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Pittsville School District NEWS

Fourth Quarter, 2013-14

Home of the Panther Pride



From the Desk of District Administrator Terry Reynolds...

Another school year is behind us, it always amazes me how quickly each year seems to pass by. Each school year always brings challenges, but to witness the enthusiasm by our students as they become engaged in the many positive educational activities throughout the year, provides the incentive for our staff to always work through those challenges. The residents of the Pittsville School District can be very proud of our students and staff for their accomplishments and efforts this year.

Our students have represented our District communities in an excellent manner in all of their achievements. I have received many e-mails and notes throughout the year, explaining how impressed our many visitors have been with our students and school buildings. Thank you to all students for their efforts and for representing our Schools and community so well all year long!

I would also like to thank the Pittsville School District residents for all that you have done to support our students and schools throughout the year. Our students have been able to attend school in excellent facilities, and are provided a quality educational experience each and every day of the school year. Because of your continued support, the students have the opportunity to experience a wide range of academic and co-curricular programming which will give them the 21st Century skills they need to be successful. Thank You!

Of course this success could not happen without quality employees. We have excellent teachers, school aides, administrative support personnel, custodians, and food service cooks and assistants. The District employees all work together to provide a quality educational experience for our children. I extend my heart felt thank you to all of the Pittsville educational and support team for another great school year. Also, I would like to recognize and congratulate those School District staff members who have reached the following milestones in years of dedicated service to the School District of Pittsville:

Jeff Gast	30 years
Pam Kumm	30 years
Cindy Schooley	20 years
Bonnie Hedstrom	20 years
Nancy Zieher	20 years
Jennifer Peterson	15 years
Jeanie Moore	15 years
Kelly Look	10 years

In other notes, the School District will again be a busy place this summer with another wide range of educational enrichment activities during this summer school programming. We also have regular maintenance projects scheduled for the summer. The elementary gym roof replacement however will be the major project occurring this summer. Marawood Construction will be initiating the work on the roof sometime in June. Through all this hard work, these summer projects contribute to maintain our facilities for many years to come. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

CHILD CARE SERVICES AT PITTSVILLE SCHOOLS

The Pittsville School District School Board has approved moving forward with offering Child Care Services at school beginning in the 2014-2015 school year. The program will be offered if sufficient numbers of students are enrolled in the program to make the program cost neutral. Interested parents should complete the online survey which is posted on the district website if they are interested by May 30. An enrollment period will be set up in the coming weeks to provide parents the opportunity to sign-up and reserve a space for their children. Rates and times will be provided at the time of enrollment. Contact Terry Reynolds, District Administrator, if you have any questions.

Expecting Excellence and Integrity from all, developing Innovative Students, strengthened through Partnerships with parents and the community.



Counselor's Corner: 4th Quarter ~ By Mrs. Krystowiak

What can I do this Summer? Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer!

One of the most common questions I hear from both students and parents is, "How can I (or my student) win scholarships my (his/her) senior year?" My answer very simply is volunteer, volunteer, volunteer! Most scholarship committees follow the "ACE rule" (Academic Excellence, Community Service, and Extra Curricular Involvement) when selecting their recipients. As I tell students, in this current day and age, it is not enough to simply get good grades and be involved in a few clubs and/or sports. While those aspects are certainly good and looked upon favorably, what tends to set the winners of multiple scholarships apart from those who only receive one or two is the amount of "genuine" community service they have done over the course of their high school career. To be counted as high school community service, students can start volunteering as early as the summer before their freshmen year. Community service can typically be any service done for another person (non-relative) or agency that is not compensated monetarily or by other means. A great place to start at when looking for places to volunteer is the United Way of Inner Wisconsin which looks to match volunteers with local places/events in need of help; for more information visit their website at www.uwiw.org and click on volunteer or call Angie Loucks at 715-421-0390. Enjoy your summer and happy volunteering! ☺

Important Reminders for the Class of 2014:

1. *Request your final transcripts through Docufide:* All students attending a post-secondary institution will need to submit their final transcripts through Docufide, our online transcript service. (Please see the link off the high school home page to get started with this process.) Please remember to do this sooner than later as your acceptance to your school is still considered "conditional" until they receive your final high school transcripts.
2. *Complete your FAFSA ASAP:* If you have not already done so, please complete your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) as soon as possible so you are eligible for more aid. Your 2013 taxes should be completed before you apply for the most accurate information. Applications are available online at: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>.
3. *UW Placement Tests Registration:* Seniors attending a UW next fall are asked to take placement tests to determine what classes they should be placed in. Placement tests are administered March-July at numerous UW locations; students can register online at <http://testing.wisc.edu/centerpages/regionaltesting.html>
4. BEST WISHES AS YOU EMBARK ON YOUR NEW CHAPTER IN LIFE ☺

