



# DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2019

*Every Child....Every Class....Every Day*

MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR / JORDAN SINZ

## **2019-20 School Year – We Are Stronger Together!**

It is with utter excitement that I look at the calendar and anticipate the halls of Black Earth, Mazomanie, and the middle/high school bustling with student activity. Education is a unique field with the annual closure of one year only to be quickly followed by the anticipation of another. Our district has focused a great deal of attention on frequently communicating with students and parents on an individual basis to build positive relationships. As the district administrator, I am also working hard to do the same.

The start of a new school year elicits a myriad of emotions for students, parents, and faculty members! Some can take this moment in stride, while others cannot help but to feel a great deal of nervous energy. Wherever you fall on this spectrum, please know that our staff is committed to making the transition to the 2019-20 school year as smooth as possible for students and their parents. If you have questions or want to discuss the educational process with one of our staff members, do not hesitate to reach out. The staff will be practicing proactive communication throughout the year to facilitate open and positive lines of communication.

At a local level, we have continual conversations amongst staff members about proactively working to create a safe and welcoming environment. From safety plans to ALICE training to collaboration with local law enforcement, our district has and will continue to take proactive steps in the area of school safety. Also, we have counselors and school personnel that are available to listen to student and parent concerns. We are working hard to ensure our school environment is a safe place to learn. In this edition of the school newsletter, you will find a visitor protocol that was created through a collaborative effort with law enforcement officials from Dane County. We want our schools to maintain their community feel, but we also recognize that our processes need to support secure schools.

Twenty-five staff members recently participated in our third annual Wisconsin Heights School District school improvement planning (SIP) meeting on August 19, 2019. We were joined by Mrs. Elizabeth Freeman from CESA 2. She provided a great deal of experience in the SIP process and helped guide our conversations and efforts to analyze important district data. Based on data and experiential information, we have set district-level goals that are connected to student literacy. These goals will serve as our foundation for professional development, in-service, and staff meetings throughout the 2019-20 school year.

Our district web page can provide a great deal of information for students, parents and community members. The school also has a Facebook page – search for the Wisconsin Heights School District. Please follow us for informational updates and to see examples of the amazing things happening in our district! As technology continues to evolve, we desire to utilize the tremendous potential of electronic communication. An additional resource that can provide a great deal of helpful information is Skyward Family Access. If you are unsure of your login information, please contact your child's school office for instructions.

The educational process is truly a partnership that involves students, parents, faculty, and the community at large. I believe that we have the shared value of wanting students in the Wisconsin Heights School District to enjoy an education that is second to none. For this vision to be realized, we will need to continue to come together to ensure that Wisconsin Heights is a positive place for all students to learn! If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 608-767-2595 (office), 608-370-3997 (cell) or [jsinz@wisheights.k12.wi.us](mailto:jsinz@wisheights.k12.wi.us).

## **Wisconsin Heights School District**

### **Visitor Protocol**

- All staff members at Wisconsin Heights are required to wear their name badge in a visible location throughout the school day.
- All visitors are required to wear a visible visitor badge (given by office staff).
- Do NOT prop doors open at any time.
- Do NOT open any exterior doors for anyone, for any reason

#### **Visitors entering the building (during school hours):**

- Visitors will press the button to request access to the building.
- AA or front desk personnel will ask: *"Could I have your name and the reason for your visit?"*
- AA will unlock the front door and take a quick visual assessment.
- AA will unlock second door to allow visitors enter office/building.
- AA will require ALL visitors to sign-in and give a visitor badge to be worn throughout the building.
- If the visitor is a parent/guardian picking up their student, AA will request for them to stay in the office until their student comes to meet them.
- If belongings are being dropped for a student, they will be required to be left in the office to be delivered to the student by a staff member.
- If a visitor is walking in the hallway with no visitor badge visible, the staff will address visitor *"Hello, did you check in at the office?"*
  - "No"- Staff member: *"I will escort you to the office to get you checked in."*
  - "Yes"- Staff member: *"Can I please see your visitor badge?"*

#### **Visitors Leaving the Building**

- Visitors will return to the office upon leaving the building: Return visitor badge and sign out.

#### **Before School:**

- All visitors must sign in at the main office and get a visitor badge if bringing their child to school/classroom.
- EA's and outside support staff will guide visitors to the front entrance to sign in, DO NOT allow visitors in backdoors.

#### **Pick up:**

- Visitors will wait outside in designated pickup areas.
- If picking up a student early, will check in at the office and wait for the child in the office.

#### **Assemblies/Concerts**

- The main entrance will be monitored by a designated staff member as visitors enter the building.
- Visitors will not need to sign in.
- Visitors will not need a visitor badge if attending a school event.

#### **Vendors**

- Before or After School hours, vendors do not need to obtain a visitor badge.
- During school hours, vendors must sign in at the office or with custodial staff and wear a visible visitor badge.



