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Public invited to high school's CTE open house event

Come see how Pardeeville students are learning future job skills

In recognition of National Career and Technical Education (CTE) Month this February, Pardeeville High School is excited to host a CTE Open House on Tuesday, Feb. 18, from 4 to 7 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Community members are invited to explore how Pardeeville High School is preparing students for careers in high-demand industries that require skilled workers. The open house will feature displays in the high school atrium and guided tours of the school's CTE classrooms and shop areas, giving attendees an inside look at the programs and resources available to students. Door prizes will also be awarded to participants during the event.

Pardeeville High School offers nearly 40 CTE courses across four key program areas: agri-science, technical education, business education, and health careers. Many of these courses provide students with the opportunity to earn technical college credits through partnerships with Madi-



Mr. Jesse Huset works with students Ella Griepentrog and Brooklyn Auchtung in the Introduction to Woods class at Pardeeville High School. This is one of nearly 40 CTE courses offered at Pardeeville High School.

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2025 REFERENDUMS

Check out **PAGE 15** to learn about the upcoming referendums on the April 1 election ballot!



CTE

FROM PAGE 1



ABOVE: Ms. Tammy Haugen works with student Owen Krueger in the Web Design class at Pardeeville High School. Web Design is one of 10 classes offered by the Business and Information Technology Department at Pardeeville High School.



RIGHT: Pardeeville junior Taylor Luedtke puts butter on a pretzel during a Pastry and Baking Science class taught by Mrs. Amanda Seichter. Pastry and Baking Science is one of the nearly 20 classes offered by the Agri-Science Department in Pardeeville.

son College and Southwest Technical College, helping students save both time and money as they work toward post-secondary degrees.

CTE courses at Pardeeville are designed to give students hands-on experience in a variety of career fields. Examples of these courses include:

Agri-science: Food Science Trends, Forestry and Natural Resource Management, Golf Course and Landscaping Management, Introduction to Animal Science, Advanced Biotechnology

Technical Education: 21st Century Home Maintenance, Manufacturing Technologies, Architectural Design, Introduction to Engineering, Introduction to Metal/Welding Technologies

Business Education: Web Design, Accounting, Sports and Entertainment Marketing

Health Careers: Introduction to Health Careers, Medical Terminology

The CTE Open House provides an excellent opportunity for parents, students, and community members to see how Pardeeville High School is equipping students with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in today's workforce.

The Pardeeville Boys Basketball team is also scheduled to play at home against Randolph that night, with the varsity game starting at 7:15 p.m. Come on out, check out our CTE programs, and cheer our Bulldogs on as they take on the Rockets.

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- This newsletter is an official bi-monthly publication of the Pardeeville School District designed primarily to inform parents and other district residents interested in their public school system. It is designed to supplement the fine coverage and reporting of our local news media, other school publications and general or more personalized communications.
- 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.

Seasons may change, but our vision remains the same

If you ask anyone around about what their favorite season (or seasons) might be, it is likely that there will be a wide variety of answers. Respondents may be quick to shout out SPRING as we continue to navigate through the darkest days of winter (in spite of a record high temperature of 53 degrees on Jan. 30), but I have always taken the opportunity to enjoy the many activities available when our outdoor surroundings are consistently sub-freezing.

For example, it never ceases to amaze me how well many of our students navigate frozen surfaces while curling or rocketing on skates across Park Lake. Although I used to jump at any opportunity to go downhill skiing or play a game of hockey with my students, a distinct loss of limb dexterity and balance has caused me to reexamine this course of action while gracefully entering my mid-40's. While the lack of snow (for the second year in a row) has certainly curtailed the exhilaration of riding on my second worst investment of all time, aka snowmobile (with my ski boat edging it out and coming in first), there may still be a few snowy surprises from mother nature that await us deep into March and April. (When I was a northern Wisconsin administrator, it was common to have snow days in April, with plenty of the white stuff still on the ground through mid-May, especially deep in the woods).

As the days steadily get longer and the temperatures gradually become more conducive for all sorts of outdoor activities, I look forward to the promises and possibilities of starting new adventures. The prospect of traveling in a new direction (especially via bicycle or boat) is enough to push my wintertime propensity for procrastination onto a positive trajectory.

Referendum update

Speaking of seasons, the Pardeeville Area School District officially entered 'referendum season' on Jan. 13, when the Board of Education officially adopted two resolutions that will appear on the 2025 Spring Election ballot.

Operational Referendum Question

- Asks District residents for permission to exceed the State-imposed revenue limit by \$800,000, per year for three years (non-recurring) to maintain the District's current level of operations. This permission would provide additional tax revenue for the District's operating budget.
- If approved, the estimated tax increase (over the current tax mill rate) would be \$0.85 per \$1,000 of equalized property value or \$85 per year for every \$100,000 of equalized property value beginning with the December 2025 tax bills. The tax impact would occur for three years and then expires.



Pardeeville Area School District Administrator Ben Heninger joined the Pardeeville High School's Bulldog Jazz Combo for a song during the high school's Winter Concert in December.

Facilities Referendum Question

- Asks District residents for permission to borrow a not-to-exceed amount of \$23.5 million to address district-wide capital maintenance, renovations and an addition at the Middle/High School, including cafeteria and career and technical education spaces, demolition of the Balliet building, and renovations and additions at the Elementary School for safety and security.
- If approved, the estimated tax increase (over the current tax mill rate) would be \$1.82 per \$1,000 of equalized property value or \$182 per year for every \$100,000 of equalized property value for approximately 21 years. Example: For a property having a \$350,000 equalized value, the estimated tax increase would be \$637 per year.

More information on the upcoming referendum is available on pages 15-18 of this newsletter. The District will be inviting the community to attend referendum information sessions, as well as providing additional communications and engagement opportunities to learn more about the ballot questions. Follow the District on Facebook and watch the website (<https://www.pasdwi.org/long-range-planning/>) for continual updates.

In closing, Jimmy the Groundhog in Sun Prairie thinks that it will be an early spring. I guess that we'll just have to wait and see!

Yours in Education,

Benjamin Heninger

Pardeeville Community Day of Service returning in May

Students, staff will be volunteering to help with projects on May 16

The Pardeeville Area School District is excited to announce the return of its district-wide Community Day of Service, scheduled for Friday, May 16. This inspiring initiative brings together students and staff to make a meaningful impact on the Pardeeville community through various service projects.

Now in its second year, the Pardeeville Community Day of Service was launched in May 2024, quickly becoming a beloved tradition. Its inaugural success motivated district administration, staff, and students to continue the effort, aiming to strengthen the bond between the school district and the local community.

Pardeeville Area School District Administrator Ben Heninger recognizes the importance of this event. "Leadership and service are two core tenets of what keeps small communities like Pardeeville strong and successful," Heninger said. "It is always encouraging to see people take the initiative and promote activities which can exert a positive influence on others. Once the ball gets rolling on a project like this one, it can quickly become ingrained in our school traditions and shared values."

This year's event will see volunteers rolling up their sleeves to engage in a variety of community service projects, designed to address local needs and foster a sense of unity. The district is calling on community members to contribute by submitting project ideas for consideration.

Residents with project proposals are encouraged to complete the request form included on page xx of this newsletter. Forms should be submitted to the Pardeeville High School office no later than March 31.



ABOVE: Pardeeville High School student Mallory Kolkovich runs a sander while helping build beds for Sleep in Heavenly Peace at last year's Community Day of Service.



LEFT: Students Justin Hamilton and Brecken Helm put down mulch at Chandler Park during last year's Community Day of Service.

For more information, please contact Crystal Huset, Pardeeville High School Counselor, at husecr@pasdwi.org.

Mark your calendars for May 16 and join the Pardeeville Area School District in making a difference. Together, we can build a stronger, more connected community.

Burkhardt, Hoffman hired as new administrative assistants



Burkhardt



Hoffman

Pardeeville Middle School is pleased to announce Mrs. Tonya Burkhardt as its new administrative assistant. Mrs. Burkhardt officially began her role on Monday, January 27.

A familiar face to many in the community, Mrs. Burkhardt has been a valued member of the Pardeeville Area School District for the past 2 ½ years, serving as the administrative assistant at Pardeeville Elementary School. Her experience and dedication to supporting students and families make her a great addition to the

middle school team.

To fill the vacancy at Pardeeville Elementary School, the district has hired Amber Hoffman as its new administrative assistant. Hoffman brings with her 10 years of experience as a front office manager and 15 years in customer service. She is also an active member of the community, currently coaching middle school girls basketball in Pardeeville.

For middle school parents, if your child will be absent, please contact Mrs. Burkhardt by call-

ing 429-2153, extension 386, and leaving a message. You can also reach her via email at burkto@pasdwi.org. For elementary school parents, if your child will be absent, please contact Mrs. Hoffman by calling 429-2151, extension 110, and leaving a message. You can also reach her via email at hoffam@pasdwi.org.

Please join us in welcoming Mrs. Burkhardt to the middle school team and Mrs. Hoffman to her new role at the elementary school.

Pardeeville has 10 students earn spot in Trailways Honors Band

The Pardeeville High School Band will be well represented in the Trailways Conference Honors Band, as 10 Bulldogs were recently selected to play in this group that includes the top band students in the conference.

Representing Pardeeville in the Trailways Conference Honors Band will be Alex Gabsch, Hailey Vasquez, Justyce Banuelos, Emma Gentz, Cody Gentz, Chloe Kessenich, Oswald Sanchez, Tristen Homan, James Ledlow and Leeza Keeling.

High School Honors Band will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 5th at Edgerton High School in the Edgerton Performing Arts Center. The concert is open to the public and will be at 6 p.m. at the Edgerton Performing Arts Center, which is located at 200 Elm High Drive in Edgerton.

District Solo and Ensemble Festival is Feb. 15

The Pardeeville Music Department

currently has about 50 students, in grades 7-12, participating in numerous events for the District Solo and Ensemble Festival in Deerfield on Saturday, Feb. 15.

If you are interested in seeing any of these events, you may see when and where they will occur on the wsmamusic.org website. These schedules will not be posted until approximately one to two weeks prior to the festival. All public is welcome to attend.

Jazz Band and Show Choir Concert will be March 4

The PHS Show Choir and Jazz Band will have their own concert once again this year on Tuesday, March 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the Lenz Auditorium. The Pardeeville Middle School Show Choir will also be joining them on the stage that evening. This includes students in grades 6-8 who have given up their own free time to learn some songs to perform for you. Come for a night of

entertainment and fun as these hard-working students share their talents with you. The event is free and you do not need to reserve a seat ahead of time.

Planning has started for 2026 Music Department trip

The Pardeeville Bulldogs are headed to Tennessee!

The Pardeeville Music Department is excited to announce that the high school band and choir students will be traveling to Memphis and Nashville during Spring Break in March of 2026.

The music department will be holding a parent and student information meeting after the Jazz Band and Show Choir Concert on March 4. The directors will be on hand to hand out information and answer any questions you may have at this time.

Pardeeville students, staff mourn the loss of beloved student

The Pardeeville Area School District is heartbroken by the tragic loss of Pardeeville High School sophomore Lorelei Hepler, who passed away on Jan. 19 as the result of a car accident. Lorelei was a shining light in the community, and our school, known for her warmth, kindness, and dedication to making the world a better place.

A natural leader and role model, Lorelei was actively involved in numerous organizations. She served as secretary of the Drama Club and held officer roles in the Sophomore Class, Educators Rising, Future Business Leaders of America, Spanish Club, Art Club, Sources of Strength, and Forensics. Lorelei's love for performing arts was evident in her passion for singing, acting, and Broadway musicals. She cherished her annual trips to New York City to see Broadway productions and was eagerly preparing to play Queen Aggravain in Pardeeville High School's upcoming musical *Once Upon a Mattress*.

In addition to her artistic talents, Lorelei was a dedicated member of the high school band, choir, show choir, and solo ensemble.

Her creativity and enthusiasm inspired everyone around her.

Lorelei also participated in athletics. Her favorite sport was softball, but she also played volleyball, participated in powerlifting, and was a basketball player in middle school.

Beyond her many talents and accomplishments, Lorelei's greatest joy was helping others. She dreamed of becoming a middle school or high school math teacher and was known for her generosity in assisting classmates who struggled academically.

The Pardeeville Area School District wishes to express its heartfelt gratitude to those who have supported students and staff during this difficult time, including parents and former staff members. Special thanks go to counselors Crystal Huset, Courtney Sturtevant, and Megan Dietzenbach for their compassionate care, the many substitute teachers who stepped in to cover for grieving staff, and Custom Canines Service Dog Academy, who brought therapy dogs to provide comfort to students.



Lorelei Hepler played the role of Mrs. Darling during the Pardeeville Drama Club's performance of *Peter/Wendy* back in November.

Pardeeville students show off superb spelling skills

Four talented students from the Pardeeville Area School District represented their school at the Central Wisconsin Talented and Gifted Regional Spelling Bee on Tuesday, Jan. 28, in Portage. This exciting opportunity highlights their hard work and spelling skills, which earned them top spots in their respective school competitions.

