REEDSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT PO Box 340 Reedsville, WI 54230

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I hope this newsletter finds everyone doing well and enjoying the beautiful summer weather! It is hard to believe that the calendar has flipped to August and we are gearing up for another great school year. Know that the entire District staff – custodians, support staff, food service, teachers, and administrators – are each preparing to make the 2024-25 school year one to remember.

As I personally prepare for the new school year, I am always seeking new leadership ideas, quotes, and inspirational messages to share with the entire district. This year, I stumbled upon a quote from the show Ted Lasso. Although I haven't watched the entire series, there are really good leadership quotes and scenes that are applicable to education. The main character is an American football coach who is hired by team ownership to coach a European soccer team in the hopes that he fails.

Many people underestimate the knowledge that Ted Lasso has and he truly believes in himself and his ability to coach the team to success. Over time, he starts to win over the team, the community, and the league.

The quote, "BE CURIOUS, NOT JUDGEMENTAL" plays out in a scene where he is playing a game of darts to which no one believes he has any skills. They judged him on the surface, but did not inquire about his experience. To the contrary, he had played darts with a family member since he was young, and with this experience ended up winning the game. He stated this quote during the game and it resonated with me. The quote fits all aspects of our school system. We ask our students to be curious as they learn. We work with our teachers to ask questions and critically think about the best way to teach our students. The quote fits so much of what we do on a daily basis and will be posted in newsletters, billboards, and other district communications.

We will strive to ingrain the objective of being curious and not judgemental not only in our returning staff but the several new team members that will be joining us this year. We are working to acclimate them to our processes and to have them ready for the new school year.

We continue to refine our goals that center around educating the entire child. We expanded our English Language Arts curriculum to grades 6-8, district reading initiatives, and continuing our work on staff and student mental health. All of our goals are meant to meet each student where they are socially, emotionally, and academically. We continue to be curious as to what the best approach is for each student.

The Reedsville School District continues to grow in great ways. We are building capacity to ensure all students are reading at grade level by 3rd grade and focusing on teaching strategies that improve our rigor and student engagement, district-wide. In addition, we are improving schedules, course offerings, and the Youth Apprenticeship program to prepare our students for life after high school. We fully understand that there is continued work to be done and that this work takes an entire team to achieve our goals.

Even though we have been planning for weeks, our school year officially kicks off with teacher in-service Monday, August 19-Thursday, August 29. The culminating event is the district-wide OPEN HOUSE being held on Wednesday, August 28 from 3:00-7:00 pm. More information will be coming from the respective buildings prior to the event, but we hope to see you there to meet teachers and update important information.

As I continue to lead the district, know that I am committed to being curious, not judgemental. I will continue to strive for growth for all students and I fully understand that the district has the supreme responsibility of educating your most prized possession, your child(ren).

If at any time you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me via email or phone, or stop by the office. I look forward to another great school year that is full of curiosity, wonder, and student engagement. Have a great rest of the summer!

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NOTICE AND STATEMENT OF NONDISCRIMINATION

Notice of Nondiscrimination

The District's notice of nondiscrimination shall read as follows:

The Board of the Reedsville School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex and prohibits sex discrimination in any education program or activity that it operates, as required by Title IX and its regulations, including in admission and employment.

Inquiries about Title IX may be referred to the District's Title IX Coordinator, the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights ("OCR"), or both.

The District's Title IX Coordinators are:

Melissa Wiese JR/SR High School Principal 340 Manitowoc St. Reedsville, WI 54230 Email – mwiese@reedsville.k12.wi.us Phone – (920) 754-4341

Andrew Miller **Elementary Principal** 350 Park St. Reedsville, WI 54230 Email – amiller@reedsville.k12.wi.us Phone – (920) 754-4341

The Board designates Michael Nate, Superintendent, as the coordinator who is ultimately responsible for oversight over the Board's compliance with its responsibilities under Title IX. The Board's nondiscrimination policy and grievance procedures can be located at www.reedsville.k12.wi.us.

To report information about conduct that may constitute sex discrimination or make a complaint of sex discrimination under Title IX, please refer to www.reedsville.k12.wi.us Contact information for OCR is available here: https://ocrcas.ed.gov/contact-ocr

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF REEDSVILLE ANNUAL NOTICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION REFERRAL AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES

Upon request, the Reedsville School District is required to evaluate a child for eligibility for special education services. A request for evaluation is known as a referral. When the district receives a referral, the district will appoint an Individualized Education Program (IEP) team to determine if the child has a disability, and if the child needs special education services. The district locates, identifies, and evaluates all children with disabilities who are enrolled by their parents in private (including religious) schools, elementary schools and secondary schools located in the school district.

