

## Pride Pump

We appreciate our partnership with Eagle Express and the Bulldog Pride Pump. Two cents per gallon of gas pumped at the Pride Pump will be donated to the Peshtigo School District to support our students. Thank you for supporting our students.



## Senior Citizen Breakfasts

The Peshtigo School District will be sponsoring Senior Citizen Breakfasts for the 2019-2020 school year. Breakfasts will be the third Wednesday of each month, October through May. Breakfast is FREE and service begins at 9:00 a.m. with a program to follow.

The goal of the program is to build a CONNECTION between the school and the community. Our friends who visit will have a chance to be entertained by our students, learn with our students, and be informed of what, why, when, and how we are providing our students the skills and knowledge to succeed. It is a great experience for our students to have an opportunity to share as well.

Walk-ins are welcome, but reservations are preferred. Reservations can be made by calling the district office at 715-582-3677 ext. 1030.

### Dates and Locations:

- October 16, 2019 at PELC
- November 20, 2019 at PMHS
- December 18, 2019 at PELC
- January 15, 2020 at PMHS
- February 19, 2020 at PELC
- March 18, 2020 at PMHS
- April 15, 2020 at PELC
- May 20, 2020 at PMHS

**BOARD MEETINGS:** regular board meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm in the PELC Choir Room.

**ANNUAL MEETING:** Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the PELC Choir Room. The District's annual budget will be presented for approval.

**ANNUAL NOTICES:** are available under the District Info tab at [www.peshtigo.k12.wi.us](http://www.peshtigo.k12.wi.us)

## PESHTIGO SCHOOL DISTRICT

341 N. Emery Avenue

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## LOCAL POSTAL CUSTOMER

## NEW STAFF MEMBERS



Front Row: Felisha Maurer, Special Education Teacher; Josh Greetan, Special Education Teacher; Stacy Rupert, Special Education Teacher  
Back Row: Luka Zischka, Social Studies Teacher; Alyssa Lemke, Third Grade Teacher; Amy Cook, School Psychologist.  
Missing: Scot Skarda.



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# THE BULLDOG BARK



September 2019

## YOU ARE INVITED!

You are cordially invited to join **CONNECT** and participate in a community conversation on November 7, 8, and 9. This first of its kind of event is designed to engage the attendees in **CONNECTing** with our community, our students, our tradition, and our future. This is different and **it's worth it!**

**CONNECT** is not beginning with a solution. This process begins with a focus on the past, transitions to identifying the challenges and opportunities of today, and brainstorming scenarios for our future graduates. The design of this event will:

1. give a voice to our community on their vision for the school district
2. identify the issues and trends that shape and affect our community
3. create and strengthen connections between the community and the school district
4. describe the attributes of our graduates so they are career and/or college ready and are prepared to contribute to the world in which they live, and
5. identify opportunities that the community has to serve our children.

These outcomes will become the school district's priorities to be addressed by the board's strategic plan.

**CONNECT** will take place at the Peshtigo Elementary Learning Center cafeteria. Childcare and meals will be provided to assist your attendance. Dates and times are as follows:

Thursday, November 7- 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Friday, November 8- 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.


Saturday, November 9- 8:00 a.m. to Noon

*\*Attendance at all three days is strongly recommended, each day is different and essential to the overall process.*

Please RSVP by calling 715-582-3677 ext. 1030 or online at [www.peshtigo.k12.wi.us](http://www.peshtigo.k12.wi.us). Click on **CONNECT** on the top right of the webpage.

Your registration is important for planning purposes. Questions can be directed to Patrick Rau, Superintendent at [rau@peshtigo.k12.wi.us](mailto:rau@peshtigo.k12.wi.us) or 715-582-3677 ext. 1010.



