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District continues to make changes for school year

BY DR. CHUCK GARNER
SUPERINTENDENT



The upcoming 2020-21 school year in the Gasconade County R-2 School District is one during uncertain times. The District continues to plan, meet with health officials, and make changes to the protocols for the new school year.

There is no doubt our students, staff, and community are ready for school to start and pray for a year which resembles a normal school year.

Last year saw unprecedented times and I am sure this year things will occur in which we will come together and face with Dutchmen and Dutchgirl pride, strength, and determination. Our staff takes pride in their profession and understands how they are an integral part of the professional community. The staff has been planning, training, and working on meeting the challenges this coming year will bring.

Our maintenance staff has done a great job getting our buildings ready for the school year. We are

proud of our facilities and maintaining them is an ongoing job. The District completed several projects including parking lot sealing, tuck pointing and sealing bricks, concrete work, upgrades to technology, and disinfecting, disinfecting, and more disinfecting! The staff has increased their training, processes, and protocols to sanitize all areas of the building.

The Board approved the student participation fee for the 2020-21 school year. All students participating in MSHSAA sanctioned activities and athletics for grades 7-12, will be charged a \$25 fee for the year. This fee can be paid to the office in which the student attends.

The fee will cover all activities or athletic events sponsored by Missouri State High School Activities Association for the entire school year, no matter how many activities a student chooses. Those activities include: baseball, basketball, cheerleading, cross country, Dance Team, Football, Golf, Speech/Debate, Scholar Bowl, Soccer, Softball, Track, Volleyball, and Wrestling.

The District has developed a re-entry and reopening plan. If you have not received a copy you may contact your child's building principal to obtain one or find it on the district's website. This plan will change as new information, protocols, and guidelines continue to be released from the health department and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and circumstances happen within the community.

"I am sure this year things will occur in which we will come together and face with Dutchmen and Dutchgirl pride."

The District communities' support continues to be strong and one the district does not take for granted. Many visitors have commented about how our communities show support and pride in their schools. So, for that commitment and support, thank you. We are proud of the job we do and feel a strong sense of pride in our communities, as well. The Orange and Black continue to be leaders in the area, state, and nation, and strive to improve every day. In every building you will find dedicated students, coaches, teachers,

staff, and sponsors working hard to perform at very high levels. It doesn't matter if it is in athletics, academics, fine arts, the practical arts, transportation, nutritional services, student services, custodial or maintenance you will find the tradition of Dutchmen Pride!

Mikhail Baryshnikov, considered one of the greatest ballet

dancers, was quoted, "I do not try to dance better than anyone else. I only try to dance better than myself." What a great motto for all of us, to grow every day! As the community and school partner together our students will continue to grow. Have a safe and successful school year!

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- ✓ HPV (Human Papillomavirus)

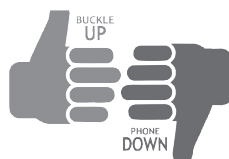
Children entering 8th Grade:

- ✓ Tdap booster (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis)
- ✓ Meningococcal

Those entering Senior Year:

- ✓ Meningococcal

Contact your child's health care provider or the Gasconade County Health Dept. to make sure your child is ready for school.



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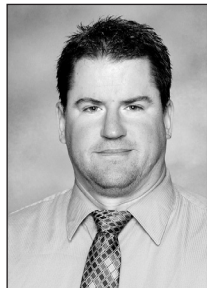
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BY KRIS ALTEMEYER
OHS PRINCIPAL



Hello from OHS! There are many exciting things happening in our community and school district and we are excited to get started with the 2020-21 school year.

We are exploring the option of having a virtual Open House this year. We want to provide an option for our new students, especially incoming 9th graders, to familiarize themselves with our building and faculty while still limiting outside traffic whenever possible. At the time of writing this letter, details about Open House and student registration are still being worked out, and more information will

be available in August. As always, the safety of our students, faculty and community are our highest priority, and all decisions will be made with that in mind.

Please be sure that the high school office has your contact information so you can be reached via enotes. Especially this year, policies and procedures may change quickly to ensure the safest environment for your students. Any changes at OHS will be announced publicly in a variety of ways, but enotes will be the fastest and most effective way to receive the information.

We are adding a few new faces to our staff this year. Max Unterreiner will be joining us as a math teacher, Brad Willson as a science teacher, and Chelsea Hazell as an English teacher. In addition, Amber Hendrix will be coming to us from OES to join our English department as well. They are all looking forward to getting

the new year started, and we are thrilled to have them join our team.

Finally, we are all excited about fall activities starting up again soon. The opening home softball game is scheduled for August 31st against Capital City. Our volleyball team also has their home opener on August 31st against Linn. Cross Country opens up their season on September 5th in Ne Haven, and our first home football game (and first tailgater) is set for September 4th. Stop by and grab some food before the game and then stay to cheer on the Dutchmen as they take on Eldon.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the high school office at 437-2174. Enjoy the last part of your summer and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Students safety top priority

BY DR. JERI K. HARDY
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT



Dear Parents, Students, and Community Members:

Another school year is here, and this will be a year

like no other we have experienced before. This year will allow for us to embark on many new practices in the field of education.

In saying this we are excited for your students to be back in school and with their teachers. We have taken extra precaution in making sure the safety of students and staff is our top priority. We will begin this year determining where the students are performing academically as they enter this new year. Our faculty and staff are committed to making the students' experiences in our schools memorable. Of course, this could not be accomplished without the support of great parents, an amazing staff, and an awesome community.

Our custodial staff have worked many hours disinfecting and cleaning all buildings to make sure they are clean for our staff and students. School will look different this year as we continue to practice social distancing to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. We have implemented new procedures this year to help combat the spread. Students will not be able to be dropped off until 7:45 a.m. at all buildings. Please see the re-entry plan for further details.

I am thankful to have a community which goes above and beyond to provide support for our schools and

the young minds we are shaping every day. As we all know relationships are vital to the success of our students. We understand students have been isolated from their peers and others during the pandemic. Our teachers will be reviewing sanitation protocols to allow for students to learn good hygiene habits to help decrease the spread of COVID.

Students and staff have experienced the first-hand knowledge of community support and outpouring in

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OHS student parking

OHS students will again be expected to have a parking hang tag displayed from the rear view mirror of their vehicle. We will have new tags this year. The cost of the hang tag is \$10.00. The revenue generated from the hang tags will be used to help off-set the cost of repairs and maintenance to the high school parking lot. The parking tag is also used to identify which vehicle belongs to which student and the tag number will match the parking spot number. The students must remember to display their tags on a daily basis. This is important when needing to contact the students because of a problem with their vehicle such as the vehicle has a flat tire or the lights are left on. Most of the area's other high schools charge a fee for their students to use their parking lots. The \$10.00 charge for our OHS students will still be one of the lowest in our conference.

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previous school years. I want to thank you on behalf of our students and staff in advance for all your support during these uncertain times. If you have any questions please feel free to contact your child's teacher, building administrator, or myself.

One of our goals is to continually bring students an academic experience which is both rewarding and challenging. When students leave the doors at Owensville High School we want them to be prepared for their next life experience. Students learn at different levels and the Gasconade County R-2 Staff will continue to

focus on individual student learning in order to meet the needs of each student. This will ensure the academic success of the students in our district.

Our Website, dutchmen.us has many resources available to our community. Also, we have moved to an online enrollment process and the forms for enrollment may be found

on our school website. We hope this makes the beginning of the year enrollment process easier. Gasconade County R-II remains committed to the goal of high standards and achievement for all students. We will continue to strive and excel as every decision is based on the simple question, "What is best for our students?"

Thank you for your continued support of Gasconade County R-2 School District and the students we serve. We look forward to working with you in the coming months as we work together to fulfill motto:

As we begin this school year, I wish the greatest success for all our students and staff.

2020-2021 Bus Drivers and Routes



Route 1 TBA Area south of Gerald – Angell Rd - Hwy H – Red Oak west of Champion City Rd – Hwy AN – Indian Bend Rd – Souders Rd – Hwy H to Gerald – OMS and OHS in town students south of Hwy 50 and east of Hwy H within city limits of Gerald and E. 4th St. – OMS Students from Route 7

Route 2 Carla Havelka Danz Rd to Red Oak Creek – County Line Rd to bridge – Flottmann Rd – Industrial Drive in Gerald – OMS and OHS in city limits of Gerald students south of Hwy 50 – This includes students on Hwy H as far south to and including Meadowview Court St and as far west as GES within city limits of Gerald

Route 3 Shiela Barnwell Area South of Gerald – Kriete Creek Rd – Droste Rd – Antioch Rd – Grube Ln – Hwy CC (east of Antioch Rd to district line) – Big Creek Rd – Shotwell Rd (east of Vossbrink Rd) – into Gerald – E. Springfield including Hillside Trl. Pk. and Ridge Oak Dr. – Parent drop offs and OMS/OHS walkers at GES

Route 4 Donna Brown Hwy H – Champion City Rd – Hwy CC (Franklin County) North to Antioch Rd – Petersford Rd – Grob Rd – Red Oak Rd east of Champion City Rd – McCallister Rd – Farrell Rd – to Gerald

Route 5 Mike Rogers North Gerald area – Hwy Y north of East Hwy ZZ – West end of Cedar Fork Rd – Stone Church Rd – Beemont Rd – Hwy ZZ – Beemont School Rd – west end of West Hwy ZZ to Stranghoener Rd – Pin Oak Rd – Hwy Y – Hollander Rd – Hwy Y to Gerald – OMS and OHS in town students west of Hwy Y to and including Pine St and north of Hwy 50 within the city limits of Gerald – OHS Students from Route 7

Route 6 Frank Brocato Area Northeast of Gerald – East Cedar Ford Rd – Buffalo Ridge Rd – Bald Hill Rd – Hwy ZZ east of Hwy Y – Tegeler Rd – Hwy C (Franklin County) – Old State Rd (Franklin County) – Hwy Y (north of east Hwy ZZ) to Wheeler Rd – Wheeler Rd – Hwy Y to Gerald - Northridge Dr - Idel Rd

