



# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW LONDON

## Monthly Update

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR • BUSINESS SERVICES  
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### February 2022

#### District Administrator

##### Spring Break

Our District school calendar provides for a week-long spring break this year, March 14-18. Please note that our March Regular Board of Education meeting will take place as scheduled on Monday, March 14, at 6:00 p.m at the District Administration Building.



##### ESSER III Stakeholder Survey

Thank you to our school community members who recently completed the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) III advisory stakeholder survey. Feedback from the survey will advise the District on potential utilization to support students and families due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

##### Open Enrollment Window



The State of Wisconsin public school open enrollment period is recognized from February 7 through April 29, 2022. Non-resident families interested in joining the School District of New London for the 2022-2023

school year can apply online at: <https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment> or visit <https://www.newlondon.k12.wi.us> and click on New Family Enrollment/Registration found under the Enrollment/Registration on the District webpage.

##### District Parent Advisory Council

On Wednesday, February 9, 2022, the District Parent Advisory Council met at the New London Intermediate/Middle School. Information on the recent school community ESSER III stakeholder input survey and student learning collaboration spaces to enhance learning opportunities within the



upcoming Intermediate Middle School remodel project were discussed.

Additionally, the council participated in a strength, weakness, opportunity, and threat (SWOT) District-wide activity analysis. Feedback gathered during the SWOT activity was shared amongst the group and will support future discussion opportunities throughout the District.

The next District Parent Advisory Council is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on May 11 at Sugar Bush Elementary.

##### B 212

The March B212 extra degree of effort recognizes Susan Moore, off-campus alternative education substitute teacher for the School District of New London. Time and again, Mrs. Moore has supported learning environments that promote student accountability, academic resource opportunities, mentorship, life skills, and student success!



Understanding that every child has a different path to success, Mrs. Moore establishes pathways while focusing on supporting our District vision of "Success For All Students."

#### Director of Business Services

##### Total Compensation Committee Meeting

This committee met on February 14, 2022, before the regular Board meeting. The topics below were the agenda items discussed:

- A. Review and discussion of base wage increases for 2022-23 for all categories
- B. Review and discussion of 403(b) matching program
- C. Review and discussion of handbook revision process for 2022-23
- D. Discussion of health insurance consultants' proposals from October meeting

The committee will likely meet again in order to make recommendations to the full Board. Please note the Board typically approves compensation during March/April in time for contract distribution.

A future topic for the Board will include self-funding options for health and dental insurance. The committee has discussed this option for many years and the timing may be appropriate for consideration.

**Bus Driver Appreciation Week**

Wisconsin School Bus Driver Appreciation Week is February 14-18, 2022. This commemorative week recognizes all school transportation personnel who are involved in the highest standards of safe practices to assure the protection of their passengers, our state's most precious cargo. The School District of New London would like to thank our transportation staff for all they do!



Pictured Back Row: Josh Fischer, Angie Bigalke, Angela Brown, Mike Frisch, Jeff Bubolz, Mary Frisch, Bob Halaska, Dorla Johson, Chris Dey, Joanne Rhoden, Al Tank, Mark Plowman, Alan Novander, Mike Kammer, Jerry Jennerjohn, Front Row: Rick Flocker, Lois Cunningham, Katie Christian, Cindy Grunwald, Tara Lindholm

Not Pictured: Ken Carew, Paul Dobbert, Chris Doran, Dave Faulkes, Laurie Fischer, Kirk Merrill, Tony Porath, Terry Proos, Ray Reichel, Mike Ritchie, Eric Sager, Bobbi Schucknecht, Jim Sommer, Kristi Tessen, Mike Wohlt

Van Drivers: Stacy Christian, George Derks, Ken Price, Mark Miles, Dave Teschke

**Director of Pupil Services**

**Knights of Columbus Donation**

Jim Russel from the Knights of Columbus, representing Fr Herb Council 1797, once again donated generously to the special education program at New London High School. This is an annual donation received from the Knights of Columbus as a result of their Tootsie Roll annual fundraiser which supports citizens who have intellectual disabilities. Pictured are high school special education teacher Erin Vande Guchte and some of the students at New London High School with Jim Russel, the Chairman of the local Knights of Columbus. Thank you to the Knights for their continued support of the School District of New London.



**Literacy Round-Up**

The annual 4K Literacy Event will take place on Friday, March 4, 2022 at the Washington Center in New London. This is a chance for families to meet their future 4K teacher and also a chance for families to complete the 4K registration process.



Play based activities will take place during the event. To help us plan, please call 920-982-2011 to let us know you plan to attend.

**Director of Teaching and Learning**

**4K Enrollment/Registration**



Based on our census and local family information, families have received information regarding 4K enrollment for our community collaborative program. If you know anyone with students eligible for 4K, please encourage them to fill out paperwork or call our

offices to get the process started! Questions can be directed to Lesley Baehman at 920-982-8447. Families who enroll by February 28 will also receive a plush Bulldog to welcome them to our educational family.



**State Assessment Windows**

The state assessment windows are just around the corner. It is important to note the schedule for these tests as they are different for each building. Newsletters, websites and calendars will share specific details and ways to prepare students to do their best. New London is proud of how our students use the state assessments as a manner to understand their own learning and to allow ALL students access to career opportunities with this added information. Overall, these assessments, along with our local assessments, help guide our instructional efforts.

Grade Level or Group	Assessment
Grades 3-4	WI Forward Exam
Grades 5-8	WI Forward Exam
Grade 10	WI Forward Exam (Social Studies Only)
Grades 9-11	ACT or ACT Aspire
Students who qualify for the alternate assessment (IEP)	Dynamic Learning Map
English Language Learners	Access Exam

If you have any questions about state testing, please email [dsievert@newlondon.k12.wi.us](mailto:dsievert@newlondon.k12.wi.us) or call the Office of Teaching and Learning or your building principal.

**Summer School Save the Date**

Other summer programming and camps are already beginning to recruit enrollment so we want to start spreading the word for our own programming. New London looks to offer 3 sessions of summer school this year.

**Session 1: June 7 - 23**

Recovery/Remediation/Intervention

**Session 2: July 11 - August 4**

4 week program and mini sessions

**Session 3: August transition**

activities



**February 21 Professional Development**

Students are off and certified staff will be in on February 21, 2022. Our teams will continue their efforts with a Professional Learning Community time in the morning and building level activities in the afternoon.