A physician, nurse, psychologist, social worker, or administrator of a social agency who reasonably believes a child brought to him or her for services is a child with a disability has a legal duty to refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child's parent that the referral will be made.

Others, including parents, who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability may also refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides.

Referrals must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. A referral may be made by contacting the District Office at (920) 754-4341.

The McKinney-Vento Act defines children and youth who are homeless as: children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. This includes those that are sharing housing due to loss of housing, economic hardship or similar reasons. Those living in hotels, shelters, are abandoned in hospitals or awaiting foster care placement are also included. If you are personally aware of or are acquainted with any children who may qualify, please contact Tracey Schmidt, Homeless Liaison for the Reedsville School District at 754-4341.

Asbestos Management

As a result of recent federal legislation (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act telephone repair workers, electricians and AHERA), each primary and secondary school in exterminators) must be provided information the nation is required to complete a stringent new regarding the location of asbestos in which they inspection for asbestos and to develop a plan of may come into contact. All short-term workers management for all asbestos containing building shall contact the lead maintenance person before materials. As a matter of policy, Reedsville School commencing work to be given this information. District shall continue to maintain a safe and healthful Reedsville School District has a list of the location(s), environment for our community's youth and employees. In keeping with this legislation, all buildings (including portables and support buildings) their proper management. A copy of the Asbestos owned or leased by the school district were inspected Management Plan is available for review in the by EPA accredited inspectors and samples were analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the school prepared and the state approved Minnesota, at (800) 232-5209. a comprehensive management plan for handling the asbestos located within its buildings safely & To see our current notifications regarding responsibly. The Reedsville School District maintains Asbestos and Indoor Air Quality visit https://www. their Operations and Maintenance Program with reedsville.k12.wi.us/district/postings-and-notices.cfm respect to its asbestos containing building materials.

Media Release Opt Out

According to 118.125, any information designated as "Directory Data" may be disclosed to any person requesting that information of the school UNLESS THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN HAS INFORMED THE SCHOOL THAT ALL OR ANY PART OF THE DIRECTORY DATA MAY NOT BE RELEASED WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN. If you do not wish this information released for your child, you must notify the building principal in writing.

Pupils, and parents of a minor pupil, have a right to inspect the pupil's school records. They also have a right to a copy of such records and assistance in the interpretation of records. For specific information related to pupil records, please refer to school Board Policy 8330: Student Records under "Policies" on our Board Docs site (go.boarddocs.com/wi/reedv/Board.nsf/vpublic?open).

> The Reedsville School District is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, sex, national origin, handicap, age, or political affiliation.

Miscellaneous Notifications

McKinney-Vento Act

This will be accomplished by MacNeil Environmental, Inc. Short-term workers (outside contractors - i.e.

- type(s) of asbestos containing materials found in that school building and a description and time table for school office. Questions related to the plan should be directed to MacNeil Environmental, Inc., Burnsville,

Confidentiality

PUBLIC RELEASE NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST PROGRAMS, SPECIAL MILK PROGRAM

RELEASE STATEMENT

The Reedsville School District today announced its policy for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program or milk for split-session students served under the Special Milk Program. Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The following household size and income criteria will be used for determining eligibility. Children from families whose annual income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free and reduced price meals or free milk if a split-session student does not have access to the school lunch or breakfast service.

FAMILY SIZE INCOME SCALE For Determining Eligibility for Free and Reduced Price Meals or Milk

	ANNUAL INCOME LEVEL				MONTHLY INCOME LEVEL			
	Free	Reduced Price			Free	Reduced Price		
Family (Household) Size	Must be at or below figure listed	Must be at or between figures listed		Must be at or below figure listed				
1	\$19,578	\$ 19,578.01	and	\$27,861	\$ 1,632	\$1,632.01	and	\$2,322
2	26,572	26,572.01	and	37,814	2,215	2,215.01	and	3,152
3	33,566	33,566.01	and	47,767	2,798	2,798.01	and	3,981
4	40,560	40,560.01	and	57,720	3,380	3,380.01	and	4,810
5	47,554	47,554.01	and	67,673	3,963	3,963.01	and	5,640
6	54,548	54,548.01	and	77,626	4,546	4,546.01	and	6,469
7	61,542	61,542.01	and	87,579	5,129	5,129.01	and	7,299
8	68,536	68,536.01	and	97,532	5,712	5,712.01	and	8,128
For each additional household member, add	+ 6,994	+ 6,994	and	+9,953	+ 583	+ 583	and	+ 830