Important Reminder for Juniors: Class of 2014:

Planning to attend a WI Technical College after high school? Apply Now! Many of the WI technical colleges (MSTC, NTC, etc.) accept applications from students at the end of their junior year. Applying early is **highly recommended** especially if a student is applying to a program that typically has a wait list (health care programs, welding, etc.) Please check the application process information on the specific technical school website for more information.

Early Fall ACT Date and Registration Deadline: Students can register online at www.actstudent.org.

- a. Test Date: September 13th, 2014
- b. Registration Deadline: August 8th, 2014 *

* Note the regular registration deadline is before school begins. Be sure to complete this so as to not pay the late registration fee!

Congratulations to the Class of 2014.

We wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.



Pittsville FFA Alumni's
31st Annual Dairy Breakfast
 Saturday, June 28th, serving from 7:00-11:00 am
 Jack & Kathy Hahn's Homestead Acres
 6231 Cty Rd E North, Pittsville
All proceeds go to support the Pittsville FFA.



PHS News

Needless to say, our school year is quickly winding to a close. This is never more apparent than when I start to make plans for the graduation ceremony that will bid farewell to the senior class. I am always in awe at the wealth of talent that will leave these doors as our newest set of graduates (this year on May 24th)! What will they be like in 10, 25, or 50 years? I know that each year they are being better prepared at PHS for their future role in the global environment that they will enter. Only time will tell, of course, but my guess is that there will be some pretty successful alumni from this class who will have made some memorable, positive impacts on the world.

In this newsletter, you will read about the myriad of activities that have taken place here over the last few months. We hosted both choral and instrumental music festivals, participated in the conference art show, competed in forensics, baseball, softball, solo and ensemble, track and field, and Science Olympiad. We will be sending several students to the national competition in FBLA, as well as hosting prom and the final music concerts of the year. We cleaned up the campus and community on Earth Day, and held a student debate. This is an active school with committed students and staff who work hard at both academics and extra-curricular activities. I am very proud of them, and I know you are as well.

As we look forward to next year, we will be improving on the first year of our Career and Technical Academy, the Career and College Readiness program, and our use of chromebooks in our 1:1 technology learning environment. We will always continue to grow and progress at PHS. We have set our goals high, and have the talent in the students and staff to achieve them. We also have a very committed group of parents, as well as a community that appreciates how special PHS really is. We will continue to work to prepare the incoming freshmen and next year's graduates to achieve their dreams. We truly are the small school with the global attitude!

Mark Weddig
PHS Principal

HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

June 9, 10, 13, 16, 17 from 7:30 am – 3:30 pm
August 4-8, 18-22, 25-28 from 7:30 am – 3:30 pm

Mid-State Civil Engineering Program Visits High School Students

Near the end of April, two of the civil engineering instructors from Mid-State Technical College stopped in and visited with the Algebra 2 class. With them, they brought some of their newest equipment, which included their GPS surveying units and also 3D graphing software on their laptop.

Students were shown some of the projects these instructors were involved in designing as civil engineers, prior to becoming teachers and also shown some of the capabilities of this software.

Volunteer students were then allowed to use the GPS survey equipment to help collect data from the baseball park area and then brought back into the classroom to see how the data was used by the computer software.

The instructors had located an image on Google of the baseball field when it was flooded in 2011. From that image and the image produced from our data, the class was able to calculate the volume of water held within the baseball park perimeter. Our estimate came in at about 15 million gallons.

The Mid State instructors completed their visit with an explanation of the shortage of students in this particular program, having more job offerings than graduating students. According to their statistics, all graduates from the program have jobs within two weeks of graduation.

CTE Academy

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development Secretary Reggie Newsom visited Pittsville High School's Career and Technical Education (CTE) Academy to discuss "What a small, rural high school is doing regarding Career and Technical Education."

Pictured is Secretary Newsom with some of the students who participated in the career internship offered as part of the CTE Academy.





