



THE BRAVE BEAT



AROUND THE DISTRICT

Dear Community Members:

As we head into February, I am thankful for Mother Nature being relatively kind to us so far this winter. I think we would all agree that Covid has provided enough obstacles that we do not need dangerous winter weather to deal with as well. Thank you to our bus drivers, road commissioners, school maintenance workers, and anybody else who helps make sure our students get to school safely. Safety is our top priority and we will continue to make informed decisions that will keep our students, staff, and community members safe this winter.

We will NOT have school on Monday, March 7th due to Casimir Pulaski Day. Hopefully we can continue our mild winter and not have to make any adjustments to the school calendar. We feel very fortunate that we have been able to have a fairly regular schedule this winter. If we get changes to our sports schedule or calendar, we will communicate those changes with you as soon as possible. We also hope everyone has enjoyed the Livestream that we have continued to provide this school year for events in our school. We have enjoyed a fun winter sports season and wish all of our teams luck in postseason.

We will continue to utilize our school app, Facebook page, and school website to update our community members on important events for the Annawan School District. We will use these formats along with a mass communication text or phone call if school is cancelled or dismissed early. We understand communication is vital and will continue to pass on timely information as best we can.

I hope everyone has a fantastic February!

Sincerely,

Matt Nordstrom
Superintendent

Disposal of Records

PERMANENT student records prior to 1961 will be disposed of following Illinois guidelines. If you have any questions call district office at 309-935-6781.

News from Mr. Heitzler's Office

Illinois Assessment of Readiness

Annawan Grade School, grades 3rd – 8th will have one series of IAR online computer based tests this school year. The standardized tests of math, reading, and writing will be given in the window of April 4th – 8th. We are trying to do two assessments in a day rather than spreading the testing out over two weeks.

Please have your son/daughter present at school and avoid outside appointments if possible. Be sure they get enough sleep and I hope to have a breakfast type snack each day of testing for those students who are participating. These tests are mandated by the Illinois Department of Education.

The fifth, eighth, and a designated high school class will be taking an on-line science test in April. This is also a mandate from the Illinois State Board of Education. We have these scheduled for April 19, 20, and 21. These will also be three tests at 40 minutes each.

IESA Scholar Attitude Award

I am happy to announce the IESA Scholar Attitude Award recipient this school year is Ethan DeMay. To qualify, an eighth grade student must meet a variety of standards which includes being a member of an IESA school activity both their 7th and 8th grade year, a GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, and demonstrate outstanding citizenship. Ethan will also be recognized at the eighth grade promotion for being selected to represent our school.

B.U.G. Award Winners

Congratulations to the fourth and fifth graders who achieved the B.U.G. Award (Bring Up Grades) for the second quarter. We are proud of your efforts! We are proud of all of our students for the efforts they perform in their school work! Thank you to our Annawan Kiwanis Club for sponsoring and promoting this activity in our school.

Please support the Kiwanis Pancake Day Saturday, February 5th from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Annawan Community Center. The money the Kiwanis Club raises supports many Unit #226 organizations and projects.

Honor Roll and High Honor Roll

Congratulations to those students who achieved Honor Roll and High Honor Roll in the second quarter. It takes dedication and hard work to achieve these honors. We are proud of you!

Loading and Unloading of Students

Thank you for your cooperation with loading students at the end of the day in front of the school and unloading as they arrive in the back of the school.

Please do not allow your son or daughter to move through cars or onto the road to load because of the risk of an accident, especially with slick roads. Please pull forward along the curbing when there is an opening. This way we can load eight to ten cars and loading will go much quicker. Following the staff directions will assist in this process. We wish to keep this area as safe as we possibly can for each student. Thank you for your help and cooperation in this matter.

Please avoid the front entrance of the grade school between 8:00 and 8:15 a.m. so the buses can unload students. Any parked vehicle in this location will block the driveway for the busses to pass through.

Grade school students should not be walking through the high school before and after school unless there is a necessary reason to be there. This will help avoid possible problems.