Route 7 Peggy Roach Area east of Gerald – East Hwy 50 to Old Hwy 50 – Old Hwy 50 – Klemme Rd – OMS and OHS student pickups on Vossbrink Rd – Shotwell Rd west of Vossbrink – Parts of S Bernhardt - Canaan Rd – West Springfield Rd – Hwy 50 east of Springfield Rd to Diekroeger Rd – Diekroeger Rd (all grade levels) – On to GES – This bus will run a second round

Route 8 Regina Jost Hwy ZZ east of Drake – Lone Grove School Rd – Grannemann Rd – Stony Hill Rd – North Jct of Winter Rd – Old State Rd (Gasconade County) – Oceanwave Rd north end – Rosebud Rd – Pfeiffer Rd – Wehmeyer Rd – City of Rosebud - City of Rosebud – Hwy 50 east of Rosebud to County Line

Route 9 Gary DeAngelis Area south of Rosebud (South Tea Lakes Area) Gaddy Rd – Hwy T – Juedeman – Baumbach Rd – Hamilton Rd – Kleagler Rd – Tea Rd – Thenhaus Rd – Brodrick Rd – Blue House Rd – Smith Rd (P/U and D/O on Hwy T) – Danz Rd south of Red Oak Creek – Hollandsworth Rd – Hwy T to Rosebud - Rosebud/Owensville shuttle (OHS) – students between Rosebud and Owensville on Hwy 50 & Hwy 28 west of Rosebud

Route 10 Kristin Boyd Moore Rd – St. Paul Church Rd – Hwy 19 North of Drake – Steinbeck Rd – Drake School Rd – Liesemeyer Rd – Hwy 50 East of Drake – Charlotte Church Rd – South Jct of Winter Rd – Brakemeyer Rd (north east end) – Rothemeyer Rd – Piezuch Rd (northeast end) – Hwy 50 on to Rosebud – Hwy 28 from Rosebud to Hwy 19 N including Baker Rd – Rosebud/Owensville shuttle (OES AND OMS)

Route 11 Pam Bradley Special Circumstance approved route

Route 12 Paul Robertson Hwy A (in district) – Mt. Sterling Rd to Gerloff Rd – Hwy 50 west of Hwy A to district line – Hwy BB – Kings Hwy – Old Hwy 50 – Hwy 50 East to Drake – Hwy 19 South – Brakemeyer Rd (south west end) – Aufderheide Rd – Brinkman Rd - Piezuch Rd west end – Hwy 19 South to Owensville

Route 13 Cindy Scheel Hwy EE south of Hecker Rd to Crawford Co – Mint Spring Rd – Mt Pleasant Rd – Pinnell Rd – Wright Rd west of Pinnell Rd – Glaser Hollow Rd – Bem Church Rd west of Koenig Rd – Hecker Rd to Hwy 19 – Hwy 19 North to Cuba St

Route 14 Terry Jahnsen South Shoemaker Rd – Hwy F east of Shoemaker Rd to Wright Rd – Wright Rd – Glaser Rd – Stovall Rd – VanDeven Rd – Koenig Rd south of the Bourbeuse River – Enke Rd – Brandenberger Rd – North Shoemaker Rd – Wandersee Rd – Hwy 19 to Bem Church Rd – Bem Church Rd east of Koenig Rd – Hwy 19 to Schafferkoetter Rd – Schafferkoetter Rd – Hwy 19 to Owensville – Hillcrest area east of Hwy 19 S

Route 15 Misty Cox Hwy 28 west of Loeb Rd – Canaan Area – Holzschuh Rd – Rehmer Rd – Dittman Rd – Cleavesville Rd – Haines Rd – Canaan Rd to Hwy 28 – North end of Loeb Rd – Uncle Sam Rd – Farris Rd north of Uncle Sam Rd – Jett Rd – Hwy EE to Owensville – 7th St. south of Hwy 28 – 700 and 800 Block of W Jackson

Route 16 Lori Grayson Redbird Area – Gorrell Rd – Redbird Rd – Hwy B – Schneider Rd – Republican Rd (east end) – Hwy CC (Gasconade County) – south end of Loeb Rd – Uncle Sam Rd – Farris Rd south of Uncle Sam Rd to Hwy EE – Hwy EE to Price Rd – Price Rd - Debbie Lane west of 4th St – South 4th St – Owensville Estates Apts

Route 17 Mike Jennings Hwy CC (Crawford Co) – Rutz Rd (Crawford Co) – Oak Hill Rd to Licklider Rd – Licklider Rd – Hog Trough Rd – Kramme Rd – Hwy 19 to Hwy V – Hwy V to Jct of Homeyer Rd – Tappemeyer Rd – South end of Cuba St – Hwy 19 to Owensville – Washington Ave West Hwy 28 – Benton St (East of Hwy 19) – Spring St

Route 18 DJ Shockley Homeyer Rd south of Bohemian Hwy – Blocksbranch Rd – Hwy T from Plocyfk Rd (Tea Lakes Area) – Hwy V from Hwy T to Hemplemann Rd – Hemplemann Rd – Fischer Rd – Homeyer Rd – Bohemian Hwy to Owensville – Cuba St north of Southridge Ln – S. First St. from Hwy 28 to Jackson St

Route 19 Christina Aytes Monroe – Jefferson west of Hwy 19 S – 2nd through 6th St South of Hwy 28 – Landwehr Trailer Court – all of Landwehr Subdivision (Blankenship Court) east of Fourth St – 200 and 300 Blocks E Jefferson

Route 20 Brad Royle Old Springfield Rd – Ash St – Pear St to Springfield – Memorial Drive – Oak Brook Subdivision – Harrison St – First St North of Hwy 28 – Madison St (west of Hwy 19)

Route 21 TBA Pump Station Rd – Niewald Rd – Estes Rd – Krausetown Rd – Springfield (to 400 block)

Route 22 Cathy Faith North of Owensville – Tschappler Rd – Kohrmann Rd – Bohrenpohl Rd – Patterson Rd – Old Woollam Rd – Michel Rd – Hwy P to Cedar Branch Rd – Cedar Branch Rd – Hwy P to Owensville – Oak St – City of Owensville -Kids Korner Day Care – Fairview Ave

Route 23 Tinya McClure Owensville North Town – Old Hwy 19 – Industrial Drive – Cherry St – Cedar St – Plum St – Pine St – Pear St – Springfield Rd (500 block and up) – Apple St – Maple St

Route 24 Angie Brewer Hwy Y – Scheel Rd – South end of Mt. Sterling Rd – Schlotlog Rd – Shockley Rd – Hwy P North of Shockley Rd – Brick Church Rd – Peaceful Valley Rd – PVL Lodge – Meyer Rd – Hwy 28 West to Loeb Rd – to Owensville – N 7th St – Kozark Rd

Route 25 Sara Loeb North Owensville town – Schuenemeyer Rd – Kuhne Rd – Bucholz Hollow Rd – North 3rd St – Moore Ave – North 4th St – Link St – Fairway Ave – North 2nd St – Peters Ave – Olive St - Circle Drive – Walnut St

Route 26 Colleen McIntosh Franklin St. from Hwy 19 S west to 9th St, Jackson St. (600 block and lower) from S Walnut west to 9th St.

Route 27 Tracie Kinkead Special Education/Early Childhood (Midday Owensville ECSE)

Route 28 Sandy Voss Early Childhood/Special Education (Gerald – AM, Midday, PM)

Route 29 Mike LeClaire Special Education/Anaconda

Route 30 Jacinta Wehmeyer Early Childhood/Special Education (Owensville AM/PM Only)

Year of achieving goals with flexibility at OMS

BY TERESA SCHULTE
OMS PRINCIPAL



We welcome to Owensville Middle School! We are looking forward to a year of achieving goals with flexibility, being positive, being brave, being bold, being kind, and staying safe. We are excited to return to school.

We know it may look and feel a bit different but being back together will feel great! OMS is the very BEST place to be! The staff loves kids and wants to provide the very best experience possible. We want our students to have positive

relationships with each other and the staff. We want to practice the Golden Rule; if you would not like it to be said to you or done to you then don't do it to others.

Our website is www.dutchmen.us. Our school Facebook page is: www.facebook.com/Owensville-Middle-School-765376446837240/?ref=bookmarks. Using these sites will give you up to date information on school events and important information. Please refer to these often.

OPEN HOUSE will be virtual this year. We will be sending out schedule information in August. If you have not signed up for enotes please make sure you contact the office and get signed up. Many messages and important information will be sent out via enote. The office will be open on August 3.

We are making some adjust-

ments to ensure the safety and health of students and staff for this coming year. One of those changes will be students will not be allowed into the building until 7:45 am. We won't have the supervision available until that time. Students will be going to their classrooms at 7:50. Classes will begin at 8:15 am. We will do our best to social distance as much as we can in every possible situation. We will also be asking students to wash their hands frequently and to be aware of their surroundings. If your student is displaying any COVID-19 symptoms please rule on the side of caution and keep him/her at home. We appreciate your understanding and help as we will provide the safest environment for our students and staff.

We will have new faces in our building this year! We are excited

to welcome new and returning staff, students, and especially a warm welcome for our 6th-grade students.

Stores and newspapers across our area have begun "Back to School" promotions. Supply lists have been sent to the local stores. We did try and condense the supply list. Before shopping for school clothes, please consider our dress code. No shorts that are too short, no tank tops or spaghetti straps and

no bellies should be displayed. You can refer to the handbook for more details. (located on our website)

As a parent, your knowledge and input are vital to your child's success. We thank you for being the most important person in your child's life and for sharing them with us. Looking forward to a GREAT year!! If you have any questions, always call the office or email. We are happy to assist.

