



# Black Hawk School District

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April 2025

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## SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK HAWK

### 4K SCREENINGS!

- The Black Hawk 4K Screenings will held on Tuesday, May 27th and Wednesday May 28th for all children in the Black Hawk School District who will be turning 4 prior to September 1st, 2025.
- Children who will be turning 3 prior to September 1, 2025 may be eligible for Early Childhood if their child has a disability. Early Childhood Screening is Thursday, May 29th.
- Letters will be sent out with your appointment date and more information!



JEN SCHIFERL/SECRETARY

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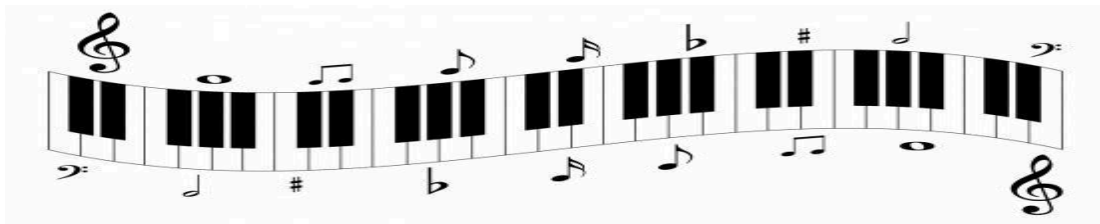
ENROLL  
NOW!



On March 17th, several seniors attended the Colony Brands Career Expo. The event was three hours in length, and Colony Brands provided lunch and bussing. For attending this event and upon completion of a survey, each senior will be receiving a \$300 scholarship.

The Colony Brands Career Expo included presentations of the following departments: Operations, Creative Marketing, Non-Food Quality Assurance, Brand Marketing, and Brand Analytics.

The following students attended the event on March 17th: Beau, Alyssa, Molly, Aliia, Ritchie, Owen, Olivia, Rylee, and Hailey. Maddy will attend the event on March 28th due to a scheduling conflict.



**Black Hawk band numbers have grown, and we have exhausted all of our loaner instruments. If you have any old band instruments sitting around gathering dust, please think about donating them to our music department. If you would like to donate towards purchasing instruments, that would be appreciated, too!**

**Revtrak**



**Pay fees online!**

Visit Rev Track <https://blackhawk-k12.revtrak.net/> to pay lunch money, school fees, sports fees, instrument rentals, and more.

If you have any questions, please call the school office at 608-439-5371.



# March FFA NEWSLETTER



## District CDE Competition

On March 12th we had 15 members compete in CDEs at Janesville! These events consisted of poultry judging (Molly Edler, Hailey Wellnitz, Maddy Lange), livestock judging (Alyssa Broge, Jaci Kammes, Ritchie Hagen), dairy products judging (Keira Brunner, Emily Curran, Kaitlyn Stegall), dairy judging (Max Fox, Cade Pickett, Cole Dunlavey), and wildlife (Beau Bredeson, Mason Shultz, Grant Quinn)! On March 20th we had a horse evaluation team (Payton Stietz, Alyvia Ruegsegger, and Taylor Stegall) compete in Plattville. Our wildlife team and horse evaluation team are moving on.



## Sectional LDE Competition

On March 19th the officer team and Taylor Stegall went to Fennimore to compete in the Sectional LDE! The team competed in parliamentary procedure and Taylor Stegall competed in extemporaneous speaking! While neither moved on to state we had an amazing time and are thankful for the opportunity to compete at sectionals!



## Connect Conference

On March 21st, 6 members between the freshman and sophomore class attended the Connect Conference in Green Bay! On the first day they had a fun van ride and attended two sessions! After the sessions they spent time together! On the second day they ate breakfast, attended two more sessions, ate lunch, and headed back home! Over their time at the Connect Conference they learned what connecting really means, how to do it, and the importance of it! Everyone had a great time and is thankful for the opportunity!





The Booster Club thanks everyone for participating in their March Madness fundraiser! The winners were:

**2025 BLACK HAWK BOOSTER CLUB MARCH MADNESS RAFFLE WINNERS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Amount</b>
March 1st	Adalie Grossen	Browntown	\$50
March 2nd	Jill Meier	South Wayne	\$200
March 3rd	Cathy Komprood	Gratiot	\$50
March 4th	Beth Zimmerman	Browntown	\$50
March 5th	Dani Curran	Gratiot	\$50
March 6th	Fred Wolfe	South Wayne	\$50
March 7th	Scott Grossen (Ham)	Browntown	\$100
March 8th	Cory Neff	South Wayne	\$50
March 9th	Anna Seffrood	Monroe	\$200
March 10th	Vicky Jackson	Browntown	\$50
March 11th	Amy Harkrider	South Wayne	\$50
March 12th	Terry Dicken	Warren	\$50
March 13th	JoAnne Crotty	South Wayne	\$50
March 14th	Paige Strunz	Browntown	\$100
March 15th	Erin Bidlingmaier	Winslow	\$50
March 16th	Amy Altenlorn	Arizona	\$200
March 17th	Cindy Bechtolt	South Wayne	\$50
March 18th	Shane Jackson	South Wayne	\$50
March 19th	Shane Jackson	South Wayne	\$50
March 20th	Jacob Quinn	South Wayne	\$50
March 21st	Colby Argall	South Wayne	\$100
March 22nd	Amy Altenlorn	Arizona	\$50
March 23rd	Kerrie Bidlingmaier	Monroe	\$200
March 24th	Travis Hagen	South Wayne	\$50
March 25th	Jacob Quinn	South Wayne	\$50
March 26th	Dave Baumgartner	South Wayne	\$50
March 27th	Mallory Fox	South Wayne	\$50
March 28th	Amy Harkrider	South Wayne	\$100
March 29th	Christine Stewart	Browntown	\$50
March 30th	Joe Junk	South Wayne	\$200
March 31st	Linda Williamson	Madison	\$1,000





