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# PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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## CLASS OF 2024 TOP SCHOLARS

Pardeeville High School is proud to announce the top scholars for the Class of 2024. Earning these honors are valedictorian Katherine Rieckmann (above left) and salutatorian Abby Kuhn (right). See page 4 to read more about our top scholars.

## Pardeeville Class of 2024 will graduate on May 25

The graduation ceremony for Pardeeville’s Class of 2024 will be held on Saturday, May 25, beginning at 2 p.m. in the Pardeeville High School Gymnasium. Seniors should report to the high school auditorium by 1 p.m. with their cap, gown and other graduation items. Doors will open to the public at 1:15 p.m.

Families should enter the gymnasium at the main entrance. All seating is general admission on a first-come, first-served basis. If there are any requirements for special seating needs (handicapped or unable to climb stairs) contact Pardeeville High School Administrative Assistant Heidi Anderson at 608-429-2153 ext. 211 before May 17. Seating will be reserved to accommodate people with disabilities and special needs on the main floor behind the graduating class. If possible, we will try to reserve a seat for one other family member to sit with the person with disabilities or special needs if they need special assistance.

The graduation ceremony will be live streamed through the Pardeeville School District YouTube Channel (<https://www.youtube.com/@pardeevilleschools7252>).

### Sign-up to take part in Bulldog Stomp

Registration now open for annual event, which will take place on May 4  
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### Consider attending a Community Conversation

Public invited to discuss preliminary solutions and costs for facility needs during May events at High School  
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Some of the bus drivers from Smith Bus Service who were recognized during School Bus Driver Appreciation Week gather for a photo. They are, in front, from left; Barb Allen, Jenny Alfaro, Nicky Oetzman, Debbie Kuhl, Tim Smith. In the back; Cindy Crary, Jessie Falk, Kim Russell, Tonya Bock, Darrel Kuhl and Tom Anderson.

## Drivers recognized for important role

The Pardeeville Area School District proudly celebrated Wisconsin School Bus Driver Appreciation Week, extending heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated drivers from Smith Bus Service, who ensure the safe and timely transportation of students within the community.

During the week of Feb. 12-16, the Pardeeville Area School District joined schools across the state in recognizing the invaluable contributions of school bus drivers. These unsung heroes play a vital role in the daily lives of students, providing reliable transportation to and from school, extracurricular activities and special

events.

During the week, the district's bus drivers were welcomed into the high school library for donuts and coffee after completing their morning routes.

Those who drive for the Pardeeville Area School District include; Barb Allen, Dave Warnke, Craig Crary, Cindy Crary, Kim Russell, Nicky Oetzman, Darrel Kuhl, Tim Smith, Tonya Bock, William Woolever, Donna Bortz, Tom Anderson, Ben Oetzman, Debbie Kuhl, Jenny Alfaro, Judith Jerome, Dobie Adam, Jill Kowald and Sean Emberson

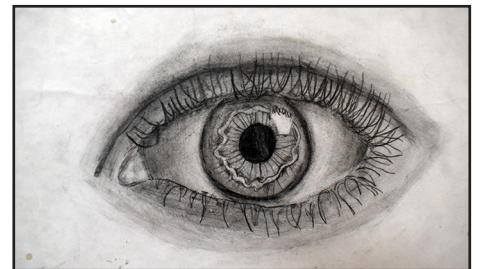
## Middle School Student Showcase is set for April 16

Pardeeville Middle School is hosting a Student Showcase Night on Tuesday, April 16 from 4-8 p.m. Students in grades 5-8 will have work from various classes on display.

Fifth-grade students will share their combined math and science projects, sixth-graders will share their passion projects and seventh and eighth-graders will share projects from math, science, English, and social studies. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to see some of the amazing things our kids learn about and create in school.

### 8th grade promotion is June 4

This year's 8th grade Promotion Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, June 4 at 1:30 p.m in the Lenz Auditorium. The ceremony will include student speakers, awards, a photo slideshow and a performance by the middle school choir.



The Pardeeville Middle School Student Showcase will feature the hard work for many students, including some eye-catching art work.

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- We are striving to develop a more comprehensive school/community system of communications.

## HELP US BY BEING WELL INFORMED

### Mission Statement

The Pardeeville Area School District, a caring, community-based learning organization, will provide all students an education that is a lifelong asset through active participation with family, business and community in a positive and challenging environment.

# Rieckmann, Kuhn shine brightest for Class of 2024

## Both seniors excelled in and out of the classroom for Pardeeville

Pardeeville High School is proud to announce its top scholars for the Class of 2024: Valedictorian Katherine Rieckmann and Salutatorian Abby Kuhn.

The Pardeeville Class of 2024 will graduate on Saturday, May 25. The biographies below were written by the students themselves.

### Valedictorian Katherine Rieckmann

Katherine Rieckmann is the daughter of David and Dawn Rieckmann. She was born in 2006. Katherine has one older sister, Julia, who graduated from Pardeeville High School in 2021.

Katherine has been attending Pardeeville Schools since 4K. Katherine has been involved in many clubs. Some of the clubs include the Drama Club, where Katherine is the President and stage manager, forensics, National Honors Society, Student Council, junior year, and Spanish Club. Katherine also was a part of the volleyball team freshman through junior year. During her freshman, sophomore, and junior years she lettered in Academics, Band, Choir, and Forensics. Katherine lettered in



volleyball and received 34 Solo and Ensemble medals in the past 3 years.

Katherine has been involved in music throughout high school. She has been a member of the show choir, choir, jazz band, and band since freshman year. Katherine sings soprano and plays the violin, alto saxophone, baritone saxophone, and bass guitar. During Marching band season, she is a Drum major. Katherine has participated in Solo and Ensemble and has made it to State for her vocal performances over the past four years. Katherine is also a part of the Wisconsin Youth Symphony Orchestra in Madison, where she plays with the first violins in the Philharmonia Orchestra.

Outside of school, Katherine enjoys volunteering during the summer in the Children's Department at the Portage Library. She also loves to read, embroider, diamond paint, crochet, and hike in her free time.

In the fall Katherine will be attending Carthage College, where she will play her violin in the Philharmonic Orchestra, sing in the Choir, and be on the ESports team. She plans

to double major in Biology and Vocal Performance and will be pursuing a career in Physical Therapy, where she would like to work with children and music.

### Salutatorian Abby Kuhn

Abby Kuhn is the daughter of Robert Kuhn and Erin Wickus. She was born in 2006. She has an older brother, Alex, who graduated from Pardeeville High School in 2022.

Abby has gone to Pardeeville Schools her whole life and has been involved in many different clubs/extracurricular activities. She is involved in Spanish Club, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Bulldog Stomp, and Choir. She is currently Treasurer of the Bulldog Stomp and Co-Vice President of Spanish Club.

One of her greatest memories involving Spanish Club is when she, and 16 other Spanish Club members, traveled to Spain in June of 2023. She got to stay with a host family and

had many unique experiences. They were able to see so many different museums and castles all over Spain. Abby is very grateful for Pardeeville Schools and the Spanish Club for giving her the opportunity to learn about different cultures from around the world.

When Abby is not at school, or working on homework, she enjoys spending time with family and friends. She loves the warm weather in the summer and being outside. She spends a lot of time swimming, hiking, and paddleboarding. In the winter, she spends her time inside, watching movies and hanging out with her family.

After high school, Abby plans to further her education at West Texas A&M University. She will be majoring in Accounting with plans of becoming a Certified Public Accountant. She is very excited to step out of her comfort zone and learn how to be more independent. She would like to thank all of her teachers and family for their continued support. She would especially like to thank Ms. Brees, her Spanish teacher, for always pushing her to do her best and always being there for her.



# Community & Staff Conversations Update

MARCH 6, 2024



PARDEEVILLE AREA  
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Strong Schools. **STRONG COMMUNITY.**

**THANK YOU** to parents, staff, and community members who attended our February Community & Staff Conversations!

The Pardeeville Area School District held Community & Staff Conversations on Facility Needs on February 20, 21, and 28 (including a virtual session) with total participation of **75+ attendees**.

Six focus categories were presented, along with the existing conditions within the district and how these spaces can look in modern educational and professional environments. **Attendees prioritized categories** in the below order of importance:

1. Food Service & Cafeterias
2. Career & Technical Education (CTE)
3. Educational Adequacy
4. Support, Safety & Accessibility
5. Physical Education & Athletic Support
6. School & Community Pride

Participants voted on the top three categories they felt the district should prioritize. Most respondents identified **Food Service & Cafeterias, CTE, and Educational Adequacy** as their **highest priorities**. School & Community Pride received the least amount of votes.



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## FUTURE MEETINGS

**Thursday, May 16**

11:30 - 12:30 p.m.

Virtual

Email [mecuje@pasdwi.org](mailto:mecuje@pasdwi.org) to RSVP

**Thursday, May 16**

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

High School Atrium

**Tuesday, May 21**

6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

High School Atrium

## QUESTIONS?

**Jason LeMay**

*District Administrator*

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# Community & Staff Conversations Update

MARCH 6, 2024



In addition to voting on categories, each participant was asked to identify three subcategories of focus they felt should be school district priorities through the long range facility planning process. Below are some of the ideas generated by community members for the top three categories:

## 1 Food Service & Cafeterias

- Upgrade high school kitchen: size, equipment, and service
- Develop a new/dedicated middle school cafeteria
- Create an inviting, vibrant, multi-functional commons environment

## 2 Career & Technical Education (CTE)

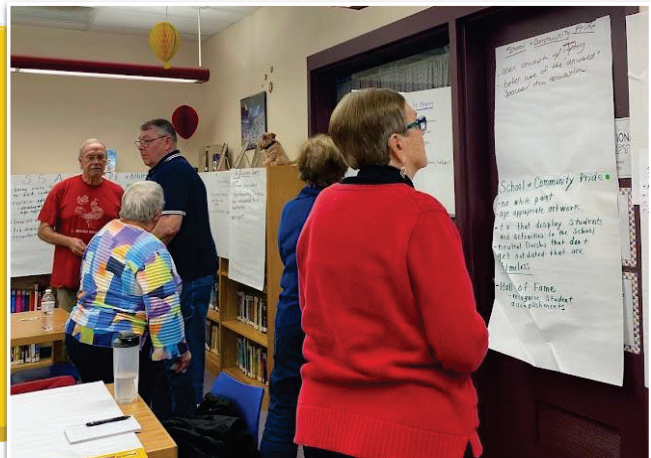
- More focus on professional trades: tech ed. program, upgraded Ag. Sci. program, etc.
- Expand space to create specialized areas (new/renovated greenhouse, food space, shop area, etc.)
- Life skills: Personal finance, cooking, etc.
- Expanding offerings to middle school

## 3 Educational Adequacy

- Address undersized classrooms across district
- Update playground equipment, fix drainage issues
- Provide appropriate spaces for special education needs

## 4 Safety, Security & Accessibility

- Address accessibility issues
- Address disconnect of Balliet building from rest of middle school
- Improve elementary school entrance security
- Review pick-up/drop-off to enhance safety



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# YOU'RE INVITED

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!



**THANK YOU** to every parent, staff and community member who participated in our February round of Community & Staff Conversation on Facility Needs.

**4** sessions | **75+** attendees

**96%** agreed session was informative & valuable

Community and staff gave feedback **showing support** for the Pardeeville Area School District to explore potential solutions that should prioritize:



**Food Service & Cafeterias**



**Career & Technical Education**



**Adequacy of Educational Space**



**Safety, Security & Accessibility**

**JOIN US** for the second round of Community & Staff Conversation on Facility Needs.

**Focus:** Potential solutions with costs to address facility needs and community-identified priorities.

| Option A   |
|--|
| May 16, 2024   |
| 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  |
| Virtual (Condensed Session)*   |
| Email <a href="mailto:mecuje@pasdwi.org">mecuje@pasdwi.org</a> to RSVP |

| Option B                       |
|--------------------------------|
| May 16, 2024                   |
| 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.               |
| Pardeeville High School Atrium |

| Option C                       |
|--------------------------------|
| May 21, 2024                   |
| 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.               |
| Pardeeville High School Atrium |

\*Option A is a condensed virtual session where attendee feedback will be limited to an online survey.



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# Many things to be proud of at Pardeeville Schools

## Students have thrived in many areas during the school year

As we welcome the arrival of April, it's time to reflect on our students' achievements and express our gratitude to those who contribute to our district's success. The newsletter you are reading showcases many of the amazing things going on in the Pardeeville Area School District and highlights some accomplishments and important announcements, like upcoming concerts, awards ceremonies and the graduation.

In this newsletter we also proudly recognize the four areas that I believe make for a strong school: Academics, Athletics, Arts and Service. Pardeeville Area School District has them all.

### Academics

This newsletter contains our most recent middle and high school honor rolls, and recognizes the Class of 2024 Valedictorian Katherine Rieckman and Salutatorian Abby Kuhn. A solid academic foundation is a major factor in a well-rounded education. Pardeeville continues to set a high standard and continues to work on ways to develop and expand our support for ALL students in their academics.