Students exiting the back door (blue hallway) are walkers. This exit is not intended for cars/vehicles to pick up students for safety reasons. Always pick up your children at the front of the school.

Dress for Weather

With the cold temperatures and snow, please dress your son or daughter appropriately for the weather conditions of the day. Recess will be outside unless I feel it is too cold and students need to be prepared if we go outside on acceptable days.

Boys Basketball Teams and Cheerleaders, Girls Volleyball Teams

Congratulations to our Junior High Boys Basketball Teams, Cheerleaders and Coaches on a great season. We are now participating in the I.E.S.A. regionals. Go Braves!

The Junior High Girls Volleyball teams and Coaches are into their regular season. We wish you the best of luck!

Scholastic Bowl Team

Good Luck to our scholastic bowl team and Mrs. DeMay. They will begin their season February 7th. Good luck!

Sporting Events

We would like to remind everyone that students and all fans need to remain seated during games. Please make sure your children are not running in and out of the game during play. Between games or half time are great times to visit the concession stand, use the restroom, or get a drink from the drinking fountain. Fans should be seated at all times for the safety of the players, officials, and spectators.

Updated IDPH Guidance

IDPH rules require ages 4 and under to remain on the minimum of 10 day school exclusion. Students attending our preschool program are exempt from the Day 6 return guidance.

*Please see the included and most recently updated Illinois Department of Public Health guidance document.

ACES

Thanks to your support and generosity, ACES was able to raise \$8,318 from our raffle basket fundraiser. This money will be used to enhance the educational experience for the students and staff of the Annawan School District.

Congratulations to all of our winners and the kindergarten class for earning a party for selling the most tickets. The next meeting will be held on February 2nd at the Community Center at 6:30.

Annawan Grade School Honors 2nd Quarter BUG Winners



Annawan Kiwanis Club members Albert Hulting and Tom Wells presented BUG (Bringing Up Grades) Awards to fourth and fifth graders January 10th at the Annawan Grade School. Students must raise a grade (example: C to a B) while maintaining the rest. Students pictured who received awards from left in the front row are fourth graders Neenah Cowling, Parker DeDecker, Wade DeWaele, Paxon Huber, Catelynn Stanley and Kyler Witte. In the back row are 5th graders Alex Attig and Noah Jannie. Absent for the photo were Evelyn Bailey – 5th grade, Kevin Bailey, Ella Johnson, Ryker Roggy – 4th grade. The students are taught by Lisa Spivey and Ann Heller.

**ANNAWAN HIGH SCHOOL
2021-2022 HONOR ROLL
2nd Quarter**

SENIORS HIGH HONORS

Caitlyn Baele, Xander Bremer, JD Carpenter*, Ally Celus*, Riley DeMay, Jaysen Heitzler*, Grace Lindsey, Samantha Lyon, Cassidy Miller, Leah Park*, Sophia Roldan*, Madison Rusk*, Haily Vance

HONORS

Connor Bowen, Lilliana Gallardo, Tre Jones, Zachary Kluever, Rylee Miller

JUNIORS HIGH HONORS

Kyla DeRycke, Aiden Earley*, Hannah Elam, Danielle Johnson*, Coy McKibbon*, Kennadi Rico, Kaitlyn Smith, Payton Wallace, Jaydn Wise*

HONORS

Kyler Gustafson, Joseph McNalley, Makayla Park

SOPHOMORES HIGH HONORS

Kaylee Celus*, Lucas Fehlberg, Olivia Goodley*, Maya Hakes, Elaina Manuel*, Zoey Vance

HONORS

FRESHMEN HIGH HONORS

Ella Anderson, Katelyn Attig*, Brody Childs*, Logan Davis*, Brady Heitzler, Hannah Heitzler*, Laylah Kraft, Ravin Morey*, Karson Shrum*, Paige Sierens*, Clara VanOpdorp, Drew Wise*

HONORS

Emma Cox, Alec Earley, Brynn Harker, Dillon Ketelsen-Anton, Dillon Sherbeyn, Faith VerKruyse

