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Shickley Public Schools - Preparing Students for Success

The Grind with Mrs. Coffey

Two years ago, Nebraska was in the process of recovering from the flooding of 2019. Last year, we were facing unprecedented times that led to the state-wide school building closures of 2020. These past two years have taught us a lot: resilience, how to overcome adversity, the importance of social-emotional-mental health and relationships, that taking care of the people who take care of people is paramount, to always do the best you can with the information you have, and that we are always at our best when we are giving back to others.

The Shickley Public Schools community has a great history of being supportive of its school, staff, families, students, sports, and activities. We appreciate all that everyone is able to do to make a positive impact on the school system that educates our youth. If you are new to the area, looking to be more involved, or interested in other ways you can contribute to Shickley Public Schools consider any of the following:

- **Volunteer at the School**
 - Become a reader/listener in an elementary classroom
 - Mentor a student
 - Tutor a student
 - Discuss your career
 - Use your talents to help our students further develop theirs
 - There are many opportunities to volunteer at school
- **Become a substitute teacher or paraprofessional**
 - Interested in learning more? Please contact Superintendent Sadie Coffey at: scoffey@longhornpower.org
- **Attend school Board meetings**
 - Learn more about the happenings across the district
 - Determine if you would be interested in serving on the Board of Education
- **Follow**
 - State legislation that affects public education: <https://nebraskalegislature.gov/>
 - I Love Public Schools: <https://iloveps.org/>
 - Shickley and BDS on social media platforms
 - By attending Shickley and BDS events
- **Share our story and your story**
 - Utilize social media and other avenues to share the great things happening in and around our school
- **Give directly**
 - Donate supplies
 - Donate to the Shickley Community Foundation (the Foundation supports many SPS efforts)
 - Donate to the school milk snack program, after school program, and other relief efforts

We look forward to a great rest of the 20-21 school year and all of the celebrations that come along with it.

Thank you for supporting Shickley Public Schools!

Mrs. Sadie N. Coffey
Superintendent

Yearbooks For Sale

How will you remember this year? Pandemic? Masks? Homecoming? State Championship football game hosted here? Grab your child a yearbook so they can look back at everything that has happened this year at Shickley Public Schools.

To purchase a yearbook with or without namestamping and icons go to <https://yearbookforever.com/> and search for Shickley.

If you do not want a name or icons you can send a check made out to Shickley Public Schools to Mrs. Bonnie Noel with a memo of yearbook for \$40.

Yearbooks need to be ordered by March 22nd.

If you have any questions you can email Mrs. Bonnie Noel at bnoel@longhornpower.org.

Kindergarten Round Up and Preschool Sneak-a-Peek

Kindergarten Round Up and Preschool Sneak-a-Peek will be on Tuesday, April 6th from 8:30-10:30 am in the respective classrooms at school. Students will get a glimpse of what school will look like next year through a variety of developmentally appropriate activities. During this time, parents will meet with Mrs. Coffey and other teachers to answer any questions and fill out paperwork. Please keep in mind that students need to have an updated immunization record, birth certificate, and vision exam (Kindergarten only), to begin the school year in the fall. If you have any of these documents currently, feel free to bring them along.

Current Preschool and Kindergarten students will not have school on this day. Ms. Ann's Playskool will still be available to students in preschool.

This Plant Sale "QR Code" can also be used to get you to the website to order plants.



Plant Sale Fundraiser

The school is once again doing their plant sale fundraiser for 7th-11th grades. These students received their sales packets the last week of February and are ready to take your orders. You can also order online at <https://www.janetsjungle.com/>. When "finding the organization" choose: Shickley Community Schools.

If a student doesn't contact and you prefer to order from the catalogs instead of online please contact the front office and we will send a student your way or Gina can help you too.

All orders are due by April 1st so that everything can be entered and processed for delivery day.

Plants will be available for pickup on Wednesday, April 21st. Watch the daily announcements for more details as it gets closer to the day.

Below are a couple pictures from plant sales the school has hosted in the past.