OMS SUPPLY LIST 2020-21

Sixth Grade

- 1 pair of earbuds NO AIRPODS! If earbuds are lost or broken at any point throughout the school year, they need to be replaced immediately.
- 1 pk standard size envelopes (ELA)
- 1 pk index cards (ELA)
- 2 composition notebooks (1 for Science and 1 for ELA)
- 2 pk colored pencils (1 for Science and 1 for other classes)
- Employee Discounts: Gym Memberships, Cell Phone & More!
- zippered pencil pouches (1 for Science and 1 for other classes)
- 1 - 100pg. spiral notebook w/ plastic cover for durability (Math)
- 1 pr. scissors
- 6 colored ink pens (blue, black, green or red please)
- 2 boxes of facial tissue (Advisory community*)

- Scenic Regional Library Card (*If you have questions on how to apply, please see Mrs. Greenwalt in the OMS Library.*)

Optional

- 4 function calculator

Art Supplies

- (Band and Choir students do not need these)**
- 1 Sketchbook or spiral notebook (approximately 9x12)
 - Eraser
 - Pencils

Seventh Grade

- 1 set of inexpensive earbuds to leave at school,
- 1 Pouch that holds pens/pencils etc.
- Colored pencils
- Scissors
- Black dry erase markers
- 1 - 3 Subject Notebook with folders inside
- 3 composition notebooks NOT spiral
- 1 pack white Index cards

- 3 (or more) boxes of facial tissue
- 1 Large Binder with Zippers (optional)
- 1 2 inch 3-ring binder for English

Eighth Grade

- 4- Composition Notebooks
- 1 - 1 inch binder for ELA/1 package of 5 tab dividers
- Color pencils (sharpener)
- 1 Box of Kleenex
- Calculator
- Earbuds

Optional

- Crayons OR markers

Art Supplies

- (Band, Choir, Industrial Tech and Music students do not need these)*
- 1 Sketchbook or spiral notebook (approximately 9x12)
 - Eraser
 - Pencils
 - Sharpie marker (black)

* Community items will be given to your teacher and kept in the classroom to be used by all of sixth grade. This helps us quickly replace pencils and paper as needed throughout the school year and provide for the health needs of each other.

*OMS will be supplying Post-it notes, 70 page notebook, highlighters, glue sticks, and pencils. These items may need to be replenished throughout the school year. Teachers will notify parents of the need.

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GES more than just an elementary facility; we are family

BY JARED THARP
GES PRINCIPAL



Welcome to Gerald Elementary!

I want to begin by welcoming our returning students and parents back for another amazing year! To those new to the GES family, we look forward to meeting you and helping you have a successful educational experience. You have made a great decision in joining our district, our school and our community. We pride ourselves on being far more than just an elementary faculty; we are a family.

We'd also like to welcome back our returning staff and thank them for the hard work they have put in to prepare for the 2020-21 school year. GES would like to extend a warm welcome to our new staff members as well; each of whom bring experience that will help en-

hance the already incredible team we have in place. Those that have previous experience with GES can attest to its quality. This is going to be a great year!

As GES is committed to the overall well being of each child, which includes supporting them socially and emotionally, we have made tremendous strides in strengthening our Positive Behavior Supports program. Last year, GES was recognized by the Missouri School-Wide Positive Behavior Support organization as a recipient of the Award of Excellence. Only 106 schools across the state met the requirements to receive this honor and only 58 schools received gold status. I'm proud to announce that GES was among the most elite, which speaks to the dedication of this team to provide a balanced and effective educational environment.

In preparation for this year, the district has improved security measures as well as sanitation efforts to provide an even safer and more secure learning environment for our students. I am proud of the

way our team has embraced these adjustments and am confident that we are prepared to continue to meet the needs of our students even better than in years past. Please be sure to check in with the office upon arrival. In an effort to maximize instructional time, our team will do our best to serve you while minimizing student interruptions during school hours.

As we recognize that the 2020-2021 school year will bring about change, one thing that will remain consistent is our pride in our students, our building, our district and our community.

At GES, we have an extraordinary team and a great story to tell every day. We celebrate the impact that our team has on students and the community, and like to share it. Stay current by following school happenings on our Gerald Elementary Facebook page and on Twitter at @SchoolGerald and by using #GESproud. Thank you for supporting our students and our school; and once again, welcome!

One Town, One, School, One Family!

District in compliance with Federal regulations

We are taking this opportunity to make you aware that your school district is in compliance with Federal regulations concerning asbestos containing materials including inspections and reinspections.

On October 22, 1986, President Reagan signed into law the asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA, Public Law 99-519). The law required EPA to develop regulations which provide a comprehensive framework for addressing asbestos problems in public and private elementary and secondary schools. On October 30, 1987, EPA published the Asbestos Containing Materials in Schools Rule [40 CFR Part 763 Subpart E]. This New Rule requires all public and private elementary and secondary schools to inspect for friable and non-friable asbestos develop asbestos management plans that address asbestos hazards in school buildings, and implement response actions in a timely fashion. This rule became effective December 14, 1987. The Gasconade County R-II School District conducted a complete, required, three year inspection of its facilities on January 31,

2020, utilizing the services of MEAD Environmental Associates, Inc. The results of this inspection have been included in a management plan. This management plan is available in the administrative office during normal business hours, without cost or restriction, for inspection by representatives of the EPA and State, the public, including teachers, other school personnel and the representatives, and parents. If copies are requested, a duplication fee to offset time and materials will be charged.

You, as a parent, are encouraged to examine the contents and recommendations of the management plan. The purpose of the plan and Federal and State regulations is to protect the health and well-being of all persons entering the buildings of our school district for any reason. This school district takes very seriously the recommendations made in the management plan, which has been sent to the State for approval.

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- 8/12/20-8/13/20 . New Teacher Professional Development
- 8/17/20 Teacher Professional Development
- 8/24/20 1st Day of School
- 9/7/20 No School ~ Labor Day
- 9/25/20 No School ~ PD
- 10/28/20-10/29/20 . Parent/Teacher Conference 3:30-7:15
- 10/29/20 - 10/30/20 No School
- 11/25/20 - 11/27/20 Thanksgiving Break
- 12/23/20-12/31/20 Winter Break
- 1/4/21 & 1/5/21 No School ~ PD
- 1/6/21 Students Return to school
- 1/18/21 No School ~ Martin Luther King Day
- 2/12/21 No School ~ PD
- 2/15/21 No School ~ President's Day
- 3/11/21-3/12/21 Spring Break
- 4/2/21-4/5/21 Easter Break
- 5/20/21 Last Day for Students
- 5/21/21 Teacher ~ PD

If school is canceled due to inclement weather the first 4 days will be forgiven for students and staff, the second 4 days will be added to the end of the year.

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GES SUPPLY LIST 2020-21

PRESCHOOL

- Full Size Backpack - Labeled with First and Last name (no rolling backpacks)
- 1 - Plastic Pencil Box - Labeled
- 2 - Boxes of Crayola crayons
- 4 - Glue Sticks
- Fiskars Scissors
- 1 - Spiral Notebook
- 1 set of Crayola Watercolor Paint
- 4 containers of Play-Doh
- 1 pack of thin markers
- Set of clothes from home to keep at school (please label)
- GIRLS: Tissue Paper
- BOYS: Stickers

Classroom Wish List:

- Small Cheat Paper Plates
- Old Buttons
- Pom Poms
- Beads
- Paper Towels
- Finger Paint
- Cardstock Paper

KINDERGARTEN

- 1 Large Backpack (labeled with first and last name)
- 2 Boxes of 24 Standard Size Crayons(Crayola brand preferred)
- 12 Glue Sticks
- 2 Packages Wooden #2 Pencils (replenish as needed)
- 1 Pair Safety Scissors ("Fiskars" brand preferred)
- 1 Composition book
- 1 Crayola Markers (washable)

1st GRADE

- 3 Boxes Crayons (24 count) (Crayola preferred)
- 1 Art Box (cigar size box or pencil box)
- 1 Backpack (labeled with first & last name, no rollers, please)
- 3 Glue Sticks
- 1 Boxes 8 ct. Classic Crayola Markers
- 1 1" 3 Ring Binders with Clear Front
- 3 Pkgs. #2 Wooden Pencils (10/pkg.)
- 3 Composition Notebook
- 1 Spiral Notebook
- 1 Plastic Folder w/Prongs

2nd GRADE

- 3 Packs #2 Pencils
- 1 Pair Scissors

- 2 Boxes 24 Count Crayons
- 1 Art Box (cigar size box or pencil box)
- 1 Backpack (labeled with first & last name)
- 6 Pack of Glue Sticks
- 1 1" 3 Ring Binder with Clear Front
- 1 Pair of Headphones or Ear buds
- 1 Wide Ruled Notebook
- 2 Folders
- 2 Wide Ruled Spiral Notebook (70 pages)

3rd GRADE

- 1 1" Binders w/Clear Front
- 5 Pocket Dividers w/tabs for Binders
- 1 Zipper Pouch w/3 Holes for Binder
- 4 Composition Notebook
- 2 Boxes 24 Pack Pencils
- 1 Pair Scissors
- 8 Glue Sticks
- 2 Package Highlighters
- 1 Art Box
- 1 Box of Crayons
- 1 Ear buds or Head phones
- 1-3 hole folder (for Binder)
- 1 half inch binder w/clear front
- Backpack

4th GRADE

- 2 Pkgs. #2 Pencils (not mechanical)

- 1 Box of color pencils
- 1 Backpack (labeled with first & last name)
- 4 Glue Sticks
- 2 Spiral notebooks (single subject 70 pages)
- 2 Two pocket folders (w/ holes for a 3 ring binder)
- 2 Highlighters
- 3-1", 3 ring binders w/vinyl front
- 1 Pkg of looseleaf paper
- 1 Pair of headphones

5th GRADE

- 1 Pair Scissors
- 4 Glue Sticks
- 1 Box Colored Pencils 24pk.
- Large Supply of Loose- Leaf Paper (100 pages each)
- 1 Zipper Pouch for Art Supplies (no hard plastic)
- Ample Supply of #2 Pencils & Erasers
- 1 2" 3 Ring Binder
- 1 2 Pocket Folder with Holes for Binder
- 2 Blue or Black Pens (at all times)
- 2 Red Pens (at all times)
- 1 Hand Held Pencil Sharpener
- Earbuds or headphones

New Students need 3-1" binders w/clear front

Gasconade County R-2 medication policy

The Gasconade R-2 School medication policy requires all-prescription medications have a written physicians order form be completed by the prescribing physician. These order forms may be obtained from the school nurse or, the physician may write out an order, which must include the following information: name of student, name of medication, dosing instructions, (that is the amount to be given, route of administration, frequency to be given), the length of time student will be taking medication, possible side effects, and the diagnosis for which the medication is prescribed. Either form may be brought in to the nurse, or faxed to the nurse, (see individual school fax numbers).

