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Welcome Back!



Supt. Reggie Engebritson, Ed.D.

Another school year begins! Welcome Back! If you are returning to our district, thank you! If you are new to our district, welcome! We look forward to serving the students who come through our school doors and making this one of their best years ever!

We have been working on our Strategic Plan since February. Our previous one was from several years ago and we decided it was time to create a new one that is functional and an actual working document. Some of you may have participated in our surveys as we gathered input from students, staff, parents and community members about where our schools should be heading

for the next three-to-five years.

I'm sure many of us have heard of the term "Strategic Plan," but have you ever wondered, "What is it really?" One definition is that a Strategic Plan is a living document that is used to communicate our goals and then what is needed to achieve those goals and then how we will measure progress towards achieving the goals. Another way to look at it is that it is a road map, or a guide, for the District of where we should go for the next three-to-five years. The goals can be about academics and also about how the District operates.

Many times, organizations take the time to create a Strategic Plan and then it sits on the shelf until someone says it's time to write a new one. This new plan has input from the classroom to the boardroom, so that several people have been involved in giving their thoughts and opinions. It is my intent to continually reference this plan so that everyone can see what we are working on and whether or not we are making progress on our goals.

By the time you read this, I'm hoping our plan will be on the District website for you to see. As always, reach

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✓ St. Louis County Schools ✓ Back-to-School Checklist

- ☐ Send an email to portal@isd2142.k12.mn.us with a request to set up a Parent Portal if you do not already have one or if you forgot your password.
- ☐ Go to your Parent Portal to complete the Online Student Registration (OLR).
- ☐ ALL FAMILIES, please complete the Application for Educational Benefits. Doing so benefits all families as the forms assist the district in qualifying for additional education funding, discounts, and other programs. A link to the form is available on the home page of your school website and within the online registration you can access through your parent portal.
- ☐ Return your emergency card. Contact the health staff regarding any special health-related arrangements.
- ☐ If you want to register your child for preschool, contact DaNeil Sirjord at dsirjord@isd2142.k12.mn.us or 749-8130 ext 1116, or call your school office and ask for a preschool teacher. They will be able to assist you with registering your preschooler.
- ☐ A list of the school supplies your child(ren) will need is available on your school website or at the school office.
- ☐ Set up optional online payments through your parent portal to pay sports registration fees or deposit money to lunch accounts for the purchase of a la carte items. You may still pay for these items at the school office, however, online payments are available for convenience.
- ★ If you have any questions concerning your Parent Portal throughout the year, please send an email to: portal@isd2142.k12.mn.us.
- ★ IMPORTANT: Please inform your school office **ASAP** if you have any personal information changes throughout the year such as address, phone numbers, etc.

New school administrators excited to be in district Cherry, North Woods, South Ridge to have new leaders

By Lee Bloomquist

Some new school administrative leaders are greeting ISD 2142 students, parents and staff with the opening of the 2023-2024 school year.

Lisa West, who taught 25 years in International Falls elementary and middle school, and last year was Dean of Students at International Falls High School, steps in as principal at Cherry Campus.

Seth Ismil is the new assistant principal and athletic director at Cherry.

Michael Johnson moves from Cherry principal to assistant principal and athletic director at South Ridge.

Crystal Poppler is the new assistant

principal and athletic director at North Woods.

Changing from Dean of Students positions at district campuses to assistant principals/athletic directors provides an additional layer of support for students, Reggie Engebritson, ISD 2142 superintendent said.

Assistant principals can assist with teacher evaluations and certain disciplinary issues that Dean of Students couldn't due to being part of the teacher bargaining unit, Engebritson said.

Assistant principals will also step in to lead campuses whenever a principal is gone and help solve daily matters at campuses, Engebritson said.

"Combining the duties of assistant principal with athletic director allows us to continue to create consistency in how we run our athletics and activities in our larger schools within one district," Engebritson said. "I feel that we have strong leaders in place to help provide the necessary support and resources our students and staff need to be successful at learning and providing a quality education."

At Cherry, West says she's excited to get to know students, staff and parents.

"I did research on Cherry and realized what a close-knit school and community it is," West said. "What I saw was a PreK-12 school that fits my

experience perfectly. It's a challenge coming from a district that I worked at for so long, but I'm all about relationships. My goal is to get to know everyone."