Shickley Agriculture Education/FFA News, by Miss Schrock

January and February continue to be busy months for the agriculture classes and FFA here at Shickley. Much of January was focused on preparing for Leadership Development Events at the end of the month. We had 28 students participate in an event at the contest. Due to the snow and cold weather, the contest was held a week later than planned. Results from LDE are as follows:

Purples

Hannah Miller - Jr. Public Speaking - State Qualifier
Maddie Kamler - Sr. Public Speaking - State Alternate
Tucker Robinson - Ag Literacy - State Alternate
Cadden Carlson - Employment Skills - State Alternate

Blues

Parliamentary Pro Sr. Team 1 - State Alternate
Parliamentary Pro Sr. Team 2
Conduct of Chapter Meeting Team
Ag Demonstration Team
Cloey Carlson - FFA Creed
Jada Spurling - FFA Creed
Hanna Kadel - Natural Resources
Reid Richards - Employment Skills

Reds

Brooklynn Nelson - Natural Resources
Lynley Swartzendruber - Jr. Public Speaking



After LDE's our focus shifted to State FFA Degrees and Proficiency Awards. Seniors were focused on their State Degrees. Each of the 9 Seniors this year will be receiving their State FFA Degree. This includes Kenzie Bohling, Cadden Carlson, Briana Janning, Bryn Kadel, Dalton Kleinschmidt, Aaron Mick, Nolan O'Brien, Reid Richards, and Blake Schlegel. Nolan and Reid are also State Star candidates for their overall SAE programs.

In addition, results from proficiencies are as follows:

Agricultural Education

Madeline Kamler - Gold State

Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance - Placement

Cadden Carlson - Gold State

Agricultural Services

Adam Alfs - Gold
Reid Richards - Gold

Beef Production - Entrepreneurship

Ashley Schlegel - Silver

Diversified Agricultural Production

Blake Schlegel - Gold State

Health and Human Services

Taryn Fiala - Gold State

Home and Occupational Safety Programming

Landon Johnson - Gold State

Hospitality, Restaurant, and Tourism Management

Brooklynn Nelson - Gold State

Sheep Production Entrepreneurship

Reid Richards - Gold State

Turf Grass Management

Nolan O'Brien - Gold State

Vegetable Production

Hannah Miller - Gold State

We now await the results of the state bound proficiencies. These were submitted to the state in late February and results should be out in March.

FBLA to Host Easter Egg Hunt

Shickley Public Schools' FBLA will be having their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Wednesday, March 31st. A rain date has been set for April 1st. Watch the daily announcements for more details.



Busy February for FFA, by Miss Schrock

On February 11, FFA members had the opportunity to hear from one of the National FFA Officers. Miriam Hoffman, the Eastern Region Vice President joined us via Zoom to spend a little time talking about what it means to be a National FFA Officer and her experience. She presented a short speech talking about taking the next step. It was extremely motivating. Members then had the chance to ask her any question about serving as an officer, her experiences in FFA, and her future goals. Miriam also asked some great questions of our members and why they enjoy participating in FFA.

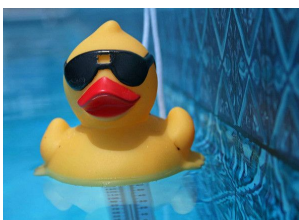


FFA members finished out the month of February with National FFA Week. They also prepared for Livestock Judging, Poultry Judging, and Career Development Events. There were several events planned for National FFA Week including Community Appreciation Breakfast, Drive Your Tractor to School Day, and a Corn Hole Tournament.

As we wrap up February and look towards March, there is still a ton going on. The greenhouse will be running full steam ahead in the next couple of weeks. Students will be continuing to prepare for State FFA Convention and the activities associated with it despite it being virtual this year.

As always we are happy for the continued support of our members and program.

In the picture on the left FFA members are serving breakfast and in the picture on the right are some students who dressed up for “patriotic day.”



The Shickley Pool is looking for an **assistant pool manager**, beginning this 2021 summer season. Applicants should be at least 21 years of age; prior experience is preferred.

Interested individuals should email Superintendent Sadie Coffey at scoffey@longhornpower.org. Please include your experience, expertise, and at least one reference with his or her accompanying phone number.

