

Campus Communicator

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF TURTLE LAKE

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Laker Sports Update



Since the first week of school this year, our Backpack Program has been active and bags of food have been sent home with students each week. A typical bag will include an item(s) for breakfast and dinner; contents vary by what is available to us. At times we even are able to include fresh fruit! We realize that circumstances change and families can request to be added or withdrawn from the program at any time. The photo is what one of our backpacks may contain. This program is funded entirely by donations from staff, businesses and individuals – we appreciate every donation!

Despite a late start and shortened seasons, middle and high school athletes were able to play football and volleyball this fall – masks and all! Athletes were happy to be back with their friends and coaches, competing once again after a very long wait.

five weeks later than usual, change has been the name of the game. But the Lakers have taken it all in stride and are currently 3-1. They will finish the season in much colder and tougher weather conditions than usual, but they will work hard to persevere – with the playoffs in their sights!

regional and sectional play – and perhaps a revised state tournament! Wrestling will look a bit different this year, with no weekend tournaments – at least as of this writing. Contests will all be in the dual format in order to maintain lower numbers of athletes at events. Creative planning of practices and contests will be the key to get mat time for our athletes. The middle school wrestling season will likely see significant changes with smaller meets in order to reduce the number of athletes in one location at one time.

The middle school football players were among the most excited to get back to their team and practices. They were able to complete their season without any stoppages and improved on their record from last year. This was one of the biggest groups out for MS football in quite some time. The future of Laker football is bright!

We are the champions! With an exciting win over Clear Lake at home and then a road win against Northwood, the high school volleyball team earned the title of conference champions for the first time since 2015. The team dropped only one match in conference play and earned a #1 seed in tournament play. A bye in the first round will give them extra time to prepare to make a run deep into the tournament series.

This winter we will welcome two new head coaches – Mrs. Angela Wagner, HS girls basketball and Mr. BJ Quade, HS wrestling.

Even though several matches got canceled along the way, the middle school volleyball team enjoyed a season full of learning, having fun and growing their volleyball skills. The season ended with a fun night featuring an intersquad scrimmage and a set against the coaches! This year's group was one of the biggest at Turtle Lake middle school in years. There are many exciting seasons of Laker volleyball to come!

The winter seasons are almost set, but will be shortened and start a little later than usual. The boys and girls basketball schedules will be jam packed with two and sometimes three games each week. The schedule also features predominantly double headers in order to accommodate more conference games now that the Central Lakeland dissolved and we have moved to the West Lakeland. The season will hopefully culminate with

As with the fall seasons, we are excited and feel very lucky at the prospect of being able to offer opportunities during the winter. All COVID protocols will be in place and we will do what we need to do to keep our student athletes safe. Spectators will likely be limited for a while, but be sure to catch the action via livestream, accessible from the District Facebook page! #GOLAKERS

This year's high school football season will be one to remember! From playing in a brand new conference to starting the season

the 2021-2023 budget. I am hearing that there will be cuts to education funding. The state has lost a lot of revenue from covid related issues and will have to make it up in the next budget. Wisconsin does have a very large rainy day fund but it is unknown if they are willing to use that towards the budget. We will have to wait and see and will continue to be active in contacting our legislatures.

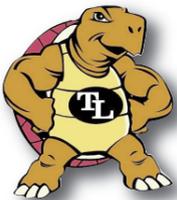
Kent Kindschy, Superintendent

From the Office of the Superintendent

Since March I have spent 95% of my days dealing with covid. Spring online learning, July reopening, athletics during covid, school reopening, weekly meetings with public health, articles from experts, DHS DPI and WIAA updates to name a few. Like many people in the world, I am burnt out with covid and am looking forward to a vaccine. This fall I was excited to work on something other than covid, the 2020-2021 School District budget.

This is the second year of the biennial budget that had additional funding for education. We received additional funding that allowed us to put money away for capital projects like the roof and drop the mill rate from \$9.06 to \$8.88. Since 2000 the mill rate has only been below \$9.00 four other years. In the 2016 referendum, the amount approved to levy this year was \$1,112,000. We are actually under levying this amount by \$125,000. This is all made possible by higher property values, increased enrollment and additional state aid.

After the election is over, legislatures will turn their attention to



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Third Graders Are Off To A Great Start



The third graders are off to a great start to the 2020-2021 school year! They have been busy learning how to multiply and divide in math class. The students are doing a fantastic job spelling, reading, and writing. We have even started to learn cursive and will continue cursive practice throughout the year.

Starting in October, the third graders will complete a book

project every month. Each month focuses on a different genre and students complete a project to go along with the book they read. For the month of October the third graders read a mystery book and decorate a pumpkin as a character from the book.

The Barron County Sunrise Rotary Club donated dictionaries to every third grade student. The third graders will use the diction-

aries throughout the year and will be able to bring them home at the end of the school year. Thank you, Barron County Sunrise Rotary Club for the donation. We appreciate your generosity and contribution to our community. The third graders really get excited about having their very own dictionary!

~ Mrs. Lord and Mrs. Bussewitz

From the Desk of the Elementary Principal

At the time of this article being written, we have been in school for approximately seven weeks. I am very pleased that we still continue to teach our students in person each day knowing that our students learn best by being taught in person. The teaching and support staff have been great about keeping classrooms clean and safe so in-person teaching can continue each week. But what will happen if teaching and learning cannot happen in-person for a period of time?

