



August 2019

District Administrator

The Start of A New Academic Year

The beginning of the academic year provides opportunities for fresh ideas and positive changes to enhance learning experiences for all children. With the start of the 2019-2020 academic year set for September 3, the School District of New London is readied for yet another great year of academic excellence and student growth.



At the beginning of each school year, parents/guardians are encouraged to effectively communicate with their children and identify realistic educational goals

that will foster academic success. One key factor in promoting academic success is creating positive relationships early on within the school community. Make it a point to participate in back-to-school activities which are designed to inform further and allow questions to be asked about the forthcoming academic year.

As we begin the 2019-2020 academic year, I prompt every student and parent/guardian to embrace opportunities. As a comprehensive school community, we must actively engage in efforts to educate all students and to help them be successful learners. The School District of New London is committed to its mission of **“Success For All Students”** while staying focused on a vision to **“partner with families and community to develop students by providing high-quality instruction, personalized learning options, and a caring environment in which students are able to reach their fullest potential.”** This collaborative partnership will encourage opportunity for students to become.

- ☆ Effective Communicators
- ☆ Problem Solvers and Critical Thinkers
- ☆ Self-Directed and Life-Long Learners
- ☆ Responsible, Contributing Citizens

With anticipated success and opportunities to be discovered, I welcome back our school community to the 2019-2020 academic year!

Wisconsin Association of School Boards Business Honor Roll



Annually, the Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB) offers the opportunity for School Board members and Districts to submit nominations to recognize quality business partners. The intent is to highlight and acknowledge quality business

partners that have historically supported District efforts to enhance school communities. A discussion will take place on current WASB Business Honor Roll nominations and as well as allow Board members the opportunity to discuss business partners who have gone above and beyond to support our great District.

New Teacher/Back-To-School In-Service

On August 15, the District will officially welcome our new professional teaching staff to the School District of New London with new teacher in-service training. With intent to prepare, District leadership and building mentors will collaborate to ensure back-to-school readiness for our newest educators to the District.



On August 26, all District staff will begin in-service programming to prepare for the start of the 2019-2020 academic year. In-service programming will take place at the High School on the 26th and then disperse to various District and school locations on August 27, 28, and 29.

Director of Business Services

Facilities Committee

The facilities committee met on July 19 to discuss a number of items noted below:

- HS dishmachine replacement
- Asphalt repair and maintenance budget for 2020
- Sugar Bush roofing replacement for 2020
- Tennis court improvements
- ISMS office reconfiguration discussion
- Focus on Energy benchmark scores for buildings
- Parkview and Readfield meetings with Somerville
- HS track resurfacing
- HS lighting system
- HS chiller replacement
- Overall facilities budget for 2019-20



I will highlight specific items for update at the meeting.

Pack It Up for Kids

The Rotary Club of New London is sponsoring a campaign to provide backpacks and school supplies for students across the New London school community. This year the program has been enhanced to include both free/reduced families. The club hopes to help 600 students get ready for school with supplies. This is made possible by several community members and organizations across the New London community.



Thank you to all that support the program.

\$1,000 Field Goal Contest

Wolf River Community Bank is sponsoring a field goal contest at halftime of each varsity football games this year. Every fan will have an opportunity to receive a numbered ticket and if their ticket is drawn, they can select to kick an extra point or a 35-yard field goal for a chance to win \$100 or \$1,000. If a contestant "makes-it," he/she will split the donation between themselves and the district.

The district is guaranteed a donation of \$500 if no one makes it during the year.

The bank is taking care of the liability paperwork and will facilitate the contest. They have also checked with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue to ensure this is a legal event. Karen Duch from the bank met with me to share comments from the Facilities Committee and district.

The Facilities Committee reviewed their request and is in support of this event as a trial activity.

Director of Pupil Services

Immunizations

Annually, parents are sent information regarding the required immunizations and updates appropriate for their students at various age levels. Our nursing services will be working with families on compliance in this area. The Wisconsin Immunization registry is utilized to verify that all students have obtained their required vaccinations or have signed the waiver form required for family opt-out.

Conscious Discipline Training



On August 6 and August 7, the trainers of the book *Conscious Discipline*, by Dr. Becky Bailey, were in district to train 70 of our professional staff members on

best-practices techniques related to achieving successful student behavioral outcomes. This training for staff was offered over two full days. There was also an evening sectional offered to parents in the high school auditorium. A number of parents were able to attend and benefit from the evening training.

Stop the Bleed Training

During the August in-service training dates, the staff will receive a brief overview regarding Stop the Bleed Training. On October 4, the entire district staff

will receive formal training from Gold Cross Ambulance Service on the proper way to pack a wound, as well as proper use of tourniquet procedures. Each staff member will now have these materials available to them, contained in their safety bags in each staff member's classroom.



Director of Teaching and Learning

Bulldog Summer Academy

Summer Academy wrapped up early August. Thank you to all who made this summer programming a success. High school students were noted to have



earned 68 credits this summer! Summer programming is a success of our students, our families, our staff and our

community. Thank you all for the hard work and dedication that made this possible.

School District of New London Substitute Teacher Training



August 13, 2019 from 8:00-11:00 am at the School District of New London District Office.

Those interested, please contact

Wendie Kronser at (920) 982 8530 to register for this event.

Participants must hold an associate degree or higher from an accredited college or university to qualify for this training. This three-hour training will allow interested professionals to apply online (\$125 application fee) with WI DPI to be a certified substitute teacher in any public school in Wisconsin. Successful participants will receive a PI-1633 Substitute Teacher Training Verification Form to assist with this process.

Like many districts, finding substitute teachers continues to be a challenge, so please encourage those who have a desire to join the educational community to sign up to be trained as a substitute teacher!

Registration

Intermediate/Middle School: Grades 5-8

- August 7, 2019 and August 14, 2019 from noon to 7:00 pm

High School: Grades 9-12

- August 14, 2019 from noon to 7:00 pm

Students New to the District, please contact Student Services prior to registration to enroll and choose courses (920-982-8420). Families are encouraged to update online information through Family Access prior to attending the face-to-face sessions. Elementary families do not have registration, but open house instead.

Professional Development



Summer is a busy time for training and ongoing professional development for all our staff. With New London's commitment to building staff capacity, this summer was no different. The following events highlight just a few of the activities staff took part in:

- Book studies
- EduClimber
- Best practices in SS
- Best practices in ELA
- Math Intervention Cohort with UW Oshkosh
- Conscious Discipline
- Best practices in Science instruction
- Professional Learning Community
- Positive Behavior Intervention and Support Summit
- Mental Health Summit
- Leading for Learning Series
- Kate Roberts: A Novel Approach
- IEP Bootcamp
- Online Math Webinar Series

Congratulations!



Jamie Kriewaldt and Toni Laufenberg graduated from Viterbo University in La Crosse on Friday, July 12, 2019. Toni added a Master of Arts in Education plus Cross-Categorical

Special Education. Jamie added a Masters of Education Degree and a Reading 316 Certification. She plans to continue toward a Reading 317 Specialist Certificate. Congratulations to both on their success. New London continues to win big when our staff continues their own educational journeys.

Lions Continue a Tradition



New London Lions Club did not disappoint, they once again sponsored the Kids from Wisconsin performance for the community. In addition, they hosted an outreach camp where 22 students attended and provided complimentary tickets to students enrolled in New London band or choir. Thank you Lions and all of the community sponsors that made this event possible!