## **BOOSTER CLUB NEWS**

The Black Hawk Booster Club is excited to announce plans to update the football and track speakers! This important project comes with a significant cost, and we are seeking donations from our generous community to help make it happen.

If you would like to contribute towards the outdoor speakers, we invite you to reach out to a Booster Club Officer or join us at our Monthly Meetings. Your support is invaluable to enhancing our athletic facilities and providing the best experience for our student-athletes.

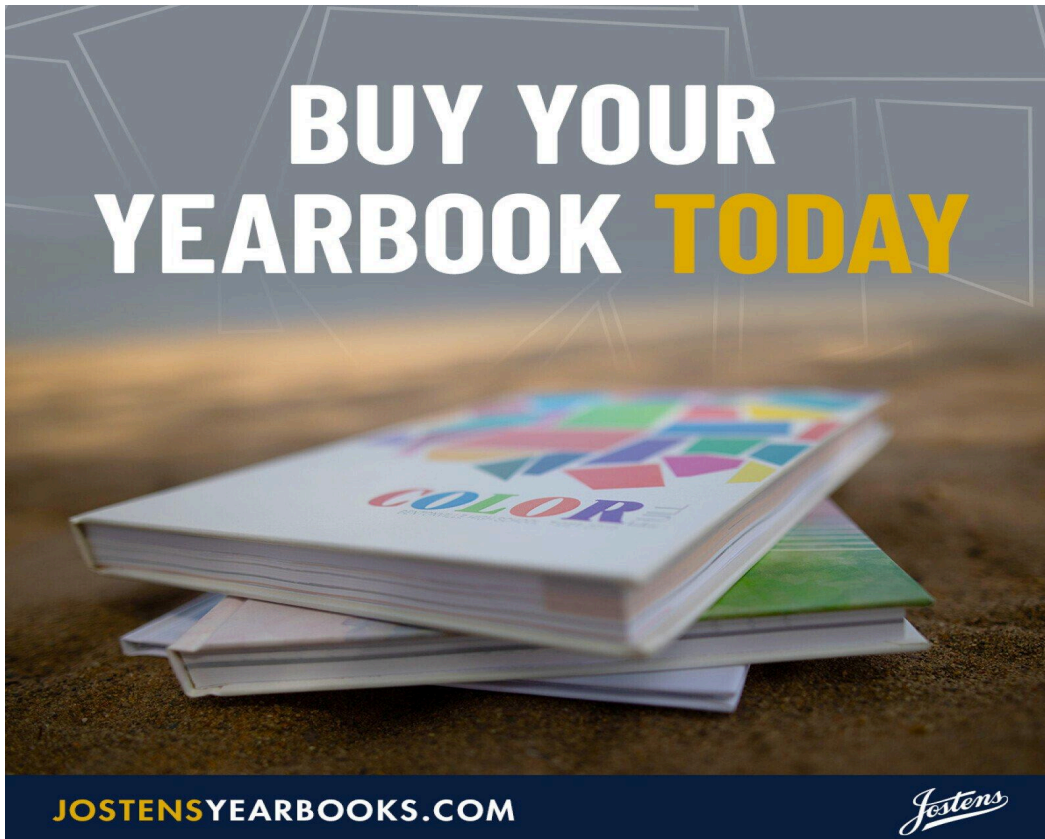
Our next Booster Club meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 2nd at The Vault in South Wayne at 6:00 PM. We would love to see you there and discuss how you can help! Thank you for your support! Together, we can make a difference for our students and community.

### **Black Hawk Booster Club Officers**

President: Val Dunlavey

Secretary: Linda Figi

Treasurer: Joni Marty



High School, Middle School, and Elementary are available!

High School \$55.00  
Middle School \$15.00  
Elementary \$11.00

\*Please send Cash or Check payable to **Black Hawk School** if you would like to order a **2024-2025** Yearbook.