Teaching staff and I have done a lot of collaboration to come up with an online plan that we feel confident in completing for virtual teaching and learning. Here are a few questions and answers in detail of our plan.

Q: What will online instruction look like for each grade/subject? Teachers will primarily be using Zoom to communicate any live lessons with students. They will utilize student workbook pages in reading and math, and other worksheets. Students will have access to supplemental apps like Freckle, Reading Eggs, Math Seeds, and Mystery Science. Teachers will utilize Class Dojo and Google Classroom accounts to share online assignments with students and parents.

Q: How will teachers ensure

quality instruction for each grade/subject? Teachers will supply grade level materials for all students and communicate those via Zoom, Google Classroom, or Class Dojo. Teachers will also be available to parents and students in "live appointments" 2-3 times per week to get more personalized teaching or help if necessary. Those days and times will be communicated if we go online.

Q: What online platforms will grade be using to communicate with parents and students? Students in grades PK-2 will be using Class Dojo and grades 3-5 will use Google Classroom. Students will be practicing how to use these platforms during in-person schooling so they can be proficient when they are at home.

Little Lakers Club



Lots of changes in the LLC Club the past few weeks! We have TWO new LLC helpers! Please welcome Sheila (afternoons) and Adelle (mornings) to the Club! We are thankful for the extra help as we have 21 students in the Club this year!

LLC students have been busy creating crafts, playing outside when the weather has been nice, doing activities in the gym, reading, and interactive learning on the LLC's iPads to name a few. As we head into the holidays,

exciting new crafts and fun are in the works for November and December!

If you are looking for help and someone to care for your Turtle Lake students before school and/or after school, consider registering your children for the Little Laker Club! For more information, please call Kris Koehler, LLC Assistant at 715-986-4470, Ext 2107 or Jennifer Raddatz, Community Ed Director at 715-986-4470, Ext 2241.

Q: What does work with special education students look like? Teachers will be modifying assignments and having daily check-ins with students in Zoom with smaller groups.

Q: How will teachers differentiate their instruction? Teachers will provide recorded lessons for students to watch as much as they need for understanding. Leveled materials will be available for students to accommodate their learning needs, while some students may receive additional time to finish work.

Q: How will teachers communicate with parents? Teachers will be communicating using Google Classroom, Bloomz, phone calls, Zoom meetings, email, and Class Dojo. Based on parent feedback from the spring online session, parents were very pleased with how the teachers communicated with their students. I am expecting the same thing if we do this again. However, parent involvement in this process, especially at the elementary level, is so very important. Please help your child in this virtual learning environment. Because of their age, especially at the PK-1 levels, the virtual world can be hard for them to navigate. Parental support is vital if we go online.

Q: What expectations do we as teaching staff have for students and parents? For all students we expect the students to be respectful and safe in Zoom meetings, produce high quality work, have assignments done on-time, ask for help when needed, check Google Classroom or

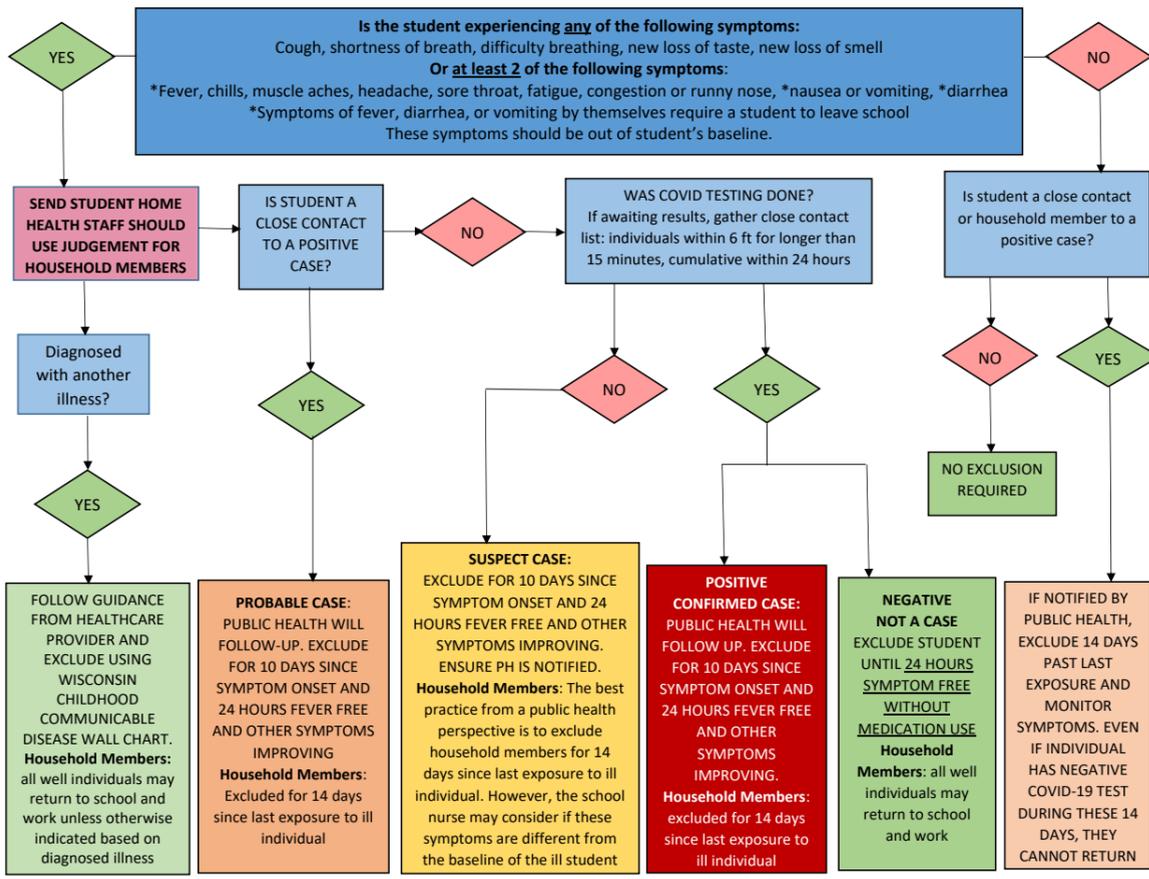
student email accounts daily, and be on-task when in "live" check-in sessions. For parents, we are expecting you to communicate with your child's teacher if there are struggles or concerns, assist your child with logging into websites, attend Zoom meetings with your child if necessary, ensure that your child's work gets done on time, and most importantly provide a specific time and place for your child to work, distraction free.