***Denotes 5.0 Club**

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Annawan Grade School 2nd Quarter Honor Roll 2021-2022 January 10, 2022

Honor Roll

6th Grade

Kiahna Camp Kayden DeMuyneck

7th Grade

Dominic Carton Tyra Church Avery Frank Ellis Kraft
Kasen Specht

8th Grade

Gabe Anderson Keagan Gradert Elise Manuel Reilly Samolinski
Makayla Smith Bella Warren Aleigha Witte

High Honor Roll

6th Grade

Konner Anderson-Wise Pierce Childs Lauren Davis Cole Dynes
Baylor Frankenreider Tessa Gripp Nathan Harker Kaleb Klockenga
Payson Shrum Bennett Sierens Miles Wied

7th Grade

Owen Anderson Cole Goodley Aaliyah Hayes Daniel Heston
Jackson Nanninga Gia Samuels Drew Sherbeyn
MaKenna VerKruyse Alexis Wilson

8th Grade

Lillie Bowen Ethan DeMay Wyatt DeSplinter Maddux Heitzler
Tyra Jones Elaine Maupin Landen Park Karsyn Rico
Nic Thurston

COVID PROTOCOL 1/24/2022 (updated)

These are the guidelines given to us from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) to ensure all students are safe and healthy in our school environment. Thank you for partnering with us to make sure we can keep our school running smoothly.

If a student has symptoms,

- Please keep the student and ALL household members home from school unless they are fully vaccinated. (*Individuals over 18, please see footnote.)

Symptoms:

Fever 100.4 or higher

Headache (severe) - New onset moderate to severe

Shortness of breath

Sore throat

(New) Cough

Diarrhea

Nausea

Muscle or body aches

Fatigue (unknown cause)

Loss of taste or smell

Vomiting

For further information please visit <http://www.dph.illinois.gov>

If a student develops symptoms, the options for returning are:

- Doctor's note saying symptoms are not Covid related (Alternative Diagnosis)
- Negative Rapid COVID test if symptomatic

If a student is fully vaccinated and a household member is positive,

- No exclusion is required for asymptomatic individuals
- If symptoms develop, the student will need a test to remain at school

If a student is a close contact and unvaccinated,

- If the student(s) can isolate from the positive individual, stay out for 5 days and recommended rapid test at school upon return on day 6
- If the student cannot isolate from the positive individual, stay out for 10 days and return on day 11 with a recommended rapid test at school upon return

If a student tests positive,

- They should stay home for 5 days from the date of symptom onset and return on day 6 regardless of vaccination status. Please provide the school with your positive test results.
- When the student returns they are required to wear a properly fitted mask at all times.
- From return days 6-10 extra-curricular participants may not practice or compete.

*Preschool-IDPH rules require ages 4 and under to remain on the minimum of 10 day school exclusion. Students attending our preschool program are exempt from the 6 day return guidance.

*Always ask for a note to return to school for any appointment. This is especially important during this time. This includes dentist, ortho, eye doctor, etc....

Changes relating to extra-curriculars/classroom

Students returning from a positive Covid test	Students who return on day 6 after being identified as a close contact	Test to Stay
Students may return on day 6 as long as symptoms have resolved but are asked to be fully masked indoors and <u>outdoors</u> at all times.	They will be allowed to participate in practices starting on day 6.	May be implemented when multiple team members test positive in a short window of time. (Parents will be notified).
Participants in extracurriculars may not participate in competition or practice until day 11.	Will not be allowed to participate in competitions (or events involving other schools) until day 11.	Vaccinated individuals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● may continue as normal as long as they remain asymptomatic.
		Unvaccinated individuals who agree to test on days 1 and 5 after exposure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May participate in all aspects except competitions.
		Unvaccinated individuals who refuse to test on days 1 and 5 after exposure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Will be excluded from school and sports for the 5 days.

Annawan School District will work closely with the local health department to communicate confirmed cases and close contacts in order to keep our school community safe. The Health Department will provide us with information on positive cases for contact tracing purposes.

