



The District 271 School Bell

“News From Our District”

JANUARY 2020

Paw Paw School District
No. 271

District Office
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Eve Phillips,
Principal

REMINDER:

Please remember that elementary students will go outside for recess as much as possible. Please be sure to keep that in mind as your child dresses for school. A warm coat, boots and gloves, and snow pants (if you have them), are almost essential dress in January and February. Elementary students will go out for recess after lunch if the weather is agreeable. Your student will not be able to play in the snow if they do not have snow pants! We will use the following chart to determine when there will be outside recess. When it says caution, we will judge on a case by case basis.

Wind-Chill Factor Chart (in Fahrenheit)										
		Wind Speed in mph								
		Calm	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40
Air Temperature	40	40	36	34	32	30	29	28	28	27
	30	30	25	21	19	17	16	15	14	13
	20	20	13	9	6	4	3	1	0	-1
	10	10	1	-4	-7	-9	-11	-12	-14	-15
	0	0	-11	-16	-19	-22	-24	-26	-27	-29
	-10	-10	-22	-28	-32	-35	-37	-39	-41	-43



Comfortable for out door
play



Caution



Danger

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

A screening for children, birth-age 5, will be held this year on Tuesday Jan. 28th, 2020 at the Paw Paw Elementary School. Screenings will last between 30-45 minutes. Please have your child eat before you come into the screening. Information used from the screening may be used to assist families with early childhood education options. If you forget to make an appointment but still have a child that needs to be screened, please come in. Your wait period may be extended. Call the school, 815-627-2671, to make an appointment.

For your convenience, Kindergarten registration for the 2020-21 school year will also take place on Tuesday Jan. 28th, 2020 8:30—12:00 in the office. We will need a copy of the child’s (children’s) birth certificate and proof that you are living in Paw Paw School District #271.



Next School Board Meeting:
MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2020—7:00 PM
Paw Paw School—Rm. #124

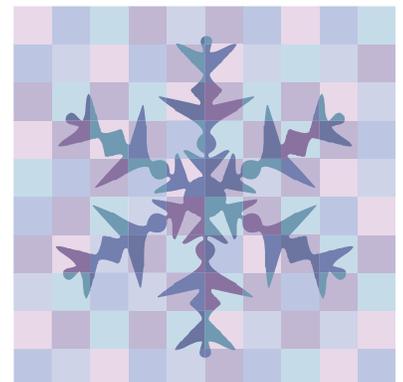
From the Interim Superintendents:

As you may have heard, the Board of Education has approved our appointment to serve as interim superintendents for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. We have met many wonderful people here at Paw Paw and look forward to continuing our work to help make this one of the best small school districts in the state. In order to accomplish this, several systematic processes have been implemented related to finances, facility maintenance, and policy development. Our most exciting initiative, however, is the development of a comprehensive school improvement plan to increase student learning and achievement.

School improvement planning is essential to help identify goals and interventions to achieve the goals. In collaboration with the Paw Paw faculty and the Regional Office of Education, a process has been implemented to complete a self-assessment of our school district. Members of the Board of Education are a part of this process. Parents and students also have an opportunity to provide input via the 5Essentials Survey and through informal conversations with staff members. Once the self-assessment is completed, data will be examined to determine areas where improvement is needed and specific goals and interventions will be identified. We want the school improvement planning process to be transparent and will be communicating the actual plan in a variety of ways so that members of our school community are aware of our improvement initiatives. The ultimate goal of any school improvement plan, of course, is improved student learning. If you have any questions about our school improvement planning process, please do not hesitate to contact us.

In closing, we just want to thank the staff, students, Board members, parents, and other members of the community for your support during the first semester; your continued support is crucial for us to continue to move the district forward. We are fortunate at Paw Paw to have great kids, dedicated staff members, and supportive parents and community members. By working together, we can truly make Paw Paw one of the best small districts in Illinois!

Dr. Steve Epperson and Dr. Lynn Gibson





Paw Paw Schools

*The Faculty, Staff and Students of Paw Paw Schools
wish everyone the best in the year 2020!*

From the nurse...