Q: Will the school provide technology again? Yes. All students in 4K will be provided with an i-Pad, while students in K-5 will be given a Chromebook. We are currently increasing our tech needs by purchasing more Chromebooks and i-Pad's to make this happen. If we are given enough notice of the school being shut down for a period of time, your child will be coming home with a device ahead of time. I will be communicating that to parents if and when that happens.

While I hope we don't have to utilize this plan, I am confident that we will make you and your child's online education better than it was in the spring. This virus will test the home/school connection, but with clear expectations for both parents, students, and staff, we will make this work! If you have any questions regarding this plan or other concerns you have regarding your child's education, please reach out to me at your convenience. #LakerPride

Troy Wagner,
Elementary Principal

COVID Flow Chart



Happy 229th Birthday to the US Constitution!



September 17th is Constitution Day. It is the anniversary of the day in 1789 that the US Constitution was ratified by 11 of 13 states. It is regarded as the oldest codified national constitution in force in the world.

In order to better understand important questions in our democracy such as: What are the limits of political power? How do we secure freedoms? How do we mix freedoms and responsibilities? And What do we mean when we talk about equality? students in Mrs. Mau's civics class took a trip back in time to Philadelphia, PA where the Constitutional Convention was held in 1787. They assumed the roles of news anchors, delegates, federalists and anti-federalists to tell the story of our Founding Fathers and the birth of our nation.

From the Desk of the Middle/High School Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Hello everyone. I want to commend our students and staff for helping to follow protocols in keeping our school building open during this time. It almost feels like a normal school year besides the mask-wearing, social distancing, and extra cleaning duties. Students and staff have all done an amazing job adjusting to the new school year. Let's hope we can stay in school!

If a student has to miss school for any reason they can stay on track through Google Classroom. Our teachers are using the Google Classroom platform this year to help deliver the curriculum to our students. Students who miss school are encouraged to follow along on the Google Classroom site set up by their teachers. Students are currently using it for each of their classes right now and know how to log in. Parents, please ask your child to show you how it works. It is an important tool for students to keep up with their studies.

The last day of Quarter 1 is November 3rd. Student's grades will be posted on Skyward on November 10th. I want to remind parents and students that Turtle Lake offers an after-school program for students who need extra help on their homework. Students are encouraged to take advantage of this excellent opportunity to improve their

grades by staying after school from 3:30- 4:30 from Monday through Thursday. This is open to all students in high school and middle school and students can attend any or all of those nights to get caught up. This is also an opportunity for students to get some extra tutoring in a one to one type of environment. Students just need to let their teachers and parents know which nights they are planning to stay after school.

Congratulations to our Varsity Volleyball team for winning the conference championship. We are all very proud of our players and coaches for their dedication and hard work. All of our sports teams have had successful seasons including our MS Volleyball/Football teams and our HS Football teams. It is also great to see our Cheerleading Squad perform at the HS football games. I am very happy to see our athletes having the opportunity to play and participate this year. I am looking forward to Basketball and Wrestling seasons too. One awesome feature we have added this year is that we are Livestreaming our sporting events. Please check out our Facebook page on game days with the link to the event and watch it online. Our hope is to share these events with as many people as possible in a safe and responsible manner.

The Wisconsin Department of Justice has rolled out a new app called Speak Up and Speak Out (SUSO). This app allows students, parents, and others to give anonymous tips for school safety purposes. Students in grades 5-12 went through training on how to use the app with our school resource officer in late October. The app is an anonymous tipline

to prevent potential school safety threats. For more information, you can also check out their website on <https://speakup.wisconsin.gov>.

As a reminder, there will be no school during the Thanksgiving break which runs from November 23-27. This is an opportunity for families to spend time together and to take a well-deserved break. I wish all the hunters a safe and happy hunt and I can't wait to hear your stories when you get back. I hope to have some stories of my own to share.

