

THE SAYDEL COMMUNICATOR

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Superintendent's Message

Mr. Todd A. Martin



Saydel Families & Community:

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year! As we embark on a new school year, we would like to extend a warm welcome to new staff and families joining the district. We are confident you will find the Saydel Community School District to be a great place to work, live, and raise a family. In continuing the mindset of being the best we can be, we encourage all stakeholders to get involved in our school; thus living out a collaborative, partnership philosophy in doing great things for people and communities. As Henry Ford once touted, *“Coming together is the beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.”*

Additionally, as we prepare for a great start to the new school year, there has been a great deal of activity around the district deserving of recognition:

- Special **thank you** goes out to our maintenance staff, custodians, and groundskeepers in the amazing work they have accomplished in preparing our buildings and grounds for the 2018-19 school year. **Everything is looking fantastic!**
- Our teaching staff has had a busy summer preparing for the year ahead. The dedication and commitment to *excellence in education* is one of the many characteristics admired most about educators. This mindset will, undoubtedly, serve as a catalyst for our comprehensive school improvement efforts in the 2018-19 school year.
- Another **special thanks** goes out to the central office staff for their collaborative efforts over the summer. The pride these staff members take in readying our organization, and in keeping business moving forward, is commendable and much appreciated.
- Building administrators have been hard at work as they prepare for a successful school year. Work includes building, fortifying, and sustaining system components that support the humanistic and culture aspects of our organization. With these efforts in mind, we want to communicate our **Saydel CSD Mission and Vision** as it drives everything we do each and every day:

MISSION: *The mission of the Saydel Community School District is to serve the unique learning needs of each and every student.*

VISION: *The Saydel Community School District will be a district having an uncompromising commitment to quality education and having high expectations for student achievement.*

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SCHOOL HOURS

CORNELL ELEMENTARY

8:35 AM - 3:30 PM
Wed.: 9:35 AM - 3:30 PM

WOODSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

7:45 AM - 2:45 PM
Wed.: 8:45 AM - 2:45 PM

SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL

7:45 AM - 2:45 PM
Wed.: 8:45 AM - 2:45 PM

Each Wednesday all schools begin one hour later for teacher in-service.

MISSION: SERVING THE UNIQUE LEARNING NEEDS OF EACH & EVERY STUDENT



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Superintendent's Message: *Continued from page 1*

It will be a district:

- *Providing the courses of study, environment and resources for students to acquire the knowledge and skills to become responsible and productive citizens in the 21st century.*
- *Preparing students to graduate, pursue further education or successfully enter the workforce.*
- *Enabling students to take ownership of their future.*

As collaborative stewards of education, we encourage families and community members to partner with us in carrying out this important mission and vision; thus preparing our youth for successful futures. We are in this noble endeavor together, and by helping one another in a concerted effort, we hold greater capacity to make a substantial difference in the lives of our future leaders. This mind-set necessitates the collective support and commitments of all stakeholders to ensure students experience success in the academic, extra-curricular, club, athletic, and social/emotional arenas each and every day. We genuinely look forward to collaborating with you, in continuing your child's educational journey; hence making a difference in the Saydel Community School District.

Thank you for your ongoing support and engagement in our schools.

In closing, please note we are holding Back to School Night on August 21. This is a great time for students to visit their classrooms, get to know their teacher(s), and bring in school supplies. Lastly, August 23 is our first student contact day which will be a full day of classes.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer!

Todd A. Martin
Superintendent of Schools

HEALTH REMINDERS

Immunization Requirements for Incoming 7th & 12th Graders

State law requires all incoming 7th grade students to have updated immunization records on file at the school prior to school beginning. If your child is entering 7th grade, make sure they have Tdap and Meningococcal vaccine before school begins. Updated immunization records can be brought to the district during registration or Back to School Night.

All incoming 9th grade students should have an updated dental screening on file at the school prior to school beginning. If your child is entering 9th grade, make sure they have a dental screening by a hygienist or dentist before school begins. Updated records can be brought to the district during registration.

If your child is planning on participating in extracurricular athletics during the 2018-19 school year, please ensure a physical is on file in the athletic director's office.

Thank You!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for a warm and inviting welcome to the Saydel Community School District. The number of people who have stopped to greet and wish me well demonstrates what an amazing community, full of great people, we have here in the district. I sincerely look forward to our collaborative work, partnerships, and opportunities to collectively grow the success of our schools and communities.

The following commitments outline my pledges to the Saydel CSD and will serve as a compass for my leadership actions over the coming years:

Commitments: I will....

- *Respect and honor the rich history and traditions established at Saydel CSD*
- *Build on an already successful system in efforts to increase organizational efficacy and system maturation; hence student and staff performance*
- *Be proactive, open and approachable, transparent, uninhibited, and reciprocal in communicating with students, parents, staff, and community*
- *Build, fortify, and sustain strong relational capacity with all stakeholders of Saydel CSD and the Saydel communities*
- *Celebrate successes on a regular basis*
- *Ask the tough questions and be willing to discuss difficult issues*
- *Serve as a steward of the Saydel CSD by promoting our communities in efforts to attract families and business to our areas*
- *Fortify current partnerships and develop new coalitions to enhance our school and community offerings*
- *Support innovation founded in research and best practices*

Todd A. Martin
Superintendent of Schools

Saydel Schools Welcomes Patricia Townsend as New Business Manager

Patricia Townsend has joined the Saydel Community School District as the new business manager. She assumed her new responsibilities July 1, 2018.



PATRICIA TOWNSEND

Patricia has served for five years as the Director of Business Services for Ballard Community School District. Patricia graduated from Iowa State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance and Accounting as well as a Master of Accounting degree. Patricia earned a Certificate of Proficiency from the Iowa School Business Management Academy in 2017. She is licensed as a CPA (Certified Public Accountant), CGFM (Certified Government Financial Manager), and SBO (School Business Official).

Patricia led the Ballard Business Office, including working with district leadership, employees and vendors. She prepared the budget and submitted annual financial reports. She also served as the Board Secretary and Board Treasurer. Before joining Ballard, Patricia worked as an accountant for the State of Iowa.

“I am excited to join the Saydel Community School District and be a resource to the Saydel students, educators, leadership, and community,” said Patricia. “I want to support the culture of continuous improvement and commitment to quality education.”

Patricia lives in Ankeny with her husband Stephen, her brother Peter, and two daughters (Sienna age 10 and Sharon age 6). Outside of work, Patricia enjoys reading, camping, music, and spending time with her family.

Saydel Community School District Important Calendar Dates

School Day:		
Cornell Elementary School	8:35 – 3:30	
Woodside Middle School	7:45 – 2:45	
Saydel High School	7:45 – 2:45	
August	16	New Staff Begin
August	20	All Staff Begin
August	23	First Day of School for Students
September	3	Labor Day - No School
October	16&18	Parent/Teacher Conferences
October	19	Teacher Professional Development - No School
October	26	WS & HS 1st Quarter Ends (45 Days)
October	29	2nd Quarter Begins
November	16	CE – 1st Trimester Ends (60 days)
November	21-23	Thanksgiving Break - No School
December	21	Winter Break Begins
January	3	School Resumes
January	11	WS & HS 2nd Quarter Ends (44 days) WS & HS 1st Semester Ends (89 days)
January	14	WS & HS 3rd Quarter/2nd Semester Begins
February	11	Teacher Professional Development - No School
February	22	CE – 2nd Trimester Ends (59 Days)
February	28	Parent/Teacher Conferences
March	5	Parent/Teacher Conferences
March	14	WS & HS 3rd Quarter Ends (43 days)
March	15	No School
March	18-22	Spring Break
March	25	WS & HS 4th Quarter Begins
April	19	Teacher Professional Development - No School (TQ Day)
May	22	Senior's Last Day
May	25	High School Graduation 1:00 PM
May	27	Memorial Day
May	30	Last Day of School – 2 Hour Early Dismissal CE – 3rd Trimester Ends (59 Days) WS & HS - 4th Quarter Ends (46 days) WS & HS - 2nd Semester Ends (89 days)
Conferences:		
2 hour early dismissal October 16 & 18 and February 28 & March 5 Conference Schedule Arranged by Building		
Board Approved: Each Wednesday, every building will begin 1 hour later. Adjusted start time will be used for staff professional development.		
Please Reserve May 31 - June 5 for Weather Cancellation Make-up Days		
District Office 264-0866 Cornell Elementary School 244-8173 Woodside Middle School 265-3451 Saydel High School 262-9325 www.saydel.k12.ia.us		

Monthly Newsletters

If you would like to receive the school newsletters that feature what is happening at Cornell Elementary School, Woodside Middle School & Saydel High School, you can subscribe by emailing newsletter@saydel.net. Just e-mail which newsletters you would like to receive and then watch for them in your Inbox! We do not share your email address with outside parties.



CORNELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Welcome to the 2018-19 School Year

Principal Brian Vaughan



Greetings from Cornell Elementary! It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome you to the 2018-19 school year at Cornell Elementary! It is hard to believe in just a few weeks we will be back in school.

I am sure many of you have been busy this summer whether that be traveling, spending time with family, playing ball games, attending camps or etc.

While you have been actively doing any and/or all of the mentioned, I hope that our kids have been able to find some time to do some reading, writing, and honing their math skills as well. I also hope that everyone is looking forward to the start of another great year at Cornell!

This will be the start of year four for me as your PROUD principal, and I am excited to be building on many of the great skills and strategies each of our students have been learning and applying over the last few years. If you are new to our district, I welcome you! I am sure it won't take you long to learn that Cornell is awesome.

As we return to the classrooms, I am looking forward to starting the year with continued emphasis on our PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports) systems. At Cornell we S.O.A.R. That means that the expectation of students is for them to be Safe, Open-Minded, Accountable, and Respectful in all they do!

This is the way we will continue to do business at our school and in return help ALL of our students feel safe and create a comfortable environment for learning. I am also excited to continue to challenge our students to grow as thinkers and problem solvers. These are all life-skills that our students will need as they face challenging situations, both academically and emotionally.

We have a number of new staff and/or staff assuming new roles this year. The teachers joining the Cornell team from outside the district are Anne Pentico (Guidance Counselor), Monica Witzman (Kindergarten), Noreen Morrow (1st Grade), Karlee Lippert (4th Grade), Courtney

Johnson (Special Education), Hannah Buto (Vocal Music), and Steven Witmer (Librarian).

Along with our new staff, you will also notice some changes within our current staff. Molly Bramble will now be teaching 2nd Grade. Mariah Hoium will be teaching 4th Grade, and Jenny Nalevanko will be teaching .5 Title reading and serve as .5 behavior coach.

Cornell will have our annual Back to School Night on August 21 for students entering preschool (4-year-old only) through 4th grade from 4:00-5:30 PM. This night is for students to come in and find their classrooms, see where they will be seated on day one, put their materials away, and say hello to their teachers.

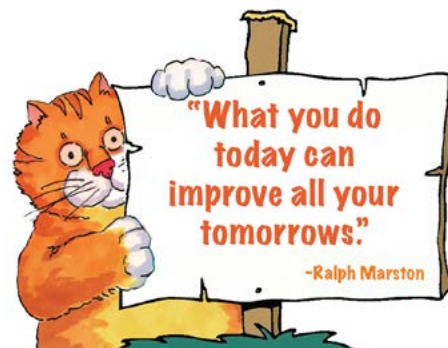
Families/students will be able to learn who their teacher is by accessing PowerSchool. Look for more information on how to do this and when you can do this soon! This communication will be sent via email. If you have not received the email with instructions by August 10, then feel free to stop by the Cornell office starting August 13.

Back to School Night is also a great opportunity to collect information on how you can be part of and/or support our phenomenal PTO.

We are looking forward to seeing our kindergarten through 4th graders on August 23, and our preschool students on September 4.

Thank you to all of you for your trust and support that you provide to our great school every single day. Our partnership in educating our students goes hand in hand.

Go Eagles! ~ BE AWESOME TODAY!





New Cornell Elementary School Staff



Hannah Buto (Vocal Music Teacher) Hannah attended Augustana College in Rock Island, IL, and earned a degree in Music Education. This school year will be her fourth year teaching elementary music. She said, "I am excited to be part of the Cornell team and meet all the students and staff!"



Courtney Johnson (Special Education Teacher) Courtney graduated in May of 2018 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education from Iowa State University. Over the past four years, she has focused on new technology and teaching strategies that she hopes to implement into her own classroom. She said, "I'm excited to be a part of the Cornell team and further my passion for teaching and working with students within the Saydel Community School District."



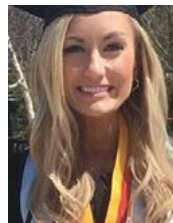
Karlee Lippert (4th Grade Teacher) Karlee graduated from North Central University in 2016, and she has had the opportunity to substitute in several different districts for the past couple years. She is very excited to start her teaching career at Cornell Elementary. Karlee graduated from Saydel High School, so it will be exciting to go back to where her education first started. She said, "I am looking forward to developing positive relationships with the students and my co-workers. I am ready to provide the best learning experience for the students and grow in my teaching abilities!"



Noreen Morow (1st Grade Teacher) Noreen is a graduate of Simpson College, where she received her degree in Elementary Education and endorsements in Reading and Early Childhood education. She had the wonderful opportunity to student teach in Indianola Community School District in 2nd grade and preschool. She said, "I am looking forward to meeting my students and working with some amazing teachers. I am so excited to be at Cornell Elementary and can't wait to see what the school year brings!"



Anne Pentico (Guidance Counselor) Anne is looking forward to serving as the school counselor at Cornell Elementary School. She received her BA in Music Education from Augustana University in Sioux Falls, SD, in 1997 and her MA in School Counseling from the University of Iowa in 2008. This year marks her 12th year as a school counselor with experience with a wide range of ages and in a variety of settings. She said, "I am excited to get to know the families and students at Cornell Elementary and work together to support student success."



Monica Wizman (Kindergarten Teacher) Monica recently graduated from Simpson College in Indianola with a degree in Elementary Education and endorsements in reading, English and language arts, early childhood, and special education. This will be her first year teaching and she can't wait to begin her journey at Saydel!

Get Involved in the Cornell PTO

Cornell PTO meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM in the Cornell Library. The PTO Board currently consists of: Gary Christensen (President), Heather Coe (Secretary), Nicki Dawkins (Treasurer), Jessica Light (Volunteer Coordinator), Cassidy Van Der Kamp (Box Tops Coordinator), Jennifer Prendergast (Box Tops Coordinator), Lisa Christensen (Raffle Coordinator), Brenna Booth (Carnival Coordinator), Melanie Payne (Fundraising Coordinator), and Staci Stocket (Community Night Coordinator). The position of Vice President is currently vacant. The Cornell meetings are open to the public and childcare is provided. The Board will continue to Facebook Live the meetings for those who cannot attend.

PTO Meeting Dates

- September 11, 2018
- October 9, 2018
- November 13, 2018
- January 8, 2019
- February 12, 2019
- March 12, 2019
- April 9, 2019





WOODSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Exciting Changes for 2018-19 School Year

Principal Joshua Heyer



I hope this letter finds you and your family well. The 2018-19 school year is quickly approaching, so I want to take a moment to share with you relevant information for the start of the school year.

Foremost, welcome to the new school year. I look forward to learning more about and working with the returning students and families. I also welcome our new students and families

to Woodside. We hope the transition to Woodside is a smooth and positive experience.

Woodside students will experience a subtle change in their schedule this year. Each year, Woodside students participate in a 24 question Gallop Student Poll that measures student engagement, hope, entrepreneurial aspirations, and career/financial literacy. Based on recent survey results, a committee of teachers was formed during the 2017-18 school year to problem solve ways to improve the areas of growth identified in the survey.