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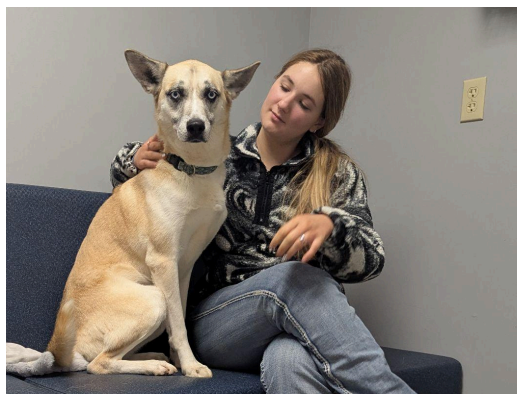
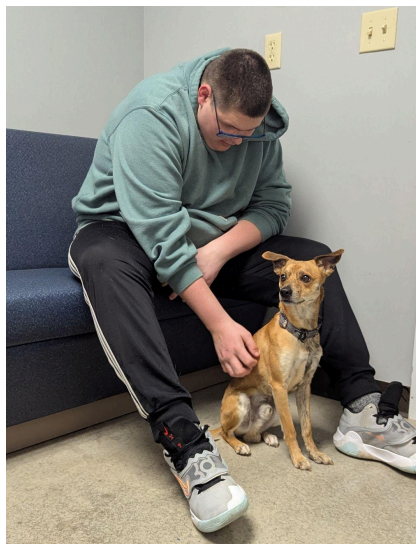
IN 5TH-GRADE GUIDANCE, WE ARE DISCUSSING EMPATHY.  
THE ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND HOW SOMEONE ELSE IS FEELING.  
EACH STUDENT COLORED A SHOE AS A REMINDER TO PUT  
YOURSELF IN SOMEONE ELSE'S SHOES. THE 5TH GRADERS WERE  
ALSO PLACED INTO GROUPS AND HAD TO COMPLETE ESCAPE  
ROOM CHALLENGES TO REINFORCE THE TOPIC OF EMPATHY.





Mr. Duff took some of his students to the Green County Humane Society in Monroe to volunteer and socialize with the animals. We had a lot of favorites, but our pets of the week are Zena and Brooks.

Zena is a gentle girl with lots of curiosity, and Brooks has the energy of a puppy with lots of love to give!



Visit the humane society and consider adopting a new furry family member!



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## Special Delivery!

The Black Hawk/Warren Football program was randomly selected as a recipient of one of the Green Bay Packers “Titledown” football glove donation packages!

The Green Bay Packers had another round of equipment that they received from their equipment department that was donated to Wisconsin high school football programs. Some of the equipment sets included used cleats, new gloves, knee & thigh pads, and a kicking net.

Coach Breadon entered the drawing to receive one of the equipment sets. Black Hawk/Warren received a package containing gloves of multiple sizes, colors and in new condition. **GO WARRIORS!!!**







On March 19th, Black Hawk hosted the Six Rivers Conference Mathematics Contest. This is the 3rd year that the competition has included all 14 schools from the Six Rivers East and West conferences. The competition was held in Juda for the 1st 15 years for the Six Rivers East. This competition tested nearly 250 competitors' basic computational skills, problem-solving abilities, critical thinking, and ingenuity.

Each Mathlete took 3 tests: an individual mental math test (20 seconds/question without the use of a calculator, paper, or pencil), an individual math test (no calculators allowed), and a team test.

Black Hawk took 4th place this year as a team. While all of the participants from Black Hawk did well, a few members of our team performed exceedingly well.

**Alexis Stietz (Sophomore- JV), Josslyn Lewis (8th Grade-JV), Maddy Place (10th Grade-V) Keira Brunner (11th Grade-V) and Beau Bredeson (12th Grade-V)** scored enough points to be placed on the **2nd Team All-Conference** team.

**Alyvia Ruegsegger (11th Grade-V)** had a solid performance and earned **1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference Honors**.

Those competing this year from Black Hawk included:

### **Black Hawk Red**

Level 2: Owen Seffrood, Beau Bredeson, Molly Edler, Alyvia Ruegsegger, Mya Milz, Keira Brunner, Taylor Stegall, and Maddy Place

Level 1: Jerzey Wiegel, Jaci Kammes, Alexis Stietz, Holdyn Hull, Evan Sigafus, Dax Paquin, Reese Smith, and Mason Schultz

### **Black Hawk Black**

Level 2: Jacob Woodruff and Payton Stietz

Level 1: Sadie Brown, Dani Martin, Grant Quinn, Lucas Stietz, Josslyn Lewis, Wade Werren, Ryan Curran, and Chase Pickett

Ms. Wolff would like to extend our sincere thanks to all those who helped organize and set up the event, as well as to the students and staff for their flexibility with classes on the day of the competition.

A special thanks to **Green County Abstract and Title Company** for their generous donation of snacks for the competitors. Also, a huge thank you for the time and effort of Rhonda Hartwig, Sandy Kaempfer, Deb Larson, Joan Miller, Kathy Hartwig, Cali Schliem, Sharon Signer, and Gary Signer, who volunteered as test proctors. This huge undertaking and the success of this competition would not have been possible without everyone's support.

***BLACK HAWK/WARREN FOOTBALL  
2025***

**INCOMING FRESHMAN / NEW PLAYER  
ORIENTATION MEETING  
(2025 FRESHMAN PLAYER & PARENT MEETING)**

***SUNDAY, MAY 4***

***4:00 PM***

***BLACK HAWK UPPER COMMONS***

***AT LEAST ONE PARENT ALONG WITH  
THE PLAYER NEEDS TO ATTEND.***



We are excited to introduce the **School To Work (STW) and Youth Apprenticeship (YA) programs** for the 2025-26 academic year. These programs are designed to provide high school juniors and seniors with valuable hands-on employment experience in a career pathway of their choice. The programs serve as a bridge between classroom learning and real-world application, helping students make informed decisions about their future careers.

## Program Overview

- Students gain work experience in local businesses or within family-owned businesses.
- Students may work up to **four class periods** per school day
- Students working **four or more hours after school** may apply for a waiver to start their school day later.
- Participation requires meeting specific requirements and regulations outlined below.

