A Note from the Superintendent

I wanted to take a moment to express my gratitude for all those who have volunteered to help with the many activities and events we participate in throughout the school year. From those who volunteer to help teachers with projects on Tuesday to those who have helped with our various events, such as grandparents/special friends day, the book fair, working concession stands, to participating on the music or athletic booster clubs, to working with your children in their educational projects, to those businesses that have donated money or items for our use. Each of you are an intricate part of our school system. THANK YOU!

We have had a tremendous amount of people request keys to the weight rooms in Kingsley or Pierson. There is a $50 fee for using the weight room. The use of the weight room does come with some responsibility on the part of the person requesting the key. We do not ask much but to make sure we can continue to offer this service, we ask that everyone take a moment, when done working out, to clean up a little bit, put weights away and wipe off the machines. If you plan on using the treadmill, please use a different pair of shoes than the ones you walked into the weight room with, especially during the winter season. The dirt and moisture will affect the machine. If everyone does their part, we will be able to offer this for many more years. Thank in advance for your efforts to help us with this.

We have been fortunate to have had a relatively snow free winter so far. With the start of 2014, our hopes are the weather cooperates and we can start school on time. If not, this is a reminder of where we put our announcements.

1. We will put the announcements on the local television and radio stations.
2. If you want to receive additional text messages, you can sign up for the alert 4 text messaging service from KTIV. When a message is sent to the television station, a text will be sent to your phone, as well.
3. If you haven’t noticed, we have used PARENT LINK the last few years. This has been a reliable notification system, which allows us to send automated messages for both lunch balances and weather related information. We will be able to send out our notifications faster and by more than just text or email.

Thanks again for the continued support you have all shown during this past year. We are truly blessed to have such a supportive community.
Elementary Comments

- Mr. Wiese

Spending time with family and friends is always a joy over the holidays (normally)! I hope all of you had a relaxing break and spent precious time with your kids!

Report cards from the 1st semester 2013/2014 will be sent home by Friday, January 10 in most cases.

Please mark on your calendars our 2nd semester Parent-Teacher Conferences on March 11 & 13.

The weather has been a roller coaster this winter. Please make sure your child has the proper attire for going outside. Thank you for all of your preparation with this issue.

A reminder to participate in the “Doosky’s” Reader program. January 2014 is the final month for this school year to participate in the festivities.

Finally, “thank you” to all of you who brought in canned items, money, etc. for our “Monstrous Food Drive” this past December 2013! I know we made several families holidays brighter and happier this past season!

School Health Information

I Hope that everyone had a peaceful and relaxing Christmas break. It seems hard to believe that our school year is already half over. Before we know it, we will be finishing the school year.

Hearing screenings, conducted by the AEA, will be held January 29th and 30th in the Kingsley building and January 31st in the Pierson building. All students in Kindergarten through 5th grade and all 8th graders will be screened. Any students new to the district will also be screened for baseline data. Notes will be coming home as reminder as the date gets closer.

If you have a Kindergartner or 9th grader enrolled in the district, you may have received a reminder letter over the break, to have your child examined by a dentist. Please take the certificated of dental screening form that came with the letter, to your dentist. Have your dentist fill out the form and return it to me at the school. This is a required exam for all students in these grade levels.

If you have any health questions or concerns, don’t hesitate to call me at the school. Just a reminder that HANDWASHING IS THE BEST DEFENSE AGAINST ILLNESS! Washing your hands often throughout the day will help against the spread of infection!

-Barb Sitzmann, School Nurse

“The Kingsley-Pierson CSD believes education enhancement requires consistently fair and equitable educational and employment practices without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, creed, age, sexual orientation, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, disability or socio-economic status.”
Our 1st semester is officially completed and we are excited to begin our 2nd semester of 2013/2014! Please note the dates below for updates and other information. Report cards from the 1st semester will be sent home by Friday, January 10 in most cases.

Please encourage your child to get off to a great start in the third quarter!

A special “thanks” goes out to all of the students, faculty, staff, other adults, and agencies who had a part in donating items/money to many in the area this past December 2013!

The basketball season has about two weeks remaining on the schedule. Congratulations to all individuals involved with the basketball program.

The wrestling season begins with a meeting (wrestlers, cheerleaders, managers) on Friday, Jan. 24. Practice begins on Monday, Jan. 27.