Fifth-grade students Ayden Vasquez and Lucas Gessler will join fourth-grade students Chase Achterberg and Edgar Vedvik at the regional event. These students secured their places by excelling in spelling bees held earlier this month.

Ayden Vasquez clinched first place in the 5th-grade spelling bee, with Lucas Gessler taking second. Their competition was held within their classrooms, where the pair showcased their impressive spelling abilities and determination to advance.

Meanwhile, Chase Achterberg and Edgar Vedvik emerged as top spellers among 15 fourth-grade students in a spelling bee held in the Pardeeville Elementary School gymnasium on Jan. 14. Chase took first place, while Edgar secured second, demonstrating their mastery of challenging words.



ABOVE: Competing in the Pardeeville Elementary School 4th Grade Spelling Bee, which was held on Jan. 14, were, in front, from left; Ramsie Johnson, Hank Haggerty, Jacob Nicol, Chase Achterberg and Skye Glanzer. Middle row; Edgar Vedvik, Liam Molnar, Jonah Nicol, Emersen Statz and Autumn Kind. Back row; Bryce Ganz, Rosemary Bader, Patience Bobiak, Elliott Harvey and Elias Jansen.



LEFT: Pardeeville 5th grade students Ayden Vasquez (left) and Lucas Gessler advanced to compete at the Central Wisconsin Talented and Gifted Regional Spelling Bee on Tuesday, Jan. 28, in Portage.

Pardeeville's SkillsUSA students compete at District in Watertown



Pardeeville SkillsUSA members who competed in the SkillsUSA District Competition in Watertown in December are, from left; Tristan Homan, Dane Overland, Onan Casteel, Alex Gabsch, Braden Breneman, Brook Schomburg and Miranda Crary.

Pardeeville High School's SkillsUSA members put their talents on display back in December at the District competition held at Watertown High School, demonstrating hard work, creativity, and dedication in a variety of categories.

The event featured impressive performances from the following students:

- Tristan Homan, Dane Overland, and Braden Breneman – Team Engineering
- Miranda Crary – Job Interview
- Brook Schomburg – Photography
- Onan Casteel – Welding
- Alex Gabsch – Technical Drafting

A special congratulations goes to Alex Gabsch, who earned gold in Technical Drafting, showcasing exceptional skill and earning top honors in his category.

Second graders get egg-cellent lesson on Martin Luther King Jr. Day

On Monday, Jan. 20, Mrs. Saloun's 2nd grade class at Pardeeville Elementary School took part in a thoughtful and engaging lesson to honor Martin Luther King Jr. Day, learning about equality, diversity, and the importance of treating everyone with kindness and respect.

The lesson began with a short video about the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Students discussed the injustices Dr. King and many Black Americans faced during the civil rights movement. The conversation introduced them to the concepts of fairness, empathy, and the courage it takes to stand up for what is right.

Following the discussion, Mrs. Saloun brought out a carton of eggs. The students were intrigued as they noticed how the eggs varied in appearance—some were brown, some white, some speckled, while others were larger or more oblong. Each student selected an egg and carefully cracked it open into a cup at their desk.

Once the eggs were out of their shells, the class gathered to compare them. They discovered that despite the differences in color, shape, or size on



The 2nd grade students in Mrs. Saloun's class at Pardeeville Elementary School each got to crack open an egg during a lesson on Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

the outside, all the eggs were the same on the inside.

This simple but powerful activity led to a meaningful discussion about how people are like eggs: we all look different on the outside, but we are

the same on the inside. The students reflected on how this lesson relates to Dr. King's dream of a world where people are judged not by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.



One of the kindergarten students at Pardeeville Elementary School water the vegetable micro-garden that the class planted on Jan. 23.

Kindergarten students get their hands dirty while learning about gardening

Kindergarten students at Pardeeville Elementary School dug into a special hands-on project on Jan. 23, planting their very own indoor micro-garden. Partnering with the UW Extension Office and the Columbia County Master Gardeners, the students are growing an indoor salad garden, which now takes its place on a rolling cart in the elementary cafeteria for all to see.

The Extension Office and Master Gardeners provided the young gardeners with everything needed to get started: a garden cart outfitted with a timed grow light, trays, soil, and seeds for growing edible leaves and shoots. Occasionally, the students even discover a radish forming during the growing process, which always brings excitement.

Each student took part in the plant-

ing process, carefully covering their salad vegetable seeds with soil. Within days, tiny green seedlings will begin to peek through, bringing learning opportunities as students observe changes in color and leaf shapes and explore science concepts like condensation.

Over the next six to seven weeks, the students will continue to care for the micro-garden, monitoring its growth and marveling at its progress. At the end of the growing period, the kindergarteners will harvest their garden and come together to enjoy a fresh salad featuring their hard work.

This hands-on gardening experience is not only a fun introduction to agriculture but also a chance to explore healthy eating, teamwork, and the joys of watching something grow from seed to plate.

Pardeeville juniors will take ACT in school on March 11

Mark your calendars, this is the 11th year the state of Wisconsin is having all juniors take the ACT during the school day. Doing this eliminates many barriers for our students. Students will not have to pay for the ACT, drive to another school to take it, or spend part of a Saturday taking the test. Students will be able to use their scores for college admission and their sub scores for some placement testing. The Wisconsin Technical College System also allows students to use their ACT scores in place of the placement testing, again saving money for our students.

Pardeeville High School Juniors will take the ACT on March 11th. As always, if a student wants to retake the test, they have that opportunity, but it would be outside of school. The upcoming Saturday dates for the ACT can be found on www.act.org. If you have any questions about these topics or other, please contact Ms. Huset at 608-429-2153, ext. 367, or by email at husecr@pasdwi.org.

Planning conferences

Pardeeville High School counselor Ms. Huset will be starting Sophomore Planning Conferences at the end of February and through March and April. These conferences will include parents and discuss class selection, graduation status, post-secondary planning, upcoming testing and more. Invites will be going out soon via email.

Scheduling starts soon

During the months of February and March, we will begin scheduling classes for the

2025-2026 school year. This is mostly done in school, but students should take their course-selection guides home and share with their parents what their plans are. Students will need a parent signature on their selections in order to register. If you have questions about your student's schedule or classes, give Ms. Huset a call at 608-429-2153, ext. 367, or contact her by email at husecr@pasdwi.org.

Scholarship opportunities

Scholarship season is right around the corner. Seniors are starting to fill out scholarships for many different organizations. Information on local scholarships will be available in the School Counseling Office at the beginning of February. The Pardeeville High School website at www.pasdwi.org/hs/ has many local scholarships listed and students are also able to pick up a listing of state and national scholarships that have been brought to our attention. These lists are updated almost daily, so continue to check back for new scholarships. Also, mark your calendars for the High School Awards Night, which will take place on Wednesday, May 14th at 6:30 p.m.

Time to apply for federal student aid

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available for seniors who are applying to college. They should log on to fafsa.gov and start working on it if they haven't already.



Team work

Pardeeville Elementary Student Council member Kaiya Nickel and Pardeeville High School Student Council member Adalyn Schultz work together while wrapping presents in the high school LMC. The two student councils joined forces to wrap gifts that were donated by the community to go to families in need as part of the Giving Tree Program.

Important dates for 2025-26 school year open enrollment

February 3-April 30, 2025 – Parents must submit applications online (recommended) or directly to the non-resident school district.

June 6, 2025 – Nonresident school districts must mail notices of approval or denial. If the application is approved, the school district must notify the parents of the specific school or program to which the pupil is assigned. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal.

June 13, 2025 – Resident districts must notify applicants if the application is denied. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal.

June 27, 2025 – Parents of accepted applicants must notify the nonresident district if the pupil will attend the nonresident school district in the 2025-2026 school year. If the parent fails to make this notification, the nonresident district may refuse to allow the pupil to attend the district.

How and when may parents apply? The open enrollment application period for the 2025-2026 school year is from February 3-April 30, 2025. The application period closes at 4:00 p.m. on April 30, 2025. Late applications will not be accepted for any reason. Parents may apply online at <http://dpi.wi.gov/oe>.

For more information about Open Enrollment, please call Mrs. Mecum at Pardeeville Area School's District Office at (608) 429-2153 ext. 212.

PARDEEVILLE



COMMUNITY DAY OF SERVICE

STRONG SCHOOLS, STRONG COMMUNITY

When: Friday, May 16, 2025

Where: In and around Pardeeville

Do you have any community service projects that need to be done? We are ready to help. Please fill out the form below and return to the high school office by March 31.

If you have questions contact Crystal Huset at husecr@pasdwi.org

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Number of students needed: _____

Description of work to be completed:

- *Submitting form does not guarantee your service project will be selected*

Scan here to submit community service request electronically





PARDEVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 2025-2026 STUDENT CALENDAR

Aug. 7- District Wide Registration
Aug. 27 - District Wide Open House (4-6 pm)

Sept. 1 -No School
Sept. 2- 1st Day of School For Only 4K (& ES New Students), 5th Gr. & 9th Gr.
Sept. 3- All Students
Sept. 29-30- Homecoming Week

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Oct. 23 & 28- P/T Conference ES/MS/HS- 4PM - 8PM
Oct. 1-4- Homecoming Week
Oct. 10- No School
Oct. 31- No School

Nov. 21- End of Trimester One
Nov. 24-28- Thanksgiving Break

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Dec. 22-31- Winter Break

Jan. 1-2- Winter Break
Jan. 5- Classes Resume
Jan. 29- P/T Conferences ES/MS/HS- 4PM - 8PM
Jan. 30- No School

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Feb. 5- ES P/T Conferences- 4PM - 8PM

March 4- End of Trimester Two
March 5-6- No School
March 30-31- No School

MARCH 2026						
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April 1-3- No School
April 23- MS/HS P/T Conferences- 4PM - 8PM

May 23- Graduation
May 25- No School

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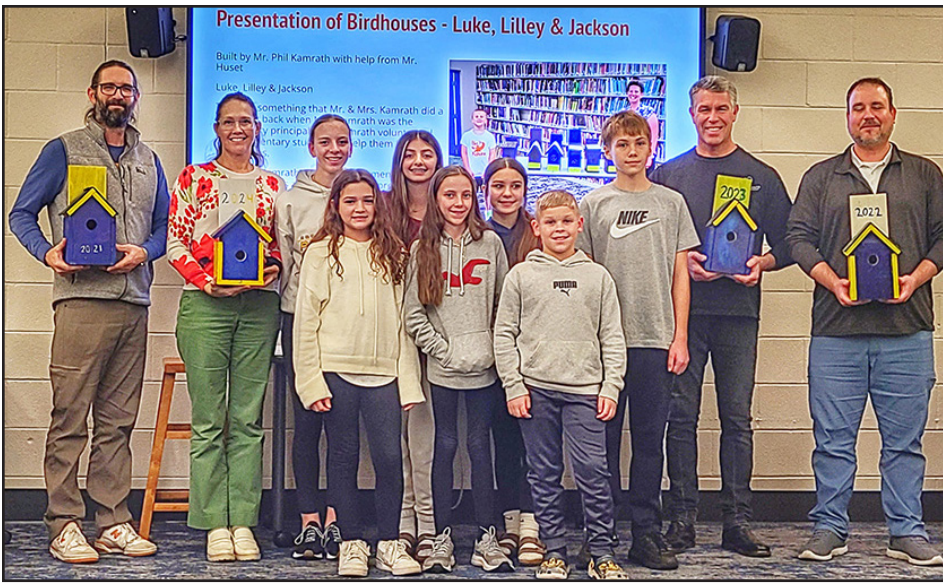
June 5- Last Day of School

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

Possible snow make-up days:
June 5 (full day), June 8

End of Trimester 1 = 57 Days
End of Trimester 2 = 57 Days
End of Trimester 3 = 58.5 Days
Total = 172.5 Days

Middle School Student Council presents to Board of Education



Members of the Pardeeville Middle School Student Council gifted handmade birdhouses to the four newest members of the Pardeeville Board of Education; Justin Nickel, Autumn Pease, Paul Hees and Chad Bellis.

The Pardeeville Middle School Student Council gave a fantastic presentation at the Dec. 16th Board of Education meeting. Student council members Alyvia Bell, Sofia Bell, Bristol Jahn, Luke Black, Makenzie Schmidtke, Lilley Hanko, and Jackson Oelke shared highlights of their accomplishments this school year, including their Expeditions Unlimited field trip and organizing the Treats for Troops candy drive to support our military.

As a special token of appreciation, the student council gifted handmade birdhouses to the four newest board members: Justin Nickel, Autumn Pease, Paul Hees, and Chad Bellis.

Thank you to these young leaders for their hard work and dedication to our school community.

FROM THE NURSE'S OFFICE

Find ways to celebrate February being heart health month

Happy Valentine's Day! With that being said, February is heart health month. Heart disease is responsible for one in every four deaths and is the worldwide leading cause of death. Every year, it kills more people than all forms of cancer combined.

Here are six ways to take a stand against heart disease in February and all year long.

