

**Vandalia Community Unit District #203**  
**1109 N 8<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Vandalia, IL 62471**  
Jennifer Garrison- Superintendent

**Superintendent's Report**  
**2/19/19**  
**5:00 PM**

**District Website**

www.vcs.fayette.k12.il.us

**Calendar**

- **March 1<sup>st</sup>- Early Dismissal for School Improvement**

**Superintendent's Report**

- The Building and Grounds Committee met on February 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss the VES HVAC and Waterline project and the VCHS bathroom project. All work is slated for the summer of 2019.
- The Vandalia ONE Workforce Development Committee met on February 13<sup>th</sup>. We were formally accepted as a Leadership Community as the part of the IL 60x25 network.

**Technology Report**

- Lenovo Chromebooks will be done with their warranty on May 19, 2019. Several of the Chromebooks have already used up their full warranty but some have not. Those that have no warranty left will be liable for the repairs on their own.
- Evaluating E-Rate bids on getting the new line put into Jefferson and possibly upgrading to the other buildings. A bid has come in for internet and all which is the best bid of all but the initial build cost is too high to justify now. May just have to do the line to Jefferson for the time being.

**Finance Committee**

The committee (Campbell, Hall, and Garrison) reviews fund balances and bills. **The Finance Committee will meet on February 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. to review bills and the financial reports.** The committee meets to review bills, fund balances, state budget shortfall and general financial information.

**Policy Committee**

The committee (Goldsmith, Lawson, Wasmuth, Garrison, Protz, and 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. **The Policy Committee will meet on**

**Building and Grounds Committee**

The committee (Palmer, Smith, Lawson, Garrison, Casey, Protz, Kern, Bogart, Dave Rickman, Amy Graumenz, Steve Stombaugh, Dugan, and Andy Hipsher) will meet as needed. **The committee met on February 7<sup>th</sup> as stated above.**

**Transportation Committee**

The committee (Lawson, Campbell, Garrison, Casey, Critcheloe, W. Smith, Mesnard, and Krueger) will meet as needed.

**Student Safety Committee**

The Committee (Palmer, Goldsmith, Hall, Wasmuth, Jeff Ray, Josh Morrison, Chris Smith, Amy Schaal, Kendra Craig, Zac Stombaugh, Bogart, Critcheloe, Garrison, Casey, Protz, Kern, and Mesnard,) meet as needed.

**Athletic Committee**

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

**School Wellness Committee**

The Committee (Wasmuth, Hall, Garrison, Reams, Kelly Curll, Lewis, Krueger, and Mesnard) will meet as needed.

### **Concussion Committee**

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

### **Student Discipline Committee**

The Committee (Palmer, Goldsmith, Wasmuth, Garrison, Protz, Krueger, Kern, Holliday, Mesnard, Emerick, Eckhart, Stewart, Tarkington, Schaal, Lewis, Reeter, and 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, the high school is hosting a career and college day. It will be from 8 to 11:20 with five sessions. During these sessions students have the opportunity to listen to 35 different careers and learn about what each career involves. The students created a personal schedule to follow for the day. Colleges and military are set up in the gym that students can go around and receive information about the programs they offer. This will get students to start thinking about what they are wanting to do after high school and be successful.
2. Tonight starting at 6pm we are hosting the IHSA Class A Team Wrestling Sectionals. Vandalia will wrestle Anna Jonesboro for a chance to return to IHSA Team State this Saturday Feb 23 in Bloomington.
3. We will be hosting the IHSA Class 2A Boys Basketball Sectionals, Tuesday Feb 26, Wed Feb 27 and Friday March 1.
4. Tomorrow the high school math teachers and Mr. Protz will be traveling to Carlinville and Gillespie High schools to visit with their math teachers to discuss/share math curriculums and ideas. Carlinville and Gillespie have similar demographics as we do and score higher in the area of low income students.
5. National FFA week is this week, our FFA has scheduled activities each day in our building and the junior high.
6. Choir will be performing a concert at Unity Baptist with Greenville university choir Sunday February 24 Unity Baptist 6pm.
7. Anna DePaolo received the Illinois State FFA Degree, the highest award you can receive from the Illinois FFA.
8. Cassidy Anderson finished first place overall in the Section 19 FFA Public Speaking competition with her speech on Organic Farming and will now advance to the district level.

#### **Junior High Board Report**

**Brian Kern – Principal**

**Brian Holliday – Asst. Principal**

1. Career Conference for 8<sup>th</sup> grade – KC in Centralia, March 15
2. Congratulations to 8<sup>th</sup> grade Boys Basketball– Regional, Sectional and conference champs. They will finish 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> in State tournament on Thursday, 2/14.
3. Track practice will begin 3/11 for 6, 7, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls.
4. FFA week – 2/19-22 – Corn Kernel count during lunch on 2/19. Ag Olympics with 6<sup>th</sup> grade on 2/22
5. Activities for the Month-
  - Girls Volleyball- 7<sup>th</sup> grade will begin Regional play beginning 2/25 and 8<sup>th</sup> grade the week of 3/4. We are hosting the 8<sup>th</sup> grade sectional on Monday, 3/11 at 6:30pm.
  - Spring Pictures – 2/20
  - Band and Chorus is getting ready for the IESA Solo and Ensemble contests. These are individual entries which will compete March 16

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

1. The Pre-K, K and 1<sup>st</sup> graders had a great big sticky snowball fight with marshmallows for their January PBIS reward. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders went to the YMCA for games and the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders went bowling.
2. The Pre-k classes have recently gone on field trips to OKAW and to Champion Trophies and T's. It's great to have places within our community for these children to visit.
3. Events coming up for VES include McTeacher Night at McDonald's on February 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-8:00, the PTO Book Fair, and Grandparents Day in early March.

**OKAW Area Vocational Center Board Report**  
**Nick Casey – Director**

1. Building Trade house is in the final stages of interior painting. They will begin interior trim, and flooring next.
2. Some Welding, Power Mech, and Auto Mech students have made commitments to further their education. We anticipate more to commit as school year closes.
3. 19/20 enrollment will begin as schools complete their tours.

**“Home of the Vandals”**

***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.”***