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Shickley Public Schools - Preparing Students for Success

# The Grind with Mrs. Coffey

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

August 12th First Day of Football and Volleyball Practices.

August 12th Teacher Work Day.

<u>August 12th</u> School Board Meeting at 7:30 pm.

August 13th Teacher Work Day.

August 13th Back to School Potluck and Open House 6:30-8:00 pm.

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

August 14th-15th Initial Preschool Home Visits.

August 16th 2:30 Dismissal.

August 19th First Day for Preschool Students. It's always a great day at Shickley Public Schools. We have had staff hard at work throughout the summer preparing the building for our students and teachers; laughter and excitement has poured from the Early Learning Facility; office personnel have prepared & condensed forms and so much more for our students, staff, and administration; computers and new devices are on the way; summer reading and band lesson students have been very busy; teachers and coaches have been in and out of the building all summer long; and Shickley Public Schools' administration is excited to see it all come together on August 14th and beyond.

Students: I hope you have enjoyed your time away from school, but please know, you have been greatly missed. I cannot wait to see you in our buildings again!

Parents and Community: Thank you once again for entrusting Shickley Public Schools with your children. This "village" we live in is full of support for our school, families, and children.

Staff: It is time once again to do what we do best; prepare each student for success. Never forget that every student is one caring adult away from being a success story. Embrace the everyday opportunities you have to make a difference in the lives of our children.

# THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE SHICKLEY

There is no place like Shickley, dear ol' Shickley School. Where the girls are the fairest, the boys are the squarest, of any ol' school I knew. There is no place like Shickley, where they're all true blue. We'll all stick together, in all kinds of weather, for dear ol' Shickley School.

#### EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY, THE SHICKLEY WAY!

My challenge to Shickley Public Schools' students, parents and community, and staff is to live out this theme each and every day at our school, at activities, and within our community and beyond as you represent Shickley Public Schools and the Shickley community. Every school and community has its own unique challenges. Watching the news and seeing what is happening across our country and the world, not only in the area of education, I am so grateful to call Shickley home. May this year be full of equity, knowledge, loyalty, and working together for Every Student, Every Day, the Shickley Way!

Because there truly is no place like Shickley!

Mrs. Sadie N. Coffey Superintendent

# **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 inter-school 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.

# 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.

#### **Immunization Records**

In an effort to keep our office records up to date we ask that whenever your child receives an immunization that you also give the office an updated immunization record. These can be brought to the office anytime you have a new record. We understand that the infant through toddler years are when most immunizations occur, we would still like a new record whenever you have one. Thank you for helping us keep our records up to date.

# **Non-Public Consultation Notice**

On August 12th at 5:00 pm, a meeting conducted by Shickley Public Schools will take place in the Superintendent's office at Shickley Public Schools. The purpose of the meeting will be to provide an opportunity for parents who have parentally placed their child in an approved and/or accredited nonpublic school or exempt home school and representatives of nonpublic schools to participate in the development of a plan for providing special education services to children with disabilities who attend an approved and/or accredited nonpublic schools and exempt home schools which are within the Shickley Public School district for the 2019-2020 school year. Parents of a homeschooled child or a child attending a nonpublic school who has been or may be identified with a disability and attend an approved and/or accredited nonpublic schools, are urged to attend. If you have further questions pertaining to this meeting, please contact Sadie N. Coffey at (402) 627-3375.

#### Notice

The Board of Education of Fillmore County, District 54, affirms its position that all eligible children with special needs (birth through 21 years) in the Shickley School District are entitled to a free appropriate public education and an equal opportunity for education according to the individual's needs. The Board assumes the responsibility to assure that children with special needs are identified, evaluated, verified and then provided or contracted for program services for all resident children with special needs who qualify and benefit from such a program.

Anyone having a child with special needs or knowing of a child with special needs in the district, that has not been identified, evaluated, and verified thus far, may contact Erik Sokol (principal) or Sadie Coffey (Superintendent) at (402) 627-3375 for details.