1. Dress in Red: National Wear Red Day is one of the easiest ways to raise awareness for heart health. All you have to do is dress in red on Friday, Feb. 7th. Organized by Go Red for Women, the effort and your outfit can start conversations about heart disease, particularly as it affects women, who may be less aware of their risks. Having a special day to start a conversation is great, but it is important every day.

2. Get Screened: The risk factors for heart disease are more prevalent in everyday life than a lot of people realize. Getting screened for risk factors, especially the silent ones like high blood pressure and high cholesterol, is a great opportunity to check in on your health. Encourage your friends and family to do the same by sharing your story.

3. Learn CPR: Approximately 326,000 Americans have heart attacks outside of a hospital every year and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) can save lives. Reach out to your local Red Cross to organize training in your community and equip yourself to fight heart disease. I teach



JANETTE SHEEKS
School Nurse

First Aid/CPR/AED for Adults and Pediatrics within school.

4. Take Action: Physical activity is an essential component of heart disease prevention and every effort helps. Something as simple as lunchtime walks can provide a little extra exercise for you. The best physical activity for you is the activity that you can do on a regular basis. Contact your medical provider as needed before starting intense physical activity.

5. Cook Something Up: Set a personal goal to seek out especially heart-healthy meals during the month of February. Share your mission with friends and family and encourage them to take part. The more the merrier!

6. Do It Digital: All of the above can be amplified when you spread awareness online as well as off. Spread the message of heart health across your community by sharing pictures of you dressed in red, the date of a CPR class, or a favorite new recipe.

Stay safe and stay healthy,
Janette Sheeks RN



4-Year-Old Kindergarten Registration

Location: Pardeeville Elementary School
503 E. Chestnut St
Pardeeville, WI 53954

When:
Wednesday
February 26, 2025

*This registration is for children who
will be four (4) years of age on or
before September 1, 2025*

****Time slots available between
8:30-11:00 a.m. and 12:30-3:00 p.m.**

Please contact the elementary office by phone, or email
(429-2151 ext. 110, or esattendance@pasdwi.org)
to set up a time for your child to come to school for screening.

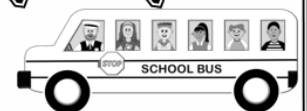
Please bring the following paperwork
on your child's screening day:

1. Immunization records
2. Proof of residence.
3. Original birth certificate

**WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD
TO NEW LITTLE BULLDOGS
JOINING OUR SCHOOL!**



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Ring of Kerry, a high-energy Irish music group, will be playing at the Lenz Auditorium on Saturday, March 8.

Ring of Kerry set to close out 2024-2025 concert season

The Lenz Auditorium’s 2024-2025 Concert Season will end on a high note with a performance by Ring of Kerry, an Irish music group known for its lively and heartfelt tunes. The final show of the season is set to take place on Saturday, March 8, at 6:30 p.m.

Ring of Kerry, whose name is inspired by the scenic coastal drive in County Kerry, Ireland, brings a unique fusion of traditional Celtic music with an unmistakable American twist. The band’s vibrant energy and captivating melodies have garnered it a devoted following, making its performances a must-see for music enthusiasts of all ages.

Tickets for the performance are \$25 for adults and \$20 for students and seniors (age 65 and older). They can be purchased online, by phone at 608-285-2717 (Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), or at the door, subject to availability. Online ticket sales will close 24 hours before the show. If the performance sells out, updates will be posted on the Lenz Auditorium’s website and social media platforms, including Instagram and Facebook.

Ticket sales are non-refundable, except in the event of a canceled performance. In such cases, refunds may be issued as gift certificates for future ticket purchases or as donations to the Lenz Auditorium’s general operating fund.

Don’t miss this chance to experience the exhilarating sounds of Ring of Kerry and celebrate the conclusion of another successful concert season at Lenz Auditorium. For additional questions or assistance with ticket purchases, contact Adam at 608-285-2717.

Taher wants your feedback on food served at Pardeeville Schools

Taher, the Pardeeville Area School District’s food-service partner, is inviting all student families to participate in an important survey regarding the breakfast and lunch offerings at our schools. This is your chance to share your thoughts and help shape the meals that fuel our students’ success.



Whether your family loves the variety offered, has suggestions for improvement, or just wants to share ideas for new menu items, Taher wants to hear from you. Your feedback plays a crucial role in ensuring that our students are served the best possible meals — meals that are not only nutritious but also delicious and satisfying.

Accessing the survey is easy! Simply scan the QR code provided to share your thoughts. Every response counts and will directly impact how Taher tailors the breakfast and lunch experience at Pardeeville Area Schools.



Winterfest royalty

Pardeeville High School hosted its annual Winterfest during the first full week of January. The week-long event, which featured dress-up days and some fun activities during the afternoon on Friday, Jan. 10, finished up with the Winterfest Dance on Saturday, Jan. 11. Prior to the start of the dance, the Winterfest Court was introduced, including the 2025 Winterfest King and Queen, Hunter Manthey and Macy Cross.



FFA sponsors teddy bear toss

Members of the Pardeeville FFA are pictured with Columbia County Sheriff's Deputy Angie Beaumont following the Teddy Bear Toss that the FFA sponsored during the Pardeeville vs. Randolph girls basketball game that took place on Dec. 13. During halftime of the varsity game that night, 107 stuffed teddy bears were tossed by fans onto the court. The bears were donated to area emergency responders to comfort kids in emergency situations.

Notice of school board election

Pardeeville Area School District
 April 1, 2025
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to the qualified electors of the School District of Pardeeville on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, a school board election will be held. Candidates for the School Board are as follows:

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE

AUTUMN PEASE
 CHAD BELLIS
 BRET ACHTERBERG
 Electors will vote in their regular poll-

ing place. Polls will open at 7:00am and close at 8:00pm

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID, you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles. For more information regarding acceptable photo identification visit the <https://elections.wi.gov/acceptable-photo-ids>.

Dated this 10th day of January, 2025
 Chad Bellis, School District Clerk
 Pardeeville Area School District

Smith Bus Service looking to add drivers to their team

Smith Bus Service, the transportation partner for the Pardeeville Area School District, is hiring bus drivers and offering a range of incentives to make joining their team more accessible and rewarding.

Whether you're looking for flexible work hours, a way to give back to the community, or a job with excellent training and support, Smith Bus Service has something for you.

Flexible Scheduling: Perfect for retirees, parents, or anyone seeking part-time work that fits their lifestyle.

On-Site Training: No prior experience needed. Smith Bus Service provides hands-on training to get you ready for the road.

CDL Fees Paid: All costs related to obtaining your Commercial Driver's License are covered by Smith Bus Service, so there are no upfront expenses.

Driving a school bus in Pardeeville is more than just a job. It's a chance to connect with the community and ensure students have safe, reliable transportation to and from school every day.

Interested? Contact Nicky at 608-429-2732 or email smithbus3@gmail.com for more information on how to apply.

Don't forget to check out the Pardeeville Area School District on social media!



View this newsletter in color on our website at www.pasdwi.org

2025 REFERENDUMS



THANK YOU

to everyone who attended Community Conversations and completed the 2024 Community Survey on long-range facility planning! Your feedback helped shape the next steps in addressing district-wide needs, and informed the Board's decision to adopt two referendum questions for the April 1 election ballot.

WHAT'S ON THE APRIL 1ST BALLOT?

QUESTION 1: OPERATING REFERENDUM | \$800,000/year for 3 years

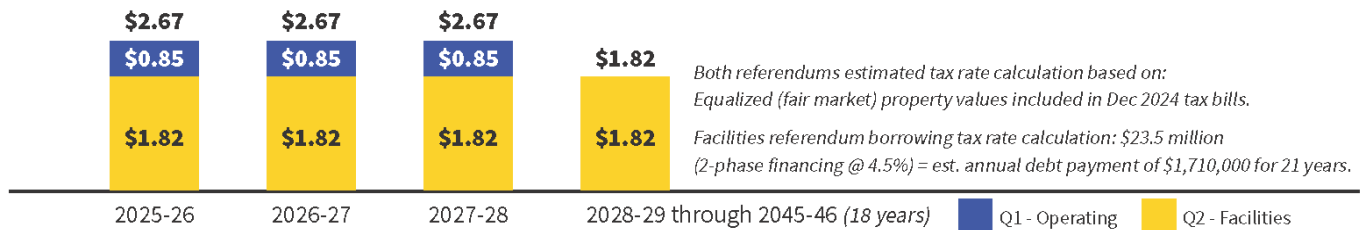
A successful operating referendum keeps PASD operating while also reducing our reliance on short-term borrowing. This keeps more dollars in the budget to spend on programming that has a positive impact on our students.

QUESTION 2: FACILITIES REFERENDUM | \$23.5 million

A successful facilities referendum would allow PASD to address much-needed maintenance, renovations, and additions that cannot be completed through the district budget alone. These needs include:

- **District-wide capital maintenance**, including replacing outdated roofing and HVAC systems at the Elementary and Middle/High School, and renovations for safety and security
- Renovations at the Middle/High School, including **cafeteria and career and technical education** spaces (e.g. agriculture)
- Demolishing and **replacing the Balliet building**, which was not originally built as a school, with a Middle School addition
- Addition at the Elementary School to include an **early learning classroom**

ESTIMATED TAX IMPACT



STAY INFORMED

ATTEND

Info Sessions:
 February 27, March 6, March 11,
 March 13, March 15
Find times and locations on page 18

VISIT



pasdwi.org/2025-referendums/index.cfm

CONTACT

Ben Heninger,
 District Administrator
henibe@pasdwi.org
 608.429.2153



2025 REFERENDUMS

WHY NOW?

QUESTION 1: OPERATING | \$800,000/year for 3 years

Estimated tax impact: \$0.85 per \$1,000 of fair market property value for 3 years

An operational referendum provides tax levy revenue to support the District's annual operating budget. It addresses the inflationary impact on operating costs including salaries and benefits, utilities, insurances, technology, transportation costs, etc., and will sustain and maintain curriculum, student activities, programs and services. This revenue also reduces the District's dependence upon, and costs associated with, short-term borrowing, thereby preserving the District's solid financial position.

QUESTION 2: FACILITIES | \$23.5 million

Estimated tax impact: \$1.82 per \$1,000 of fair market property value for 21 years

In 2022, the District engaged with the community in formulating a strategic plan that identified Facilities and Operations as a core pillar. Through community conversations and a long-range facility planning survey throughout 2023 and 2024, community members and staff showed support for the District to explore potential solutions that prioritize food service and cafeterias, career and technical education (e.g. agriculture), adequacy of educational space, and safety, security, and accessibility.

What happens if only one referendum passes?

If only the operational referendum passes, PASD will have the necessary operating funds through 2028, but will not be able to address critical maintenance and facility needs. If only the facilities referendum passes, PASD will have the funds to make critical maintenance and facility needs but will not have the operating funds to support teaching and learning.

Ballot Language

QUESTION 1: Operating

Shall the Pardeeville Area School District, Columbia and Marquette Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$800,000 per year for three years, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes, consisting of sustaining operating expenses to maintain the current level of operations?

YES NO

SAMPLE

QUESTION 2: Facilities

Shall the Pardeeville Area School District, Columbia and Marquette Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$23.5 million for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school building and facility improvement project consisting of: district-wide capital maintenance, building infrastructure and site improvements; renovations and construction of an addition at the Middle/High School and demolition of the Balliet building; renovations, construction of an addition and safety and security improvements at the Elementary School; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?

YES NO

ESTIMATED TAX IMPACT

Below is a chart that shows the estimated annual tax impact for the operating referendum, facilities referendum, and for both referendums.