 CALL (715) 582-3677 x1030



# **PESHTIGO MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL**

## **Exciting Changes at PMHS**

Peshtigo Middle/High School is off to a great start! One change for this year is a new date and time for the Class of 2020 Graduation. The Graduation Ceremony will be on Friday, May 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

A summer project consisted of improving our Middle/High School Guidance office. The Guidance office was slightly renovated to create two equal office spaces, new lighting, paint, and flooring. The project turned out fantastic.



Pictured are High School Guidance Counselor Randy Verkerke and Middle School Guidance Counselor Angie Matykowski.

A new licensed practical nursing program has been added for Peshtigo High School students with the cooperation of Rennes Group of Peshtigo and NWTC of Marinette. High School students are now able to almost earn their LPN license in high school. After completing the high school portion of the program students only need to complete a summer session and a fall session to earn this certification.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- September 30- Blood Drive @ PMHS
- October 5- Homecoming
- October 17- Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-5:30 p.m.
- October 27- Fall Band Concert @ 6 p.m.
- October 28- Fall Choir Concert @ 6 p.m.
- November 1- No School/In-service for Staff

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# **PESHTIGO ELEMENTARY LEARNING CENTER**

## **Celebrating 50 Years at Camp Bird**

This year, the 6th grade students at the Peshtigo Elementary Learning Center will make the journey to Camp Bird for the 50th consecutive year! When camp started in 1969, John Brosig had a vision to build community among students and staff with an overnight outdoor education adventure that has evolved into one of the most notable aspects of the school community here in Peshtigo.

Located about 40 miles northeast of Peshtigo, students and staff load buses early in the morning on day one and camp overnight in cabins for the next two nights. While at camp, students take part in outdoor survival and education lessons that bring science and environmentalism to life in tangible ways. At the same time, students join together to take care of themselves and each other, while learning valuable life lessons about kindness, cooperation and responsibility. For some students, the experience at Camp Bird represents the first time in their lives that they spend overnights away from home.



### **NEW MURAL**

For many years, art teacher, Derek Malcore, and his students have livened up the walls of the Peshtigo Elementary Learning Center with beautiful, original and replicated works of art! We feel very proud of the colorful, fun additions to our school decor, but we feel especially proud of the newly added original piece in one of our main hallways. Designed by Principal Collins and painted by students during summer school, the Bulldog watches over students making their way through the halls. The mural reminds them of the positive characteristics we promote in every student striving to be their best bulldog.



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# **STUDENT SERVICES**

In the 2019-2020 school year the Student Services Department has some exciting programming in store. The department has four new teachers and a new school psychologist who are excited to work with our students and prepare them to be college, career, and military ready. We welcome Amy Cook as our PK-12 School Psychologist. At the elementary school Felisha Maurer will be working with students and teachers in grades K-3 and Stacy Rupert, Scot Skarda, and Josh Greetan will be working with students and teachers at the middle/high school.

This year we are partnering with Goodwill Industries to offer more transition services for our students in our Intellectual Disabilities programs. Our partnership in the *Bridge to Employment* program provides individuals with barriers to employment with soft skills and interview training that are necessary to find and maintain employment.

Students who need support in transitioning to the workforce and independent living skills are embarking on a new program for vocational and life skills training. Along with academic emphasis, the program strives to create opportunities to develop a student's self-awareness, confidence, creativity, vocational skills, recreational skills, as well as life skills acquisition and interpersonal relationships. Ultimately, it provides a firm foundation for independence, socialization, cognitive growth and a positive self-image. Therefore, the district's Vocational/Life Skills Education Program includes Academic supports, behavioral and social supports, career and vocational emphasis and independent life skills. The first project focused on life skills by creating a budget for cooking breakfast for themselves and other school personnel that have supported them and the program already this school year. The group shopped for and cooked breakfast on Friday September 13.



Janet Thibado, teacher, and Ryan Vaughn cooking breakfast.



Tucker Saffran frying eggs & hash browns.

We will be highlighting each of these programs in more depth in the coming newsletters so stay tuned!

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