## Allison Swenson

### Kindergarten Teacher, Black Earth Elementary

Welcome Allison Swenson to Black Earth as a Kindergarten teacher! Allison graduated from Luther College in 2017 with a degree in Elementary Education with endorsements in Early Childhood and Reading. She taught the past 2 years in Ridgeway as the Kindergarten and 1st Grade teacher.



## Emalie Sternberg

### Music Teacher for Black Earth & Mazomanie Elementary (K-5)

Emalie Sternberg is the new music teacher for the elementary schools. She is originally from Houston, TX, however she attended the University of Arizona where she obtained her Bachelor of Music in Music Education. Upon graduation, she returned to Houston with her husband and has taught General Music for the last 5 years in the Pasadena ISD school district. She and her family, including their two small girls, moved to New Glarus at the beginning of August.



## Casey Boatman

### Fourth Grade Teacher, Mazomanie Elementary

Welcome Casey Boatman to Mazomanie as a 4th grade teacher! He will also be coaching girls 7th grade basketball. Casey comes to Wisconsin Heights from the Sun Prairie School District. He lives in Mt Horeb with his wife Sarah and their 4 kids: Tatum, Everett, Stella and Hattie. Casey is excited to join the Wisconsin Heights School District because he is from the small town of Darlington and misses the small town, togetherness, hometown pride that you get with a small community.



## Vanessa Sievert

### Occupational Therapist, District

Welcome Vanessa Sievert as the district's Occupational Therapist! Vanessa has been an occupational therapist since 2012 graduating with a Masters degree from Saint Catherine University in St. Paul, MN. As an occupational therapist, her experience lies in working in schools as well as the medical field. This will be her fourth year as an occupational therapist in the school environment. Vanessa is married and has three children whom attend and will attend the Wisconsin Heights School District. Vanessa looks forward to servicing the students in the Wisconsin Heights school district this school year.





## **Sara Boutelle**

### **English Teacher, Middle School/High School**

Welcome Sara Boutelle who is our new English teacher. She graduated from UW-Oshkosh with a degree in English and graduated from Edgewood with a graduate degree in Secondary Education - English. She was an English teacher at Sauk Prairie High School for four years. She attended Belleville High School where she competed in cross country and track and field. This will be her fifth year as the Head Cross Country Coach for the Wisconsin Heights High School teams, and it will be her fourth year as the Head Track and Field Coach for the Wisconsin Heights High School teams.



## **Alexander Hackel**

### **Social Studies Teacher, Middle School/High School**

Welcome Alexander Hackel as a MS/HS Social Studies teacher! He received his bachelor's in History and Economics from UW-Madison in 2017 along with his teaching license in 2018. Alexander attended high school in Kaukauna, WI where he participated in soccer, track, drama, and forensics. Alexander will also serve as the new forensics adviser for Heights.

## **Additional New Staff/Changes to Existing Staff**

### **District**

Rachel Elliott—Rachel has changed positions from a Kindergarten teacher to the district's IT Integrator.

### **Black Earth**

Gerald Poss—Custodian

### **Mazomanie**

Anne Moore – Anne is now a full-time Educational Assistant.

### **MS/HS**

Sarah Duhr – Sarah has moved from Mazomanie in the same position of Cross Categorical Teacher.

Kelly Payne—Kelly has moved from Mazomanie in the same position of Educational Assistant.

Jayne O'Connell—Educational Assistant



# Black Earth

SCOTT MOORE, Black Earth Principal,

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It is gearing up to be another great year at Black Earth Elementary School! The staff has been hard at work preparing rooms and getting everything ready for our amazing students on September 3rd! We are excited to have our students back and filling up our hallways and classrooms with happiness!

Black Earth has a few new faces in our building this year. Welcome to Gerald Poss, who will be working as our daytime Custodian. He brings many years of custodial/maintenance experience, most recently with the Middleton/Cross Plains School District. We also welcome Allison Swenson to our staff as a Kindergarten teacher! Allison taught for the past two years in the Dodgeville School District prior to coming to Wisconsin Heights. Emalie Sternberg joins both the Black Earth and Mazomanie staff as the Elementary Music teacher. Emalie is from Houston, Texas and worked for 6 years as a music teacher in the Pasadena Independent School District in Houston, Texas.

Our school day is from 7:50 AM -2:50 PM, which is a change from last year. If you live within walking distance of school or choose to transport your children yourself, your children should arrive at school no earlier than 7:35 AM for safety reasons. The only exception to this is if your child is having school breakfast.

Together, we can make this the best year ever! If you ever need to reach me you can email me at [smoore@wisheights.k12.wi.us](mailto:smoore@wisheights.k12.wi.us) or call at 608-767-2251 x4104.

