

## **Black Hawk School District**

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## October 2025

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### **Career Awareness**

Career Awareness Day, **Friday, October 24**. Black Hawk H.S. will host area professionals and business leaders to speak with our students about their pathways to their current positions, the details of their occupations, and the job outlooks in their fields. We are still in need of speakers, so if interested, please contact Mr. Cory Milz, Principal at milcor@blackhawk.k12.wi.us.

### by Gabin Salad

Hi everyone!

If we haven't met yet, my name is Gabin. I'm a foreign exchange student from France! I come from a beautiful medieval village called Montcuq, located in the Occitanie region in the southwest of France. I live in the countryside, surrounded by fields and forests. It's a peaceful and picturesque place.

For high school, I used to commute to the nearby "big city" of Cahors. Every Monday morning, I took the bus, stayed at the school during the week, and returned home on Fridays. It was an unforgettable experience where I made amazing friends and created lasting memories. I graduated last year, so this exchange year is like a bonus adventure for me!

Now, you might be wondering, "Why did I choose to come to this high school?" Well, the truth is, I didn't exactly choose it! I had to write a short profile about myself and submit some photos on a website. From there, a host family selected me, and that's how I ended up here.

So far, I'm really enjoying my time here. Most of you have been incredibly kind and curious, and I truly appreciate the opportunity to share my culture with you. Of course, there are still things I need to get used to, especially the food, which is... let's say, quite unique!

The school system here is also completely different from what I'm used to in France. Back home, our school days run from 8 AM to 6 PM, with a one- or two-hour lunch break. Academics are generally more demanding, especially in subjects like math, and we have a final national exam at the end of senior year. Our results from both junior and senior years count toward our final grade, so yes, it's a lot of pressure!

That's why I'm really enjoying this experience abroad. I get to relax a little, focus less on heavy academics, and most importantly, connect with so many more people. It's been such a rewarding and eye-opening journey so far.



## THANK YOU, WARRIOR NATION!

Because of YOUR support in 2024–2025, the Booster Club was able to give back in big ways:

- ✓ Indoor & outdoor speaker system (we hope you have noticed the incredible improvement!!!)
- Sports posters
- ✓ Hudl upgrades (iPad, camera, streaming)
- 3 student scholarships

Every dollar raised goes right back to Black Hawk students & programs—thank you for making that possible!

Now we're kicking off the 2025–2026 school year!!! We appreciate the students and staff who put together our Black Hawk Warriors on the fence! It looks awesome and we appreciate your help! Thanks to all who participated in our "Buy-a-Yard Line" fundraiser...winners are posted on the **Black Hawk Booster Club** page on Facebook. Thank you to everyone for your participation in all of our fundraisers, without you we could not make it happen!

A HUGE shoutout to our Hudl sponsors for this year— A list of sponsors can be found on the next page! We are incredibly lucky to be part of such a giving community!

For anyone wanting to join Booster Club, we meet the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm. Our October meeting will be at The Vault on Wednesday, October 1st! Come and check it out! We welcome new ideas and members!



Black Hawk Booster Club Members taking part in the Homecoming Parade as Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs!

Stay up-to-date with what is happening in sports and upcoming events..."Follow" the Black Hawk Booster Club Facebook Page!

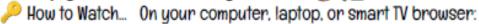


## match Black Hawk Sports on Hudl Livel

Hudl is an online platform used by schools and athletic programs to record, livestream, and share sports games. It's a great resource for both fans and athletes:

- For fans Hudl makes it possible for families, friends, and community members to watch games live (or catch the replay) even if they can't attend in person.
- For athletes and coaches Hudl is a valuable tool behind the scenes for film review, highlights, and player development.

Thanks to the generous support of area businesses and friends listed below, our Black Hawk games are live streamed free of charge—so you can enjoy the action from anywhere!



- Go to fan.hudl.com
- Search Black Hawk High School (South Wayne, WI)
- Select your sport
- 4. Choose the event you want to watch

On your mobile device:

→Download the Hudl Fan App from your app store.

On your TV:

→Hudl is also available on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, and Android TV.







## 2025 Homecoming Court

Freshman Josslyn Lewis & Chase Pickett

Sophomores Kylie Saidat & Lucas Stietz

**Juniors** Paityn Fritchen & Trent Bidlingmaier

Seniors Mya Milz & Spencer Hay-Skattum

> **Queen** Keira Brunner

King = Cooper Baumgartner The 4th and 5th graders had a great day at **Rural Safety Days** at the Lafayette County Fairground in Darlington. They learned about skid steer safety, boat and water safety, grain and fire safety, animal safety, weather safety, ticks and mosquitoes, ATV/UTV safety, including a mock accident with Med Flight, internet safety, mental health first aid, and electrical safety.





















# Meet the Teacher Mr Sniff





## Fun Fact

I have published multiple poems and a short story through the Spirit Lake Review, an online literary magazine run by students and staff at UW Platteville. I suppose that would technically qualify me as a published author.

## **Favorite Color**

Neon Orange

### Title:

Music Teacher
(General Music/Choir)

### **Hometown:**

Browntown, Wis.

### **Education:**

I earned my Music Education degree from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville

## **Favorite Movie:**

 Spiderman: Into the Spider-verse

### **Favorite Foods:**

• Black pepper chicken



## **EXPLORE 4-H DAY**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> FROM 12:00 - 2:30 PM GREEN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS (2600 10<sup>TH</sup> ST, MONROE) FREE

**GRADES 5K - 13TH** 



- Talk with current 4-H families
- Try a variety of hands on 4-H project activities
- ✓ Learn how you can help your community

4-H is a place to be seen, belong and be your best self. Enroll in 4HOnline at: greencounty4h.info

Choose a club Choose your projects Attend a club meeting

Interested and want more information?
Go to: https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/growshere/





The University of Wisconsin–Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming in compliance with state and federal law.

