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Shickley Public Schools - Preparing Students for Success

Mark your calendars for the following Important dates:

<u>June 10th</u> School Board Meeting at 7:30 pm.

<u>July 8th</u> School Board Meeting at 7:30 pm.

August 12th First Day of Football and Volleyball Practices.

<u>August 12th</u> Teacher Workday.

August 13th Teacher Workday.

August 13th Back to School Potluck.

<u>August 14th</u> First Day of School for K-12th Grades 1:00 pm Dismissal.

August 14th-15th Initial PK Homevisits.

> August 19th First Day for PK Students.

# The Grind with Mrs. Coffey

Summer is in full swing! Baseball and softball games are rolling again after some heavy rains, you can smell grilling season in the air, and the lawn mowers are roaring around community lawns. I have seen many children and families riding their bikes, taking walks, playing at parks and the school, and now with the pool opening on June 3rd I am excited to see families enjoying time in the water.

Over Memorial weekend Shickley was graced by the presence of many Shickley Alumni Members. This time of year always gets me thinking...

Who are all of these people that have attended Shickley Public Schools? What are they doing now? How did Shickley help them become the person they are today?

I have put together a google form that can be accessed at the link below. We will be sure to get this on our website very soon. If you are a Shickley alum please consider completing the form. Know of an alum that is doing great things? Please share the link with him or her so that they can update us on the great things he or she is doing.

We would like to share the wonderful things our graduates are doing. By completing the form, you will be helping us with this endeavor.

Thank you for considering updating Shickley Public Schools about the great things our alumni are doing!

Update us at: https://forms.gle/Co8xEnUcFzSYMpcTA

Mrs. Sadie N. Coffey Superintendent

## Art Students Make Poppy Posters

The Shickley American Legion Auxiliary thanks Mrs. Nuss and her art students for helping them honor our veterans by making great Poppy Posters and participating in the Poppy Poster Contest. The posters were displayed in various Shickley business windows during the month of May. The veterans enjoyed looking at them and appreciate the thoughtfulness of the students.

First place winners pictured on the left are: back row - Bryn Kadel, Hannah Miller, and Jada Spurling; front row - Taylor Sokol and Eli Margheim. Their posters were sent on to be judged by Department of Nebraska ALA in Lincoln.

Second place winners with their posters pictured on the right are: back row - Raleigh Shipley, Madison Sokol, and Haley Sliva; front row - Layton Fiala, Veronika Flint, and Cameron Wilson.





## Kindness, by Suzanne Nolt

Someone once said, "In a world where you can be anything, be kind."

The bench pictured to the right has been donated by John Stables to Shickley Public Schools. It is our desire for this world to be more kind. A place where being different is ok. A place where differences are celebrated. The quote, "In a world where you can be anything, be kind" is widely used across the nation and is used to promote autism awareness. According to "Autism Society" autism awareness promotes inclusion and self-determination for all. It desires to provide the opportunity to achieve the highest possible quality of life for all individuals.

In a blog by Jennifer Dukes Lee she says, "Being mean is easy. The harder, braver choice is kindness. It's one of the most underrated virtues of our time."

So, as you see this bench at school: use it, sit on it, but even more remember to choose **KINDNESS**.



## 2019 Track Season, by Coach Karen Washington-Oglesby

The 2019 track season was filled with outstanding performances and new records. The highlights of the boys' season came with two 2nd place finishes at both the Exeter-Milligan and Tom White Invites. Senior John Christensen battled back from a knee injury sustained during football and set a new school record in the shot put with a distance of 51'6." Junior Nolan Weber broke his own school record in the discus with a distance of 147'6."

Boy state qualifiers were John Christensen in the shot put and discus, Nolan Weber in the discus, and sophomore Aaron Mick in the pole vault. John placed 2nd in the shot put and 8th in the discus, Nolan placed 6th in the discus, and Aaron placed third in the pole vault. The boys' team had some other athletes just shy of qualifying for the state meet.

A highlight of the girls' season was a school record performance by sophomore Macy Kamler in the discus with a throw of 106'3." Another highlight was the performance of senior TaraLee Hudson at districts when she reclaimed her school record in the discus with a throw of 113'5" and qualified for state. TaraLee placed 10th at state. These 13 girls had impressive top 5 finishes at the following meets: Tom White 2nd place, Exeter-Milligan 4th place, and Heartland Invite 5th place. The team made a tremendous amount of improvement during the season.

I was very pleased with the season. Both teams were enthusiastic and they worked very hard. They were terrific competitors and a pleasure to work with.

#### **Hastings Museum**

The Shickley first and second grade students had a blast at the Hastings Museum! They learned about the sea monsters of Nebraska, watched a planetarium show called "The Little Star that Could," dug fossils, learned all about how Kool-Aid was invented, and watched a 3-D show called "Superpower Dogs." The children represented Shickley Public Schools well as they were respectful, polite, and listened attentively to the presenter.