# Supply Lists for 2019-2020 School Year

#### Mrs. Erickson's Supply List for Preschool

- \* 1 package of 200 pieces Googly Eyes
- \* 1 package of 70 count paper plates
- \* 2 rolls of colored masking tape
- \* 2 cans of Play-Doh (4 oz)
- \* 1 package of 100 stickers (kid's choice)
- \* 2 folders (2 pocket folders)
- \* 1 paint smock or old t-shirt

- \* 1 water bottle (to be kept at school)
- \* 1 pack of Expo dry erase markers (8 count and any color)
- \* 1 reusable grocery bag (to hold snow gear)
- \* 1 regular sized book bag (must hold child's artwork, folder, and spare clothes

#### Mrs. Schultz's Supply List for Kindergarten

- \* 2 packs (4 each) of Expo Dry Erase Markers (bullet tip)
- \* 1 paint shirt
- \* 1 water bottle with a lid
- \* 1 large box of Kleenex
- \* 1 container of Lysol Disinfecting Wipes
- \* 1 backpack

\* 1 box of Ziploc bags—boys bring gallon size, girls bring quart size

\* 2 boxes of 8 Crayola crayons

- \* 20 #2 pencils
- \* 1 large pink eraser
- \* 6 Elmer's glue sticks
- \* 1 yellow highlighter
- \* 1 pair of earbuds
- \* 2 containers of Play-Doh

\* Your choice of two packages of the following craft supplies: pipe cleaners, glitter glue, pompoms, small stickers, or sequins.

\*\*\*Please make sure your child's name is on the boxes/packages of each of these items.\*\*\*

#### Mrs. Nelson's Supply List for First Grade

- \* Old t-shirt with their name on it for art
- \* 10-12 **sharpened** pencils #2 works the best in the pencil sharpener. **Please do not bring mechanical pencils.** We spend far too much time playing and fixing the pencils. The cute ones don't last!
- \* 3 big erasers the pink or tan ones work great
- \* 1 box of **8** crayons (name on the box)
- \* 1 small box of sharpened colored pencils choose the fewest pencils possible (name brand sharpens better)
- \* 1 box of Kleenex (may need to ask for more later)

- \* 1 container of disinfecting wipes (used during flu/cold season, may need more throughout the year)
- \* Pencil box (5"x8" work great) put name on it
- \* 1 folder for take-home papers or notes (let them choose whatever they want) put name on it
- \* 2 dry erase marker packages of 4 markers each 8 markers total (will probably need more at Christmas time)
- \* A filled water bottle each day (It will be sent home eah day to be washed. Also, students may only have water in the classroom.)

### Mrs. Mosier's Supply List for Second Grade

- \* 10-12 pencils
- \* 2 pink erasers
- \* 1 box of 24 crayons
- \* 1 box of classic colored markers
- \* 2 glue sticks
- \* 1 box of Kleenex
- \* 1 paint shirt with your name on it for art
- \* 1 small pencil box
- \* 4 sturdy folders with pockets on the inside any design is fine

- \* A school book bag
- \* Earbuds for library and the classroom (put name on them)
- \* 1 container of disinfecting wipes
- \* 2 boxes of dry erase markers (put name on them, we will save one box for later in the year)
- \* Water bottle for those HOT days
- \* 4-5 pictures about your summer

#### Miss Johnson's Supply List for Third Grade

- \* 1 box Kleenex
- \* 1 container disinfectant wipes
- \* 1 box gallon size storage bags
- \* Scissors
- \* 4 pack of highlighters
- \* Markers (classic colors)
- \* #2 pencils, 12 pack (NO mechanical)
- \* 2 erasers

- \* 1 bottle of Elmer's liquid glue
- \* Dry erase markers (4 count)
- \* Pencil box
- \* 2 notebooks (100 sheets, wide-ruled)
- \* 2 pocket folders
- \* 4 pack of Post It notes
- \* Headphones

Back to school activity: The first day of school is about getting to know you child. Please have your child put ten items in a sack that describes their summer and bring them on the first day. This could include pictures, souvenirs, favorite things, etc.