Turtle Lake Schools understands and appreciates all the hard work and patience our parents have displayed this school year, in particular, as we navigate together through these uncertain times. We are constantly adapting to provide our students with the best possible education and we appreciate all the efforts of our parents. If you have any questions regarding your child's education, please contact me. I am always available to listen.

Go Lakers!

Regards,
Mr. Hinze
HS/MS Principal

Keep the Flu Out of School

Influenza (flu) is a contagious viral infection that can cause mild to severe symptoms and life-threatening complications, including death, even in healthy children and adults.

Influenza viruses spread mainly from one individual to another through coughing or sneezing. Less often, they can also spread through touching a contaminated surface and then touching the mouth, eyes, or nose. Individuals can pass flu on to others even before their own symptoms start and for a week or more after symptoms begin.

Flu is not just a common cold. It usually comes on suddenly, and people with flu may have some or all of the following symptoms (think F.A.C.T.S.):

- *Fever
- *Aches (muscle, body, and headaches)
- *Chills
- *Tiredness (fatigue)
- *Sudden onset

*Cough, runny or stuffy nose, and/or sore throat

*Vomiting and diarrhea (more common in children than adults)

The best way to prevent flu is to receive an influenza vaccination every year. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that everyone age 6 months and older get vaccinated annually. Flu vaccination is especially important this year to help protect individuals and prevent additional strain on an already overburdened US healthcare system. The best time to get vaccinated is in the early fall, before influenza viruses begin spreading in your community. Wash your hands often and cover your cough. Do not attend school if you have any of the flu symptoms.

It may be difficult to know if you have the flu or COVID-19. See your primary care physician for testing.

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Middle School News



In September, twelve students were selected to represent their classmates by earning a spot on this year's Middle School Student Council. Students were asked to fill out an application to share ideas on how to make our school and community an even better place to live. The student council students have already been hard at work making locker tags for their classmates, delivering treats to the staff, and sending thank you cards to our school board members. Bottom row (l to r): Landon Hubbard, McKayla Pittman, Katelyn Pabst, Shella Olsvig, Ella Koenig, Jade Schallock. Back row (l to r): Justin Rose, Brandon Wagner, Ryan Shortess, Haleigh Strenke, Meeghan Allen, Ella Moen.



In Mr. Baert's Chemistry 1 class, students used Thin Layer Chromatography to separate the dyes found in pens and markers. Using Isopropyl Alcohol, they allowed the chromatography plates to soak, causing the dyes to be carried up the paper. If two pens had the same dye in them, the dots would appear in the same location on the plate. Students were surprised to find out how many different dyes are found in some pens, especially permanent markers.

Turtle Lake Fab Lab Creations

News From Mrs. Delany's Second Grade Classroom

Future employment: Second grade is eagerly awaiting new Chromebooks. So exciting!! I heard one student say with a big (and eager) smile on their face "whenever I am at the computer I feel like I am at my job". In many ways they are correct. School and its accomplishments are an opening act: the one that will set the stage for all the jobs coming after. I thought it was so endearing how devoted they were to what was next in our learning and perhaps subconsciously realizing that "this" (learning) builds into their future. In the meantime, we have been using the computer lab diligently to take AR tests, spelling tests and practice skills in math and Spelling City. We are very focused on remembering our basic addition and subtraction math facts to enable the effortlessness needed to engage in the higher level thinking that expands our abilities to deliberate through to a final answer. Those 2 step word problems are mind-benders sometimes!!

Capturing Joy and Mind-cations: We are, in the same way, lovin' literacy in the second grade as we are off to a great start in our new year. Instilling a love of reading early gives a child a head start on expanding their vocabulary and building independence and self-confidence. It helps children learn to make



sense not only of the world around them but also people, building social-emotional skills and of course, imagination. This art of losing oneself into an adventure or gaining knowledge through a book is a great skill to have and hold on to – especially for years to come. Daily, each second grader is practicing and learning the essential reading strategies of phonics, identifying genre's (fiction and non-fiction, informational and so forth) and the comprehension tactics of each story along with capturing the joy of enjoying a good book that can take each of us on a mind-cation!! A special shout out to all those second graders that have taken on the optional personal challenge of reading books

of their choice a 100 minutes a week at home!! Way to go! No better way to start the day than recording your work and sharing a good book with others.

MERCI!! Lastly, thank you for what each of you, the families and caregivers, are doing to help your second grader come to school ready to learn. It is pretty incredible to have all the positive energy of each student seated in their desk ready and willing to learn each day. Let's just say - It is so (so) good to be learning within the wondrous educational cycle of the classroom and from each other. Thank you!! You are very appreciated.

Mrs. Delany



The Turtle Lake School Fab Lab is becoming well known to area residents and businesses. They have done many projects over the last several years. One such project was to make signs for the Horseshoe Lake area.

Second Graders Have Been Learning About Kindness!



Mrs. Brown, student teacher in Mr. Hansen's classroom, led the class in a lesson about the importance of kindness. After reading a kindness story, each student decorated a pumpkin for

the "kindness patch" out in the hallway. Each pumpkin features what kindness means to each student.