A solution that I am looking forward to implementing during the new school year is the addition of a time called Connect. Each student will begin their school day in Connect for 12 minutes. This time will serve multiple purposes, including having an adult advocate in the building, improve communication on school related opportunities, support each student with academic accountability, and build a sense of community amongst a group of students. I am anxious to see how our students will grow to appreciate this time and develop essential life long skills.

The custodians and some contractors have been working hard over the summer to improve the learning space at Woodside. These upgrades include a new roof over the 6th grade wing, LED lighting in all the hallways, fresh paint in several common spaces, acoustical tiles in the music room, furniture in some classrooms, and new signage in various locations. We hope the changes to our physical space enhance the learning experience for each student.

We have a number of new staff and/or staff assuming new roles this year. The teachers joining the Woodside team from outside the district are Ashley Schooley (Family Consumer Science), Steven Fisher (5th and 6th Grade Technology), Marti Van Walbeek (Special Education), Alex Carr (5th Grade Teacher), Thurston Gable (7th Grade Social Studies), Lorissa Baker (Special Education), Anayolonda Torres Pinto (7th and 8th Grade Spanish), Steven Witmer (Librarian), Mackenzie Osborn (Nurse) and Jackie Houge (Secretary).

Other staff transferring to Woodside for the school year are Cheryl Smith (ELP/Enrichment), Shari Rusher (Reading Interventionist), and Victoria Blied (8th Grade Math). Woodside staff assuming new roles are Britne Davis (8th Grade Social Studies) and Mark Walker (Physical Education).

"I am looking forward to implementing a time called Connect during the new school year. This time will improve communication on school related opportunities, support students with academic accountability, and building a sense of community."

I am thrilled with the addition of the new staff and excited to observe their commitment supporting each student this school year. More information about our new staff members can be found on page 8.

As Principal, my mission is to ensure each child develops the skills needed to become the individual they aspire to be. The Woodside staff is equally committed to this mission and works hard to create a safe and challenging school experience for each student.

I invite each family to begin the school year on a positive note by attending Back to School Night on August 21. We look forward to welcoming you to our school and working collectively with you. Please draw your attention to the Back to School Night information on the next page as well as the health reminders included in this *Communicator*.

Enjoy the remainder of your summer, and we look forward to serving you and your child this school year.



Woodside Back to School Night

On August 21, students and parents are encouraged to attend Back to School Night at Woodside. The evening will be broken into two sessions. The first session will be for 5th-6th grade families from 5:00-6:30 PM. The second session will be for 7th-8th grade families from 6:00 -7:30 PM.

We recognize some of our families have children in both of these groups. If you're one of these families, we encourage you to attend between 6:00-6:30 PM so you have the opportunity to meet multiple grade level teams. Activities Director Melissa Crosse will be hosting a beginning of the year meeting for all 7th and 8th grade families interested in sports at Woodside throughout the year. The meeting will be in the Woodside Gym beginning at 6:30 PM.

The goals for the night are:

- Allow students, parents, and teachers to begin to build a working relationship;
- Bring supplies so students do not need to bring them the first day of school;
- Identify locker location and practice proper combination;
- Encourage families to familiarize themselves with the Woodside building;
- Allow students and families to walk daily schedules to practice daily school routine;
- Expose each family to the vast opportunities at Woodside Middle School.



The format for the evening will be an open house. When you walk into the building using the south entrance, we will hand each family their child's schedule and a map of Woodside. We will have volunteers to assist with directions and answer questions. Families are welcome to acquaint themselves with their child's day by walking the building, greeting their teachers, and clarifying questions which may arise. Please do not hesitate to ask any of our staff members for assistance during Back to School Night as we are ready to assist with any of your needs.

All Parents Welcome to Join Woodside PTO

Woodside PTO Meetings are held in the Woodside Library starting at 6:30 PM. All parents and students are welcome to attend. If you would like more information on PTO or would like to receive updates on meetings and events, send an email to woodsideeaglespto@gmail.com or call Amanda Stone at 515-249-7156. The Woodside PTO is led by Board Members Amanda Stone (President), Connie Tague (Secretary), Lisa Silvers (Treasurer), Val Skow (Fundraising), and Linda Ford (Box Tops Coordinator and Conference Meals Coordinator). The position of Vice President is currently vacant.



PTO Meeting Dates

- August 30, 2018
- November 8, 2018
- December 1, 2018 (Craft Vendor Fair)
- February 7, 2019
- April 11, 2019

Woodside Middle School Important Dates			
Date	Time	Event	Location
August 1	1:30 – 6:30 PM	Walk in Registration	District Office
August 2	7:00 AM – 1:30 PM	Walk in Registration	District Office
August 16		New Staff Begin	District Office
August 20		Returning Staff Begin	
August 21	5:00 – 6:30 PM	5 th - 6 th Grade Back To School	Woodside
August 21	6:00 – 7:30 PM	7 th - 8 th Grade Back To School Night	Woodside
August 23	7:45 AM – 2:45 PM	First Day of School	Woodside
August 30	6:30 PM	PTO Meeting	Woodside
September 3		Labor Day; No School	
September 4-7	7:45 AM – 2:45 PM	Fall MAP Testing	Woodside
September 20	7:30 – 11 AM	School Pictures	Woodside



New Woodside Middle School Staff



Lorrisa Baker (Special Education Teacher) Lorrisa attended the University of Northern Iowa. This will be her first year of teaching; however, she was the Residential Director for Upward Bound through Iowa Community College this summer. Lorrisa did a 17-week internship through UNI called Camp Adventure.

During the week, she worked on a military base in Germany and then had the weekends to travel.



Alex Carr (5th Grade Teacher) Alex graduated from Grand View and Iowa State. He was a substitute teacher for three years in Ankeny, Waukee, North Polk and Bondurant-Farrar. He and his wife live in Ankeny. They enjoy spending time outside hiking, playing sports, or just hanging out with friends and family.



Steven Fisher (Computer Science) Steven attended Simpson College. He has taught eight years, primarily in business technology / coding in the middle school area in Des Moines. Steven is married, and his wife is an elementary teacher at Norwalk. The couple have three daughters: one in

college, one is a senior, and the youngest is going into 9th grade. Steven enjoys camping and being outdoors.



Thurston Gable (7th Grade Social Studies) Thurston attended Iowa State University and obtained his Bachelor's Degree. He has two years of teaching experience at Ottumwa High School. Thurston recently married his wife Katherine and they spent their honeymoon in California. They are also finishing

moving into their home. Thurston will be coaching football and wrestling at Saydel this year.



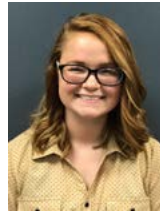
Jackie Houge (Secretary) Jackie graduated from North High School, studied cosmetology at LaJames International College, and attended DMACC. She has been an office manager and has worked in the Welcome Center for the last three years with the Des Moines Public School District. She worked at DMPS and

Saydel Schools in the special education department as an associate for over five years. Jackie has four children and three of them attend Saydel Schools.



Mackenzie Osborn (Nurse) Mackenzie attended Mercy College of Health Sciences where she earned her ASN, and she attended Walden University where she earned her BSN. She has 11 years of nursing experience. Most recently, she worked in the maternity center at UnityPoint as a mother/

baby nurse. She has also been a substitute school nurse for SEP for two years. Mackenzie and her husband have three children. She enjoys watching them participate in activities. Her other hobbies include traveling with her family and reading.



Ashely Schooley (Family Consumer Science) Ashley graduated from Grand View University. This is her first year as a teacher. Prior to joining Saydel, she worked at the Boys & Girls Club. In her free time, she loves spending time with her niece and twin nephews.