## STW/YA Program Requirements

1. Signed consent from a **parent/guardian, School To Work Coordinator, principal, and school counselor**.
2. Submission of **required paperwork** (Student Registration and Training Agreement).
3. Weekly submission of **work hours**, signed by the employer.
4. Completion of a **quarterly Employment Core Values document** with reflections.
5. **Quarterly employer evaluation** on employability skills.
6. Maintain a **minimum 2.0 GPA (C average)**.
7. **Three consecutive weeks of academic ineligibility** will result in removal from the program.
8. **YA students may work up to 4 class periods**
9. **STW students may only work up to 2 class periods** per day.
10. Students may not remain **unemployed for more than two weeks**.
11. A minimum of **10 work hours per week** is required.
12. Students must maintain **passing grades** in both STW coursework and employment evaluations.
13. Only **one in-school or out-of-school suspension per semester** is allowed.
14. Good hygiene must be practiced, especially for students working in physically demanding environments.
15. Submission of **all required paperwork before the first day of school** is recommended.
16. **Students cannot be terminated from employment** to remain in the program.

## Youth Apprenticeship Additional Requirements

- Students must complete **450 hours of work** between September 1 and the following school year.
- Students must complete **180 hours of related instruction** in their career area.
- Related instruction should align with the student's career pathway (e.g., an agriculture student taking AG classes).

## After School Work Hours & Attendance Waivers

Students who work **three or more hours in the evening** may apply for a **Waiver of Attendance** to adjust their school schedule. Upon school board approval, students may **miss up to four class periods** to accommodate their work schedules.



## Class/Work Experience & Job Shadowing

- **Class/Work Experience:** Students obtain off-campus employment in a career-related field. These hours count toward the STW/YA program requirements.
- **Job Shadowing:** Students gain exposure to their career interests by volunteering and observing professionals in their chosen field. This experience helps develop essential work skills, responsibility, and communication.

## Curriculum Overview

### First Semester

1. **Career Exploration & Preparation:** Resume building, job applications, interview preparation, and professional communication skills.
2. **Business Placement:** Students work in local businesses relevant to their career interests.
3. **Business Development:** Guidance for students interested in starting a business or contributing to a family business.
4. **Continuous Evaluation:** Regular assessments, reflections, and goal setting.

### Second Semester

1. **New Student Integration:** Late-joining students follow the first-semester curriculum for seamless transition.
2. **Career Exploration Continuation:** Students may switch jobs to explore different career interests.
3. **Soft Skills Workshop:** In collaboration with CESA 3 and Lafayette County Advisory Council, students develop essential workplace skills such as communication and interview techniques.

## Youth Apprenticeship (YA) Overview

YA is a **one or two-year** apprenticeship program for high school juniors and seniors. Students gain **real-world job experience** while continuing their high school education and receiving industry-related instruction.

### YA Program Structure

- **Level One:** Junior or Senior Year
  - **450 work hours minimum**
  - **2 semesters of related coursework**
- **Level Two:** Junior & Senior Year
  - **900 work hours minimum**
  - **4 semesters of related coursework**

## YA Career Pathways

The YA program offers opportunities in **11 career clusters**, including:

- Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources
- Architecture & Construction
- Arts, A/V Technology & Communication
- Finance
- Health Sciences
- Hospitality, Lodging & Tourism
- Information Technology
- Manufacturing
- Marketing
- Science, Technology, Engineering & Math
- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics

## Required Forms & Deadlines

To streamline the process, the following forms must be submitted:

1. **Youth Apprenticeship Registration Form** – Captures initial student interest.
2. **Youth Apprenticeship Employment Training Agreement** – Confirms the student's commitment to the program.

All **training agreements must be submitted by February 2, 2024** to CESA 3.

## Related Instruction

Students must take **two semesters of related coursework** each year. Courses may be taken at **local high schools or two/four-year institutions**, with **CESA 3 covering up to 6 credits per year** (pre-approval required).

**Fall 2025 Dual Credit course enrollment through Colleged Up or Smart College Now will be due on March 7.** Ms. Crotty has application forms. There will be a meeting on February 27 for sophomores and juniors highlighting the programs and application process. Students who wish to be in Youth Apprenticeship next year, will also need to look at the course lists and go through the process of looking for course(s) related to their career pathway to submit to Mr. Cooley.

We are thrilled to offer these incredible learning opportunities and look forward to supporting our students as they take steps toward their future careers. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Gary Cooley

STW/YA Coordinator

[coogar@blackhawk.k12.wi.us](mailto:coogar@blackhawk.k12.wi.us)



## **Black Hawk / Warren Football**

### **2025 Upcoming Events/Schedules**

*\*Additional dates may be scheduled*



**Sunday, May 4**

4:00 PM

**Incoming Freshman Orientation**

**Black Hawk & Warren.**

At least one parent along with the player needs to attend.

**Monday, May 26 - May 30**

**Weight room workouts & Iron-Warrior Testing**

**Monday, June 2**

**Summer weight room workouts begin**

**Mon., July 14 – Thur., July 17**

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. South Wayne

\*Own transportation

**BH/W Skills Camp – Skill Position Try-Outs**

Young men wishing to try out for quarterback, receivers/tight end, and running backs must attend.