Thank you for keeping us all safe and doing your part to make sure we can continue a successful school year. We are following IDPH guidelines and they are subject to change and we will keep updating you with the changes.

Annawan Unit 226

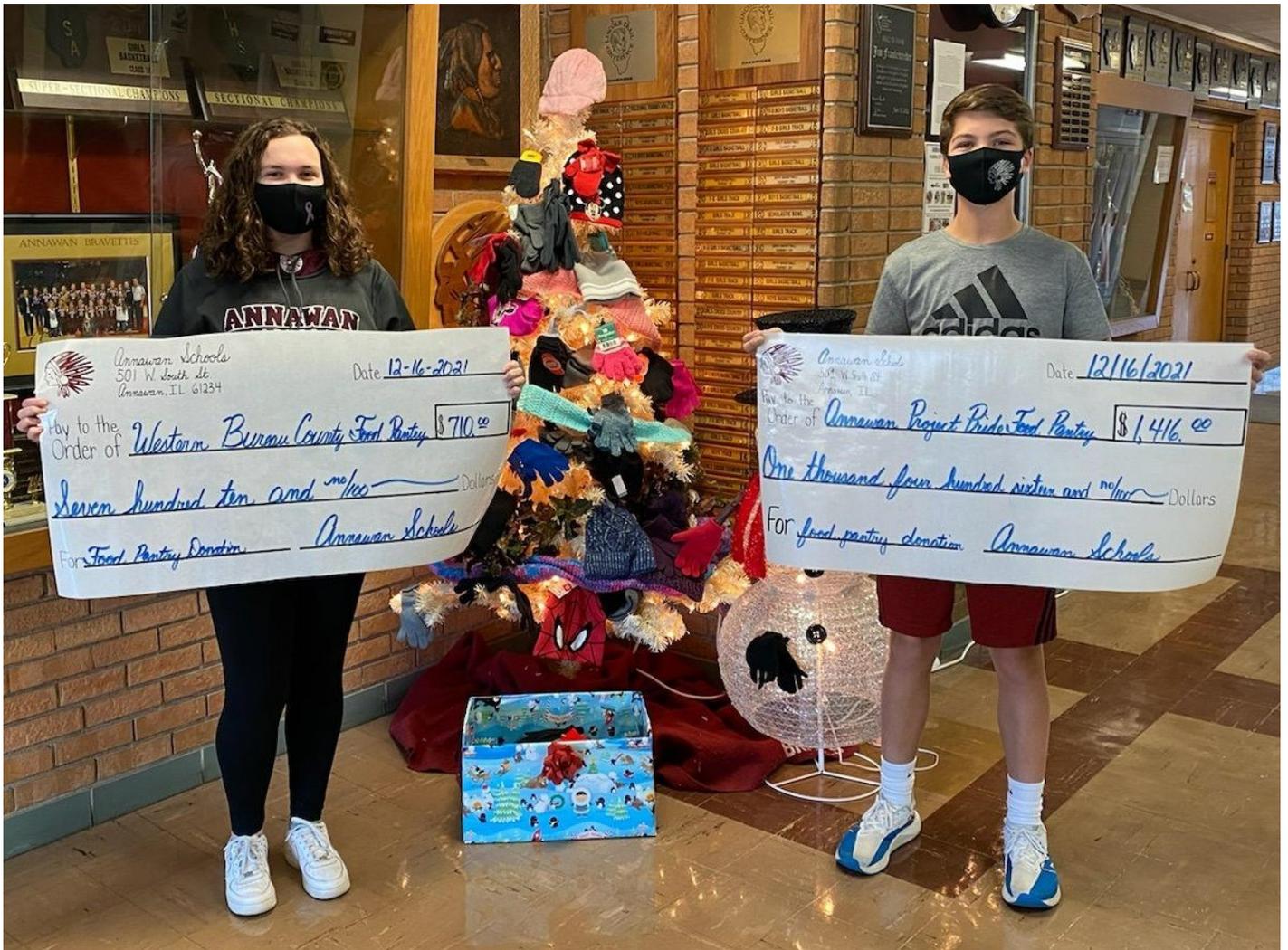
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Bosco Cheese Stick W /Dipping Sauce Green Beans Peaches Milk Choice	2 Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwich Baked Beans Pears Milk Choice	3 B.B.Q. Pork Sandwich Baked Potato Applesauce Milk Choice	4 Taco -N- Bag Lettuce & Cheese Doritos Corn Orange Slices Milk Choice
7 Breakfast Pizza Tri Tater Apple Juice Milk Choice	8 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes W/ Gravy Mix Fruit Milk Choice	9 Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Peanut Butter Bar Apple Milk Choice	10 Grilled Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sun Chips Carrots Orange Slices Milk Choice	11 Pepperoni Hot Pockets Romaine Lettuce Salad Applesauce O' Henry Bar Milk Choice
14 Tenderloin on Bun Broccoli Applesauce Milk Choice	15 Corn Dog Green Beans Cinnamon Roll Mix Fruit Milk Choice	16 B.B.Q. Rib Sandwich Baked Beans Peaches Milk Choice	17 Hamburger or Cheese Burger on Bun Oven Fries Apple Milk Choice	18 Tony's Cheese Pizza Romaine Lettuce Salad Pears Milk Choice
21 No School	22 Crispy Chicken Patty on Bun Green Beans Applesauce Milk Choice	23 Open Faced Hot Pork Mashed Potatoes W/ Gravy Mixed Fruit Milk Choice	24 Pizza Hut Sausage Pizza Romaine Lettuce Salad Pears Milk Choice	25 Early Out No Lunch
28 Mini Corn Dogs Oven Fries Peaches Milk Choice	MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE			