Anayolanda Torres Pinto (Spanish) Anayolanda attended The Central University of Ecuador, obtaining a BA in Social Work. She obtained her teaching certification with endorsements in Sociology ESL and Spanish from Buena Vista/William Penn College. She has a Master's in Arts of Teaching from Morningside. Anayolanda has 19 years of experience teaching K-12 ESL and Spanish at numerous schools in Central Iowa. She was born and raised in Quito, Ecuador, and she has a daughter and is a grandmother of three boys. Her hobbies include gardening, walking, reading, and visiting other countries.



Marti Van Walbeek (Special Education Teacher) Marti attended Central College and obtained her BA in Elementary Education. She is finishing her Special Education Degree at Upper Iowa University. This will be her eighth grade as an educator. Her most recent work experience was teaching disabled students

at Newton Christian School. Marti and her husband own a farm in Monroe. They have two grown children in Central Iowa. Some of Marti's hobbies include swimming, biking, and running. She has competed in triathlons, half-marathons and biking events. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with family.

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Saydel Staff Transfers:



Victoria Blik (8th Grade Math) Victoria graduated from the University of Iowa. She is going into her third year of teaching. She previously taught Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, and Power Math at Saydel High School. She is greatly looking forward to this new opportunity at Woodside.



Shari Rusher (5-8 Reading Interventionist) Shari graduated from Upper Iowa University. She has been with Saydel for 17 years, working at Cornell Elementary School. Shari is married and has two daughters. She lives in the Saydel District, and in her free time she enjoys watching sporting events, traveling, and being with family and friends.



Cheryl Smith (ELP Teacher) Cheryl graduated with her Master's from the University of Missouri in St. Louis. She also has her ELP endorsement through the University of Iowa. This year will be Cheryl's 14th year in education. In her free time, she loves reading, gardening, and learning about new ideas. Most recently, Cheryl attended a seminar about adaptations and Frankenstein at the University of Arkansas. Her family consists of her husband, Rick, and their three children.

NO SHOT, NO SCHOOL

Meningitis is a life-threatening illness transmitted among teenagers.

IOWA NOW REQUIRES:

All incoming 7th and 12th graders to have a meningitis vaccination before fall classes begin.

Schedule an appointment with your health care provider today.

For more information, visit www.polkcountyiowa.gov/health

Student Transportation Forms

Turn In Transportation Forms by Aug 4 & Be Entered to Win!

The 2018-19 Transportation Forms were recently mailed to all parents. Please fill out the form for your children, informing us who will be or will not be riding a bus route this upcoming school year. This form needs to be completed, even if your child does not need transportation.

Every student who gets their transportation form to the Saydel District Office or to Durham School Services by August 4, 2018 will be guaranteed to have their students on a bus by the first day of school. Plus, will have their names put into a drawing to be eligible to win a family fun pack, consisting of four tickets to the new Cinemark Theater in Altoona, plus a \$30 gift card to Culvers also located in Altoona.

Forms are available at the Saydel District Office or you can locate them online at www.saydel.k12.ia.us/district/Forms.cfm. If you have any questions about these transportation forms, call the Saydel District Office at 515-264-0866 or Durham School Services at 515-266-7760.

Return your forms to:

Saydel Community School District, 5740 NE 14th St., Des Moines, IA 50313
Fax: 515-264-0869

They can also be sent, faxed or emailed to:
Durham School Services, 5720 NE 14th St., Des Moines, IA 50313
Fax: 515-265-2998
ksmith1@durhamschoolservices.com





SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL

Planning for a Great New School Year

Principal Kevin Schulte



In a few weeks, we will have hundreds of students walking through our doors eager to start another school year. With each new year there is always a sense of fresh starts, continued success and new discoveries. We are excited to seize that momentum and engage students in learning and experiences that will inspire them to do great things with their lives.

Throughout this year I have a goal of highlighting the success, both past and present, of Saydel High School. These highlights will be happening as we start the year to help seize the positive momentum. As we highlight these great accomplishments, we will be able to see the impact that Saydel High School has had on individuals and our community as a whole. WE ARE SAYDEL and there is a lot to be proud of within our community, within our students and within our staff.

New Student Opportunities

We have several new course offerings for our students to further prepare themselves for life after high school:

**Probability and Statistics* - This is a semester-long, upper level math class that will be challenging students to use math to evaluate the world in intriguing ways.

**Computer Science Essentials* - This year-long course will expose students to computer science fundamentals and skills. Students will use both block coding and various languages to put their designs into practice.

**Computer Science Principles* - This course aligns with AP Computer Science and students will have the opportunity to take the AP test for this course. Students will be working with app development, cyber security and simulations.

**Pre-apprenticeship* - Students will begin work toward an apprenticeship program in a chosen career. The intent is that this course will partner students with an employer and progress through a half of year in a four-year apprenticeship program.

**Environmental Science* - Students will be studying how humans interact with the natural world. It will examine effects of human actions on the environment and how policies and decisions influence human actions.

New Student/Freshman Orientation

Each year students embark on a new chapter of their educational careers by entering high school. Both new students and parents may experience anxiety over the transition to high school. Our goal at Saydel High School is to make the transition into high school as smooth and positive as possible. In order to help students and parents ease into the high school, we will be hosting a new student orientation on August 21 at 6:00 PM. The goals of this orientation are to allow students and parents to find classrooms, meet teachers, meet student leaders, find lockers, and ask questions. Students and parents will accomplish this by walking through a shortened schedule to get a brief experience of a school day. If you have a new student, 9th grader or new to the high school, please attend the orientation.

Summer Learning

Our learning never stops as we continually work to reach the next level. This summer we had a number of teachers that expanded their skill set through a variety of opportunities:

**AP Learning* - Ashley Gilles participated in a training for AP Government and Politics as the College Board has redesigned the test. Gilda Figueroa engaged in learning focused on AP Spanish Language and Culture.

**Science Externship* - Breannah Krips worked with Kemin Industries as a plant scientist. Justin Blake also participated in an externship with Marshall County Conservation leading learning experiences for youth in Marshall County.

**iJAG* - Daryle Wright spent time at the JAG (Jobs for America's Graduates) national conference. This conference included learning centered around project-based learning, trauma informed care and teaching best practices.

**STEM* - Steve Fisher participated in Computer Science curriculum learning as well as learning centered on Project Lead the Way Principles of Engineering course.

**Humanities Summer Scholar* - Cheryl Smith engaged in the National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Scholar Program. Her learning focused on engaging diverse learners with studying theoretical and aesthetic considerations of literary adaptations.

**Trauma-Informed* - Alex Stubbers, Craig Wederquist, and Justin Russell participated with content focused on creating trauma-informed learning environments.

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New Saydel High School Staff



Gilda Figueroa (Spanish Teacher) With one year of Spanish teaching under belt, Gilda has a wealth of experience as a teacher associate, substitute teacher, and International Baccalaureate coordinator. She will be teaching AP Spanish, Spanish 3, and Spanish 2.



Julianne Rogowski (English Language Arts Teacher). Julianne has been teaching English Language Arts for the past three years. She will be leading learning in both our English 12 and Communications classes. We are also excited that she is going to help reignite our speech program.



Bethany Kula (Math Teacher) Bethany is an outstanding first year teacher that will be leading Algebra 2 and Precalculus classes. Her previous professional experience as an engineer will serve students well with our advanced math.



Shannon Riddlebarger (Administrative Assistant) Shannon is not new to the district, just new to the high school. With a strong background in Saydel activities, she is primed to do an outstanding job helping facilitate our activities department.



Denise Miller (Administrative Assistant) As a former teacher and teacher associate, Denise has a wealth of school experience that will serve her well as she works with families on attendance and helping run our main office.

Anayolanda Torres Pinto (Spanish Teacher) Anayolanda will be her time between teaching Exploratory Spanish at the middle school and Spanish 1 at the high school. As seasoned educator, she will be entering into her fifth year of teaching Spanish.



Chris Mund (Special Education Teacher) Chris is returning to Saydel High School as a special education teacher. He will be focused on assisting students with math in both co-taught classes and his own skills classes.