**Monday, July 21**

6:00 PM

**7-on-7 & Lineman Challenge vs EPC**

**@ Warren, IL**

Leave Black Hawk at **4:45 PM**

**Wednesday, July 23**

6:00 PM

**7-on-7 & Lineman Challenge vs Stockton & Le-Win**

Leave Black Hawk at **4:45 PM**

\*pick up Warren players on the way

**Tuesday, August 5**

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

@ South Wayne

**Stress Test and Lift-a-thon.** All football players 10-12 must participate in our stress test evaluations, **before you are issued Equipment.** We test your strength, speed, and quickness.

**Tuesday, August 5**

Before Practice

**Equipment Issue for Freshman – Seniors**

Expectations Meeting. All forms must be turned in.

**Tuesday, August 5**

Warren Depart - 3:00 p.m.

Field: 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Return - 8:30 p.m.

**First Football Practice**

Locker Room: 3:20 p.m.

**All freshmen through seniors**





# February

## Employee of the Month

**Melissa Pickett**  
**Accounts Payable**

**Congratulations** to Melissa Pickett our February Employee of The Month. Melissa was nominated by multiple staff members. The nominating staff collectively talked about how Melissa is such a positive presence with her smiles and pleasant disposition. Staff appreciate how she handles the printer issues and appreciates how well she communicates with individuals on various aspects of school happenings. Melissa is involved in assisting with setting up concession stand money, volunteers for extra duties, and helps to organize and manage the Backpack Program. She is also heavily involved with Parent's Club and is often the main point of contact between the Parent's Club and school. Melissa also assists with sick kiddos in the office. Thank you Melissa for all of your hard work in making Black Hawk Schools run efficiently.

**Black Hawk**  **School District**

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### **Recycling and Other Dumpsters**

(Dumpsters are located next to Riechers Meats)

As always, the staff and Board thank everyone who has donated to the metal/aluminum can drive. The funds have proven to be beneficial to the staff and students of the school district. The district greatly appreciates the efforts of Powers Auction Service in providing this opportunity.

A couple of notes that we would like to make:

- Please do not place items with Freon/coolant in the recycling dumpster
- Please do not place TV's or Computer/Related technology in the dumpster
- Please do not place trash in the recycling dumpster
- The other dumpsters (serviced by Faherty) are for school uses only

We do appreciate the donations. Improper use of the dumpsters costs the district and may result in a net loss.

Sincerely,  
Willy Chambers



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**June-August 2025**

**Application Deadline:**  
**April 14, 2025**



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## School Board of Education



The Board holds regular School Board Meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. Meetings begin at 6:00 pm Meetings are held in South Wayne. All board meetings are open to the public unless otherwise noted. Residents are encouraged to attend and can call (608) 439-5400 for information. Agendas are posted on the Black Hawk School District's Website and Facebook page.

**President**-Dee Paulson  
**Vice President**-Jim Baumgartner  
**Treasurer**-Val Dunlavey  
**Clerk**-Jason Fig  
**Member**-Clayton Ruegsegger  
**Member**-Mindy Stauffacher  
**Member**-Cali Schliem

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## Sources of Strength





## 2025-26 Open Enrollment



The 2025-26 Open Enrollment Brochures in English, Spanish, and Hmong for the upcoming open enrollment regular application period are now available on our open enrollment website.

The open enrollment regular application period for the 2025-26 school year runs from midnight on February 3, 2025 and ends at 4:00pm on April 30, 2025.

The English version is available on our [open enrollment homepage](https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/open-enrollment/pdf/oe-brochure-2025-26.pdf) or at <https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/open-enrollment/pdf/oe-brochure-2025-26.pdf>.

The Spanish and Hmong versions are available on our [Forms webpage](https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/open-enrollment/pdf/oe-brochure-2025-26-spanish.pdf) or at <https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/open-enrollment/pdf/oe-brochure-2025-26-spanish.pdf> for the Spanish version and at <https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/open-enrollment/pdf/oe-brochure-2025-26-hmong.pdf> for the Hmong version.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 888-245-2732, option 2 or at [openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov).



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# Parents Club News

Parent's Club meets in the upper commons at 6:00 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month (we do NOT meet every month), our 2024-2025 meeting schedule is as follows:

**April 3**

**April 30**

*(This end of year meeting has been changed due to Spring concerts on May 1)*

*\*subject to change*

A few things you can do to support the Parent's Club throughout the year:

- Scan your box tops.. if you haven't downloaded the APP, please do so, it's a super easy way to help!
- The scrip program, grab some gift cards for birthdays, weddings, showers, or just for yourself, it's a great opportunity to support the Parent's Club (keep a lookout, these sheets will be coming home in your child's backpack)!
- Keep an eye out for future fundraisers and activities! A great way to do this is to follow our Facebook page (Black Hawk Parent's Club)

Keep a look out for fun upcoming events from the Parent's Club, join our Facebook group to make sure you don't miss anything!!

As always, thank you for your support! We cannot do our part in providing the things we do for our faculty and students if not for your support!