## y Harves @ Heidi's Happy Acres

Saturday October 4,2025

9:00 am-4:00 pm

#### **ENJOY A DAY FILLED W** ITH FUN FOR ALL!

- Kid Zone w/ Games, Bouncy Castle, Bounce Obstacle Course, face painting and more (\$)
- Pumpkin Pickin' Patch & 5 acre corn maze (\$)
- Juda Fire Trucks and G.C. **EMS Ambulance**

- Free Petting Zoo & Animals from the Green County **Humane Society**
- Pumpkins, mums and gourds (\$)
- Cotton Candy, apple cider donuts, Variety of Food & Coffee trucks & Kong Ice(\$)



## Shuttles running all day to and from vehicles

## 2025 PICKIN' FOR A CAUSE



**Recovery Program)** 

By supporting us, you are also supporting our 'Pickin' for a Cause' initiative. A portion of our pumpkin seasonal sales goes directly to our chosen beneficiary, helping to make a positive impact in our community.

**Bring this** flyer for \$1 off kids zone entry (1 flyer pp) BHSD



Please leave your pets at home for the comfort and safety of all our guests. Thank you for understanding!

W4341 Montgomery Rd Monroe, WI

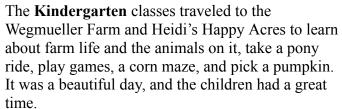
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### Welcome!

The 2025-2026 snuck right up on us. Hopefully, everyone enjoyed some family time and relaxation. My name is Sara Kaster, and I will again be the school nurse for the School District of Black Hawk. During my time away from school, I worked as a Nurse Practitioner in the Medical Oncology and Hematology department at a local hospital in Janesville, WI. My nursing background comes from the emergency department and working on medical inpatient units in the hospital. I have also done program management for heart failure, providing education to both patients and families. I am married to Brad (a bus driver for the school district), and we currently live outside of Browntown. We have a son named Cash, who is now 6 years old.

I look forward to meeting each student and family over the next school year. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your student, please feel free to contact me at 608-439-5400 ext 111. I am looking forward to a rewarding year working with all of our students and families. Let's keep everyone healthy!

Please make sure you return the following forms with your student to avoid any potential delays in providing care to them while they attend school:

- Consent for OTC/Non-Prescription Medication Administration Authorization
- Consent for Prescription Medication (this should be filled out for all students who may need to take a prescribed medication while at school. This includes inhalers if the student carries it with them). Will need to be completed by the physician and signed.
- FERPA/HIPPA Consent
- Health Form for the 25-26 school year
- All students going into 7<sup>th</sup> grade need to have a dose of the Tdap and the Meningococcal vaccine. Also, students going into 12<sup>th</sup> grade need a booster or their 1<sup>st</sup> dose of the Meningococcal vaccine if they have not gotten one before. Please schedule an appointment as soon as possible for your student.
- Dental Programs For the 25-26 school year we are offering a dental program Seals on Wheels. They come to school and provide routine dental cleanings and exams for those with no insurance or insurance coverage-Please reach out to the office staff or visit the school website for an enrollment form

### Disease of the Month: Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease:

Hand, foot, and mouth disease (HFMD) is caused by viruses that spread year-round. Anyone can get HFMD, but most cases occur in infants and young children during the summer and fall. HFMD is usually not serious, but it can spread quickly, especially in schools and day cares.

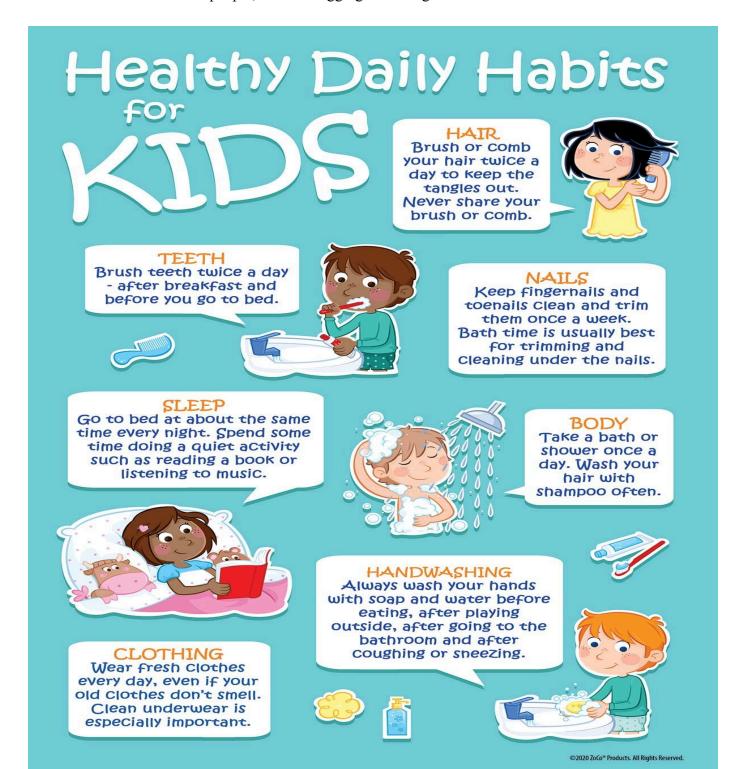
### How it spreads

- Having contact with respiratory droplets from a sick person's coughs or sneezes.
- Touching a sick person (such as kissing, hugging, or sharing cups or eating utensils).
- Touching poop from a sick person (for example, when changing diapers).
- Touching objects and surfaces that have the virus on them (such as toys, doorknobs, and tabletops).