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## MZ/BE Fundraising Update

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We will not be participating with our traditional magazine fundraiser this fall. After some reflection, we felt it was time to try something different. We are looking into a couple of options so watch for information coming home soon on some new fundraising ideas for the elementary schools. Our fundraiser help us purchase the t-shirts for field day as well as purchase our Gotcha prizes along with supporting a variety of activities and items for the students throughout each school year. We appreciate your support!

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## Elementary Dates to Remember—September

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### Upcoming Events:

Monday, September 2nd—Labor Day, No School

Tuesday, September 3rd- First Day of Classes for Students

Thursday, September 5th—WHPTO Meeting at Mazo Elementary | 6:30 PM

Wednesday, September 18th—Early Release Day | Students dismissed at 11:25 AM (no EC or 4K classes)

Friday, September 27th- Picture Retake Day

# **Mazomanie Elementary News**

**DALE GREEN**, Mazomanie Principal

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Welcome to the 2019-20 school year! We hope you had a wonderful summer and we are anticipating another great school year! With the start of the school year it is also the start of new routines for your family. Just a reminder, we have a new start and dismissal time this year with our school day beginning at 7:50 A.M. and our dismissal at 2:50 P.M.

We are starting our fifth year with our PBIS program and with PBIS being a big part of our daily routines and school culture, we wanted to start the year again with sharing information about the program. We are planning on reviewing our current PBIS program and we may have a few adjustments during the second semester, we will keep you updated.

## **What is PBIS?**

Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS) is a process for creating a safer and more effective school. This approach teaches students to be responsible, respectful and safe. PBIS is a highly researched and evidence-based system for teaching behavioral expectations throughout the school. PBIS supports the safety and success of ALL students. Specific procedures for teaching and celebrating these expectations will occur throughout the year. This will be achieved through the use of:

**Behavioral Lessons** – School-wide instruction of expected behavior. All behaviors are taught at the beginning of the school year and throughout the year whenever a student or class demonstrates difficulties displaying appropriate behaviors in a particular setting.

**Major/Minor Behavioral Referrals** - A communication tool between home and school to inform parents of problem behaviors. This data is tracked and collected for staff to see how referrals are being made each month and when and where behavior problems are occurring.

**Celebrations**– By following the expectations and earning "Gotcha" tickets, students participate in school-wide activities to celebrate positive behavior.

**“Gotcha” Tickets** - Immediate reinforcement for positive behaviors. These are given by all staff members whenever a student is observed following the expectations.

Classroom acknowledgement: Students are recognized within their classroom for meeting expectations and earning behavioral points.

Weekly acknowledgement: School-wide drawing from all of the Gotcha tickets collected for the week. Students come down to the office and receive a reward.

Watch for more information regarding PBIS throughout the school year. We do appreciate your support at home in fostering, “Respectful – Responsible – Safe” students!

## **MZ Elementary Science Club**

Again this year our UW Biocore students will be assisting with our afterschool Science Club. We will be starting with our 5th grade students first semester with opportunities for our 3rd & 4th graders in the 2nd semester of the year. Information will be coming home in backpacks or online once we have the details. We are hoping to start the first session as early as September 13th from 3:00 to 4:30 pm.

## **Shoes for Physical Education Class**

Elementary students are asked to keep a pair of shoes at school specifically for physical education class. These shoes do not need to be new, just clean. Having these shoes that are used only for physical education help keep our gym floors in good shape!

# Middle/High School News

ELIZABETH DOSTAL, MS/HS Principal

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## Changes for 2019-20 School Year

Welcome back, Vanguarders! There have been some changes for students at Wisconsin Heights. They are:

⇒ Bell Schedules: We have added one minute to passing time giving students a total of four minutes between classes. The bell schedule is as follows:

Period 1 7:55 to 8:42

Period 2 8:46 to 9:36

Period 3 9:40 to 10:27

Period 4 10:31 to 11:18

Period 5 Lunch (Middle) 11:22 to 11:52

Period 5 class 11:22 to 12:09

Period 6 class 11:56 to 12:43

Period 6 Lunch (High) 12:13 to 12:43

Period 7 12:47 to 1:34

Period 8 1:38 to 2:25

Period 9 2:29 to 3:19

This has necessitated adding 3 minutes to the end of the day; students will end school at 3:19 pm instead of 3:16 pm.

⇒ Backpack Policy: Students may utilize traditional bags and backpacks to transport personal items to and from school, but they must be stored in their locker during the school day. Students can use clear plastic or see through mesh bags or backpacks to take books and personal items to classes during the day. Students may also carry a small pencil case to classes. At the end of the day, students will be allowed to load their regular backpacks to take items home. Students are not required to purchase a bag unless they want to use it to carry items from class to class.

