



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW LONDON

Monthly Update

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR • BUSINESS SERVICES
PUPIL SERVICES • TEACHING AND LEARNING SERVICES

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District Administrator



Staggered Start

To ease the transition and continue to provide time for onboarding, class meetings and orientation for each grade level, the School District of New London again has a staggered start schedule for the first days of September.

- Thursday, September 1** - Grades 4K, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9
- Friday, September 2** - Grades 5K, 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 12
- Tuesday, September 6** - all grades

B 212 Extra Degree of Effort

Wade Berglund, Technology Coordinator, has earned recognition for his 212 Extra Degree of Effort. Mr. Berglund continues to lead our District with vision and best practices to support changing technological needs. With recent work to reestablish tower internet connectivity after a summer storm at Readfield Elementary and enhancement work within our ISMS remodel project, Mr. Berglund's commitment to "Success for All Students is second to none.



Additional 212 Extra Degree of Effort recognition is given to Chris Berberich, our technology support/AV assistant. Support with consistency for our District-wide technical events/auditorium management and leading our summer resource management has been exemplary. Chris is willing to help wherever he can and assures success in behind-the-scenes management.

Staff Engagement Survey

In follow up from our June special meeting, School Perceptions will support our District by administering a school engagement employee check-in survey in October. As our workforce continually competes in a competitive job market, the continued focus must be refined to promote best practices within our school community. Areas of survey feedback will be sought out on the workday, work environment, work support, and salary.



Board of Education Materials

To enhance access to Board of Education monthly preparation materials, the review of electronic monthly Board of Education materials for public access is underway. When established and recognized by the Board of Education, monthly Board meeting materials will be accessible online.

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



August 29, 30 and 31-Back Inservice Schedule



Back to school in-service will welcome certified and support staff on August 29, 30, and 31. As we prepare for the start of the academic year, anticipation is high to greet students and our school community for the 2022-23 academic year.

Director of Business Services

School Meals and School Fees

As a reminder, school meals will not be free during the 2022-23 school year unless the family qualifies to do so. The district will continue to include this on as many



communications fronts as possible to remind families to fill out forms. All schools, online and the District Office have forms that families can fill out.

Lastly, remind families that the Textbook / Workbook fee was waived districtwide. Other fees remain in tact and will be posted in the typical places so that families are aware. Again, we will communicate this as well in as many ways as practical.

Pack it up for Kids



The School District of New London is proud to have community support and the sponsorship of the New London Rotary Club to provide backpacks stocked with school supplies for students who qualify for Free or Reduced meals. Families who qualify will receive notice and will be able to pick up their supplies at open house at the elementary

and middle school where their students attend.

If families have questions about how to qualify or need help filling out the form, building administration can assist. Forms need to be processed and results may take a few days to confirm.

Director of Pupil Services

Crisis Training

Each building annually runs multiple safety drills throughout the year to allow the staff to train and practice on how to respond in case of an emergency. The district has the procedures posted in each room and on the back of each staff member's ID badge. These trainings are overseen by the New London Police Department and the Waupaca County Sheriff's Department. They annually receive an update of all of our building's updated procedures. These are also shared with the Department of Justice, as part of our safety grant (ACT 143).



Secretary Training

On August 2 and August 3, the secretary and health aide staff members participated in several trainings which included medication administration and updated procedures regarding specific students' medical plans, including seizure plans, diabetic care plans and proper first aid procedures.



Heartsaver Training

The Pupil Services Department and the nursing program will continue crisis training and heartsaver training for all the building crisis teams throughout the district. This will entail training the staff on the use of defibrillator equipment that is placed throughout our district and in all of our school buildings. We will practice use of this equipment during our safety drills.



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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.

Director of Teaching and Learning

Summer School

We are wrapping up session 2 and heading into final sessions which relate to music preparation. Final data and details will be shared at a later Board of Education meeting, but sincere thanks to all who have made this summer a success. Food service, bussing, custodial and maintenance and instructional staff have been amazing in providing opportunities and fun for our students.

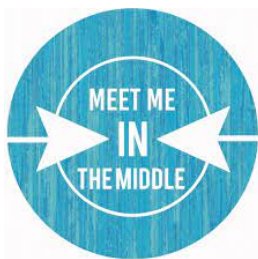
With a change in staffing, Mr. Spindler will be helping kick off the ISMS show choir choreography and planning prior to the start of the year.

Registration

It has been a successful start to registration, at this time just about half of our families have registered. Thank you bilingual staff for hosting registration with families. We have had a number of new families join our bulldog family already and appreciate families following up early with schedule and registration needs.



5th grade Meet in the Middle Event



With the Middle School renovation and remodeling projects, 5th grade transition camp is taking a different approach. Families are invited to attend the Meet in the Middle event at the NLHS

auditorium on August 11, 2022. The New London ISMS team will be welcoming 5th graders and putting a few of those anxious jitters to rest with some answers on what to expect the first day, lockers, chromebooks and the like.

The first day of school ALL students in the ISMS will have support in navigating the new building and reviewing routines with remodeled classrooms, food service and office spaces.

School Links and Bookmarks

Since the migration of our data to the cloud rather than our own server, our websites and other links are just a little different. This means if pages or links were bookmarked they may need to be updated. This is the case for family access, skyward and a few other apps.

Apps to assist in communication:

Facebook
New London Connect
Skyward Mobile App
E-funds
Athletic Calendar
Google Suite

Please continue to promote and share our Facebook posts to extend to those who do not follow our pages when appropriate. This includes staff postings and celebrations.



Substitute Teachers

Anyone interested with an associate's degree or higher is eligible to become a substitute teacher in the State of Wisconsin. A number of our subs finding success in education have continued on to become teachers. Congratulations to all who have moved on to full time positions. This has us looking for additional staff to add to our substitute list. Substitute teachers have flexibility to report which days they are available.

The application is open on WECAN. Training will be provided for those who do not already have a substitute teaching license.