Symptoms of HFMD generally last 7-10 days and include sores in their mouth and a rash on the hands and feet. They may also get a fever and develop a sore throat. Unfortunately, there is no treatment for HFMD, only symptom management, such as with acetaminophen and dehydration prevention.

#### **Prevention of HFMD**

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Be sure to wash your hands before and after caring for someone who is sick and after:
- Changing diapers
- Using the toilet
- Blowing your nose
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and items, including toys and doorknobs.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with sick people, such as hugging or kissing them.



## **Warrior Pack Program**

### 2025-2026 School Year

Dear Black Hawk Family,

I hope this letter finds you in good spirits. As part of our ongoing commitment to supporting our community, we are pleased to announce that the Warrior Pack Program will continue this school year. Warrior Pack will be providing free meals to families in need. This service aims to ensure that everyone has access to nutritious and delicious meals without financial strain.

### Here's how you can benefit from this program:

- Meal Package Details: These packs will include easy-to-prepare meals and snacks for the weekend
- 2. **Delivery:** A bag of non-perishable food will be placed in your child's backpack or locker discreetly with the help of a school staff member at the end of the school day.
- 3. Sign-Up Process: To receive free meals, fill out the attached form and
  - a. Return the form to the school office
  - b. Mail the form to

Black Hawk Schools, attn: Warrior Pack Program

202 East Center St.

South Wayne, WI 53587

- If you have any questions, you may contact Tiffany Signer by email at sigtif@blackhawk.k12.wi.us or Melissa Pickett at picmel@blackhawk.k12.wi.us.
- 5. **Confidentiality:** Your participation in this program will be kept confidential. We aim to support you and your family without any added stress or stigma.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or need assistance with the sign-up process. We are here to help and ensure that you and your loved ones have access to the resources you need.

Thank you for being a valued member of our community. We hope that this program brings comfort and support to your family during this time.

Sincerely,

Warrior Pack Program

### **Warrior Pack Program Sign-Up Form 2025–2026 School Year**

**To enroll** in the Warrior Pack Program, please complete this form and return it to the school office **or** mail it to:

Black Hawk Schools Attn: Warrior Pack Program 202 East Center Street South Wayne, WI 53587

Parent/Guardian Information	1	
irst Name:	Last Name:	
Email:	Phone Number:	
⊌ Current Food Pantry Use		
Please circle your response:		
<ul> <li>Do you currently use Gree YES NO</li> </ul>	n Cares Food Pantry?	
<ul> <li>Do you currently use Black</li> <li>YES NO</li> </ul>	k Hawk Food Pantry?	
If not, please share why (optional	).	

## Please list the Black Hawk Students in your family who wish to take part in the Warrior Pack Program. Reminder: One form needed per family

Last Name	First Name	Grade	Student's Teacher	List any Food Allergies

I confirm that the information provided above is accurate.

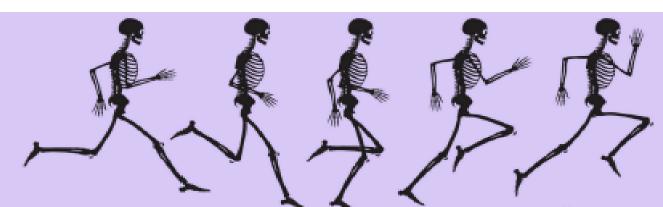
	Signature	(Parent/Guardian	):	
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• Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions, please contact:

• Tiffany Signer: sigtif@blackhawk.k12.wi.us

• Melissa Pickett: picmel@blackhawk.k12.wi.us



## HALLOWEEN HUSTLE

RUN, WALK, CRAWL, OR FLY!



OCTOBER 18, 2025 AT 9:00AM

SHULLSBURG FIRE STATION

330 W WATER ST. SHULLSBURG, WI

5K RUN/WALK THROUGHOUT SHULLSBURG OR A 1 MILE WALK

ALYVIA'S GRILL
BEN'S SOFT PRETZELS
OTT NUTRITION

OTT NUTRITION
BOUNCE HOUSE
LOCAL VENDORS

FREE EVENT!

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER SO WE HAVE

PROPER RESOURCES! T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

TO ORDER!

FREE RAFFLE FOR LOCAL DOORPRIZES
FOR ALL PARTICIAPNTS AFTER RACE!







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## FFA NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2025



BACK TO SCHOOL

POTLUCK:

WE HAD OUR BACK TO
SCHOOL POTLUCK, WE
HAD FFA MEMBERS COME
EAT AND CHAT.



FIRST FFA MEETING
OF THE YEAR:
WE HAD THE FIRST FFA
MEETING, WE HAD MANY
MEMBERS COME AND ENDED
THE DAY WITH TREATS.

### GREEN COUNTY SOILS

WE TOOK TWO TEAMS TO MONROE FOR THE GREEN COUNTY SOILS CONTEST. FIRST
TEAM CONSISTING OF PAYTON STIETZ, EMILY FIGI, MASON SCHULTZ, AND MAX FOX.
THE SECOND EXAM CONSISTING OF ALEXA RUEGSEGGER, CHARLI LONG, DALIA
WILLIAMS, AND MITCHELL WAND. BOTH TEAMS DID GREAT AND LEARNED A LOT. WE
ENDED THE DAV BY GETTING EXTRA PRACTICE IN.