⇒ PLC Wednesdays: Teachers will be collaborating on Wednesday mornings from 7:30 to 8:15. First hour will begin at 8:20 AM. Thus, students do not have to be on campus until 8:15. This does not impact busing. Students who ride the bus will still be picked up at the same time and dropped off at the middle/high school. When they arrive, they will be given a choice of activities to participate in until 8:15. Please note that because September 18th is an early release day we will run a regular schedule with a start time of 7:55.

⇒ Support for students: We offer two support settings for students.

- In middle school, most students will have Targeted Support for one period per day. In Targeted Support, students will have 15 to 20 minutes to complete homework (quiet study) and then have 20 to 25 minutes of enrichment. Students in 6 th grade band will have Targeted Support on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Students in 7-8 band will have Targeted Support on Tuesday and Thursday. Choir students will have Targeted Support on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. If a student has both Choir and Band, they will not have Targeted Support.
- At the High School level, we have revamped our small study hall into CARE, Core Academic Resource and Empowerment. CARE will be available for students who need more support in a structured setting. Students, parents, teachers and administrators may refer students to CARE; automatic triggers for CARE placement will be students with identified gaps in reading and math (universal screener scores) and students with grades below a C in an academic core class. A student referred to CARE will have his or her schedule changed from Study Hall to CARE and will work with the teacher to develop a 15-day plan to get on track. When students meet their goals and their marks are C's or better, their schedule will revert to regular study hall.

# September Athletic Events

ANDREW PICKETT, MS/HS Assistant Principal/Athletic Director

For current up to date information go to <http://www.capitolconferencesouth.org/public/genie/487/school/1/>

The following must be turned in to the office before a student is allowed to participate in extra-curricular activities: Current physical or 2nd year card, Concussion Form, Emergency Contact Form, Fees Paid

<b>Cross Country</b>					
Varsity	Sat	09/21/2019	8:00am	Norsk Golf Club	
Varsity	Sat	09/28/2019	8:15am	Fennimore High School	
<b>Boys Soccer</b>					
Varsity	Tue	09/17/2019	6:45pm	Cambridge - Deerfield	Wisconsin Heights High School
JV	Thu	09/19/2019	5:00pm	Sauk Prairie	Sauk Prairie High School
Varsity	Thu	09/19/2019	7:00pm	Sauk Prairie	Sauk Prairie High School
JV	Tue	09/24/2019	5:00pm	Lake Mills	Breese Stevens Field - Madison
Varsity	Tue	09/24/2019	6:45pm	Lake Mills	Breese Stevens Field - Madison
Varsity	Thu	09/26/2019	5:00pm	Lakeside Lutheran	Lakeside Lutheran High School
JV	Thu	09/26/2019	5:00pm	Lakeside Lutheran	Lakeside Lutheran High School
JV	Sat	09/28/2019	9:30am	Driftless United	Viroqua High School
<b>Volleyball</b>					
JV	Tue	09/03/2019	5:30pm	New Glarus High School	New Glarus High School
Varsity	Tue	09/03/2019	6:45pm	New Glarus High School	New Glarus High School
JV	Thu	09/05/2019	5:30pm	Waterloo	Wisconsin Heights High School
Varsity	Thu	09/05/2019	6:45pm	Waterloo	Wisconsin Heights High School
JV	Tue	09/10/2019	5:30pm	Cambridge	Cambridge High School
Varsity	Tue	09/10/2019	6:45pm	Cambridge	Cambridge High School
Varsity	Sat	09/14/2019	8:00am	INVITE	Beaver Dam High School
JV	Tue	09/17/2019	5:30pm	Belleville	Wisconsin Heights High School
Varsity	Tue	09/17/2019	6:45pm	Belleville	Wisconsin Heights High School
JV	Thu	09/19/2019	5:30pm	Madison Home	Wisconsin Heights High School
Varsity	Sat	09/21/2019	8:00am	INVITE	Middleton High School
JV	Tue	09/24/2019	5:30pm	Marshall	Wisconsin Heights High School
Varsity	Tue	09/24/2019	6:45pm	Marshall	Wisconsin Heights High School
Varsity	Sat	09/28/2019	8:30am	INVITE	Wisconsin Heights High School
<b>Girls Swim - COOP</b>					
Varsity	TUE	09-03-19	6:00PM	Waunakee	Waunakee High School
Varsity	TUE	09-10-19	6:00PM	Beaver Dam	Beaver Dam YMCA
Varsity	SAT	09-14-19	10:00AM	Lodi	Lodi High School HS Pool
Varsity	TUE	09-17-19	6:00PM	Sauk Prairie	Sauk Prairie High School
Varsity	TUE	09-24-19	6:00PM	Lodi/Heights	Lodi High School HS Pool
Varsity	SAT	09-28-19	10:00AM	Jefferson	Jefferson High School



# MS/HS Counseling Department

KURT WONG, School Counselor

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## Seniors

Seniors should be working on their college applications.

