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Twin Cedars



Community School

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From the Desk of Mr. Roby

Once again, summer flew by and a new school year has begun. Our staff has worked hard over the summer getting things ready to roll for the very best group of kids in the world. Please remember to communicate early and often with my staff when you have questions or concerns.

I want to congratulate many of our students who experienced individual success this past summer.

Baseball:

Trace EmbrayFirst team all conference
First team all district
Second team all state

Nick Haselhuhn.....First team all conference

Colton Spaur.....Honorable mention all conference

Softball:

Maddie Dewitt.....First team all conference

FFA:

State Fair Participants

Lane Anderson, Rachel Beary, Becca Bates, Jordyn Sanders

Monroe County Fair

Pat Dykstra, Lane Anderson, Cloee Stout, Rachel Beary

Mahaska County Fair

Rachel Beary, Jordyn Sanders, Lane Andeson

Marion County Fair

Becca bates, Hailey Groenendyk, Kate Coalbank, Tytus Hunt

Next Generation Science Standards

In 2016-2017, elementary and high school teachers will be learning about Iowa's new science standards, Next Generation Science. The students will absolutely love the new standards as the focus of lessons will be inquiry and discovery. Students will be involved in experimenting and predicting. Twin Cedars also received a STEM grant this year and has purchased several science kits. As the year progresses, I hope you hear from your students that they love science!

It is the policy of the Twin Cedars Community School District not to illegally 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, Brian VanderSluis, Superintendent, 2204 Hwy G71, Bussey, IA 50044, 641-944-5249, bvandersluis@twincedarcsd.org

Differentiated Accountability

Recently Twin Cedars Elementary received its status in regards to Early Literacy Implementation. Twin Cedars, along with all schools in the state, were scored in two categories: Assessment and Universal Instruction. Within these two categories, three ratings are given: Universal, Targeted, Intensive.

In Assessment, Twin Cedars was one of 24 school rated as Universal. This means Twin Cedars is doing a great job assessing and progress monitoring students in accordance with state guidelines.

In Universal Instruction, Twin Cedars was rated as Targeted. Of the 300 school receiving statuses, 253 schools were rated as Targeted. In order to receive an Universal rating we need to raise our FAST proficiency from 66% to 79%. We have several initiatives to help us reach this standard.



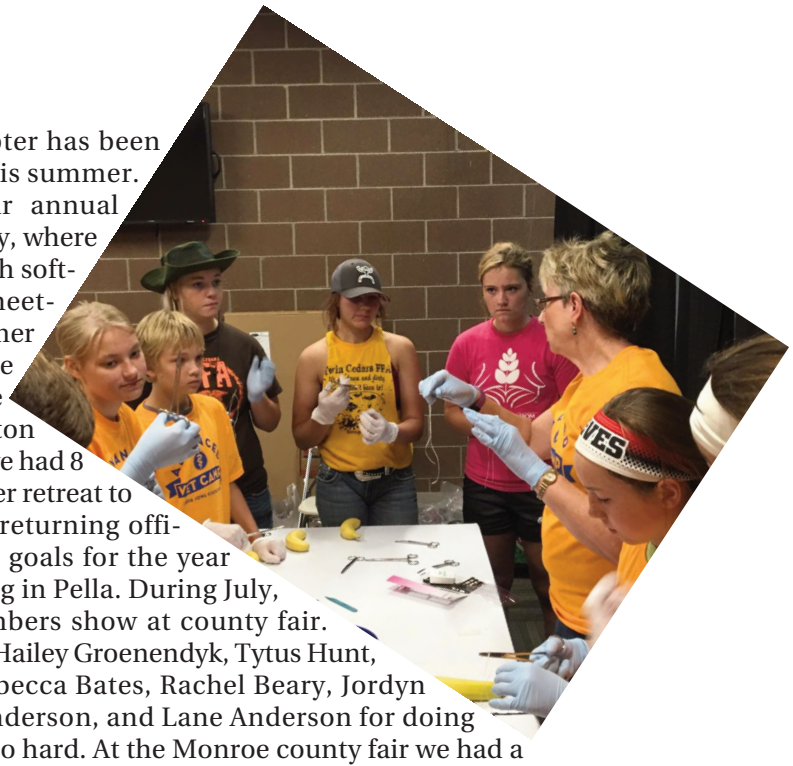
Bookaneer
Where books are the treasure!

