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Community School

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From the Desk of Mr. Roby

It was a great honor for me to be able to present the “Golden Apple Award” to one of our elite teachers, Mr. Randy Haar. Mr. Haar has been a math teacher at Twin Cedars for the past 19 years. He is not only a great teacher, but a teacher that I can always count on for miscellaneous duties. I had the privilege to read several of the students’ nominating essays. It was very obvious our kids love Mr. Haar’s approach to teaching and everything else he adds to our Twin Cedars community. I love his caring approach towards ALL of our students. I also love how he is able to not only help the students who struggle in math, but the students who excel in math by taking these students to the next level. We are very lucky to have a teacher of this quality at Twin Cedars!

Virtual Snow Days

We have had four virtual snow days: January 15, January 25, February 4 and February 16. Teachers and administrators feel that the days were well attended and worthwhile for students. Our first three days, we had over 80% of the student body online for instruction. February 16 was a little trickier because Old Man Winter snuck up on us. We still had a great turn out at the high school, but the elementary students did not have their devices. We still were able to offer some virtual activities for those who were able to attend. We appreciate all the parental support-from helping students get onto the virtual learning platform to ensuring that students do the homework. Hopefully, spring is right around the corner, and we will not have to have any further weather disruptions.

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.

Minutes of Meeting

Twin Cedars Board of Directors

February 9, 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 Mike Weldon and Steph Sterner were present. Directors Heather Dunkin and Jolinda Fairchild attended via Zoom. Kim and Dave Roby were also in attendance via Zoom.

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

A motion was made by Director Fairchild and supported by Director Dunkin to approve the January 11, 2021, regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial reports were reviewed and filed for audit.

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

Communications

There was a question about Prom this year at Twin Cedars. As of today, Twin Cedars will plan on having a Prom.

Director Weldon shared a text he had received from a parent with concerns about block scheduling. There have not been any concerns brought to administration about this.

Administration Reports

Mrs. Roby shared some information about the testing at the elementary. There was growth in reading for many students. Not at the rate we would have liked, but given the challenges they have had this past year they weren't too bad.

Mr. Roby shared the students who participated in Speech Districts. Ali Mockenhaupt, Chloe Durian and Hannah Jerkins received a I rating in Choral Reading. Rachael Stoops and Erica Elliot received a I rating in Improv. Nathan Smith, Chloe Swank and Ali Mockenhaupt received a I rating in Readers Theater. They are trying to set up a time for a Bluegrass Conference Speech competition. Mr. Haar received the Golden Apple Award. This is a prestigious award that was presented to him at an assembly at Twin Cedars.

Mr. VanderSluis said the Covid Vaccine should be available for staff on Monday.

New Business

Mr. VanderSluis gave a brief overview of the budget. He will go more in depth at the next board meeting. Mrs. Roby will be working on the school calendar. Questions were asked about virtual days. Mrs. Roby shared that about 80% of students from both buildings are attending virtually on those days. The lower grade teachers at the elementary have found it to be challenging, but the Jr/Sr high seems to be going pretty well.

The sharing contracts that will be discussed at the board meeting on Wednesday were shared and discussed a little bit. There were a couple of sections that needed clarification.

Action Items

Budget Guarantee Resolution FY22. RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Twin Cedars Community School District, will levy property taxes for fiscal year 2021-2022 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14, Code of Iowa.

Motion was made by Director Dunkin and supported by Director Weldon to adopt this resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

The next board meeting will be Monday, March 8th at 5:00.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Director Weldon and supported by Director Sterner to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of Special Meeting

Twin Cedars Board of Directors

Melcher-Dallas High School Cafeteria

February 10, 2021

6:00 PM

A special meeting of the Twin Cedars Board of Directors was held on the above date.

President Kelly Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Directors Stephanie Sterner Mike Weldon were in attendance in person. Directors Heather Dunkin and Jolinda Fairchild attended via Zoom.

A motion was made by Director Weldon and supported by Director Sterner to approve the agenda with the additional action item B. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on Superintendent sharing agreement with Melcher-Dallas CSD. The board went through the proposed agreement section by section. There were suggestions made to clarify the schedule section and the supervision section.

Action Items

A motion was made by Dunkin and supported by Weldon to approve the sharing agreement for shared superintendent position with Melcher-Dallas CSD for the 2021-22 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Weldon and supported by Sterner to approve the sharing agreement for school business official position with Melcher-Dallas CSD for 2021-22 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Director Weldon and supported by Director Fairchild to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

TC Little Sabers Breakfast

March 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Breakfast pizza	2 Egg & cheese omelet	3 Funnel cake	4 Breakfast boat	5 Donut	6
7	8 Breakfast pizza	9 Confetti cookie & sausage patty	10 Pancake on a stick	11 Nutri grain bar & sausage patty	12 Donut	13
14	15 Breakfast pizza	16 Mini chocolate chip French toast	17 Cinnamon roll	18 Egg & sausage patty	19 Donut	20
21	22 Breakfast pizza	23 Pancakes & bacon	24 Biscuits & gravy	25 Snack bread & sausage patty	26 Donut	27
28	29 Breakfast pizza	30 Chocolate chip bar & sausage patty	31 Pancakes & sausage patty	April 1 No School	April 2 Good Friday No School	April 3
April 4	April 5 No School	April 6 Assorted muffin	April 7 Egg & sausage patty	April 8 Mini pancakes	April 9 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.
*3 components on your tray. Milk, Fruit/Vegetable & Grain