Admissions officials look at:

- High school rank in class and GPA (grade point average) and the strength of a student's courses over all four high school years
- ACT and/or SAT scores
- School and community activities
- Teacher recommendations, if required
- Student essays, if required
- Overall quality of student effort in preparing the application – following directions, proper spelling, typing or neat handwriting, etc.

UW Universities/colleges Application priority dates and deadlines vary from campus to campus and sometimes among different programs at one campus. It is to your advantage to apply early! UW-Madison has the earliest priority acceptance deadline which is November 1. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Wong or the institution to which you are applying.

The UW System has an enrollment management policy that limits the number of students each campus can accommodate. Specific programs may also have enrollment limits. Even applicants who meet minimum admission requirements may not be admitted.

You may use the UW System Application for Undergraduate Admission to apply to any UW campus. Whether you apply online or use the paper application, several items must be submitted to complete your application file.

- A \$60 application fee must be paid to each campus to which you apply. In cases of exceptional need, the application fee may be waived. Contact your counselor for details.
- An official copy of your high school transcript. If you have completed any college course work, you must also have an official transcript sent from each college or university attended.
- ACT or SAT test scores. Some admission offices require an official score report directly from the testing agency before evaluating an application.

Visit <https://apply.wisconsin.edu> and use the UW System online application for admission. Features of the online eApplication include easy ability to apply to multiple campuses and optional Visa or MasterCard payment of the application fee.

The Admission Decision – High school seniors notified of admission before finishing their senior year are expected to graduate, successfully complete course work in progress at the time they applied and maintain the class rank required for admission. UW System institutions reserve the right to rescind admission if a student fails to meet conditions on which admission was based.

MATC will start processing applications as soon as they receive them. You will need to look up the specific programs you are applying to because prerequisites vary. You will also be able to find out if there is a waiting list or not. From the Madison College homepage <http://madisoncollege.edu/> click on Apply for Admission button. Madison College's online application is secure and easy to use:

- Save your work and come back to it later.
- Receive immediate notification of receipt via e-mail.
- No delay – application processing starts right away.

# MS/HS Counseling Department continued...

KURT WONG, School Counselor

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Some programs may have unique admission requirements, such as assessment test scores, course requirements, or early admission deadlines. From the Madison College homepage, click on the link to “Programs of Study” and find your program to check for any additional requirements.

## Transcripts

Students must fill out a Transcript Request Form in order to have a transcript sent to any school they are applying to. This form may be picked up outside the Guidance Office. At the present time there is no charge to have a transcript sent. Once the request is received, there will be a 2-3 day turnaround in getting the application out.

## Juniors and Seniors

All juniors will be taking the ACT at the high school on March 3, 2020. There is no registration necessary this will all be taken care of by the school. For those interested ACT is now offering a free online test prep. This can be accessed at <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act-non-us/test-preparation/act-academy.html> For those interested in doing a retake you can register online for the ACT [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). The SAT can be accessed at <http://www.collegeboard.com/student/index.html?student>. You can find out test dates and deadlines using these sites also.

## Upcoming College Education Fairs/Events

A Wisconsin Education Fair will be held at Sun Prairie High School, Thursday, September 29, 2019 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. and 6:00–8:00 p.m. Students and parents will have the opportunity to meet with about 120 college/university/tech school and military representatives from the Midwest. Make sure you ask questions! Representatives are there specifically to assist you and to provide information about educational opportunities. More information can be found at <http://www.wefs.org>



# Notes from the Nurse

KATY HOWE

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Welcome back to school! I am looking forward to this new school year!

Every fall I take a look at all of our student's immunizations and have to report it to the state. Please make sure your child is up to date. There are required immunizations when starting Kindergarten and 6th grade, please check to see if your child has received those immunizations. If you are unsure if your child is missing an immunization, please let me know and I can check for you. Immunizations are especially important this year with the measles outbreak that has been happening in the US and globally. Measles is extremely contagious and although there has not been a case so far in Wisconsin there has been in neighboring states so please make sure you and your family are protected. With the amount of travel that happens over summer break it increases the risk of measles spreading and the best thing you can do to protect yourself and your family is to get the MMR vaccine.

At the beginning of every year I also take a look at the medications that students will be taking in school. If your child will be taking a daily medication or will have an emergency medication at school, please make sure to have a medication form filled out. If it is an over the counter medication the form only needs to be signed by a parent but if it is a prescription medication the form needs to be filled out by a parent and a doctor. This is true for any medication that might come up during the school year as well. If your student carries an inhaler with them for emergency situations and takes it themselves we still need to have a medication form on file. The form tells us that this is a medication they should be taking and also has permission from a parent and doctor to administer it themselves. Please let me know if you have any questions.

For those of you who participated in the FLUency program last year, please continue to use your thermometers and enter the information into the app. We still have access to our schools in the app to be able to see what sort of illnesses are going around the schools. I found it extremely helpful last year so I could help provide information on things that I was seeing. We should also be getting access to more thermometers for new families. I will keep you updated on the program once I hear more.