The students all agreed that it feels really great to do something

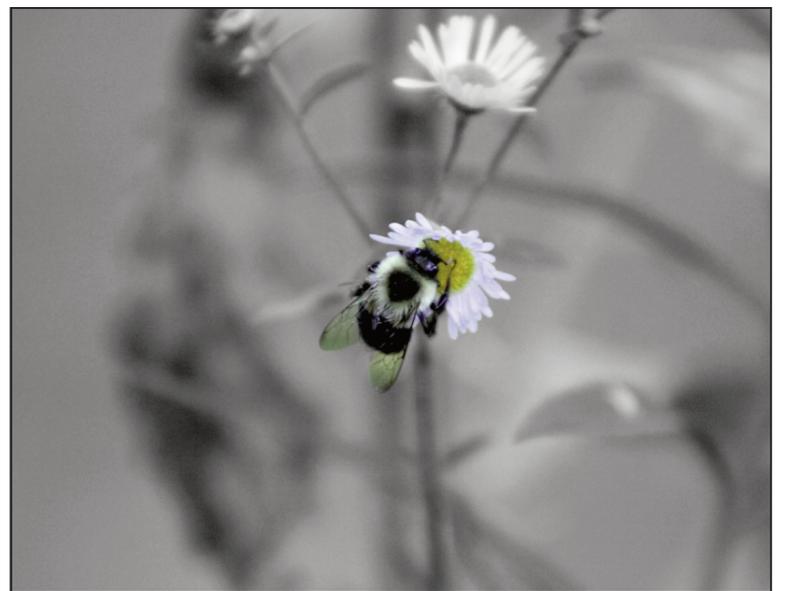
kind for others or to have something kind done for them!

Submitted by Mr. Hansen

Business Education Classes Update



Cole Duffee rebuilds a computer in IT Essentials.



Eli Funk's photo from Photography Class titled "It's a Bee."

School Meals During COVID-19

Healthy Meals for All Students



School Meals are Available

We are committed to providing meals to all our students during this public health crisis. Meals include a variety of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, proteins, and milk.

School Meals are Safe

Our school nutrition professionals follow all national, state, and local guidelines for safe food preparation during the COVID-19 pandemic. This includes frequent handwashing and wearing face coverings.



School Meals Support U.S. Farmers

School meals feature products grown in the United States. Many foods, such as fruits, vegetables, and dairy, are grown and produced by farmers in Wisconsin. Participating in our school meal programs helps support local agriculture.

Meal Service at Turtle Lake School

Our school is committed to offering a nutritious **breakfast and lunch** to all students:

- Meal Prices – we continue to offer free meals to every child **through June 30, 2021** or until notified otherwise.
- If children need meals picked-up at the school, please call 715-986-4470 for more information.
- Please complete a free/reduced meal application if you qualify – we need them on file!
- Visit our website – www.turtlelake.k12.wi.us – to check out our menus under "Food Service".

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Students have been busy this first quarter of the school year. We have been learning how to access software and resources if we are unable to be in the building. Students have been doing a great job adjusting to using new technology to prepare for any situation.

The Marketing students have been learning about supply and demand and have begun learning about product planning. They are working on a clothing order for the school store that should be available for Christmas--watch for ordering information coming home with students.

In Computer Applications students have been working with a new grading system called SAM and Shelly Cashman textbook that is used by WITC. They are using the updated MS Office 2019 software and have been learning how to perform various tasks in MS Word. Soon we will be working on our Santa project.

The Photography students have been learning a variety of camera settings and techniques for taking photos. They are also experimenting with Photoshop and have taken photos that will be used in our 2020-21 year-book.

In Personal Finance the seniors have done career/college

research and are learning to file their taxes. In the coming weeks they will begin budgeting and complete a grocery shopping activity for a month's worth of food. They are also participating in a virtual stock market game. The winner will be announced in January.

The sixth grade keyboarding students have learned all the letter and number keys and are now working on building their speed to at least 30 WPM. They are also completing exploratory activities in other business subjects and will do a unit on digital citizenship.

The final business class first semester is IT Essentials. The students are learning all about information technology and computers. They have torn apart and rebuilt a computer and all students made them more functional than they were when they started. They are currently working in BIOs and will begin a networking unit very soon. There are a variety of things happening in the business lab to prepare students with the skills and abilities they will need out in the real world!

Mrs. Kristen Pabst

SOS (Students Offering Support) Christmas Project

For many years, we have been able to help families during the Christmas holiday season by purchasing clothing, a few fun items and holding a school-wide food drive. This project is also funded through donations and we are fortunate to have local businesses, organizations and individuals who donate every year. Without them, we would not be able to continue!

This year we are forced to change things up a bit due to COVID-19. We will not be able to go shopping as a group as in the past, so we will take advantage of online shopping opportunities.

The food drive is being replaced by a school-wide drive for personal care products, and all items will be collected earlier to ensure that they are safe to give out to our families. Our senior class participants will be responsible for the "fun item" portion of the project and will be helping to pull this all together!

If you have any questions about either the Backpack or SOS Programs, contact Jean Pabst at jpabst@turtlelake.k12.wi.us or 715-986-4770, Ext. 2010.

November is Diabetes Awareness Month

Type 1 diabetes (previously called insulin-dependent or juvenile diabetes) is usually diagnosed in children, teens, and young adults, but it can develop at any age.