Mark Vasicek (Math Teacher) Mark has a wealth of both teaching (13 years) and engineering (18 years) experience. With a passion for math education, Mark will work with Algebra 1 and Probability and Statistics students.

Saydel High School Important Dates

Date	Time	Event	Location
August 1	1:30 – 6:30 PM	Online Registration Assistance	District Office
August 2	7:00 AM – 1:30 PM	Online Registration Assistance	District Office
August 16		New Staff Begin	
August 20		All Staff Begin	
August 21	6:00 PM	Freshman Orientation/ New Student Orientation	Auditorium
August 23		First Day of School; School Picture Day	
August 24	7:30 PM	First Home Football Game & Marching Band Performance	Saydel Stadium
September 3		No School; Labor Day	
September 6-7	6:30 PM	MAP Testing	
September 28		First Quarter Progress Reports	
October 7-13		Homecoming Week	
October 11	9:15 AM	Fall Academic Awards Assembly	Auditorium



Welcome Back, Saydel Eagles!

Director of Activities & Community Education Melissa Crosse



I would like to welcome the students, parents, faculty, staff and coaches back to school, for what is going to be another great year! With several activities, athletics, music programs and community education opportunities, Saydel Community School District has something for everyone!

Summer Athletics

The girls Softball team continued to impress this

summer with power hitters, home runs, and close-out games. The team advanced in round one of regionals and the season ended in round two. You can follow the Girls Softball Team on Twitter @SaydelSoftball.

Baseball had a six-game winning streak, the last week of the regular season, and finished second in conference with 10 conference wins and 19 overall victories. The team also hosted two tournaments; the Jim Gebhart Varsity Classic and the 27 team Prange Classic, in honor of Brent Prange. You can follow the Boys Baseball Team @Saydel_Baseball

Athletics – Fall

Fall sports include cheerleading, cross country, football and volleyball. For the detailed schedule, check out the Saydel Activities Calendar; www.saydel.k12.ia.us. Click on the Activities tab; then select Activities Calendar.

Music & Fine Arts

Over the summer, Director Eric Layden and Saydel Alum Matt Tesdell organized a special opportunity for the music students by hosting the Blue Star Drum & Bugle Corps at Saydel. For two days, the group held practices and dress rehearsals, providing Saydel students with the opportunity to view, learn and interact with professional performers at our home stadium.

Saydel Marching Band held two camps in late July and rehearsals throughout July and August, preparing for both the half-time show performances and the Marching Band Competitions; beginning late September. More information, dates and band schedule can be found at www.saydelmusic.com/band/calendar.

Community Education

July 1 marked the first full year of Community Education, offering a variety of opportunities for youth, students and adults. Course offerings can be found on the Saydel Web Store at Saydel.revtrak.net. Be on the look out for more Community Ed Opportunities by following the Twitter @SaydelAD and Facebook Saydel Activities and Community Ed accounts.

Clothing & Apparel!

The Saydel Activities Booster Club has created a new line of apparel for students, parents, guardians and alumni. You can view these AWESOME new styles in the Eagle Express, or visit the concession stand at home football and volleyball games.

Athletic Passes

There are endless expenses in order to successfully host a game, tournament or invitational; therefore, Saydel charges entrance fees for events. To assist in making attending events more affordable, Saydel offers an Athletic Pass. Please see page 22 in this *Communicator*, visit the activities station at registration this summer, or stop in the high school at any time to purchase. Passes are available in single or family style.

Do You Receive The Eagle Express?

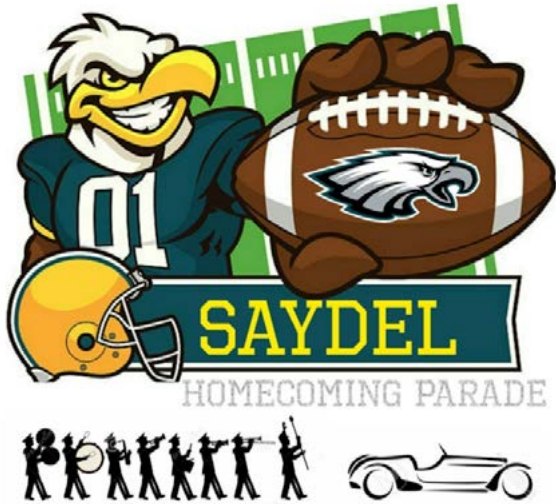
Sign up to receive Eagle Express emails and get updates from the Activities and Community Education Office. To subscribe, send a message titled “Sign Me Up” to eagleexpress@saydel.net.

Please Get Involved!

The Saydel Athletics Booster Club and The Saydel Music Booster Club need your help! Both booster clubs are never ending in their endeavors to provide our students with amazing opportunities, enhance facilities, purchase new equipment and improve our athletic and music programs. If you would like to get involved, contact the Activities Department at 515-262-9325, extension 1100, or email saydelathletics@gmail.com, saydelmusicboosters@gmail.com.

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LEARNING FOR LIFE

We're on the Web: www.saydel.k12.ia.us



SAYDEL'S HOMECOMING PARADE

SUNDAY OCTOBER 7, 2018
3:00pm

ACTIVITIES AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AFTER THE PARADE:

- ROOT BEER FLOATS
- BALLOON ART
- DUNK TANK
- AUCTION OF SENIOR JERSEYS*

Parade Route: Begin at Cornell Elementary School and go North to NE 60th Avenue, turn East to NE 6th Street, turn South on 6th and around the U-loop, and then to Saydel High School.

All money raised goes to the Saydel Eagle Endowment fund, providing scholarships to eligible Saydel graduating seniors. Saydel Eagle Endowment is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

*Away game Jerseys will be auctioned off and accessible to the highest bidder during Homecoming Week. Jerseys must be returned to High School office by Tuesday, Oct. 16.

For more information or to have an entry in the parade, contact Rob Strickler 515-865-0364; 13strickler@gmail.com

Thanks. We hope to see you there!

Little Eagle Cheer Clinic

When: Thursday, September 6th
Where: Cornell Elementary Gymnasium
Time: 3:30-4:30 pm (K-3), 3:30-5:30 pm (4-6)
Who: Ages K-6th
Cost: \$25 (includes t-shirt + snack)



The Saydel High School Cheer Squad will teach our Little Eagles a variety of fun cheers, chants + jumps to perform at the football games on **Friday, September 7th**

Students in grades K-3rd will perform during halftime of the 9/TV Game.

Students in grades 4-6 will perform during halftime of the Varsity Game.

Register ONLINE @ Saydel.revtrak.net

Create Account or Log In, Select Community Ed, Youth Athletic Opportunities, Little Eagle Cheer

If you have questions, call the Saydel Activities Department @ 515-262-9325 x1100



WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND BOTH MUSIC AND ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB MEETINGS.

SEE DETAIL BELOW.

MUSIC BOOSTERS

SEPTEMBER 5	JANUARY 9
OCTOBER 3	FEBRUARY 6
NOVEMBER 7	APRIL 3
DECEMBER 5	MAY 1

6:30PM - SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC ROOM

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

AUGUST 15	JANUARY 16
SEPTEMBER 19	FEBRUARY 20
OCTOBER 17	MARCH 13
NOVEMBER 14	APRIL 17
DECEMBER 19	MAY 15

6:00PM - SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY



Saydel Employee High Flyer Awards Presented

The Saydel School Board of Directors recently honored recipients of the Saydel Employee High Flyer Program. Employees were honored for their efforts in improving student achievement, maximizing resources, demonstrating innovation, and enhancing culture, image and relationships at Saydel Schools. Each recipient received a plaque and gift cards from the program sponsors: Affinity Credit Union, HyVee Ankeny Prairie Trail, and HyVee Ankeny North. Employees honored were Kris Bragg, Marsha George, Cindy Hicks, Jeanette Plascencia, Darrell Reece, and Cheryl Smith.