# 2019 Boys' Golf Results, by Coach Mrs. Yantzie

In their second year, the boys' golf team had another year of improvement! Several players spent the off-season on the course continuing to play and improve. With four returning players and the addition of four new players, the team was well-rounded and challenged each other for the varsity positions. The team set a team goal to shoot under 450 as a team and they accomplished their goal at the first meet by shooting a 408.

Season highlights include: Osceola 2-man scramble - B team of Josiah & Nolan finished 1st; Fillmore Central meet - Caleb 13th; Red Cloud - Caleb 13th; Blue Hill Cyndi Peil Memorial Scramble - Sam & Nolan 3rd in flight C; CRC meet - Caleb (V) 3rd, Eli (JV) 3rd, Austin (JV) 5th; Districts at Indianhead (Grand Island) - Josh 9th and Caleb 10th to both qualify for the state meet at Lake Maloney Golf Course (North Platte).

Caleb and Josh competed in the State Boys Golf Tournament May 21-22. Day one was cancelled due to rain and the championship was a 18-hole event. Both boys finished tied for 63rd with a 104. They had a great time and enjoyed the experience.

Team picture - L to R: Head Coach Karma Yantzie, SM Carson Loos, Eli Noel, Nolan O'Brien, Josiah Kamler, Josh Swartzendruber, Austin Plock, Caleb Hendrickson, Justin Stengel, Sam Margheim, Assistant Coach Amber Taylor. Not pictured - Assistant Coach Les Schlegel.



# **Sports Physicals**

As per the NSAA, each student who expects to participate in athletic contests shall present to the superintendent or principal once each year, before actual participation in any interschool sport, a physician's certificate on a form recommended by the NSAA that he/she is physically fit for athletic participation. A physical taken in the summer vacation period or anytime during the school year is good only to the end of the school year. Any physical taken May 1 or after will be considered a part of summer vacation. The Pre-Physical Evaluation Consent Form and the NSAA Student and Parent Consent Form will need to be provided to the school before students can participate in pre-season activities. All forms can be found on the NSAA website or available at the doctor's office. Sports physicals can be turned in to the school office.

## **Quarter Four Honor Roll**

#### All A Honor Roll

Seniors: Jackson Grote and Jadyn Kleinschmidt Juniors: Regan Alfs, Raegan Fiala, Kaylee Noel, Alyssa Nolt, and Justin Stengel Sophomores: Kenzie Bohling, Macy Kamler, Aaron Mick, and Raleigh Shipley Freshmen: Taryn Fiala, Tyler Grote, Courtney Nolt, Mariah Sliva, Taylor Sliva, and Madison Sokol 8th Graders: Hannah Miller and Ashley Schlegel 7th Graders: Hanna Kadel, Emberlynn Nolt, and Lynley Swartzendruber

#### A Average

Seniors: Isaac Kamler and Josiah Kamler Juniors: Zach Mosier, Brock Swartzendruber, and Josh Swartzendruber Sophomores: Bryn Kadel, Nolan O'Brien, and Blake Schlegel Freshman: Madeline Kamler 7th Graders: Cloey Carlson, Bow Grant, Logan Johnson, Jay Kempf, Reagan Sokol, Jada Spurling, and Seth Stengel

### **Semester Two Honor Roll**

#### All A Honor Roll

Seniors: Jadyn Kleinschmidt Juniors: Regan Alfs, Raegan Fiala, Kaylee Noel, Alyssa Nolt, and Justin Stengel Sophomores: Kenzie Bohling, Macy Kamler, Aaron Mick, and Raleigh Shipley Freshmen: Taryn Fiala, Tyler Grote, Madeline Kamler, Courtney Nolt, Mariah Sliva, Taylor Sliva, and Madison Sokol 8th Graders: Hannah Miller and Ashley Schlegel 7th Graders: Hanna Kadel, Emberlynn Nolt, Jada Spurling, and Lynley Swartzendruber

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#### A & B

Sophomore: Dalton Kleinschmidt Freshman: Harlie Grant

## Kindergarten and Seventh Grade Forms Needed before August 14th

All students entering kindergarten are required to submit copies of the following forms to the school office before the first day of school, August 14th: physical, vision exam (can be done by doctor at physical appointment), birth certificate, and updated immunizations record.

All seventh grade students are required to submit copies of their updated immunization records before the first day of school, August 14th.

All of these forms can be turned in anytime over the summer to the main office.

# **Crossroads Conference All-Conference Academic Team**

The Crossroads Conference has announced its All-Conference Academic Team. Seventy-one seniors were recognized as Gold, Silver, or Bronze award winners based on their highest achieved ACT score by March 1st.