If you have type 1 diabetes, your pancreas doesn't make insulin or makes very little insulin. Insulin is a hormone that helps blood sugar enter the cells in your body where it can be used for energy. Without insulin, blood sugar can't get into cells and builds up in the bloodstream. High blood sugar is damaging to the body and causes many of the symptoms and complications of diabetes.

Type 1 diabetes is thought to be caused by an autoimmune reaction (the body attacks itself by mistake) that destroys the cells in the pancreas that make insulin, called beta cells. This process can go on for months or years before any symptoms appear.

If you have any of the following diabetes symptoms, see your

doctor about getting your blood sugar tested:

- *Urinate (pee) a lot, often at night
- *Have numb or tingling hands or feet
- *Are very thirsty
- *Feel very tired
- *Lose weight without trying
- *Have blurry vision
- *Are very hungry
- *Have very dry skin
- *Have sores that heal slowly
- *Have more infections than usual

Middle School Football Season 2020

The MS FB season has come and gone already. For a season that was in doubt to even be played, it went off without a hitch. The team had 4 games and 1 scrimmage scheduled for the year. We were able to complete all of the scheduled contests and finished the season with a 2-2 record. It was a huge success coming off from a season in which we lost every game. The team was led by a strong core of 8th graders sprinkled in with some key 7th grade contributors. Overall it was a fun season and we thank all of the boys for coming out and putting so much effort into it.

Members of the 8th grade class are: Brady Jobe, Ryan Shortess, Lane Hegg, Justin Rose, Kolton Bader, David Torgerson, Brayden Nelson, Cordell Hiemstra and Dillon King. 7th graders include Nick Betz, Cam Davis, Braydn Gehrman, Cam Hare, Landon Hubbard, Luke Moen, Greyson Peterson, Luke Popenhagen, Vincent Stoll, Brandon Wagner and Brandon Wright. 6th grade members include: Brody Tarman, Chase Schmidt, Carter Daugherty, Gavin Ellis, Ray Jackson, Konnor Bader, Mike Easland, Wesley Webster, Ashton Henck and Colton Wallberg.



TURTLE LAKE SCHOOL

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FROM SEPT 21 TO OCT 18



FACEBOOK



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3,690

Total Page Views UP 186% 

Post Engagement
6,973

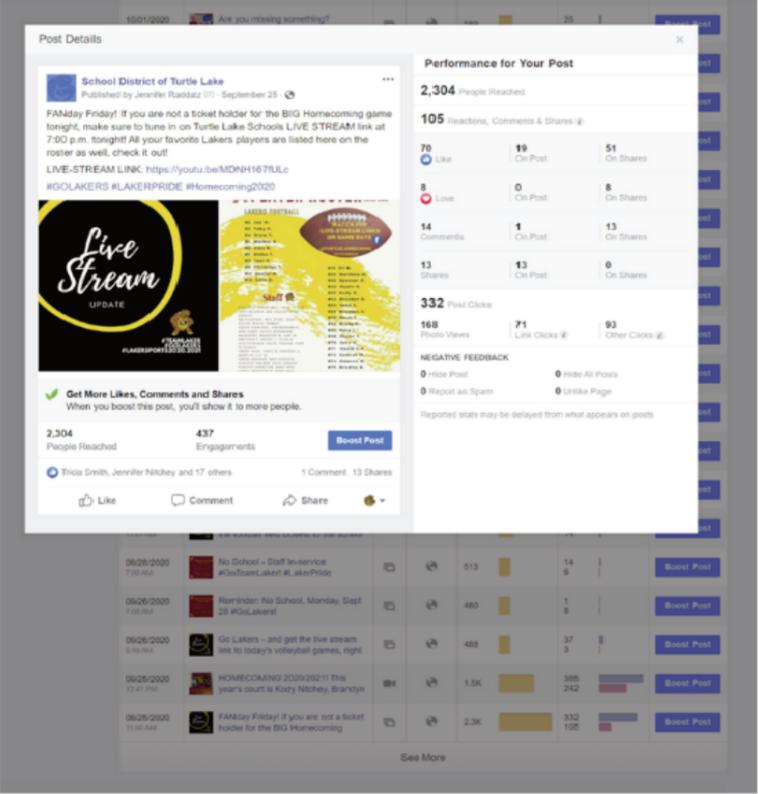
Post Engagement UP 18% 

Page Likes Added 32

Page Likes 256% 

TOTAL PAGE LIKES: 1536

TOP POST *WINNER*



INSTAGRAM

Total Followers
457 ... UP 0.6% 

HELPFUL HINTS

Did you know you can print or view full season schedules for individual sports, music events, and other activities from the school website? Go to turtlelake.k12.wi.us, click on "Calendar", and then click on "Activity Specific Calendars". This will bring you to the Turtle Lake calendar on the Lakeland Conference website, where you can view all of our scheduled activities for the year. If you want to see only the schedule for a specific activity, click on "VIEW SCHEDULES" on the right side of the page and you will see a list of Laker activities. Check the schedule(s) you wish to see and click "VIEW". It's a great way to keep track of your child's upcoming events.



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NEW! DANCE CLASSES ARE BACK!

