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Twin Cedars



Community School

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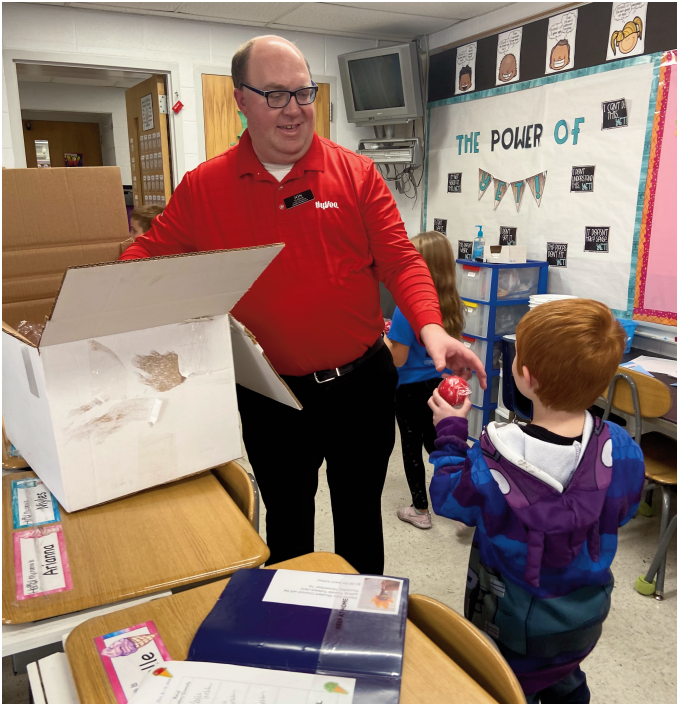
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From the Desk of Mrs. Roby



Elementary Student Council delivered Meals on Wheels to Knoxville Senior Citizens the week of November 8.

It is the policy of the Twin Cedars Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, creed, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic status (for programs) in its educational programs and its employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination. If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy please contact the district's Equity Coordinator, David Roby, High School Principal, 2204 Hwy G-71, Bussey, IA 50044, 641-944-5245, droby@twincedarscsd.org.



Knoxville Hy-Vee Store Manager, John, visited Twin Cedars last week to deliver stress balls to all of our elementary students. Gina Hammann nominated Twin Cedars Elementary to receive 1,000 box tops! With the 1,000 box tops, we also enjoyed these prizes. Look for how you can donate to Twin Cedars too in this newsletter.

Elementary Night

Elementary Night at the Twin Cedars versus Moravia basketball game will be Tuesday, December 14. Watch for a sign up sheet to come home with students after Thanksgiving break. You can contact Mrs. Roby with questions at kroby@twincedarscsd.org. This event is sponsored by Twin Cedars PTO and Twin Cedars Athletic Boosters.



These Advanced Culinary students represented TC very well on November 5th at the Indian Hills Iron Chef competition. They may not have won, but they worked hard, stepped out of their comfort zone, learned a ton, made some delicious food and had a good time doing it! It was the first time TC has participated in the competition. Pictured are: Grace Bailey, Chole Durian, Alexys Crook, Noah Fee, and Jillian French.



Kaydn Boyd and Lizzie Stoops were selected to attend the 8th and 9th grade Singfest Honor Choir at Central College on Tuesday, October 12th.

On Tuesday, October 26th several students in the Bluegrass Conference got together to sing at our annual Choir Festival. These students include Erica Elliott, Kali Foster, Ariana Puyear, Corbin Schippers, Kellie Stevenson, Thad Tuttle, Jon Vanderhyde, Levon Christie, Lexie Gomez, Isaac King, Totiana King, Annabelle Luckey, Allison Moen, Alivia Snook, Heaven Woolridge.





Wellness Wednesday

On Wednesday, October 27, 7th-12th grade students participated in Wellness Wednesday. The focus this quarter was social wellness. Social wellness can be promoted by volunteering in the community and by engaging with others in hobby activities. Students had several volunteer opportunities including Homestead Assisted Living, The Well, Helping Hands, and Marion County Humane Society. Several students built benches for the playground. Due to cold and damp conditions, the students were unable to rake leaves for the elderly in Bussey and Tracy or paint the TC emblem in drive-ways. Instead, students read books to the elementary students. Several hobby activities were also scheduled for the day: bowling, canvas painting, baking, fishing and disc golf. Due to rain, fishing and disc golf were eliminated in favor of laser tag with the National Guard in the high school gym. Officer Scott of the Marion County Sheriff's department started off the day with a presentation on bullying and cyberbullying. After the presentation, each student participated in one volunteer activity and one hobby activity.





Rylee Dunkin represented Twin Cedars at the State Girls Cross County meet in Fort Dodge on Saturday, October 30. Rylee completed against other 1A schools, placing 12th overall and earning her third all-state medal.