Those individuals who are interested in lifeguarding this summer should contact pool manager, Crystal Lukes at 402-759-1895.

READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK

March 2nd-4th



Tuesday-- "Green Eggs and Ham"

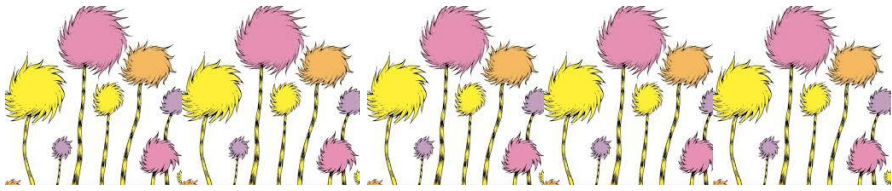
Wear the color GREEN!

Wednesday-- "Wacky Wednesday"

*Wear your clothes backwards,
inside out, or mismatched.*

Thursday-- "The Cat in the Hat"

Wear your favorite hat.



Blood Drive March 26th

Shickley Public School's National Honor Society is hosting a blood drive on March 26th. The drive will be held in the main gym from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Please go to this website to set your appointment time:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=shockleyhighschool>.



Shickley Celebrates Math, by Mrs. Snyder

The 2020-2021 school year has been a unique one to say the least. We are clean, masked, and finally together on a daily basis. These are three joys that are celebrated daily. Math classes have found other ways to celebrate too. Fibonacci Day was celebrated on November 23rd. The famous Fibonacci Sequence is the series of numbers 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13,... Hopefully you can see why we chose 11/23 as the day to celebrate with FiboNACHO chips!!!! On December 16th we celebrated Pythagoras Day. The numbers 12/16/20 can make the sides of a right triangle. We are looking forward to celebrating Pi Day on March 14th. Harvard Public School is hosting their 9th annual Harvard Math Day on March 29th. Shickley hopes to send 2 teams. Whether this will be in person or virtual has not been decided at this time.

The individual math classes celebrate learning each day. Topics range from Products to Polynomials, Quadrilaterals to Concavity, and Trigonometry to Transformations. Students are on track for the ACT test and the NSCAS test.

5th - 8th Grade Speeches, by Mrs. Monica Noel

The 5th-8th grade students have been diligently working on their in-class speeches that will be presented on March 31st, in their respective classrooms. The 5th graders will be giving informative speeches, the 6th graders will be giving persuasive speeches, the 7th graders will be giving entertainment speeches, and the 8th graders get to choose between the three modes. Each student chooses his/her own topic, researches information, writes the speech, and performs it in front of his/her peers. The speeches begin at 8:15 on March 31st and guests are welcome to attend the presentations.

ASVAB Testing, by Mrs. Monica Noel

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) was administered to the sophomore class on February 26th. Even though this is the test required to join the military forces, it also has many benefits to non-military bound students. The test consists of questions that showcase student's strengths and aptitudes for different careers and fields of study. It is a great indicator of student's all-around strengths and weaknesses that will be utilized in their future employment endeavors.

Cross-Curriculum Lessons, by Mrs. Monica Noel

During the second semester, the art and guidance departments have integrated multiple cross-curriculum lessons between the junior high 2D Art and 3rd grade classes. Ms. Nuss has been incorporating social and emotional learning (SEL) into the projects the 2D junior high art students have been completing. This meshes well with the SEL lessons the 3rd grade students have been learning from Mrs. Noel. This past month, the students completed an anxiety spiral piece where the kids cut out pictures of things that cause them anxiety.



Class Registrations for Next Year, by Mrs. Monica Noel

The 7th -11th grade students will begin registering for classes in March. Each student will be meet individually with Mrs. Noel to develop a preliminary class schedule. From there, the student should be discussing with their parents their future plans, courses that would benefit their career pathway and finally determining a class schedule for next year. Forms that need to be approved and signed will be sent home with the student.