#### Mrs. Dickson's Supply List for Fourth Grade

- \* 12 #2 pencils (to be put in a shared container)
- \* 2 glue sticks
- \* 1 box fine line markers (any size)
- \* 4 dry erase markers (any color)
- \* 1 package of white college-ruled loose leaf paper
- \* 1 pencil box or bag
- \* 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- \* 2 pair of earbuds or headphones (one for the classroom and one for Library)

#### Mr. Schlegel's Supply List for Fifth Grade

- \* 1 package of 24 pencils (no mechanical)
- \* Pens need red, black, and blue (bring any other colors you want)
- \* Dry erase markers
- \* 2 big pink erasers

- \* Notebook paper (loose-leaf or spiral)
- \* 3-ring binder
- Scissors
- \* 1 box of Kleenex
- \* Earbuds or headphones

Parents of incoming 5th graders, please use the following link to fill out a questionnaire for Mr. Schelgel: <u>https://forms.gle/</u> <u>y7PjNKrt1vCHerRh8</u>. This will provide him with some information that will help prepare him for students and the upcoming school year.

### Mr. Schroeder's Supply Lists

#### 5th Grade Social Studies

- 1 binder
- \* 1 notebook
- \* 1 folder

#### 6th Grade Supplies

- \* 3 1 inch binders
- \* 4 bottom pocket folders
- \* Loose leaf paper (wide-ruled, for all subjects)
- \* 3 1 subject notebooks (math one needs to be 120+ pages)
- \* 2 boxes of Kleenex
- \* #2 pencils mechanic or regular
- \* Pens red, black, and blue (no gel pens)

#### 7th Grade Math List

- \* 120 page notebook (college-ruled)
- \* Loose leaf paper
- \* 1 binder

#### Mrs. Noel's Supply Lists

#### Junior High English

- \* 2-3 inch 3-ring binder
- \* Package of 5 dividers
- \* College-ruled loose leaf paper

#### 7th Grade Study Skills

- \* 2-3 inch 3-ring binder
- \* 2 packages of 5 dividers

#### Senior College Readiness

- \* 2-3 inch 3-ring binder
- \* 2 packages of 5 dividers

- \* Blue, black, and red pens
  \* Package of 3"x5" notecards (lined or unlined)
- \* College-ruled loose leaf paper
- \* Blue, black, and red pens
- \* College-ruled loose leaf paper
- \* Blue, black, and red pens

#### Mrs. Snyder's Supply Lists

#### Math 8

- \* Lined paper for homework
- \* Pencils for doing homework
- \* Pens for grading homework

#### Algebra I, Algebra II, Advanced Math, Calculus

- \* Lined paper for homework
- Pencils for doing homework
- \* Pens for grading homework

#### <u>Geometry</u>

- \* Lined paper for homework
- \* Pencils for doing homework
- Pens for grading homework
- \* Paper sack for making a book cover

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- \* Calculator (scientific so you can use for the next years Phone will NOT be allowed)
- \* Paper sack for making a book cover
- Scientific calculator
- \* 2 inch 3-ring binder
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- \* 2 inch 3-ring binder
- \* 3"x5" or 4"x6" notecards

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- \* Loose leaf paper
- 1 brown paper bag
- \* Pencil box or bag
- \* 3 large brown paper bags for covering books

#### **Optional Items**

- \* Pillow for around the room to read with
- \* Water bottle for desk preferably clear
- \* Crayons, markers, colored pencils
- \* #2 pencils
- \* Pen for grading (not black)
- \* 1 brown paper bag

#### Note from the Kitchen

Your student's health and safety is a primary concern of ours. It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to notify the school if their child has any food allergies. Help keep us informed. Please contact Darlene for required medical forms that need to be completed in order to plan meals accordingly for your child's food allergies. If you have any other concerns about what is going on in the kitchen please don't hesitate to give Darlene a call.