## UPCOMING EVENTS IN OCTOBER

OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>-TRACTOR DRIVE
OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>-FFA MEETING IN FLEX
OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>-STATE SOILS
OCTOBER 23RD -HALLOWEEN SAFETY
OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>-NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>
NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION



SINCERELY YOUR 2025-2026 FFA REPORTER, EMILY FIGI



### Pay fees online!

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

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

### Contribute to helping BH Students as you desire.

As times get tougher all around for school districts, Black Hawk finds itself struggling to continue to offer the "extras" for our students to ensure that their educational and school experience at Black Hawk is a meaningful one. As our budgets get slashed and our costs go up, we are looking for different ways to raise funds to offer these tools and sponsor events. If you are in a position to help support some of our projects, classrooms, organizations, and events........check out our new "Support Our School" link on Revtrak. Helping our students in a way that is meaningful to you has never been easier. Go to:

### 1. www.blackhawk.k12.wi.us

2. Click on Revtrak.



3. Click on Support Our Schools



4. Choose the area to which you wish to give a supportive gift, indicating as much specific information as you wish.



Thanks for your support!

### Running Club is Underway!



Mrs. Petitjean's Running Club is meeting for the fall session. They'll be meeting Mondays and Thursdays now through October, with holiday Fun Runs occasionally throughout the rest of the year.

### **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

### **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

## **School Pictures are Ready!**

View and order at <a href="https://shop.jostenspix.com/login">https://shop.jostenspix.com/login</a>

### **BLACK HAWK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Event Code: FE232725

### **BLACK HAWK MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Event Code: FE232625

### **BLACK HAWK HIGH SCHOOL**

Event Code: FE232525





\*Images are secured using the email address provided to us by the School.

## **Parents Club News**

Parents' Club meets in the upper commons at 6:00 pm on the  $1^{st}$  Thursday of the month (we do NOT meet every month). Please follow the Parents' Club Facebook page for updates on meetings and other events happening!

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

- Scan your boxtops...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 Parents' 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 Parents' Club)

Keep a lookout for fun upcoming events from the Parents' Club, like our Facebook page 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







The Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Dee Paulson the following Board members were present Clayton Ruegsegger, Cali Schliem, Val Dunlavey, Jim Baumgartner, Dee Paulson and Jason Figi. Absent Mindy Stauffacher. Willy Chambers was not present. Also present was Cory Milz and Tammy Zimmerman

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Baumgartner to consent to agenda which includes June minutes, financial report, agenda and posting. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Chambers; No Administration Report

Erickson: No AD Report

Milz: Principal's Report to the Board - July 9, 2025

- Thank you to our instructional staff and assistants who helped make the June enrichment summer school a success.
   We had great attendance from our 118 students.
- Mr. Behlke reports that Jaci K. and Molly E. gave a great presentation out in Anaheim, CA for their FBLA nationals
  appearance. They didn't make finals, but they did a great job in preparation and presentation.
- Summer Events
- -Fairs, no information to share.
- Physicals July 10 in Upper Commons/MakerSpace room
- August 16 Day At The Park, Parent's Club fundraiser. Playground equip., fireworks Homecoming.

Board of Education Report: Will have a Board discussion July 30, 2025 at 6:00pm in upper commons to discuss plans for upcoming year.

Discussion with Bus Route change we will reduce to one route and incorporate shuttle run to Gratiot into a route Schliem will try and see how it works that route will unload in South Wayne at 7:40 am as he has done in past. The general consensus of the Board is to try this as it will save on some busing cost with the elimination of the Gratiot shuttle being separate it will now be incorporated into a route.

Motion by Ruegsegger seconded by Baumgartner to adopt Academic Eligibility Requirements following the WIAA standards for participation in curricular activities. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Schliem to approve 2025-26 MS/HS Handbook as presented. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Baumgartner to approve the 2025-26 Elementary Handbook. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Figi to approve 1 year subscription of English/Language Arts/Reading Curriculum from McGraw for grades 6-12 at a cost of \$6,673.71. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Figi and seconded by Ruegsegger to approve reverting forest parcels that have restrictions to be reverted back to Village of Gratiot. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner seconded by Figi to sell land in Gratiot 4 parcels on Wisconsin Surplus Auction final approval by the Board at our August 13, 2025 meeting. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Dunlavey to approve Virtual School Option for Black Hawk District Resident Students. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Baumgartner to approve Food Service price change as presented. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Baumgartner to accept the resignation of Matt Vickerman as Part-time Custodian. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Dunlavey to approve hiring Dan Sniff as Music/Choir Teacher. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Schliem seconded by Baumgartner to approve cutting checks for CIC and FDI for insurance premiums for July and August payments prior to next meeting. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Dunlavey to adjourn at 7:23 pm the motion carried on a voice vote.

The Board will have a retreat on July 30, 2025 at 6:00 pm to discuss next year and referendum.

Submitted by,

Jason Figi, Clerk

## SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK HAWK SPECIAL BOARD MEETING JULY 30, 2025



The Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Dee Paulson the following Board members were present Clayton Ruegsegger, Cali Schliem, Val Dunlavey, Jim Baumgartner, Dee Paulson, Mindy Stauffacher and Jason Figi.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Figi to consent to agenda which includes agenda and posting. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Chambers note to Board: Thank you to Jason and Tammy for working on the process to get the lots in Gratiot posted.

Sjostrom has been working on getting the punch list items finished up. We met last Thursday and did another walkthrough to refine the punch list.

The custodians have been doing a great job cleaning up and painting areas in the school.

There will be an electrical project done in South Wayne in 2026. At some time in the future, I will be bringing a request to you from Alliant Energy for an easement for an underground electrical line.