We are happy to welcome dance instructor, McKayla Johnson, to Turtle Lake Community Education! McKayla will be offering three classes for age ranges 6 to 8 years, 3 to 5 years, and 9+ years. Classes will be weekly on Thursdays beginning November 5. Class times will be from 4pm to 7pm. Fees for the classes will be a one-time registration fee of \$15 and a monthly fee of \$25.

And, for adults – McKayla is looking for those who will be interested in ZUMBA classes beginning the 2nd week of January 2021. ZUMBA classes will be offered one or more days per week in the early mornings. Fees have yet to be determined for this class.

All dance classes will be held at the Turtle Lake American Legion Post 137 located at 320 Maple Street South, Turtle Lake. Class sizes are limited to 10 so register early!

Please call McKayla at 715-419-3829 or email at mckayla14@mail.com. Information can also be obtained by calling or emailing Jennifer, Community Education Director at 715-986-4470, Ext 2241 or email jraddatz@turtlelake.k12.wi.us.

HERBAL MEDICINE FOR ALL!



On Saturday, September 5, Turtle Lake Community Ed students visited Silver Creek Springs. Co-owner, Lisa Kofakis, brought the class on a Plant ID Walk and completed the morning with an Herbal Tincture making demonstration. Lisa has her Western Herbalist certification and is currently studying for her Master Herbalist Certification through the Midwest School of Herbal Studies. Wisconsin is home to many natural plants that allow for health and healing. The hour-plus long Plant ID walk brought the class over Silver Creek via a homemade bridge, through the beautiful valley of goldenrod (a very useful ingredient), atop the tallest point on the farm for a rest and a drink of water, and ended back at the farm to view Lisa's Apothecary store and enjoy the herbal tincture demonstration. We are excited to work more with Lisa and hopefully invite Turtle Lake students out to their beautiful piece of Wisconsin. To learn more about Silver Creek Springs Apothecary, visit www.silvercreeksprings.com.

A PRACTICALLY PERFECT PINTEREST PARTY!

Ten students enjoyed food and beverages while they crafted a pretty fall door decoration at SpareTime Bowl in Turtle Lake. Students were able to choose their own decorations, paint color, and design while using vinyl stencils designed by instructors, Amy Schneider and Sara Kahl, and made right in the school's FAB lab!

What's on the agenda for the next Practically Perfect Pinterest Party? Sara and Amy will be pulling ideas and offering a take-home craft that will have a holiday or winter theme. Be sure to check Facebook and the school website for more information on this very fun class! Visit www.facebook.com/turtlelakeschools



Opportunities abound with Turtle Lake Community Education!

Community Education Instructors help our mission of providing quality, innovative, learning opportunities to the Turtle Lake community. We're always looking for individuals with fresh ideas and a desire to share a skill or interest with the community. Ideal instructors have extensive knowledge in their skill or subject area, great people skills and, above all, a

passion for teaching others.

The coronavirus pandemic has helped us learn new technology and systems in order to better serve our community. We are able to offer video recorded classes, offer take-home art or other types of projects, provide online learning such as Zoom or Google meetings, and classes are able to be held at two Turtle Lake locations: American Legion

post 137 and SpareTime Bowl conference room. In-person class sizes are limited to 10 participants.

If you have a course or class you'd like to teach, please contact Jennifer, Community Education Director at 715-986-4471, Ext 2241 or email jraddatz@turtlelake.k12.wi.us.

Veteran's Day Goes Virtual

Despite all the challenges presented by COVID-19, Turtle Lake School will present a video of our Veteran's Day Program. The video will be released on November 11th at 11 AM on our Facebook page, YouTube and the School's website. Please join us as we honor and thank our Veterans.

"Honor to the soldier and sailor everywhere, who bravely bears his country's cause. Honor, also, to the citizen who cared for his brother in the field and serves, as he best can, the same cause." – Abraham Lincoln

Watch for the Buses!

This time of the year is always a challenge for our bus drivers with the changing weather and everyone adjusting to the time change. Remember to watch for our school buses and their precious cargo!

Conference Champions



Congratulations to our Laker Volleyball team on earning the title of Central Lakeland Conference Champions! Great job ladies!! Members of the conference champs are, front row, left to right: Mariah Thill, Jaylee Humphrey, Becca Peterson, Abby Russell, Courtney Tarman, Madison Rose, MaraJade Stoll. Back row: Head Coach Jackie Torgerson, Manager Makayla Lopez, Anika Torgerson, Emma Jansen, Allison Wagner, Mercedes Madison, Ella Jansen, Mackenzie Tarman, Manager Morgan Mrdutt, Assistant Coach Jill Quade. The Lakers enter tournament play as the #1-seed in their bracket.



