

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

Superintendent's Report
1/17/17
5:00 PM

District Website

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

Calendar

- January 27th – No School for Parent Teacher Conferences
- February 10th – Half Day School for Students / Half Day Staff Professional Development

Technology Report

- The new wireless system at the Junior High is in place and working.
- Map testing started at VES. After a bumpy start, things seem to be working well.
- Preparation continues for the upcoming PARCC and SAT testing.

Finance Committee

The committee (Campbell, Hall, Meseke, and Well) reviews fund balances and bills. The Finance Committee met on January 17, 2017. The committee meets to review bills, fund balances, state budget shortfall and general financial information.

Policy Committee

The committee (Goldsmith, Lawson, Hall, 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, Lawson, Well, Kopp, Dave Rickman, Steve Stombaugh, Kern, Dugan, Hobbie, Graumenz, Bogart, Andy Hipsher) will meet again in January 30th at 4:30 PM.

Transportation Committee

The committee (Palmer, Lawson, Well, Critcheloe, Mesnard, Krueger) will meet in January 30th at 4:00 PM.

Student Safety Committee

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

Personnel Committee Meetings

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

Concussion Committee Meetings

The Committee (Smith, Palmer, Hall, Well, 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, Well, 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.

Board Retreat

We will be meeting Wednesday, January 25th at 7:00 PM for our Winter Board Retreat. Topics will be discussed and reports given. No official action will take place during this meeting. All topics will be reported on at the February board meeting.

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

- 255 students made the honor roll for 2nd quarter. 62 students made high honors and 193 students made honors.
- 239 students made the honor roll for 1st semester. 50 students made high honors and 189 students made honors.
- 1st progress reports for 3rd quarter go out Monday January 30th.
- We will be hosting the IHSA Class 1A Individual Wrestling Sectionals on Friday February 10 and Saturday February 11.
- Math department will be meeting with Pippins math consultants on Monday February 13th.
- High School Band concert will be Thursday February 16th.
- 2nd progress reports for 3rd quarter will go out Monday February 20th.

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

- Honor Roll- The second quarter honor roll (3.0 GPA) for the junior high had the following numbers by grade level: Fourth Grade: 86, Fifth Grade- 82 students, Sixth Grade- 91 students, Seventh Grade- 79 students, Eighth Grade- 88 students, Overall- 426

Activities for the Month

- 4th Grade Conservation Day – 1/10/16 – Students received information from the Fayette County Conservation Department
- Seventh Grade Boys Basketball- will be finishing up their regular season this week and begin regional tournament play on January 21 or 23 in Greenville.
- Eighth Grade Boys Basketball- VJHS will host an eighth grade tournament on January 23, 24, and 26. The eighth grade team will then begin play in the regional tournament on 1/28 or 1/30 in Vandalia.
- Girls Volleyball- Home dates for game are as follows: 1/19, February 2, 3, 16, 21, 23, 24. VJHS will host an eighth grade volleyball tournament on February 4.
- Band/Chorus Participants- are getting ready for solo and ensemble competitions in March.
- NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) Testing – 62 8th graders randomly chosen will test 2/24
- 6-8 Grade Dance – 2/10 from 6-8pm sponsored by Chorus
- 10th Hour and PBIS Reward – 2/17
- PARCC Preparations- For the next two months we will begin preparing for the upcoming PARCC tests. This year the test will be given during the weeks of March 13-April 4.

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

- VES welcomed Mrs. Keri Buscher to our staff this month. She is the new teacher in the primary cross categorical classroom replacing Mrs. Strobel who retired in December.
- First and second grade students have completed their MAPS winter benchmarking testing. Kindergarten has begun and third grade is slated to begin this week as well. This testing takes a lot of preliminary planning and is a combined effort of Title reading teachers, special education teachers, and Julie Lay to make sure it's implemented effectively.
- Upcoming events at VES include the end of January parent/teacher conferences, a cookie dough fundraiser, and the PBIS monthly reward activity of dodgeball at the YMCA or a marshmallow fight in the gym!

OKAW Area Vocational Center Board Report
Nick Casey – Director

- KC registered students for dual credit on January 5th.
- Both Vocational grants have been approved by ISBE. We have not received any payments for the CTEI grant.
- OKAW tours have started and students for all schools will be touring the Okaw Center.

“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.”