I am looking forward to a great and healthy school year!



# Notes from the Music Department

ANIELA HAAS & GINA ADEMINO



Thank you to everyone that cheered on the Middle School Band and the High School Band and Color Guard at the Black Earth Field Days Parade and at our first home football game. We'd also like to thank all of our "parade parents" and float driver, Bryan Adler. Welcome to Emalie Sternberg, our new K-5 vocal music teacher. Farewell to Janet Dahl, who retired this year. She gave our talented middle and high school music students their start in music.



The Wisconsin Heights High School Band & Color Guard, and Middle School Band  
Black Earth Field Days Parade 2019

## Wisconsin Heights High School represented in State FFA Band & Choir

Wisconsin Heights High School Band/Choir members represented our school as members of the State FFA Band & Choir. They are members of the Wisconsin Heights High School FFA chapter. Musicians had to be nominated and send in an audition tape before being accepted. They performed during the State FFA Convention in June and again at the Wisconsin State Fair in August. Congratulations to all from FFA advisor, Kim Houser, and High School Band/Choir teacher, Aniela Haas.



FFA Band (back row) Luke Haugen-bari saxophone, Jared Mickelson-baritone, Brennan Zander alto saxophone, Brooks Lueck-trombone (WHHS FFA/WHHS Band alumni), front row) Abigail Walz-bass clarinet, Paige Mitchell-clarinet, Cassidy DeWitt-percussion.



FFA Choir  
Cassie Parrell and  
Jenna Ziegler



# Notes from the Music Department continued

ANIELA HAAS & GINA ADEMINO

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## Upcoming Events:

- Sept. 6: Home Football game, Call Time @ 6 p.m. (HS Band & Color Guard)
- Sept. 8: Wild West Days Parade at 12:00 Noon, arrive at 11:30 a.m. (MS/HS Bands & Color Guards)
- Sept. 18: Fundraising kick-off during the school day (MS/HS Bands & Choirs)
- Sept. 27: Home Football game, Call Time @ 6 p.m. (HS Band & Color Guard)

## Looking to donate?

- Support the school music program by purchasing ad space for your business/place of work in concert programs this school year. (Contact Gina Ademino, gademino@wisheights.k12.wi.us)
  - The Music Department will take that used polo shirt, lesson book, band instrument, guitar, keyboard, or music stand, and get it into the hands of a music student.
  - We are collecting ink jet cartridges again this year. You do not need to send them in their original packaging (unless new). No toner tubes or anything larger than about a foot. Drop boxes are at both elementary schools and at the MS/HS office.
  - Do you play an instrument? Consider volunteering your time tutoring a young music student, play in the Iron Horse Cornet Band (community band), or possibly as a piano accompanist for Solo & Ensemble Festival.
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Lots of discussions amongst the PTO and we would love to have the support of all our families. Find a way to be involved. You can sign up with your email or follow us on FB, currently.

- Heights Hustle helped purchase the new swings at Black Earth Elementary.
- New way to earn points with Box Tops- take a picture of your receipts.
- Support WHPTO by using smile.amazon.com and direct your Amazon Smile to Wisconsin Heights Parent-Teacher Organization for a donation of 0.5% of your purchase.
- We are working on raffle baskets. If anyone has items to donate for the Halloween fundraiser you can leave them at the Black earth Elementary for Becky Schuetz.
- Additional ideas for the Halloween fundraiser to run safely and smoothly for continued family fun.
- New link to the PTO Calendar of Events on the Wisconsin Heights web page coming soon!



**PTO WHPTO**  
It is Amazon Prime time!

Did you know our WHPTO has an Amazon Smile account?!

We appreciate your support by shopping [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com). Amazon donates 0.5% of your purchases if you direct your Amazon Smile to Wisconsin Heights Parent- Teacher Organization.

#VanguardPride



EVERYBODY IS  
WELCOME!



PLAY THE "FUN FACT"  
GAME ALONG THE WAY!

## A HOMECOMING RUN/WALK

### Time:

RACE BEGINS AT  
8:30 AM ON  
OCTOBER 5, 2019

Rain, shine, or snow!

### Location:

WOLF RUN TRAIL

STARTING POINT IS AT THE  
GREENHOUSE AT

WISCONSIN HEIGHT HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOL.

### SPONSORED BY:

*Wisconsin Heights FFA Alumni*



### Fees:

PRE-REGISTRATION - \$25  
DAY OF REGISTRATION - \$30  
ANY STUDENT - \$15

REGISTRATION INCLUDES: T-SHIRT, REUSABLE GROCERY BAG,  
REFUELING SNACKS, AND A RACE NUMBER.