#### Healthy Hooves Report, by Mrs. Zajic

During the month of August, the staff will be participating in the Warrior Wellness Challenge through the Educator Health Alliance. During this time, participants will choose any small and easy health behavior to adopt, improve, or maintain and track progress each day. It's about choosing and making small and specific actions that are easy for you to do and repeat successfully each day in order to build a healthy habit. Some of the most common lifestyle changes include losing weight, getting more physical activity, eating more nutritious foods, reducing stress, and sleeping better.

As we begin the new school year, let us be reminded of establishing a good bedtime routine and the importance of getting the right amount of sleep for success.

A new wellness cycle will begin in October with 6 new challenges for our staff that focus on all aspects of health and wellness.

#### Message from Mrs. Rytych

I have finished organizing my Spanish program on the computer. It is at the following address on the internet: <u>bit.ly/</u><u>rytychspanish</u>. Now anyone can find any of the resources of almost 2900 documents within 275+ folders that I have made in Spanish by simply typing in that address. There is also a folder called "Indexes" > "Google Folders Shared" that shows the contents of everything.

Many times, past students have decided to take Spanish in college, and therefore, called home, telling their moms to find their Spanish notebooks. Now all anyone will need to know is to go to the above address and to look at it from wherever you are in the world. Whatever was in that notebook is within this address, plus much, much more.

Also, anyone who wants to learn Spanish, as a complete beginner, can also go there. I have literally hundreds, probably thousands, of high quality links to all types of resources on the Internet to help anyone learn Spanish. The first folder of "0 To Continue Spanish" even tells how a "newcomer" to Spanish might go about learning it, what are the highest quality resources, etc. Although many quality resources may be bought, there is no need to spend money, when there are so many excellent free internet resources.

Don and I want to thank everyone for the many years that we enjoyed being an integral part of the school. Although we are now retired, our years still begin with the start of a new school year...thanks to deeply ingrained habits. Since valuable life-long learning never stops and no one is too old to learn new information and ideas, may all of us have a profitable and successful new school year! "Carpe diem!"

# After-School Program for Preschool through Second Grade

Shickley Public Schools will once again be offering an after-school program for preschool through se that runs from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on all regular school days, and from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. on 2:30 dismissal days, and from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m. on 1:00 p.m. dismissal days. There is no after-school program when the school closes early due to inclement weather or on school holidays. The after school program is for grades preschool through second grade only.

Parents will be billed on a monthly basis. The fee for attending is: \$7.50 for 2:30 and 3:30 dismissals; and \$10.00 for 1:00 dismissals.

The After-School Program will start on Wednesday, August 14th. The program this year will be ran by Lisa Hendrickson on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. It will be ran by Mrs. Nuss on Wednesdays. Please call the school office at 402-627-3375 to get your child signed up for this program. Once school gets started parents must notify the school office by 12:00 noon of any change in plans for that day.

#### Step Up to Quality Celebrates Five Years Shickley Public Schools sees the benefits of quality childcare practices in its program

Quality child care and early childhood education is important in our state's future. Step Up to Quality is celebrating its five year anniversary in 2019, assisting programs like Shickley's Early Learning Facility to go beyond state licensing requirements to better serve the needs of young children and their families and to prepare them for success in kindergarten and beyond.

"Five years of Step Up to Quality means we have a significant group of five-year-olds entering kindergarten throughout the entire state that are ready to learn," said Lauri Cimino, director of Step Up to Quality. "They're creative, confident and curious learners. Quality early childhood education builds a solid, well-rounded foundation of skills to build from for their entire lives."

That includes five-year-olds right here in Shickley. The Early Learning Facility has seen the benefits of Step up to Quality in its program.