Board of Education Report: Dunlavey the CESA meeting will be held on August 5, 2025

The Board had discussion about what went well and things that we need to change which could include combining some areas of staffing to better set the District up Financially. We also had a discussion referendum we will have a meeting at 5:00 pm August 13, 2025 just to get the ball rolling to better position the District to be successful.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Stauffacher to table the Open House the date is fine but the Board believes that we need to have a better time so all are able to attend that want to. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Schliem to go into executive session Presidents announcement of the purpose of executive session under 19.85(1) items b, c, and f, Wisconsin State Statues personnel. YES- Baumgartner, Dunlavey, Schliem, Paulson, Stauffacher, Ruegsegger and Figi. — NO-None, ABSENT- None

The Board returned to open session at 8:33 pm

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Stauffacher to approve Beth Zimmerman to work from home until August 11, 2025. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Ruegsegger to adjourn at 8:34pm. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Next regular meeting August 13, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Submitted by,

Jason Figi, Clerk

## SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK HAWK REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 13, 2025



The board meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm in the upper commons by President Dee Paulson. The following members were present Val Dunlavey, Dee Paulson, Mindy Stauffacher, Jim Baumgartner, Cali Schliem, Clayton Ruegsegger and Jason Figi. Also present were Willy Chambers, Cory Milz and Tammy Zimmerman also present were 4 guests.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Figi to consent to agenda which includes Agenda, Financial Report and minutes from July 2025 meetings. The motion carried on a voice vote.

#### Administration Report:

Chambers: Congratulations to Dee Paulson for achieving Level 1 in the Wisconsin Association of School Boards Member Recognition Program. Dee will be recognized at the Fall Regional Meeting. Unfortunately, it is the same night as our October Board meeting. Thank you to Dee and the rest of the board members for your dedication to the Black Hawk School District.

I was interviewed by Jason Makos from WEKZ radio. Most of the interview focused on the budget and potential referendum in the spring. Jason plans to continue conducting interviews.

Mr. Milz has organized and is running a raffle to support the fireworks for the homecoming events. I believe he would welcome Board members to purchase or sell tickets for the cause.

I received an email with a copy of a podcast that will go live on August 29th by Lighthouse Therapy. Janet Courtney from Lighthouse Therapy and I had a conversation related to education.

We received confirmation that our REAP grant (federal grant) was awarded today for \$36,485. This is a grant we typically receive every year.

I will meet with Steve LaVallee next week for the next policy update. There is a folder with technical corrections that I will be reviewing and approving. This is the notice that I have to give to the Board that those corrections will be made.

I will be in Stevens Point tomorrow for a Calendar and Contact Committee Meeting.

I only have four students "committed" to the VLN Education option. I will be calling the families that could be engaged to see if there is still interest or not. There is enough involvement for the option to be profitable for the district.

Milz: 1. Moved trophy cases to the hall where concessions will be served. Fire safety marshal recommendation. We are all so looking to put the individual recognitions in the hallway by the stairs of the west gym entrance. Possible BH Hall of Fame in that hallway as well, looking to form a committee.

- 2. Thank you to the Bidlingmaiers, Cory and Kerrie, for donating 2 steers for an athletic department fundraiser. Selling hamburger at Riecher's for \$4 a pound. All proceeds go to football, basketball, baseball, and volleyball.
- 3. Thank you to Carl Huschitt and Huschitt Show Cattle, as well as Andrew Ritchie and Avon Meat Locker for donating a steer and the processing for our Homecoming fireworks show. We have a raffle underway to raise the funds needed to support the cost of the fireworks. Thank you to Jerry Scott and Boom Boom Fireworks for continuing to offer us this display at a reduced cost.
- 4. Thank you to Bank of New Glarus, Gratiot and Woodford State Banks for their gifts of \$800 each for our Student of The Month recognition program. This has been a tradition for over 25 years.
- This Saturday, August 16, is the Day at The Park activities and fundraiser organized by Jaime Berget and the BH Parent's Club.
   Check it out, proceeds go to Homecoming fireworks and the purchase of playground equipment/toys.

Want to thank and recognize Kayla Foster and the local fire departments for organizing a Back-to-School collection of school supplies for families in need. Pack The Bus --- neat idea, and big shout out.

#### AD Report August 2025

- Summer is closing out and fall seasons have gotten underway.
- Summer hours were spent meeting with coaches to discuss the past and upcoming seasons.
- I met with wrestling coaches to discuss and establish a new wrestling schedule. We have a solid start but will continue to try to add meets.
- We have some gaps in JV and MS officials, but they are small compared to previous years.
- Some holes need to be filled with coaches. I've talked with head coaches and some possible interested individuals. We're
  fortunate to have head coaches who have been proactive and very helpful in filling these positions.
- I'd like some input to ticket-taking at home football games here at South Wayne. We only have two regular season
  games here, but last year, there was concern about people standing outside the fence in the parking lot.
- Coaches Mike Flanagan and Cory Milz have both been inducted into their respective Coaches Hall of Fames, and I'm
  planning on recognition for both of them. Coach Milz at the home football game vs Potosi-Cassville, and Coach Flanagan
  when the Darlington Girls play here in January.
- I want to thank all the workers we've had in the past and with a few not returning this year, I've contacted some
  potential replacements.
- · Season Sporting posters are in the works again.
- · A Huge thank you to the boosters on their work to secure funding for Hudl again this year.
- Beth has continued to organize our transportation and I'm grateful for all she does to get our student-athletes to the
  places and on-time for all the practices and events.

Board of education report: Buses can fill up at the Pec Coop non manned station between the hours of 7:45am-9:00am Monday-Friday it will be done as an inhouse charge just like at the other station.

Pat Baumgarnter donated money to get new radios for the Paras. Thanks to Pat for her continued support of Black Hawk Schools.

Val - Cesa 3 meeting last week all schools declining enrollment and provide and optimize forms on our website. Enrollment recently asked questions. Jamie Nutter watches live board meeting in the CESA area to be able to better understand what is happening in the Districts and CESA when asked about reducing cost when using their services. CESA does not make any money on services they are at cost to the districts. MS Haack from Barneveld talked about passing referendums 1st one failed and what they changed to go back and have a successful one.