Safety, high academic standards and a sense of belonging among students and staff, are priorities of hers, West said.

"Some of the important things to me are number one, safety," West said. "Not only physical, but psychological safety for students and staff and care. Kids will thrive if they feel safe and they know they're cared about."

Ismil, who grew up on a farm in the Cherry area, comes to Cherry Campus

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ONLINE REGISTRATION

Our online registration system decreases the amount of paperwork you need to complete annually and also provides an efficient way for you to ensure that we have the most current information on file for your child(ren).

Please follow the instructions below. If you have any questions, call your school office. Online registration questions can also be emailed to portal@isd2142.k12.mn.us.

You can complete these steps on a computer or on your mobile phone App. You can download the “Campus Parent” App from your Parent Portal or the App Store.

START HERE IF YOUR FAMILY IS NOT NEW to our district [you have a child or children who attended one of our schools any time in the past]. This link will allow you to add a new child to your family.

- ☐ **Step 1.) Do you have a parent portal login? If yes, proceed to step 2. If no, email portal@isd2142.k12.mn.us to obtain a parent portal login.**
- ☐ **Step 2.) Log into your Parent Portal. There you can access the ONLINE STUDENT REGISTRATION. Complete your registration following the instructions provided, which are:**

1. Choose the option below that best describes your situation. Choose “current student.”

2. Complete the steps in the registration process and submit.

3. Look for an email when your registration is approved.
- ☐ **Step 3.) ALL FAMILIES complete the Application for Educational Benefits. The form assists the district in qualifying for additional education funding, discounts, and other programs. It may also offer your family discounted fees for extra-curricular activities. A link to the form is available within the online registration. The form is also available on the home page of your school website.**

START HERE IF YOUR FAMILY IS NEW to our district and you want to enroll your child(ren).

Email link: <https://arcc.infinitecampus.org/campus/OLRLogin/stlouisco>

Use this link only if your family is new to St. Louis County Schools. **Do NOT** use this link if you already have students enrolled in the district. The instructions in this link will generate an email with a link to begin registration.

Once you receive notice that your application was accepted, continue with Step 3 above.

If you have any questions, please contact your school office or email portal@isd2142.k12.mn.us. Thank you!

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out with questions you might have. I'll also do my best to keep you updated on what we are working on, so you will be informed.

In other news, you may have already heard this, but every student can now get a free breakfast and a free lunch at school. This is paid for by the State through legislative action during the last session. If a student wants a second meal, they will have to pay the adult price for that second meal. The second breakfast or lunch is considered an ala carte item. Money will need to be in the student's lunch account to cover the cost, or they will not be able to get a second meal. We can only offer one free breakfast and one free lunch, so if you wanted to skip breakfast and have two free lunches, that is not an option. Also, if a student brings their own lunch to school and just wants a milk, the milk has to be paid for as it is not considered "a meal" and does not meet the definition of a free meal. Remember, I'm just the messenger and do not make these rules. :)

We still need parents and guardians to complete the Educational Benefits form (formerly called the Free and Reduced lunch Form). Why do we need this if the meals are free? Because the meals are paid for by the State, but Federal regulations require us to still collect the forms. Districts can receive federal funding for certain programs, if we can submit these forms. Parents will also need to complete the form to determine if their sports/activities fees can be reduced.

As we begin a new school year, which is always an exciting time — especially for those little learners coming to school for the first time and for our seniors who are starting a new school year for the last time — I hope that the beginning of the school year starts off well for your child(ren) and your family. Don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher, principal or to me with questions or concerns. We are all in this together and as a team we can accomplish so much more!



