



January 2022

District Administrator

Primary Election

There will be two School Board seats open for election on Tuesday, April 5. Due to the number of individuals interested (five) in serving on the Board, we will be a part of the primary election on Tuesday, February 15. At the conclusion of the primary, we will go from five candidates to four candidates who will appear on the April 5 ballot. Candidates



include incumbents, Pete Bosquez and Tina Ruckdashel. Additionally, Ashley Clark, Holly Schweitzer, and Mandy Wilz have a desire to serve. Thank you to all who are willing to serve in this capacity.

Years of Service Recognition

As a District, we annually recognize years of service milestones for our District employee groups during January. We are genuinely appreciative and thankful for our dedicated individuals committed to "Success for All Students." On behalf of the School District of New London, my gratitude and appreciation are given.



40 Years of Service: Sarah Teasdale

30 Years of Service: Rochelle Meyer

25 Years of Service: Ellen Flannery, Judith Jadin, Kelly Keach, Scott Lemiesz, Susan Resch

20 Years of Service: Jennifer Holewinski, Lynell Shumaker, Erika Wilson, Wade Berglund, Patti Jensen, Patrick Korth, Kari Niemuth

15 Years of Service: Megan Hinde, Kerstin Schlueter, Daniel Wegner, Becky Winkler

10 Years of Service: Joseph Marquardt, Traci Diehl, Amy Hoppenjan, Lesley Baehman, Kim Handrich, Andrea Banaszynski

Connections Committee

On Wednesday, January 5, 2022, the District Connections Committee met to discuss and review outcomes from the Spectrum Reach digital online campaign. Increased online traffic with our District websites was

demonstrated to promote and inform stakeholders about our school district. In addition, further discussion was established about the potential continuation of an additional digital online campaign focused on promoting the upcoming statewide student open enrollment period opportunities in the School District of New London. Additional targets would focus on school district offerings and our District's lifestyle amenities. Further discussion about the potential 2022 Spectrum campaign will be shared at our January special meeting.



Additionally, discussion and support was established to create an opportunity for a School Board forum for candidates participating in the 2022 primary election. The purpose of the candidate forum would be to allow candidates to share perspectives and thoughts about potential involvement as a school board member. The candidate forum will be held at the high school auditorium on Monday, February 7, 2022, at 6:00 pm. With five candidates seeking election for two seats, an additional forum opportunity would allow candidates and voters a chance to share perspectives in advance of the primary school board election on February 15, 2022.

Community Engagement Events

The month of February will present three community engagement opportunities for citizens within the School District of New London. Free admission will be recognized at the following events.

- February 3, 2022 Wrestling vs. Menasha (Senior Night)
- February 10, 2022 Girls Basketball vs. Green Bay East (Senior night for Dance and GBB)
- February 18, 2022 Boys Basketball vs. West DePere ((BBB Parent/Senior night as well as Kids Dance Camp night)

All are welcome to support our students and school community!

Semester Reflection

With the start of the 2022 calendar year and as the second semester nears, the School District of New London is ready for learning opportunities that support fresh ideas, positive change, and enhanced learning experiences for all children. As we prepare to begin for our second semester of instruction on January 24, I encourage students and parents/guardians to embrace the educational opportunities that will arise. The School District of New London is committed to learning environments that exemplify "Success For All Students."

B 212

The January B212 extra degree of effort recognizes all school district personnel and public services who assisted with hands-on support and communicative protocol to ensure the



reunification of students and families at Sugar Bush Elementary on December 15 when a bus transportation accident was experienced.

As a school community, we are fortunate to have unsung heroes who walk amongst us every day who put aside their well-being and safety to assist in a time of emergency or crisis. Thank you to our area first responders, New London Police Department, Waupaca County Sheriff's Department, Clintonville Ambulance, Gold Cross Medical Ambulance, New London Fire Department, Bear Creek Fire Department, and Wisconsin State Patrol for supporting our District in a time of need.

Director of Business Services

Lumber Donation

Tigerton Lumber donated 735 board feet of kiln dried white ash to the High School Woods Department. This was their second donation in 2021. The value of this donation is just over \$1,000. The district sincerely appreciates the donations from Tigerton Lumber!

Show Choir Donation

Mary Singstock donated \$10,000 to the show choir program and madrigal program. This is the second year that Ms. Singstock has donated this amount to the program. This donation is a significant benefit to the program and will assist in offsetting the expenditures related to the madrigal and show choir competition programs. The district sincerely appreciates her donation!