### Athletics

You will read about the outstanding achievements of many of our winter season co-curricular participants who continued to see success. Our wrestling program has continued to grow and flourish, sending four competitors to Madison to wrestle at the state level, our newer programs, like powerlifting and ice fishing, have found success in their second seasons, and our veteran sports program continue to be competitive and shining example of what being a Pardeeville Bulldog is all about.

### Arts

Support of the Arts is something that the Pardeeville community and



Pardeeville Area School District Administrator Jason LeMay talks about the district's long-range planning at the Community Conversation event held at Pardeeville Elementary School on Feb. 20.

school district has never shied away from. With our beautiful Lenz auditorium, talented students and strong music directors, parents and community members have ample opportunities to listen to a variety of talent at upcoming concerts. All grade levels will have an opportunity to shine as their musical talents are put on display. It isn't just the music departments that shine, our art program creates amazing pieces that are showcased here at school, as well as art shows. To bring it full circle, our drama department here continues to entertain us with their productions in a state-of-the-art facility. Don't miss their upcoming production in May!

### Service

Many of our school district's clubs and organizations have a service competent. The ability to volunteer and assist the community has been a tradition at Pardeeville for years. One of the biggest events the school district hosts, the annual Bulldog Stomp, not only brings hundreds of people to Pardeeville, but

provides funds to the UW-Carbon Cancer Center. This year, the Pardeeville Area School District will also be piloting a community-wide Day of Service. On May 10 you will find students spread throughout Pardeeville and neighboring communities involved in acts of service. A thank you to the continued support we receive from everyone.

Whether it's academic accomplishments, athletic success, artistic endeavors, or acts of service, each piece contributes to a strong school and a strong community. I give my heartfelt thanks to all those who contribute to our successes and encourage everyone to remain #PardeevilleProud of all the things that happen each day at Pardeeville.

Partners in the Future,

Jason LeMay  
District Administrator

# Goebel, Kirchmeier return to speak to Pardeeville students

The Pardeeville Area School District recently welcomed back Andy Goebel and Kemal Kirchmeier, two Pardeeville High School alumni who returned to their alma mater to impart knowledge and inspiration upon the current student body.

In February, Goebel, a 2015 graduate of Pardeeville High School and now a preparator at Carthage College, graciously shared his expertise with students in Mrs. Osterhaus' science classes at Pardeeville Middle School. Having completed a paleontology field course in Montana during his college years, Goebel captivated students with tales of his experiences at various dig sites. He told the students the distinctions between paleontology and archeology and recounted his involvement in uncovering both animal fossils and human artifacts.

Pardeeville High School welcomed back Kirchmeier, a member of the Pardeeville High School Class of 2013, in late March. Currently pursuing his Medical Doctor degree at The University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, Kemal is dedicated to serving rural communities like Pardeeville. Under the mentorship of Mrs. Sheeks, a nurse and instructor in the Pardeeville Area School District, Kemal is undertaking his Wisconsin



Pardeeville High School alumni Andy Goebel, from the class of 2015, left, and Kemal Kirchmeier, from the class of 2013, right, recently returned to Pardeeville Schools to speak to students.

Academy of Rural Medicine (WARM) and Public Health Elective.

During his recent visit, Kirchmeier engaged students in discussions about rural medicine, emphasizing the importance of healthcare in communities like Pardeeville. Through hands-on activities, students had the opportunity

to listen to heart sounds using stethoscopes and gain insights into the intricacies of the cardiovascular system. Kirchmeier's commitment to addressing physician shortages in rural areas serves as a shining example of the positive impact Pardeeville alumni can have on their community.



Members of the Pardeeville High School Forensics Team to qualify for the Wisconsin State Speech and Debate Festival are, from left; Caleb Gard, Elaine Hepler, Natalie Olson, Katherine Rieckmann, Taylor Stolinas, Lorelei Hepler and Rosanna Vaglio.

## Forensics team sends 7 members to State Speech and Debate Festival

The Pardeeville High School Forensics Team competed at the DeForest District Competition during the month of March and had seven members qualify to compete at the Wisconsin State Speech & Debate Festival, which will be held April 19-20 in Madison.

Pardeeville students to qualify for the state festival were; Elaine Hepler, Rosanna Vaglio and Taylor Stolinas in Farrago; Katherine Rieckmann in Prose; Natalie Olson in Poetry; Caleb Gard in Radio Speaking, and Lorelei Hepler in Moments in History.



## Pardeeville sends 10 events to State Solo and Ensemble

Once again, Pardeeville High School had a lot of state qualifiers this year in the music department. The program has a total of 10 events headed to the State Solo and Ensemble Festival at UW-Whitewater on April 27.

These events include; The High School Show Choir, Katherine Rieckmann (vocal solo and musical theatre solo), Katherine Rieckmann and Haven Schomburg (vocal duet), Haven Schomburg (vocal solo), Natalie Olson (musical theatre solo), Alex Fay (vocal solo and musical theatre solo), Elizabeth Keeling (piano solo) and Taylor Stolin and Oswald Sanchez (percussion duet). If you would like to see these performances, the schedule will be announced about two weeks in advance. It is open to the public.

### Spring elementary concerts will take place May 23

The Pardeeville Elementary School students will be showing off their musical talents one last time this spring. The Elementary Spring Concerts will take place at the Lenz Auditorium at Pardeeville High School on Thursday, May 23. All students – kindergarten through 4th grade – will be performing twice on May 23. The first show will start at 9 a.m. The second show will be at 1:30 p.m.

### High School Awards Concert set for May 9

The final concert of the year for the Pardeeville High School musicians will be the High School Awards Concert on May 9. This show will start at 6:30 p.m. at the Lenz Auditorium. All high school ensembles will be in attendance. They will begin by showcasing the songs they played for the Large Group Festival. We hope to see you all there for one last concert of the year.

### Middle School Awards Concert is May 13

All Pardeeville Middle School ensembles, grades 5-8, will be showing off their talents for you one last time



The Pardeeville High School Show Choir qualified to perform at the State Solo and Ensemble Festival in Whitewater on April 27. The group was one of 10 events from Pardeeville to qualify for the state competition.

at the Middle School Awards Concert, which will be held on May 13 at the Lenz Auditorium. The band portion of the show will be at 6 p.m., with the choir to follow, starting at 7 p.m.

Because the middle school concerts always fill the Lenz Auditorium close to capacity, the Pardeeville Middle School Awards Concert will once again be using reserved seating. Attendance for this show will be free, but everyone will be required to reserve seats through the district's online ticketing program in order to attend.

The show will be split into two sections – one each for band and choir. Those who have a student in both band and choir will need to reserve a seat for both sections of the concert. There will be a brief intermission between shows to allow those who are only in the band to leave. Please, if your student is only in band, reserve a seat for the band portion only, and vice versa if you have a student that is only in choir. Parents and guardians, please watch your emails for instructions on how to reserve seats.

Those wishing to see the middle

school concerts, but are not directly related to a student, the link to reserve your seat will be posted on the Pardeeville Music Department Facebook page about a week before the concert.

### Music students head to NYC

Many of Pardeeville's music students took a trip to New York City at the end of March to discover the city and represent our school by performing at the One World Observatory (Choir) and the USS Intrepid (Band).

The students did many touristy things such as visit Top of the Rock, Times Square, Staten Island Ferry, Central Park and Radio City. They also learned some things about New York at the Museum of Broadway and the 911 Memorial Museum. They also had time to take in a Broadway show, "Back to the Future." (Yes, that's a musical now.) You may even get to hear some of that music at the high school's last concert, hint, hint! The band and choir students truly had a fantastic time and made some great memories that will last a lifetime.

# Pardeeville parliamentary procedure team shines

The Pardeeville FFA parliamentary procedure team had a great showing at the FFA Sectional Leadership Development Event in Markesan in March, finishing in first place and advancing to the state competition to be held in June.

Pardeeville's parliamentary procedure team, which consists of Isabella Hineman, Celia Kopfhamer, Jason Renz, Madi Holland, Taylor Luedtke and Kiera Westbury, showed off their mastery of Robert's Rules of Order, earning their spot at the state competition.

Also at the sectional event in Markesan, Pardeeville's Isabella Hineman and Elizabeth Staupe competed in individual events. Hineman competed in the Discussion Meet and Staupe in the Prepared Speaking Contest. Neither one of them finished high enough to advance to the state competition, but they still impressed by showcasing their speaking skills at the event.

## Kiss-A-Pig event raises money to buy milk for pantries

During National FFA Week, the Pardeeville FFA sponsored a Kiss-A-Pig fundraiser. Five Pardeeville High School staff members participated in the event this year (Mr. Harry, Mrs. Serstad, Ms. Dugenske, Mr. Yedinak and Mr. Reynolds). The staff member who had the most money donated in their name had to kiss a pig during an assembly held at the end of the week. Winning the competition was Mr. Harry. And because the FFA reached their donation goal, Mr. Yedinak, who finished in second place, also had to kiss a pig.

We thank our staff members for being such good sports. We also thank junior FFA member Macy Cross and Cross Showpigs for supplying the pig for this year's event. The money raised was used to purchase milk cards that were donated to the local food pantry.

## Students drive their tractors to school on National Ag Day

On National Agriculture Day –



Wisconsin FFA Vice President Julia Lenz, far left, is shown with Pardeeville High School Parliamentary Procedure team members after they finished in first place at the FFA Sectional Leadership Development Event in Markesan on March 6. Team members are Jason Renz, Kiera Westbury, Isabella Hineman, Celia Kopfhamer, Madi Holland and Taylor Luedtke.



Pardeeville senior Logan Melter celebrated National Agriculture Day by driving his tractors to Pardeeville High School on March 19.

March 19 – The Pardeeville FFA invited high school students to drive their tractor or UTV to school. The special event had great participation, as over a dozen students participated by driving their tractors and UTVs to school on a chilly Tuesday morning.

From sleek new models to cherished

antique treasures, The Pardeeville student body showed off the diversity of agriculture and its impact on our community. What better way to honor National Ag Day than by showcasing our agricultural roots right here at Pardeeville High School.

# Students inducted into Spanish Honor Society

Honorees must have high GPA, meet other requirements

During a special ceremony held on Tuesday, March 19, six Pardeeville High School students were inducted into the prestigious Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica (Spanish Honor Society). Alex Gabsch, Chloe Kessenich, Cameron Koepp, Celia Kopfhamer, Zoe Soleimani, Lauren Schaller and Elizabeth Staube were formally welcomed into the society during a ceremony held in the high school LMC.

The induction ceremony, attended by current members and their families, celebrated the remarkable achievements of these students in the realm of Spanish language and culture. Each student has demonstrated



Pardeeville High School students inducted into the Spanish Honor Society on March 19 are, from left; Chloe Kessenich, Lauren Schaller, Alex Gabsch, Cameron Koepp, Celia Kopfhamer and Zoe Soleimani. Not pictured is Elizabeth Staube.

an unwavering commitment to learning Spanish, fostering cultural understanding, and engaging in meaningful volunteer work.

The Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica is a nationally recognized service and academic association dedicated to honoring students who excel in Span-

ish studies. To qualify for induction, Pardeeville students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.5, be enrolled in Spanish courses for all four years of high school, fulfill activity hour requirements, and actively serve as officers within the society.

## Students represent Pardeeville Middle School at State FBLA Conference in Wisconsin Dells

Five 8th grade students from Pardeeville Middle School attended the 2024 Middle School State FBLA Conference, which was held in Wisconsin Dells in late January.

Attending the conference from Pardeeville Middle School were Leyton Haseleu, Aili Majocka, Adalyn Schultz, Addy Neary and Macey Young. Each student took a 50-question test in their selected event. Selected events that Pardeeville students competed in included; Business Etiquette, FBLA Concepts, and Career Exploration. None of the Pardeeville students finished in the top four in their

event, which would have qualified them to compete at the national level, but they all enjoyed the entire process.

At the conference, our students attended a variety of workshops, including ones on networking, how to handle stressful situations, different ways to participate in FBLA in high school, and a mini-business world simulation. The students enjoyed meeting new people and had a great time at the waterpark. We look forward to seeing what these students do with FBLA next year at the high school level.

## Staube finishes 1st at FBLA Regional meet

Pardeeville High School junior FBLA member Elizabeth Staube, who earned a first place while competing in Public Policy and Advocacy at the Region 5 FBLA competition held in Columbus on Feb. 3. The first place earns Elizabeth the chance to compete at the Wisconsin FBLA State Leadership Conference in Green Bay on April 8-9.



Staube

Pardeeville freshman Lorelei Heppler, who also competed at the regional meet, finished in the top 10 in Public Speaking.