2023 SCHOOL BOARD

District/School		Term	Position
1 / North Woods	Pat Christensen 11450 Christensen Rd Orr MN 55771	Home (218) 757-3530 Cell (218) 780-7532 E-mail pchristensen@isd2142.k12.mn.us	1/2021-12/2024 Chair
2 / North Woods	Nathan Briggs 206 S River St PO Box 372 Cook MN 55723	Cell (218) 742-7444 E-mail nbriggs@isd2142.k12.mn.us	1/2023-12/2026
3 / Tower-Soudan	Ron Marinaro 1398 Skogman Rd PO Box 761 Tower MN 55790	Cell (218) 235-1563 E-mail rmarinaro@isd2142.k12.mn.us	1/2023-12/2026
4 / NE Range	Chris Koivisto 47 Ash Blvd Babbitt MN 55706	Cell (218) 235-7374 E-mail ckoivisto@isd2142.k12.mn.us	1/2021-12/2024
5 / Cherry	Lynn Hilde 9915 Allavus Rd Mountain Iron MN 55768	Cell (218) 929-6015 E-mail lhilde@isd2142.k12.mn.us	1/2023-12/2026 Clerk
6 / South Ridge	Chet Larson 7493 Harris Rd Canyon MN 55717	Home (218) 345-6662 E-mail clarson@isd2142.k12.mn.us	1/2021-12/2024 Treasurer
7 / South Ridge	Bob Larson 5761 Alborn Jct Rd Alborn MN 55702	Home (218) 345-6470 Cell (218) 269-9858 E-mail blarson@isd2142.k12.mn.us	1/2021-12/2024 Vice Chair

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

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South Ridge School 345-6789 Andrew Bernard, Principal Michael Johnson, Assistant Principal Tricia Neubarth, Counselor	abernard@isd2142.k12.mn.us mjohnson@isd2142.k12.mn.us tneubarth@isd2142.k12.mn.us
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• New school administrators

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with 23 years in the district.

In addition to teaching at John F. Kennedy High School in Babbitt (Northeast Range), in Orr, and at South Ridge, Ismil also previously taught at Cherry. Returning to Cherry is a bit of a homecoming, Ismil said.

“From working there back in 2007-2008 and coming back to it, I would describe it as a close-knit school and community,” Ismil said. “It’s strong in that sense. The Cherry school is the heart of that community.”

Ismil says he wants to build support, re-define roles and boost communication within the campus instructional teams, especially within special education.

“A lot of staff have left due to retirements, so those positions need to be filled and cultivating support between our teams is a big goal this year,” Ismil said. “I want to focus on communication, care and transportation.”

Ismil says he’s going to be an active athletic director.

“I’m coming in as a leader,” Ismil said. “I’m very much about being on board with the coaches and parents. I want all of our sports and activities such as speech and band to have pep rallies. You will see a lot of me at home activities.”

In transferring to South Ridge, Johnson moves closer to his home.

Johnson, in his eighth year in the district, says he’s looking forward to serving students, parents, staff, and the South Ridge community.

Johnson has a strong working relationship with South Ridge Principal Andrew Bernard, he said.

“I’ve worked closely with Andy

and I will be working with the administrative team in a role that’s closer to home which means less driving for me,” Johnson said. “I will be supporting activities, which I’ve always done.”

Johnson said his in-laws have owned a cabin in the South Ridge area for about 20 years.

“So, I know the area well,” Johnson said.

Poppler, who was born in Ely and graduated from Ely Memorial High School, in 2014 began teaching fifth grade in ISD 2142 at Northeast Range before last year serving as Dean of Students at Northland Learning Center in Virginia.

“I’m super excited to be back in the district,” Poppler said. “I feel like I’m back home.”

Poppler said she’s eager to get to know students, staff, coaches, and the North Woods community.

“It’s all about building relationships with students and staff, so I’m excited to start building those relationships,” Poppler said.

Poppler says she’s looking forward to being back on the same team with North Woods Principal Kelly Engman, who Poppler worked with at Northeast Range.

“She was my mentor at Northeast Range,” Poppler said. “I think we will have some real good teamwork. We worked well together before and she and I have talked about how the year is going to play out and how we will work together as a team. I’m excited to step into the role at North Woods and excited to work with Kelly.”

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS
2023-2024

Limited spaces are available for preschool. If you are interested in information, please contact the Preschool Teacher at your local school or call or email DaNeil at 218-749-8130 ext. 1116 or dsirjord@isd2142.k12.mn.us. This program is for children the year before they go to kindergarten. Children must be 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2023. Current immunizations are required!