The Elementary Book Fair will take place in the elementary library Oct 31-Nov. 3. If you are willing to volunteer for a few hours please contact the elementary library via a note or phone 641-944-5245 ext 303. We can also use help during setup and take down.



FFA

Our FFA chapter has been very busy this summer. We had our annual end of the year party, where we played slow pitch softball and had our meeting to discuss summer plans. Then we helped promote ethanol at the Newton Races. On July 7th we had 8 officers attend officer retreat to welcome new and returning officers. We discussed goals for the year and went swimming in Pella. During July, we had many members show at county fair. Congratulations to Hailey Groenendyk, Tytus Hunt, Kate Coalbank, Rebecca Bates, Rachel Beary, Jordyn Sanders, Megan Anderson, and Lane Anderson for doing great and working so hard. At the Monroe county fair we had a livestock judging team consisting of Rachel Beary, Cloee Stout, and Pat Dykstra.



They placed second overall, Rachel placed fourth individually, Cloee placed seventh, and Pat placed tenth. We also had Rachel Beary, Lane Anderson, Jordyn Sanders, Rebecca Bates, Spencer McCarty, and Megan Anderson show at state fair. Lane Anderson recieved Grand Champion Overall on his breeding chicken and got to be in the "Parade of Champions." Nine members went to help with Little Hands on the Farm at the state fair and seven attended vet camp. We ended the summer with meet the teacher night to encourage seventh graders to join FFA as well as any other non-FFA member.

The Twin Cedars Alumni Chapter has been started. If you would like to be a part of a wonderful organization that shows support to our FFA chapter and agricultural education classroom, please contact Megan Anderson at 641-218-9853. You do not have to have a kid in FFA, you didn't have to be in FFA as a kid, you just need to have inspiration in wanting to help our students.

Everyone is very anxious for the school year to start! Let's make this the best one yet. Upcoming Events; Farm Progress Show, Officer meeting, Chapter meeting, Webster Trapshooting, Fruit Sales, Bow Shoot, Osceola Ag Day, Sub-District Soils, District Soils and Kirkwood Horse and Livestock Judging!

Minutes of Meeting

Twin Cedars Board of Directors

**August 8, 2016
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 Steve Gilkerson, Paul Haselhuhn and Ashley Carlson were in attendance. Director Brian Moore was absent. Dave Roby and Kim Roby were also in attendance.

A motion was made by Director Gilkerson and supported by Director A Carlson to approve the agenda as presented with the removal of the Action Item A. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director A Carlson and supported by Director Haselhuhn to approve the July 11, 2016, regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial reports were reviewed and filed for audit.

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

Communications

There was no communication to the board through mail.

Administration Reports

Mrs. Roby said that summer school will be done this week. She handed out the in-service schedule for the staff starting on August 17th. She also handed out a listing of the scores for Assessment and Data-Based Decision Making from the AEA.

Mr. Roby reported that football and volleyball have started practicing this week. Homecoming is scheduled for September 16th against Tri-County. Mr. Roby will be taking some students to a couple of Jostens Leadership conferences once school starts. 7th grade orientation is August 18th at 5:00. The softball awards ceremony is Wednesday, August 10th at 6:00. Baseball awards were given out last week. Mr. Roby attended the SAI meetings last week. They had a very good speaker who spoke about putting creativity into education.

Mr. VanderSluis said staff in-service will begin on the 17th. He had the listing of what a Suburban would cost. All board members agreed we should go ahead and order it. It could take up to 6 weeks to receive it. The DHS workers were here to check out the Daycare room. There were a couple of adjustments that need to be made, but it looks like everything should be ready by the time school starts. There have been some concerns raised about classroom numbers. Mr. VanderSluis said that numbers would be addressed as we have more definite information after registration.



New Business

Mr. VanderSluis gave a list of some priorities for Legislative Action by IASB for 2016-17. School Funding Policy, Supplemental State Aid and State Penny were the top issues. All windows have now been replaced.