Kris Bragg has worked for Saydel Schools for 24 years and is a first grade teacher at Cornell Elementary. A typical day at school starts with Kris making sure lessons and materials are prepared, greeting students as they arrive, then teaching and managing them. Her school day may also include meeting with her teammates and other support staff problem solving and making decisions around student needs to ensure they continue to grow as learners.

Kris said, “My favorite thing about teaching is watching my students grow academically and socially. I also enjoy working with staff and learning with them to provide the best possible instruction for our students.”

In her free time, Kris enjoys walking, swimming, biking and spending time with family. Married to her husband, Ron, Kris has a daughter Taryn, son Kory, and two step-daughters, Samantha and Stephanie.

Marsha George has taught at Saydel Schools for 23 years. As a fifth grade teacher at Woodside, Marsha enjoys making a connection with students that last for years. Her success as a teacher can be attributed to her classroom management strategies, ability to get along with others and her willingness to be flexible.

When asked what one thing would surprise someone who had to walk in her shoes for a day, Marsha answered, “People would be surprised how so many students just want some positive attention.”

Marsha loves to garden and travel in her free time. She is married to her husband, Thomas, and they have two children, Ryan and Jerica.

Cindy Hicks has worked at Saydel Schools for 18 years. She began volunteering at school when her youngest son started kindergarten. As administrative assistant at Cornell Elementary, Cindy assists parents, students, and staff with many things from backpacks and lunch boxes forgotten at home to end-of-day transportation changes. Her favorite part of her job is the children.

She said, “They are funny, wise, sweet, and I learn and laugh with them each day.”

Cindy enjoys gardening, reading, and learning to quilt. She is married to her husband, Buddy. Their sons, Alexander, Christopher, and Gabriel were the fourth generation of their family to graduate from Saydel Schools.

Jeanette Plascencia, who has worked for Saydel Schools for the past eight years. As library associate at Cornell Elementary, Jeanette has six classes a day where she reads new stories to students and assists them in checking out books. She also supervises at lunch and recess.

Jeanette is respectful and kind to every student she comes into contact with and always tries to put a smile on a sad face and encourage those who need a friend.

She said, “I totally love having the students ask me where a new book is and showing them how to find it on a shelf.”

Jeanette, who is married to her husband, Mel, loves spending time with her family and watching her children, Katie, Seth, and Emma, play sports, sing in choir, play in band, and serve at church.

Darrell Reece is a special education associate at Cornell, and has enjoyed this position for two years. His duties include helping students get where they need to be, helping them stay on task, and guiding children who need assistance.

Darrell loves everything about his job. He said, “I love being a positive role model for kids, showing them they can learn and have fun. I enjoy the smiles and high fives, and the conversations with kids as time allows. He is impressed with the professionalism of the staff at Cornell and how easily the staff members bond with the children.

Hobbies for Darrell include reading, hunting, fishing, cycling, camping and teaching First Aid and CPR.

Darrell and his wife, Lori, have two daughters, Jordyn and Delaney.

Cheryl Smith has worked for Saydel Schools for six years. She is the Spanish 3 and AP/.5 High School ELP teacher. Cheryl is also the NHS adviser and Mock Trial Coach.

Cheryl spends her days teaching Spanish and working individually with ELP students. She does an outstanding job understanding ELP students. Before school she works with National Honor Society students and her co-adviser, Megan Hibbs. After school in the fall and winter, Cheryl coaches middle school and high school Mock Trial teams.

About her job, Cheryl said, “I like how excited kids get when they are learning something they are passionate about. I also enjoy the diverse nature of my roles at Saydel.”

Cheryl’s hobbies include reading, cooking, and gardening. She and her husband, Rick, have children, Jacob, Owen, and Phoebe.

The next Saydel Eagle High Flyer Employee Awards will be announced during first semester of the 2018-19 school year. Thank you to Affinity Credit Union and HyVee Ankeny for sponsoring this recognition program at Saydel Schools.



Saydel Employee High Flyer Award Recipients

During the May School Board Meeting, six Saydel employees were recognized for their service and dedication to the district. They were presented with a plaque and two gift cards from the program sponsors, Affintiy Credit Union, HyVee Ankeny Prairie Trail, and HyVee Ankeny North. Pictured from left: Affinity Credit Union Marketing Manager Melissa De Dios, Former Saydel Superintendent Dr. Doug Wheeler, Employees Cindy Hicks, Kris Bragg, Jeanette Plascencia, Cheryl Smith and Darrell Reece, and Saydel School Board President Brian Bowman. Missing from photo is Employee Marsha George.



Eagle's Nest Has Openings for the 2018-19 School Year

Cornell Elementary School

- Before school: 6 AM - 8:20 AM
- After school: 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM
- Wednesday mornings: 6 AM - 9:20 AM

Woodside Middle School

- Before school 6 AM - 7:15 AM
- After school 2:45 PM - 5:30 PM
- Wednesday mornings 6 AM - 8:15 AM

(Woodside will be bused to and from Cornell for Eagle's Nest)

For Eagle's Nest fees and information, please contact Alivia Bullis at bullisalivia@saydel.net or call 1-515-263-3037.



Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Update

Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Mary Salazar



As we look to the start of the 2018-19 school year, it is hard to believe that summer has come to an end. I hope this update finds you all rested and ready for the new school year. I wanted to take a moment to acknowledge all the hard work teachers have continued to put in around our ongoing district priorities and give some insight into the work that will continue for this upcoming school year.

The 2017-18 school was a busy one for teachers as usual. This past school year marked our second year working to create learning targets for the Iowa Core standards taught. These learning targets continue to be crafted with student and teacher in mind. Each standard is broken down into a set of four learning targets that teachers and students can use to assess mastery toward the goal of student performance at or above the standard as written. Teachers also spent continued time and energy in designing assessments that both challenge and engage students. As any of our teachers will attest, balanced and rigorous assessment creation aligned to standards is truly a difficult

task so we will continue this learning and work as a district as we move forward.

The start of a new school year also means a recommitment to the TAP System. TAP master teachers will be hard at work again this year designing and delivering weekly cluster meetings for all K-12 teachers. Building TAP Leadership Teams (made up of building principals, master and mentor teachers) began this work over the summer by looking at student assessment data to identify trends. Assessments used include Iowa Assessments and MAP at Woodside and the High School and aReading, aMath, FAST and Iowa Assessments at Cornell. These trends in student performance were used to create school goals for increased student achievement.

The design of these school goals ensures that each weekly cluster meeting is student-focused and data-driven, keeping student growth at the center of all decisions made. TAP Leadership Teams select specific student and teacher strategies to focus on during each cluster cycle of the year. Each week, teachers work diligently on mastering these strategies with the goal of increasing reading and math achievement in all three buildings.

As you can see we have been hard at work and that work and dedication will continue for the 2018-19 school year.

Steven Witmer Joins Saydel as New District Librarian

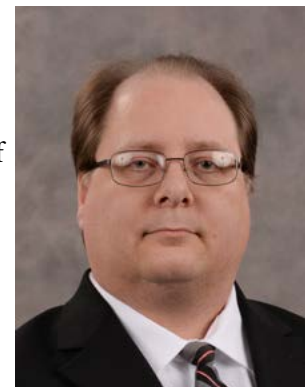
Steven Witmer will be joining the Saydel team this fall as the new District Teacher Librarian. He will be working at all three schools and is looking forward to meeting and getting to know all of the staff and students that make up Saydel's community.

Steven grew up the youngest of three brothers on a farm in what is now western Urbandale, and graduated from the Dallas Center-Grimes School District. He attended the University of Northern Iowa, where he earned his Bachelor's degree in History Education and his Masters in School Library Studies. UNI is also where Steven met his wife, Linda, who is the media associate at Valley Southwoods. The couple reside in Urbandale.

Most recently as Steven completed his library degree, he worked as a part-time services librarian for the Urbandale Public Library and as a substitute teacher for the Urbandale School District. He is a strong believer in volunteering, and in the past he has volunteered for a number of organizations and events, including the State Historical Library, the Raccoon River Watershed Association, the IOWATER program, Everybody Wins!, and for archeological digs around the state.