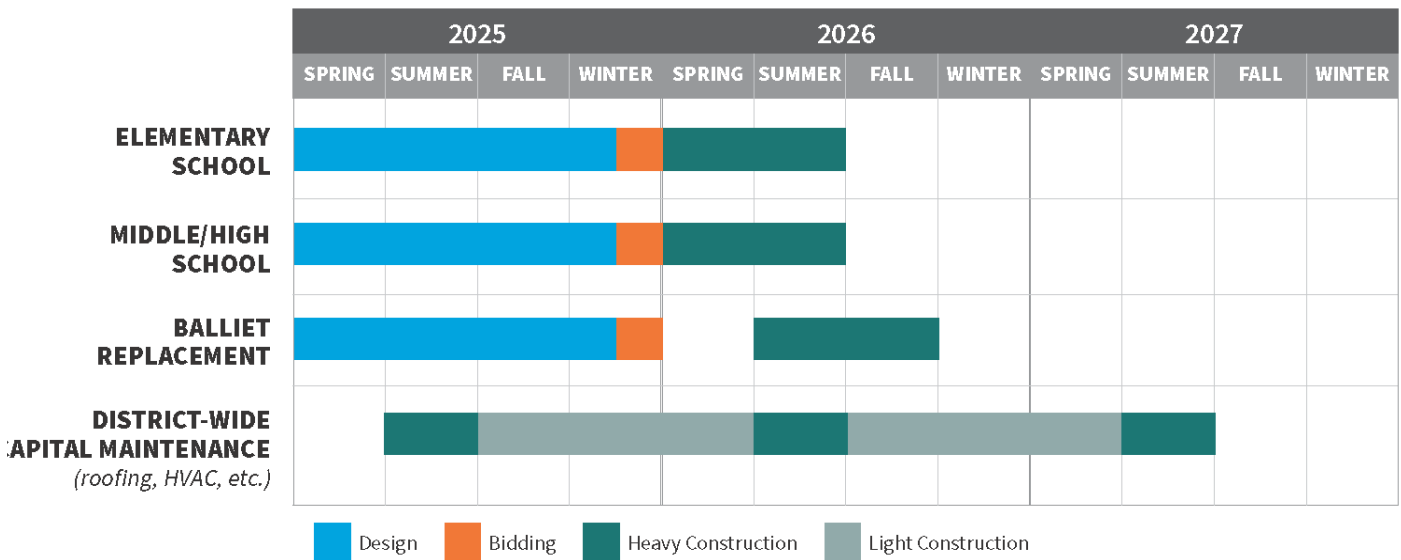
Fair Market Property Value	Operating <i>\$0.85 per \$1,000 for 3 years</i>		Facilities <i>\$1.82 per \$1,000 for 21 years</i>		Both Operating & Facilities (through 2028) <i>\$2.67 per \$1,000 for three years</i>	
	PER MONTH	PER YEAR	PER MONTH	PER YEAR	PER MONTH	PER YEAR
\$100,000	\$7.08	\$85	\$15.16	\$182	\$22.25	\$267
\$250,000*	\$17.71	\$212.50	\$37.92	\$455	\$55.63	\$667.50

*\$250,000 is the median home value in Pardeeville. To calculate your estimated tax impact, visit our website at <https://www.pasdwi.org/2025-referendums/index.cfm>.

DID YOU KNOW?

The cafeteria at the Middle and High School is original to the building and was built in the 1960s. Much of the equipment is 60+ years old.

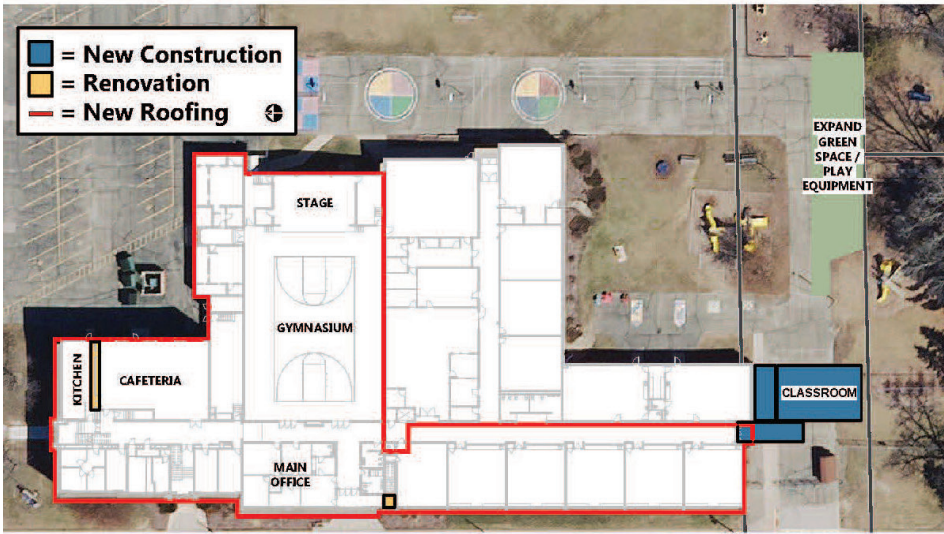
ESTIMATED DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE



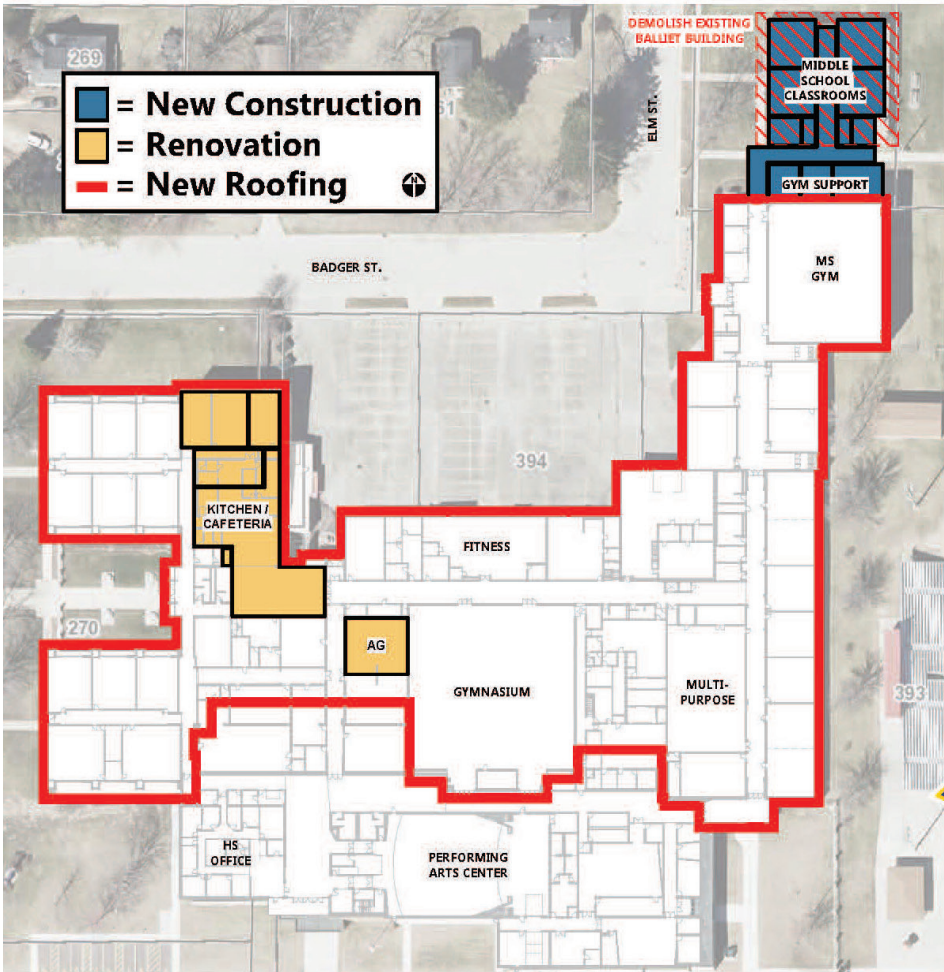
Questions? henibe@pasdwi.org | 608.429.2153

PROPOSED SITE PLANS

Elementary School | Preliminary Concept: Grades 4K-4



Middle/High School | Preliminary Concept: Grades 5-12



Learn More www.pasdwi.org/2025-referendums/index.cfm

JOIN US

Attend an Info Session to learn more about the upcoming referendums. A presentation will kick off each session, followed by time for Q&A. We hope to see you there!

Thursday, February 27 | 6:30 p.m.*

Lenz Auditorium
120 Oak St., Pardeeville

**This session will include our partners from GROTH Design Group, Findorff (construction), and Wisconsin Public Finance.*

Thursday, March 6 | 11:30 a.m.

VIRTUAL: Email Jen Mecum at mecuje@pasdwi.org to RSVP.

Tuesday, March 11 | 6:30 p.m.

Marcellon Town Hall
W6180 School Road, Pardeeville

Thursday, March 13 | 6:30 p.m.

Village of Wyocena Village Hall
165 E. Dodge Street, Wyocena

Saturday, March 15 | 9:00 a.m.

Lenz Auditorium
120 Oak St., Pardeeville



Pardeeville High School Alumni Bonspiel



MARCH 15, 2025
MARK YOUR CALENDAR
** Maximum of 12 Teams **



Teams should be Pardeeville
School Alumni and Spouses Only.

Fun ... food ... curling with old friends ... bonspieling at its best!
ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28th

Draws are all day Saturday
\$120.00 per team

Money raised will be used for the Pardeeville Curling Club Scholarship

3-game guarantee... 4-end games

Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks, Beverages & good conversation provided

Enclosed is my entry for the Pardeeville Alumni Spiel.

Skip _____

Second _____

Third _____

Lead _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone # _____

Email: _____

Send entries to: Shannon Rohrbeck
608-516-3935
bassofrone@yahoo.com

BULLDOG STOMP



Saturday May 3rd, 2025

Pardeeville High School

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




Register online at bit.ly/BulldogStompRegistration25

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 4/5/25)			Late Registration 4/4/25 - 5/2/25		
	Cost			Cost		
	3K Walk	5K Run	T-Shirt	3K Walk	5K Run	T-Shirt
Children (9 and Under)	Free	Free	No <small>(Shirts can be purchased for \$10)</small>	Free	Free	No
Students (10-19)	\$15	\$20	Yes	\$20	\$25	No
Seniors (61+)	\$20	\$25	Yes	\$25	\$30	No
Adults (20-60)	\$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: _____

Pardeeville boys basketball piling up victories so far this season

Bulldogs having special season, ranked 5th in Division 4 entering final week of January

The Pardeeville boys basketball team has been unstoppable in the first half of the 2024-25 season, entering the month of February with a flawless 16-0 record. The Bulldogs are also sitting atop the Trailways West Conference standings with an 8-0 mark, giving them a two-game cushion ahead of Fall River and Randolph.

Pardeeville's exceptional performance hasn't gone unnoticed, as the team is ranked fifth in Division 4 in the WisSports.net boys basketball coaches poll that was released on Jan. 28th.

The highlight of Pardeeville's season so far came on Dec. 10, when the Bulldogs secured a hard-fought 79-75 victory over Wisconsin Dells, one of the top teams in the area. The team also enjoyed a unique opportunity on Jan. 17, playing at the Fiserv Forum in Milwaukee—home of the NBA's Milwaukee Bucks. Pardeeville made the most of the occasion, cruising to a 94-37 win over Rio in a memorable game for players and fans alike.

The Bulldogs' success has been fueled by a balanced attack, with all five starters averaging double figures in scoring. Senior Brenden Krueger



PHOTO BY GAIL SCHNEIDER

Members of the Pardeeville varsity boys basketball team are, in front, from left; Brody Motsenbocker, Julian Wells, Mason Kubik, Preston Jenkins, James Morgan and Brenden Krueger. Middle row; coaches Mike Craig, Jesse Kath, Chris Lindert, Tyler Lindert and Al Nickel. Back row; Caleb Gard, Nickolas Sween, Devin Jerome, Jamison Wickersham, Eli Achterberg and Hunter Manthey.

leads the way with 17 points per game. Jamison Wickersham is the team's top rebounder, pulling down 7.6 boards per contest. Caleb Gard is close behind at 14.1 points per game and directs

the offense with 4.1 assists per contest. This collective effort has made Pardeeville a formidable opponent on both ends of the court.



Pardeeville High School junior Joe Dosemagen holds up one of the northern pike he caught during the Wisconsin Interscholastic Fishing Association Mixed Bag '300' Challenge Tournament held on Jan. 4.

Ice-fishing team qualifies for state event

The Pardeeville High School Ice-Fishing Team has been enjoying the cold winter temperatures we've been experiencing, taking part in multiple competitions thus far.

One of the best days the team experienced so far was during the Wisconsin Interscholastic Fishing Association (WIFA) Mixed Bag '300' Challenge Tournament on Jan. 4. While fishing in that event, the team members combined to catch 380 inches of fish, which was good enough to qualify the Bulldogs for the WIFA State Championship, set for Feb. 14-15 on the

Mississippi River, Pools 7 & 8, in La Crosse.

The Pardeeville team also took on the ice-fishing squad from neighboring Cambria-Friesland High School in a two-team showdown on Friday, Jan. 24. Pardeeville was victorious in this first ever event, winning with a total of 329.5 inches of fish compared to 274 inches of fish for Cambria-Friesland.

Then on Saturday, Feb. 25, Pardeeville teamed up with the team from Gillett High School in northern Wisconsin to finish in fourth place in the WIFA North-South Tag Team Trifecta.

Pardeeville girls basketball in driver's seat for conference title

The Pardeeville girls basketball team has showcased its dominance in the first half of the 2024-25 season, entering the month of February with an impressive 12-4 overall record. The Bulldogs are fighting for the top spot in the Trailways West Conference with a 7-1 record. Fall River is in second at 8-2, with both losses coming against Pardeeville.

One of Pardeeville's most notable victories came in a thrilling 45-44 road win over Poynette. The Pumas proved to be formidable opponents, but the Bulldogs held their ground in a statement win. Another highlight of Pardeeville's season thus far was their bounce-back performance after a tough home loss to Westfield. The Bulldogs responded with a commanding 65-43 win over Oakfield during the Trailways Midseason Crossover event at Central Wisconsin Christian High School in Waupun.