On August 6th Dee, Jim and Jason put the banner on Bus # 64 and took it out to Roger Jackson's. This was planned out to with family, and it was very touching for the family and Roger. The banner was paid for by the board members.

Warrior Care funding through Fund 80 to partially fund program could be a possibility.

Handbook changes accrued leave verse earned leave time. Just wording change.

Part-time custodians position the Board is okay with using students if they apply for the position.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Stauffacher to approve the resignation of Morgan Mahoney as paraprofessional. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Figi and seconded by Ruegsegger to hire Scott Cernek as Middle School Football Coach. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Ruegsegger and seconded by Stauffacher to hire Bud Strunz as Bus Driver. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Dunlavey to hire Helen Lincicum as part time custodian. The motion caried on a voice vote.

Motion Baumgartner seconded by Figi to sell parcel #131.0176.000 to sell to Russel Herbst at a sale price of \$4950 by way of Wisconsin Surplus. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Stauffacher to sell parcel #131.0001.0000 to Russel Herbst at a sale price of \$2100 by way of Wisconsin Surplus. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Figi to sell parcel #016.0135.5000 to Russel Herbst at a sale price of \$12150 by way of Wisconsin Surplus. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Stauffacher to sell parcel #131.0143.000 to Donald Boebel at a sale price of \$6650 by way of Wisconsin Surplus. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner seconded by Dunlavey to approve Policy #118.15 Attendance Waiver. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Figi and seconded by Dunlavey to approve the wrestling cooperative agreement with Warren/Shullsburg/Black Hawk as presented Black Hawk will be host. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Figi and seconded by Stauffacher to approve the Alliant Energy Easement on the southwest corner of the school property as outlined by Alliant Energy. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Baumgartner seconded by Dunlavey to approve rental agreement with The Village of Gratiot use Agreement/Fee at a cost of \$5000 for the 2025-26 school year. The motion carried on a voice vote. Brian McCually questioned how we are going to split the cost for use of the Gratiot Building as wrestling club is spending money on remodeling a couple rooms to make it easier to use for Wrestling Practice.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Baumgartner to approve the student at risk programming for 2025-26 for 11 students. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Figi to approve short term borrowing if needed from Woodford Bank for up to 2.5 million if needed at a rate of 4.75%. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Stauffacher to approve ACH payments to current vendors to avoid late payments fees. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Dunlavey and seconded by Ruegsegger to approve paying Warren 1/2 of Turk Tank Invoice. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Figi and seconded by Stauffacher approve open house on August 25, 2025, from 3p-6p. The motion carried on a voice

Motion by Figi seconded by Baumgartner to convey to executive session at 7:31 pm. YES- Baumgartner, Figi, Ruegsegger, Schliem, Paulson, Dunlavey, Figi NO- None, ABSENT- None

The board returned to open session at 8:23 pm

Act on matters deliberated in closed session. None

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Stauffacher to adjourn at 8:23pm. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Next Regular meeting is September 10, 2025, at 6:00 pm

Submitted by,

Jason Figi, Clerk

### GENERAL FUND - PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

	Actual 2023-2024	Projected Actual 2024-2025	Proposed Budget 2025-2026
Balance Sheet			
Assets	\$1,367,447.52	\$1,428,677.90	\$697,022.73
Liabilities	\$359,245.14	\$667,766.97	\$367,766.97
Fund Balance June 30 Reserved	\$1,008,202.38	\$760,910.93	\$329,255.76
	Actual	Projected Actual	Proposed Budget
REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Local Sources			
210 Taxes	\$1,244,498.00	\$976,052.00	\$1,045,151.00
240 Payments for Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
260 Non-Capital Sales	\$204.50	\$517.50	\$100.00
270 School Activity and Community Service Fee Income	\$23,353.78	\$26,189.82	\$24,500.00
280 Interest on Investments	\$43,888.07	\$30,631.20	\$15,000.00
290 Other Revenue	\$34,224.60	\$37,542.08	\$26,550.00
Interdistrict Payments Within Wisconsin			
340 Payments for Services	\$489,280.00	\$485,652.00	\$632,358.40
Interdistrict Payments Outside Wisconsin			
443 Charges for Co-Curricular Activities to Non-WI School Districts	\$1,300.69	\$4,333.88	\$4,000.00
Intermediate Sources			
510 Transit of Aids	\$5,677.63	\$4,079.40	\$2,790.00
541 Revenue from CESA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
State Sources			
610 State Aid-Categorical	\$44,001.59	\$49,387.00	\$45,500.00
620 State Aid-General	\$2,857,905.00	\$3,170,853.00	\$3,140,910.00
630 Special Projects	\$22,128.99	\$23,399.30	\$3,533.00
650 SAGE	\$123,945.92	\$130,963.12	\$131,375.00
690 Computer Aid/Sparsity Aid/Safety Grant	\$438,669.34	\$446,576.53	\$450,032.53
Federal Sources			
730 Special Project Grants (Title II, Title IV & IDEA Schoolwide)	\$96,207.60	\$60,152.02	\$24,865.00
750 Title I Funds	\$82,910.50	\$127,524.82	\$85,422.00
780 Education Jobs Grant	\$28,723.82	\$36,730.05	\$25,000.00
790 Other Revenue	\$31,461.29	\$35,767.44	\$38,985.00
860 Compensation for Loss	\$7,553.68	\$0.00	\$500.00
870 Long Term Debt Payment	\$0.00	\$125,235.00	\$0.00
960 Adjustments	\$150.00	\$2,048.36	\$150.00
970 Refund of Disbursements	\$60,389.12	\$16,905.36	\$15,000.00
990 Miscellaneous	\$4,324.00	\$10,610.12	\$2,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$5,640,798.12	\$5,801,150.00	\$5,713,721.93