Haley Larse, President  
Courtney Grossen, Vice-President  
Nicole Lewis, Treasurer  
Chris Ruegsegger, Secretary



**School District of Black Hawk**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**February 18, 2025**



The board meeting was called to order in the District Conference Room by President Dee Paulson at 6:10 pm the following board members were present Dee Paulson, Jim Baumgartner, Clayton Ruegsegger, Val Dunlavey, Cali Schliem and Jason Figi .Absent was Mindy Stauffacher. Also present was the administration of Willy Chambers, Cory Milz, Tammy Zimmerman and 3 guests.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Schliem to consent to agenda which includes meeting notice, minutes from the January 8, 2025 meeting and the financial report. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Administration Report:

**Chambers:**

Construction Comments:

- Cory Zimmerly painted required firewall labels above the drop ceilings.
- The lower 20" of the wall at the bottom of the steps leading into the gym will be epoxied with flakes this week.
- Three locks need to be completed.
- Door closures on both sides of the vestibules between the Ag building and the new hallway need to be installed.
- Some cove base installation needs to be completed
- We are working with Ben Boss to schedule the replacement of the flooring in Ms. Wolff's room to see how the new product fairs. The rest will be scheduled for summer.
- Some trim where new construction connects to old needs to be completed. Some work was done on this work yesterday.

I joined Mike Beighley at the UW-Platteville vs. UW-La Crosse men's basketball game. Besides watching the game we spent a significant time discussing how they are piloting an Artificial Intelligence assisted instructional approach. He invited me up to observe and ask questions about their implementation. I plan to do so.

I am still working on getting bids on the HVAC system maintenance. We have received one bid at this point.

I am working on getting liability insurance bids.

I am also working on getting bids for itinerate services for our special needs children.

I was out on the 17th to assist my mother with some issues related to the death of my dad.

We will hold a meeting for the public to discuss the potential spring sports cooperatives.

Mr. Milz shared with me that there are 13 out of 26 seniors who are significantly short on community service hours. It may be they just need to turn in the paperwork, we will keep you updated.

## **Milz:**

-Congratulations to Russel Ruegsegger, the BH Middle School Scripps Spelling Bee champion. Russel competed at the CESA 3 Regional Scripps Spelling Bee in Fennimore on February 5. Easton Larse was the runner-up.

-This past week, the Future Business Leaders of America organization, held activities to raise student awareness of their organization and the principles that it stands for.

-FFA Week is scheduled for the week of 2/17. The FFA officer team has planned various activities to raise student awareness of their organization and to celebrate membership in the FFA. FFA breakfast is scheduled for February 16, 2025 at the South Wayne Fire House.

-Middle school Valentine's Dance is coming up on Friday, Feb. 14. We want to thank Ms.Kammes and the M. S. student council and the members of the Parent's Club for providing all other decorations, beverages, and snacks for our middle school students.

-We want to thank the elementary room parents and the members of the Parent's Club for sponsoring our elementary Valentine's Day parties, which are taking place on Feb. 14.

-On Feb. 25, Brian Kenney will be working with our freshman students on team-building activities to try and help students build stronger class relationships and enhance their communication skills with one another.

-Forensics season is underway. The participants will be competing at sub-districts at Darlington on Monday, February 17. We have 8 female and 1 male participant on the forensics team this year. Mrs. Sheila Bredeson is the coach.

-Freshman, sophomores, and juniors will begin registering for 2025-2026 classes the week of February 24. Middle school won't register until April, with my annual 8th grade (incoming freshman) meeting taking place in May.

-Gary Cooley will be meeting with juniors and sophomores to discuss the requirements for 2025-26 Youth Apprenticeships/concentrators, and School to Work programming on March 4. One change being proposed is that students will need to be fully designated as Youth Apprenticeship participants to be out of school for 4 periods. Work release programming will allow up to 2 periods. This aligns itself with CESA 3's recommendations and other local school districts' programming. It also will increase the number of students qualifying for Black Hawk H.S. for C.T.E. (Career and Technical Education) grant funding.

-Black Hawk H.S. will be the site of the Six Rivers Math Competition. This tentatively set for March 19, and will involve over a 100 guest students in the building on that day. Logistics are in the planning stages.

-February included two staff appreciation recognition days. School Counselor Appreciation Day was on February 3 and School Bus Driver Appreciation Day is on February 24.

-Mr. Duff-Bowers took six students to CESA 3 for instruction on becoming Sources of Strength peer leaders. Sources of Strength is a program in which students lead other students on how to deal with stress and adversity. Categories of awareness to bring about support are: Family Support – Positive Friends - Mentors - Generosity - Spirituality - Physical Health - Mental Health.

-High school student council is sponsoring a high school ski trip activity for February 26.

-We have two teacher committees that have been working on two school improvement items. I tasked the two committees to come up with solutions to address our academic performances at the middle school and high school levels. English Language Arts committee and Grading committee. The main scope of these teams' missions were to address grade level rigor oversight, alignment of curriculum with WI state standards, student academic time on task. I have summarized their recommendations for presentation and have submitted them for review to the district administrator. I would like to present those recommendations to the school board after review from Mr. Chambers. The change in grading would have to be an action item for the board.

-Erickson in Argyle collective thought with Argyle about Baseball/Softball Coops.

Board of Education report – Information was obtained by board members at the State Convention regarding the use of AI platforms and how they can be used to help increase efficiencies in schools. Several schools are using Brisk for AI. The district is currently experimenting using Brisk and learning what the capabilities of this program are.