SPORTS SCHEDULES: Happy New Year!! Winter sports are off and running. Keep up the good work and please continue to show your Panther Pride!

Please utilize our Kingsley-Pierson website for updated schedules and gym times. Mrs. Page and her classes will be keeping these up to date. You can locate gym times under the “community” link. This worked well last year and I have heard great comments again this year. We also have a gym divider/curtain in the Kingsley gym so we will be able to schedule more youth teams for practices. Please remember to supervise your kids at all times.

Exciting news!! There is a new link that you will be able to access on our KP website called High School Cube. We will be able to upload our athletic events and other activities at Kingsley-Pierson so you can watch them. We are live streaming home events. I am out recruiting for some HS students to do the broadcasting and streaming. If your teenager is interested, please have them come talk to me. We will plan to upload winter sports, but cannot live stream or upload any post-season events or musicals/plays that would have a copyright. Sorry!

IMPORTANT DATES:
Senior Parents' Night for basketball: Jan. 24, 2014. Information will be emailed out closer to the date.

February 1, 2014 is our KP Wrestling Invite. Please contact me if you are able to help at the score table.
Wrestling sectionals @ Woodbury Central on Feb. 8th starting at noon
Wrestling districts @ Sibley-Ocheyedan on Feb. 15th starting at noon

SAVE THE DATE: Panther Ball—February 22, 2014

PE NEWS: JH PE students need to change into PE clothes (i.e. t-shirt AND shorts) as well as indoor. Clean PE shoes. These are easy points to earn for your PE grade.

Also, remember if your child has seen a doctor and they are excused from PE for any medical reason, they will need a note from their doctor or from you, the parent/guardian, saying that they are OK to participate. Thank you for your cooperation!
YEARBOOK

The Publications staff thought it was time to address various questions brought up by students and parents about the yearbook.

Q: What does the yearbook cost to produce?
A: The actual cost is about $75 per book. However, thanks to the support and generosity of area business and individual donations, the cost is around $40-$45. Of course, ordering before Christmas saves you additional money!

Q: What happens to the pictures at the end of the school year?
A: This is the 10th year with all digital pictures. They are stored on DVD’s and flash drives for possible future use at class reunions.

Q: Do students (and parents) have access to the pictures?
A: The pictures taken by the yearbook staff belong to the school, which means they belong to the community. All students have the opportunity to view pictures from various events and can copy them to their own flash drives for personal use. Additional pictures appear on the school’s website.

Q: Why are senior pictures due by the first of December?
A: Our first deadline (set by Jostens) is mid-December. The class pages are part of the first deadline, so those pictures must be due at that time. All other individual pictures are taken in the fall for the same reason.

Q: When are the page deadlines?
A: There are three deadlines during the school year. The first (and biggest) is December, then March, then May. Since the book is chronological, or time-based, meeting the deadlines is actually fairly easy. The first deadline consists of the individual class pictures, candid class pictures and all summer & fall activities. All of those pages make up half of the book!

Q: What happens if a Jostens deadline is missed?
A: Two things: 1 - the book will be delayed in printing; 2 - it will cost extra money for the school. By meeting deadlines, the book stays affordable for students!

Q: What programs do you use to create the yearbook?
A: We use Adobe Creative Suites CS5, specifically InDesign and Photoshop. Jostens also provides additional software to use within these programs.

Q: How can names still be misspelled in the yearbook?
A: Although all student names are entered in the computer’s dictionary, the human eye is still required for correct identification. With variations in first names (for example: Brian & Bryan or Michaela & Makayla), the computer will verify correct spellings, but not correct usage. To that end, we do apologize for all mistakes, please don’t take it personally!
THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

GUIDANCE NEWS: Many scholarship deadlines will be in the months of January through March. Most of the scholarships will need to be completed online and a few applications are available in the guidance office. Every news article I write has a calendar listing websites where scholarships can be located and their deadlines. I encourage seniors to check out those websites.

Students should have developed a well-organized activities resume. Each senior was required to start their activities resume when they completed their career notebook as a sophomore. Now would be the time to pull that resume out of the notebook and update the information. Extracurricular activities and community service opportunities both in and out of school may be placed on an activities resume. If the seniors would like me to help with this, please send them to my office.