School	Preschool Teachers	email
Cherry	Deb Spencer Shannon Ongalo	dspencer@isd2142.k12.mn.us jajerkovich@isd2142.k12.mn.us
North Woods	Becky Chopp Laura Saarela	bchopp@isd2142.k12.mn.us lsaarela@isd2142.k12.mn.us
Northeast Range	Danielle Cherne-Wiener	danielle.cherne-wiener@aeoa.org
South Ridge	Edwyna Scouton Mary Burke RaeLea Johnson	escouton@isd2142.k12.mn.us
Tower-Soudan	Mary Larson	mlarson@isd2142.k12.mn.us

BUILD A CHILD A LIBRARY BY AGE 5!

Donations to United Way of Northeastern Minnesota support our local Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program!

To sign up a child you know for this FREE program, contact 218-254-3329 or info@uwnemn.org

**DO YOU LIKE THE
CONVENIENCE OF
MAKING PAYMENTS
ONLINE?**

The district has an online payment feature available through Infinite Campus. It provides an easy and convenient way to pay student fees such as sports participation fees or to deposit money to your child's food service account to pay for second meals or other a la carte items.

The online payment feature provides the option of paying a fee in installments, as well as the option of setting up recurring payments. Payments can be made using your bank account or your credit or debit card.

If you need assistance with making payments online, please contact your school secretary or District Accountant Cathy Aune at 749-8130, ext 1111.

ECFE — Early Childhood Family Education



Classes are offered at all of our schools for children infants to kindergarten entrance and their parents.

ECFE staff will be mailing information to all households on our Early Childhood mailing list in early September. If you have questions about ECFE, please contact the ECFE staff at your school!

Classes include a time for parents and children to do activities together and a time apart when parents meet with other parents, and children remain with the teacher and play. This program builds independence, language skills, and group interaction skills. It is a great way to meet families with young children in your community! Immunizations must be current to attend classes.

Special events are provided for families in their local school communities for parents with young children. We would love to see you there! Information will be mailed out to all families on our Early Childhood mailing list. We will post information on-line also!

School	Staff	email
Cherry	Lori Udovich, Parent Educator Alyssa Hughes, Child Educator	ludovich@isd2142.k12.mn.us ahughes@isd2142.k12.mn.us
North Woods	Lori Udovich, Parent Educator	ludovich@isd2142.k12.mn.us
Northeast Range	Sarah Hansen, Parent Educator Andrea Trembath	shansen@isd2142.k12.mn.us atrembath@isd2142.k12.mn.us
South Ridge	Heather Krohn, Child Educator Sara Lorbiecki-Brown, Parent Educator	hkrohn@isd2142.k12.mn.us slorbieckibrown@isd2142.k12.mn.us
Tower-Soudan	Sarah Hansen, Parent Educator	shansen@isd2142.k12.mn.us

Seeking and Welcoming Substitutes in Our Schools

St. Louis County Schools, ISD 2142, invites you to consider applying to be a substitute for one or more of the following positions:

- **Teacher**
- **Paraprofessional**
- **Pre-school Teacher Assistant**
- **ECFE Teacher Aide**
- **Teacher Aide**
- **Bus Driver**
- **Van Driver**
- **Custodian**
- **Food Service Aide**
- **Health Assistant**
- **School Secretary**

Substitute teachers, paraprofessionals, pre-school teacher assistants, and ECFE teacher aides are hired through Teachers on Call. To apply for one of these positions, go to www.teachersoncall.com. Substitutes for all other positions are hired directly by the district. To apply for one of these positions, go to www.isd2142.net.

To become eligible for Substitute teaching, applicants must obtain a short call sub license through PELSB.

Substitute paraprofessionals and pre-school teacher assistants must be highly-qualified, defined by meeting one of the following qualifications:

- Completed a minimum of 60 semester credits at an institution of higher education
- Obtained an associate’s (or higher) degree
- Obtained a minimum score of 460 on the ParaPro test

If you have any questions about substituting in one or more of the positions listed above, please feel welcome to contact the district’s Human Resources Director, Meredith Carter, at 749-8130 Ext 1108.

St. Louis County Schools, ISD 2142 is an Equal Opportunity Employer

EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING



Early Childhood Screening is provided by the school district **free** of charge and is required for entrance into Preschool and Kindergarten. Screening offers a snapshot of your child’s health and development and it is recommended that children be screened around age 3-1/2.