Representing Pardeeville Middle School at the Regional Math 24 Meet in Wisconsin Dells were, in front, from left; Avery Brockman, Rocky Reinecke, Matthew Ammann, Bristol Jahn, Sofia Bell, Nadia Overland and Olivia Vanden Hoven. In back; Kinley Levin, Josiah Wendt, Bailey Ammann, Alyvia Bell, Finn Swenson, Quinnlyn Lusk and advisor, Mrs. Bell. Other members of the Pardeeville Middle School Math 24 team who are not pictured are Oliver Lynch, Jezzy Bardon and Abby Olson.



Representing Pardeeville Elementary School at the Regional Math 24 Meet in Wisconsin Dells are, from left; Graiden Casey, Troy Erlandson, Lucas Gessler, Odin Hart, Lawson Walsh, Egan Walsh and advisor, Mrs. Weidner. Not pictured are team members Ellie Soppe, Dawson Radke, Brynwen Moe, Jack Kenevan and Landon Porter.

## Students compete in Math 24 meet

Pardeeville Elementary School and Pardeeville Middle School both sent students to the regional Math 24 competition held in Wisconsin Dells during the month of March. Students have been practicing since October in order to participate in the regional competition.

The Pardeeville students did not return home with any top awards, but we are proud of how hard they worked at improving their math skills.

Pardeeville Middle School students who attended the competition were; Sofia Bell, Matthew Ammann, Nadia Overland, Bristol Jahn, Avery Brock-

man, Olivia Vanden Hoven, Rocky Reinecke, Bailey Ammann, Josiah Wendt, Alyvia Bell, Finn Swenson, Kinley Levin and Quinnlyn Lusk. Other members of the Pardeeville Middle School Math 24 team are Oliver Lynch, Jezzy Bardon and Abby Olson.

Pardeeville Elementary School Students who attended the competition were Graiden Casey, Troy Erlandson, Lucas Gessler, Odin Hart, Lawson Walsh and Egan Walsh. Other team members are Ellie Soppe, Dawson Radke, Brynwen Moe, Jack Kenevan and Landon Porter.

## Conferences planned to help 4th graders transition

The week of April 29th-May 3rd, Mrs. Dietzenbach will be meeting with every 4th grade student and their parent(s) to talk about what to expect in middle school. Mrs. Dietzenbach will share information about schedules, after-school activities, and the school. This is a great time for students and parents to ask questions or share any concerns they may have about middle school. Then, in May, all 4th graders go over to the middle school for a tour.

Parents, please keep an eye out at the beginning of April for an email sent about how to reserve a time to meet using the website Sign Up Genius. If you have any questions call Mrs. Dietzenbach at 429-2151 ext. 152 or email [dietme@pasdwi.org](mailto:dietme@pasdwi.org).

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## High School conferences will take place April 16

Pardeeville High School is hosting parent-teacher conferences on Tuesday, April 16, from 4 to 8 p.m. This event offers an opportunity for parents to engage directly with their children's educators

During the conferences, parents are encouraged to meet with any of their children's teachers to discuss academic progress, address concerns, and explore strategies for further support. These face-to-face interactions provide a personalized approach to understanding each student's unique educational journey.




**Pardeeville High School  
8:00 a.m. Registration, 10:00 a.m. The  
Event Begins! Rain or Shine**



Register online using this QR code:

or fill out this paper copy and mail to:  
Pardeeville High School, c/o Chris Lynch, 120 S. Oak Street,  
Pardeeville, WI 53954

Please complete all information below and make checks payable to  
**Pardeeville Schools.**

|  | Early Registration (by 4/5/24) |        |   | Late Registration 4/6/24-5/4/24 |        |         |
|---|--------------------------------|--------|---|---------------------------------|--------|---------|
|   | Cost                           |        |   | Cost                            |        |         |
|   | 3K Walk                        | 5K Run | T-Shirt   | 3K Walk                         | 5K Run | T-Shirt |
| <b>Children (9 and Under)</b>   | Free                           | Free   | No<br><small>(Shirts can be purchased for \$10)</small> | Free                            | Free   | No      |
| <b>Students (10-19)</b>   | \$15                           | \$20   | Yes   | \$20                            | \$25   | No      |
| <b>Seniors (61+)</b>  | \$20                           | \$25   | Yes   | \$25                            | \$30   | No      |
| <b>Adults (20-60)</b>   | \$25                           | \$30   | Yes   | \$30                            | \$35   | No      |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

1) T-Shirt Size: Check the box for the size you would like to order.

Adult:  Small  Medium  Large  X-Large  XX-Large (\$5 Extra)  3XL (\$5 Extra)

Children's Circle: (YS) (YM) (YL) (Shirts are \$10 for children ages 9 and under)

2) Check the box that pertains to your participation:  5k Run  3k Walk  Kids 1 Mile Race

3) If you are competing in the 5k Run, please include your age: \_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT OF CONSENT:** I understand the risks that may be involved with "Cancer/Run Walk" and willingly and voluntarily accept these risks. I grant permission to the Pardeeville Student Council and Carbone Cancer Center of Madison to use photos/images/and/or quotations from me in accounts and promotion of this event.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**(Parent or Guardian signature if under 18 years of age)**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Entry fee paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any additional family members from the address listed above such as a spouse, partner or children and include one **check payable to **Pardeeville Schools****. Please do not include additional participants that are not members of your family.  
Thank you.

2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_ Circle: 5k Run 3k Walk 1Mi. Run  
Circle Adult Shirt Size: (S) (M) (L) (XL) (2XL+\$5) (3XL+\$5) Circle Child Shirt Size: (YS) (YM) (YL)

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### **Children 9 and Under Shirt Orders**

Registration is free. However, if you would like to order a shirt for a child age 9 and younger, please register them above, and include \$10 for the purchase of the shirt.

### **Electronic Timing**

Free electronic chip timing to all 5K runners!

### **Organizing Teams**

Would you like to form a team? Please use our online registration and share your team with family or friends.

### **Sponsorship information**

The Bulldog Stomp Cancer Run/Walk is always looking for additional sponsorships! Sponsors are listed on our t-shirts, website and billboard. If you, your business or employer would be interested in sponsoring our event, please contact Chris Lynch at (608) 429-2153 ext. 245 or email [lynchc@pasdwi.org](mailto:lynchc@pasdwi.org). You can also find sponsorship forms and information on our website <https://www.pasdwi.org/community/bulldog-stomp-sponsorship.cfm>

### **Raffle Prizes**

Raffle prizes and silent auction items are welcome! Perhaps you would like to donate items to our event? If so, contact Chris Lynch at (608) 429-2153 ext 245. All donations are listed on our website.



**All proceeds benefit the UW Carbone Cancer Center.**

Please contact Chris Lynch at (608) 429-2153 ext 245,  
Email: [lynchc@pasdwi.org](mailto:lynchc@pasdwi.org) if you have any questions regarding registration

# PARDEEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## 2024-2025 STUDENT CALENDAR

(Board Approved 1/2/24)

Aug. 1-District Registration  
 Aug. 28-District Wide Open House

Sept. 2- No School  
 Sept. 3- 1st Day of School For Only: K, 5th Gr. & 9th Gr.  
 Sept. 4- All Students At School  
 Sept. 9-13 -Homecoming

| SEPTEMBER 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| S              | M  | T  | W  | Th | F  | S  |
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| 8              | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15             | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22             | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29             | 30 |    |    |    |    |    |

| OCTOBER 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 20           | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | N  | 26 |
| 27           | N  | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |    |

P/T Conference:  
 Oct. 15 & 24- EL/MS/HS 4PM - 8PM  
 Oct. 25-28- No School October

Nov. 22- End of Trimester One  
 Nov. 25-29 -Thanksgiving Break

| NOVEMBER 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 24            | N  | N  | N  | N  | N  | 30 |

| DECEMBER 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 15            | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22            | N  | N  | N  | N  | N  | 28 |
| 29            | N  | N  |    |    |    |    |

Dec. 23-31- Winter Break

Jan. 1- Winter Break  
 Jan 2.- Classes Resume  
 P/T Conferences:  
 Jan. 23- EL only 4PM - 8 PM  
 Jan. 24- No School (EL ONLY)  
 P/T Conferences:  
 Jan. 30- EL/MS/HS 4PM - 8PM  
 Jan. 31- No School

| JANUARY 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 19           | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | EL | 25 |
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| FEBRUARY 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 16            | EL | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
|               | N  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 23            | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |    |

Feb. 17- No School (EL ONLY)

March 5- End of Trimester Two  
 March 6-7- No School  
 March 24-28- Spring Break

| MARCH 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| APRIL 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 27         | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |

April 18-21- No School

P/T Conference:  
 April 24- MS/HS 4PM - 8PM

May 24- Graduation  
 May 26- No School

| MAY 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 11       | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18       | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | GR |
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| JUNE 2025 |   |    |    |    |    |    |
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June 6- Last Day of School June 6 (Half-day) & End of Trimester Three

*Possible snow make up days:  
 April 21, June 6 (full day), June 9*

**KEY**  
 N = No School  
 T = End of Trimester  
 GR = Graduation Day  
 PT = Parent/Teacher Conferences

End of Trimester 1 = 57 Days  
 End of Trimester 2 = 59 Days  
 End of Trimester 3 = 57 Days  
 Total = 173 Days





The Four C Notes, a Frankie Valli tribute group, will be performing at the Lenz Auditorium on Friday, May 17.

## Frankie Valli tribute group coming to Lenz Auditorium

The Lenz Auditorium is excited to announce that The Four C Notes will be performing here on Friday, May 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Pioneered by John Michael Coppola, best known for his appearance in Chicago’s long-running production of the Broadway smash hit “Jersey Boys,” The Four C Notes are the Midwest’s only tribute dedicated to recreating the music of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons.

Tickets for this show can be purchased online at [www.pasdwi.org/community/events.cfm](http://www.pasdwi.org/community/events.cfm) or via phone at 608-285-2717 (M-F 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.). Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors.

### INSTAGRAM GIVEAWAY

The Lenz Auditorium is now on Instagram (@lenzauditorium). When it reaches 100 followers, the Lenz Auditorium will be giving one of those followers a free ticket to an upcoming show.

### TICKET SALE POLICY

1. Online Ticket sales end 24 hours prior to the performance. If the show is sold out, it will be posted on the Lenz Auditorium’s website and on its Instagram and Facebook pages.

2. Ticket sales are non-refundable, except in the case of a canceled performance. Refunds can take the form of a gift certificate, which can go towards a future ticket purchase, or a donation to the Lenz Auditorium’s general operating fund.

3. Any questions about tickets or experiencing troubles in ordering? Contact Adam at 608-285-2717.

## FROM THE NURSE’S OFFICE

# Pick up your child’s medications when school year is complete

Please remember to pick up your child’s medications in June, at the end of the school year. Looking ahead to the 2024-25 school year, please be complete and as accurate as possible when filling out any forms for your child, on either a paper copy or online. Also, if your child is going to see their medical provider, check to see if they are in need of a vaccination, a health plan, or a medication form. It is best to have one stop and be done! As always do not hesitate to contact the nurses with any questions or concerns.

Spring is in the air and with it comes many allergies. The best way of course, to not have an allergic reaction, is to not have the allergen around you. However, often we can not stop the pollen and dander. The next best way to help yourself is to wash it off and taking a shower is a good way to get the allergen out of your hair and off your skin. Washing also includes drops for your eyes and mist sprays or neti pots for your nose. (If you make your own solution, make sure you boil and cool the water used to prevent a possible severe infection.)

Taking a shower or bath before bed helps to keep the pollen and dander away from your bedding. Keeping clothes and bedding washed also helps to decrease the allergens. Air purifiers are also helpful as long as you follow proper maintenance guidelines. When these steps do not



**JANETTE SHEEKS**  
School Nurse

give relief, there are many antihistamines to choose from. Always, read the labels carefully and consult your doctor before taking any medication for your allergies.

Untreated allergies may lead to asthma and there is allergic asthma. The best asthma plan for you is a plan you can do and a plan that controls your symptoms. To accomplish this, you need to work closely with your medical provider. This may include several visits to get it right.

Young children can take an active role in their asthma by being taught to ask an adult for help when they are having trouble. Inhalers are most helpful when they are kept close to where your child is going to be. Prevention is the key to allergies and asthma.

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy, Be Happy!

Mrs. Sheeks RN  
[sheeja@pasdwi.org](mailto:sheeja@pasdwi.org)  
608-429-2153 Ext. 236



# Pardeeville art students again complete Memory Projects

Pardeeville High School's Art Club and National Art Honor Society have once again demonstrated their commitment to compassion and creativity by partnering with The Memory Project to bring joy to orphaned Syrian children living in refugee camps.

In a heartwarming collaboration with The Memory Project, headquartered in Madison, Pardeeville High School students embarked on a meaningful artistic journey to create works of art for children facing unimaginable challenges. This marks the third consecutive year that Pardeeville Art Club and NAHS have participated in this impactful initiative.

The students poured their talent and empathy into crafting portraits and "identity" pieces for the Syrian children. Some students chose to depict their subjects through intricate portraits, while others captured the essence of their identities using self-descriptive words and phrases provided by the Syrian children themselves.