FBLA: Future Business Leaders of America

The FBLA 2014 State Leadership Conference was held April 7-8, 2014 in Appleton. We had 18 members participating in a variety of events. The following 5 students achieved a ranking which advances them to the National Competition in Nashville, TN to be held June 29 - July 2.



Digital Design & Promotion: Jenna Sanken and Audrey Meis
Help Desk: Breanna Kumm
Network Design: Jesse Poppy and Jack Zdun

PHS Spanish

Spanish students recently got to celebrate Cinco de Mayo in class. Students from all levels brought in ingredients to make Guacamole from scratch. They mashed the avocados, chopped the tomatoes and onions, and sprinkled in the spices. All 3 batches of Guacamole turned out delicious! The students enjoyed the rare day of leisure in class (and learned how to make an authentic dish too!).

Now that we are in the final push of the semester, we are exploring the last few new concepts of the year. Spanish 1 students are working on talking about foods and preferences. Spanish 2 students will be starting to work with the past tense and are learning sports vocabulary. Spanish 3 students are working their way through the different uses of the subjunctive (a verb tense with no English equivalent).



2013-2014 Pittsville FFA Officers

Front Row: Sophia Schwanebeck, Jenna Ginter, Connor Coyle, Emily Kissner.
Back Row: Tristan Gardner, Olivia Pelot, Jacob Schulz, Adrianna Zickert

2014 Pittsville FFA Banquet a Success

The Pittsville FFA held its annual banquet on Monday, April 21, 2014. The banquet was a great success with near one hundred people in attendance. The Pittsville FFA which is the most active organization in the high school handed out several awards to the following people Josh Calaway received the Honorary Chapter Farmer Award for his continued support of our community's FFA program and FFA Alumni events. While President Connor Coyle received the Star Chapter Farmer Award for her participation and leadership in agriculture. Trevor Gardner and Dakota Martin were recognized as Star Greenhand members this past year as well. Eric Huber was recognized for being high fruit salespersons this year. Eric sold over \$1200 worth of fruit.

After the meal, FFA Alumni President Josh Calaway gave comments and discussed the important role that the Pittsville FFA alumni plays in our member's development. Each year the Pittsville FFA Alumni give up to \$2000 in scholarships. This year's deserving members were Emily Kissner, Jenna Ginter, Ciera Coyle and Connor Coyle. Also included this year was a one year memorial scholarship in memory of FFA Alumni member Karl Schiller. FFA member Trevor Gardner recited the FFA Creed while the FFA Officers reflected on this past year successes, which included Food For America Program, State and National FFA Conventions, Washington Leadership Conference, Central Wisconsin Fair (Pittsville FFA had the most exhibits this past year), Meat and Labor Auction, Cranberry Tours, State FFA Degrees and Choir members, FFA Week and Ag Olympics. State FFA Officer Emily Hesse from Tomah gave an inspirational speech about how the FFA Organization has helped her grow. FFA President Connor Coyle gave her retiring address.

We would like to thank all the area business everyone for their donations to helping us make the banquet a success for our members.



PHS Forensics

The PHS Forensics team journeyed to UW-Madison on Friday to compete at the 119 WHSFA State Forensics Competition.

The WHSFA is the longest running oration competition in the United States and was started at UW-Madison in 1895 with only four orators in Bascom Hall.

PHS lead by their fearless leader, Ms. Sarah Freedlund and Gerry Piotrowski, who 'pitch hit' for Mr. Stephen Hadfield, took 24 students to the one-round and done contest. Our students were among 3,200 speakers over the two-day event. There were 477 judges hired to critique these speakers.

Earning perfect scores of 25 and gold medals at State: Group Interpretation: Walter Harris, Luke Hardinger, and Jack Zdun "Dear Dr. Love"; Poetry: Aileen Ida; and Prose: Rachael Totzke "Junie B. Jones Loves Handsome Warren".

Silver Medalists: Radio: Taylor Pralle; Farrago: Sophia Schwanebeck; Poetry: Katie Hardinger; Poetry: Miranda Coulthard; Prose: Jessica Fuller; Group Interp: Tiffany Snook, Kayla Larson, Lindsey Winterhack, and Alissa Korslin; Group Interp: Morgan Frost, Audrey Meis, Jenna Sanken, and Brad Wesley.

Bronze Medalists: Play: Jamiee Arnold, Hailey Metcalfe, Harley Metcalfe, and AJ Danischefsky; Farrago: Brooke Zdun; and Extemporaneous: Martin Schwanebeck.