Pardeeville's success can be attributed to a balanced and high-powered offense, led by a trio of standout juniors. Bronte Hulberg is averaging 17.1 points per game, followed closely by Ava Wagner with 16.6 points per contest, and Lexi Hughes with 11.9



PHOTO BY GAIL SCHNEIDER

Members of the Pardeeville varsity girls basketball team are, sitting, from left; Mal-lory Baures, Sophia Jerome, Alexis Bryan, Natalie Peissig, Emma Gentz and Celia Kopfhamer. Standing; assistant coach Steve Peissig, Arianna Wendlandt, head coach Joe Guenther, Bronte Hulberg, Ava Wagner, Leyton Haseleu, McKinley Becker, Lexi Hughes, Adalyn Schultz, assistant coach Nathan Haseleu, assistant coach David Bell, Lauren Schaller and assistant coach Andrew Schaller.

points per game. Wagner has been a dominant force on the boards, leading the team with 11.6 rebounds per game. Hughes has been equally impactful, leading the team in assists (4.5 per game) and steals (5.2 per game), showcasing her all-around ability to influence both ends of the court.

With a strong start to the season and

all-around contributions, Pardeeville has its sights set on its first conference title since 2002, when the team topped the Trailways North Conference. If the Bulldogs can maintain their momentum and continue their strong play, the 2024-25 season could be a historic one for the program.



PHOTO BY GAIL SCHNEIDER

Cheer team enjoying busy season

The 2024-2025 Pardeeville High School Winter Cheer Team has been busy supporting the Bulldogs and getting fans hyped up during home basketball games and wrestling meets. Members of this year's squad are, sitting, from left; Isabel Bue and Josephine Bue. Kneeling; Cleo Meier, Merissa San Emeterio, Nadia Ballweg, Sydney Sween and Jade Koepp. Standing; Elle Hardwick, Makensy Miller and Raelyn Holtan.



PHOTO BY GALLEY STUDIOS

Members of the Pardeeville High School Wrestling Team are, in front, from left; Karrsen Bussan, Mykael Mickelson, Kayden Miller, Brecken Helm and Kingston Galetka. Middle row; assistant coach Judd Becker, manager Miranda Crary, Ashton Whitehorse, Brodi Hagan, Caleb Mackey, manager Tamber Corning and head coach Jesse Huset. Back row; Jacob Smith, Alec Garcia, William Becker and Jack Maier.

Wrestlers finding plenty of success

The Pardeeville Bulldogs wrestling team has delivered an impressive performance in the first half of the 2024-25 season, holding its own against much larger schools in highly competitive tournaments.

The Bulldogs showcased their talent with standout finishes at several meets. On Dec. 7, Pardeeville placed fourth out of 22 teams at the Black River Falls Invite. Over the Christmas break, the Bulldogs faced one of their toughest challenges yet at the Mid-States Classic in Whitewater, where they placed ninth out of 44 teams—a significant accomplishment in such a large and competitive field.

Pardeeville won the Trailways North Conference dual meet title with a perfect 6-0 record in league dual meets, including a huge win over Markesan on Jan. 23. The win over Markesan, which was sealed with a victory by Pardeeville freshman Alec Garcia in the final match, was especially huge, as the Hornets also entered the night undefeated in conference duals.

Leading the charge for Pardeeville is a quartet of standout wrestlers, all ranked among the top three in their respective weight classes in Division 3 by WisconsinGrappler.com.

Senior William Becker has been a force for the Bulldogs. The three-time

state qualifier entered the week of Feb. 3 with a flawless 40-1 record, which has earned him a No. 2 ranking at 190 pounds in Division 3.

Junior Kingston Galetka has also been exceptional, entering the week of Feb. 3 with a No. 2 ranking at 144 pounds in Division 3. Joining Becker and Galetka in the top rankings is senior Caleb Mackey, who is ranked third in Division 3. Mackey brought a 37-4 record into the week of Feb. 3.

Freshman Karrsen Bussan has burst onto the scene in his first season with Pardeeville, proving he belongs among the best in the state. Bussan entered the week of Feb. 3 with a 38-2 record and a No. 2 ranking at 138 pounds in Division 3.

During the three-team meet Pardeeville hosted on Jan. 9, the Bulldogs celebrated some impressive milestones. Head coach Jesse Huset, who picked up his 100th dual meet victory last season, was given a plaque by the Wisconsin Wrestling Coaches Association commemorating the milestone. Also, Galetka was recognized for recently picking up with 100th career victory, while Becker was honored for recently claiming his 150th career win. At the triple dual that took place in Princeton on Jan. 30, Mackey picked up his 150th career victory.

Powerlifting trio qualifies to compete at state meet

Huge congratulations to Pardeeville High School powerlifting team members Chloe Kessenich, Macy Cross, and Kayla Buzzell for their incredible performances at the Dave Adamovich Memorial Powerlifting Invite on Saturday, Jan. 4, where all three team members qualified for the State Powerlifting Meet, which will take place in March at the Fox Valley Convention Center.

Kessenich dominated her division, taking 1st place with a combined total of 805 pounds in her three lifts; squat, bench press, and deadlift. Cross battled through a massive division of 19 varsity girls to finish 3rd, lifting a combined total of 655 pounds.

Buzzell also claimed 3rd place in her division, crushing her personal best in the deadlift by 50 pounds and achieving a combined total of 345 pounds.



Pardeeville High School Powerlifting Team members, from left; Chloe Kessenich, Macy Cross and Kayla Buzzell all qualified for the State Powerlifting Meet with strong performances at the Dave Adamovich Memorial Invite in Winneconne on Jan. 4.

Pardeeville curlers having fun, showing progress this season

The Pardeeville High School Boys and Girls Curling seasons have been flying by, with both squads showing promising results. One of the highlights was the Pardeeville girls team of Paige Mick, Avery VonRuden, Sage Bardon and Kinley Levin earning some hardware at the Wisconsin Tietge Bonspiel in Wausau on Saturday, Jan. 18. At the Tietge Bonspiel, the Pardeeville foursome finished as the runner-up in the 4th event, losing to the Lodi girls in a very close game.

Also in Wausau, the Pardeeville boys team of Alex Gabsch, Noah Manthe, Josh Brodie, Joe Keichinger and Preston Nicoll had a strong showing, making it to the semifinals of the 3rd event. Pardeeville's other two teams curled well at the Tietge Bonspiel, but came up just short of making the semifinals.

The Pardeeville curling teams will be gearing up to compete at the Wisconsin State High School Curling Championships, which will be held Feb. 14-15 at the Wausau Curling Club.



PHOTO BY SHERI BIRCHLER

Members of the Pardeeville High School Boys and Girls Curling Teams are, in front, from left; Avery VonRuden, Autumn Fischer, Allie Gawel, Taylor Luedtke, Harmony Igyarto and Adelle Sanders. Middle row; Kiana Berry, Addisyn Crawford, Kinley Levin, Sage Bardon, Lily Renner, Madelyn Harvey and Paige Mick. Back row; Joseph Keichinger, Matthew Roberts, Preston Nicoll, Alex Gabsch, Noah Manthe, Sawyer Salmon and Josh Brodie.

McCormick, Emt offer up advice to local curling athletes

The Pardeeville boys and girls curling teams recently had the opportunity to learn from two of the sport's most accomplished athletes during visits to the Pardeeville Curling Club in January.

On Thursday, Jan. 16, Debbie McCormick, a four-time Olympian, six-time national champion, and the 2003 Women's World Curling Champion, shared her expertise with Pardeeville's student-athletes. McCormick emphasized the importance of strong communication between teammates and the unique roles each team member plays on the ice. She also offered invaluable tips to help the teams refine their skills and strategies, inspiring the curlers to continue improving their game.

Just a week later, on Friday, Jan. 24, the teams welcomed Steve Emt, a two-time U.S. Paralympian curler and a 10-time U.S. National Champion. Emt, who is also a motivational speaker, shared his incredible journey. At age 25, Emt was paralyzed from the waist down following a car accident, yet he turned adversity into an opportunity to excel in adaptive curling.

Before hitting the ice, Emt spoke with the Pardeeville curlers about resilience, determination, and the importance of pursuing one's passions. He then joined the team on the ice, offering everyone the chance to deliver a stone while seated in a chair, mirroring the adaptive style of curling he has mastered.



ABOVE: Steve Emt, a 10-time U.S. National Champion in adaptive curling, works with members of the Pardeeville curling team.



LEFT: Four-time Olympic curler Debbie McCormick speaks to the Pardeeville Curling Team members on Jan. 16.

Pardeeville Elementary Book Fair returns on Feb. 26

Pardeeville Elementary School invites families, students, and community members to explore a world of books at the Literati Book Fair, taking place from Wednesday, Feb. 26, to Tuesday, March 4, in the school's Pease Learning Center. The book fair provides an exciting opportunity to encourage a love of reading while supporting the school, as every purchase directly benefits Pardeeville Elementary.

The book fair will be open to the public during the following dates and

times:

- Wed., Feb. 26: 3:15 to 4 p.m.
- Fri., Feb. 28: 3:15 to 5 p.m.
- Sat., March 1: 9 to 11 a.m.
- Mon., March 3: 3:15 to 4 p.m.
- Tues., March 4: 3:15 to 4 p.m.


Students will also have the opportunity to shop during the school day, giving them a chance to find books that match their interests and reading levels.

For those unable to attend in person, an online shopping option is available. Go to <https://literati.com/store/> or scan




the QR code. The online store offers a wide selection of books, and purchases made through the link will also benefit Pardeeville Elementary School.

Mark your calendars and join the fun at this exciting event, where every book purchased helps to inspire young readers and support learning at Pardeeville Elementary School.



2025 PARDEEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULES



MIDDLE SCHOOL BASEBALL

- April 14 at Markesan (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- April 21 at Waupun CWC (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- April 25 at Adams-Friendship, 4:30 p.m.
- April 28 at Oakfield (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- May 1 vs. Waupun CWC (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- May 13 vs. Markesan (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- May 22 vs. Oakfield (DH), 4:30 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SOFTBALL

- April 15 at Oakfield (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- April 21 vs. Adams-Friendship, 4:30 p.m.
- April 25 at Baraboo (DH), 4:45 p.m.
- April 28 vs. Markesan (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- May 1 vs. Baraboo (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- May 12 vs. Hustisford (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- May 15 at Markesan (DH), 4:30 p.m.
- May 20 vs. Cambria-Friesland, 4:30 p.m.
- May 22 vs. Oakfield, 4:30 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD

- April 8 Pardeeville Invite, 4:30 p.m.
- April 15 at Fall River Invite, 4 p.m.
- April 22 at Westfield, 4:30 p.m.
- April 24 at Markesan Invite, 4 p.m.
- May 6 at Princeton Invite, 4 p.m.
- May 8 at Rio Invite, 4 p.m.
- May 22 at Lodi, 4:15 p.m.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASEBALL

- April 4 at Luther Prep, 4:30 p.m.
- April 11 at Westfield, 4:30 p.m.
- April 17 at Lodi, 5 p.m.
- April 21 at Wisconsin Dells, 5 p.m.
- April 26 vs. Lodi, 10 a.m.
- April 28 vs. Waterloo, 5 p.m.
- May 1 at Abundant Life, 5 p.m.
- May 9 vs. Adams-Friendship, 5 p.m.
- May 29 vs. Abundant Life (DH), 4 p.m.

VARSITY BASEBALL

- April 7 vs. Poynette, 5 p.m.

- April 8 vs. Fall River, 5 p.m.
- April 10 vs. Fall River, 5 p.m.
- April 11 at Westfield, 4:30 p.m.
- April 15 at Princeton/Green Lake, 5 p.m.
- April 17 vs. Princeton/Green Lake, 5 p.m.
- April 21 at Wisconsin Dells, 5 p.m.
- April 22 vs. Montello, 5 p.m.
- April 24 at Montello, 5 p.m.
- April 29 at Randolph, 5 p.m.
- May 1 vs. Randolph, 5 p.m.
- May 6 vs. Markesan, 5 p.m.
- May 8 at Markesan, 5 p.m.
- May 12 at Cambria-Friesland, 5 p.m.
- May 15 vs. Cambria-Friesland, 5 p.m.
- May 17 at Fond du Lac Triangular, 10 a.m.
- May 20 at Rio, 5 p.m.
- May 22 vs. Rio, 5 p.m.
- May 23 vs. Waterloo, 5 p.m.

JUNIOR VARSITY SOFTBALL

- March 31 at Milton (DH), 5 p.m.
- April 5 at Monona Grove Tri, noon
- April 11 at Westfield, 5 p.m.
- April 14 at Poynette, 5 p.m.
- April 18 at Ripon, 4:30 p.m.
- April 21 vs. Lodi, 5 p.m.
- May 2 at Wisconsin Dells, 5 p.m.
- May 9 at Lodi, 5 p.m.
- May 23 at Waunakee (DH), 4:30 p.m.

