

Converse Chronicle



MAY/JUNE 2015

Mrs. Stephanie Jacobs, Principal

It is hard to believe this is our last newsletter of the 2014-2015 school year. Many wonderful things have taken place this year and we are already in the process of planning for next year.

If you have a younger child who will be starting K4 or Kindergarten in the fall and you have not enrolled them yet, please be sure to visit our Centralized Enrollment Office at 1633 Keeler Avenue. We want to be sure we have a place for every student. Please join us on May 18th for KG and 4K orientation.

A favorite year end event with Converse families is our all school picnic. On Friday, June 5th we will have a great outdoor lunch. The rest of the afternoon is time spent in the sunshine and at various activity stations. Bring a blanket, sunscreen and summer hats and join the fun! Watch for more information as the date gets closer.

You may be wondering how you as a parent can help your children to grow over the summer months. A great start would be to sign your child up for summer school so students may start next year on track. If you are in need of a summer school form please give the office a call. Research also tells us children who don't read and write outside of school face a big loss in their literacy growth. There are many ways to support your child over the summer.

- *Sign up for summer school
- * Encourage your child by letting them see you read and write every day
- *Take your child to the library. They have a great summer reading program.
- *Share books with friends
- *Talk to your child about books
- *Have fun with reading and writing!

I hope that everyone has a safe and relaxing summer, and I am already looking forward to continuing our partnership next August!
Sincerely,

Stephanie J. Jacobs
Principal

May

Tuesdays—ZUMBA

4—29 MAP Testing

5—3C/H/M Library Field Trip

5-7—3rd Grade Badger Testing cont.

8—3G/J Library Field Trip

11— Library Visit Assembly

14— 4K Family Activity Day 1:30—2:30

15—FULL DAY OF SCHOOL

18—4K AND 5K Orientation

25— Memorial Day—No School

JUNE

5—ALL SCHOOL PICNIC

9—Last Day of School—Full Day

Report cards sent home



SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION

Summer school parent information packets will be sent home with your child when we receive them. These important papers will need to be filled out and returned to the school your child will be attending for summer school.



WEATHER AND SUMMER CLOTHING REMINDERS

During rainy weather the playground becomes quite the muddy sponge. Students are made aware before recess time of the conditions and are told to use their good judgment. Unless a child is completely muddy or wet we will not have them call home. For younger children it may be wise to send a change of clothes for them to keep in school; just in case :) As warmer weather approaches please remember that students must have proper attire. No spaghetti strap shirts or boys undershirts and no flip flops.

ALL LIBRARY BOOKS will be due May 29th. This allows us time to Inventory all of our library books. After May 30th there will be no further check outs. Thank you for a great year and keep reading during the summer.



Mrs. Phillips-Morris, Media Para



Dear Converse Families,

The time has come for me to announce my retirement from the School District of Beloit. As my time at Converse School draws to a close I would like to thank each family for allowing me to serve you and your children. It has been my joy to watch your children grow through their school years. Although I am looking forward to retirement there are many things I know I will miss, not the least, all my wonderful friends and families of Converse school.

I know you will welcome my replacement, Ms. Camacho with open hearts, and I can assure you that she will be a wonderful addition to Converse. Have a wonderful summer.

Sincerely,

Miss Sue

PARENTS, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Please remember that if you need a message delivered to your child before dismissal time to call the school office before 2:00 p.m. This allows time for the children and teacher to receive the message in time. If you call after 2:00 p.m. your child may not get their message.

Also students will not be called out of class until a guardian is present. So please plan on arriving 5 minutes before you need to leave.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Student Fee Schedule 2015-2016

IMPORTANT: Families need to complete an Alternative Household Income Form in order to receive reduced price or free student fees.

General Fee Information

- Fee collections will be applied retroactively (oldest fees first and will be applied to student fees/fines/charges before being applied to athletic/activity fees). Current athletic fees must be paid in full before a student will be permitted to participate in a sport.
- All fees must be paid for students to participate in end of year celebratory field trips, prom, or graduation.
- In certain courses such as art, industrial technology and family and consumer economics, students must pay an extra cost for materials used in projects that students take home, consume and/or certification tests. The District will provide Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as required for student safety (safety glasses are an example of a PPE).
- Students may be requested to pay the price of admission for tickets for special field trips and transportation.
- Donations for student fee scholarships and donations of musical instruments may be given and are much appreciated.

Food Service

Breakfast & lunch are free for all students; however, the District claims the federal reimbursement at the correct income category for each student. Ala carte purchases, second meals, as well as milk purchased separately must be pre-paid. Families can make food service payments through Skyward Family Access. Parents can pay for more than one student in one transaction. This is a free service offered to district families.



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The mission of the School District of Beloit, committed to excellence and strengthened and enriched by diversity, is to prepare each student to compete, contribute and thrive as an admirable citizen in a rapidly changing world by engaging students in a wide variety of high quality, relevant programs in partnership with families, schools and the stateline community.

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10	11 Library Assembly	12 ZUMBA	13	14 4k Family Event 1:30—2:30	15 FULL DAY OF SCHOOL	16
17	18 4K/5K Orientation	19 ZUMBA	20	21	22	23
24	25 NO SCHOOL Memorial Day	26 ZUMBA	27	28	29	30
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June 2015

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	1	2	3	4	5 <i>ALL SCHOOL PINIC 11:30</i>	6
7	8	9 <i>Last day of school - full day Report cards sent</i>	10	11	12 <i>Teacher's last day</i>	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 <i>Summer School begins</i>	23	24 <i>Office closed for summer</i>	25	26	27
28	29	30	Summer school ends—July 31 Have a wonderful summer!			