The artwork was sent to the Syrian children, with the dedicated volunteers of The Memory Project hand-



Pardeeville High School Art Club and National Art Honor Society members completed memory projects, or portraits, which were sent to Syrian children. This is the third straight year the Pardeeville Art Club and NAHS have participated in this program.

delivering each piece to its recipient. The students will get to witness the joy and hope their artwork brings through pictures and videos of the delivery process.

The Memory Project is a non-profit organization that invites art teachers and their students to create and donate

portraits to youth around the world who have faced substantial challenges, such as violence, disasters, extreme poverty, neglect, and loss of parents. Through these meaningful exchanges, The Memory Project aims to provide children with a tangible reminder of their own strength and resilience.

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## Pardeeville Drama Club presenting 'Murder Box' in May

The Pardeeville Drama Club and its members have been busy preparing for their upcoming production of the captivating thriller "Murder Box," set to enthrall audiences at the Lenz Auditorium. Led by club directors, Ms. Katelyn Dugenske and Mr. Bruce Brey, this theatrical experience promises to keep audiences on the edge of their seats with its intricate plot and compelling performances.

The play is set at the end of the 1940s in an old theatre building, which is about to be torn down. As the theatre's acting troupe is packing up the props, costumes and set pieces, an old magician's trunk is wheeled onstage. Suddenly, members of the company are turning up dead.

Margaret, the director's assistant, is the only witness to these crimes, and no one will believe her. Can she solve the mystery, or at least convince her fellow cast and crew about the sinister happenings, before the entire company is doomed? And when ghosts from the past mysteriously re-



turn, will former victims turn into new killers themselves? This thriller has plenty of twists, turns, and terror, and you never know who will end up in the "Murder Box."

The show is scheduled to take place on Friday, May 3 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, May 4 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, May 5 at 2 p.m.

# Pardeeville 4K students dazzle with circus performance

Pardeeville Elementary School's 4K students stole the show with their amazing circus performance on Friday, March 15. From balancing acts to juggling skills, they showcased talents that not only dazzled, but also aligned perfectly with the 4K program's Gross Motor Standards.

These little performers wowed family members in attendance by mastering skills like balancing on one foot, throwing and catching balls, skipping, rolling, and hopping – all integral components of their gross motor development. But the circus wasn't just about physical prowess; it's also a fantastic platform for nurturing social and language skills.

Having the young students perform in front of an audience helps them grow in confidence and poise. Moreover, their ability to work cooperatively with peers, follow directions, and recall sequences of events demonstrates their progress in social and cognitive development.

Kudos to our young circus stars for not only entertaining us but also showcasing the incredible progress they've made this year!



ABOVE: Some of the performers in the Pardeeville 4K Circus, held on March 15 at Pardeeville Elementary School, lineup to greet the crowd that came to see them in action.



LEFT: A 4K student shows off her balancing skills during the Pardeeville 4K Circus held on March 15 at Pardeeville Elementary School.



Pardeeville ice-fishing team member Joe Dosemagen shows off a northern pike he caught while fishing in the Wisconsin Interscholastic Fishing Association State Championship on Feb. 24.

## Ice-fishing team finishes 28th at state championship

The Pardeeville High School ice-fishing team had an up-and-down season. The Bulldog anglers spent much of the winter waiting for it to get cold enough for safe ice to form on area lakes, but once that happened, the team made the best of its shortened season.

The team officially qualified to compete in the Wisconsin Interscholastic Fishing Association State Championships by catching 488 inches of fish – well over the 200 inch qualifying mark – during a state-qualifying event in early January. Due to poor ice conditions, this

year state championship was changed to a virtual event, which meant the team could fish on any public ice in the state of Wisconsin on one of four days (Feb. 17, 18, 24 or 25).

The Pardeeville team chose to fish on Saturday, Feb. 24 and it finished its day of fishing with just shy of 400 inches of fish. When all 55 teams in the state had their fish totaled, Pardeeville ended up in 28th place overall. Neenah finished as the 2024 state champion with 554.75 inches of fish.

# Pardeeville boys basketball wins conference championship

It was a memorable season for the Pardeeville boys basketball program, as the varsity Bulldogs won 20 games and won the first conference championship since 2018.

The Bulldogs finished 12-2 in Trailways West Conference play, which tied for the top spot with Randolph. The strong season led to Pardeeville getting the No. 1 seed in its side of the sectional for postseason play, but the playoffs came to an early end, as Poynette upset the Bulldogs, 71-63 in a regional semifinal game on March 1.

The Bulldogs were led by senior Austin Hohn, who averaged 19.8 points per game. He was especially dangerous from long range, as he made 85 of his 175 3-point attempts. In his final season with the Bulldogs, Hohn was named the Player of the Year in the Trailways West Conference while also earning Honorable Mention All-State honors in Division 4 from the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association.

Hohn was one of four players to earn recognition on the All-Trailways West Conference Teams. Earning a spot on the league's second team were juniors Eli Achterberg and Caleb Gard, while junior Jamison Wickersham received honorable mention.

Achterberg averaged 12.2 points, 5.3 rebounds and 3.6 assists per game this



The Pardeeville boys basketball team won the program's first conference championship since 2018. Team members are, in front, from left; James Morgan, Brenden Krueger, Austin Hohn, Logan Neary and Eli Achterberg. In back; Caleb Gard, Jamison Wickersham, Logan Schmidtke, Thomas Gawel, Hunter Manthey, Devin Jerome, Owen Kirk and Nicholas Sween.

season before having his season end early with an ankle injury that he suffered in an 80-67 victory over Fall River on Jan. 30. Gard averaged 10.7 points, 5.7 rebounds and 3.1 assists per game for the Bulldogs. Wickersham emerged as a scoring threat for Pardeeville, averaging 13 points and a team-best 6.2 rebounds per game.

Following the season, head coach Chris Lindert handed out team awards. Winning those awards were; Caleb Gard (Step-Up Award), Nicholas Sween

(Scout Player Award), Eli Achterberg (Role Player Award), Logan Neary (Coaches Award), Brenden Krueger (6th Man Award), Logan Schmidtke (Senior Player Award), Jamison Wickersham (WBCA Team First Award), Hunter Manthey and James Morgan (Team Player Awards), Devin Jerome (Rookie of the Year), Owen Kirk (Mr. Hustle) and Austin Hohn (Captain Award, MVP and Bulldog Academic Excellence Award).

# Pardeeville girls curling team reaches state semifinals

The Pardeeville High School boys and girls curling teams finished their seasons competing at the Wisconsin High School Curling Championships at the Wausau Curling Club on Feb. 16-17.

The Pardeeville girls curling program featured eight varsity-caliber curlers this season, which allowed it to send two teams to the state championships. Leading the charge for the Bulldogs in Wausau was the Pardeeville 2 Girls Team, which finished among the top four teams in the state. The team of Maddy Harvey, Autumn Fischer, Allie Gawel and Kiana Berry picked up wins over Portage (6-5) and DC Everest (9-7) in pool play to advance all the way to the state semifinals before losing to a Poynette team that went on to win its third straight state championship.



Pardeeville girls curling team members, from left; Maddy Harvey, Autumn Fischer, Allie Gawel and Kiana Berry reached the semifinals at the Wisconsin High School Curling Championships in Wausau.

# Three Bulldogs place at state wrestling championships

The Pardeeville wrestling team put together another exciting postseason run, qualifying four individuals for the WIAA State Individual Wrestling Tournament, with three of those wrestlers landing on the podium with top-six finishes.

The Bulldogs were led by junior William Becker. The three-time state qualifier entered the state tournament with a perfect 53-0 record. After earning a first-round bye, Becker advanced to the semifinals in Division 3 at 175 pounds with a 13-2 major decision victory over Markesan's Treston Eckstein. In the semifinals, Becker suffered his first loss of the season, dropping a 5-2 decision to David Malin of La Crosse Aquinas. Becker bounced back with a 13-0 major decision victory in the consolation semifinals, but had to settle for fourth place after losing the third-place match to Nash Banko of Oostburg, 3-2.

Pardeeville sophomore Kingston Galetka qualified for the state tournament for the second straight year. Galetka went 2-2 at the Kohl Center in Madison and finished with a 46-3 record on the season. Galetka finished in 6th place in Division 3 at 144 pounds after a 9-1 major decision victory over Shiocton's Jordan Jahnke in the fifth-place match. The victory over Jahnke was especially sweet, as it avenged a loss in the quarterfinals, where Jahnke pinned Galetka in the second period.

Junior Caleb Mackey was Pardeeville's third wrestler to place at the state tournament. In his state-tournament debut, Mackey went 2-3 and finished in sixth place overall. His pin over Clear Lake's Tyler Sunday got Mackey to the fifth-place match, but he had to settle for sixth following a loss that finished his season with a 53-6 overall record.

Pardeeville freshman Dominic Garcia was Pardeeville's fourth state qualifier, but his state tournament came to an early finish when he lost an 8-2 decision to Iowa-Grant/Highland's Tyson Imhoff in the opening round. Garcia finished his first varsity season with a 46-5 record.



Pardeeville wrestlers, from left; Kingston Galetka, Will Becker and Caleb Mackey are shown after winning titles at the Poynette Regional. All three wrestlers went on to place at the WIAA State Wrestling Championships. They were joined at the state meet by freshman teammate Dominic Garcia.

Other highlights for Pardeeville included both Becker and Mackey picking up their 100th career victories during the season. During the regular season, Pardeeville finished third in the Trailways North Conference with a 4-2 conference record in dual meets. At the Trailways Conference Meet, held on Feb. 3, Pardeeville finished third overall out of 14 teams.

Pardeeville crowned four individual champions at the conference meet, with Galetka, Garcia, Mackey and Becker all winning their respective weight divisions. Pardeeville sophomore Cameron McManis also earned honorable mention in the conference by finishing third at 285 pounds at the conference meet.

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## Elementary School PBIS program hosting cornhole tournament

### Event will take place April 13, raise funds for positive behaviors

Pardeeville Elementary School is hosting a cornhole tournament on Saturday, April 13, an event designed not only to entertain but also to raise funds for the school's Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program.

The tournament will start at 11 a.m. There is a \$40 team entry fee. Teams will play four games of round-robin play leading into a double elimination bracket. Food will be available. There will also be a 50/50 drawing, basket raffles and a bake sale. You can register on the Scoreholio app or by contacting [whytp@pasdwi.org](mailto:whytp@pasdwi.org).

PBIS is a proactive approach that focuses on encouraging good behavior and values among students. The funds raised from this campaign will be in-

vested in the PBIS program, ensuring we can continue to positively impact our students' lives.

In the past, PBIS has provided students with hot chocolate days, trips to the theater, and bowling alley, and many smaller community-building activities within the school to promote positive behaviors and values. We hope that you will consider signing up and joining us for a day of community fun while helping to raise funds to support PBIS.

# Young Bulldogs finish second in Trailways West Conference

During the 2023-24 season, the Pardeeville girls basketball team featured more youth than it has in recent seasons, but that didn't stop the Bulldogs from racking up the victories. Pardeeville finished the recently-completed season with an 11-3 record in the Trailways West Conference, good for second place in the league. Pardeeville ended up 16-8 overall with a team that was heavy in junior and sophomore players.

The Bulldogs will graduate three seniors from the program: Aubrey Maass, Lauren Weisensel and Isabella Hineman. The loss of Maass will be especially big, as the senior averaged 18.3 points per game in her final season in a Pardeeville uniform, earning herself a unanimous First Team All-Trailways West Conference selection. She was also selected as the team MVP.

Joining Maass as a first team all-league pick for the Bulldogs was sophomore Ava Wagner, who had an outstanding first season in Pardeeville. Wagner averaged a double-double with the bulldogs with 14.3 points and 12.8 rebounds per game this season. Other members of Pardeeville's strong sophomore class included Lexi Hughes, who earned honorable mention from the conference coaches after leading the league with 4.1 steals per game, and Bronte Hulberg, who averaged 9.2 points per contest this season.

Earning postseason awards for Pardeeville this season were Natalie Peissig, Lexi Bryan and Sophia Jerome (Captains Award); Lexi Hughes (Defensive Player of the Year), Emma Gentz (Coaches Award) and Ava Wagner (Most Improved).



Pardeeville senior Aubrey Maass was a unanimous First Team All-Trailways West Conference pick for the Bulldogs this season.



## Kessenich lifts at state meet

Pardeeville junior Chloe Kessenich, a member of the Pardeeville High School Powerlifting Team, qualified to compete at the Wisconsin High School State Powerlifting Association State Championships in Appleton. This was the second year in a row Kessenich qualified to compete at the state meet. Kessenich did not place at the state meet, but enjoyed her time competing with the state's best high school lifters.

## Pardeeville hosts career fair

The annual Pardeeville High School Job Fair was held in the school's gymnasium on Friday, Feb. 2. The event, aimed at providing students with valuable insights into various career paths and networking opportunities, proved to be a resounding success with over 70 businesses from the surrounding area in attendance.