Over the counter medications do not need a written physicians order, but will require a written note from the parent/guardian giving the school nurse permission to dispense the medication. If a student uses an over the counter medication on a frequent basis the parent/guardian will be contacted, as there may be a need for follow up with their physician, and an order for continued use of the over the counter medication.

All medications, prescribed and/or OTC must be transported to and from school by the parent, guardian, or designated adult. Students are not to carry meds to

and from school, and are not to carry meds on them. Medications are to be kept in the nurses' office. The only exception to this is for those students who must carry their inhaler, an epi-pen, or some forms of insulin therapy. For these students forms by both the parent and physician will need to be completed. These forms are available from the nurse.

The school nurse may dispense meds with a physician order, and meds must be in compliance with guidelines set form in the PDR.

A parent, guardian, or designated adult may come to school and give their son/daughter medication.

The school nurse will not give the first dose of a new medication (a med the student has not taken before). Parents/Guardians are requested not to give the first time dose of a new med and then send the student to school. This is due to the potential for side effects. The school nurse has the right to refuse to give medications if not in compliance with guidelines set forth by the District, state, or PDR.

Please keep the school nurse informed of any changes in medication, (school and/or at home medications).

If you have questions regarding medications, or the policies, please contact the school nurse at your son's or daughter's school.

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New practices at OES implemented for health reasons

BY DR. SCOTT DAVIDSON
OES PRINCIPAL



Welcome to Owensville Elementary (OES)! While I hope you are enjoying your summer break, the first day of school is just around the corner on August 24. Our building and grounds are looking great with

the efforts of our maintenance and custodial crews. We also have several new staff joining us this year who bring enthusiasm and diverse experiences to help meet the needs of our students, as well as some staff moving positions. These individuals include: Megan Shockley moving to 1st grade, Nicole Jenkins moving to 1st grade from GES, Shelby

Sullivan Kindergarten and 1st grade sp. ed., Kristin Hinson moving to 2nd and 3rd grade sp. ed., Kailey Dietrich 3rd grade, Katelynn Tyree 4th grade, Brad Royle moving to 4th grade, Rochelle Howard 4th grade sp. ed., Courtney Hinson moving to 5th grade from OMS, and Sarah Kramme 5th grade.

In looking out for the health and wellness of individuals, our school year will have some changes of past practices. One such change is that we will not have an open house this school year. Instead, teachers will be sending out a video of introduction and cover information they normally would during an open house. Your child will bring his or her school supplies with him or her the first day of school. We will also be sending out information on how to enroll online; however, if you need to enroll your child in person you are welcome to come to the OES office during normal business

hours of 8:00 - 3:30 Monday through Friday starting August 3.

Even with the unprecedented times we experienced last year, we had an amazing year! Looking at our school data, our attendance was up from the year before and our office referrals were down for a second year in a row. I am very proud to report that with the hardwork and commitment of our staff and students, our students grew 4% in reading with our local assessment data. To put this in perspective, our state uses 3-5% growth as a general rule. We also received Gold Level Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support recognition making us 1 out of 55 schools in the entire state of Missouri to achieve such a high level of recognition!

Looking toward the 2020-21 school year we will resume as normal a school year as possible while being health conscious for everyone. I have met with all of the OES

teachers and shared a vision of what the future of education will look like with the incorporation of more technology and the evolution of distance learning if applicable. I am confident that we have a capable professional staff who will rise to the occasion and meet the needs of our students and future challenges that we will face this fall. I am personally excited to meet these challenges and continue to make OES a positive school experience for all students.

Our entire staff is also committed to excellence to ensure our students have the best educational experience in 2020-21! Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns, or if you see a way to better serve our students. We are looking forward to seeing you back at school for another amazing year! We are Dutchmen Proud, Dutchmen Strong at OES!

Public notice: Surrogate parent announcement

All public schools are required to provide a free and appropriate public education to all students with disabilities, including those attending private/parochial schools, beginning on the child's third birthday to age twenty-one (21), regardless of the child's disability. Disabilities include: Autism, Mental Retardation, Hearing Impaired or Deafness, Speech or Language Impairment, Visual Impairment or Blindness, Emotional Disturbance, Orthopedic Impairment, Traumatic Brain Injury, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disability, Deaf Blindness, Multiple Disabilities, or Young Child with a Developmental Delay.

The public schools assures that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri's First Steps Program.

All public schools are required to provide parents the right to inspect and review personally identifiable information collected and used or maintained by the district relating to their children. Parents have the right to request amendment of these records if they feel the information is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their children. Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department

of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). You may contact your local school district if you wish to review the requirements provided by FERPA.

The public school has developed a Local Compliance Plan for implementation of Special Education and this Plan is available for public review during regular school hours on days school is in session in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools. The Local Compliance Plan is a written narrative which describes the district's plan for compliance with the requirements for identifying and serving all students with disabilities. Included in this plan are the policies and procedures which the district must follow regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention, and destruction of personally identifiable information. The plan also describes the assurances that services are provided in compliance with the requirement of 34 CFR 76.301 of the General Education Provision Act.

Public schools in the State of Missouri are required to conduct an annual census of all children with disabilities or suspected disabilities from birth to age twenty-one (21) who reside in the district or whose

parent/legal guardian resides in the district. This census is compiled as of December 1 of each year. This information is treated as confidential and submitted to the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Information to be collected includes: name of each child, parent/legal guardian's name/address; birth date and age of each child; and each child's disability or suspected disability. Should the district fail to submit an annual census, the State Board of Education may withhold state aid until the census is submitted.

Pursuant to the requirements of state law 162.997-999 RsMO, the State Board of Education is required to appoint a surrogate parent at such time as it becomes evident that a child with a disability does not have a parent or a person acting as a parent to participate in matters dealing with the provision of special education. For purposes of surrogate parent appointment, A parent is defined as a biological parent, a guardian, or a person acting as a parent of a child including, but not limited to, a grandparent, step parent, or a foster parent with whom the child lives. The term does not include the State if the child is a ward of the State. The term does not include a person whose parental rights have been terminated.

See **Surrogate** page 10B

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OES SUPPLY LIST 2020-21

PRESCHOOL

- 2 — boxes 8 count Crayola crayons
- 1 — box washable markers
- 1 — container of baby wipes
- AM — 1 box of corn starch
- PM — 1 pack of #2 yellow wood pencils
- 1 — extra set of clothes to leave at school in case of spills or accidents
- \$6 for PreK binder -purchase/open house
- Optional items: pencil top erasers, play dough, Loctite Fun-Tak

KINDERGARTEN

- 4 boxes 24 count Crayola brand crayons
- 1 pair Fiskars brand blunt-tip scissors
- 24 — #2 Ticonderoga brand pencils
- 2 — composition notebooks
- 16 — glue sticks
- 1 — hard plastic pencil box
- 1 — bottle of antibacterial soap
- \$5 for kindergarten binder

- (purchase at open house)
- Headphones NO earbuds
- Backpack NO wheels

1st GRADE

- 4 boxes 24 count Crayola brand crayons
- 1 pair of blunt-tip scissors
- 48 — #2 standard yellow wood pencils
- 1 - 3-hole punch pencil pouch
- 1 — 70 sheet spiral notebook, wide-ruled
- 12 — glue sticks
- 1 — pocket folder, NO binders
- Headphones, NO earbuds
- Backpack, NO wheels

2nd GRADE

- 2 boxes 24 count Crayola brand crayons
- 1 pair of kid scissors
- 48 — #2 standard yellow wood pencils
- 1 — 3-hole punch pencil pouch
- 1 — hard plastic pencil box/artbox

- 1 — composition notebook
- 2 — spiral notebooks, wide-ruled
- 1 — standard Elmer's white glue and 8 — glue sticks
- 1 — clipboard
- 1 — 4 pack assorted colored highlighters
- 1 — pkg pencil top erasers & pink erasers
- 3 — pocket folders
- 1 antibacterial soap
- Headphones NO earbuds
- Backpack NO wheels

3rd GRADE

- 2 boxes 24 count Crayola brand crayons
- 1 — pair of scissors (not for Thomas & Savoir)
- 48 — #2 standard yellow wood pencils
- 1 — 3-hole punch pencil pouch
- 5 — composition notebooks
- 1 — 1" binder
- 1 — package of 8 tab dividers (not for Savoir)
- 10 — glue sticks
- 2 — packs pencil top erasers

- 3 — pocket folders
- 2 — highlighters (not for Thomas)
- 1 — pack colored pencils (Stoll/O'Dell only)
- Headphones or earbuds
- Backpack NO wheels

4th GRADE

- 48 — #2 Ticonderoga brand pencils
- 12 count — colored pencils
- 2 — composition notebooks
- 2 — glue sticks 2 packs — loose leaf wide-ruled paper
- 5 — tab dividers
- 1" white view binder
- 1.5" black view binder
- All — \$5 for home binder (purchase at open house)
- Headphones or earbuds
- Backpack NO wheels

5th GRADE

- 48 — #2 standard yellow wood pencils
- 1 — pair of scissors
- 1 — pkg. colored pencils or skinny markers
- 3 — composition notebooks

- 2 — packs of loose leaf paper
- 4 — glue sticks
- 1 — pack of highlighters
- 4 — pkgs pencil top erasers
- 4 — plastic pronged folders
- 1 — pencil box or pencil pouch
- Boys — 1 - package of black or blue pens
- Girls - 1 — package of red pens
- Headphones or earbuds
- Backpack NO wheels

ALL GRADES

- Backpack — NO wheels
- shoes for gym to leave at school
- K through 2nd — Headphones to leave at school NO earbuds
- 3rd through 5th — Headphones OR earbuds to leave at school

Parentally placed private school children with disabilities

A meeting will take place Sept. 1, 2020, at 10 a.m. at the Owensville Middle School for all families of parentally placed private school children who have, or are suspected of having a disability. Private school officials are also asked to

attend this meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss ways in which private school students can participate equitably and meaningfully in special education and related services, funding guidelines and limitations related to such services,

and how and where such services can be provided.