FINANCIAL AID UPDATES: The U.S. Department of Education, Federal Student Aid provides over $80 billion annually in financial assistance for college. Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible after January 1, 2014. There are three ways that a student can complete the FAFSA:
1. Apply online at www.fafsa.gov
2. Download and complete a PDF version of the FAFSA at www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov (Note: PDF FAFSA’s must be mailed for processing)
3. Request a paper FAFSA by calling the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-433-3243 or 1-319-337-5665.

ICAN IN SIOUX CITY: Beginning Tuesday, January 7, ICAN will have a presence within the Sioux City community thanks to a partnership with Western Iowa Tech. ICAN will operate an office on the WIT campus, and will offer one-on-one college planning and financial aid assistance to the students and families of Western Iowa.

Each month ICAN will e-mail out the set hours for the upcoming month in Sioux City. For the month of January and ICAN representative will be available every Tuesday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

DUANE AND SHIRLEY HILLER STUDENT ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIP: The Duane and Shirley Hiller Student Athlete Scholarship was established in December 2009 by family and friends. The purpose of the scholarship program is to assist graduating West Monona and Kingsley-Pierson High School seniors in their pursuit of a post-secondary education at an accredited educational institution located in Iowa, Nebraska, or South Dakota. Applicants must be involved in school sponsored sports for each of their four years while in high school and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.8 out of 4.0.

Applications need to be submitted to the Siouxland Community Foundation by February 15. Recipients will receive a $250 scholarship that will be announced in April.

Applications are available in the guidance office or at: http://www.siouxlandcommunityfoundation.org/scholarships.aspx

FLIGHT CREW (UNITED 232) SCHOLARSHIPS: The Flight Crew (United 232) Scholarship Program is administered by the Siouxland Community Foundation headquartered in Sioux City, IA. This scholarship fund was established by the flight crew of United 232 in appreciation of Siouxland’s valiant rescue and recovery efforts during the aftermath of the United Airline Flight 232 incident on July 19, 1989.

The purpose of this scholarship program is to assist graduating high school seniors in their pursuit of a post-secondary education to prepare them for a career in the medical/health science field.

Eligibility criteria:
Applicants must be:
1. graduating high school seniors from a high school located within the Siouxland Tri-state area (approximate 50 mile radius of Sioux City)
2. pursuing a career in the medical/health science field (i.e. nurse, physician, physician’s assistant, radiological, medical or surgical technologist, lab technician, physical or occupational therapist).
3. planning to attend one of the following Sioux City, Iowa post-secondary educational institutions: Briar Cliff University, Morningside College, Western Iowa Tech Community College or St. Luke’s College.
GUIDANCE (continued)

Scholarship Award: minimum of $1000, not renewable
Application Deadline: Received by February 15 deadline
Application may be obtained from the foundation website listed below:
www.siouxlandcommunityfoundation.org/scholarships.aspx

COL. V. THOMAS CONSIDINE SCHOLARSHIP
High school seniors who will graduate in May 2009 may apply for a scholarship from a fund established within the
Siouxland Community Foundation, known as the Col. V. Thomas Considine Scholarship.
Eligibility criteria:
High School Seniors who:
1. are a member of the 185th Iowa Air National Guard
2. have enlisted in the 185th Iowa Air National Guard prior to this scholarship application due date of
   February 15
3. are children or other legal dependents of a currently active member of the 185th Iowa Air National
   Guard unit headquartered in Sioux City, IA
4. are children or other legal dependents of a retired member of the 185th

Colonel V. Thomas Considine started his military career in 1969 at the 185th Iowa Air National Guard in Sioux City. He
assumed the position of 185th Fighter Wing Commander in 1998 and served until losing his battle to cancer on
August 18, 2001. Administered by the Siouxland Community Foundation, this scholarship was established by his
family and friends in order that his legacy at the 185th and commitment to achieving higher education continue
for generations.
Scholarship Award: $500 not renewable
Deadline: February 15
Applications can be obtained from website listed below:
www.siouxlandcommunityfoundation.org/scholarships.aspx