Elementary News

Dear families,

In a school wide effort to become more aware of Earth Day, Mrs. Kumm and the 8th graders are leading us in efforts to recycle milk cartons and juice cups at breakfast and lunch. This effort has resulted in saving two huge garbage bags each day from going into landfills. In addition to recycling our milk cartons, we are also sustaining our school garden. This helps our youngest students understand how food is grown and learn about nutritional value of food. By following guidelines for helping students develop habits for being active, learning about growing and eating healthy food and recycling materials, PES is helping students develop good habits for optimal life-long health.

The staff and I are very proud of our recent audit by Mrs. Peg Mazieka from the Department of Public Instruction and PBIS. Pittsville Elementary received a 97% rating on our School-wide Evaluation of PBIS Tiers 1, 2 and 3!

We are excited to hear the Spring Concerts coming May 21 and 23! Our next Golden Awards assembly will be May 21 with Mrs. K. Doering presenting US military personnel with a gift of a bench from the 8th grade art class.

Congratulations to all of the spring sport athletes for their good team efforts and their persistence despite the uncooperative weather.

Students will be participating in a Field Day June 5, followed by an awards and flag lowering ceremony. Students will be dismissed June 5 at 12:30.

We are looking forward to our Summer school classes starting June 10-12 with Mrs. Niemann and Mrs. Kumm's Survivor class, followed by other classes the week of June 16 and Mr. Denniston's basketball camp the week of July 7!

On behalf of the staff and myself, we wish everyone a happy, healthy summer vacation!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Fischer,
Elementary Principal

Elementary School Office Summer Hours

7:30 am-3:30 pm until June 17
7:30-11:30 am, June 18, 19, 20

Trees Cannot Run for Their Lives Only YOU can prevent wild fires

The students in the second grade classrooms and looping classroom had the opportunity to plant a tree at Riverside Park on April 22, 2014. Bob Wolff, Jerry Minor, Dale Zawislan, Don Kissinger (Wausau Area DNR), Smokey the Bear, and Sparky the Fire dog joined the students as they learned the importance Arbor Day. Don read a book to the students titled Why Would Anyone Cut a Tree Down? All of the students were engaged and honorable as they listened to the story and answered questions. The Arbor Day pictures will be displayed at City Hall, along with the new flag to honor Pittsville as a "Tree City." The students were given trees to plant at their home, a coloring book, Smokey the Bear Frisbee, and ruler. It was a beautiful day to plant trees!

Students travel to Washington D.C.

Current 7th and 8th grade students will again be traveling to Washington D.C. this summer. On this program, they will see many sites, including the Capitol Building. They'll visit the National Archives and see the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence, and will spend time at the Smithsonian Institution: the world's largest and most impressive museum complex. They'll also visit Arlington National Cemetery, where John F. Kennedy is buried, and witness the Changing of the Guard ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns. Finally, we will see many of the monuments and memorials that commemorate important historical events and people, including the Washington Monument and the Jefferson, Lincoln, Vietnam, Korean, FDR, World War II and Iwo Jima Memorials. At the World War II Memorial, they will participate in a wreath laying ceremony to honor the Veterans. Students will leave June 17 and return June 20.



Clifford the Big Red Dog visits our school for our annual book fair.

A NOTE FROM THE PES HEALTH OFFICE

Please pick up your child's leftover medication from the Health Office by June 13. If this is not possible, you may arrange to have another responsible adult, who is not a student, do so by providing a written note with your signature, the name of the adult and permission for us to give the leftover medication to him or her. After June 13, any remaining medication will be destroyed. Thank you for your cooperation!

Julie Schooley
School Health Coordinator

LOST AND FOUND: Please check the lost and found table in the front lobby area. All unclaimed items will be donated to charities if not claimed by June 13th.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

June 5 - Early Release Day
Students will be involved in field day activities with an awards assembly and flag lowering ceremony.
Dismissal will be 12:30 p.m.



Reality Store



In April, our 8th graders participated in a real life program that allowed them to see how far a monthly budget goes when purchasing the necessities of life.

Businesses in Marshfield sent representatives to the Middle School to help 8th grade students from a number of local schools in efforts to balance monthly income with expenses.