Please contact Robi Pennock, Director of Special Education, at 573-437-5171 with any questions or comments.

Surrogate • From page 8B

The local school district is given the responsibility to determine when a child with a disability who requires special education and who resides in the District is without a parent. The District must notify the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education of the need to appoint a surrogate parent. Training for such persons serving as surrogate parents will be provided by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the district.

This notice can be provided in languages such as Chinese, Spanish, Arabic, and Vietnamese or any other language as may be necessary.

If you have a child with a disability or know of a child with a disability who is not attending the public school; or, if you are interested in learning more about volunteering to serve as a surrogate parent for a child with a disability you may contact your school district's Director of Special Education at 573-437-5171.

Send the Republican with your student in college so they will keep up with the local happenings at OHS!

Call 573-437-2323 for information.

GASCONADE COUNTY R2 SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTIFICATION OF DESTRUCTION OF STUDENT SPECIAL EDUCATION RECORDS

In accordance with the state and federal regulations implementing the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), this is to inform you of our intent to destroy personally identifiable information related to special education service

The school is required to maintain records for a minimum of three (3) years from the date a child no longer received special education and related services. If your child has received Special Education services and you would like to maintain a copy of his/her records, please contact Linda Rasmussen at the Special Education Department at 573-437-5171 before September 4, 2020.

Please be advised that the records may be needed by the student or the parent(s) for social security benefits or other purposes.

RECORDS TO BE DESTROYED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- Individualized Education Programs (IEPs)
- Evaluation Reports
- Test Protocols
- Notifications of Meetings
- Notices of Action
- Review of Existing Data Summaries
- All other personally identifiable information within the Special Education file*

Robi Pennock,
Director of Special Education Services

Complaint Procedures

The following information is regarding the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) and explains how to file a complaint about any of the programs that are administered by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) under the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA).

General Information:

1. What is a complaint?

For these purposes, a complaint is a written allegation that a local education agency (LEA) or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) has violated a federal statute or regulation that applies to a program under ESSA.

2. Who may file a complaint?

Any individual or organization may file a complaint.

3. How can a complaint be filed?

Complaints can be filed with the LEA or with the Department.

Complaints filed with LEA:

4. How will a complaint filed with the LEA be investigated?

Complaints filed with the LEA are to be investigated and attempted to be resolved according to the locally developed and adopted procedures.

5. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the local level (LEA)?

A complaint not resolved at the local level may be appealed to the Department.

1 Programs include Title I, A, B, C, D, Title II, Title III, Title IV, A, Title V Revised 4/17 2 In compliance with ESSA Title VIII- Part C. Sec. 8304(a)(3)(C)

Local education agencies are required to disseminate, free of charge, this information regarding ESSA complaint procedures to

parents of students and appropriate private school officials or representatives.

Complaints filed with the Department:

6. How can a complaint be filed with the Department?

A complaint filed with the Department must be a written, signed statement that includes:

- A statement that a requirement that applies to an ESSA program has been violated by the LEA or the

Department, and

- The facts on which the statement is based and the specific requirement allegedly violated.

7. How will a complaint filed with the Department be investigated?

The investigation and complaint resolution proceedings will be completed within a time limit of forty-five calendar days. That time limit can be extended by the agreement of all parties.

The following activities will occur in the investigation:

- Record. A written record of the investigation will be kept.

- Notification of LEA. The LEA will be notified of the complaint within five days of the complaint being filed.

- Resolution at LEA. The LEA will then initiate its local complaint procedures in an effort to first resolve the complaint at the local level.

- Report by LEA. Within thirty-five days of the complaint being filed, the LEA will submit a written summary of the LEA investigation and complaint resolution. This report is considered public record and may be made available to parents, teachers, and other members of the general public.

- Verification. Within five days of receiving

the written summary of a complaint resolution, the Department will verify the resolution of the complaint through an on-site visit, letter, or telephone call(s).

- Appeal. The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the U.S. Department of Education.

8. How are complaints related to equitable services to nonpublic school children handled differently?

In addition to the procedures listed in number 7 above, complaints related to equitable services will also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, and they will receive all information related to the investigation and resolution of the complaint. Also, appeals to the United States Department of Education must be filed no longer than thirty days following the Department's resolution of the complaint (or its failure to resolve the complaint).

Appeals:

9. How will appeals to the Department be investigated?

The Department will initiate an investigation within ten days, which will be concluded within thirty days from the day of the appeal. This investigation may be continued beyond the thirty day limit at the discretion of the Department. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Department will communicate the decision and reasons for the decision to the complainant and the LEA. Recommendations and details of the decision are to be implemented within fifteen days of the decision being delivered to the LEA.

10. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the state level (the Department)?

The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the United States Department of Education.

Notice of non-discrimination

Applicants for admission or employment, students, parents of elementary and secondary school students, employees, sources of referral and applicants for employment, and all professional organizations that have entered into agreements with Gasconade County R-II School District ("School District") are hereby notified that the School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities. In addition, the School District provides equal access to the Boy Scouts of America and other designated youth groups.

Any person having inquiries concerning the School District's compliance with the laws and regulations implementing Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI), Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), the Age Discrimination Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) or the Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act is directed to the respective Compliance Coordinator listed below, who oversees the School District's efforts to comply with the laws and regulations implementing the laws and regulations cited above.

The School District has established grievance procedures for persons unable to resolve problems arising under the statutes above. The School District's Compliance Coordinator will provide information regarding those procedures upon request.

Any person who is unable to resolve a problem or grievance arising under any of the laws and regulations cited above may contact the Office for Civil Rights, Region VII, 8930 Ward Parkway, Suite 2037, Kansas City, Missouri 64114; telephone (816) 268-0550.

COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR

The Board designates the following individuals to act as the district's Title VI, Title IX, and age discrimination compliance officer:

Mrs. Bev Giebler, Compliance Officer, 3336 Hwy 19, Owensville, MO. 65066 (573) 437-2174 bgiebler@dutchmen.us

The district's Section 504 and Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Officer:

Mrs. Robi Pennock, Director of Special Services, 3340 Hwy 19, Owensville, MO. 65066 (573) 437-5171 rpennock@dutchmen.us

In the event the compliance officers are unavailable or is the subject of a report that would otherwise be made to the compliance officer, reports should instead be directed to the acting compliance officer:

Dr. Jeri Kay Hardy, Asst. Superintendent, 402 East Lincoln, PO Box 536, Owensville, MO. 65066 (573) 437-2177, jhardy@dutchmen.us

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Notification to access public insurance

Dear Parents/Guardians:

For a number of years, Missouri has participated in a federal program called Medicaid School-Based Services. The program helps school districts by providing partial reimbursement for some medically related services listed on a student's individualized educational program (IEP). Under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), school districts are permitted to seek payment from public insurance programs such as Medicaid (called MO HealthNet in Missouri) for some IEP services provided at school.

Parents as teachers program

BY ROBI PENNOCK
DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL SERVICES



The Parents as Teachers (PAT) Program began in 1981 in Missouri as a way to provide the information,

support, and encouragement parents need to help their children grow and develop to their full potential during the early years of life. PAT educators believe that parents are their children's first and most influential teachers, and all young children and families deserve the same opportunities to succeed. Services typically provided by the PAT staff are free and include personal visits by certified parent educators, developmental screenings, and referrals to community resources and networks. Parent educator for the 2020-21 school year is Jessica Vandegriffe. Jessica may be contacted by email at jvandegriffe@dutchmen.us. You may also contact the PAT staff by calling 573-437-5171. The program's focus is on providing screenings to all children and personal visits to high needs families. If you have any questions about the program, please don't hesitate to contact us. We look forward to working with the families and children of Gasconade County R-II School District.

In 2013, the requirements under the IDEA changed to be less burdensome for parents/guardians and schools. Before a school district may access your public insurance for the first time and every year thereafter, school districts must provide parents/guardians with written notification. So what does that mean?

What will you be asked to do?

You will be asked to give your consent in writing one time to release information from your child's education records, including information about the services your child receives through the IEP. This information is being released for the purpose of billing MO HealthNet and seeking partial payment for some medically related IEP services under the IDEA.

What type of information will

be in the consent form?

The consent form must tell you the personally identifiable information that may be disclosed, such as your child's name, date of birth, Social Security number (if provided), Medicaid number or other identification, disability type, IEP and evaluations, types of services, times and dates of service, and progress notes. The consent form must also tell you the purpose of the disclosure (e.g., payment from MO HealthNet) and the agency that will get the information.

What does it mean if you give your consent?

By consenting, you state you understand and agree that your MO HealthNet insurance will be billed to partially pay the cost of IEP services and that the necessary information about your child and

the IEP services may be shared with the MO HealthNet Division, a contracted billing agent, and/or a physician to obtain necessary supporting documentation (e.g., physician scripts, referrals) in order to access your MO HealthNet benefits.