Members recognized as Gold achieved a score of 30 or higher, Silver 27 to 29, and Bronze 24 to 26. Those recognized received an Academic Medal from the conference.

Seniors from Shickley High School earning this honor were: Jackson Grote - Silver, Caleb Hendrickson - Silver, Jadyn Kleinschmidt - Silver, and Josiah Kamler - Bronze.

# Lyle Wagers Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize a business, family, or individual that has been a significant partner supporting Shickley Public Schools. Lyle Wagers modeled this support through his commitment to the Longhorn students, staff, and teams. From Speech to playground duty, Lyle was willing to support and help out the school in any way he could. Each year, staff members at the school nominate and vote on our public supporters; the business, family, or individual who receives the most votes becomes the Lyle Wagers Award recipient.

This year's award recipients have contributed many, many years of service to teaching and volunteering at Shickley Public Schools. They have spent a lot of hours at Shickley Public Schools and have given so much of their time, energy, and life to the students, staff, and the community of Shickley. Staff members have described them as: one of a kind, friends to all, and legends that have the respect of staff and students. It is such a joy to still have him as a part of Shickley Public Schools and she will truly be missed for she has instilled greatness in our children; teaching them how to always be decent human beings. Congratulations to the 2019 Lyle Wagers Award recipients: Don and Shirley Rytych!



# **Shirley Rytych Retires**

A century, a period of one hundred years, a passing of an era, etc. Did you know that between Don and Shirley Rytych they taught for a century in Shickley Public Schools? What an accomplishment! Shirley has been recognized in many ways as she enters her retirement and we continue to wish her the best in all her and Don do moving forward. Even though Don retired first, he has still been a friendly face and smile throughout the Shickley hallways since his retirement and a great helping hand to Shirley and other staff members. Now with Shirley retiring, they will both be greatly missed in our school. We hope they are able to come back and spend some time in their second home of Shickley Public Schools. SPS and the Shickley community will always welcome them with open arms. Congratulations again to Shirley Rytych on her retirement.



# Thank You Shickley Community Foundation

A huge shoutout and special thank you once again to the Shickley Community Foundation. Shickley Public Schools was the recipient of \$10,500 in grant monies during the spring grant cycle. We are very fortunate to have champions of education like the Shickley Community Foundation. Grant monies will go toward completing our "New Mother Packages" that will be given to new mothers who reside within the district or whose children attend SPS; work being done to the Early Learning Facility playground area to include landscaping, zero entry access into the play zone, and trike & bikes; alternate seating options for elementary classrooms; science slides to be added to our JH/HS science curriculum; teacher scholarships to further their education; coding devices; annual 5K fun run/walk; yearbook pages; and to update our computer used for the yearbook.

### Letter from Mr. Sokol, Principal

Summer is here! I hope that we all take advantage of our time away from school and enjoy the quality time making memories with our friends and families. I cannot thank you enough for a wonderful first year here in Shickley. Our **students**, **staff**, and **community** are exceptional and it shows in everything we do. We closed the year celebrating our many accomplishments with an awards banquet, athletic banquet, and an academic success assembly. In each, I was reminded of how grateful I am because of all of your hard, dedication, and commitment to making our school so successful. Here are a few highlights that I would like to bring to your attention.

I would like to recognize the following students who were inducted during our awards banquet into Shickley Public School's Chapter of the National Honor Society. The following eight students were selected based on their GPA along with teachers' recommendations upon the pillars of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character. Our inductees this year are: Kenzie Bohling, Bryn Kadel, Macy Kamler, Dalton Kleinschmidt, Aaron Mick, Nolan O'Brien, Blake Schlegel, and Raleigh Shipley. Congratulations to you all and we look forward to watching you lead and serve our school and community in the coming years.

This year, Shickley placed 13th in the NSAA Cup standings out of the many schools that compete in Class D. Schools earn points throughout the school year for their success in NSAA Sanctioned Extracurricular Activities. To give you a little perspective on how successful we've been over the past few years, here is a little historical insight:

2017-2018 1st Place 2016-2017 6th Place 2015-2016 2nd Place 2014-2015 4th Place Way to go Longhorns! and Eagles!

At our Celebration of Academic Success Assembly, we recognized students in grades 2-11 for their outstanding growth and ability on our MAPS Assessment. In all, over 80 students were recognized for their outstanding growth over the course of the year. This is earned by exceeding the normal growth in reading, math, science, and language usage expected throughout the school year on a national average. 42 students were recognized for exceeding the 81st percentile and 16 students have earned scores in the 95th or higher percentile on one or more subtests.

As you can see, we have so much to be proud of and thankful for. Let's continue to challenge and support each other to be our best! Enjoy your summer, stay safe, and we look forward to school resuming in the fall!

Mr. Sokol

June 2019

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