Annawan Jr/Sr High School - February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 TBA B V BKB @ HSBBS LTC Tournament @ Galva 5:30 PM Cancelled G, JH VB @ Immaculate Conception School 6:45 PM B JH BKB @ OPEN	2 5:30 PM G, JH VB @ ROWVA Jr/Sr High School 6:30 PM B, JH BKB @ OPEN 6:00 PM G, JV BKB @ Stark County High School 7:30 PM G V BKB @ Stark County High School	3 TBA B V BKB @ HSBBS LTC Tournament @ Galva 4:00 PM HS Scholastic Bowl at Abingdon-Avon 5:30 PM B, JH BKB @ OPEN 6:00 PM G, JV BKB @ CO-OP Alwood/Cambridge/Ridgewood 7:30 PM G V BKB @ CO-OP Alwood/Cambridge/Ridgewood	4 Mid-Term 3rd Quarter TBA B V BKB @ HSBBS LTC Tournament @ Galva	5 TBA B V BKB @ HSBBS LTC Tournament @ Galva TBA B JH BKB @ OPEN
6	7 4:00 PM JH Scholastic Bowl (A) Genasao 5:30 PM G JH VB @ Visitation School-Kewanee 6:00 PM G JV BKB Princeville High School 7:30 PM G V BKB Princeville High School	8 4:00 PM JH Scholastic Bowl (A) Central 6:00 PM B FS BKB @ United High School (Monmouth) 7:30 PM B V BKB @ United High School (Monmouth)	9 TBA B JH BKB @ OPEN 5:30 PM G JH VB Williamsfield Middle School 6:00 PM G JV BKB @ Mercer County High School 7:30 PM G V BKB @ Mercer County High School	10 TBA B, JH BKB @ OPEN 4:00 PM HS Scholastic Bowl Alwood High School 5:30 PM G, JH VB Weathersfield Jr/Sr HS	11 6:00 PM B FS BKB Stark County High School 7:30 PM B V BKB Stark County High School	12 TBA B, JH BKB @ OPEN TBA G V BKB @ OPEN
13	14 5:30 PM G JH VB Galva Jr/Sr High School	15 TBA G V BKB @ OPEN 6:00 PM B FS BKB @ Princeville High School 7:30 PM B V BKB @ Princeville High School	16 School Board Meeting 6:00 PM TBA G V BKB @ OPEN 5:30 PM G, JH VB @ United Junior High School	17 TBA B, JH BKB @ OPEN TBA G V BKB @ OPEN 4:00 PM JH Scholastic Bowl (A) Stark County 4:00 PM HS Scholastic Bowl at Cambridge	18 6:00 PM B FS BKB Mercer County High School 7:30 PM B V BKB Mercer County High School	19 TBA B, JH BKB @ OPEN TBA G, JH VB @ ROWVA Jr/Sr High School
20	21 NO SCHOOL PRESIDENTS' DAY	22 TBA B V BKB @ OPEN TBA G V BKB @ OPEN	23 TBA B V BKB @ OPEN	24 TBA G V BKB @ OPEN 4:00 PM HS Scholastic Bowl at Galva	25 Dismissal 11:35 AM TBA B V BKB @ OPEN	26 TBA G, JH VB @ OPEN
27	28 TBA G V BKB @ OPEN TBA G JH VB @ OPEN					