Can you be required to enroll with the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) for public insurance?

You cannot be required to sign up for or enroll in public insurance for your child to receive a free appropriate public education, including IEP services.

Will your consent affect your family's MO HealthNet benefits?

No. Reimbursed services provided by your school district do not limit coverage, change eligibility, affect benefits, or count against visit or funding limits in MO HealthNet

programs.

What if you change your mind? You have the right to withdraw consent to disclose your child's personally identifiable information to the MO HealthNet Division for billing purposes at any time.

Will your consent or refusal to give consent affect your child's IEP services?

No. Your school district must provide all required IEP services to your child at no cost to you, whether you give consent or refuse to give consent for purposes of the school accessing your MO HealthNet benefits.

What if you have a question?

Please call your school district's Special Education Department with questions or concerns at 573-437-5171.

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Parents right to know

BY JERI KAY HARDY
Assistant Superintendent

Dear Parent or Guardian:

At the beginning of each school year, Gasconade R-2 School District must inform parents and guardians of each student attending a Title I, Part A School of their right to request information about the professional qualifications of both the teachers and the paraprofessionals who teach and work with their children. Our district is required to inform you

Alternative learning opportunities at OHS

BY KRIS ALTEMEYER,
OHS PRINCIPAL

OHS teacher Lucas Gehlert will again be the director of the Alternative School for the 2020-21 school year. Michelle Paneitz will serve as the secretary for the Alternative School and The Learning Center.

The Learning Center (TLC) is an alternative school learning program that offers eligible students several opportunities to continue or complete their high school education. With the current struggles of our national and local economy, a high school education is even more essential for success in today's workplace. The Learning Center programs include:

Missouri Option Program – This allows students who are at least one year behind in credits to earn a high school diploma by passing the GED exam and meeting other criteria. Job skills and career planning are an essential part of this program.

Alternative Education - Students who, for a variety of reasons, are unable to attend the regular day school program may enroll in TLC. Students use computer based instruction to earn course credit.

Credit Recovery - Owensville High School students who have fallen behind in earning credits may attend TLC in order to make up course credits. Students should contact the guidance office to begin this process.

The Learning Center is open Monday through Thursday from 3:45 to 6:45 p.m. Opening day for the 2020-21 Alternative School year is Wednesday, Aug. 24. To enroll in one of the programs or for more information contact Lucas Gehlert at 437-2174 or email at lgehlert@dutchmen.us

If parents, students, or community members ever have any questions or concerns about the Gasconade County Alternative School they can also contact the high school.

of information that you, according to the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (Public Law 114-95), have the right to know.

Upon your request, our district is required to provide to you in a timely manner, the following information:

- Whether your student's teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.

- Whether your student's teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.

- Whether your student's teacher is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher.

- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so their qualifications.

In addition to the information that parents may request, a building receiving Title I.A funds must provide to each individual parent:

- Information on the level of

achievement and academic growth of your student, if applicable and available, on each of the State academic assessments required under Title I.A.

- Timely notice that your student has been assigned, or has been taught for 4 or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher who has not met applicable State certification for licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned.

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge and critical thinking he/she needs to succeed in school and beyond. That commitment includes making sure that all of our teachers and paraprofessionals are highly skilled. If you would like to request any of the above information, please contact the principal at your child's school. Additionally, you may contact your child's teacher directly regarding your child's academic progress.

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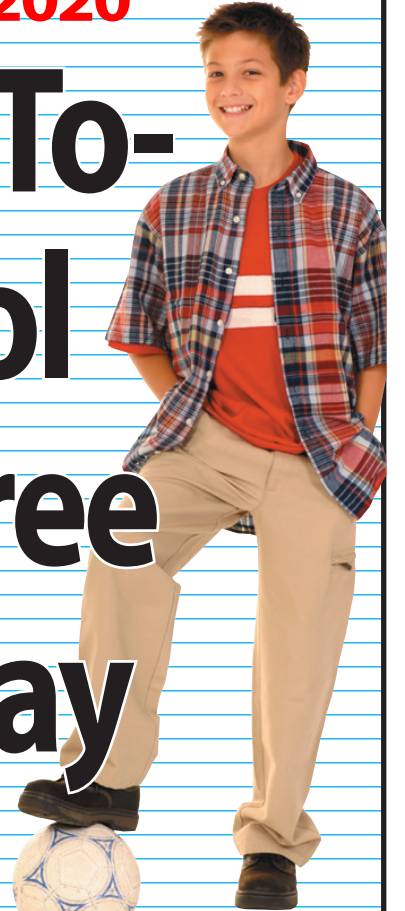
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2020-2021 Missouri School Immunization Requirements

• All students must present documentation of up-to-date immunization status, including month, day, and year of each immunization before attending school.

• The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) allows a 4-day grace period. Students in all grade levels may receive immunizations up to four days

before the due date.

• Required immunizations should be administered according to the current Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices Schedule, including all spacing, (<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html>).

• To remain in school, students “in progress” must have an Immunization In Progress

form (Imm.P.14) on file. In progress means that a child has begun the vaccine series and has an appointment for the next dose. This appointment must be kept and an updated record provided to the school. If the appointment is not kept, the child is no longer in progress and is noncompliant. (i.e., Hep B vaccine series was started but the child is

not yet eligible to receive the next dose in the series.)

• Religious (Imm.P.11A) and Medical (Imm.P.12) exemptions are allowed. The appropriate exemption card must be on file. Unimmunized children are subject to exclusion from school when outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases occur.

1. Last dose on or after the fourth birthday and the last dose of pediatric pertussis before the seventh birthday. Maximum needed: six doses.

2. 8-12 Grades: Tdap, which contains pertussis vaccine, is required.

3. Grade 8-11: One dose of MCV is required. Dose must be given after 10 years of age.

Grade 12: Two doses of MCV are required unless the first dose was administered to a student who was 16 years of age or older, in which case only one dose is required. At least one dose must be given after 16 years of age.

4. Kindergarten-10 Grade: Last dose must be administered on or after the fourth birthday. The interval between the next- to-last and last

dose should be at least six months.

11-12 Grades: Last dose on or after the fourth birthday. Any combination of four doses of IPV and OPV constitutes a complete series. Maximum needed: four doses.

5. First dose must be given on or after twelve months of age.

6. There must be at least four weeks between dose one and two; at least 8 weeks between dose two and three; at least 16 weeks between doses one and three and final dose must be given no earlier than 24 weeks of age.

7. First dose must be given on or after twelve months of age.

Kindergarten-10 Grade: As satisfactory evidence of disease, a licensed health care provider may sign and place on file with the school a written statement

Vaccines Required for School Attendance	Dose Required by Grade												
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
DTaP/DTP/DT ¹	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+	4+
Tdap ²									1	1	1	1	1
MCV ³ (Meningococcal Conjugate)									1	1	1	1	2
IPV (Polio) ⁴	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+
MMR ⁵	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Hepatitis B ⁶	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+	3+
Varicella ⁷	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1

documenting the month and year of previous varicella (chickenpox) disease.

11-12 Grades: As satisfactory

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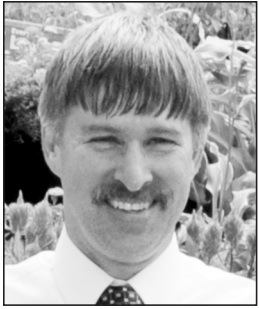
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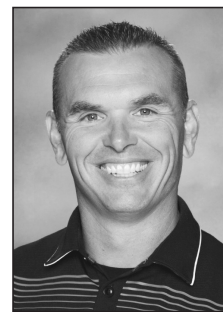
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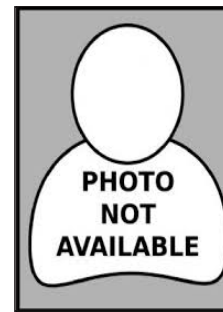
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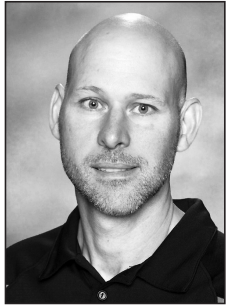