Action Items

A motion was made by Director Gilkerson and supported by Director A Carlson to approve the monthly board meeting day and time to be the second Monday of the month at 5:00 pm. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Haselhuhn and supported by Director Gilkerson to approve the action Items C thru K as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- C. Designate Dave Roby as Level I Investigator with Brian VanderSluis as the Alternate.
- D. Approve the Board's Priorities for Legislative Action by IASB for 2016-2017.
- E. Approve depository banks and limits
State Bank of Bussey \$4,000,000
- F. Approve Andrew Bracken, Ahlers Law Firm as the legal counsel
- G. Approve Brian VanderSluis as the Title I coordinator
- H. Approve Brian VanderSluis as the Special Education Coordinator
- I. Approve Brian VanderSluis as the Homeless Liaison
- J. Approve Brian VanderSluis as the Equity Coordinator
- K. Approve Deb Haselhuhn as the District Secretary and District Treasurer

A motion was made by Director Haselhuhn and supported by Director Gilkerson to approve the 403b State Plan participation. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director A Carlson and supported by Director Gilkerson to approve the State mandated lunch price increase to \$2.55 for a student lunch. The motion carried unanimously.

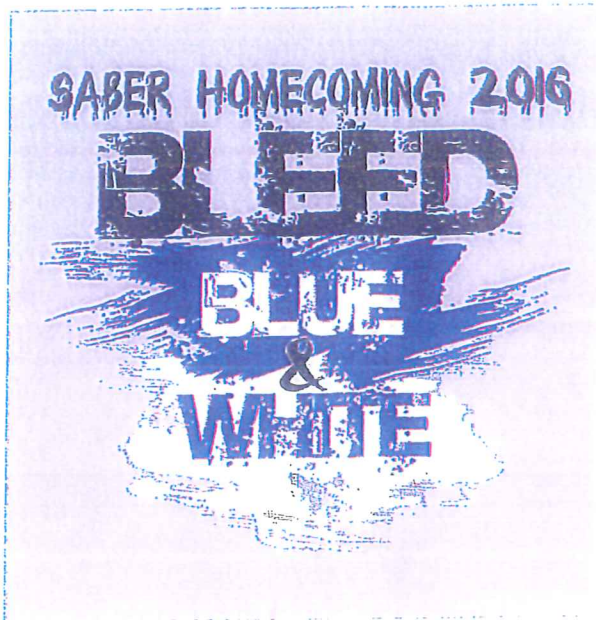
Announcements

The next board meeting will be Monday, September 12th at 5:00.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Director Gilkerson and supported by Director A Carlson to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

2016 Twin Cedars Homecoming T-Shirts



SENIORS	JUNIORS	SOPHOMORES	FRESHMAN
B. Carter #9	L. Anderson #10	D. Beary #7	Z. Groenendyk #65
J. Crozier #78	N. Haselhuber #4	B. DenBurger #2	T. Hunt #26
J. Elliott #28	D. Pinegar #22	R. Dykstra #50	H. McCombs #15
T. Embray #1	B. Rowley #6	C. Gocmaat #38	T. Reed #68
J. Fee #44		K. Huff #20	A. Test #55
B. Gillespie #5		M. Maple #23	
Q. Gocmaat #70		A. Stanhope #3	
J. Knox #30		R. Wallace #13	
A. Stanhope #67			

COACHES	A. Altpach, D. Ginger, C. Parker, J. Pinegar
MANAGER	C. Arkema, S. DenBurger, M. Dewit, J. Sanders, C. Spaur
CHEERLEADERS	L. Anderson, K. Bakalar, R. Beary, H. Bonnett, D. Jones, K. Spaur, C. Whitlow
SPONSOR	M. Johnson

T-Shirts will be gray with black, blue & white lettering

Youth - Adult XL T-Shirts are \$13 each

Adult 2XL T-Shirts and up are \$15 each

Make checks out to: Twin Cedars After Prom

ALL ORDERS ARE DUE FRIDAY SEPT. 2, 2016

Name: _____

Teacher/Grade _____

size: YS _____ YM _____ YL _____ YXL _____

 AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXL _____

 A2XL _____ A3XL _____ A4XL _____ A5XL _____

Total # of shirts _____

Total amount \$ _____

Proceeds will help the 2017 Twin Cedars After Prom

September Breakfast Menu ~ 2016


MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>All breakfast served with fruit and juice and choice of milk. Menu subject to change</p>		<p>*This institution is an equal opportunity provider*</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Cereal Bowl</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Donut</p>
<p>5</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Cinnamon Roll</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Bacon, Egg & Cheese Biscuit</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Egg & Toast</p>	<p>9</p> <p>French Toast Sticks</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Breakfast pizza</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Pancakes</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Sausage & Toast</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Cereal</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Donut</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Mini Cinnamon Bagels</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Cinnamon Roll</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Sausage & Toast</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Egg & Toast</p>	<p>23</p> <p>French Toast Sticks</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Breakfast pizza</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Pancakes</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Sausage & Toast</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Cereal</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Donut</p>