For those students wanting to take classes online or for dual credit, that information should be available in the near future. As a reminder, although online and dual credit classes are a great option for Shickley students, it is not a requirement for all students. Those that are taking online or dual credit classes need to be self-motivators, have high academic integrity, and the willingness to work hard. They need to realize that although the professors are there to help them, it is the student's responsibility to monitor and hold themselves accountable to complete assignments and meet deadlines. If there is any doubt, it would be suggested that the student not take an online course. The SPS schedule for secondary students is diverse and has many options for students who find success with face-to-face instruction.

SPED Notes, by Miss Brandt

We are approaching the 1-year marker of when we were asked to live life more cautiously and be aware of COVID-19. This means 1 year of wearing masks, social distancing, not seeing loved ones as much, and learning a new way of life. We all know this can lead to many different emotions for both adults and students. Within my classroom, I have had the opportunity to have many great conversations about self-care and managing overwhelming emotions. As our world continually regains more normalcy it is still just as important to take some time for ourselves. Some students and I have worked on a list of Self-Care for Shickley Longhorns.



Principal Notes, by Mr. Warren

Hello everyone! It is crazy that February is already over. I am extremely glad that the freezing cold weather of -20 degrees left with it. As you all know we have been working on implementing PBiS here at Shickley Public Schools. These are standards for our students to behave in ways that we deem are beneficial to themselves and others.

One of the things that we have been doing is posting our weekly expectations on Facebook. We have also been announcing a simple reminder in the daily announcements. With this, we have been asking teachers to nominate Longhorns of the Week for following the Longhorn Way. The Longhorn Way is what we, as a staff, thought would be the best way to identify our PBiS expectations.



Now, with all of that being said, I would like to introduce you to Shickley's First Longhorns of the Month. Oliver Oglesby is a 7th grader and he was nominated for being respectful to one of his peers in the hallway. His peer was short a few quarters for a drink that they really wanted. Oliver offered them the coins and insisted that they use the coins to purchase the drink from the vending machine.

The next Longhorn of the Month hails from the 1st-grade room, Joshua Schlegel. He was nominated for demonstrating the Longhorn Way in the hallway and even encouraged his classmates to follow the Longhorn Way. Congratulations to Oliver and Joshua!

The Longhorns of the month are pictured to the left. Joshua is pictured on the left and Oliver is on the right. Congratulations to these boys!

With the Longhorns of the Week we will also be having Longhorns of the Month. We will pool together all of those students who have received Longhorn of the Week and then draw two lucky winners. One will be nominated from the Jr./Sr. High School and the other will be nominated from the K-6 students. The Preschool and Elf building are working on implementing Pyramid. This is similar to PBiS but it is geared for the Preschool world.

I also wanted to mention that the National Honor Society will be hosting a Blood Drive on March 26th from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Please sign up to donate blood. Go to this website to sign up for your time slot.

https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=shockley_highschool

Again, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Mr. Warren, Principal

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March 2021
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1-Mar	2	3	4	5	6
Plant Sales In Progress	District Speech Contest at Shickley 7-12 Report No School for K-6 Jr High & Non BB HS Track practice begins	Lions Club Vision & Hearing Tests	Girls State Basketball	Girls State Basketball	Girls State Basketball	Girls State Basketball
		Read Across American Week-----		School Dismissed at 2:30 pm	No School for students No Day Care Spring Break	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	School Board Meeting 7:00 PM		Boys State Basketball	Boys State Basketball	Boys State Basketball	Boys State Basketball
			FFA Spring CDE's at Hastings	End of the 3rd Quarter	No School for students No Day Care Spring Break	
				School Dismissed at 2:30 pm		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		National Spanish Exam	National Spanish Exam		Track Meet at Concordia State Speech Contest	Class D All State Music
					School Dismissed at 2:30 pm	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	CRC Music Clinic at NE Lutheran High School in Waco for High School				Blood Drive at Shickley School	Prom
					School Dismissed at 2:30 pm	
28	29	30	31	1-Apr	2	3
		Golf Meet at Superior	Easter Egg Hunt	Golf Meet at Superior		
				Track Meet at Hebron	No School Good Friday	
				Last Day for Plant Sales		
				Rain Day Egg Hunt		