- 7th: Katherine Luckey**
- 8th: Annabelle Luckey**
- 9th: David Weeks**
- 10th: Leo Freel**
- 11th: Landyn Roland**
- 12th: Ali Mockenhaupt**



**Twin Cedars Community School District
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Community Room**

Monday, November 8, 2021 5:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Twin Cedars Board of Directors was held on the above date.

President Kelly Carlson called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Directors Heather Dunkin, Mike Weldon, Jolinda Fairchild and Steph Sterner were present. Dave Roby was also in attendance.

A motion was made by Director Weldon and supported by Director Dunkin to approve the agenda as presented with the removal of Item VI, A, 1-Accept the Abstract of Election since we do not have the official results yet. The motion carried unanimously.

Constituents Correspondence

There were no constituents in attendance. Shared with a board member –questions were asked about playground equipment and why the older students playground doesn't have jump ropes like the younger students playground. It was explained that some of the equipment at the one playground ties in with daycare and does not belong to the school.

Consent Agenda

- A. Meeting Minutes
- B. Monthly List of Bills
- C. Monthly Financial Reports

A motion was made by Director Sterner and supported by Director Weldon to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Administration Reports

- A. Transportation – report in packet
- B. Facilities – report in packet
- C. Technology – report in packet
- D. Elementary Principal – report in packet
- E. JH/HS Principal – report in packet
- F. Superintendent/AD-report in packet

Business Items

Motion made by Director Weldon and supported by Director Fairchild to approve the second reading of board policy 505.5 Graduation Requirements. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Dunkin and supported by Director Sterner to approve the resignations of Amanda Boots – High School Associate and Teresa Burk- Custodian and to approve Zach Dunkin for the vacant Girls Varsity Basketball position, Theresa Davis for the vacant positions of Girls Assistant Varsity Basketball and JH Girls Basketball. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Director Dunkin and supported by Director Weldon to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Board Secretary Deb Haselhuhn called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM. Directors Kelly Carlson, Heather Dunkin, Mike Weldon, Jolinda Fairchild and Steph Sterner were present.

Motion made by Director Carlson and supported by Director Sterner to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The Oath of Office was given to Directors Dunkin and Sterner by Board Secretary Haselhuhn.

Board Secretary Deb Haselhuhn opened the floor for nominations for Board President.

Election of President – Director Sterner nominated Heather Dunkin for President. Director Weldon nominated Kelly Carlson for President. Director Dunkin made a motion to cease nominations and was supported by Director Weldon. The motion passed unanimously.

Heather Dunkin Received 3 votes and Kelly Carlson received 2 votes. Heather Dunkin was named Board President. The Oath of Board President was given to Director Dunkin by Board Secretary Haselhuhn. The meeting was turned over to President Dunkin.

Director Sterner nominated Director Weldon for Vice President. Director Carlson made a motion to cease nominations and was supported by Director Sterner. The motion passed unanimously. The Oath of Office of Board Vice President was given to Director Weldon by Board Secretary Haselhuhn.

Motion made by Director Fairchild and supported by Director Sterner to approve Deb Haselhuhn as the Twin Cedars Board Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Carlson and supported by Director Sterner to approve the monthly Board meeting day and time for the second Monday of the month at 5:00pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Fairchild and supported by Director Carlson to approve the State Bank of Bussey as the district's depository bank with a limit of \$4 million. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Weldon and supported by Director Sterner to approve Heather Dunkin and Deb Haselhuhn as official signatories for the bank account and bank checks. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Carlson and supported by Director Fairchild to approve the Marion County Express as the official publication for the Twin Cedars Community School District. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Fairchild and supported by Director Sterner to approve Ahlers & Cooney Law Firm as district Legal Counsel. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Carlson and supported by Director Weldon to appoint Dunkin and Fairchild to the Finance/Negotiations committee, Carlson and Weldon to the Facilities committee and Dunkin and Sterner to the SIAC committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Fairchild and supported by Director Sterner to approve Kim Roby as Title 1 coordinator. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Director Weldon and supported by Director Carlson to approve Scott Bridges as Title IX Coordinator. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Sterner and supported by Director Weldon to designate Dave Roby as Level 1 Investigator with Scott Bridges as an alternate investigator, and Marion County Sheriff as Level II Investigator. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Fairchild and supported by Director Sterner to approve 504 Coordinators- Kim Roby grades K-6 and Julie Sytsma grades 7-12. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Carlson and supported by Director Weldon to approve Scott Bridges as Special Education Director. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Sterner and supported by Director Fairchild to approve Julie Sytsma as Homeless Liaison Coordinator. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Weldon and supported by Director Carlson to approve Dave Roby as Equity Coordinator. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Fairchild and supported by Director Weldon to approve EMC/Summers Insurance as the Property Casualty insurance provider. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Sterner and supported by Director Fairchild to approve Country Trash as the solid waste carrier. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Sterner and supported by Director Weldon to have an early retirement package with Mr. Bridges to bring some options to the board. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Director Fairchild and supported by Director Carlson to accept the \$200 sealed bid for the air compressor. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed pros/cons of possibly sharing drama.