VARSITY SOFTBALL

- April 1 at Montello, 5 p.m.
- April 3 vs. Cambria-Friesland, 5 p.m.
- April 4 at Deerfield, 5 p.m.
- April 7 at Wautoma, 5 p.m.
- April 10 at Markesan, 5 p.m.
- April 11 at Westfield, 5 p.m.
- April 14 at Poynette, 5 p.m.
- April 15 at Princeton/Green Lake, 5 p.m.
- April 17 vs. Randolph, 5 p.m.
- April 18 at Ripon, 4:30 p.m.

- April 22 vs. Montello, 5 p.m.
- April 24 at Rio/Fall River, 5 p.m.
- April 29 at Randolph, 5 p.m.
- May 1 vs. Princeton/Green Lake, 5 p.m.
- May 2 at Wisconsin Dells, 5 p.m.
- May 5 at Wisconsin Heights, 5 p.m.
- May 6 vs. Markesan, 5 p.m.
- May 12 at Cambria-Friesland, 5 p.m.
- May 15 vs. Rio/Fall River, 5 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD

- March 22 at Ripon Indoor Invite, 9:30 a.m.
- April 1 at Portage Invite, 4 p.m.
- April 4 at Marshall Invite, 4 p.m.
- April 8 at Poynette Invite, 4:15 p.m.
- April 10 at Markesan Invite, 4:30 p.m.
- April 22 Pardeeville Quad, 4:30 p.m.
- April 24 at Princeton Invite, 4 p.m.
- May 2 Pardeeville Invite, 4:30 p.m.
- May 6 at Randolph Quad, 4:30 p.m.
- May 9 at Deerfield Invite, 4 p.m.
- May 12 Division Meet at Markesan, 3:30 p.m.
- May 16 Trailways Meet at Deerfield, 3 p.m.
- May 27 at Princeton Regional
- May 30 at TBD Sectional
- June 6-7 at State Meet, La Crosse

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

- April 10 at Lake Breeze G.C., 10 a.m.
- April 17 Pardeeville mini meet, 3 p.m.
- April 22 at Williams Bay mini meet, 3 p.m.
- April 24 at Palmyra-Eagle mini meet, 3 p.m.
- April 28 at Horicon mini meet, 3 p.m.
- May 2 at Portage Invite, 9 a.m.
- May 5 at Parkview mini meet, 3 p.m.
- May 22 Conference at Old Hickory, 8 a.m.
- May 27 or 28 Regional at TBD
- June 3 or 4 at Williams Bay Sectional

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

Middle School students earn honors for first trimester

We are proud to announce that the following Pardeeville Middle School students have made the honor roll for the first 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

Luke Black, Auraliya Boyle, Graiden Casey, Alexis Coenen, Julia Coimbra Ciobanu, Alexis Collins, Talyon Crabtree, Karson Delgado, Troy Erlandson, Bristol Fischer, Ivan Garrett, Lucas Gessler, Arabelle Gitzlaff, Jeremiah Goodrich, Odin Hart, Jack Kenevan, Aiden Knuteson, Harvey Lieberherr, Callen McConnell, Izabella Mickelson, Gavin Mueller, Jalynn Nesbit, Levi Parpart, Morgan Philbrick, Nolan Pieper, Audrey Pulver, Zane Rohwer, Marlie Rostad, Tristian Sanders, Hudson Schiess, Grayson Sherrick, Bryce Smedema, Harris Smith, Elliana Soppe, Keagan Stark, Alanea Sugden, Egan Walsh, Lawson Walsh, Emily Weinberger.

5TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Bristol Fischer, Lucas Gessler, Arabelle Gitzlaff, Aiden Knuteson, Callen McConnell, Harris Smith, Elliana Soppe, Egan Walsh.

5TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Luke Black, Graiden Casey, Karson Delgado, Troy Erlandson, Ivan Garrett, Odin Hart, Jack Kenevan, Harvey Lieberherr, Levi Parpart, Audrey Pulver, Zane Rohwer, Tristian Sanders, Hudson Schiess, Bryce Smedema, Lawson Walsh, Emily Weinberger, Caleb Wigman.

5TH GRADE HONORS

Auraliya Boyle, Alexis Coenen, Natalya Molnar, Gavin Mueller, Ayden Vasquez..

6TH GRADE LIFE SKILLS HONOR ROLL

Matthew Ammann, Ashlynn Aski, Ellie Baker, Emma Baker, Charlie Ballweg, Sofia Bell, Rayden Boyle, Olivia Breger, Avery Brockman, Colton Chronister, Destany Cole, Avery Davis, Austin Haggerty, Franklin Harvey, Bentlee Hinz, Peytynn Hoffman, Ryker Hoffmann, Bristol Jahn, Skyliie Jenkins,



Aaron Ludwig, Meika Meinholdt, Natalee Moll, Connor Neumann, Layla Nickel, Nadia Overland, Lyla O'Brien, Jocelyn Pitzen, Sydney Renner, Mia Rothenburger, Madisyn Schraufnagel, Clayton Smedema, Jackson Smith, Micah Steinblock, Olivia VandenHoven, Carson Young.

6TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Matthew Ammann, Ashlynn Aski, Ellie Baker, Emma Baker, Charlie Ballweg, Sofia Bell, Piper Beyler, Olivia Breger, Avery Brockman, Austin Haggerty, Roland Houslet, Bristol Jahn, Skyliie Jenkins, Aaron Ludwig, Connor Neumann, Layla Nickel, Nadia Overland, Lyla O'Brien, Jocelyn Pitzen, Sydney Renner, Mia Rothenburger, Madisyn Schraufnagel, Micah Steinblock, Matthew Vandermoon, Carrick Wylesky.

6TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Connor Blader, Rayden Boyle, Finley Chatman, Destany Cole, Aubrey Cross, Avery Davis, Dexter Glanzer, Franklin Harvey, Norah Harvey, Ryker Hoffmann, Oliver Lynch, Natalee Moll, Matthew Paul, Colten Penland, Ryder Sherman, Jackson Smith, Isabella Stelkelberg, Olivia VandenHoven.

6TH GRADE HONORS

Jezy Bardon, Evan DeWildt, Bentlee Hinz, Meika Meinholdt, Blake Mielke, Morgan Welch, Carson Young.

7TH GRADE LIFE SKILLS HONOR ROLL

Bailey Ammann, Ian Black, Caleb Bronson, Jenyla Day, Andrew Douglas, Mya Hetzel, Ellie Homan, Cassie Kaminski-Traver, Kimora Kindschy, Harrison Laper, Wolfgang Mueller.

7TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Bailey Ammann, Ellie Homan, McKenzie Kolkovich, Rocky Reinecke, Wayne Rohrbeck, Adelle Sanders, Brielle Schultz, Brogan Sherrick.

7TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

Alice Bender, Caleb Bronson, Sunni Johnson, Aubrie Kittle, Violet Neuhauser, Desmond Parpart, Brady Rademacher, Kaster Szymanski, Brody Wade.

7TH GRADE HONORS

Ian Black, Logan Crary, Hunter Gitzlaff, MaKinley Helm, Bryar Huset, Wolfgang Mueller, Matthew Roberts, Ellye Schultz.

8TH GRADE LIFE SKILLS HONOR ROLL

Hudson Achterberg, Kinleyh Anderson, Alyvia Bell, Alek Bellis, Mirabella Belton, Belle Beyler, Mikayla Bovre, Kylie Buzzell, Brooke Cole, Jenna Cross, Lane Cross, Lilley Hanco, Landon Kleist, Fynnlei Laybourn, Quinlynn Lusk, Jackson Oelke, Kinzley Peetz, Lily Renner, Sawyer Salmon, Makenzie Schmidtke, Madelynn Soppe, Jaycey Thornton, Braylon Wendlandt, Chesney Wickersham.

8TH GRADE PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Hudson Achterberg, Kinleyh Anderson, Alyvia Bell, Mikayla Bovre, Kylie Buzzell, Lane Cross, Ronin Holly, Quinlynn Lusk, Jackson Oelke, Jackson O'Brien, Lily Renner, Makenzie Schmidtke, Chesney Wickersham

8TH GRADE HIGH HONORS

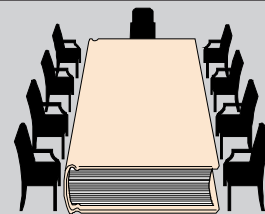
Alek Bellis, Mirabella Belton, Gavin Christenson-Krauklis, Jenna Cross, Jaxon Dahle, Cade Jacobs, Kayleigh Kath, Landon Kleist, Chelsea Philbrick-Boeder, Sawyer Salmon, Madelynn Soppe, Finn Swenson, Jaycey Thornton, Braylon Wendlandt.

8TH GRADE HONORS

Riley Angell, Kenadie Halder, Bryce Hardwick, Riley Holland, Fynnlei Laybourn, Natalie Lonski, Lane Pease, Kinzley Peetz, Cayden Penland, Michael Schiradelly, Owen VandenHoven.

See Pardeeville High School honor roll on page 31

Pardeeville Board of Education



MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING Nov. 18, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Ms. Becky Lezvow, Board President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Bret Achterberg, Mr. Chad Bellis, Mr. Paul Hees, Mr. Justin Nickel, Ms. Autumn Pease, Ms. Karla Walker and Ms. Becky Lezvow. Also present were Dr. Benjamin Heninger, Mr. David Bell, Ms. Amber Denure, Mr. Andrew Kohn, Mr. Philip Walker, Mr. Alex Hammerschmidt, Mr. Jim Housner, Ms. Jen Mecum, Mr. Travis Houslet, Ms. Amanda Seichter, Ms. Sarah Holland, Mr. Richard Breneman, Mr. Scott Holland, Mr. Owen Landsverk, Mr. Chris Lindert, Ms. Linda Lindert, Mr. Ralph Lezvow, Ms. Emily Kraemer, Ms. Angie Noyons, Ms. Erika Freeman, Mr. Nathan Schieve and Mr. Scott Girard.

Motion to Approve Agenda

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

Open Forum

Ms. Emily Kraemer spoke regarding a bus route change for her family who does not live in the Pardeeville Area School District boundaries. She advised that board that she does have a Pardeeville address, but the residence is in the Portage School District. She is asking for a bus stop at the end of their driveway. She is concerned about the safety of having children walk .3 miles to the closest bus stop that is in the Pardeeville Area School District route.

Discussion of facility Planning Progress/ Survey Results

Mr. Scott Girard from School Perceptions gave a presentation on what the survey results came back as. In total there were 547 who responded, a 16% return of survey completions that has a +/- 4.28% margin of error. Ms. Lezvow talked about why the school district wanted to do the survey, which was to know what our starting point was for the needs of the schools. Dr. Heninger talked about previous experience in working with School Perceptions and does trust their process and information that they are presenting to be a great tool to aid in determining referendum needs. Mr. Breneman asked how many houses have values of \$100,000 and it was explained that was just an example dollar amount that people could look at to try to estimate their own house values and how much this would add to their taxes. Mr. Nickel explained the median value is \$190,000. Ms. Seichter asked if any comments from the survey will be made public or if it was just to the board. Mr. Landsverk asked if the construction

will be bid out or if companies are already set. He just wanted to make sure the process is in place and available for all to bid. Ms. Freeman did answer his questions. Mr. Landsverk also stated to keep in mind the costs and timing of any construction process that may go forward. Ms. Freeman did go over next steps with the board and that right now is a self-reflection time to see if it wants to move forward with the possible operation and capital referendums. Mr. Schieve talked about the urgency of deciding on the referendums due to the deadlines in the end of January to get on the April Spring elections. Mr. Nickel asked about how we come to that magic dollar amount, and Mr. Girard, Ms. Freeman and Mr. Schieve stated that they will need to look at the needs of the school district, relook at the projects and try to update plans to lower those numbers. Mr. Holland talked about building plans that were different on the survey then what was presented at the community meetings, and making what they thought were big concerns to a-la-carte items to choose from. The board will go forward into exploring an operational and facilities referendum.

Administrative Team Reports

Mr. Hees stated that he was enthused to see that students attended the math matters event. Ms. Lezvow stated for all reports that there were a lot of things going on in the buildings. Ms. Lezvow stated that she went to the veteran's program on 11/11/24 at the high school and it was good to see everyone who was there. Ms. Lezvow also stated that she went to the play over the weekend and it was wonderful that we can showcase our students. Dr. Heninger thanked Mr. Houslet for winning the Spectrum Award of Merit from the Wisconsin School Public Relations Association for the school district on his ability to be able to communicate out to the public and families on behalf of the school district. Ms. Walker also stated that she went to the veteran's program at the high school and it went very well. Ms. Walker also stated that the Elementary School's fall family fun night was a success. Mr. Bellis stated that it was great to see that the Elementary School had an incredible turnout for parent/teacher conferences, and he liked that they were able to survey the families afterwards on their experience and express that they feel that their students are safe in the building.

Student Representative Report

Ms. Lezvow stated there was a phenomenal turnout of students at Chandler Park to help set up the lights for the holiday displays.

Committee Reports

There were no questions or comments on

the committee reports.

Board Comments & Questions

There were no questions.