The event offered students the chance to explore potential career options, interact with professionals from different industries, and gain valuable information about job opportunities and skill requirements. Students from the neighboring Rio and Cambria-Friesland districts also attended the career fair.



Angela Beaumont and Chase Brock of the Columbia County Sheriff's Department talk to students at the career fair held at Pardeeville High School.

## 2024 Pardeeville Spring Sports Schedules

### MIDDLE SCHOOL BASEBALL

April 8, at Westfield, 4:30 p.m.  
April 13, at Princeton/Green Lake (DH), 11 a.m.  
April 15, at Markesan (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 18, vs. Montello (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 23, at Randolph (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 26, vs. Westfield (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 9, at Oakfield (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 14, vs. Waupun CWC (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 16, vs. Markesan (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 23, at Fall River (DH), 4:30 p.m.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL SOFTBALL

April 9, at Montello (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 11, at Cambria-Friesland (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 15, vs. Cambria-Friesland (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 18, at Princeton/Green Lake (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 22, at Baraboo (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 25, vs. Princeton/Green Lake (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
April 26, vs. Westfield (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 7, vs. Oakfield (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 9, vs. Baraboo (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 14, vs. Markesan (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 16, at Fall River (DH), 4:30 p.m.  
May 23, vs. Fall River (DH), 4:30 p.m.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD

April 9, Pardeeville Invite, 4:30 p.m.  
April 16, at Fall River Invite, 4 p.m.  
April 23, at Westfield Invite, 4:30 p.m.  
April 25, at Markesan Invite, 4 p.m.  
April 30, at Princeton Invite, 4 p.m.  
May 2, at Rio Invite, 4 p.m.  
May 7, at Wild Rose Invite, 4 p.m.

### JUNIOR VARSITY BASEBALL

April 1, vs. Westfield, 5 p.m.  
April 13, at Fall River (DH), 9:30 a.m.  
April 16, vs. Portage, 5 p.m.  
April 20, vs. Parkview (DH), 10 a.m.  
April 22, at Poynette, 5 p.m.  
April 26, at Deerfield (DH), 4 p.m.  
April 29, at Waterloo, 5 p.m.  
May 7, vs. Lodi, 5 p.m.  
May 21, at Portage, 5 p.m.

### VARSITY BASEBALL

April 2, at Markesan, 5 p.m.  
April 4, vs. Markesan, 5 p.m.  
April 5, vs. Whitehall, 5 p.m.  
April 8, at Waterloo, 5 p.m.  
April 9, at Montello, 5 p.m.  
April 11, vs. Montello, 5 p.m.  
April 12, vs. Oakfield, 5 p.m.  
April 15, at Cambria-Friesland, 4 p.m.  
April 18, vs. Cambria-Friesland, 5 p.m.  
April 19, at Rio, 5 p.m.  
April 22, at Poynette, 5 p.m.  
April 23, vs. Randolph, 5 p.m.  
April 25, at Randolph, 5 p.m.  
April 27, vs. Oakfield, 10 a.m.  
April 30, at Beaver Dam Wayland, 5 p.m.  
\*May 1, vs. Portage, 5 p.m.

May 2, vs. Beaver Dam Wayland, 5 p.m.  
May 3, vs. Westfield, 5 p.m.  
May 6, at Waupun CWC (DH), 4 p.m.  
May 10, at Princeton/Green Lake, 5 p.m.  
May 13, vs. Oshkosh Lourdes, 5 p.m.  
May 16, at Oshkosh Lourdes, 5 p.m.  
May 17, vs. Princeton/Green Lake, 5 p.m.  
\*Game is at American Family Field in Milwaukee.

### VARSITY SOFTBALL

April 2, at Oakfield, 5 p.m.  
April 4, vs. Montello, 5 p.m.  
April 5, vs. Princeton/Green Lake, 5 p.m.  
April 11, vs. Beaver Dam Wayland, 5 p.m.  
April 12, vs. Rio, 5 p.m.  
April 15, at Randolph, 5 p.m.  
April 18, at Cambria-Friesland, 5 p.m.  
April 19, vs. Markesan, 5 p.m.  
April 22, vs. Westfield, 5 p.m.  
April 23, at Oshkosh Lourdes, 5 p.m.  
April 25, vs. Oakfield, 5 p.m.  
April 29, vs. Oshkosh Lourdes, 5 p.m.  
April 30, at Montello, 5 p.m.  
May 2, at Princeton/Green Lake, 5 p.m.  
May 6, vs. Randolph, 5 p.m.  
May 7, at Beaver Dam Wayland, 5 p.m.  
May 10, vs. Cambria-Friesland, 5 p.m.  
May 13, at Wautoma, 4:30 p.m.  
May 14, at Wisconsin Heights, 5 p.m.

### HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

April 8, JV at Lake Wisconsin, 9 a.m.  
April 11, at Lake Breeze G.C., 10 a.m.  
April 12, JV at Lake Breeze G.C., 10 a.m.  
April 15, Pardeeville mini meet, 3 p.m.  
April 18, at Williams Bay mini meet, 3 p.m.  
April 19, at Wautoma Invite, 9 a.m.  
April 22, at Horicon mini meet, 3 p.m.  
April 25, at Palmyra-Eagle mini meet, 3 p.m.  
April 29, at Parkview mini meet, 3 p.m.  
May 1, at Lawsonia Invite, 9:30 a.m.  
May 3, at Portage Invite, 9 a.m.  
May 6, at Madison co-op mini meet, 3 p.m.  
May 6, JV at Devil's Head Resort, 10 a.m.  
May 10, Pardeeville JV Invite, 9:15 a.m.  
May 16, Conference meet at Oakfield, 9 a.m.

### HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD

April 2, at Portage Invite, 4 p.m.  
April 11, at Markesan Invite, 4:30 p.m.  
April 15, at Rio, 4:30 p.m.  
April 18, at Princeton Invite, 4 p.m.  
April 26, Pardeeville Invite, 4:30 p.m.  
April 30, at Markesan, 4:30 p.m.  
May 2, at Waterloo Invite, 4:15 p.m.  
May 3, at Deerfield Classic, 4 p.m.  
May 6, Division Meet at Fall River, 3:30 p.m.  
May 10, Conference Meet at Princeton, 3 p.m.  
May 20, Division 3 Regional at Pardeeville, 3 p.m.

**Dates and times subject to change. Check online athletic calendar for up-to-date info.**

## Middle School students attend UWSP's STEAM Days

Pardeeville Middle School's 7th and 8th-grade students embarked on an educational journey at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point's STEAM Point Days, delving into the realms of science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM). The one-day conference, held on Friday, Feb. 2 for boys and Friday, Feb. 9 for girls, provided an enriching platform for students to explore various career paths and engage in hands-on workshops.

With a focus on empowering young minds, STEAM Point Days offered a diverse array of workshops tailored to ignite curiosity and foster creativity. From interactive sessions on coding and robotics to captivating demonstrations in the arts and sciences, students were immersed in a dynamic learning environment designed to inspire their future endeavors.

The event not only provided opportunities for academic enrichment but also offered a glimpse into university life at UW-Stevens Point. Students had the chance to tour the campus, gaining insights into campus facilities and experiencing firsthand what it's like to be a part of the university community.

Pardeeville boys who attended the event on Feb. 2 were; Hoyt Kessenich, Sawyer Salmon, Jackson Oelke, Hudson Achterberg, Gavin Christenson, Owen Vanden Hoven, Fede Veintimilla, Riley Holland, Owen Krueger, Cade Jacobs, Landon Pagel, Ronin Holly, Riley Angell, Isaiah Klawiter and Michael Schiradelly.

Pardeeville girls who made the trip to Stevens Point on Feb. 9 were; Avri Anderson, Kylie Buzzell, Brooke Cole, Destanie Potter, Aili Majocka, Allison Wickus, Sarah Burnaman, Adalyn Schultz, London Sosa, Kenna Jenkins, Kenadie Halder, Addy Neary, Macey Young, Bella Belton, Chelsea Philbrick, Lauren Undraitis, Jenna Cross, Alyvia Bell, Quinnlyn Lusk, Alannah Nicol, Kinley Levin and Brooklyn Auchtung.

# Taher offers 5th grade students lesson in pizza making

The culinary talents of Pardeeville Middle School's 5th-grade students were on full display during the month of February with the Kids in the Kitchen Program, hosted by Taher Inc., the school district's food management company. This exciting initiative, spearheaded by Taher employees Windy Watson and Sam Hosig, aimed to educate and inspire young minds about the joys of cooking.

Under the expert guidance of Windy and Sam, the students enthusiastically delved into the world of pizza-making, starting from scratch by handcrafting dough and culminating in the creation of their own customized pizzas.

What began as a single-day event proved so popular that the program was extended to accommodate all eager participants, spreading the culinary fun over two days. Each student left the

program equipped with not only newfound culinary skills but also their own handmade pizza to share and bake with their families at home.

## Guest chefs visit Pardeeville

Taher also welcomed a pair of guest chefs to Pardeeville High School during the month of February. First it was Rachel Barnes, who made Lebanese chicken shawarma with fresh made tahini sauce for students and staff to enjoy at lunch. Barnes also spent one day as a guest instructor in Mrs. Seichter and Ms. Vujnovich's Dairy Food Science and Pastry and Baking classes, where she showed the students how to make a homemade version of humus.

Then, later in February, Anthony Signa was a guest chef at Pardeeville High School. Signa prepared an Asian pork noodle bowl that was enjoyed by many for lunch.



Sam Hosig, of Taher Inc., shows a student how to make pizza dough during the second of two Kids in the Kitchen sessions held for 5th grade students at Pardeeville Middle School.

## Spanish Club collecting plastic bags and wrap

The Pardeeville High School Spanish Club is once again conducting its plastic drive. Club members are collecting plastic wrap and bags, with the goal of recycling 500 pounds of plastic.

The Spanish Club is partnering with the Pardeeville Lions Club to keep plastic wrap and bags out of our landfills. The plastic collected will be sent to NexTrex, who manufacturers it into products like deck boards and benches.

Plastic collected must be clean and dry. Please cut off any paper labels or stickers before donating. You can bring your clean and dry plastic to school. Collections will end on Wednesday, April 24.

If you have a large amount of plastic to donate, contact Pardeeville High School Spanish teacher Kimberly Brees at [breeki@pasdwi.org](mailto:breeki@pasdwi.org) to arrange a drop off time.

## Donations being accepted to help with student lunch debt

From time to time, the District is approached about donations to elevate student lunch debt. If you are interested in making a donation to help with student lunch debt, donations can be made to the Pardeeville Area School District Lunch Program by contacting Darlene Poster, District Lunch Accounts at 608-429-2153 ext. 210, or via email at [postda@pasdwi.org](mailto:postda@pasdwi.org). Checks can also be mailed to the school at Pardeeville Area School District, 120 Oak Street, Pardeeville, WI 53954. Please indicate that the check is meant for lunch debt.

The Pardeeville Area School District aims to provide nutri-

tious and appetizing meals to students each day. The District recognizes that good nutrition is vital to students' health, their mental and physical growth, and their readiness to participate and learn at school. The food service program is operated in conjunction with federal and state school nutrition programs, including the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program. It is the district's goal that the food service program be operated in a manner that is financially self-supporting on an operational basis, with allowances for capital expenditures (e.g., facilities and capital equipment).



## Good teamwork

Pardeeville 3rd grade teacher Beth White directs a blindfolded student to a mousetrap that was set on the floor. She successfully got the student to set off the trap by touching it on the safe side. This was an exercise the 3rd graders participated in during a visit from Brian Kenney of Team Extreme. Kenney was teaching the students the importance of communication and trust.

## Houslet presents at WEMTA Conference

Pardeeville Area School District Library Media Specialist Amber Houslet, right, is pictured with Dana Pike, the Library Media Specialist in the Columbus School District. Houslet and Pike were co-presenters at the Wisconsin Educational Media and Technology Association's Spring Conference held March 3-5 at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells. Together they led a breakout session on Canva, and how educators can use it to wow co-workers and students. They presented to Library Media Specialists from all over the state on how Canva can be used for presentations, newsletters, graphics, posters, schedules and seating charts, freeing up time and making educators more effective.



# CHILD DEVELOPMENT DAYS

We are continuing to expand our efforts for our Child Development Days. The Pardeeville Area School District is inviting all families with children between the ages of 2-4 to scan the QR code to the right and complete the Child Development Survey by April 15, or contact a member of our team:

[John Zillmer: zillmerj@cesa5.org](mailto:zillmerj@cesa5.org)  
[Annette LaVia: laviaa@cesa5.org](mailto:laviaa@cesa5.org)



This information is used to develop programming to better meet the needs of all learners in our community. As a thank you for completing this survey, we will send your child a **FREE BOOK!**



# Golf course models help students earn college credits

The Golf Course and Landscape Management Class led by Ms. Meagan Vujnovich is always one of the most popular courses at Pardeeville High School, and that was no different during the recently-completed second trimester, as a room full of students finished the golf course model project in late February.