If you are not on our Early Childhood mailing list, please contact us so we can add you and your child to the list so that you receive all information related to screening. We will need the child’s legal name including middle initial and birthday, parent name, address, phone number and an email. You can call 1-218-749-8130 ex 1116 to leave your information on the voice mail for DaNeil or you can email the information to dsirjord@isd2142.k12.mn.us.

As always, if you have concerns about your child’s behavior or development, please contact DaNeil or any of the Early Childhood teachers at your local school. We are here to help!

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BACK TO SCHOOL



PHYSICALS AND IMMUNIZATIONS

As you help your child(ren) get ready for the upcoming school year, make sure to schedule immunization updates and sports physicals with their medical provider.

All students participating in junior high or high school sports are required to have a MSHSL sports physical on file. Physicals are good for 2-3 years.

Students entering Kindergarten, 7th grade and 12th grade require updated immunizations.

Please contact Gabrielle Christianson in the school nurse offices with any questions (218-749-8130 x1122).

HELP US BUILD OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD MAILING LIST!



Do you have a child under the age of 5?
If so, we would like to add you to our Early Childhood mailing list. Please call or email DaNeil at 218-749-8130 or dsirjord@isd2142.k12.mn.us.

Or you can contact your school Early Childhood team and ask them to add you to the Early Childhood mailing list. We need: Parent and child’s legal names, child’s birthday, address, phone number and an email.

DO YOU WANT TO WORK 9 MONTHS A YEAR?

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CURRENT OPENINGS by School

Northwoods, Cook Mn

BUS ROUTES 2 MORNING/AFTERNOON

Union Contract

Paid Holidays

Sick Leave

Personal Days

Benefits

Competitive Wage

VAN ROUTES 2 MORNING/AFTERNOON

Union Contract

Flexible Schedule

Competitive Wage

Tower

Northeast Range, Babbitt Mn

Cherry

VAN & BUS SUBS

Southridge, Culver Mn

VAN ROUTES 2 MORNING/AFTERNOON

Union Contract

Flexible Schedule

Competitive Wage

CALL ME! LET'S TALK! Kay Cornelius 218 749-8130 ext 1986

APPLY ONLINE AT www.isd2142.net

HEALTH PROCEDURES

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to another school year. This letter is to inform you of our state and district school health procedures.

School Attendance: Healthy students are better learners. Daily attendance is highly encouraged. If your child will be absent, please contact the school secretary in the morning and state why your child cannot attend. Please report any contagious diseases: Coronavirus, Influenza, Strep Throat, Impetigo, Pink Eye, Chicken Pox, etc.

Immunizations: Minnesota law requires all students to have updated immunization records, unless there is a medical exemption or conscientious objection on file in the Health Office. Students with incomplete immunization records **will not** be allowed to attend school until the immunizations are up to date and on file in the Health Office.

Student Health Conditions: Many of our students have health conditions, which may interfere with learning or result in safety concerns at school. Please carefully complete the Health Survey, which is included in the online registration. If a health concern exists, the school nurse will contact you to discuss this.

Medications: All medication for students **MUST be brought to the school by an adult**. It MUST be in the original container or prescription bottle. A parent or guardian and physician MUST sign a medication consent form.

Thank you for your cooperation in these matters. Please feel free to contact the Health Office with any concerns.

PLEASE HELP YOUR SCHOOL

ALL FAMILIES are asked to complete the 2023-2024 Application for Educational Benefits. Doing so benefits you and your school as the forms assist the district in qualifying for additional education funding, discounts, and other programs. A link to the form is available on the home page of your school website and within the online registration you can access through your parent portal.

You may return the completed form in whatever manner is most convenient for you:

- 1) Drop off or mail to your school
- 2) Drop off or mail to the district office (1701 No. 9th Ave., Virginia, MN 55792)
- 3) Email to jolson@isd2142.k12.mn.us

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Save Receipts For Your Child’s Education Expenses

If you’re buying school supplies for your children in kindergarten through 12th grade, you may qualify for one or both of these tax relief programs:

- K–12 Education Subtraction
- K–12 Education Credit

Save your receipts, because both programs can help lower your taxes and may provide a larger refund when filing your Minnesota income tax return.