Elizabeth Schulz, Mechayla Zeinert, Amanda Ortner, & Hunter Wilke



Cody Havlik, Luke Denniston, Lydia Sanken, & Heather Schubert

Pittsville Junior High Math Teams Compete in Auburndale

On Friday, April 11, 2014, two Pittsville Jr. High Teams competed in a Jr. High Math League Competition at Auburndale under the coaching of Mrs. Fay Niemann, Jr. High Math Teacher. Each participant completed 4 individual tests, which included Fractions, Decimals, & Percents, Algebra, Geometry, and Problem Solving. Participants were given 15 minutes for each test and didn't have the use of a calculator. They also worked together as a team on a group problem solving test. They finished the day with a mixed team event. Each team was contained students from different schools. They were given the challenge of building the tallest tower out of straws and marshmallows that would hold a ping pong ball on its top.



Pittsville top finisher was Luke Denniston. He received 6th place and earned a medal. Congratulations to both teams for their hard work.

"Tell me and I forget, Teach me and I remember, Involve me and I learn."
~Benjamin Franklin



Kindergarten Connection

Spring has sprung??? Our students have been busy planting a variety of vegetable seeds in our classroom. We used recycled milk cartons as our pots for planting. We are watching the development of the plants and the students will be bringing the plants home to transplant for the kindergarten families to enjoy. We were welcomed by the high school Agriculture students to plant sunflower seeds and take a tour of the high school greenhouse. The greenhouse was loaded with beautiful annuals that the students have been taking care of all year.



We planned a spring walk to the Pittsville Public Library to read stories, learn about the library, get library cards, and check out books to enjoy. We would like to thank Mrs. Barb Callaway for her hospitality and for reading stories to our students. We would also like to thank Hahn Transportation for our ride back to school due to inclement weather. The students were able to experience spring weather - thunder, lightning, and hail.

Now we are busy taking part in the kindergarten assessment called PALS. We have been working on reading poetry selections, writing responses to literature, and will soon be learning about the season of summer. We have been implementing websites into our Science curriculum to help the children learn about the seasons of the year. A special thank you to the parents and grandparents of our students for all the support they have given to our classroom projects and goals this year. Enjoy your summer!!!

Mrs. Susanne Niehaus and Mrs. Jackie Heinzen



SPLASH DOWN SUCCESSFUL!!!!

On Thursday, May 9th the Dream Flight USA landed in front of Pittsville Elementary School. Third grade students went out to watch the landing and welcome our visitors. Then, throughout the morning and afternoon students went aboard and participated in some various space station activities which included: creating a healthy menu to eat while in space, using a robotic arm to move items, trying to fix things while wearing space gloves, seeing how the ozone layer protects us, learning how solar panels can be used, information about the lunar and solar eclipse, and watching an ant farm and how they sent ants into space to see the affect space had on insects.



This month, the **3rd Grade Students** took a field trip to the Marshfield Area YMCA to attend a Water Wise presentation. Water Wise is designed to help children understand the dangers in and out of the water. It focuses on the basic elements of first aid, boat safety, and also basic saving skills.



Students in **Mrs. Denniston's 2nd Grade** modeling their human body digestive system bags.



Fourth Grade had two guest speakers: Amy Sue Vruwink, Representative 70th Assembly and Donna Rozar, Wood County Supervisor. This coincided with Wisconsin Government studies of the three branches of Government. The students also toured Madison Capitol and two other museums. These were great opportunities for the students' learning.

4Kgn & Early Childhood News

The children in the 4Kgn and EC classes learned about bugs. We read "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and made a headband. We also practiced sequencing the events from the story using an apron and picture cards. The children painted a beehive, colored a bee, and wrote something they know about bees. They did a great job using their writing skills learned this year! They also completed the life cycle of a butterfly using cotton balls, pipe cleaners, and noodles. The children learned the characteristics of an insect and sorted bugs! We have had a great year and have learned many new things!



EARTH DAY 2014

On April 22, Earth Day, several 8th graders participated in an informational presentation to the elementary students on the 3 R's: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Starting April 14 the elementary school has been recycling milk cartons from both breakfast and lunch. Each day there is about 2 garbage bags of milk cartons that are recycled instead of added to the garbage for a trip to a landfill. Each day two 8th graders volunteer to rinse and recycle milk cartons. Milk cartons can be recycled into paper or tissue products. Also, when students have juice for breakfast those containers are also recycled. This recycling program is scheduled to continue next year. Please join us and recycle products in your home.