Fun fact about Steven is that during and after college he worked for Living History Farms and is an experienced broom maker and blacksmith.

"I'm excited to be part of the Saydel District and I'm looking forward to bringing my love of learning and reading to the district libraries!" said Steven.



STEVEN WITMER



Student Services & Special Education Update

Director of Special Education & Student Services Julie McKibben



I am very excited to begin my fifth year in the district. The 2017-18 school year allowed for specific focus in the areas of special education curriculum implementation, the restructure of our District Social Work support system, and a continued focus on Multi-Tiered Systems of Support, otherwise known as MTSS.

This summer has been busy with Eagle's Nest in full swing. Eagle's Nest Coordinator Alivia Bullis has been very busy with a variety of activities that included both play and academic time. In June, the children participated in field trips to Merle Hay Lanes, Des Moines Art Center, Poppajohns Sculpture Park, DoJos Family Martial Arts, Jester Park and weekly trips to the various splash pads around the Des Moines area. July and August will be filled with similar activities.

The Eagle's Nest before and after school program will begin August 23, 2018, and will be structured with age appropriate

activities that include hands-on learning, free play, sports and games, and a homework lab. The Eagle's Nest office is located across from the cafeteria at Cornell Elementary. Feel free to contact Alivia for enrollment information at 515-263-3037 or call Cornell at 515-244-8173, ext.3141.

The 2018-19 school year will begin the process of focusing on Trauma Informed Care and the social/emotional component of education. The At-Risk department will begin the foundational process for building understanding in this area while continuing to create a solid MTSS model for all our schools. This work will allow for a tiered approach to identifying and supporting diverse learners within the general education setting as well as within small group instruction. The focus will include both academic and behavioral supports. We will also continue our work with Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) across the district. This will include a focus on preventative and responsive approaches with all students in the classroom. A more intensive intervention with individual strategies will be implemented within our Tier 2 model at Cornell.

Please contact me at the District Office for any special education/student service needs.

A New Year Begins for Cornell's Preschool Program

The Cornell Preschool Program would like to welcome back new and returning families and students for the 2018-19 school year! We hope you have had a relaxing and fun summer.

The Cornell Preschool Program is a safe and caring environment where your child will be able to learn through play and become creative, confident thinkers. We are excited to meet your children and learn, play, and grow together this school year.

Here are a few reminders for the beginning of the school year. The first day of preschool will be September 4. Our 3-year-old program runs from 8:45-11:15 AM. We have both morning and afternoon sessions for our 4-year-old program. Our morning 4-year-old program runs from 8:45-11:45 AM. Our afternoon 4-year-old program runs from 12:15-3:15 PM. All preschool programs are held Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Prior to your child starting preschool there are a few requirements. If your child is enrolled in our 3-year-old program, you will need to attend a parent meeting on

August 24 at 10:00 AM in the Cornell cafeteria. Please bring your child along with you to see the classroom. If your child is enrolled in our 4-year-old program, a home visit is required before your child can begin preschool. Home visits are 20 minutes long and will be held during the week of August 27 between school hours of 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. These home visits are a time for your child to meet their teacher and for you to be given information about the preschool program. You will need to sign up for a home visit during Back to School Night which is held August 21 from 4:00 -5:30 PM at Cornell. You and your child can also explore our preschool classrooms during this time.

Research tells us that children who attend a high-quality preschool enter kindergarten with better pre-reading skills, richer vocabularies, and stronger basic math skills than those who do not. We look forward to a great school year!

Preschool Teachers,

Amber Byrd, Rebecca Singletary & Stephanie Bader

Saydel Community School Food Services

BREAKFAST & LUNCH ARE FREE FOR ALL SAYDEL STUDENTS!

Saydel students will be offered a free breakfast and lunch daily beginning August 23 as part of the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP), funded by the federal government, regardless of their economic status. No Free and Reduced Meal application or documentation is required for this voluntary program.

Students will need to have money in their account if they wish to purchase extra entrees, extra milk, a milk to go with their sack lunch or a la carte items.

If you have any questions, please contact Jessy Sadler, Director of Food Services, at 515-264-0866.



Meal Prices for ALL schools: 2018-2019 School Year

Breakfast.....	Free
Lunch.....	Free
Adult Breakfast.....	\$1.90-\$2.10
Adult Lunch.....	\$3.65
Extra milk.....	\$0.50

Meals and beverages sold or served at schools meet state and federal requirements based on the USDA Dietary Guidelines. We provide students with access to a variety of affordable and appealing foods that meet the health and nutrition needs of students. Our menus are found at: <http://www.saydel.k12.ia.us/>

In the Garden

School was out in the summer but gardening was in at Cornell Elementary. Eagle Nest campers helped plant and maintain the Cornell Garden this year by picking produce, planting, weeding, watering and learning about raising vegetables.

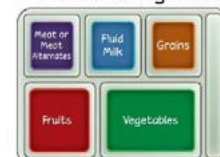


For more information about the School Garden , please contact Jessy Sadler at sadlerjessy@saydel.net.

Foodservice Office:

Phone: 515.264.0866 Fax: 515.264.0869
Follow us on Twitter: @saydelnutrition

Build a Healthy Lunch



Saydel Parent Involvement Matrix

View Interactive Links at www.saydel.k12.ia.us



SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AT HOME

- Keep books, magazines and [newspapers](#) in your home.
- [Read with your child and let them see you read.](#)
- Take educational trips ([museums](#), [libraries](#), etc).
- Look for things to do with your child.
- Participate in [Community Education](#).

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH SCHOOL

- Check your child's grades/attendance on [PowerSchool](#).
- Speak positively about your child's school.
- [Ask your child what he/she learned at school and require a thoughtful response.](#)
- Attend conferences and family fun nights at school.
- Talk to your child about the benefits of education.
- [Keep in contact with your child's teachers.](#)
- Ask your child about [assignments and grades](#).
- Celebrate your child's successes.
- Direct concerns and questions to [school staff](#).
- Talk to your child about [school safety](#).

FOUNDATION OF SUPPORT

- Praise and encourage your child.
- Ensure your child arrives at school well rested.
- Ensure your child has [transportation](#) and arrives to school and events on time.
- Meet and communicate with your child's friends and acquaintances.
- [Ensure your child is eating a proper diet](#) (breakfast, lunch and dinner).
- Set limits on time with friends, [technology use](#), and work/part-time job schedules.
- Ensure your child's [health care needs](#) are met.

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL

- Take part in [after school activities](#).
- Attend parent meetings.
- Become a school volunteer.
- Get involved in the [Parent Teacher Organizations](#) and [Booster Clubs](#).
- [Understand Special Services](#)

COMMUNITY TOOLBOX

- [Childcare Resources](#)
- [Healthcare Resources](#)
- [Grief & Loss Resources](#)
- [Housing Resources](#)
- [Mental Health Resources](#)
- [General Community Resources](#)
- [Free & Reduced Lunch Application](#)



SAYDEL EAGLES ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL 5601 NE 7th St DES MOINES, IA 50313

2018 – 2019 Membership Form

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Family Memberships (check one)

- Platinum Eagle \$250
Includes a family pass* (admission to all home regular season sporting events). Name listed in all programs.
- Gold Eagle \$100
\$25 Saydel merchandise credit. Name listed in all programs.
- Silver Eagle \$50
\$15 Saydel merchandise credit. Name listed in all programs.
- Green Eagle \$25
Name listed in all programs.
- Eagle \$10
Name listed in all programs.