September Breakfast Menu ~ 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
• Pop Tart	Bacon/Egg/Cheese Biscuit	Breakfast Pizza	French Toast Sticks	Donut

- High School has a one week rotation with a Pop Tart or Cereal Bowl offered as an alternate.
- There is also Ala Carte available.
- All Breakfast is served with fruit and juice and choice of Milk.
- Menu is subject to change.
- This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

September Lunch Menu ~ 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>All meals served with choice of milk. Menu subject to change.</p>		<p>*This institution is an equal opportunity provider*</p>	<p>1 Chicken & noodles Mashed potatoes Hot roll Steamed green beans Oranges & string cheese Fruit (9-12)</p>	<p>2 Homemade hamburger pizza Steamed corn Fresh salad Pears Fruit (9-12) Ice cream bar</p>
<p>5 NO SCHOOL Labor Day</p>	<p>6 Popcorn chicken Cheesy potatoes Steamed green beans Apples Mandarin oranges (9-12)</p>	<p>7 Super nachos Black beans Fresh carrots Pears Cantaloupe Graham cracker</p>	<p>8 Chili Biscuit Apples Dried cherries (9-12) Cauliflower Hashbrown</p>	<p>9 Macaroni & cheese Grapes Salad Cookie Peaches (9-12) Green peppers</p>
<p>12 Spaghetti Salad Garlic breadstick Mixed fruit Fruit (9-12) Carrots</p>	<p>13 Chicken & cheese quesadilla Fruit crisp Fruit (9-12) Tator tots Red peppers Dried fruit mix</p>	<p>14 Hot beef sundae Cherry tomato Black bean/corn salad Peaches (9-12) Banana Rice krispie treat</p>	<p>15 Cheeseburger-in-a-blanket meat w/bun Broccoli Baked beans Pineapple/mandarin oranges Fruit (9-12)</p>	<p>16 Cheesy garlic bread w/maranira Steamed mixed veggies Salad Fruit salad Fruit (9-12)</p>
<p>19 Corn dog Fresh broccoli Peaches Pears (9-12) Steamed carrots</p>	<p>20 Beef burger Pineapple Fruit (9-12) California blend veggies Fries</p>	<p>21 Chicken/bacon/cheese sub Kidney beans Fresh carrots Apples Fruit (9-12)</p>	<p>22 Turkey & gravy Mashed potatoes Salad Roll Mixed fruit Fruit (9-12)</p>	<p>23 Elem:Cereal bowl HS:BEC biscuit Little smokies Cauliflower Sweet tots Juice cup Fruit (9-12)</p>
<p>26 Bbq pork w/bun Pork & beans Steamed mixed veggies Pears Applesauce (9-12)</p>	<p>27 Veggie beef soup Bosco Stick Cauliflower Mandarin oranges Fruit (9-12) Crackers (9-12)</p>	<p>28 Chicken alfredo Broccoli w/cheese Salad Banana Mixed fruit (9-12) Breadstick</p>	<p>29 Hot dog Steamed corn Peaches Grapes (9-12) Tortilla chips w/salsa</p>	<p>30 Turkey patty w/bun Steamed peas Fresh carrots Power jell-o w/fruit Fruit (9-12)</p>

September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 PM V VB @ Seymour (Triangular) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM CC vs Pekin @ Wildwood Park 5:30 PM JV/V VB @ Moulton-Udell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM V FB vs English Valleys 	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Labor Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Jostens Leadership Conference 4:00 PM JH VB vs Pleasantville 4:30 PM JH FB @ Tri-County 4:30 PM CC vs Pekin @ Lake Keomah 6:30 PM JV FB @ Tri-County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jostens Senior Leadership Conference 5:30 PM JV/V VB vs Seymour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM V FB @ Moravia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM V VB Tourney vs Lynnville-Sully
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH VB vs Melcher-Dallas 4:30 PM JH FB @ Melcher-Dallas 5:30 PM V VB vs Moravia (Triangular) 5:30 PM JV VB @ Eddyville-Blakesburg 6:30 PM JV FB @ Melcher-Dallas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM CC vs Oskaloosa @ Edmundson Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM JH VB @ Pella Christian 5:00 PM CC @ Lynnville-Sully 5:30 PM 9/JV/V VB vs Grandview Christian 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM V FB vs Tri-County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM JV VB Tourney @ Moravia 	
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October 2016

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