5th Grade Visits Norm-E Lanes

On May 14, 5th grade classes of Pittsville Elementary went to Norm-E-Lanes for a day on the farm. The kids learned from the Marshfield FFA. The students toured stations around the farm. They went to see farm equipment, rural safety, milking cows, feeding, housing, calving, pasteurizing milk, raising calves, horse safety, AG Olympics, water quality, wildlife management, soil conservation, and forest management.



The kids said they learned a lot when they were at the farm saying facts like calves are kept under a heat lamp when they are first born, cows give a special type of milk when they first have a calf, the calves have to eat a special kind of food, llamas have a kind of fur that is popular in making wool, what trees maple syrup comes from, how to identify a duck, how to pick hooves, the different breeds of sheep, and also the different kinds of horses including Paints, Miniature ponies and Quarter horses. They said they had loads of fun and would love to do it again. The kids would like to thank the Marshfield FFA and Vita Plus Feeds, BMO Harris Bank, UW-Research Station, AP Environmental Science class for sponsoring the trip.



STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math)

On May 15, 6th graders visited CWA (Central Wisconsin Airport) in Mosinee. Students have studied Bernoulli's Principle in science class and are working on flight projects (gliders) on STEM days. At the end of the year students will be working on parachute design based on Newton's Laws of Motion.



Students got to see the luggage scanning machine up close



Several planes take off and land from the area next to the runways.

Students got to see how far the fire trucks can spray water and then they got to take an inside look at these amazing machines



JH Forensics Attends Flashdance

Students who participate in Junior High Forensics had the opportunity to attend the touring Broadway production of Flashdance in Madison. Flashdance-the Musical tells the story of Alex Owens, a Pittsburgh steel mill welder by day and a dancer by night with dreams of one day becoming a professional performer. When romance with her steel mill boss threatens to complicate her ambitions, Alex learns the meaning of love and its power to fuel the pursuit of her dreams. Although the forensics season was hindered due to weather this year, the students enjoyed the production that took place at the Overture Center. Prior to the play, students took part in photo ops recreating a famous scene from the movie.

Medieval Times

On May 9th, fifty-four junior high students, along with their present and past social studies teacher, Mr. Winters, and parent volunteer Marcie Ortnor, traveled to Medieval Times. Medieval Times is a dinner theater located in Schaumburg, Illinois. It puts on a show with all the pageantry of a renaissance fair. The students got to witness many events such as jousting, sword fighting, and falconry, among others. While there they also enjoyed a chicken dinner similar to what one may have enjoyed back in the days of the renaissance, minus the silverware of course. Though it is a long day of travel the students all agreed it was worth it for the experience. The next trip to Medieval times will happen in May 2017.

Marshfield Zoo Field Trip

On May 1, Mrs. Kuehn's and Mrs. Hautala's first grade class and Mrs. Denniston's and Ms. Sischo's second grade class made a trip to the Marshfield Zoo to see "Weird Science", a live animal presentation. The presentation was about how science is used to study various animals (many of which are endangered) and use the resources they provide as possible cures and remedies for many modern illnesses and diseases. It raised awareness and appreciation for both science and these animals. One of the highlights of the program was the chance to not only view the animals used in the presentation, but the opportunity to touch them as well. It was a very educational and fun activity for all!



Low Lunch Balances

Accounts below \$25.00 will be notified weekly through the Pittsville School District's SchoolMessenger alert system. The notice explains that your family food service funds are running low and money should be added as soon as possible.

Online Payments

Parents can make online payments from home or work by using their VISA or MasterCard credit or debit card. Payments are made through the student's Skyward Family Access account.

Food Service News

"DOUBLE-UP" at PHS

High school students are now able to "DOUBLE-UP" (purchase a second entree) or go through the salad bar to complement their lunch from home. A \$2.00 charge will be added to each student's existing food service account for the purchase. If you do not want your student(s) "DOUBLING-UP," please contact Joe Dostal by phone (715-884-5220) or email (dostajos@pittsville.k12.wi.us).