Last year, more than 17,500 families received the K-12 Education Credit and saved an average of \$282. Over 138,000 families received the K-12 Education Subtraction with an average subtraction of \$1,285.

Common Expenses That Qualify:

- School supplies (pencils, paper, calculators)
- Educational computer hardware and software
- Tutoring K-12 curriculum by a qualified instructor
- Rental or purchase of musical instruments used during school

Expenses That Do Not Qualify:

- School supplies not used in education (backpacks, tissues, organizers)
- Clothing, including school uniforms (except required gym clothes)
- School lunches
- Family trip to museum or zoo

Do I qualify?

To qualify for either the credit or subtraction, both of these must be true:

- You purchased educational services or materials to assist with your child’s education
- Your child is attending kindergarten through 12th grade at a public, private, or home school

Income limits for Each Program

K-12 Education Credit: Your adjusted gross income must be below the levels shown here. If you qualify for the credit, you must file a Minnesota return to claim a refund.

Number of qualifying children in K-12:	Adjusted gross income must be less than:
1 or 2	\$76,000
3	\$79,000
More than 3	\$79,000 plus \$3,000 for each additional child

K-12 Education Subtraction: There are no income limits for the education subtraction.

For more information on these programs and other valuable tax information, visit www.revenue.state.mn.us and enter **K12** in the Search box or call us at 651-296-3781 or 800-652-9094.

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2023-2024 FOOD SERVICE MEALS

Minnesota's new Free School Meals Program allows ALL STUDENTS to get one breakfast and one lunch FREE OF CHARGE. Under the program, a second breakfast or lunch is considered an a la carte item and must be priced at the adult meal rate.

Adult meal rates are Breakfast \$2.70 and Lunch \$5.50. Other a la carte items will be available for purchase.

Breakfast and Lunch menus are available on the school websites.

Keep Fire Lanes & No Parking Areas Clear

When picking up and dropping off your children at school, or if you are attending a game or special event, please remember to keep fire lanes and "No Parking" areas clear of vehicles. These areas are marked and need to be kept clear for emergency vehicle use only.





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EXTRA-CURRICULAR FEES

Participation Fees

Varsity and JV Athletes	\$120.00
Jr High (Grades 7-8) Athletes*	\$ 60.00
Students qualifying for reduced lunch will pay 50% of the participation fee	
Varsity and JV Athletes	\$ 60.00
Jr High (Grades 7-8) Athletes*	\$ 30.00
Students qualifying for free lunch will pay 25% of the participation fee	
Varsity and JV Athletes	\$ 30.00
Jr High (Grades 7-8) Athletes*	\$ 15.00
Maximum Family Participation Fee	\$500.00

*Jr High Fees apply to athletes who participate only on 7th & 8th grade teams. If an athlete participates at the Jr High level and also participates at the JV or Varsity level, he/she will pay the Varsity/JV Athlete fee.

Additional Information Regarding Participation Fees



- Participation fees must be paid prior to the first game/contest. Fees must be paid in the school office with a site secretary. A receipt will be provided.
- Refunds will be provided only if a student is unable to participate due to injury or due to circumstances beyond the student's control. If a student participates for half the season and becomes injured, one-half of the fee will be refunded. No refunds will be granted to any student who becomes ineligible to participate due to violations of the MSHSL or school rules.
- Junior High (7th and 8th grade) students who are moved up to play at the JV or Varsity level will be required to pay the Varsity/JV participation fee. Money already paid at the Jr High level will be applied to the higher fee.
- A student who is unable to pay the participation fee due to personal or family finances shall meet with the School Principal. The Principal will determine, based upon individual circumstances, how the fee will be paid.

SPECTATOR FEES

Age 0 through 5	Free
ISD 2142 students*	Free with current Student ID
Other students	\$3.00 per game (includes college students with current year college ID)
Adults	\$5.00 per game
Seniors (Age 65+)	Free w/ Lifetime Sports Pass (available in School Offices) or by showing ID (w/ DOB)
ISD 2142 Staff	Free with current Staff ID
ISD 2142 Coaches	Free with current Staff ID or current year sports pass
ISD 2142 School Board	Free with current School Board Member ID

*All ISD 2142 students (elementary and high school) are issued a Student ID.