Approval of Minutes Dated 11/4/2024

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve minutes dated 11/4/24. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the receipts and expenditures, excluding mileage reimbursement to Mr. Hees and Mr. Bellis. Motion passed 7-0. Motion by Mr. Achterberg / second by Ms. Walker for the payments to Mr. Bellis and Mr. Hees for mileage. Motion passed 5-0-2.

Approval of Support Staff/ Custodian

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the hiring of part time para-professional Leah Valentine for the Elementary School. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Maternity Leave

This was tabled until a later board meeting.

Approval of Coaches/Volunteers

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the volunteer coaches as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Donations

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the donations to the Elementary School Veterans Breakfast of \$100 from Kwik Trip, \$200 from Pardeeville Girls Club, free color printing from O'Brion Agency, fruit from Alsum Foods and donated items and funds from the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 215 / Mitzi Manthey. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Second Reading of NEOLA Policies

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the second reading of NEOLA policies as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Discussion of homeschooling credits, facility progress discussion, 1st reading of policies.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Achterberg / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.

Chad Bellis, Board Clerk

MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING Dec. 2, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Ms. Becky Lezvow, Board President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Chad Bellis, Mr. Paul

Hees, Mr. Justin Nickel, Ms. Autumn Pease, Ms. Karla Walker and Ms. Becky Levzow. Also present were Dr. Benjamin Heninger, Mr. David Bell, Ms. Amber Denure, Mr. Andrew Kohn, Mr. Philip Walker, Mr. Jim Housner, Ms. Jen Mecum, Ms. Angie Noyons, Mr. Nathan Schieve, Mr. Aaron Zutz.

Motion to Approve Agenda

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

Presentation and Review of Annual State Report Card

Dr. Heninger went over the State report card for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Hees asked why DPI changed the calculations and Dr. Heninger answered the question with information that he knew.

Review of Annual Safety Drill Reports

Ms. Levzow talked about the different components of the safety drill reports and was glad to see we prepare our staff and students with this drill every year. Mr. Bellis said the reports were great and asked if the middle school and high school students were told ahead of time about the drill, to which Ms. Denure answered stating that per guidance from their resources it is best to tell the students and families ahead of time to not cause undue panic or stress.

Discussion on Referendum for April 2025

Mr. Schieve from Groth and Mr. Zutz from Findorff did a presentation to update the board on possible new plans for a referendum due to the survey results. They recapped the survey results, talked about the capital maintenance that is needed of \$9.1 million that is part of the base plan figures. They revamped the base plans for facility upgrades and additions, showing an estimate of \$25 million dollars that includes that capital maintenance. This would include a smaller renovation/addition at the elementary school, the Balliet building being torn down and new construction for classrooms at the middle school, as well as a new kitchen and cafeteria area in the high school to add more space for the middle school cafeteria. Ms. Levzow stated that trying to pass a \$25 million dollar referendum will be a challenge. She was hoping to see with the new plans that the dollar amount would be lower and not more. Mr. Hees asked if there is a better way to use funds, to which Findorff answered. Mr. Nickel stated that he still wants to see revised plans that address more of the needs to figure out what those expenses would be. Ms. Walker asked about more clarity on each of the costs for the capital maintenance entailed, suggesting some of those items can be trimmed back if need be. Ms. Pease stated that the public will want to see the changes, and those changes need to happen where the people will see them the most. Mr. Schieve and Mr. Zutz did recap what was all talked about, knowing we need to get close to that \$20 million mark on any renovations/additions and will further refine the plans to lower costs and present them at the next board meeting on 12/16/24. The decision does need to be

made in January 2025 if moving forward with a capital referendum.

Board Comments & Questions

Ms. Levzow stated that she did attend the PABA meeting with Dr. Heninger where they did talk about the survey results and answered questions. Ms. Walker stated that she attended the play at the high school and enjoyed it.

Approval of Minutes Dated 11/18/2024

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve minutes dated 11/18/24. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Tunnel Air Handler Bid

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the Tunnel Air Handler Bid. Mr. Housner talked about starting to receive bids to replace the shaft for the tunnel air handler at the high school building as it is failing and needs this repair. The repair will cost quite a bit due to the equipment being approximately 50 years old. The board stated to continue with receiving bids, and to get the repairs done. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Additional Advisors

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the additional advisors that were presented. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Resignation of Coach

Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the resignation of Heather Thomas as varsity volleyball coach. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Donations

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the donations as listed: Ag & Food Science Department received 100 lbs potatoes and 25 lbs of onions from Alsum Farms & Produce, 20 lbs of shredded cheese from Grande, \$100 in butter from Kwik Trip, \$100 in beef from WI. Beef Council, \$100 in pork from Columbia County Pork Producers, 75 lbs of flour from King Arthur Flour and garden produce from Tina McElroy, Jon Landsverk, Janette Sheeks & Susan Berg; Brett Curie donated \$5 to the auditorium during a ticket purchase and the PTO donated \$12,500 to the Elementary School for playground equipment. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of 1st Reading of NEOLA Policies

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the 1st reading of NEOLA policies as presented. Motion passed 6-0.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Student spotlight from the middle school student councils, further discussions of referendum talk, second reading of policies, discussion of homeschooling credits.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Chad Bellis, Board Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Ms. Becky Levzow, Board President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Bret Achterberg, Mr. Chad Bellis, Mr. Paul Hees, Mr. Justin Nickel, Ms. Autumn Pease, Ms. Karla Walker, Ms. Becky Levzow, and Student Representative Bronte Hulberg and Ava Wagner. Also present were Dr. Benjamin Heninger, Mr. David Bell, Ms. Amber Denure, Mr. Andrew Kohn, Mr. Philip Walker, Mr. Alex Hammerschmidt, Mr. Jim Housner, Ms. Jen Mecum, Ms. Crystal Huset, Ms. Katie Jahn, Mr. Joe Jahn, Ms. Bristol Jahn, Ms. Lilley Hanko, Ms. Mackenzie Schmidtke, Ms. Alyvia Bell, Ms. Sofia Bell, Mr. Coleman Bell, Mr. Jackson Oelke, Ms. Laura Bell, Mr. Luke Black and Ms. Angie Noyons.

Motion to Approve Agenda

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

Open Forum

No one signed up.

Student Spotlight

Middle School Student Council members talked about a recent Expeditions Unlimited field trip, as well as other activities they have done including treats for troops for a candy drive, helping out at the holiday shop at the Elementary School, plus numerous other activities and events they have done. The students presented the new board members birdhouses as a token of their appreciation. Ms. Denure thanked Ms. Bell and Ms. Sturtevant for their hard work on working with the students. The board stated that they have done a great job and loves to see all of the contributions that the students have made in the school and within their community.

Administrative Team Reports

Elementary School: Ms. Levzow stated that there was lots going on and looking forward to the holiday concerts. Mr. Nickel asked how Act 20 was going, and Mr. Kohn stated it was going well and that CESA5 was helping a lot.

Middle School: Ms. Levzow mentioned that the Speak Up Speak Out program will be a helpful tool for our students and staff.

High School: Ms. Levzow stated that the holiday concert was great last week. She was glad to hear that the numbers for choir and band were going up as they are great opportunities for the students. Ms. Levzow stated that the sports are progressing nicely. She stated hopefully ice fishing will have an event, and it was advised there was one scheduled at the end of the month depending on the ice conditions. Mr. Hees talked about the powerlifting team and their first event this past Saturday. Mr. Hees talked about 5 athletes competing and 4 were able to medal. Ms. Levzow also talked to Mr. Bell about the report card data and using that info to learn from it and improve.

Athletics: Ms. Levzow stated it was nice to see the recap on the academic side of the student athletes.

Building and Grounds: Ms. Levzow stated that it was busy as always. It was asked about the status of the air handler, and Mr. Housner

stated the contract was signed, but there were no other updates on when the parts would be here. Mr. Housner also stated that they had to fix a cooler in both the Elementary School and High School kitchens. They are both back up and running.

Technology Department: Ms. Lezvow stated that it was another busy department.

Library Department: Again it was stated that it is another busy department.

Committee Reports

Curriculum: Ms. Pease talked about the curriculum meeting that happened this morning and gave a recap of what had been discussed.

Finance: No discussion was had in reviewing those minutes.

Building and Grounds: Ms. Lezvow stated that from their November meeting that they will be presenting a phone update at the next board meeting, otherwise all other items they discussed were addressed at December board meetings. The department is pausing some other planned jobs due to the unexpected repair expenses that have come up.

Student Representative Report

Ms. Hulberg and Ms. Wagner presented their student report. This included the decorated atrium area with the Christmas trees, assisting in setting up Chandler Park with the lights, participation in the FFA blood drive was great, and hoping to go to Florida for Nationals for the Educators Rising club this coming summer.

Discussion on Referendum for April 2025

Mr. Aaron Zutz and Mr. Nathan Schieve gave an update on revised possible building updates/plans and costs. They showed an updated plan that would be approximately \$23.6 million. This is lowered from the \$25.5 million. There were discussions about the middle school having their own cafeteria and serving counter versus combining everything in the high school cafeteria. There are still discussions to get updated quotes for the capital maintenance part or the referendum, but everything in there is needed so at this time not sure where to cut or postpone. There were discussions about looking at naming rights or grants to offset some of the costs. The administration team was asked to talk to other schools in the area about having shared cafeterias and how it may work. Mr. Kohn talked about his previous school district having combined grades in the cafeteria and it worked for them. It was discussed that everyone will have to be onboard with final plans to be able to present to the community. More discussions and meetings will be had before the January referendum posting deadline.

Discussion on Student Information System-Infinite Campus

Mr. Walker and Dr. Heninger talked about the school district going to a new student information system, Infinite Campus. Questions were asked about the different costs and the comparisons between our current SIS PowerSchool vs. Infinite Campus. They were answered as best as they could.

Discussion on Homeschooling Credit Update to Policy

Mr. Bell and Ms. Huset talked about getting the board's thoughts on what they would like the school district to do in regards to counting homeschooling credits. They gave information on what DPI states, and what other school districts they had contacted are doing. No clear direction to go off of and it is left to the school's discretion. The board discussed expectations and standards, and are only willing to accept accredited homeschooling credits at this time. The policies will be looked over and revised as necessary and approved at a later date.

Board Comments & Questions

Ms. Lezvow reiterated that the high school concerts were great last week and they did a wonderful job. Mr. Bellis asked how the weekend custodian shortage went due to the schools having tournaments in them. Mr. Housner stated that there were only a couple minor issues, but for the most part the clubs did well cleaning up. Mr. Achterberg asked why the boys basketball games were postponed tonight and Mr. Hammerschmidt answered.

Approval of Minutes Dated 12/2/2024

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve minutes dated 12/2/24. Motion passed 6-0-1.

Approval of Receipts/Expenditures

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

Approval of Student Information System-Infinite Campus

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the new student information system Infinite Campus to be purchased. Motion passed 5-1-1.

Approval of Policy Change to Include Homeschooling Credits

Motion by Ms. Pease / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve a policy change to include homeschooling credits to only include accredited homeschool credits with discussions with NEOLA to update the policies. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Support Staff

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the hiring of Julie Brene-man as a Paraprofessional. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Resignation of Support Staff

Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the resignation of Lisa Black. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Coaching Volunteer

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the coaching volunteer as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Donations

Motion by Mr. Achterberg / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the donations of 4 bags of nacho cheese for concessions from Carol's Cones, PTO donated \$523.90 towards elementary school music equipment, First Presbyterian Church donated 18 pairs of gloves to middle school students and \$50

was donated to the middle school for supplies. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Second Reading of NEOLA Policies

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the second reading of NEOLA policies as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Further referendum discussions, final confirmation of attendance for State Board Convention in January, approving open enrollment student available openings for the 25-26 school year, possible overnight field trip requests, and possibly 25-26 school year calendar.

Closed Session

A closed session will be held under 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin State Statutes to discuss superintendent evaluation.

Return to Open Session

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:58 pm.

Chad Bellis, Board Clerk

MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING Jan. 6, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Ms. Becky Lezvow, Board President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Chad Bellis, Mr. Paul Hees, Mr. Justin Nickel, Ms. Autumn Pease, Ms. Karla Walker and Ms. Becky Lezvow. Also present were Dr. Benjamin Heninger, Mr. David Bell, Ms. Amber Denure, Mr. Andrew Kohn, Mr. Philip Walker, Mr. Alex Hammerschmidt, Mr. Jim Housner, Ms. Jen Mecum, Ms. Carol Wirth, Ms. Meagan Vujnovich and Ms. Amanda Seichter. Mr. Bret Achterberg arrived at 7:12 pm.

Motion to Approve Agenda

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

Discussion of Referendum for April 2025

Ms. Carol Wirth presented information in regards to current, expiring and possible operation dollar amounts for the district. Ms. Wirth also went over the language of what the operational and capital resolution questions on the ballot would look like in the spring April 2025 elections. Mr. Aaron Zutz and Mr. Nathan Schieve was present remotely and talked about the final numbers for the capital referendum of \$23.5 million and reviewed the plans with the board and administration. They did discuss the capital maintenance needed which would be about \$9 million out of the \$23.5 million that we would be going for a referendum for. Mr. Housner did talk about updated roofing information that he had received in regards to how much of the roof life expectancy and the costs associated with that. Mr. Schieve did

go over the proposed plans for remodeling for the capital referendum. Board members asked numerous questions which either Ms. Wirth, Mr. Zutz or Mr. Schieve answered.

