

Vandalia Community District #203
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Superintendent's Report
2/20/2018
5:00 PM

District Website www.vandals203.org

Calendar

- March 2nd – 11:45 Dismissal SIP
- March 28th – 2:15 Dismissal Spring Break
- March 29th – April 3rd- Spring Break

Technology Report

- We have received 23 Chromebooks under a grant for VES, have them setup, and put in a cart for use.
- We have also recently received 200 Chromebooks for VJHS under the Title 1 Grant that we are currently setting up for carts to be used for the lower grade levels at the Junior High. These will all be used to help make the PARCC testing go nice and smooth in the end.
- Everything has been running very smoothly.
- Looking at options to upgrade the Firewall for the district as part of this coming year's E-rate. The E-rate would end up and cover 80% of the cost of the firewall in the end.

Finance Committee

The committee (Campbell, Hall, Meseke, and Casey) reviews fund balances and bills. The Finance Committee met on Feb 20th, 2018. The committee meets to review bills, fund balances, state budget shortfall and general financial information.

Policy Committee

The committee (Goldsmith, Lawson, Hall, Casey, Meseke, Protz, Kern) reviews policy updates from the IASB. The committee meets to review all policy updates (provided by the Illinois Association of School Boards) and makes recommendations to the BOE for adoption. **We met Jan 4 and will approve PRESS Plus recommendations**

Building and Grounds Committee

The committee (Palmer, Smith, Lawson, Casey, Kopp, Dave Rickman, Steve Stombaugh, Kern, Dugan, Hobbie, Graumenz, Bogart, Andy Hipsher) **HS Hallway and stairwells will be repaired and painted, Concrete and restrooms at HS. Also, looking at plan to replace rooftop units on the Jr. High, Finish water lines at VES, Paint Hallway at Okaw.**

Transportation Committee

The committee (Palmer, Lawson, Casey, Critcheloe, Mesnard, Krueger) **Going to purchase a new bus to get back on schedule.**

Student Safety Committee

The Committee (Palmer, Goldsmith, Hall, Jeff Ray, Josh Morrison, Chris Smith, Amy Schaal, Kendra Craig, Steve Stombaugh, Kopp, Critcheloe, Casey, Protz, Kern, Mesnard) will meet in February. **Need to set Date**

Personnel Committee Meetings

The Committee (Goldsmith, Wasmuth, Casey) will meet as needed.

Athletic Committee Meetings

The Committee (Hall, Campbell, Wasmuth, Kern, Protz, Casey and 4 parents TBD) will meet as needed.

School Wellness Committee Meetings

The Committee (Wasmuth, Hall, Casey, Lotz, Kelly Curll, Stombaugh, Krueger, Mesnard) will meet as needed.

Concussion Committee Meetings

The Committee (Smith, Palmer, Hall, Casey, Kern, Protz, Whitten) meets each year to review board policy, return to play policy and general protocol for concussion responsibilities.

Student Discipline Committee Meetings

The Committee (Palmer, Goldsmith, Wasmuth, Casey, Protz, Krueger, Kern, Holliday, Mesnard, Emerick, Eckhart, Stewart, Tarkington, Schaal, Lewis, Reeter, Wollerman) meets each year to review discipline procedure and compliance with the Illinois School code.

Building Reports
High School Board Report
Randy Protz- Principal
Greta Krueger – Asst. Principal

1. On February 21st, VCHS will be having an assembly with Attaboy. Attaboy is a band that connects impactful messages about negative influences in teenager's lives with relevant music. The band's positive focus is an encouragement to students. They will be focusing on Character building and bullying to continue education on these topics. The assembly will take place at 1:30 pm.
2. High School Band Concert Thursday February 22nd.
3. High School Band Concert Tuesday March 5th.
4. Student Council will be sponsoring a Winter Informal Dance Saturday March 3rd in the gym.
5. NHS Induction Ceremony is Tuesday March 6th, 7pm.
6. 3rd Quarter Ends Friday March 9th.
7. School Play is Friday and Saturday March 16th and 17th.

Junior High Board Report
Brian Kern – Principal
Brian Holliday – Asst. Principal

Career Conference for 8th grade – KC in Centralia, March 7

PARCC testing will be March 19 through April 6.

Congratulations to 7th grade Boys Basketball– Regional and conference champs

Track practice will begin 3/8 for 6, 7, and 8th grade boys and girls.

Activities for the Month-

- **Girls Volleyball-** 7th grade will begin Regional play beginning 2/26 and 8th grade the week of 3/5. We are hosting the 8th grade sectional on Monday, 3/12 at 6:30pm.
- **Spring Pictures – 2/21**
- **Band and Chorus** is getting ready for the IESA Solo and Ensemble contests. These are individual entries which will compete March 17
- **VIP Reward for February** – Popcorn in class for students with 3 or fewer total tardies
- **P.D.** – VJHS staff getting CPR certified during 11:45am dismissals on 1/26, 2/16, 3/2

Elementary Board Report
Stacy Mesnard – Principal
Larry Emerick – Asst. Principal/VCUSD #203 Special Education Director

VES activities recently include the Pre-K classes taking a field trip to the bowling alley, 100th day of School activities on January 29, PBIS 2nd and 3rd grade reward playing dodge ball at the YMCA, and K and 1st grade participating in a HUGE marshmallow fight for the PBIS January reward.

Our PTO has organized a February Box Top Collection contest. The classroom that collects the most Box Tops for Education during this time will be treated to a milk and cookie party. VES turns in Box Tops twice a year to earn money for our school.

We are in the middle of our annual cookie dough fundraiser. Students who sell 20 or more items will be taken to Pizza Hut for lunch by way of a Hummer limo. Students are very excited about this!

Our PTO is sponsoring a Valentine themed Spaghetti Dinner and Movie Night on Friday, February 16 for students and their families. Three hundred of our VES student's families have registered to participate in this event!

OKAW Area Vocational Center Board Report
Nick Casey – Director

- 2018-2019 registration will begin soon.
- Van Seal has made contact and will be talking to students regarding employment opportunities.
- Building Trades is currently in the process of hanging drywall and mudding.

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The Mission of the Vandalia Community School District: “To prepare the students of our community for their future so they may become responsible members of society.”