WHITEFORD AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT Office of the Superintendent of Schools



Superintendent Family Bulletin March 20, 2022

GREETING

I hope that everyone enjoyed the wonderful sunshine on this first day of Spring! Typically, I share a greeting related to the amazing happenings at school, but for this bulletin, I wanted to share a bit about myself personally as the past few months have been extraordinarily busy. Since Fall of 2020, I have been completing classes at Central Michigan University to obtain my Educational Specialist Degree (Ed.S.). After completing the last six hours this Spring, I will be graduating in May. I have always enjoyed post-graduate classes as it "sharpens the saw" in staying current with educational best practices and research. During the Superintendent selection process, I shared my desire to move into or near the school district. In mid-January, my wife (April) and I started the process of finding a home in the area. We didn't realize how difficult it is to secure a house in the school district or areas in Lambertville, Temperance or Blissfield. In February, we were able to sell our home in Dexter and purchase a home shortly after in Lambertville. On Wednesday, March 9, we moved into our new house, and we are slowly unpacking and making it feel like home. We are excited for the opportunity to meet more families and begin new friendships. Our family enjoyed the musical production "Into the Woods" on Friday evening, and we are looking forward to attending more school or athletic events this spring! If you see my family and I at an event, please do not hesitate to make a connection as we enjoy getting to know others and learning about their life story.

STRATEGIC PLAN RETREAT

After the cancellation of the Strategic Plan Retreat on March 5 due to a lack of participants, we have restructured the Retreat. The biggest reason for not being able to attend was the commitment of 7-8 hours on a Saturday. Rather than committing an entire day, we are going to offer stakeholders the opportunity to attend three (3) shorter sessions. Stakeholders are encouraged to attend all three (3) sessions from 3:15-5:30pm on March 31, April 12, and April 21. Each session will work towards the formation of a strategic plan. Retreat participants will review the following:

- Environmental Scan
- Review current status/progress of district
- Develop/Review/Renew Vision, Mission and Beliefs
- Review Educational Data
- Review Stakeholder Input Survey Summary
- Identify Key Strategic Goal Areas
- Identify 12-18 month priorities for each strategic goal
- Develop goal statements
- Communicate plan for implementation and process forward

The Retreat team consists of board members, superintendent, administrators, and representatives from teachers, staff, students, parents/guardians, and community. We understand the commitment involved in this process is great, but it is this work that will set the course of the Whiteford Agricultural School District for the next five (5) years. Each session will be held in the MS/HS Media Center with food and drinks being provided. If you are wanting to join in this work for ANY or all sessions, please email: scott.huard@whiteford.k12.mi.us. We will take ANY time you are able to commit to this important process.

4TH GRADE SPRING FLOWER SALE

The Spring Flower Sale has begun! An order form for Spring Flower Sales can be accessed at the Elementary School Office or by visiting our school website under News & Announcements at the bottom of the front page. Proceeds for this sale benefit our 4th graders that will attend Camp Michindoh next year. Order forms and payment are due by April 14.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

If you have an incoming Kindergartener, please sign-up for a date and time to register your child on April 13th from 4-7pm or April 14th from 8:30-11am. You can sign-up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4aafa62ca7fe3-kindergarten1

MARCH BOARD MEETING

The next Board of Education meeting is March 21, 2022. The Regular meeting will begin at 6:15pm in the MS/HS Media Center. The Board of Education Agendas & Minutes can be found here: <u>BOE Agenda & Minutes</u>

BREAKFAST/LUNCH MENUS

https://whiteford.nutrislice.com/menu

SCHOOL CALENDAR

2021-2022 School Calendar 2022-2023 School Calendar

THIS WEEK

March 14-April 14 4th Grade Spring Flower Sale
March 20 Spring Musical - Into the Woods 2:30pm HS Gymnasium

March 21 Board of Education Meeting 6:15pm MS/HS Media Center

March 24-26 Robotics Districts at Saline High School

March 25 End of 3rd Marking Period

March 26 Varsity Softball at St. Ursula Academy Noon DH

UPCOMING

March 28-31 5th/6th Grade Camp Michindoh

March 28 Varsity Baseball vs Adrian 4:30pm

March 28 Varsity Softball vs Adrian 4:30pm DH

March 29 Varsity Track vs Hudson/Tecumseh 4:30pm

March 30 JV Baseball at Blissfield 4pm DH
March 30 Varsity Baseball vs Blissfield 4pm
March 30 Varsity Softball vs Blissfield 4pm DH

April 1 Half Day Early Release MS/HS 11am, Elementary 11:10am

April 4-8 No School - Spring Break

April 5 Whiteford Recreation Club Meeting 7pm MS/HS Media Center
April 11 Board of Education Meeting 6:15pm MS/HS Media Center
April 13 State Testing Day - No School for Grades K-7th and 12th

April 13 Kindergarten Round-Up 4-7pm
April 14 Kindergarten Round-Up 8:30-11am
April 14 4th Grade Flower Sale Orders/Money Due

April 15 No School - Good Friday

April 17 Easter

April 18 Track & Field Scrap Metal Fundraiser Begins
April 18-May 6 NWEA Spring Benchmarking Assessment Window

We are better together - We are Whiteford!

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