2013-2014 MEAL PRICES

4K- Grade 3 Lunch	\$2.10
Grade 4-8 Lunch	\$2.60
Grade 9-12 Lunch	\$3.10
Adult Lunch	\$3.75
Reduced Lunch	\$.40
Milk	\$.30
4K-Grade 12 Breakfast	\$.60
Adult Breakfast	\$1.20

TRACK NEWS

The athletes are doing well as we head towards conference (May 20th), Regionals (May 27th), Sectionals (May 30th) and State (June 6th and 7th). The top three team point earners are as follows. Boys: Kyle Kolar-117 pts, Alec Kolar-111, and Everett Rasmussen- 101.5. Girls: Kari Beckman-186.83, Miranda Ortner-138, and Alissa Korslin-97. Coaches Jicinsky and Piotrowski are very proud of the hard work the team has put in this season, both in the weight room and on the track. We are especially proud of our senior captains, Kelsey Tenpas, Sophia Schwanebeck, Taylor Pralle, Kyle Kolar, Dillon Oates, and Alex Williamson. They have done a fantastic job leading the team this season.



Athletic Department News . . .

Hi everyone. What a spring it has been in the athletic department this year. The weather was not conducive with outdoor sports and the student athletes missed out on a large portion of their respective seasons. It was frustrating for me, the athletes, coaches, parents and fans.

I would like to thank everyone for their patience throughout this difficult season. I'm sure that many of you are tired of getting the instant alert messages from me, but it is our best form of mass communication when changes do occur. If you are not receiving messages and you would like to be included, please contact your child's school office and ask for assistance in setting up your Skyward account.

This season, our student athletes did accomplish some great achievements. I would like to recognize the following Seniors on their Athletic/Academic awards:

- US Army Reserve Scholar Athletes – Sophia Schwanebeck and Luke Hardinger
- WIAA Scholar Athletes – Jenna Sanken and Brad Wesely
- Gannett Central Wisconsin Athletes of the Year – Jenna Sanken and Adam Sturgis

Looking to next year's athletics, we are planning our ALL Sports parent/athlete meeting on Sunday, August 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Pittsville Auditorium. At this meeting we will discuss any new rules in the Athletic Handbook and fill out the necessary athletic paperwork for the 2014-15 school year. It is strongly encouraged that parents and athletes attend this meeting to take care of paperwork before the seasons begin. Students that do not have all paperwork completed will not be allowed to participate in practices.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for a great 2013-2014 school year. The seniors will be greatly missed next year, but I look forward to another great year in Pittsville Panther Athletics.

SPORTS SCHEDULES

Please check www.pittsville.k12.wi.us for the most current information.

PTO Corner....

PTO would like to thank our parent volunteers for all the help you offered this year to make PTO sponsored programs a success. Special thanks to Joe Dostal, Karen Garrels, and Dave Pearson for their help with all the little details that make events run smoothly. We couldn't have done it without all of your help! With your help we have held the Little Caesars fund raiser, Scholastic Bookfairs, Coke Points, Labels For Education, Milk Cap, and Box Top collections, meals and treats for teachers throughout the year especially during parent/teacher conferences and teacher appreciation week, high school senior scholarships, and teacher stipends to help with multiple classroom activities. We look forward to working with you again next fall.



Prairie Fire Children's Theatre Presents
Pinocchio
June 23-June 28, 2014

A week-long workshop for area children ages 7 and older. The week will conclude with two performances of this all-time classic. **YOU** could be a star!

Sponsored in part by: Pittsville Therapy Services, Inc., Chasteen Agency, Pittsville Schools, Be Hip, Rhonda & Jerry Minor, Burt & Shirley Iverson, Pittsville Lions

Auditions: Monday, June 23, 1:00 pm, PSD Auditorium

Show times: Friday, June 27 at 7:30 pm
Saturday, June 28 at 2:00 pm

Tickets: Adult \$5:00, Student \$3:00





Music Department

LARGE GROUP FESTIVAL

Congratulations to the Concert Band, Concert Choir, and 7th Grade Choir who competed at Large Group Festival in April. The Concert Band received great comments from adjudicators. The 7th Grade Choir received 1st ratings from all adjudicators, and received a 1st rating overall. The Concert Choir also received 1st ratings from all adjudicators, earning them a 1st rating overall.