Students presented their 3D golf course models to a panel of judges, consisting of fellow students and staff, who had to pick the best model golf course. Students had to explore different golf courses and incorporate elements of their designs into their models that would help attract golfers to their course. Models had to be built to scale and had to represent the ideal golf course.

Golf Course and Landscape Management is one of the many dual-credit courses offered at Pardeeville High School. The students in this class earned three college credits from Southwest Technical College in Fennimore.



Pardeeville High School senior Gracie Krueger hears a presentation from juniors Caleb Gard, Nicholas Sween and Logan Young on their golf course model in the Golf Course and Landscape Management Class.



A young student crosses her fingers for good luck while playing Wisconsin Bingo at the I Spy Geo Family Fun Night held at Pardeeville Elementary School on March 14.

## Elementary School Family night has great turnout

Pardeeville Elementary School had a great turnout for the “I Spy Geo Family Night” it hosted on Thursday, March 14.

Families that attended enjoyed a variety of geography-themed activities, including Wisconsin Bingo with cards that featured many of the popular destinations in our state. Other activities includes crafts and puzzles. Families also enjoyed sub sandwiches which were prepared by Taher Food Service and served up by Pardeeville Elementary School Principal Andy Kohn.

Special thanks goes to Becky Chapman, whose artifacts from her travels helped to make the I Spy Geo Night engaging for all. Pardeeville Elementary School would also like to thank Colbie Barnes for the beautifully made cookies and to Morgan Shields for the amazing banners.

Thank you to the entire Elementary Staff, who helped in big and small ways, including Kathy Hase and Lynda Flynn for completing all the little steps that made the activities come to life, and the maintenance staff for adjusting their schedule.

Also thank you to the staff and students from the Pardeeville High School Key Club, who graciously helped with activities and clean-up.

# Middle School students earn honors for second trimester

We are proud to announce that the following Pardeeville Middle School students have made the honor roll for the second trimester. In middle school, students can make the Life Skills Honor Roll and the Academic Honor Roll. Those who make the Life Skills Honor Roll are students who meet expectations in life skills. For the Academic Honor Roll, a student can make the Principal's List, the High Honor Roll or the Honor Roll. The Principal's List is for students who are getting 3s or 4s in five core classes and no 2s in any class. The High Honor Roll is for students getting all 3s and 4s in four core classes. The Honor Roll is for students getting 3s and 4s in three core classes.

## 5TH GRADE LIFE SKILLS HONOR ROLL

Ashlynn Ask, Ellie Baker, Emma Baker, Charlie Ballweg, Jezzy Bardon, Sofia Bell, Cheyenne Berg, Rayden Boyle, Olivia Breger, Avery Brockman, Finley Chatman, Colton Chronister, Destany Cole, Aubrey Cross, Avery Davis, Ava Endreas, Austin Haggerty, Franklin Harvey, Peytenn Hoffman, Ryker Hoffmann, Roland Houslet, Bristol Jahn, Sky-lie Jenkins, Dean Kast, Tucker Kast, Monica Lerch, Aaron Ludwig, Camden Mattke, Natalee Moll, Connor Neumann, Layla Nickel, Nadia Overland, Lyla O'Brien, Jocelyn Pitzen, Sydney Renner, Mia Rothenburger, Brynlee Sanwick, Clayton Smedema, Jackson Smith, Micah Steinblock, Isabella Stekelberg, Olivia Vanden Hoven, Matthew Vandermoon, Joaquin Veintimilla, Bruchs Wegner, Morgan Welch, Carrick Wylesky.

## 5TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Ellie Baker, Emma Baker, Charlie Ballweg, Sofia Bell, Bristol Jahn, Sky-lie Jenkins, Layla Nickel, Lyla O'Brien, Sydney Renner.

## 5TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Matthew Ammann, Ashlynn Ask, Rayden Boyle, Olivia Breger, Avery Brockman, Finley Chatman, Destiny Cole, Aubrey Cross, Avery Davis, Maurice Georgeson, Austin Haggerty, Bentley Hinz, Ryker Hoffmann, Roland Houslet, Dean Kast, Monica Lerch, Aaron Ludwig, Natalee Moll, Connor Neumann, Nadia Overland, Jocelyn Pitzen, Mia Rothenburger, Brynlee Sanwick, Madisyn Schraufnagel, Jackson Smith, Micah Steinblock, Isabella Stekelberg, Olivia Vanden Hoven, Matthew Vandermoon, Bruchs Wegner, Carrick Wylesky.

## 5TH GRADE HONORS

Cheyenne Berg, Piper Beyler, Connor Blader, Colton Chronister, Evan DeWildt, Ava Endreas, Franklin Harvey, Tucker Kast, Oliver Lynch, Matthew Paul, Colten Penland, Caleb Scheehle, Clayton Smedema, Morgan Welch, Carson Young.



## 6TH GRADE LIFE SKILLS HONOR ROLL

Bailey Ammann, Jenyla Day, Andrew Douglas, Mya Hetzel, Cassie Kaminski-Traver, Kimora Kindschy, McKenzie Kolkovich, Wolfgang Mueller, Violet Neuhauser, Jayce Parker, Desmond Parpart, Rocky Reinecke, Adelle Sanders, Brielle Schultz, Ellye Schultz, Brogan Sherrick, Hailey Slinger, Jaxon Swanson, Hamilton Vargas, Brody Wade, Josiah Wendt.

## 6TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Bailey Ammann, McKenzie Kolkovich, Adelle Sanders, Brielle Schultz, Brogan Sherrick.

## 6TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Jenyla Day, Aubrie Kittle, Wolfgang Mueller, Desmond Parpart, Lena Reichenbach, Rocky Reinecke, Brody Wade, Josiah Wendt.

## 6TH GRADE HONORS

Alice Bender, Ian Black, Sunni Johnson, Cassie Kaminski-Traver, Brady Rademacher.

## 7TH GRADE LIFE SKILLS HONOR ROLL

Hudson Achterberg, Kinleyh Anderson, Riley Angell, Alyvia Bell, Alek Bellis, Mirabella Belton, Belle Beyler, Kylie Buzzell, Brooke Cole, Jenna Cross, Lane Cross, Jaxon Dahle, Kenadie Halder, Ronin Holly, Hoyt Kessenich, Fynnlei Laybourn, Natalie Lonski, Quinnlyn Lusk, Shane Millard, Jackson Oelke, Jackson O'Brien, Lily Renner, Sawyer Salmon, Makenzie Schmidtke, Madelynn Soppe, Finn Swenson, Jaycey Thornton, Braylon Wendlandt, Chesney Wickersham.

## 7TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Hudson Achterberg, Kinleyh Anderson, Alyvia Bell, Kylie Buzzell, Lane Cross, Ronin Holly, Cade Jacobs, Landon Kleist, Quinnlyn Lusk, Jackson Oelke, Lily Renner, Sawyer

Salmon, Makenzie Schmidtke, Madelynn Soppe, Finn Swenson, Braylon Wendlandt, Chesney Wickersham.

## 7TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Alek Bellis, Mirabella Bolton, Jenna Cross, Natalie Lonski, Jackson O'Brien, Chelsea Philbrick-Border, London Sosa.

## 7TH GRADE HONORS

Riley Angell, Gavin Christenson-Krauklis, Kenadie Halder, Lilley Hanko, Fletcher Hoffmann, Riley Holland, Brock Huset, Kayleigh Kath, Hoyt Kessenich, Kaden Krueger, Shane Millard, Jaycey Thornton.

## 8TH GRADE LIFE SKILLS HONOR ROLL

Avri Anderson, Brooklyn Auchtung, Sage Bardon, Sawyer Berg, Noah Black, Morgan Blader, Karrsen Bussan, Isabel Fisher, Francesca Gaglio, Alec Garcia, Natalie Grant, Leyton Haseleu, Trenton Hendrickson, Aurora Homan, Kenna Jenkins, Alison Lemancyk, Aili Majocka, Maverick Mueller, Addyson Neary, Brayden Niemeier, Gracie Postler, Brandon Schaller, Adalyn Schultz, Lauren Undraitis, Christopher Voges, Allison Wickus, Audrianna Wylesky, Macey Young.

## 8TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Avri Anderson, Noah Black, Karrsen Bussan, Leyton Haseleu, Aurora Homan, Kenna Jenkins, Aili Majocka, Maverick Mueller, Brandon Schaller, Allison Wickus.

## 8TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Natalie Grant, Alison Lemancyk, Addyson Neary, Brianne Neuhauser, Gracie Postler, Adalyn Schultz, Jacob Smith, Lauren Undraitis.

## 8TH GRADE HONORS

Taylor Berg, Morgan Blader, Johnathan Dolphin, Sawyer Fox, Alec Garcia, Trenton Hendrickson.

# High School students earn honors for second trimester

We are proud to announce that the following Pardeeville High School students have made the honor roll for the second trimester. Congratulations students.

## SENIOR HIGH HONORS

Arianna Bouchard, Seth Bronson, Ella Cerkoney, Kylie Dechert, Brianna Fisher, Elaine Hepler, Isabella Hineman, Mason Hinkley, Austin Hohn, Raelyn Holsten, Izebelle Hughes, Owen Kirk, Grace Krueger, Abigail Kuhn, Aubrey Maass, Ilyana McGuire, Theran Mitchell, Logan Neary, Ariel Netzel, Natalie Olson, Bryce Pulvermacher, Finley Ramirez, Jason Renz, Katherine Rieckmann, Logan Schmittke, Haven Schomburg, Lauren Vilstrup, Lauren Weisensel.

## SENIOR HONORS

Bradyn Bezzi, Tyler Farber, Alexandra Fay, James Gray, Henry Pieper, Rosanna Vaglio, Katelyn Wills, Ava Wohlfert.

## JUNIOR HIGH HONORS

Elijah Achterberg, Tyler Becker, William Becker, Kayla Buzzell, Macy Cross, Cole Engelhart, Alexander Gabsch, Caleb Gard, Emma Gentz, Abby Grant, Gabriella Hees, Sophia Jerome, Ceilia Kopfhamer, Chloe Lukowski, James Morgan, Natalie Peissig, Lauren Schaller, Zoe Soleimani, Audra Stark, Elizabeth Staupe, Hailey Vasquez, Jamison Wickersham, Logan Young.

## JUNIOR HONORS

Hudson Ballweg, Joshua Brodie, Alexis Bryan, Olivia Bue, Trenton Halder, Hayden Hauber, Everett Isaacs, Preston Jenkins, Karter Jerome, Chloe Kessenich, Cecilia Killoran, Caleb Mackey, Cody Noyons, Christopher Perry, Zekial Roelke, Owen Sadlon, Nickolas Sween, Anna Trahms, Nicholai Undraitis, Ashton Whitehorse, Erika Wickus.

## SOPHOMORE HIGH HONORS

Aubriana Agnew, McKinley Becker, Howard Boyle, Isaac Buchholz, Isabel Bue, Josephine Bue Kiana Cook, Miranda Cray, Joseph Dosemagen, Kingston Galetka, Allyson Gruenwald, Brodi Hagan, Zachary Hineman, RaeLyn Holtan, Lexi Hughes, Bronte Hulberg, Abigail Jacobson, Bodie Johansen, Catherine Kopfhamer, Taylor Luedtke, Evan Miller, Briar Otswana, Chayse Pulvermacher, Oswald Sanchez, Brook Schomburg, Avery VonRuden, Ava Wagner, Arianna Wendlandt, Jayden Wylesky.

## SOPHOMORE HONORS

Wade Breneman, Brennen Carlson, Michaela Crittendon, Jaxon Daugherty, Brady Dolgner, Jazzmyn Ferguson, Molly Hardwick, Madilyn Holland, Michelle Johnson, Jarrett Killoran, Jason Kopfhamer, Noah Manthe, Cameron McManis, Paige Mick, Acacia Netzel, Merissa San Emeterio, Isabella Taylor, Joseph Waydick, Jackson Weisensel.

## FRESHMAN HIGH HONORS

Hayden Ballweg, Nadia Ballweg, Caitlyn Bellis, Layla Buchholz, Onan Casteel, Tamber Corning, Dominic Garcia, Haley Gard, Cody Gentz, Elle Hardwick, Khloe Helm, Lorelei Hepler, Tristen Homan, Elizabeth Keeling, Eyan Kirk, Kaliagh Klein, Lydia Kleist, Jade Koeppe, Chance Millard, Bree Motsenbocker, Gibson Nelson, Dane Overland, Sydney Sween, Catherine Wendt.

## FRESHMAN HONORS

Matthew Berken, Kiana Berry, Mariah Brufat, Addisyn Crawford, Louis Fink, Easton Fischer, Cole Harvey, Devin Jerome, Mallory Kolkovich, Ashlynn Krueger, Cleo Meier, Mykael Mickelson, Kayden Miller, Preston Nicoll, Nathan Renz, Emerson Sadlon, Corrah Storts, Julian Wells.