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

TC Little Sabers Lunch March

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Crispito w/cheese sauce Crispito w/cheese sauce & string cheese Onion rings, Grapes Fresh broccoli	2 Bbq rib sandwich Tater tots & Steamed green beans Fruit	3 Spaghetti w/meat sauce w/string cheese Breadstick Lettuce Pears & Fruit	4 Super nachos Steamed corn Cauliflower Grapes Graham crackers	5 Popcorn shrimp w/string cheese Fresh carrots Side kick Fruit	6
7	8 Taco sandwich Lettuce, Cheese slice, Tomato slice Fresh carrots Applesauce	9 Turkey gravy w/string cheese Mashed potatoes Steamed green beans, Oranges Roll	10 Popcorn chicken Fresh broccoli Baked beans Mandarin oranges Apples	11 Turkey sub Fresh carrots & celery w/sunbutter Apples	12 Pizza Lettuce, Steamed corn Fresh cucumbers Strawberries	13
14	15 Cereal bowl w/sausage patty Cottage cheese Hash brown Fresh cucumbers Juice cup	16 Chicken & noodles w/string cheese Mashed potatoes Fresh cauliflower Peaches, Hot roll	17 Chili Fresh carrots Fries Pears Cinnamon roll	18 Chicken & ranch wrap Lettuce, Cheese cup, Fresh red peppers & Carrots Apples	19 Bosco stick w/marinara Cottage cheese Fresh cauliflower Baked beans Mandarin oranges w/pineapple	20
21	22 Chicken patty w/bun Fries, Steamed carrots, Fresh fruit Peaches	23 Hot dog bun w/bun Mashed potatoes Baked beans Applesauce	24 Cheesy bread sticks w/marinara Steamed corn Lettuce Pineapple	25 Pizza crunchers Fresh cucumbers & Carrots Strawberries w/blueberries	26 French toast sticks Little smokies Hash brown Fresh cauliflower Fresh fruit	27
28	29 Cheeseburger w/bun Fries Fresh broccoli Mandarin oranges	30 Mac & cheese Fresh carrots & cauliflower Mixed fruit Animal crackers	31 Walking taco w/cheese cup, lettuce Steamed corn Applesauce	April 1 No School	April 2 Good Friday No School	April 3
April 4	April 5 No School	April 6 Chicken strips Fresh broccoli Pears Fresh fruit	April 7 Meat balls w/marinara Garlic bread, Salad Fresh carrots Applesauce	April 8 Pepperoni pizza Salad Steamed corn Mandarin oranges	April 9 Giant soft pretzel w/cheese sauce & sausage patty Fresh cucumbers Oranges, Pears	



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

*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.

******SALAD BAR WILL NOT BE OFFERED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE******

*Make sure you have 4 components on
your tray. Milk, Fruit/Veggie, Grain &
Meat/Meat alternate

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

*You must have 3 components on your tray. Milk, Fruit/Vegetable & Grain

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7	8 Taco sandwich or Grilled cheese Lettuce, Cheese slice, Tomato slice Fresh carrots Applesauce	9 Turkey gravy w/string cheese or Pizza crunchers Mashed potatoes Steamed green beans, Oranges Roll	10 Popcorn chicken or Corn dogs Fresh broccoli Baked beans Mandarin oranges Apples	11 Turkey sub or Crispito w/cheese sauce Fresh carrots & celery w/sunbutter Apples	12 Pizza or Popcorn chicken Lettuce, Steamed corn Fresh cucumbers Strawberries	13
14	15 BEC biscuit or Cheeseburger Cottage cheese Hash brown, Fresh cucumbers Juice cup	16 Chicken & noodles w/ string cheese or Beef teriyaki bites Mashed potatoes Fresh cauliflower Peaches & Roll	17 Chili or Breaded cheese sticks Fresh carrots Fries Pears Cinnamon muffin	18 Chicken ranch wrap or Biscuit & gravy w/cheese omelet, Lettuce, Cheese cup, Fresh red peppers & Carrots Apples	19 Bosco stick w/marinara & Cottage cheese or Taco stick Fresh cauliflower Steamed carrots Mandarin oranges w/pineapple	20
21	22 Chicken patty w/bun or Turkey wrap w/animal crackers Fries & Fresh fruit Steamed carrots	23 Hot dog bun w/bun or Pizza Mashed potatoes Baked beans Applesauce	24 Cheesy bread sticks w/marinara or Chicken & cheese quesadilla Steamed corn Lettuce Pineapple	25 Pizza crunchers or Chicken nachos Fresh cucumbers & Carrots Strawberries w/blueberries	26 French toast sticks w/little smokies or Cheese pizza Hash brown Fresh cauliflower Fresh fruit	27
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*3rd, 4th, 5th Main dish Daily Options:
Turkey sub, Yogurt w/granola or
Uncrustable

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& Meat/Meat alternate

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vegetable options UNLESS getting as a
Daily option

**There isn't a salad bar until further
notice**

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