STATE SOLO AND ENSEMBLE

Congratulations to all of our students who competed at State Solo and Ensemble on Saturday May 3rd! Results were as follows:

First Rating for Vocal Solo: Cheyenne Meyer, Brooke Zdun (2), Miranda Coulthard, Cheryl Soetebier

Second Rating for Vocal Solo: Katie Delaney

First Rating for Vocal Duet: Brooke Zdun and Tiffany Snook, Katie Delaney and Kayla Ignatowski

Second Rating for Vocal Duet: Walter Harris and Miranda Coulthard

Second Rating for Piano Solo: Brooke Zdun

First Rating for Open Class Show Choir: Calvin Amundson, Luke Hardinger, Paul Downs, Austin John, Martin Schwanebeck, William Darr, Colton Ortner, Walter Harris, Damien Moore, Scott Schooley, Chase Voight, Jessica Fuller, Adrienne Week, Sierra Steder, Sarah Peters, Cheryl Soetebier, Brittany Kuzma, Kayla Larson, Brooke Zdun, Courtney Schwanebeck, Hannah Huber, Miranda Huber, Miranda Coulthard, Sophia Schwanebeck, Cheyenne Meyer, Kayla Ignatowski, Deanna Borgman, Katie Delaney, and Tiffany Snook

SPRING CONCERT SERIES

A huge thank you to all who have attended our spring concert series! The High School Spring Concert, hosted on May 11 featured the Concert Band, Concert Choir, and Show Choir. We honored our seniors for all of their hard work throughout their years here, and all performing groups gave excellent performances. Special thanks to our Music parents, Music Boosters, and everyone else who helped to make the concert a huge success!

The Junior High Concert on May 20 featured the 6th-8th grade bands and choirs, and also premiered the Junior High Show Choir. Thank you again to the Music parents, PTO, and Music Boosters who helped to make the night a success!

The 3rd-5th grade Spring program on May 22 featured folk songs from around the world. Thank you to all of the classroom teachers who helped to make the night a success and a big thank you to all the parents who helped to support the program – we couldn't do it without support from all of you!



Our schedule is tentatively set for next year! Please mark your calendars for the important dates.

** An asterisk indicates a date that is not yet confirmed and may change.*

Fall Pops Concert involves high school music students only.

Winter Concert involves all music students in grades 6-12.

Music in Theatre Cabaret involves only students enrolled in the Music in Theatre class.

Looking ahead to 2014-2015

Fall Pops Concert	Sunday, November 2, 7:00 pm
Marawood All Conference	Tuesday, November 4, all day
Tri-M Induction	Tuesday, November 25, 7:00 pm
*K-2 Winter Program	Tuesday, December 16, 1:00 & 6:00 pm
Winter Concert	Sunday, December 21, 3:00 p.m.
Music in Theatre Cabaret	Sunday, January 18 at 7:00 p.m.
District Solo and Ensemble	Friday, March 27 all day
*Large Group Band	Thursday, April 9 from 4:00-8:00
*Large Group Choir	Thursday, April 16 from 4:00-8:00
State Solo and Ensemble	Saturday, May 2 All Day
*High School Spring Concert	Sunday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m.
Junior High Spring Concert	Tuesday, May 19 at 1:00/6:00
Grades 3-5 Spring Program	Thursday, May 21
Commencement	Saturday, May 23 at 10:00 a.m.

THANK YOU FROM MR. LOSIEWICZ!

I would like to thank the students for all their hard work that they have put in this year with the concerts, music festivals, and sporting events they have performed at. They are the muscle and fuel of this band program and it was truly amazing to see the progress that was made making music this year. Thank you to Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Weddig, Mrs. Fischer, faculty, and staff here at Pittsville for their support and continuing growth of the band program. Thank you to the music parents and Music Boosters for their commitment and help throughout this year with my program. I am proud to be part of an amazing community that supports the performing arts with such dedication and devotion. Thank you all for a great year, and I am proud to be part of the Panther family.

THANK YOU FROM MISS PEARSE!

A big thank you to all of the students, parents, faculty, and staff here in Pittsville. I am honored to be a part of this community, and I have enjoyed working with all of the students and staff here. Thank you to Mr. Weddig, Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Reynolds, and the staff for all of their support and flexibility in getting the choir program to the next level. Thank you to the music parents for their unending support and faith in my program! Your generous donations of time, energy, (and anything else I asked for) have truly made an impact here, and I am eternally grateful for your help! Thank you to the amazing Music Boosters for their help in organizing and executing all of our performances. And last but not least, thank you to all of my students – seeing your smiles as you work toward creating great choral music is the best reward of my job, and I am grateful to be able to be a part of it. No more Miss Pearse - next year I'll be "Mrs. Stuebs!"

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