Public comment section: Tonya Milz presented information regarding the live streaming of school board meetings. She discussed that many things could be positive such as community members could gain a better understanding of the information discussed at meetings. She also showed information on an area school district's number of views of some of their recent live streaming of board meetings.

Discussion items:

Live streaming – We talked about the pros and cons. Paulson did reach out to the school's attorney and the attorney stated the streaming would have to have ADA closed caption programming. Our attorney states there is not any law that states we do have to do live streaming of meetings. There would also be some setup costs, and we would need to set up a dedicated space. Attendance by the public at our meetings is very low. There is also concern about AI manipulation of the meeting recordings.

AGR Report was presented by Chambers

Food Service talked about how much food is thrown away and see about combining with other schools to have an outside vendor manage and or take over. Some vendors could take over foodservice and others could take over and keep our staff. Many options to look at to better the program going forward. Quality of school food could be better. Lots of prepackaged food is served here. Asking for a fact sheet from cooks to track what is happening.

Before and After School care went over what Dodgeville currently is doing and had information presented about hiring an outside vendor to manage the program. Questions around it include staffing, hours of operation and rooms to use.

FBLA School Store/Entre/DECA Mr. Behlke talked about the program and how it will be changing in the near future. Documents were also attached for the Board to review.

The Board Summary of State Convention went around the table and members highlighted the goods from the Convention. It was perceived as a very good time with information and networking with other schools. It was also brought up that we limit the number going based on cost to the District,

Planned/Projected Budget Meeting Figi handed out information about school Finance it also gives an explanation of tax bills and explains how the budget plan and process should happen to better align dollars spent in the school District.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Ruegsegger to approve FBLA overnight trip to Green Bay from March 30 - April 1, 2025. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Paulson to approve the Cheer Overnight camp at Iowa State University on June 23-26, 2025. Some discussion that if the list presented are no longer in the program they will not go. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Baumgartner to approve the ADH payment to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands for \$44,625.00. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Schliem and seconded by Dunlavey to approve the academic excellence scholarships as presented Recipient Beau Bredeson, Madyson Lange, Alternates of Molly Edler, Olivia Signer. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Figi to approve Technical Excellence Scholarship as presented Recipient Richard Hagen, Alternates of Alyssa Broge, Alli Nall and Owen Seffrood. Discussion was asked about how these were selected Mr. Chambers will check and follow up. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Ruegsegger to approve school calendar # 1 for the 2025-26 school year which includes more in-service days in August. The motion carried on a voice vote.



Motion by Figi and seconded by Ruegsegger to have April 16, 2025 at 3:30pm as the Board/Staff input for school year and improvements that can be made. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Baumgartner to approve Summer school enrichment days of June 9-27, 2025. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Baumgartner to approve payment for New Bus that will be arriving in February at a cost of \$44,453. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey seconded by Figi to approve the policy # 2266 and rescind policy # 2264. The motion carried on a voice vote.

**Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Dunlavey approve Uniform Grant Guidance/Edgar and Related Policies: Policies - 3440, 4440, 6110, 6112, 6114, 6325, 7310, and 7450. The motion carried on a voice vote.**

**Motion by Baumgartner seconded by Figi to approve Policies - Vol. 34, No.1 Update: Policies 100, 1100, 1130, 1241, 2210, 2266, 2270, 2271, 2271.1, 2440.01, 2464, 3214, 3230, 3281, 4124, 4230, 4281, 5113, 5330, 5341, 5512, 5611, 5710, 6231, 6235, 7410, 7430, 7440, 7440.02, 7540.03, 7540.04, 7540.07, 8120, 8531, and 8600. Policy # 8125 will be unchanged. The motion carried on a voice vote.**

The following motions and actions are using the contingency funds left from the construction money:

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Baumgartner to approve cleaning of vents by Grays Unlimited at a cost of \$13,750 all work will be done on weekends unless there is days that no students will be present. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Dunlavey to approve the bid from Larson & Larson for Chemical Room Storage at a cost of \$28,750. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Baumgartner to approve purchasing a roof ladder on line for approximately \$900 this will be installed by staff. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Baumgartner to approve Larson & Larson for installation of doors based on reminder of funds at a cost of \$26,425. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Figi seconded by Dunlavey to approve staff appreciation on March 21 details will be worked out by the next regular meeting but looking at doing a catered lunch for staff. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Sick day leave Buy out will stay at the rate of \$15 per day no action was taken on it.

Motion by Figi seconded by Baumgartner to convey to executive session at 8:55pm President Announcement of executive session under 19.85(1) items b, c and f, Wisconsin State Statutes Personnel-Staff Leave. Motion carried on a voice vote YES- Paulson, Baumgartner, Dunlavey, Schliem, Ruegsegger, and Figi. NO-None, Absent-Stauffacher.