Final Confirmation of Board Members Attending State Convention

Discussions to confirm board members attendance for state convention later in the month to ensure everyone has registration and reservations as needed. Transportation will be discussed later.

Board Comments & Questions

Mr. Hees thanked the administration for trying to assist with the powerlifting overnight trip request over the winter break.

Approval of Minutes Dated 12/16/2024

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve minutes dated 12/16/24. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Overnight FFA Field Trip Leadership Conference

Motion by Mr. Achterberg / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the overnight FFA field trip for a leadership conference. Ms. Seichter did give a brief overview of what the conference pertained to. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Spaces Available for 2025-2026 Open Enrollment Students

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the spaces available for 2025-2026 open enrollment students. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Referendum Resolutions Questions for April 2025 Spring Elections

Further discussions about the operational referendum and facility referendum questions would entail and how it relates to fund balance. Board members talked through the options for the operational referendum questions. Ms. Wirth answered questions as needed. Mr. Hees did state that our bond ratings are on the low side compared to other schools. Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the resolution question for the operational referendum in April 2025. Shall the Pardeeville Area School District, Columbia and Marquette Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$800,000 per year for three years, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes, consisting of sustaining operating expenses to maintain the current level of operations. Motion passed 7-0. Discussion was then had in regards to the facility referendum question for the ballot. Mr. Achterberg did state that we should still be looking at ways to save money and it was discussed that those discussions can be had after the referendum is passed to see where they can save. Discussions were also had about the tax implications between a \$22 million or \$23.5 million referendum. Motion by Mr. Nickel / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve the resolution question for the capital maintenance referendum in April 2025. Shall the Pardeeville Area School District, Columbia and Marquette Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67

of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$23.5 million for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school building and facility improvement project consisting of: district-wide capital maintenance, building infrastructure and site improvements; renovations and construction of an addition at the Middle/High School and demolition of the Balliet building; renovations, construction of an addition and safety and security improvements at the Elementary School; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment. Roll call was taken: Mr. Achterberg- No, Mr. Bellis- Yes, Mr. Hees- Yes, Ms. Lezvow- Yes, Mr. Nickel- Yes, Ms. Pease- Yes, Ms. Walker- No. Motion passed 6-1. The order of referendum questions was discussed. Motion by Ms. Walker / second by Mr. Hees to approve the order of referendum questions on the ballot to be as follows: the first question will be the operational question and the second question will be the capital maintenance question with the resolution to follow. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Support Staff

Motion by Mr. Achterberg / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the hiring of Bryce Mattson as a custodian. Motion passed 7-0. Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the hiring of Tonya Burkhardt as the middle school administrative assistant. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Maternity Leave

Motion by Mr. Achterberg / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the maternity leave for Megan Smedema. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Spring Varsity Coaches

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Ms. Walker to approve the varsity coaches for spring sports as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Donations

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the donations of \$25,000 from Didion towards the new greenhouse, as well as \$500 from Crawford Oil Co towards the new greenhouse. Motion passed 7-0. Motion by Mr. Bellis / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the donation of \$400 to Powerlifting for equipment as needed. Motion passed 6-0-1.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Elementary School will be doing the student spotlight, as well as the High School music department presenting for their overnight trip in the 2025-2026 school year to be approved, approving the 25-26 school calendar as well as the high school 25-26 course guide and an update on Act 20.

Closed Session

A closed session will be held under 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin State Statutes to approve extension of contracts for the elementary school principal, middle school principal and the high school principal.

Return to Open Session

Approval of Extension of Elementary School Principal Contract to June 30, 2027

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Hees to approve the extension of the

elementary school Principal contract to June 30, 2027. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Extension of Middle School Principal Contract to June 30, 2027

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the extension of the middle school Principal contract to June 30, 2027. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Extension of High School Principal Contract to June 30, 2027

Motion by Mr. Hees / seconded by Mr. Nickel to approve the extension of the high school Principal contract to June 30, 2027. Motion passed 7-0.

Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:34 pm.

Chad Bellis, Board Clerk

MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING Jan. 13, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Ms. Becky Lezvow, Board President. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Mr. Bret Achterberg, Mr. Chad Bellis, Ms. Autumn Pease, Ms. Karla Walker, Ms. Becky Lezvow. Also present were Dr. Benjamin Heninger, Ms. Amanda Seichter. Mr. Paul Hees appeared remotely via video/ phone.

Motion to Approve Agenda

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

Approval of Overnight Field Trip for Curling

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Achterberg to approve the overnight field trip for curling on 1/17/25. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$800,000 Per Year for Three Years for Non-Recurring Purposes

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Mr. Bellis to approve Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$800,000 Per Year for Three Years for Non-Recurring Purposes. Mr. Achterberg discussed the need for a gym. Ms. Lezvow stated we are accounting for Phy Ed. Ms. Walker was concerned that \$22 million was the max. Mr. Hees asked Mr. Achterberg to explain in more detail. Mr. Hees also reiterated if we are locked into the plan or just the dollar amounts. Mr. Hees also stated that we should look more into the need for an extra classroom at the elementary school and the need for changing rooms at the middle school. Roll call vote was taken: Mr. Bellis- Yes, Mr. Hees- Yes, Ms. Lezvow- Yes, Ms. Pease- Yes, Ms. Walker- Yes, Mr. Achterberg- Yes. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$23,500,000

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Ms. Lezvow to approve Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$23,500,000. Roll call vote was taken: Ms. Lezvow- Yes, Ms. Pease- Yes, Ms. Walker- Yes, Mr. Achterberg- No, Mr. Bellis- Yes, Mr. Hees- Yes. Motion passed 5-1.

Approval of Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Questions of the Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$800,000 Per Year for Three Years for Non-Recurring Purposes and an Initial Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$23,500,000

Motion by Ms. Walker / seconded by Ms. Lezvow to approve Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Questions of the Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$800,000 Per Year for Three Years for Non-Recurring Purposes and an Initial Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$23,500,000. Roll call vote was taken: Ms. Pease- Yes, Ms. Walker- Yes, Mr. Achterberg- No, Mr. Bellis- Yes, Mr. Hees- Yes, Ms. Lezvow- Yes. Motion passed 5-1.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Achterberg / seconded by Ms. Lezvow to approve the adjournment. Motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Chad Bellis, Board Clerk

Pardeeville Schools looking to fill coaching positions

The Pardeeville Area School District is currently seeking enthusiastic and dedicated individuals to fill several coaching positions for the upcoming athletic seasons. Open positions include:

- **Two Middle School Softball Coaches**
- **Middle School Assistant Track Coach**
- **Varsity Volleyball Coach**
- **JV Volleyball Coach**

Ideal candidates will demonstrate strong planning, communication, problem-solving, leadership, and organizational skills. Coaches play a vital role in shaping young athletes, If you are passionate about sports, mentoring student-athletes, and contributing to a positive and competitive program, this is your chance to make a meaningful impact in the Pardeeville community.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest in writing, along with contact information for three professional references, to:

Alex Hammerschmidt

Activities Director
Pardeeville High School
120 Oak Street
Pardeeville, WI 53954

Applications may also be sent via email to hammal@pasdwi.org.

High School students earn honors for first trimester

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

SENIOR HIGH HONORS

Elijah Achterberg, Hudson Ballweg, Tyler Becker, Alexis Bryan, Olivia Bue, Kayla Buzzell, Macy Cross, Cole Engelhart, Alexander Gabsch, Caleb Gard, Emma Gentz, Abby Grant, Everett Isaacs, Preston Jenkins, Sophia Jerome, Keithen Jerome-Berg, Chloe Kessenich, Celia Kopfhamer, Brenden Krueger, Chloe Lukowski, Caleb Mackey, James Morgan, Ivan Nordness, Cody Noyons, London Peetz, Natalie Peissig, Lauren Schaller, Zoe Soleimani, Audra Stark, Elizabeth Staupé, Anna Trahms, Hailey Vasquez, Jamison Wickersham.

SENIOR HONORS

Mallory Baures, William Becker, Joshua Brodie, Lucas Cunzenheim, Oliver Griepentrog, Michael Hains, Trenton Halder, Hayden Hauber, Gabriella Hees, Brecken Helm, Karter Jerome, Joseph Keichinger, Hans Kilmer, Jack Maier, Vaughn Milkowski, Nickolas Sween, Kiera Westbury, Ashton Whitehorse, Erika Wickus, Landon Wolf, Hanna Wondra, Logan Young

JUNIOR HIGH HONORS

Howard Boyle, Isabel Bue, Josephine Bue, Brennen Carlson, Kiana Cook, Joseph Dosemagen, Kingston Galetka, Bailey Grissom, Allyson Gruenwald, Zachary Hineman, Madilynn Holland, Raelyn Holtan, Bronte Hulberg, Abigail Jacobson, Taylor Luedtke, Acacia Netzel, Chayse Pulvermacher, Brook Schomburg, Avery VonRuden, Ava Wagner, Arianna Wendlandt.

JUNIOR HONORS

Aubriana Agnew, Addison Block, Wade Breneman, Isaac Buchholz, Miranda Crary, Michaela Crittendon, Austin Dechert, Brady Dolgner, Jazzmyn Ferguson, Brodi Hagan, Molly Hardwick, Lexi Hughes, Catherine Kopfhamer, Noah Manthe, Evan Miller, Makensey Miller, Briar Otwaska, Oswald Sanchez, Tristan Smith, Isabella Taylor.

SOPHOMORE HIGH HONORS

Hayden Ballweg, Nadia Ballewg, Caitlyn Bellis, Layla Buchholz, Onan Casteel, Constance Fallon, Haley Gard, Cody Gentz, Elle Hardwick, Lorelei Hepler, Tristen Homan, Elizabeth Keeling, Eyan Kirk, Kaliegh Klein, Lydia Kleist, Jade Koepp, Mallory Kolkovich, Mykael Mickelson, Chance Millard, Kayden Miller, Bree Motsenbocker, Gibson Nelson, Dane Overland, Nathan Renz, Sydney Sween.

SOPHOMORE HONORS

Kiana Berry, Mariah Bruflat, Tamber Corning, Addisyn Crawford, Kaylin Delgado, Louis Fink, Easton Fischer, Allie Gawel, Khloe Helm, Devin Jerome, Julius Klingensmith, Ashlynn Krueger, Braeden Kuske, Kyla Lorenz, Cleo Meier, Preston Nicoll, Emerson Sadlon, Xander Sosa, Corrah Storts, Rowen Vierck, Julian Wells, Catherine Wendt.

FRESHMAN HIGH HONORS

Avri Anderson, Taylor Berg, Noah Black, Morgan Blader, Karrsen Busan, Jonathan Dolphin, Isabel Fisher, Fancesca Gaglio, Alec Garcia, Natalie Grant, Jaelyn Grissom, Leyton Haseleu, Aurora Homan, Gavin Hughes, Kenna Jenkins, Alison Lemanczyk, Aili Majocka, Alexander Metz, Maverick Mueller, Addyson Neary, Brianne Neuhauser, Alannah Nicol, Brayden Niemeier, Gracie Postler, Ella Rohrbeck, Brandon Schaller, Adalyn Schultz, Makayla Smith, Lauren Undraitis, Isabelle Wenzel, Allison Wickus, Audrianna Wylesky, Macey Young.

FRESHMAN HONORS

Brooklyn Auchtung, Sage Bardon, Grace Baures, Dylan Berg, Sawyer Berg, Simon Deich, Sawyer Fox, Braylon Garrett, Ella Griepentrog, Kaleb Hains, Trenton Hendrickson, Owen Krueger, Kinley Levin, Chloe Littles, William Peissig, Kasen Schomburg.

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Upcoming Events

- Feb. 3 Board of Education Meeting, HS LMC, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 7 Pardeeville High School Career Fair, HS Gym, 1-3 p.m.
- Feb. 17 Board of Education Meeting, HS LMC, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 18 Pardeeville CTE Open House, Pardeeville HS, 4-7 p.m.
- Feb. 27 Referendum Info Session, Lenz Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- March 3 Board of Education Meeting, HS LMC, 7 p.m.
- March 4 High School Jazz Band and Show Choir Concert, Lenz Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- March 5 End of second trimester
- March 6 Virtual Referendum Info Session (email mecuje@pasdwi.org to RSVP), 11:30 a.m.
- March 6 & 7 No School
- March 8 Ring of Kerry at Lenz Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- March 11 ACT testing at Pardeeville High School
- March 11 Referendum Info Session, Marcellon Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- March 13 Referendum Info Session, Wyocena Village Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- March 15 Referendum Info Session, Pardeeville High School, 9 a.m.
- March 17 Board of Education Meeting, HS LMC, 7 p.m.
- March 24-28 No School, Spring Break
- April 1 Spring Election