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Physical Education News



The 2020 school year has started out with a lot of different changes from normal years. In a typical year we would be starting out with football type games then going to soccer followed by volleyball. With the pandemic hitting our country it has turned our class upside down. With the need for social distancing and wearing masks inside we have not been able to do a lot of the activities that we normally do. We started out the year with our normal fitness testing which was done mostly outside. We then went to some small group softball type of games which allowed us to be outside but socially distance at the same time. These small games really worked well on the skills and strategies that go along with playing softball. We then progressed to a larger game of full team softball. I had the kids use only 1 glove and not trade gloves with any other student. The teams that batted spread out along the fence so that they were socially distanced. I then would throw in a new ball and disinfect the bats after each inning. At the end of class, I had the students put the gloves on the fence so I could disinfect them for the next hour to play. Normally softball is done in the spring. After the softball unit concluded we started our biking unit. The first few days we mostly rode around the track so that I could administer safety precautions with the students. Since the weather was nice for the most part we coincided biking with the canoeing and kayaking unit at the old mill pond. Students rode their bikes down to the pond where I had hauled the canoes and kayaks earlier in the morning. We went through how to load and unload canoes and a few safety precautions then the kids were off. It is a unit which kids really enjoy since not all of them have that opportunity outside of school. That leads us up to the last two weeks which we have been conducting our soccer unit. Soccer works well since the students use their feet mostly for the games. The first week we were fortunate enough with the weather to be outside. We worked on some skills then played some small group games that the kids really enjoyed. This past week the weather has turned so it has been challenging

for both the students and I to be inside with all the precautions that we need to take. I have conducted a couple games called endline soccer and boccer in which I utilize sideline players. For this I put down poly spots on the floor or gym tape on the bleachers and make the rule that only 1 person can occupy 1 spot or it becomes a penalty. The marks are all spaced out appropriately and it has worked really well. I have smaller groups playing the game on the court then the rest of the students participate as sideline helpers in the game. Then after a round I rotate in new players and have the kids on the court become sideline players. With all of the guideline I have had to alter much of my curriculum to help keep everyone safe. My students have done a great job adapting to the different changes that I have asked them to do during my classes.

In Elementary PE we have gotten off to a busy year. Things may be a bit different this year compared to past years but we have continued to find ways to have fun and action filled classes. The weather has been great and as of October 20th we have only spent 5 days inside. Mr. Mateski's PE started the year by conducting its regular Fitness gram fitness testing units. This is where each student takes part in some fitness testing areas such as the pacer, Mile run, pushups, sit-ups and shuttle run categories. The fitness testing is implemented in order to assess each of the student's current fitness levels as well as set goals for the upcoming year. In Mr. Mateski's elementary classes he has been busy with the following activities. K-2 locomotor skills (jumping, hopping, skipping, running, galloping), kicking skills, a mini soccer unit, catching skills, and all kinds of chasing and fleeing games. Next up K-2 will spend time jumping ropes, hula hoopings, and dribbling basketballs. Grades 3-5 started the year off with Fitness Testing, and then we started a soccer unit. After the soccer unit students participated in canoeing, kayaking, biking and football games. Next up for 3-5 is a game called Spaceketball. Spaceketball combines football, soccer, and basketball related skills that creates a fun and competitive environment for every-



The fourth graders have been studying The Fur Trade in Wisconsin the past week. They have learned about Wisconsin's first business in the 1600's including the demand for beaver felt hats, bartering with Native Americans, voyagers transporting goods by canoe, the French and Indian War, and methods and techniques of trapping. Here Mr. Pabst and Mrs. Church demonstrate how to set some of the different traps used during the fur trade in Wisconsin. ~ Mrs. Church & Mr. Pabst

one involved. After Spaceketball we hope to have a few more nice days to get back outside and get into an Archery unit. If all goes well PreK-5 will begin their first swimming unit around November 30th.

The Counselor's Corner

On Tuesday, November 3rd, members of the military will once again be here to help administer the ASVAB to our juniors. The ASVAB is an aptitude test that takes around 3 hours to complete. In the spring, the students will go over their results and tie their strengths either to careers that match or college majors that match their skillset. We feel that this is important as they prepare to enter into their senior year.

This should be a busy time for seniors, as they are preparing themselves for their post-secondary options. For those college and tech school students, they are busy filling out college applications, filling out their FAFSA, and beginning to look at scholarships. Many of the schools in the UW system are offering free applications during the month of October. Be sure to check out each school's webpage just to make sure.

We will also be celebrating Veterans Day again this year, but with a twist. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we will not be hosting a live ceremony, as in previous years. Instead, we are busy preparing a wonderful video that will still contain all the components of our usual program. We will be releasing this video on the 11th month, on the 11th day, on the 11th hour onto Facebook, YouTube, and our school's website.

Track Receives Donation



This summer the Turtle Lake Lioness Club worked the Brat Stand in Austad's Parking Lot as a fundraiser for their club, allowing them to make a donation to the Turtle Lake School Track Renovation Fund. Cindy King, representing the Lioness Club, presented the check to Coach Plooy.

In the elementary, I am busy wrapping up units on school readiness and ways to be a better student and will soon be teaching them lessons on alcohol and drug awareness.

And lastly, I would like to make a big push for students to consider signing up for our Upward Bound program. Upward Bound is a college readiness program for high school students who are either first generation students (parents do not have a 4-year degree) or meet federal income guidelines. Benefits of the Upward Bound program include: academic support, work on study skills, 1:1 planning on college planning,

field trips to different colleges to expose them to places they may not have already experienced, ACT prep and financial assistance in paying for each test, free college applications, and stipends for good grades and program participation. If you think your child could benefit from this program, have them stop into my office for an application. Upward Bound is a federally funded program where outside people come into our building and work with our students a day or two a week. They have been of great benefit to our students.

By Joel Schneider