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a notice to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals or free milk, households must fill out the application and return it to the school (unless notified at the start of the school year that children are eligible through direct certification). Additional copies are available at the office in each school. The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by agency or other program officials. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

To obtain free or reduced price meals or free milk for children in a household where one or more household members receive FoodShare. Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or Wisconsin Works (W-2) cash benefits, list the FoodShare, FDPIR or W-2 case number, program name, list the names of all school children, sign the application, and return it to the school office.

For the school officials to determine eligibility for free or reduced price meals or free milk of households not receiving FoodShare, FDPIR or W-2 cash benefits, the household must provide the following information requested on the application: names of all household members, total number of household members, and the adult signing the application form must also list the last four digits of his or her Social Security Number or mark the box to the right of "Check if no SSN". Also, the income received by each household member must be provided by amount and source (wages, welfare, child support, etc.).

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price meal and free milk policy Kristi Strenn, Determining Official, will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian is dissatisfied with the ruling of the official, he/she may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. If the parent/guardian wishes to make a formal appeal, he/she may make a request either orally or in writing to: Michael Nate, Superintendent, PO Box 340, Reedsville, WI 54230.

If a hearing is needed to appeal the decision, the policy contains an outline of the hearing procedure.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size changes, the family should contact the school. Such changes may make the household eligible for reduced price meals or free meals or free milk if the household income falls at or below the levels shown above, and they may reapply at that time

Children formally placed in foster care are also eligible for free meal benefits. Foster children may be certified as eligible without a household application. Households with foster children and non-foster children may choose to include the foster child as a household member, as well as any personal income available to the foster child, on the same application that includes their non-foster children.

The information provided by the household on the application is confidential. Public Law 103-448 limits the release of student free and reduced price school meal eligibility status to persons directly connected with the administration and enforcement of federal or state educational programs. Consent of the parent/guardian is needed for other purposes such as waiver of textbook fees.

Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or fax:

- 2. (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or email 3.
- Program.Intake@usda.gov

Open House	Aug
First Day of School	Sep
No School (Professional Development)	Sep
No School (Professional Development)	Oct
No School	Oct
No School (Professional Development)	Nov
Thanksgiving Break	Nov
Christmas Break	Dec
No School (Professional Development)	Jani
No School	Feb
No School (Professional Development)	Mai
Spring Break	Ma
Easter Break	Apr
No School (Professional Development)	May
Graduation	May
No School	May
Last Day of School (1/2 day)	Jun

KOBUSSEN BUSES

Welcome back to another school year. The bus company is looking forward to working with the Reedsville School District again this year. Below are a number of procedures that the bus company has in place for the 2024-25 school year:

Our student pick-up and drop-off policy will be only one pickup point and one drop off point. (Example: pickup at home/drop off at babysitter for all 5 days of the week/for the entire year.) Seat assignments will be established for your child(ren). If you have not contacted the bus company, your child(ren) may not be assigned to a bus. Once the routes are established and approved, some requests may not be able to be honored.

All 4K and students using car seats, seatbelts must be put on and taken off the bus by a parent or responsible adult. If no one is there to take your child off the bus, the child will be returned to school. A note from the parent(s) will need to be in the office prior to the start of the school year to allow the child to get off or get on the bus with an

older sibling, etc.

There is NO FOOD OR DRINK to be consumed while riding the bus.

If your child will not be riding the bus on any given day in the AM, it would be appreciated if you would contact the bus station with either a phone call or email to let us know.

During the year please update the bus company with ANY ADDRESS OR PHONE CHANGES that have occurred.

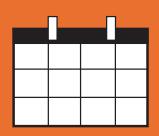
Students riding the bus to and from school will be contacted by their bus driver regarding the time they will be picked up. Some of the routes may have changed from last year. All students should be contacted by August 28th with the pickup times and seat assignments. If you have not been contacted, please touch base with us at Kobussen at 920-875-7800 or email: paula.freimuth@kobussen.com.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call us at 920-875-7800.

**Please note that the Reedsville School District Pupil Transportation Handbook can be found on the school website under Families/Current Families/Pupil Transportation Handbook.