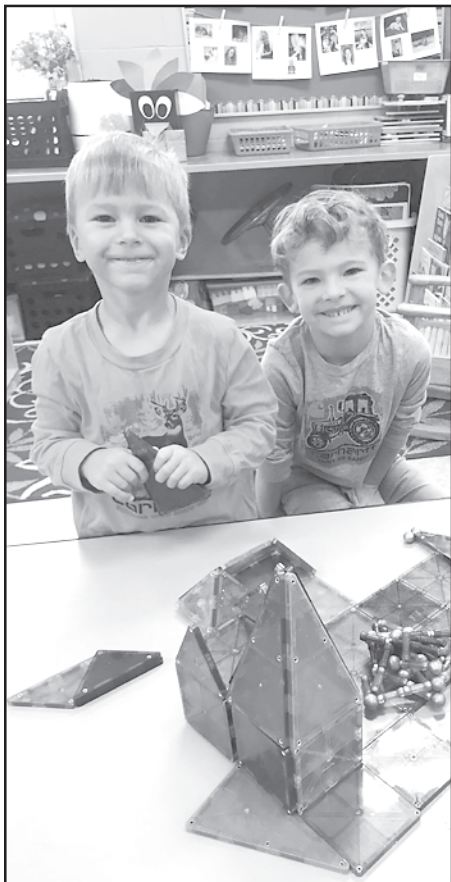
*Students in Grades K-6 must be accompanied by an adult.

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Parents— We are here for you!

Check out the Parenting Resources section on our website at <https://www.isd2142.net/page/3003>

On the website you will find four different newsletters that are changed monthly along with a family engagement library full of short brochures on a variety of topics for parents



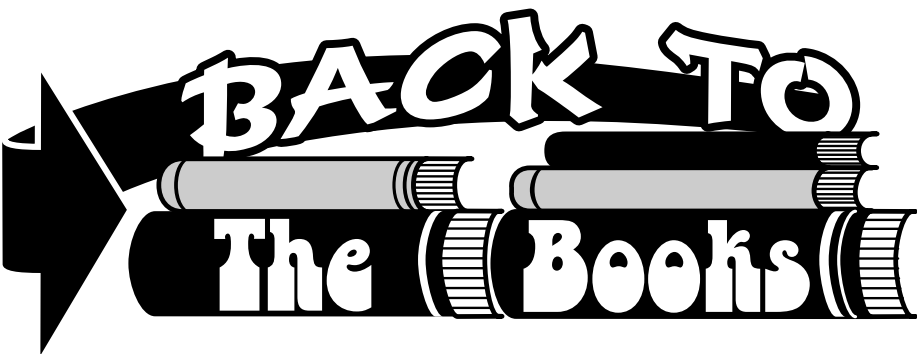
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Our district and school websites provide up-to-date information for students, staff, and community members in a timely manner.

You will find these things and more: school-related news; forms; inclement weather notices; the district newspaper; school board agendas, minutes, and policies; handbooks (student, employee, MSHSL/coaches); job postings, union contracts, calendars (school year, school board meetings, school activities and events); staff contact information; school daily announcements; lunch menus; athletic schedules.

The district website is located at isd2142.net. Each school has its own website. If you search for your school by name (Cherry School, North Woods School, Northeast Range School, South Ridge School, or Tower-Soudan School), you'll find a link to your school website.

If you have questions about where to find something on one of our websites, feel welcome to contact your school office or the district office. Our goal is to make as much information as possible available to you 24/7.



ECFE SPECIAL EVENTS



Early Childhood Family Education programs even include visits with Santa Claus!

2023 Regular School Board Meetings

All meetings will begin at 5:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Day	Date	Type	Location
Tue	Sep 12	Working Session	District Office
Tue	Sep 26	Business Meeting**	South Ridge
Tue	Oct 10	Working Session	District Office
Tue	Oct 24	Business Meeting	North Woods
Tue	Nov 14	Working Session	District Office
Tue	Nov 28	Business Meeting	Cherry
Tue	Dec 12	Business Meeting 5:30 p.m.	District Office
Tue	Dec 12	Truth-in-Taxation 6:00 pm***	District Office

** Initial budget and levy *** Final budget and levy

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