## SkillsUSA students do well

Pardeeville High School students Raelynn Holsten and Logan Schmittke both placed at the SkillsUSA Regional Competition held at Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton on Feb. 16. Holsten finished in first place in Medical Terminology. Schmittke placed third in Technical Drafting.

## Annual High School Awards Night will take place May 15

The Pardeeville High School Awards Night will be held on Wednesday, May 15. Family and friends are asked to reserve the evening to acknowledge the academic and activity achievements of many of our students. You will receive an invitation if your child is receiving an award. The awards program will begin at 6 p.m. and will take place in the Lenz Auditorium.

## Summer school starts June 10

Pardeeville Elementary School will once again be offering its Summer School Program. This year's summer school will run four days a week (Monday-Thursday) for three weeks. It will begin Monday, June 10 and finish up on Thursday, June 27.

Summer School handbooks were recently sent home with elementary students. For more information on the Pardeeville Summer School Program, contact Pardeeville Elementary School Principal Andy Kohn at 608-429-2151 ext. 111.

## AP testing schedule

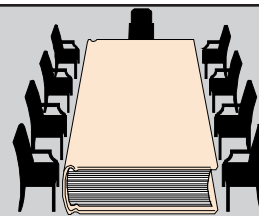
May 8: AP Literature

May 9: AP Psychology

May 13: AP Calculus and AP Pre Calculus

May 14: AP Language

# Pardeeville Board of Education



## MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING January 15, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Ms. Margo Pufahl, Board President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Bret Achterberg, Mr. Chad Bellis, Mr. Paul Hees, Ms. Becky Lezvow, Mr. Justin Nickel, Ms. Karla Walker and Ms. Margo Pufahl. Also present were Mr. Jason LeMay, Mr. David Bell, Ms. Amber Denure, Mr. Andrew Kohn, Mr. Philip Walker, Mr. Alex Hammerschmidt, Mr. Jim Housner, Ms. Jen Mecum, Mr. Chris Sherrick, Mr. Trenton Halder, Mr. Christopher Perry, Mr. Joseph Dosemagen, Ms. Erica Freeman, Ms. Emily Wottreng, Ms. Crystal Huset, Ms. Morgan Serstad and Mr. Robert Kohler (virtually).

### Motion to Approve Agenda

Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the agenda. Motion passed 7-0.

### Open Forum

No one signed up to speak.

### Student Spotlight: High School Ice Fishing Team

Mr. Sherrick and ice fishing members Mr. Halder, Mr. Perry and Mr. Dosemagen gave a presentation about the ice fishing team. Mr. Sherrick advised that they had Eskimo sponsor them and with that sponsorship team members were able to buy winter suits that had built in floating devices into them. These winter suits were purchased at cost by the team members and they received a big savings and are appreciative of Eskimo for their support. The team showed a video of Mr. Dosemagen mentoring another child up north. The team did some community service work at the ice fishing expo and had a great experience there. Each team member talked about what ice fishing means to them and why they got involved. Mr. Sherrick and his team, of about 25 students, are very excited for the season to finally get underway with the colder temperatures. They have a tournament this weekend that they are hoping to compete at as long as ice conditions keep improving.

### Discussion and Presentation of Long Range Facility Planning Progress

Groth Design and Findorff representatives gave an update to the board on the facility planning progress. Mr. Robert Kohler presented virtually and Ms. Erica Freeman and Ms. Emily Wottreng were present in the building. So far we are on track with our planning. They did talk about the upcoming community conversations happening in February and said to be on the lookout for more information to be posted in regards to that. They are also

working with our IT department in regards to getting our website up-to-date with information that has been done and what is to come.

### Presentation of 5/1/24 Varsity Baseball Milwaukee Game Guidelines

Mr. Hammerschmidt updated the board on what is all involved in regards to Pardeeville going to play at American Family Field for a game against Portage. He explained the contract guidelines, as well as the stadium guidelines that the Brewer organization has put in place. The varsity baseball team does have to sell \$13,000 worth of tickets and/or vouchers to a Brewer game in order to be able to play a game there. Mr. Hammerschmidt stated that the baseball team and he are working closely with the Portage School District in order to get businesses to purchase groups of tickets. Mr. Hammerschmidt and Mr. Snow do have a plan in place on how to sell tickets, by approaching businesses, selling at home basketball games and contacting the youth clubs to have them do an outing to purchase tickets. Mr. Nickel did ask if there was going to be any fundraising ahead of time to help cover costs if not able to sell the \$13,000 of tickets. Mr. Hees asked how to get the baseball program in good standing in order to play the game in Milwaukee. Mr. Nickel would love to see this energy used also for softball to get them to a major facility to showcase their talents.

### Administrative Team Reports

Elementary School-Mr. Nickel asked what movie is being played at the 1/26/24 movie night. Mr. Kohn said it is still undecided.

Middle School-Ms. Lezvow asked about how reserving the seats went for the middle school concerts. Ms. Denure said it went well besides some miscommunication between parents and grandparents. Ms. Lezvow stated she saw the pictures of the student vs. staff basketball game and it looked like everyone was enjoying themselves. Ms. Lezvow also brought up the middle school wrestling program and was impressed with the amount of females on the team. She is excited to see them continue with their careers.

High School-Ms. Pufahl stated it was great to see that the career fair is coming back for another year.

Athletics-Mr. LeMay did a shoutout to Mr. Hammerschmidt in dealing with the athletic schedule last week with the bad weather days. He was able to make game schedule changes quickly. Mr. Hees brought up the leg press machine status. Mr. Hammerschmidt said it is on hold as we are still waiting for a part, but Mr. Housner is working on getting it up and running so it at least works and is safe. They are looking at purchasing a new

one, but it will take some time. Mr. Nickel asked if the funds would come out of annual allocation and Mr. LeMay stated that it would. Mr. Hees talked about a weight bench that got reupholstered from a community member that Mr. Hammerschmidt stated they were very grateful for it. Mr. Hees asked about a repair schedule if it had gotten worked on yet. Mr. LeMay said they are working on that and will get a rotation in place.

Building and Grounds-Ms. Lezvow stated that building and grounds could have added a lot more to their report due to the inclement weather the past week and in regards to shoveling/plowing and other weather related maintenance.

Technology-Mr. Hees asked about the NAEP test. Ms. Denure stated that we were randomly picked by the State and that students will take the test, but we will not have access to the results until the State posts it as a combined overall score for the State.

### Committee Reports

Curriculum-Mr. Hees asked what it would take for Ms. Semrad to be full time in the Middle School. Mr. LeMay said they would have to look at staffing needs in a future meeting to get ready for budgeting of staff to see if possible and if cuts would be needed elsewhere.

Finance-Nothing discussed from the minutes.

### Student Representative Report

The board talked about the school store being used more and that was encouraging information. They also talked about the curling team at the Tietge in Wausau and how it is great for the students to attend.

### Board Comments & Questions

Mr. Nickel stated that for the 12/18/23 board meeting he should have abstained from the vote in regards to approving the receipts and expenditures for that month. He asked in the future if his information could be redacted from the report otherwise he will abstain from voting.

### Approval of Minutes Dated 1/2/2024

Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve minutes dated 1/2/2024. Motion passed 7-0.

### Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the receipts and expenditures. Mr. Hees asked questions about some of the entries, and Mr. LeMay clarified. Motion passed 7-0.

### Approval of CAPP Course

Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the high school CCAP course. Ms. Huset, Ms. Serstad and Mr. Bell talked more about the course to the board

in regards to why they are trying to get this established in the school district and goes with the consortium grant requirements. They discussed updated books that they will be using for the course. Ms. Levzow has read one of the new books involved and finds it to be a good read and resource. She also talked about one of the books that was previously assigned to the course and gave her viewpoints on that. Mr. Hees said the course description is uplifting. Mr. Hees also gave his viewpoints on the book previously going to be used and one of the current ones. The Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of High School 2024-2025 Career Planning & Course Description Guide

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Ms. Levzow to approve the high school 2024-2025 career planning and course description guide. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Donations

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the donation from Dairy Queen in the amount of \$134.70. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Items to discuss at the next board meeting would be a presentation in regards to our audit, board members will go over their experience at the WASB state convention, will go over January pupil count numbers and there will be approval of spring coaches and volunteers.

#### Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Levzow / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:06pm.

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Justin Nickel, Board Clerk

### **MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING February 5, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 7:18 p.m. by Ms. Becky Levzow, Board Vice President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Bret Achterberg, Mr. Chad Bellis, Mr. Paul Hees, Ms. Becky Levzow, Mr. Justin Nickel and Ms. Karla Walker. Ms. Margo Pufahl and Ms. Illyana McGuire were absent. Also present were Mr. Jason LeMay, Mr. David Bell, Ms. Amber Denure, Mr. Andrew Kohn, Mr. Philip Walker, Mr. Alex Hammerschmidt, Mr. Jim Housner, Ms. Jen Mecum, Mr. Bruce Brey and Mr. Craig Corning.

#### Motion to Approve Agenda

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the agenda. Mr. Nickel asked that when we get to the approval of policies 1-19, that policy 18 be held for further discussions. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Presentation of 2023 Audit

Mr. Craig Corning gave a review of the June 2023 audit and went over the booklet that was provided to the board.

#### Report on WASB Convention by Board

#### Attendees

Ms. Levzow asked the board if they

wanted to discuss what they attended at the WASB Convention. Mr. Nickel went to a challenges in the classroom and policy presentation. He stated that it was good and informative to see different perspectives. The conference was good overall. Ms. Walker stated she went to the essential elements of governance and creating culture of wellness presentations. For the creating culture of wellness she took away the good practice of doing surveys for students and staff. She also stated from one of the presentations she took away to remember all decisions by board need to reflect if their decisions benefit all students. Ms. Walker also mentioned that the public opinion is changing and becoming more difficult at times. Mr. Achterberg went to a presentation in regards to internships for high school students. He stated it was very informative and enjoyed it. Also he went to a Title IX and learned how it started and how it has evolved. Mr. Bellis went to a school safety. He learned about physical barriers, training available and with adaptive learning becoming very popular for training of situations. Mr. Bellis also went to the schools and public opinion presentation, which he stated were good. He also went to a challenges of curriculum presentation which was interesting and informative. They talked about the difference between library and curriculum. Ms. Levzow talked about going to an amplifying student's voice presentation. It was interesting and that the students and counselors gave good presentations. Ms. Levzow also went to a Findorff mini session, Ms. Levzow has also signed up for a school tour and was able to tour the Parkside Elementary School in Milwaukee which is an art based program and incorporating STEM. It was a great tour and was able to talk to students and staff and watch them in their element. Mr. LeMay went to the state of school finance presentation. Impactful information was given, and they talked about a record of referendum dollars coming. It was mentioned that there was a wish for the convention to showcase rural schooling a little more.

#### Report on January Pupil Count

Mr. LeMay went over the numbers on the pupil count comparison sheet. Enrollment is down slightly since September due to family moves or families changing education options.

#### Discussion of Upcoming Community Conversations Facility Planning Meetings

Mr. LeMay talked about the mailings that went out, as well as all the other publications made to get the community conversation dates advertised to the public. Mr. LeMay talked about future events. Ms. Levzow talked about the recent video that was posted on social media that showcased Ms. Denure.

#### Board Comments & Questions

Mr. Bellis mentioned that there were a lot of student fans at the Randolph boys basketball game. Considering it was an away game he was happy to see that families and students traveled to it and were very engaged. Mr. Hees wanted to talk about the audit and

how to fix being underfunded. Mr. LeMay addressed this question.

#### Approval of Minutes Dated 1/15/2024

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve minutes dated 1/15/2024. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Approval of Overnight Field Trip for State Wrestling

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the Overnight Field Trip for State Wrestling. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Approval of Overnight Field Trip for Key Club

Mr. Brey did go over what the trip all entailed to the board. Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the Overnight Field Trip for Key Club. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Approval of Overnight Field Trip for Middle School FBLA State

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the Overnight Field Trip for Middle School FBLA State. Ms. Levzow preferred students not pay a stipend to be able to go to a state event that they have earned. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Approval of Coaches/Volunteers Hiring/Resigning for Spring Sports

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the Coaches/Volunteers that are being hired or resigning for spring sports. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Approval of Support Staff Hiring

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the hiring of custodial support staff, full time and part time. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Approval of Student Teacher Cooperating Teacher Advisor Fee

Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the student teacher cooperating teacher advisor fee. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Approval of Donations

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the donations. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Approval of First Reading of NEOLA Policies 1-19 as Listed

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the first reading of NEOLA policies 1-19 as listed. Policy listed as number 18 will be held for further review and consideration of possible changes of the policy name. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Ms. Huset will present a library plan and there will be a student spotlight.

#### Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

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Justin Nickel, Board Clerk

### **MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING February 19, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Ms. Margo Pufahl, Board President.

Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Chad Bellis, Mr. Paul Hees, Ms. Becky Lezvow, Mr. Justin Nickel, Ms. Karla Walker, Ms. Margo Pufahl and Ms. Ilyana McGuire. Also present were Mr. Jason LeMay, Mr. David Bell, Ms. Amber Denure, Mr. Andrew Kohn, Mr. Philip Walker, Mr. Jim Housner, Ms. Jen Mecum, Ms. Amber Houslet, Ms. Judy Skaar, Ms. Jenny Buzzell, Mr. Dan Buzzell, Ms. Kylie Buzzell, Ms. Jessie Cross, Mr. Jess Cross, Ms. Jenna Cross, Ms. Alyvia Bell, Ms. Laura Bell, Ms. Sophia Bell and Mr. Coleman Bell. Mr. Bret Achterberg arrived at 7:03pm

#### Motion to Approve Agenda

Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

#### Open Forum

Ms. Judy Skaar, a representative from the First Presbyterian Church presented a donation in the amount of \$2,000 to be used towards the upgrade of the Middle School Playground. Ms. Denure accepted it on behalf of the Middle School.

#### Student Spotlight- Middle School Forensics Team

Ms. Denure talked about the history of Middle School Forensics and also explained forensics competition categories that the students can sign up for under the categories of public speaking, performance and group. Middle School Forensic students Ms. Buzzell, Ms. Bell and Ms. Cross each read off some poems in their respective categories.

#### Administrative Team Reports

Elementary School-Ms. Pufahl liked the frog hunt for Leap Day.

Middle School-Ms. Lezvow liked that there were two new clubs that were made for students to attend after school. She was also happy to see that one of our counseling interns was spearheading one of the clubs.

High School-Mr. Hees remarked to Mr. Bell about his principal convention keynote speaker that he got to observe. Ms. Lezvow complimented the club that was doing Pen-nies for Patients. Mr. Hees asked more about the principal conference. Ms. Lezvow commented about the number of sports/clubs that have made it to State this season. Hoping that ice fishing will be able to find some ice to complete their State run. Ms. Lezvow was also happy to see the number of students who performed at solo and ensemble.

Activities-Mr. Hees questioned if our gym has enough capacity to host the semi-final sectional boys' and girls' basketball games. Mr. LeMay stated our information was given to WIAA and made that determination.

Building and Grounds-Ms. Lezvow followed up with a broken toilet invoice to ensure it went to the family.

Technology-Ms. Pufahl commented that eRate is helping us. Mr. Bellis also asked a question about Skyward tech support to see if it was the same as the school software system that is available for schools. Mr. Walker did answer his question.

Library-Mr. Hees asked about streaming services listed in our receipts and expenditure

and wanted some clarification on the change of services. Ms. Houslet did talk about the change and the advantage of going from Scholastic to Epic.

#### Committee Reports

Building and Grounds-Mr. Hees asked about the display case status, and we have asked for quotes from the Amish and Dells Carpentry. Mr. Hees also asked about the leg press machine. Phy Ed and Building and Grounds are narrowing down the new machine purchase to a commercial grade machine.

Curriculum- Ms. Lezvow reiterated about the curriculum meeting notes

#### Student Representative Report

Ms. Pufahl asked about the table sliding and who won. Ms. McGuire stated the seniors were able to go back and forth without the table falling. Mr. Hees asked how fundraising was going for the senior class trip.

#### Presentation of Library Curriculum, Updated Library Computer Program and Library Technology Plan

Ms. Houslet went over the library curriculum and changes that have and will occur. She explained what needs to be approved by the board and what will get sent to the State. Ms. Lezvow recapped what was said during the curriculum committee meeting. Ms. Pufahl thanked Ms. Houslet for all that she does for the district.

#### Board Comments & Questions

Ms. Lezvow gave kudos to the Garden Club members that were here tonight for a meeting and learning about the hydroponic vegetables. This was a good and positive thing to happen at the school district.

#### Approval of Minutes Dated 2/5/2024

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve minutes dated 2/5/24. Typo to be corrected and posted. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the receipts and expenditures. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Updated Library Computer Program and Library Technology Plan

Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the updated library computer and library technology plan. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Change to Minimum Chaperone Number for a Field Trip Guideline

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Ms. Lezvow to approve the change of minimum chaperone number for a field trip guideline. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Overnight Trip for High School FBLA State Competition

Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the overnight trip for high school FBLA State competition. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Overnight Trip for Powerlifting State Competition

Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the overnight trip for Powerlifting State competition. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Support Staff Hiring

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the part-time custodial support staff hiring of Todd Taylor. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Spring Sports Volunteers

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the spring sports volunteers. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Donations

Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the donations from the Bulldog Foundation and the Gard Family in paying for the WIAA live streaming of regional tournament games, the \$10 donation from Dave Hager for the auditorium and the \$2,000 from the First Presbyterian Church towards the Middle School playground improvements. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Approval of Second Reading of NEOLA Policies 1-18 as listed

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the second reading of Neola policies 1-18 as listed. Motion passed 7-0.

#### Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Will be recognizing all the State competitors. If there are any certified staff retirements to approve, that will be brought to the board. We will also be getting approval for a calendar change due to hosting the track Regional meet in May 2024.

#### Closed Session

A closed session will be held under 19.85(1)(c)(d) of the Wisconsin State Statutes to discuss a certified staff breach of contract request, evaluation of superintendent and extension of contract for the superintendent.

#### Return to Open Session

Approval of Superintendent Contract to June 30, 2026. Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the Superintendent contract to June 30, 2026. Motion passed 7-0. Roll call- Achterberg- Y, Bellis- Y, Hees- Y, Lezvow- Y, Nickel- Y, Pufahl- Y, Walker- Y

#### Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Lezvow / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:52 pm.

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Justin Nickel, Board Clerk

### **MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING February 19, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Ms. Margo Pufahl, Board President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Chad Bellis, Mr. Paul Hees, Mr. Justin Nickel, Ms. Karla Walker, Ms. Margo Pufahl and Ms. Ilyana McGuire. Also present were Mr. Jason LeMay, Mr. Andrew Kohn, Mr. Philip Walker, Mr. Alex Hamerschmidt, Mr. Jim Housner, Ms. Jen Mecum, Ms. Amanda Seichter, Mr. James Riese, Ms. Maddy Harvey, Ms. Autumn Fischer, Ms. Allie Gawel, Ms. Chloe Kessenich, Ms. Kaye Dosemagen, Ms. Natalie Olson, Ms. Lauren Vilstrup, Mr. Lucas Shogren, Mr. Colin Smith,

Ms. Amber Houslet and Ms. Kiana Berry. Ms. Becky Levzow and Mr. Bret Achterberg were both absent. Mr. David Bell arrived at 7:05pm.

#### Motion to Approve Agenda

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Recognition of State Curling Participants

Mr. Hammerschmidt made a brief introduction of Ms. Seichter and the curling program. Ms. Seichter then talked briefly about the girls curling team that made it to the State Semi-Finals. Students Maddy Harvey, Autumn Fischer, Allie Gawel and Kiana Berry talked about their experience and how grateful they were to have the experience to go to State.

#### Recognition of State Powerlifting Participants

Mr. Hammerschmidt made a brief introduction of Ms. Dosemagen and Chloe Kessenich and the powerlifting program. Ms. Dosemagen talked about the powerlifting number of participants increasing and hoping for bigger numbers in the future. Ms. Kessenich stated that she is enjoying the experience of powerlifting and learning a lot about the sport, and also about her mental and physical capabilities. She is amazed with seeing other participants working hard and doing what she is doing. Ms. Kessenich said that powerlifting has helped her in all aspects of life.

#### Report on Facility Community & Staff Conversations Held in February

Mr. LeMay recapped how the community and staff conversations went. Tours did not seem to be popular during the conversation events. There was good attendance at each event. After the first event, changes were made to the following meetings due to feedback, and it seemed to help the process go smoother. Mr. LeMay talked about next steps which include a summary of the sessions being compiled by Groth, an enrollment projection study will be completed and contacting School Perceptions for a fall community survey. The virtual session along with other videos will be uploaded to the website and get answers for any outstanding questions that were posed. Upcoming presentations for the community and staff will be on May 16, 2024 and May 21, 2024.

#### Proclamation of Athletic Trainers Appreciation Month

Mr. Hammerschmidt talked about our collaboration we have with Aspirus Divine Savior in utilizing their trainers. Trainers are in high demand and they continue to be a profession that is short of help so we are appreciative of the trainers that are able to come to our schools. Mr. LeMay read aloud the proclamation.

#### Board Comments & Questions

Nothing to report.

#### Approval of Minutes Dated 2/19/2024

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve minutes dated 2/19/24 with the corrections to be made that were mentioned. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Approval of Out-of-State Senior Class Trip

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the out-of-State senior class trip and also to be out on a Wednesday night after 6:00 pm. Mr. Bell introduced the Senior class advisors, Ms. Amanda Seichter and Ms. Amber Houslet as well as the Senior class representatives Colin Smith, Natalie Olson, Lucas Shogren and Lauren Vilstrup. They presented to the board about their Senior Trip to the Shedd Aquarium in Illinois, and asked their permission to be able to go out-of-State, as well as returning late on that Wednesday evening.

The Senior class has done all of the fundraising necessary to be able to have this trip paid for and no student would have to pay out of pocket. They said students in their class have varied interests and the Shedd Aquarium would be a great opportunity for all to learn from. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Approval of Certified Staff Retirements

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the certified staff retirements of Bruce Brey, Patrick Pape and Mary Roberts. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Approval of 2023-2024 Student Calendar Change on 5/20/24- Regional Track Meet

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the 2023-2024 student calendar change on 5/20/24 for the regional track meet. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Approval of Purchase of Leg Press for Fitness Center

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the purchase of a Hammer Strength Plate-Loaded ISO-Lateral Leg Press machine for the fitness center. Mr. Hammerschmidt went over the updated quote that he had been given and compared it to what Mr. Housner had put in their recommendation for the Hammer Strength Plate-Loaded ISO-Lateral Leg Press machine in the amount of \$4,161.79. Mr. Hees showed the board photos of options for comparison purposes. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Approval of Change in Garbage Service Provider

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the change in garbage service provider to Pellitteri. Mr. Housner gave a brief presentation on comparison of the different companies and costs. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Approval of Donations

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the donations from the Maass family in the amount of \$809.30 towards the coach bus for the girl's regional basketball game and the donations for the Elementary school book/magazine fund in the amount total of \$125.00 from Marcia Barth, Barb Howe Memorial by Marcia Barth, Joe Young Memorial by Marcia Barth, Wendy Werner Memorial from the Class of 1978 and Susan Dettmann. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Approval of First Reading of Proposed Retirement of Athletic Number/Jersey Procedure

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the first reading of proposed retirement of athletic number/jersey procedure. Mr. Hees went over the new proposed policy being submitted for approval. Mr. Hammerschmidt appreciated the policy committee creating this policy and that this recognition is long overdue. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Approval of First Reading of NEOLA Policies 1-16

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the first reading of NEOLA policies 1-16 as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

#### Agenda Items for Next Meeting

State wrestling participants will be recognized along with a report from the wrestling program. Will also be approving Start College Applications for the 24-25 fall school year. Will also have a closed session to go over evaluations for the Superintendent.

#### Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Justin Nickel, Board Clerk

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### Upcoming Events

- April 13 ..... Pardeeville High School Junior Prom, 8 p.m.
- April 15 ..... Board of Education Meeting, HS LMC, 7 p.m.
- April 16 ..... Pardeeville Middle School Student Showcase, 4-8 p.m.
- May 3&4..... Pardeeville Drama Club Spring Play, Lenz Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- May 4 ..... Bulldog Stomp at Pardeeville High School, 10 a.m.
- May 5 ..... Pardeeville Drama Club Spring Play, Lenz Auditorium, 12 p.m.
- May 6 ..... Board of Education Meeting, HS LMC, 7 p.m.
- May 13 ..... Middle School Spring Awards Concert, Lenz Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- May 14 ..... High School Spring Awards Concert, Lenz Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- May 15 ..... High School Awards Night, Lenz Auditorium, 6 p.m.
- May 16 ..... Virtual Community Conversation, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (RSVP to [mecuje@pasdwi.org](mailto:mecuje@pasdwi.org))
- May 16 ..... Community Conversation on Facilities, High School Atrium, 6-7:30 p.m.
- May 17 ..... Four C Notes Concert, Lenz Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- May 20 ..... Board of Education Meeting, HS LMC, 7 p.m.
- May 20 ..... Early Release (Elementary at 1:20 p.m., Middle School and High School at 1:30 p.m.)
- May 21 ..... Community Conversation, HS Atrium, 6:30-8 p.m.
- May 23 ..... Elementary Spring Concert, Lenz Auditorium, 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
- May 25 ..... Pardeeville High School Graduation, HS Gymnasium, 2 p.m.
- June 4 ..... Pardeeville Middle School 8th Grade Promotion, Lenz Auditorium, 1:30 p.m.