2024-2025 Important Dates and Information

gust 28 (3:00-7:00 PM) tember 3 tember 23 ober 14 ober 25 vember 11 vember 28-29 ember 23 - January 1 uary 20 ruary 14 rch 3 ch 17 - March 21 ril 18 - 21 12 23 26



For up-to-date information on school activities check Reedsville School's master calendar at https://www.reedsville.k12. wi.us/district/calendar.cfm

General Back To School Information

GATE ADMISSION

Adults \$5.00 Students/Senior Citizens \$2.00 (students age 6-grade 12) Ages 5 and under FREE

HOME SEASON PASSES

Good for all home athletic events (excluding WIAA tournaments) Students \$25.00 Adults \$40.00 Senior Citizens FREE

BIG EAST ATHLETIC PASSES

Students/Senior Citizens \$35.00 (Elementary-HS students and residents 60 years or older) Adults \$85.00 Family \$180.00 (parents & children HS age & younger)

Medication Administration

Any students needing medication during the course of a school day must have a Parent/ Guardian Medication Consent form with Physicians Order for Administration on file in the office prior to school personnel being able to administer medication to your child. Forms can be picked up in the office. Medications must be kept in their original containers.

Medical Conditions

Parents are asked to notify the School Nurse if your child has a medical condition such as allergies, asthma, etc. so that the appropriate personnel can more effectively support students coping with these conditions. This information will be kept confidential.



Would you like to pay for school fees and lunch on line? Visit https://reedsvilleschools.revtrak.net/

Student Fees K-4 :\$15.00 fee Gr. 5-12: \$25.00 fee

Yearly fees cover the cost of general classroom consumables. Students are asked to pay all their fees at once. No Athletic Participation fees will be charged this school year.

> Breakfast/Lunch Elementary Breakfast \$2.00 Elementary Lunch \$3.00*

Jr/Sr High Breakfast \$2.50 Jr/Sr High Lunch \$3.50*

2nds for Lunch Entrees are available at \$2.00

(*per National School Lunch Program requires students must take 1/2 c fruit or vegetable or the meal price will be \$4.85. This includes Free / Reduced meals.)

> Extra milk \$0.35 Milk break \$30/semester

Community Fitness Center Open Hours for Members:

School year fob access - Mon-Fr 5-7:30 am, 12-1 pm, 6-9 pm; Sat/Sun 5 am-9:30 pm Summer fob access- Mon-Fr 12-4 pm, 6-9 pm; Sat/Sun 5 am to 9:30 pm More information on becoming a member can be found at www.reedsville.k12.wi.us/district/fitness-center.cfm

PowerSchool Parent Portal

We want to have the most up to date information on your child. Please go into your Parent Portal at *https://reedsville.powerschool.com/public/* and update your information at any point there is a change, especially before the beginning of the school year. If you are unsure how to access your forms please call Tara Taddy at 920-754-4341 ext 106 or *ttaddy@reedsville.k12*. wi.us.



The Reedsville School District keeps in touch with families regarding important information (i.e.: snow days, emergencies, sign ups, newsletters, etc) by sending out texts and emails using a system tied to PowerSchool. In order to receive these you need to make sure that your phone number and email are up-to-date in PowerSchool. There are three steps to make keeping in touch possible.

- 1. Please go into your PowerSchool parent portal and update anything that has changed (see above information). Only those that have updated information will be receiving the texts and emails.
- 2. It is also VERY important that you send the word YES to 67587 from your cell phone to opt-in.
- sending you texts. If you block it for any reason you will not get emergency texts.

Keeping in Contact and Child Care Options



Cub Care Days Cub Care will be available for Elementary students during the Staff Professional Development Days. An email and text will be sent out before each Cub Care day to sign up. Signing up is required; walkins will not be allowed. Lunch is not provided. Bussing is available for those normally bussed but only if requested during the sign up (bus times will differ from the normal routes).

Cub Care Days are listed on the master calendar on our website and in this newsletter on the "2024-2025 Important Dates and Information" page.

Aftercare

Our Aftercare program is available to all students in 3k-6th grade. It will be held after school until 5:30 PM everyday school is in session. There is a per day/ per child cost. For more information and to sign up, please contact Melissa Zipperer at mzipperer@ reedsville.k12.wi.us.

Parent Notifications

3. Make sure you and/or your phone do not block 67587. That is the number that will show up as the contact