Board returned to open session at 9:28pm

Act on matters deliberated in closed session. None





Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Dunlavey to adjourn at 9:29pm. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Submitted by,

Jason Figi, Clerk

Next regular meeting is March 12, 2025 at 6:00 pm

# April 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>March 31</b> 5p SB (H) Belleville <b>FBLA State</b>	1 <b>Election Day</b> 430p Track (H) 5p SB @ Darlington <b>FBLA State</b>	2	3 <b>Paraprofessional Appreciation Day</b> 5p BB @ Argyle w/Southwestern 430p Track @ Monroe 	4 <b>School Librarian Appreciation Day</b> 430p SB @ Orangeville 7p Musical "Freaky Friday"	5 9a FFA Easter Egg Hunt 10a SB @ Orangeville 2p Musical "Freaky Friday" 7p Musical "Freaky Friday"
7 5p BB @ Argyle w/River Ridge 	8 5p BB (H) Potosi-Cassville 5p SB @ Argyle w/Potosi-Cassville 430p Track @ Belleville	9 <b>6p School Board Meeting</b>	10 <b>130p Early Release</b> 5p SB @ Argyle w/Highland	11 5p BB @ Argyle w/Belmont 5p SB @ Argyle w/River Ridge State Forensics @ UW Madison	12 10a SB @ Darlington 12p BB (H) Argyle w/Warren
14 430p BB @ Monticello/Albany 4p Track @ Richland Center 5p SB @ Argyle w/Monticello-New Glarus	15 5p BB @ Shullsburg 5p SB @ Barneveld 4p MS Track @ Darlington	16	17 430p Track @ Cassville 5p BB @ River Ridge 5p SB @ Potosi/Cassville	18 <b>No School</b> <b>Easter Break</b> 	19
21 <b>No School</b> <b>Easter Break</b> 5p BB @ Highland 5p SB @ Highland	22 430p Track @ River Ridge 5p BB @ Barneveld 5p SB @ Argyle w/Pec	23 <b>Administration Professional Day</b> 6-8p Fab Lab Open Large Group @ Barneveld	24 5p SB @ River Ridge MS Track @ Evansville	25 5p BB @ Argyle w/Shullsburg-Benton MS Track @ Cuba City 4p Track @ Brodhead	26
28 4p Track @ Darlington 5p BB @ Belmont 5p SB @ Belmont MS Track @ Monroe	29 5p BB @ Argyle w/Pec 5p SB @ Juda/Albany@ Albany 	30	May 1 1p Elementary Spring Concert Track @ Cuba City 5p SB @ Benton 7p MS/HS Spring Concert	May 2 <b>School Lunch Hero Day</b> 430p SB @ Lena-Winslow 4p Track @ Brodhead	

# Breakfast Menu

Milk Choice 1% White, Fat Free Chocolate or Strawberry  
Whole Wheat Peanut Butter & Jelly Served Daily WG-Whole Grain  
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Pancakes Granola Bar Mixed Fruit Milk	2 French Toast Sticks Granola Bites Pears Milk	3 Apple Filled Breadstick Granola Bites Applesauce Milk	4 Strawberry Bagel Peaches Milk
7 Pop Tart Granola Bites Apple Milk	8 Strudel Stick Yogurt Mixed Fruit Milk	9 Blueberry Waffle Peaches Milk 	10 Sausage Patty Egg English Muffin Apple Milk	11 Cinnamon Roll Yogurt Applesauce Milk
14 Banana Bread Cheese Stick Pears Milk	15 Breakfast Scramble Granola Bites Mixed Fruit Milk	16 Mini Maple Pancakes Peaches Milk	17 Berry French Toast Applesauce Milk	18  <b>No School</b>
21  <b>No School</b>	22 Cereal Yogurt Juice Milk 	23 Pancake Wrap Mixed Fruit Milk	24 Waffles Granola Bites Apple Milk	25 French Toast Peaches Milk
28 Muffins Granola Bites Mixed Fruit Milk	29 Sausage Breakfast Bagel Yogurt Apple Milk	30 Donut Juice Milk		

# Lunch Menu

Milk Choice 1% White, Fat Free Chocolate or Strawberry  
Whole Wheat Peanut Butter & Jelly Served Daily WG-Whole Grain  
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Corn Dog Baked Scoops Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	2 French Bread Pizza Cheese Stick Doritos Broccoli Applesauce Milk	3 Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Gravy Dinner Roll Mixed Fruit Milk	4 Fish Sticks Granola Bites Cauliflower Orange Milk
7 Chicken Nuggets Granola Bites Broccoli Peaches Milk	8 Hot Ham Sandwich Yogurt Cauliflower Pineapple Milk	9 Brat/Bun Green Beans Apple Milk 	10 French Toast Sausage Patty Cheese Stick Hashbrown Juice Milk	11 Popcorn Shrimp Yogurt Broccoli Peaches Milk
14 Hamburger/Bun Cheese Slice French Fries Apple Sauce Milk	15 Chicken Strips Granola Bites Green Beans Apple Milk	16 Spaghetti Meatballs Garlic Toast Carrots Juice Milk	17 Pulled Pork/Bun Cheetos Broccoli Strawberries Milk	18  <b>No School</b>
21  <b>No School</b>	22 Mini Corn Dogs WG Doritos Green Beans Juice Milk 	23 Sloppy Joe/Bun Cheese Stick Cauliflower Peaches Milk	24 Mac & Cheese Cheese Stick Carrots Apple Milk	25 Warrior Bowl (New) Mashed Potatoes topped w/Corn Popcorn Chicken Gravy
28 Tacos Baked Scoops Broccoli Apple Milk	29 Breaded Pork Patty/Bun Green Beans Apple Milk	30 Ham Scalloped Potatoes Breadstick Granola Bites Applesauce Milk		



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Riley Bald  
5th Grade



Trytin Wild  
7th Grade



Emily Curran  
10th Grade

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