Facilities Committee

The Facilities Committee met on January 7 and the agenda items are noted below. The timing of the committee meeting and board packet does not allow for additional information to be added to the sections below. Look for future updates at a Board meeting



from the topics discussed by the committee.

- A. Review and discussion of of ISMS project bids and alternates
- B. Review and discussion of 2022-23 school bus purchasing bids
- C. Review and discussion of lawn mower purchasing bids
- D. Discussion of school grounds staffing and equipment programming
- E. Discussion of Town of Caledonia request for shared services
- F. Discussion of tennis court enhancements

- G. Discussion of additional tech ed space enhancements
- H. Discussion of automotive programming space options and budget
- I. Discussion of capital projects needs, purchasing and timelines
 - i. Sugar Bush filter media replacement (\$30,000)
 - ii. Asphalt project budget and timelines

Director of Pupil Services

Family Donation of \$5,000



Jeff and Kristin Shaw donated \$5,000 to the New London High School caring closet. The money will be used to assist students at New London High School with clothing, materials, gas cards, etc. The High School Counseling Department, along with the

administration, will support and monitor the donation.

Child Development Days

Our final child development day screening is scheduled for Tuesday, January 25, 2022, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Lincoln Elementary School. This developmental screening is designed for children 2½ to 4 years old.

The screening process allows children to separate from their parents to participate in a play-based screening to observe speech/language, cognition, gross and fine motor, and self-help skills. During the screening, parents are able to chat with our elementary principals and then will be directed to our community area to speak with our school nurse, 4K staff, and gather other informational resources.

Parents interested in setting up an appointment for Child Development Days are invited to contact Molly Brown, Pupil Services Administrative Assistant, at (920) 982-8447.



ACCESS Testing Has Concluded



Federal and state laws require that students identified as English Learners (ELs) be assessed annually to determine their

level of English language proficiency (ELP) and ensure that they are progressing in achieving full English proficiency. This includes students who receive special education services.

The ACCESS assessment window this year was from December 1, 2021, thru January 28, 2022. The School District of New London has over 100 students taking the ACCESS assessment. At this time, our district is 100% complete with testing. Our bilingual teachers and tutors complete this testing with our students and results will be shared with families when they arrive.

Dynamic Learning Maps Testing Window

Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) assessments are for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities for whom general state assessments are not appropriate, even with accommodations. DLM assessments offer these students a way to show what they know and can do in English language arts, mathematics, and science. This year the test window will be March 21-April 29, 2022.

4K Enrollment/Registration



Based on our census and local family information, families will soon be receiving 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.

Director of Teaching and Learning

Substitute Teacher/Educational Assistant Information



The district is still looking for potential substitute teachers and educational assistants. All interested applicants will need to fill out an application on WECAN.

Visit the following website and create an account:

<https://wecan.education.wisc.edu/#/> .

- Search for Substitute Teachers or Substitute Special Education Aide for the School District of New London

End of the Semester

January 20, 2022, marks the end of the semester for all students. There is professional development (no school for students) the following day, January 21, 2022, to allow for records and grading updates. The first day of the second semester is January 24, 2022.



Students in grades K-4 will have report cards sent home via Thursday folders the following week. Secondary level grades can be monitored and viewed on Skyward.

New London High School Scheduling

Student scheduling will begin for the High School for the 2022-23 school year.

Please note students from private or online schools considering attending New London High School should reach out for scheduling information to assure program availability. Well wishes to all in the second half of the school year!



Future Freshman Night - January 10, 2022

A message from Principal Yerkey:

Future Freshman and Academic Planning night is scheduled for January 10 at the New London High School from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The event will focus on getting current 8th graders ready for the scheduling process that will begin in early January. Although the event is geared towards incoming freshmen, all current students and families are welcome to attend. Current students and families may benefit from the following opportunities that will be available.

- Visit with teachers and departments in preparation for scheduling and academic planning
- Explore skills needed for success in college and careers
- Course Offerings (All NLHS staff will be available to answer questions and provide support)
- Course Pathways
- Scheduling
- Dual Credit Courses
- Youth Apprenticeship
- Advanced Placement Courses
- School to Work
- The removal of class rank and weighted grades
- Athletics and Activities
- Special Education Services

Our goal for the evening is to make sure all students and families are well-informed consumers of the educational options New London High School has to offer.