If you have any questions, please  
email the alumni at:  
WIHEIGHTSFFAALUMNI@GMAIL.COM

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE:  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, what year did/will you graduate from Wisconsin Heights?  
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### Shirt Size:

Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_

Large \_\_\_\_\_ X-Large \_\_\_\_\_

2X-Large \_\_\_\_\_ No Shirt \_\_\_\_\_

### Proceeds go to:

- Scholarships
- Leadership Trips
- Agriculture Project

I am entering the Dashing Through the Decades 5K on October 5, 2019, at my own risk. I verify I am medically able to participate and acknowledge I assume all risk of participation. I understand the WI Heights School District, Wisconsin Heights FFA or Alumni is not liable for any injury that occurs during this event.

Participant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If under 18, both the participant and parent/guardian must sign and date.

Make checks payable to "Wisconsin Heights FFA Alumni"

Registration forms and registration payment can be mailed to:  
WI Heights FFA Alumni  
2204 Grand Street  
Cross Plains, WI 53528

Registration can also be found online at Eventbrite.com - "Dashing Through the Decades 5K"



## YOUR FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Headquartered in Minnetonka, Minnesota, Taher, Inc. has maintained a matchless reputation based on standards of quality, driven by trained chefs, providing value, integrity and professional services. Taher, Inc. manages a portfolio of 250 clients in an 18-state area. It is the largest private company in the country serving private and public school communities. We are excited to collaborate with WI Heights to provide you with an exciting and nutritionally balanced school food service program. Our breakfast, lunch and A la Carte items are prepared and served on-site by your local food service team. *We look forward to serving you in 2019-20!*

### HIGHLIGHTS of the Dining Program include:

Our Food 4Life menu offerings incorporate Chef-developed made-from scratch items, which are trans-fat free and contain healthy whole grains. A Fruit & Vegetable Bar is part of every meal with up to five choices of fruits and vegetables every day! There are many choices within our meal service, including:

- Elementary students will enjoy a choice of two lunch selections from our Classic Café station.
- Middle & High School students may select from three entrée choices daily, including rotating Grab 'n Go salads and sandwiches. Students and faculty will be able to choose from Taher's signature pizza, hot selections from our Classic Café and a variety of Sandwiches from our Grill Station as well as made to order entrees from the Creation Station.
- Throughout the year, our New Regional Chef David will prepare selections On-Display for students at the Middle-High School giving them a Tour around the World' as they serve entrees inspired from our Chef Council's International Trips.



### NEW THIS YEAR!!

Julianna Corderman, Food Service Director RD

#### Food4Life APP

- Menus
- Nutrition Facts
- Allergy Information
- Latest News
- Events and Promotions
- Chef Blogs



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### 2019-2020 MEAL PRICES

#### BREAKFAST

Elementary Paid.....	\$1.60
Secondary Paid .....	\$1.75
Reduced .....	\$0.30
Adult .....	\$2.10

#### LUNCH

Elementary .....	\$2.90
Secondary .....	\$3.15
Creation Station.....	\$3.65
Reduced .....	\$0.40
Adult .....	\$4.30
Extra Milk.....	\$0.50

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us. We are here to help!

Julianna Corderman Food Service Director • (608) 767-2595 • email: [taher@wisheights.k12.wi.us](mailto:taher@wisheights.k12.wi.us)