Business Memberships (check one)

- Platinum Eagle \$500
Includes your business name on back of the 30th annual Saydel Alumni Softball Tourney (SAST) Shirt, **if donated by August 18th**. Also 2x3 banner that will hang during tourney, football games, on the marquee in the gym, and play on TV located in concourse. Name in all programs. If you wish, please choose: _____ Family pass* or _____ \$25 Saydel membership credit
- Gold Eagle \$250
2x3 banner with name will hang during SAST Tourney and football games. \$25 Saydel merchandise credit. Name on marquee in the gym. Name listed in all programs
- Silver Eagle \$100
2x3 banner with name will hang during SAST Tourney and football games. Name on marquee in the gym. Name listed in all programs.
- Green Eagle \$50
Name in all programs and on marquee in gym.

* A family pass is for school-aged children living in the household and parents / guardians.

2018 - 2019 support made possible by your donations & booster club fundraisers

- Football Hudl Sideline Package & Camera Wireless Instant Reply
- Girls Basketball Uniforms
- Girls Tennis Uniforms
- Boys Tennis Uniforms
- Boys Track Uniforms

SAYDEL MUSIC BOOSTERS 2018-2019

Tradition of Excellence



Saydel Music Booster sponsorships are available to businesses, individuals, families, and organizations interested in providing financial support for the Saydel Community School's Music Program. Expenses covered by the Music Boosters include clinicians (choir & band master classes, drum line & color guard instructors), honor festival expenses, scholarships, equipment, accompanists for concerts & contests, travel for students, awards, and more.

All donations to the Saydel Music Booster program are proudly listed in our concert and athletic programs for both Woodside and the High School throughout the school year. Sponsors may elect to remain anonymous at their discretion.

All people are welcome and encouraged to attend our monthly Music Boosters meetings regardless of sponsorship. The meetings take place the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the High School Choir Room, and usually last approximately one hour.

Donations for sponsorships are TAX DEDUCTIBLE!

Detach and return with check made out to Saydel Music Boosters or cash to: _____



SAYDEL MUSIC BOOSTERS

c/o Saydel High School
5601 NE 7th St.
Des Moines, IA 50313



_____ Platinum Eagle \$250+ _____ Gold Eagle \$100 _____ Silver Eagle \$50 _____ Green Eagle \$25

_____ *I would also like to contribute an additional \$15 to sponsor a student who is unable to pay marching band fees.*

Circle appropriate recognition

Business

Individual/Family

Alumni

Name: _____
As it should appear in publications Alumni will appear after your name if circled. Example: Jane Doe - Alumni

_____ *Please DO NOT publicize my sponsorship in programs, on the web site, or other publications*

Mailing address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ Email address: _____
(We do not share your email information with any other entity.)

_____ Please contact me at the above number as a potential volunteer at music events.



SAYDEL ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT ATHLETIC PASS

All passes include admission for home games
(excluding tournaments) for the 2018-19 sports season

STUDENT PASS - grades K-12 \$35

SINGLE PASS - \$115

SEASON PASS - \$60

FAMILY PASS - school & college-aged children, parents/guardians \$200

SENIOR NON-RESIDENT - 65+ non-residents to Saydel School District \$60

SENIOR RESIDENT - 65+ Saydel School District resident with proof of residency FREE

ATHLETIC PASS ORDER FORM

Make checks payable to SAYDEL HIGH SCHOOL

NAME(S)	PASS TYPE	QTY.	AMOUNT
	<input type="checkbox"/> Student		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Single		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Season		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior non-resident of Saydel		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Family		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior, FREE resident of Saydel		

Submit to: **Saydel High School, 5601 NE 7th Street, Des Moines IA 50313**



ANNUAL NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Saydel Community School District offers career and technical programs in the following areas of study:

- Business, Finance & Marketing Management
- Human Services
- Applied Sciences, Technology, Engineering & Manufacturing

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GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

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Students, parents of students, employees, and applicants for employment in the school district have the right to file a formal complaint alleging discrimination. The district has policies and procedures in place to identify and investigate complaints alleging discrimination. If appropriate, the district will take steps to prevent the recurrence of discrimination and to correct its discriminatory effects on the Complainant and others.

A Complainant may attempt to resolve the problem informally by discussing the matter with a building principal or a direct supervisor. However, the Complainant has the right to end the informal process at any time and pursue the formal grievance procedures outlined below. Use of the informal or formal grievance procedure is not a prerequisite to the pursuit of other remedies. Please note that informal processes and procedures are not to be used in certain circumstances (e.g., sexual harassment and sexual assault).

Filing a Complaint

A Complainant who wishes to avail himself/herself of this grievance procedure may do so by filing a complaint with the equity coordinator(s). An alternate will be designated in the event it is claimed that the equity coordinator or superintendent committed the alleged discrimination or some other conflict of interest exists. Complaints shall be filed within 180 days of the event giving rise to the complaint or from the date the Complainant could reasonably become aware of such occurrence. The Complainant will state the nature of the complaint and the remedy requested. The equity coordinator(s) shall assist the Complainant as needed.

Investigation

Within 15 working days, the equity coordinator will begin the investigation of the complaint or appoint a qualified person to undertake the investigation (hereinafter "equity coordinator"). If the Complainant is under 18 years of age, the equity coordinator shall notify his or her parent(s)/guardian(s) that they may attend investigatory meetings in which the Complainant is involved. The complaint and identity of the Complainant, Respondent, or witnesses will only be disclosed as reasonably necessary in connection with the investigation or as required by law or policy. The investigation may include, but is not limited to the following:

- A request for the Complainant to provide a written statement regarding the nature of the complaint;
- A request for the individual named in the complaint to provide a written statement;
- A request for witnesses identified during the course of the investigation to provide a written statement;
- Interviews of the Complainant, Respondent, or witnesses;
- An opportunity to present witnesses or other relevant information; and
- Review and collection of documentation or information deemed relevant to the investigation.

Within 60 working days, the equity coordinator shall complete the investigation and issue a report with respect to the findings. The equity coordinator shall notify the Complainant and Respondent of the decision within 5 working days of completing the written report. Notification shall be by U.S. mail, first class.

Decision and Appeal

The complaint is closed after the equity coordinator has issued the report, unless within 10 working days after receiving the decision, either party appeals the decision to the superintendent by making a written request detailing why he/she believes the decision should be reconsidered. The equity coordinator shall promptly forward all materials relative to the complaint and appeal to the Superintendent. Within 30 working days, the superintendent shall affirm, reverse, amend the decision, or direct the equity coordinator to gather additional information. The Superintendent shall notify the Complainant, Respondent, and the equity coordinator of the decision within 5 working days of the decision. Notification shall be by U.S. mail, first class.

- The decision of the Superintendent shall be final.
- The decision of the Superintendent in no way prejudices a party from seeking redress through state or federal agencies as provided by in law.
- This policy and procedures are to be used for complaints of discrimination, in lieu of any other general complaint policies or procedures that may be available.
- If any of the stated timeframes cannot be met by the district, the district will notify the parties and pursue completion as promptly as possible.
- Retaliation against any person, because the person has filed a complaint or assisted or participated in an investigation, is prohibited. Persons found to have engaged in retaliation shall be subject to discipline by appropriate measures.

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SAYDEL SCHOOLS:

Cornell Elementary School

Grades PK - 4
5817 NE 3rd Street, Des Moines, IA 50313
1-515-244-8173
Mr. Brian Vaughan, Principal

Woodside Middle School

Grades 5-8
5810 NE 14th Street, Des Moines, IA 50313
1-515-265-3451
Mr. Joshua Heyer, Principal

Saydel High School

Grades 9-12
5601 NE 7th Street, Des Moines, IA 50313
1-515-262-9325
Mr. Kevin Schulte, Principal
Mr. Alex Stubbers, Associate Principal
Melissa Crosse, Director of Activities/Community Education

Saydel District Office (Adjacent to Woodside Middle School)
5740 NE 14th Street, Des Moines, IA 50313
1-515-264-0866

Mr. Todd A. Martin, Superintendent of Schools
Patricia Townsend, Business Manager
Mary Salazar, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment
Julie McKibben, Director of Student Services, Special Education
Jessy Sadler, Director of Food Services

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School Board meetings are held at the
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