### GENERAL FUND - PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

EXPENSES:	Actual 2023-2024	Projected Actual 2024-2025	Proposed Budget 2025-2026
Instruction -			
110000 Undifferentiated Curriculum	\$1,100,270.97	\$1,043,880.61	\$1,078,572.29
120000 Regular Curriculum	\$1,210,332.56	\$1,307,039.20	\$1,279,601.19
130000 Vocational Curriculum	\$229,243.33	\$233,212.27	\$272,987.84
140000 Physical Curriculum	\$148,221.77	\$147,728.72	\$102,447.24
160000 Co-Curricular Activities	\$135,261.89	\$121,640.73	\$139,599.13
170000 G & T/Homebound	\$2,268.16	\$2,265.41	\$3,269.14
Support Services			
210000 Pupil Services	\$105,967.40	\$109,617.76	\$111,743.84
220000 Instructional Staff Services	\$146,615.88	\$128,353.26	\$128,138.39
230000 General Adminstration	\$233,523.87	\$247,096.14	\$256,473.86
240000 School Building Administration	\$319,672.31	\$331,945.95	\$349,911.25
250000 Business Administration/Building Operations/Busing	\$766,127.23	\$908,157.45	\$760,639.34
260000 Central Services	\$9,321.34	\$10,530.22	\$11,165.88
270000 Insurance & Judgements	\$101,651.25	\$84,891.80	\$78,685.31
280000 Debt Service	\$0.00	\$44,453.00	\$64,453.00
290000 Other Support Services	\$6,933.01	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Program Transactions			
410000 Interfund Operating Transfers	\$485,839.16	\$496,813.23	\$542,083.00
430000 Gen Tuition Payments	\$721,792.37	\$830,815.70	\$963,106.40
490000 Adjustments and Refunds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,723,042.50	\$6,048,441.45	\$6,145,377.10
	Actual	Projected Actual	Proposed Budget
Effect on Fund Balance:	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
•	(\$82,244.38)	(\$247,291.45)	

Notes: 2024-2025 Projected Actual and 2025-2026 Budget Figures are Subject to Change

PROPOSED 2025-202	6 PRELIMINAR	Y BUDGET			
SPECIAL ED	UCATION FUND				
	Actual	Projected Actual	Proposed Budget		
	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026		
Delance Sheet					
700000 Assets	\$49,999.86	\$49,606.26			
800000 Liabilities	\$49,999.86	\$49,606.26			
900000 Fund Belence	\$0.00	\$0.00			
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TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES: EXPENSES:	\$848,426.86	\$901,813.55	\$969,249.00		
EXPENSES: 100000 Instruction	\$576,104.44	\$632,098.24	\$834,885.54		
210000 Pupil Services	\$75,528.86	\$88,265.72	\$97,305.83		
220000 Instructional Staff Services	\$6,076.67	\$5,623.53	\$7,403.74		
250000 Business Administration (Busing/Medicald Billing)	\$23,485.67	\$31,324.25	\$28,953.89		
260000 Staff Services	\$0.00	\$685.80	\$700.00		
280000 Debt Service	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
430000 General Tuition Payments	\$165,231.22	\$143,816.01	\$0.00		
493000 Revenue Transited to Others	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
492000 Adjustments and	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES nds	\$848,426.86	\$901,813.55	\$969,249.00		
DEBT SERVICE	E FUNDS (38 & 39	)			
	Actual	Projected Actual	Proposed Budget		
	2025-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026		
Balance Sheet					
700000 Assets	\$183,398.12				
800000 Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00			
900000 Fund Balance	\$183,398.12	\$202,290.95			
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TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES: EXPENSES:	\$1,412,558.52	\$682,448.99	\$694,340.29		
280000 Long Term Capital Debt	\$1,454,503.04	\$663,556.16	\$697,479.15		
	cts Fund (Fund 49		\$000,400.23		
Capital Projec	Actual		Processed Burdens		
		Projected Actual	Proposed Budget		
	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026		
Balance Sheet 700000 Assets	\$5,389,765.73	\$605,069.07			
S00000 Liabilities	\$0.00	\$605,832.52			
900000 Fund Balance	\$5,389,765.73	(\$763.45)			
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TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	\$1,166,227.17	\$160,201.90	\$1,000.00		
EXPENSES:					
255000 Facilities Acquisition & Remodeling	\$4,945,389.22	\$4,585,145.88	\$106,601.21		
FOODS	ERVICE FUND				
	Actual	Projected Actual	Proposed Budget		
	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026		
Balance Sheet					
700000 Assets	\$179,329.59				
800000 Liabilities	\$6,783.19				
900000 Fund Belence	\$172,546.40	\$94,107.80			
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TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	\$241,507.26	\$276,234.84	\$241,000.00		
EXPENSES:	\$243,842.97	\$354,203.44	fore per pe		
200000 Support Services/Food (excludes 255000 series)  Community Ser	vices Fund (Fund		\$264,349.36		
Community Ser			Description of the Land		
	Actual	Projected Actual 2024-2025	Proposed Budget		
Salanca Chast	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026		
Belance Sheet 700000 Assets	\$3,000.00	\$16,063.02			
700000 Amets 800000 Liabilities	\$3,000.00	\$9,233.08			
900000 Fund Belence	\$3,000.00	\$6,829.94			
	42,000,00				
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	\$3,000.00	\$98,723.00	\$149,249.05		
EXPENSES:					
390000 - Community Services	\$0.00	\$94,893.06	\$149,137.04		
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	Actual	Actual	Proposed Budget		
	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026		
General Fund	\$1,244,498.00	\$976,052.00	\$1,045,151.00		
Debt Service Fund	\$61,689.00	\$82,106.00	\$82,015.00		
Referendum Approved Debt	\$489,575.00	\$575,950.00	\$606,825.00		
Community Services Levy *	\$3,000.00	\$97,263.00	\$132,000.00		
Total School Levy	\$1,798,762.00	\$1,731,371.00	\$1,867,991.00		
Notes: 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 Budget Fig.	sures are Subject to C	hanse			
2024-2025 projected actual numbers are the numbers as the					
PROPOSED 2025-2026 PRELIMINARY BUDGET					
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## October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 530p MS FB @ BSMS	3	4 2p FB @ Pec/Argyle
6 530p JVFB (H) Pec/Argyle  Life House 4K-5th	7 6p VB @ Barneveld	8 130p Early Release 6p School Board Meeting	9 530p MS FB (H) Galena 6p VB @ Monticello	10 7p FB @ Riverdale	11
13 530p JV FB (H) Riverdale	14 6p VB (H) Juda (Parents Night)	15	16 6p VB (H) Pec (Senior Night)	7p FB (H) Potosi/Cassville (Senior Night/Pink Out)	18
20 Picture Retakes (4K-12th)  5p MS GBB (H) Pec/Argyle  530p JV FB @ Potosi/Cassville	21	22	23 5p MS GBB @ Juda	24 Career Awareness 7p FB (Level 1)	25
27 5p MS GBB (H) Albany/Monticello	28 5p MS BBB @ Monticello	29	30 130p MS Fall Dance End 1st Qtr	No School 7p FB (Level 2)	