# Elementary Lunch Menu

September  
2019

JUMP START BREAKFAST BOXES AVAILABLE IN THE MORNINGS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>2</b> Labor Day No School	<b>3</b> WELCOME BACK  Roasted Hot Dog on a Bun OR Turkey and Cheese Sub  Tator Tots Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>4</b>  Sloppy Joe on a Bun OR Crispy Chicken Salad  Calico Bean Bake Chocolate Chip Cookie Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>5</b> Nat'l Cheese Pizza Day  Cheese Pizza OR Ham Deli Sub Sandwich  Broccoli Florets Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>6</b> HOM: Cilantro  Soft Beef Tacos Pico de Gallo OR Yogurt Pak with Pretzel Bites  Firenze Corn Salad Fruit and Vegetable Bar
<b>9</b>  Corn Dog OR Pretzel Bites w/Cheese Cubes  Green Beans Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>10</b> HOM: Nectarine  Crispy Chicken Tenders Whole Grain Dinner Roll OR Turkey Deli Sub Sandwich Nectarine Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>11</b>  BBQ Pulled Pork Sliders OR Crispy Chicken Salad  Calico Bean Bake Birthday Cake Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>12</b>  Cheese Bosco Stick Marinara Sauce OR Ham Deli Sandwich  Breakfast Potatoes Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>13</b>  Cheeseburger on Bun OR Yogurt Pak with Bagel  Golden French Fries Fruit and Vegetable Bar
<b>16</b>  Cheesy Italian Flatbread OR Pretzel Bites w/Cheese Cubes  Seasoned Ranch Wedges Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>17</b> Homemade....M'MM  Roast Turkey & Gravy Whole Grain Dinner Roll OR Ham & Cheese Pinwheel  Mashed Potatoes Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>18</b> Early Release  Turkey Deli Sandwich Baby Carrots Fresh Apple Kettle Potato Chips Box Lunch Today!	<b>19</b> HOM Jalapeno Pepper  Beefy Nachos & Canned Cheese Sauce Jalapeno Peppers OR Ham Deli Sandwich  Firenze Corn Salad	<b>20</b>  Crispy Chicken Sandwich OR Yogurt Pak with Bagel  Green Beans Mini Rice Krispie Treat Fruit and Vegetable Bar
<b>23</b>  Crispy Chicken Nuggets Whole Grain Dinner Roll OR Pretzel Bites w/Cheese Cubes  Tator Tots Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>24</b> From our Kitchen.....  Meatloaf Whole Grain Dinner Roll OR Turkey Deli Sandwich  Cheesy Mashed Potatoes Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>25</b>  Cheese Bosco Stick with Red Sauce OR Crispy Chicken Salad  Roasted Broccoli Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>26</b> National Pancake Day  Pancakes Easy Egg Bake OR Ham Deli Sub Sandwich  Breakfast Potatoes Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>27</b>  Walking Taco OR Yogurt Pak with Bagel  Roasted Corn Churro Half Fruit and Vegetable Bar
<b>30</b>  Mini Corn Dogs OR Pretzel Bites w/Cheese Cubes  Macaroni & Cheese Fruit and Vegetable Bar	<b>30</b>  Eat your Fruits and Vegetables!	<b>30</b>  Start your Day off Right.... Join us for Breakfast!		 ChooseMyPlate.gov

<p><b>PRICES</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>Regular</td><td>\$2.90</td></tr> <tr><td>Reduced</td><td>\$0.40</td></tr> <tr><td>Adult</td><td>\$4.30</td></tr> <tr><td>Extra Milk</td><td>\$0.50</td></tr> <tr><td>Extra Entree</td><td>\$1.50</td></tr> </table>	Regular	\$2.90	Reduced	\$0.40	Adult	\$4.30	Extra Milk	\$0.50	Extra Entree	\$1.50	<p><b>EXTRA INFO</b></p> <p>Milk Choice of 1% white or chocolate is included with lunch</p> <p>For questions or comments contact Juliana Corderman @1-608-767-2959 X 1008 or email Taher@wshelgts.k12.wi.us</p>	<p><b>HARVEST OF THE MONTH</b></p> 	<p>Your MENUS plus more information on our app Taher Food4Life®</p>  <p>www.taher.com</p>
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# Wisconsin Heights 2019-2020 School Calendar

AUGUST 2019						
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Inservice- No School		First Day of School		Early Release
No School		No School Parent / Teacher Conferences		Last Day of School

Registration Day (12:00 PM – 7:00 PM) Aug 14  
 Inservice – New Teachers only Aug 21-22  
 Inservice – All Teachers Aug 26-29  
 Open House Aug 29  
 NO SCHOOL Sept 2  
 First Day of School (PK-12) Sept 3  
 Early Release Sept 18  
 NO SCHOOL (Teacher PD Day) Oct 7  
 PT Conferences; NO SCHOOL Oct 24  
 NO SCHOOL Oct 25  
 End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter (6-12) Nov 6  
 NO SCHOOL Nov 27-29  
 End of 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester (PK-5) Nov 26  
 WINTER BREAK Dec 23 – Jan 1  
 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter (6-12) Jan 17  
 NO SCHOOL (Teacher Work Day) Jan 20  
 NO SCHOOL (Teacher PD Day) Feb 17  
 PT Conferences: Regular School Day for Students,  
 Conferences Held 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM Feb 27  
 PT Conferences: NO SCHOOL Feb 28  
 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester (PK-5) Feb 28  
 End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (6-12) Mar 20  
 SPRING BREAK Mar 23 – 27  
 Early Release Apr 9  
 NO SCHOOL Apr 10  
 Early Release May 22  
 NO SCHOOL May 25  
 Graduation May 31  
 Last Day of School – Full Day June 5  
 End of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter and 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester June 5  
 Inservice – All Teachers June 8  
 Snow make-up day, if needed June 8  
 Curriculum Week June 8 – 12

## NOTES:

- Early Release Times  
K-5 - 11:20 AM MS/HS - 11:50 AM
- Staff Development on  
Early Release Days 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM
- Parent-Teacher Conferences  
October 24 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
February 27 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
February 28 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM\*  
\*Teachers are off in the afternoon

## STAFF NOTES:

175 Instruction Days  
 2 PT Conference Days  
 7 Inservice Days  
 1 Teacher Workday  
 3 Paid Holidays (Labor Day,  
 Thanksgiving, Memorial Day)  
 188 Contract Days

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