

“Notes From School”

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Today's educational student population is becoming more and more a reflection of the demographic melting pot of the greater United States. The School District of Mondovi is no different. Wisconsin State Statute 118.13 states, no pupil may be treated in a different manner in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil service, recreational or other program on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, creed, age, national origin, ancestry, pregnancy, marital status or parental status, sexual orientation, physical disability, mental disability, emotional disability, or learning disability. During the holiday season, religious differences can sometimes be pushed to the forefront.

Hanukkah is a Jewish holiday that runs from December 12 through December 20. Christmas falls on Monday, December 25. Kwanzaa, which celebrates and honors African heritage in African-American culture, runs from December 26 through January 1. We are currently in the middle of the Hmong New Year, which runs November through December. In 2017, we have already passed by Ramadan, the Muslim Holy month that ran from May 26 through June 24 and Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Lights on October 19, also celebrated by the Sikhs and Jains.

On behalf of the School District of Mondovi, I wish **all** of you a safe and Happy Holiday as you enjoy your holiday season with your family and friends.