Motion made by Director Sterner and supported by Director Carlson to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The board moved into Exempt Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations strategies as per Iowa Code 20.17(2).

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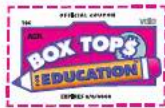
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Sincerely,

Nathan Smith

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6th-12 Band
7th-12 Choir
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TC Little Sabers Breakfast

December 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Pop tarts	2 Tac & go	3 Donut	4
5	6 Assorted muffin	7 Mini chocolate chip French toast	8 Pop tarts	9 Breakfast pizza	10 Donut	11
12	13 Assorted muffin	14 Mini pancakes	15 Pop tarts	16 Pancakes, bacon & stringcheese	17 Donut	18
19	20 Assorted muffin	21 Power bites	22 Pop tarts	23 No School	24 Christmas Eve	25 Merry Christmas
26	27 No School	28 No School	29 No School	30 No School	31 New Year's Eve No School	Jan 1 Happy New Year
Jan 2	Jan 3 No School	Jan 4 Sausage pancake wrap	Jan 5 Pop tarts	Jan 6 French toast sticks	Jan 7 Donut	



*All breakfast served with fruit&/or juice cup and choice of 1% white, fat free chocolate or fat free skim milk

*Other daily option is cereal bowl.

*Menu subject to change.

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TC Little Sabers Lunch December

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Popcorn chicken w/roll Mashed potatoes Fresh green peppers Oranges	2 Sloppy Joes Fries Baked beans Banana	3 Taco (fiestada pizza) Lettuce, Tomatoes Baby carrots Apples	4
5	6 Bbq rib sandwich Tater tots Fresh broccoli Kiwi	7 Lasagna w/breadstick Lettuce Steamed corn Mandarin oranges	8 Chicken strip wrap w/cheese cup Fresh cauliflower & Red peppers Baked beans & Applesauce	9 Tenderloin w/bun Mashed potatoes Baby carrots Apples	10 Super nachos w/animal crackers Steamed corn Fresh cauliflower Melon	11
12	13 Hot dog w/bun Romaine Fresh carrots Pears	14 Chicken alfredo w/garlic breadstick Steamed green beans, Cucumbers Oranges	15 Oven fried chicken w/roll & cheese stick Hash brown Fresh carrots Applesauce	16 Christmas Meal	17 Pizza Romaine lettuce Steamed corn Strawberries Applesauce Ice cream	18
19	20 Taco sandwich Lettuce, Tomato slice, Steamed corn Fresh carrots Apples	21 Mozzarella sticks w/marinara & animal crackers Steamed green beans, Cauliflower Berry blend	22 Chicken & noodles w/roll & string cheese Mashed potatoes Fresh carrots Mandarin oranges w/pineapple	23 No School	24 Christmas Eve	25 Merry Christmas
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Jan 2	Jan 3 No School	Jan 4 Pepperoni breadsticks w/cottage cheese Fresh broccoli & Cauliflower Pears	Jan 5 Grilled chicken sandwich Lettuce & Tomato slice Fresh carrots Apples	Jan 6 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, cheese stick & garlic breadstick Green beans Cauliflower & Fruit	Jan 7 Walking taco w/cheese cup Steamed corn & refried beans Lettuce & Tomatoes Fruit	



*2nd & 3rd Main Dish Daily Options:
Uncrustable or Yogurt w/granola

*Salad bar is an "extra" and does not count as one of the daily fruit or vegetable options.

*All lunch served with choice of 1% white, fat free skim chocolate or fat free skim strawberry milk.

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*Make sure you have 3 items on your tray. One of those choices MUST be a fruit or veggie

*Menu subject to change.

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5	6 Assorted muffin	7 English muffin, sausage patty & cheese	8 Breakfast boat	9 Pancakes, bacon & string cheese	10 Donut	11
12	13 Assorted muffin	14 Breakfast pizza	15 Biscuits & gravy	16 Scrambled eggs w/toast	17 Donut	18
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*All breakfast served with fruit &/or juice cup and choice of 1% white, fat free skim chocolate or fat free skim strawberry milk.

*Menu subject to change.

*Other daily main options:
BEC biscuit, Cereal bowl & toast, Pop-Tarts, Bagel w/cream cheese or yogurt cup w/granola.

*You must have 3 items on your plate and 1 of those items MUST be a fruit. As juice cup will count as a fruit.

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TC Sabers Lunch

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		Fresh broccoli & Cauliflower Pears	Fresh carrots Apples	Cauliflower & Fruit	Lettuce & Tomatoes Fruit	
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*3rd, 4th & 5th Main dish Daily Options:
Turkey sub, Yogurt(2)w/granola,
Uncrustable or Salad Bar Only

**9-12 has 1/2C extra fruit. Varies daily

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