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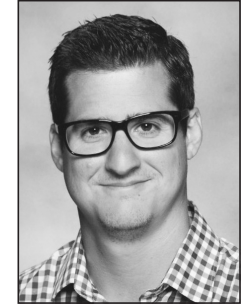
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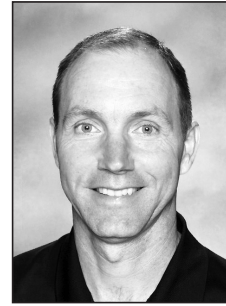
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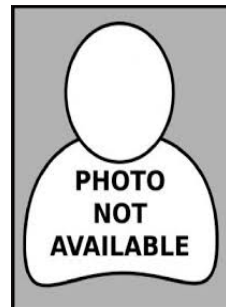
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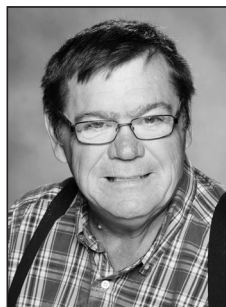
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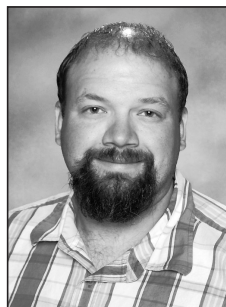
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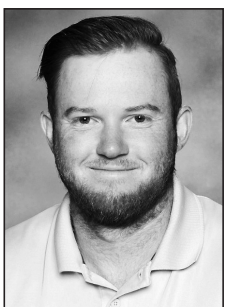
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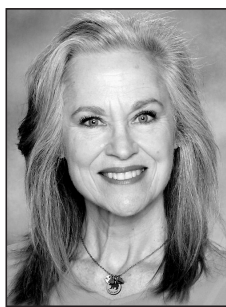
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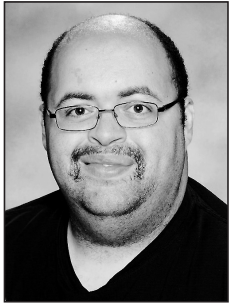
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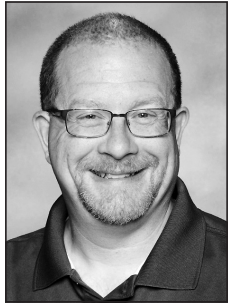
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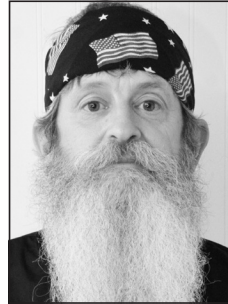
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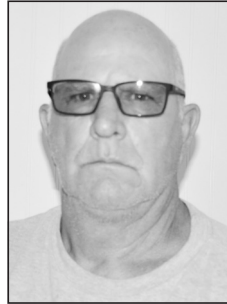
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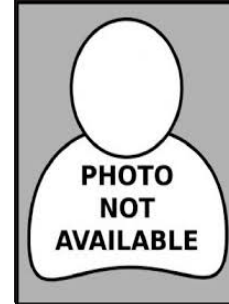
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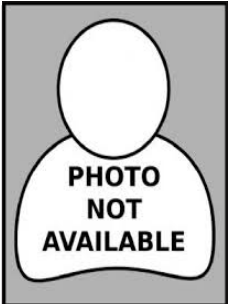
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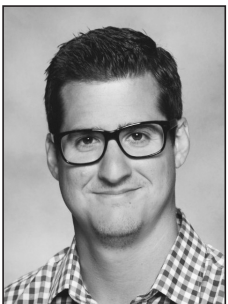
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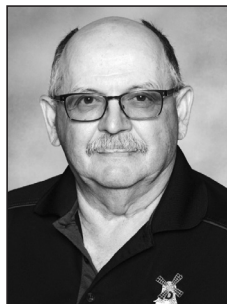
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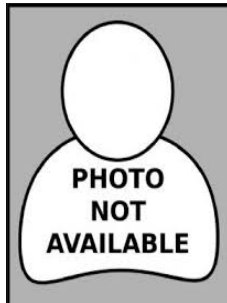
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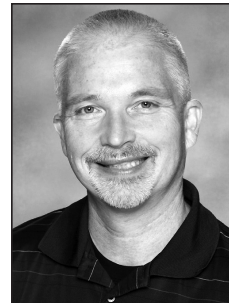
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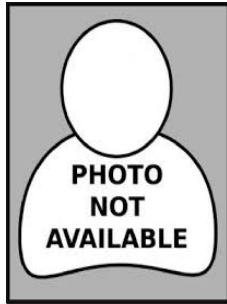
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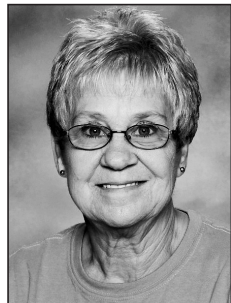
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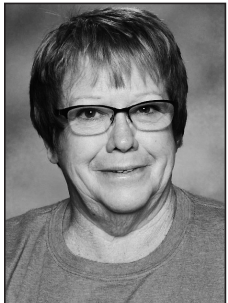
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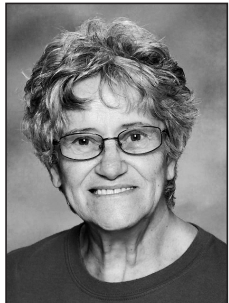
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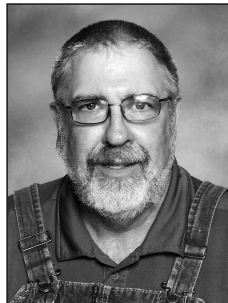
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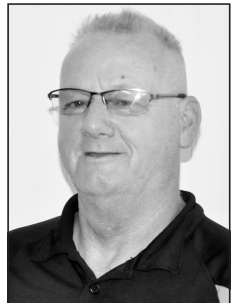
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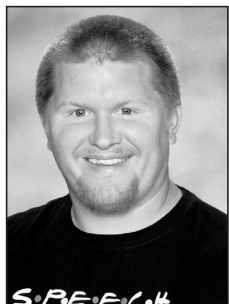
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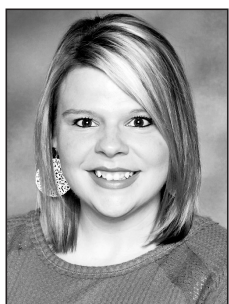
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OWENSVILLE ELEMENTARY: CLASSIFIED STAFF



Karen Rohlfing
5th Grade



Chanda Kreilick
5th Grade



Sarah Kramme
5th Grade



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Secretary



Crystal Blankenship
Secretary



Megan Silvers
Secretary



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Focus Room



Jessica Vandegriffe
PAT Educator



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Nurse-RN



Susan Davis
Nurse-LPN



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Amanda Sellers
Title One Aide



Jennifer Reed
Title One Aide



Bev Bloemke
Library/Building Aide



Joyce Nelson
Building Aide



Erin Cole
Pre-School Aide



Shelly Linenbroker
Paraprofessional



Lea Uthe
Paraprofessional



Tara Tod
Paraprofessional



Kimberly McGee
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Jodie Milanowski
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Crystal Ditto
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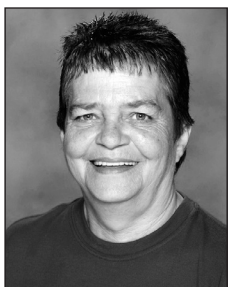
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Jeanette Walker
Nutritional Services



PeeWee Howard
Lead Custodian



Karen Davis
Custodian



James Backman
Custodian



Emily Landwehr
Custodian

GERALD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: CERTIFIED STAFF



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Pre Kindergarten



Jena Hunt
Kindergarten



Rande Schatz
Kindergarten



Ann Todisman
1st Grade



Jenise Stockton
1st Grade



Dione Kandlbinder
2nd Grade



Dawn Rice
2nd Grade



Kristyna Higgins
2nd Grade

GERALD ELEMENTARY: CERTIFIED STAFF — CONTINUED



Katie Schaning
3rd Grade



Ashley Powell
3rd Grade



Kendra Stockton
4th Grade



Randi Gehlert
4th Grade



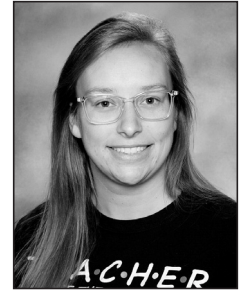
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Ashley Miller
5th Grade



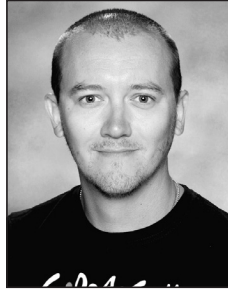
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Kalyn Kemp
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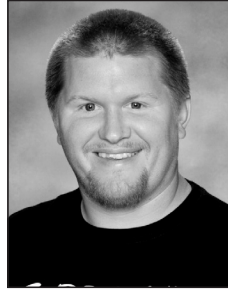
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Shane Hunt
Physical Education



Jessie Bayless
Art



Derrick Tyree
Speech Implementer



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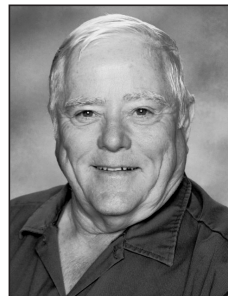
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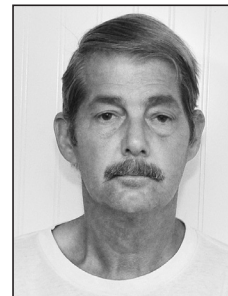
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Keith Neidert
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John Bradley
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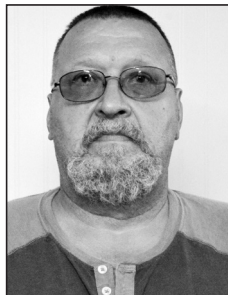
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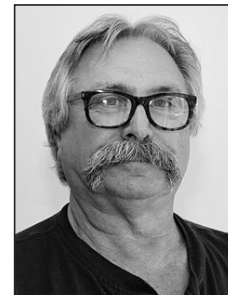
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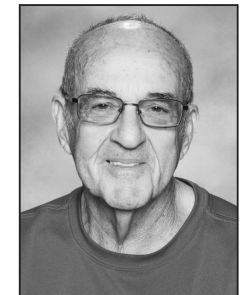
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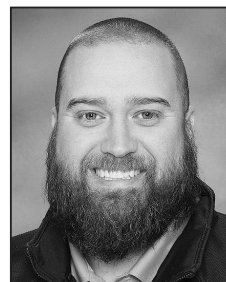
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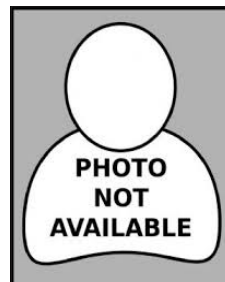
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Route 24



Sara Loeb
Route 25



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Route 26



Tracie Kinhead
Route 27



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Route 28



Michael LeClaire
Route 29



Jacinta Wehmeyer
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Gary Pohlmann
Transportation Director
Assistant Grounds
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Transportation Aide



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Transportation Secretary



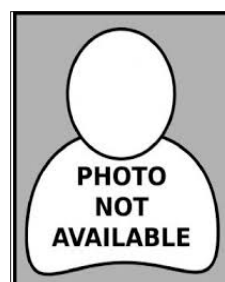
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Dustin Howard
Maintenance



Rick Hardy
Assistant Mechanic

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Transportation notes

GARY POHLMANN
TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR



Within a couple weeks we will be transporting students again. Starting the year, things will look a little different on our buses. The district will recommend that students wear a facemask during their routes morning and evening to provide safety for each student. Although social distancing will be a requirement to most of their day, during the bus ride it will be very difficult. This year when making our seat assignments we will be looking to seating family members together as much as possible other than by grade levels. Hand sanitizer will be offered on the bus. The bus fleet will be sanitized twice each day, after morning and afternoon routes. With all your cooperation we will attempt to provide the safest environment as possible for your students. As

conditions change we will continue to follow Health Department and CDC guidelines.