## **Breakfast Menu**

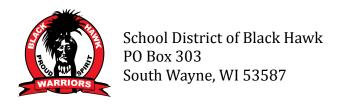
Milk Choice 1% White, Fat Free Chocolate or Strawberry Whole Wheat Peanut Butter & Jelly Served Daily WG-Whole Grain "This institution is an equal opportunity provider"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Cinnamon Toast Crunch Bar Strawberry Yogurt Apple Milk	2 Sausage Breakfast Bagel Yogurt Apple Milk	3 Mini Cinnamon Bagel Mixed Fruit Peaches Milk
6 Cereal Yogurt Juice Peaches Milk	7 Waffles Granola Bites Apple Milk	8 Pancake Warp Mixed Fruit Applesauce Milk	9 Breakfast Pizza Goldfish Crackers Applesauce Pears Milk	10 Cereal Bar Cheezits Apple Milk
13 Muffins Granola Bites Apple Milk	14 French Toast Mixed Fruit Peaches Milk	15 English Muffin Sausage Patty Egg Round Granola Bar Apple Milk	16 Pancakes Granola Bar Peaches Mixed Fruit Milk	17 Berry French Toast Applesauce Mixed Fruit Milk
20 Pop Tart Granola Bites Apple Milk	21 French Toast Sticks Granola Bites Pears Applesauce Milk	22 Blueberry Waffle Peaches Mixed Fruit Milk	23 Waffle Sticks Peaches Mixed Fruit Milk	24 Chocolate Chip French Toast Peaches Pears Milk
27 Strawberry Bagel Peaches Pears Milk	28 Bacon, Egg, Cheese Bagel Granola Bar Mixed Fruit Peaches Milk	29 Cinnamon Waffles Peaches Mixed Fruit Milk	30 Donut Orange Juice Applesauce Milk	No School

## **Lunch Menu**

Milk Choice 1% White, Fat Free Chocolate or Strawberry Whole Wheat Peanut Butter & Jelly Served Daily WG-Whole Grain "This institution is an equal opportunity provider"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	132 N	1 French Bread Pizza Cheese Stick Broccoli Applesauce Milk	2 Corn Dog Baked Schoops Green Beans Pears Milk	3 Cod Square Bun Cheese Stick Corn Orange Milk
6 Chicken Nuggets Granola Bites Broccoli Peaches Milk	7 Hot Ham Sandwich Yogurt Cauliflower Pineapple Milk	8 Brat/Bun Green Beans Apple Milk	9 French Toast Sausage Patty Cheese Stick Hasbrown Juice Milk	10 Popcorn Shrimp Yogurt Chex Snack Mix Broccoli Peaches Milk
13 Hot Dog/Bun Baked Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	Chicken Strips Granola Bites Green Beans Apple Milk	15 Pulled Pork/Bun Goldfish Crackers Broccoli Strawberries Milk	16 Spaghetti Meatballs Garlic Toast Carrots Apple Juice Milk	17 Hamburger/Bun Cheese Slice French Fries Applesauce Milk
20 Mini Corn Dogs WG Doritos Green Beans Apple Juice Milk	21 "Warrior Bowl" Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Dinner Roll Apple Milk	22 Sloppy Joe/Bun Cheesestick Cauliflower Peaches Milk	23 Mac & Cheese Cheese Stick Carrots Apple Milk	24 Pizza Dippers Cheezits Broccoli Apple Milk
27 Breaded Pork Patty/Bun Green Beans Apple Milk	28 Hamburger/Bun Cheese Slice Sweet Potatoes Mixed Fruit Milk	29 Taco Meat Soft Shell Baked Scoops Broccoli Apple Milk	30 Corn Dog Cheezits Cauliflower Orange Milk	No School



### SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BLACK HAWK

Notice is hereby given to the School District of Black Hawk, Villages of Gratiot and South Wayne, Towns of Gratiot, Monticello, Wayne, Darlington and Wiota of Lafayette County, and Towns of Cadiz and Jordan, Green County, that the budget hearing of said district will be held in the Black Hawk School Lower Commons at South Wayne on Wednesday the 22nd of October, 2025 at 6:00 PM followed by the Annual Meeting. A detailed copy of the budget is available at the District Office.