Please get your dental and vision exams for your child. All kindergarten students need both dental and vision exams. All 2nd and 6th grade students need dental exams. These were due at the beginning of the year. **“Report cards will be held back for students without exams.”**



From the libraries:

*We would like to wish everyone a
Happy 2020!*



Mrs. Oates

Ms. Anita

Keep sending in your box tops and check at home for any library

books that might be laying around.



Mrs. Surges' Message from the Art Room:

Thank you to all who have made donations to the art room. It is always appreciated!

Items we are currently looking for:

Wooden rolling pins (for ceramics)

Plastic lids and containers (for painting)

Old sheets (for weaving)

Thank you!

SOLES 4 SOULS
WEARING OUT POVERTY

ELEMENTARY – 267 pairs

vs.

Middle School – 89 pairs



JANUARY MENU

1% white/non-fat choc milk available at all lunches
Menu subject to change due to availability and school closings

Gr. K-6-\$2.25
Gr. 7-12 \$2.50
Adults \$2.75

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WINTER BREAK				
NO SCHOOL 6	Corn dog 7 Tri-tators Green beans Slushy	Pizza 8 Lettuce salad Pineapple Rice Krispie treat	Ch. Breadsticks 9 Lettuce salad Mandarin oranges Choc. chip cookie	Grilled cheese 10 Tomato soup Carrots/p.butter Juice box
Corny dogs 13 Tri-tator Green beans Juice box	Mini cheese calzone Lettuce salad Strawberry cup Brownie 14	Taco salad 15 Lettuce/cheese Mandarin oranges Snickerdoodle	Breaded pork 16 French fries Carrots/p.butter Pears	1/2 DAY NO LUNCH 17
NO SCHOOL 20	Hamburger/bun 21 Savory fries Bkd. Beans Carrots/p.butter	Ch. Quesadilla 22 Lettuce/cheese Peaches Quick oatmeal bar	Chicken Patty 23 Mshd. pot./gravy Corn/roll Pumpkin cookie	Bar-b-que 24 Tator tots Applesauce cup Juice box
Rib sandwich on bun Tri tators Green beans Peaches	Ch. Breadsticks Lettuce salad Strawberry cup Frosted grahams	Taco salad Lettuce/cheese Mandarin oranges P. butter cookie	Chicken tenders French fries Corn Juice box	Hot dog/bun Chips Bkd. Beans Carrots/p.butter



Calendar of Events JANUARY



Dec. 23-Jan. 6	Winter Break/NO SCHOOL	18	TBA	JHGBB 8th Grade Tourn.
6	JHGBB Practice Starts	20		NO SCHOOL/MLK Birthday
7	Return from Winter Break	20		7:00 p.m. School Board Meeting
8	1:00-6:00 p.m. Blood Drive (JH Gym)	21		4:30 p.m. JHGBB w/HBR
11	TBA JHGBB 7th Grade Tourn.	23		4:30 p.m. JHGBB @Leland
15	TBA JHGBB ATF- Tourn.@Waterman	29		4:30 p.m. JHGBB w/Serena
17	12:00 Noon Dismissal/ School Improvement	31		4:30 p.m. JHGBB @Millbrook vs. Newark



UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 6—TEACHERS' INSTITUTE—NO SCHOOL
- January 7—Return from Winter Break
- January 17—Noon Dismissal
- January 20—School Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- January 20—Martin Luther King's birthday, school is NOT in session!



Paw Paw Schools Memorial Wall

A memorial wall has been established at the entrance of the High School. Its purpose is for families to remember loved ones who have attended Paw Paw Schools and for individuals who have an attachment to the schools and want to leave a lasting legacy. To remember loved ones or leave a legacy, paw prints with names can be purchased starting at \$150. The paw prints with the names and years of life or graduating class year, will be prominently displayed on the wall. The money collected for the wall will be used for projects that are permanent. If you are interested in purchasing a paw print, contact 815-627-2841 x 228.