With 90 percent of brain development occurring before age 5, early child care and education is crucial to a child's future success. Early learning builds the foundation for skills needed in school, work and life. Research shows that kids in quality early childhood education programs are more likely to:

- ·Reach developmental milestones early or on time
- •Build emotional intelligence
- •Show improved reading skills
- •Have better math skills in elementary school
- •Be prepared for kindergarten and to become lifelong learners

Step Up to Quality supports early child care and education programs, including licensed family child care homes and child care centers, Head Start and Early Head Start programs, public school-operated early childhood programs and preschools. To learn more about Step Up to Quality, visit <u>stepuptoquality.ne.gov</u>.

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Step Up to Quality is the state of Nebraska's Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS). A QRIS helps states assess, improve and communicate the level of quality of early childhood programs. Programs are awarded quality ratings for meeting a defined set of program standards. Step Up to Quality is voluntary for most early childhood programs. Programs that receive more than \$250,000 in child care subsidies are required to participate. Step Up to Quality is funded through the Nebraska Department of Education and Department of Health and Human Services.

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# Nebraska FBLA Announces National Award Winners Taken from press release from Nebraska Department of Education

More than 375 Nebraska students, advisers, and guests recently attended the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas. Nebraska FBLA members competed June 29-July 2 in 72 events. More than 9,500 FBLA members from 46 states, U.S. territories, and international chapters attended the conference.

During the conference, members participated in leadership workshops, competitive events, and toured San Antonio. This year's theme was "Create. Lead. Inspire." Nebraska members brought home 22 Top 10 awards.

Regan Alfs, a senior at Shickley High School this fall, won third place in the Business Plan. Regan is pictured to the right receiving her trophy.

Nebraska FBLA inspires and prepares students to become community-minded business leaders in a global society through relevant career preparation and leadership experiences. Nebraska FBLA is supported through the Nebraska Center for Student Leadership and Expanded Learning at the Nebraska Department of Education.

# **Principal Notes**

In just a few short weeks, we will all be together again. I hope your summer has been a time of relaxation and making memories. I sure enjoyed the time we spent traveling and visiting family. With the start of the school year comes all the excitement of working with our staff, spending time teaching and learning with our students, and supporting our football and volleyball teams. Together, we have such an extraordinary group so full of potential and promise. I look forward to the great stories and accomplishments we will create in 2019-2020.

While the summer provides a chance for many of us to recharge, a great deal of work is still done in preparation for the upcoming school year. I would like to take the time to acknowledge the efforts of the following groups or individuals for their contributions throughout the summer months.

Our maintenance team has worked very hard to have our building ready to go. They have completed the deep cleaning of carpets, floors, bathrooms, along with construction projects and paint to have our building look as good as new. Thanks to our swim staff and lifeguards for managing and operating the pool and providing a great place for exercise and fun during the hot summer days. Our coaches have invested a great deal of time in opening the weight room and taking our students to multiple camps. Our teachers have given their time to work on professional development and curriculum. One group has worked to adopt and implement our new science curriculum for this upcoming year. Another group has continued their work to further our implementation of PBIS which stands for Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports. A third group attended the Google Summit workshop to stay abreast on technology trends and implementation to make sure we are doing all that we can for kids. I would like to thank Gina and Joyce for their work in receiving all the deliveries of teacher requisitions and delivering the items to teachers' classrooms. Mr. Elwonger has worked to re-image our computers and tend to other tech related tasks throughout the building. A big thank you to Miss Olsen who spent time during the week offering band lessons to many of our students. Lastly, I would like to thank Ms. Hansel for her time in the classroom working with students.

While the list above is extensive, it is just the tip of the iceberg of the work that has been done. I know our teachers have invested countless hours in thought, planning, and preparation for the lessons they will bring to their classrooms and our students this year.

It's great to be a Longhorn!

Mr. Sokol