Christmas Comes Early for Local Food Pantries thanks to Students' Generosity



Annawan High School Student Council President, Senior—Leah Park, and Junior High Student Council President, 8th grader—Ethan DeMay, are proudly presenting checks for the amounts donated to Western Bureau County and Annawan Project Pride Food Pantries.

Annawan Junior High and High School held their annual donation drive for the Annawan Project Pride and Western Bureau County Food Pantries. The students, staff and members of our communities generously donated a total amount of \$2,126.00. Drive Coordinator, Tammy Celus, said, "I am just blown away by the generosity of our students, their families, our staff and the members of our communities! It just melts my heart at the goodness shown by so many."

The donation was split between our two local food pantries according to an estimated percentage of our families served. Annawan Project Pride Food Pantry will be receiving an amount of \$1,416.00 and the Western Bureau County Food Pantry will receive an amount of \$710.00.

An enormous thank you to all who were able to contribute to our food pantry donation drive. You have made a tremendous difference in the lives of several of our local families.

ANNAWAN PRESCHOOL PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

Now is the time to pre-register your child to be screened for preschool for next fall.

Children must be 3 years old by _____ to be eligible. The screening will be conducted in _____. All children must be screened to determine eligibility. Those who return this registration form will be contacted to set up a screening appointment.

IF YOUR CHILD IS ATTENDING PREK THIS YEAR THEY DO NOT NEED TO FILL OUT A FORM

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

- Student's Legal Name: First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____
- Street Address & P.O. Box # _____
Town: _____
County you reside in: _____
- Birthdate: _____ Sex: _____ Male _____ Female
- Race: (check one) _____ White _____ Black/African American _____ Hispanic/Latino
_____ Multi-racial _____ Asian _____ American Indian/Alaskan Natl. _____ Native Hawaiian/Other
- Social Security Number: _____ Grade: _____
- Does anyone in your home speak a language other than English Yes _____ No _____
What language? _____
- Does your child speak a language other than English? Yes _____ No _____
What language? _____

(Optional) Is either parent or guardian of the student a member of the military who is either currently deployed or expects to be deployed during the school year? Yes _____

- Parent or Guardian: _____
Address: _____
Primary Contact Number: _____
Father's Name & Phone Number _____
- Father Work Number & Employer: _____
Mother's Name & Phone Number _____
Mother's Maiden Name: _____
- Mother Work Number & Employer: _____
- Emergency Contact (someone other than parent/guardian): _____
Phone Number: _____
Emergency Contact: _____
Phone Number: _____
- Doctor's Name: _____
Phone Number: _____
- Allergies/Health Concerns _____
Does your child ride the bus? _____
- I grant Annawan Unit 226 permission to seek medical attention for my son/daughter if I can not be contacted and to share the above health information with personnel who have a need to know.
Signature: _____
Date: _____

Please complete the entire form and return it to the Grade School office by _____
IF YOUR CHILD IS ALREADY IN THE PROGRAM THEY ARE AUTOMATICALLY ELIGIBLE FOR THE _____ SCHOOL YEAR.
The status of the program will depend upon receiving state funding for the _____ school year.