulations, team!







## **UPCOMING DATES**

**MARCH 2022** 

March 28-April 1: No School: Spring Break

**APRIL 2022** 

April 14: K-12 2-Hour Early Release; 4K No School

April 15: 4K-12 No School: Good Friday

April 18: 4K-12 No School: Teacher Inservice

**MAY 2022** 

May 12: 9-12 Grade Conferences 4-8pm

May 13: K-12 2-Hour Early Release; 4K No School

May 30: 4K-12 No School: Memorial Day

**JUNE 2022** 

June 8: 9-12 Early Release (11:30 am); 4K-8: Full Day

June 9: K-5 Early Release (11:00 am); 6-12 Early Release (11:30 am)

Last Day of School; End of Semester 2

June 13-July 8: Summer School

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# Monday, June 13 - Friday, July 8, 2022

(No School: Monday, July 4, 2022)

Summer School in the Ashwaubenon School District provides opportunities for children who wish to enrich and enhance their experiences beyond the regular school year. It also provides opportunities to explore new things. We invite you to register your current PK3 through 11th grade child for Summer School 2022 from Monday, April 11 - Friday, April 29. More details about summer school registration will be sent to parent e-mails on record in early April. Please read that material and course information online to determine with your child which summer school classes to take. Registration for courses is first come-first served and some popular courses close quickly due to reaching capacity. While late registration will be accepted after April 29, students will only be admitted as space permits.

#### https://www.ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us/district/summer-school.cfm

From the main Ashwaubenon School District website, hover over 'Families' on top, then click on 'Summer School' under 'Resources'.

#### **QUESTIONS?**

Please e-mail: summerschool@ashwaubenonk12.org