

Vandalia Community District #203
1109 N 8th Street
Vandalia, IL 62471
Rich Well – Supt.

Superintendent's Report
5/17/16
5:00 PM

District Website

www.vcs.fayette.k12.il.us or www.vandaliaschools.com

Calendar

- May 18 @ 7:00 PM – Baccalaureate
- May 21 @ 7:00 PM – Graduation
- May 23 – early dismissal Semester Exams VCHS
- May 24 – early dismissal Semester Exams VCHS
- May 25 – last teacher day
- August 2 & 3 – student registration
- August 17 – first day of school

Technology Report

- Installation of the new Antivirus program, Avast, is ongoing and seems to work well.
- Chromebook repairs seem to be pretty steady, with around 3 to 4 per week needing to be sent off for repairs, mostly cracked screens and missing keys.

Finance Committee

The committee (Hall, Campbell, Meseke, and Well) reviews fund balances and bills. The Finance Committee met on May 17, 2016. The committee meets to review bills, fund balances, state budget shortfall and general financial information.

Policy Committee

The committee (Goldsmith, Lawson, Well, 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.

Building and Grounds Committee

The committee (Palmer, Smith, Well, Kopp, Dave Rickman, Steve Stombaugh, Kern, Dugan, Hobbie, Pepler, Bogart) will meet during the fall of the 2016-2017 school year.

Transportation Committee

The committee (Palmer, Lawson, Well, Critcheloe, Mesnard, Krueger) will meet on May 23rd at 3:30 PM.

Student Safety Committee

The Committee (Palmer, Goldsmith, Wasmuth, Jeff Ray, Josh Morrison, Chris Smith, Amy Schaal, Kendra Craig, Steve Stombaugh, Kopp, Critcheloe, Well, Protz, Kern, Mesnard, Casey) will meet during the fall of the 2016-2017 school year.

Personnel Committee Meetings

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

Athletic Committee Meetings

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

School Wellness Committee Meetings

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

Concussion Committee Meetings

The Committee (Smith, Palmer, Campbell, Well, Casey, Kern, Protz, Whitten) will meet on May 23rd at 3:00 PM.

Student Discipline Committee Meetings

The Committee (Palmer, Goldsmith, Well, Protz, Krueger, Kern, Holliday, Mesnard, Emerick, Eckhart, Stewart, Tarkington, Schaal, Lewis, Reeter) will meet on May 23rd at 4:00 PM.

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

- Senior last day is Monday May 16th.
- Baccalaureate is Wednesday May 18th, 7pm in the gym
- Graduation is Saturday May 20th, 7pm in the gym.
- Semester exams are Monday and Tuesday May 23 & 24.
- Vandal Pride committee (PBIS) met last week and started planning for next year.
- 1st annual academic signing day was a huge success.

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

- Awards Day will be May 24 with the 6/ 7/8th grade awards beginning at 8:30 and the 4/5th grade awards beginning at 9:45 am.
- New VJHS Award – A male and female 8th grade student will be selected by the VJHS staff to receive a most outstanding student award. \$250 will be awarded to these students upon graduation from high school and acceptance letter into a post- secondary institution

Activities and Events for the End of School

- Track- Sectional meet 5/14 in Hillsboro
- Sixth Grade- participated in Vandalia Lake day on May10. There were outdoor lessons that the students participated in, sponsored by the Fayette County Water and Soil Department.
- Fifth Grade – went to Cahokia Mounds on Friday, 5/13
- Fourth Grade – going St. Louis City Museum on 5/18
- Eighth Grade- visiting high school and Okaw on 5/19; will go to Highland Rec. Center on 5/20
- PBIS Celebration – 5/23, 5/24 – Concessions/Kona Ice Truck
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Elementary Board Report
Stacy Mesnard – Principal
Larry Emerick – Asst. Principal/VCUSD #203 Special Education Director

- Over the past few weeks kindergarten and first grade had their Open House and musicals, Pre-K and kindergarten both went on field trips to the zoo, first grade went to the Magic House in St. Louis, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade Perfect Spellers for third quarter went to McDonald's, Mrs. Strobel's class participated in Special Olympics at Greenville College, the 3rd graders went to the Taylorville Recreation Center swimming, and we had our annual Family Dance at VES.
- The PARCC test was given for ELA and Math for all VES third graders during April.
- Mrs. Joni Warren organized a cake/punch reception for the Partners in Reading adult readers and their respective elementary students on May 9 in the VES library.
- Upcoming events at VES include grade level trips to Rogier Park and Dairy Queen, fun with bubbles and sidewalk chalk, inflatables, etc.

OKAW Area Vocational Center Board Report
Nick Casey – Director

- Building Trades are done with this year's house and are working on other community projects.
- We are in the grant writing process and the grant will be submitted soon.
- Initial 2016-2017 enrollment is 306

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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.”