Again this year we will require all buses to have assigned seating for all students. This comes from continued problems with discipline issues and vandalism. Students will be held accountable for the seating assignment. Also this year we will only be allowing 2 pick-up and 2 drop-offs addresses. For early out days and emergencies only will we allow extra drop offs. All other transportation changes will need to be directed to the Bus Barn. With the decreasing transportation funding from the state, we continually have to work to streamline our routing.

I would also like to remind parents and students to be aware of your pick-up and drop-off times, and remember their window for pick-up and drop-off is five minutes before and after

set time. When changing drop-offs or pick-ups please include the complete address when contacting the school, this information is important to the driver. Please remember if your child is a 2nd grader or below there must be a parent or guardian visible at the bus stop. If your student is a Pre-K you must meet the bus. If you wish to allow them to be dropped off without someone present you must provide written permission letter to the Transportation Department. I ask everyone to be respectful and cooperative with our drivers, they transport the most valuable cargo on the road every day. The safety of your students is our biggest concern.



Sports: Vital to students emotional, mental, physical well being

RYAN OKENFUSS,
ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR



The 2019-2020 school year did not end as anyone could have imagined. I want to tip my cap to the students and teachers of the Gasconade County R-2 School District to how everyone handled the sudden change in what school looked like this past spring. I also want to thank the graduating class of 2020 for how graciously they handled the loss of the end of their Senior year and everything that comes with it.

As we enter into a new school year full of uncertainty, there is one thing that can be counted on; we are all looking to return to a state of normalcy. In attempting to meet this desire The Missouri State High School Athletic Association and Owensville High School are planning on beginning our fall sports seasons as scheduled on Monday, August 10. Along with our athletic seasons, we fully intend to provide students attending classes in person with the opportunities to participate in our school activities as well. Our Drama Department will be performing the play "Annie Play Will Do" the weekend of October 2nd-4th which was postponed this past spring. No matter the form,

so long as school is able to meet in-person we will have the possibility to host extra curricular activities and sports which are vital to the emotional, mental and physical well being of our students. For community members in the "high risk" category or anyone choosing not to attend games in person, OHS is looking into different platforms for live streaming events through the internet.

Throughout the summer our coaching staff has gone to great lengths to improve the individual skills of our players and overall team chemistry while providing a safe and clean environment for our athletes. They have found creative ways to meet the challenges of coaching during a pandemic.

Much of this great coaching staff will be returning to the positions that were held last year.

Those coaches that will be transitioning to new coaching positions are Shane Hunt moving from assistant football to assistant softball coach, Terra Heidle from assistant boys basketball to assistant girls basketball coach, Hannah Koppelman from assistant girls basketball to freshman girls basketball coach. Current coaches that have added sports are Taylor Payne with freshman volleyball, Steven Kemp adding freshman boys basketball, Tyler Ahring adding assistant Cross Country and Dustin Howard adding assistant track to his football and wrestling duties. Gerald Elementary Special Education teacher Kalyn Kemp will take over as Girls Soccer Head

Coach, assisting her on the sidelines will be fellow Gerald Special Education teacher Barb Loyd. New coaches to the district will include Scott Lewis assistant football and assistant basketball; Coach Lewis will also be our 8th grade history teacher. Teaching 6th grade history will be Zhacharie Bollman, he will serve as both an assistant football and assistant wrestling coach. Joining Coaches Lewis and Bollman at OMS will be Cullen VanLeer, he will be our Head Boys Basketball and Head Golf Coach while teaching Physical Education.

Also at OMS teaching 7th grade science is Kerry Eidson who will be filling an assistant track position on Coach Candl's staff this spring.

I would like to introduce three new club sponsors; taking over the robotics program will be Brad Willson. Mr. Wilson will be teaching science at the high school. Rounding out our robotics sponsors, working with the middle school program, will be new high school math teacher Max Unterreiner. Our final new sponsor is Chelsea Hazell, Ms. Hazell will be taking over the speech program while teaching English at OHS.

Instead of our regular parents meeting this year I will narrate a Google Slide presentation. Parents can contact me with any questions. I will push that out to OHS and OMS parents by the end of the week.

This presentation will be for parents and

athletes of any student grades 7-12 who will be participating in a MSHSAA sponsored activity. Parents can use their SIS parent portal to go online and complete their Code of Conduct, Drug Testing, Concussion forms as well as the MSHSAA Annual Form which is required for all MSHSAA activities. Any student that did not receive a physical for school activities last year will need to have one completed for this school year. This physical will be valid for the next 2 years.

We will also be adjusting our annual "Orange and Black" auction fundraiser as well. I will be looking into using a virtual platform to host this year's auction in more of a silent auction style event. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Owensville Athletic Department and be used directly to support our Dutchmen and Dutchgirl athletics. As there will be no in person auction, we also will be foregoing the evening scrimmage. Our fall sports season will begin on Friday August 28th with Football playing at Potosi and the softball team playing in the Sullivan Tournament.

I am excited to get back to school and work with our administrators, teachers, coaches and sponsors to provide great educational experiences to the students of the communities that make up the R-2 School District.

Complete Sports Schedule for the 2020-2021 R-2 School Year will appear in the Fall Sports Preview Section in the Gasconade County Republican on Aug. 26

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District explains policy on reduced, free lunches

Children from families whose current income is at or below those shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Applications are available at the school office. To apply, fill out a Free and Reduced Price School Meals Family Application and return it to the school. The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility. Applications may be submitted any time during the school year. A complete application is required as a condition of eligibility. A complete application includes: (1) household income from all sources or Food Stamp/TANF case number, (2) names of all household members, and (3) the signature and last four digits of social security number or indication of no social security number of adult household member signing the application. School officials may verify current income at any time during the school year.

Foster children may be eligible regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside.

If a family member becomes unemployed or if family size changes, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of

the family eligible for these benefits. Households will be notified of their children's eligibility status for free or reduced price meals. If any children were not listed on the eligibility notice for families receiving SNAP, TANF or FDPIR, the household should contact the school to have free meal benefits extended to those children.

If any child(ren) was not listed on the eligibility notice, the household should contact the LEA or school to have free meal benefits extended to that child(ren).

Under the provisions of the policy, Megan Silvers, Lunch Secretary, will review the applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the determining official, they may wish to discuss the decision with the hearing official on an informal basis or he/she may make a request either orally or in writing to the Dr. Chuck Garner, Superintendent of Schools, P.O. Box 536, Owensville, Mo. 65066.

Hearing procedures are outlined in the policy. A complete copy of the policy is on file in each school and in the central office where any interested party may review it.

Household Size	Maximum Household Income Eligible for Free Meals			Maximum Household Income Eligible for Reduced Price Meals		
	Annually	Monthly	Weekly	Annually	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$16,588	\$1,383	\$319	\$23,606	\$1,968	\$454
2	22,412	1,868	431	31,894	2,658	614
3	28,236	2,353	543	40,182	3,349	773
4	34,060	2,839	655	48,470	4,040	933
5	39,884	3,324	767	56,758	4,730	1,092
6	45,708	3,809	879	65,046	5,421	1,251
7	51,532	4,295	991	73,334	6,112	1,411
8	57,356	4,780	1,103	81,622	6,802	1,570
Each add'l member	+ 5,824	+ 486	+ 112	+ 8,288	+ 691	+ 160

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

Athletic Director	Ryan Okenfuss
Football	Nathan Cabot
Asst. Football	Casey Fisher
.....	Dustin Howard, Steven Kemp, Scott Lewis, Zach Bollmann
Volleyball	Jamie Ridenhour
Asst. Volleyball.....	Misti Rutledge, Taylor Payne
8th Grade Volleyball.....	Jamie Ridenhour
7th Grade volleyball	Kari Nolting
Boys Basketball.....	Cullen VanLeer
Asst. Boys Basketball.....	Scott Lewis, Steven Kemp
8th Grade Basketball.....	Shane Hunt
7th Grade Basketball.....	Taylor Payne
Girls Basketball.....	Ryan Flanagan
Asst. Girls Basketball.....	Terra Heidle, Hannah Koppelman
8th Grade Girls Basketball.....	Ryan Flanagan
7th Grade Girls Basketball.....	Terra Heidle
Baseball.....	Tyler Ahring
Asst. Baseball.....	Casey Fisher, Steven Kemp
Cross Country.....	Matt Candrl
Asst. Cross Country.....	David Koppelman, Tyler Ahring
Golf.....	Cullen VanLeer
Softball.....	Hannah Koppelman
Asst. Softball.....	Shane Hunt
Track and Field.....	Matt Candrl
Asst Track.....	David Koppelman, Jamie Ridenhour
.....	Dustin Howard, Kerry Eidson, Taylor Payne
Weight Training.....	Dustin Howard
Wrestling.....	Rod Barndollar
Asst. Wrestling.....	Dustin Howard, Zach Bollmann
Soccer.....	Kalyn Kemp
Football /Basketball Cheerleaders.....	Raquel Bunton
Dance Coach.....	Kelly Smith
Speech.....	Chelsea Hazell
Scholar Bowl.....	Julie Sieber
High School Robotics.....	Brad Willson
Middle School Robotics.....	Max Unterreiner
Band.....	Jordan Palmer
Choir.....	Philip Giacomelli
FFA.....	Sherry Byram, Wade Orschlen, Shyla Baxter

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