CALENDAR

Jan. 10: Registration deadline for the February 8, 2014 ACT test. Students may register online at
   www.actstudent.org
Jan. 15: This is the application deadline for the University of South Dakota Online Academic Scholarship.
   More details are at: http://admissions.usd.edu/cost-and-aid/scholarships.cfm
Jan. 17: PSEO books will be delivered to Kingsley-Pierson
Jan. 20: Spring classes begin on the WITCC campus
Jan. 21: Online Classes begin at WITCC
Jan. 13: Registration day for the University of Northern Iowa (Math) Day. Opportunity to compete
   for math scholarships.
Jan. 31: Registration deadline for the first Iowa Financial Know-How Challenge: Senior Scholarship.
   Register at www.studentloan.org
Feb. 1: Deadline for the Hixson Opportunity Awards at Iowa State University-please apply at
   www.dso.iastate.edu/hixson/application.
Feb. 1: all 2014 Iowa 4-H Scholarships need to be submitted online for consideration. Check
   eligibility requirements with the Iowa 4-H Scholarship listing for fall 2014.
Feb. 3: Deadline for the Iowa Scholarship for the Arts. Application requirements can be found at
   www.iowartsfcouncil.org
Feb. 3:—Grand Lodge of Iowa, A.F. and A.M. Masonic Scholarship deadline. The application is available
   at www.grandlodgeofiowa.com
Feb. 12—Chad Cargill ACT Test Prep Session. For more information, go to
   It is possible to purchase calculators programmed with math formulas for $120 or $150.
   This is held at the WITCC campus.
Feb. 15: deadline for the Siouxland Community Foundation Scholarships—Duane and Shirley Hiller Student Athlete
   Scholarship
Feb. 15: deadline for the Siouxland Community Foundation Scholarships-Flight Crew (232) Scholarship
Feb. 15: deadline for the Siouxland Community Foundation Scholarships-Col. V. Thomas Considine Scholarship
Please save and send all of your coke products lids/codes to school to earn points good towards gym equipment!

We have teamed up with the Ronald McDonald House of Siouxland to collect and donate pop tabs – the elementary school with the most tabs donated receives a traveling trophy for the year!

Order your Smencils Today!

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**New Year’s Day**

**ACTIVITIES CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 2014**

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**Activity Calendar for February 2014**

**Gospel Lights**
- February 11th: Word Study (Chapel)
- February 12th: Bible Study (Chapel)
- February 13th: Church Service (Chapel)
- February 14th: Bible Study (Chapel)
- February 15th: Church Service (Chapel)
- February 16th: Word Study (Chapel)
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- February 25th: Word Study (Chapel)
- February 26th: Bible Study (Chapel)
- February 27th: Church Service (Chapel)
- February 28th: Word Study (Chapel)
- February 29th: Bible Study (Chapel)
## Kingsley-Pierson
### Breakfast & Lunch Menu

**Meal Prices**

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**Extra Milk or Side excluding F&V Bar** $0.50

### Breakfast Choices Offered Daily:
- Fruit & 100% Juice
- Breakfast Entrée
- WG Cereal
- Whole Grain Bread/Toast
- Skim, Low-Fat & Skim Chocolate Milk

### Lunch Choices Offered Daily:
- Fruit & Vegetable Bar
- Skim, Low-Fat & Skim Chocolate Milk

Students may select one of the two entrée options

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**January 2014**

**Monday**
- WG Pancakes w/Syrup
- WG Goulash w/WG Bread
- California Blend

**Tuesday**
- Scrambled Eggs w/WG Toast
- Italian Meatball WG Sub
- Soft Shell Tacos
- WG Tortilla Chips
- Carrots

**Wednesday 1**
- Ham & Cheese WG Bagel
- Chicken & WG Noodles w/WG Bread
- Hamburger or Cheeseburger on WG Bun
- Peas

**Thursday 2**
- WG Cinnamon Roll
- Hot Dog on WG Bun
- Chicken Nuggets w/Sauce
- WG Corn Chips
- Baked Beans

**Friday 3**
- Breakfast Burrito
- Mexi Taco WG Wrap
- WG Pizza
- Peas

**Monday 6**
- Breakfast Burrito
- WG Grilled Cheese Sandwich
- Hot Ham & Chz on WG Bun

**Tuesday 7**
- Waffles w/Syrup
- Beef Stroganoff w/WG Rotini
- Soft Shell Tacos
- Carrots

**Wednesday 8**
- Cheesy Eggs w/WG Toast
- BBQ Pulled Pork on WG Bun
- Hamburger or Cheeseburger on WG Bun
- Baked Fries

**Thursday 9**
- Sausage Pancake Stick
- Turkey & Gravy
- Chicken Nuggets
- WG Bread, WW Cookie
- Mashed Potatoes

**Friday 10**
- Breakfast Pizza
- Ham & Scalloped Potatoes
- w/WG Bread
- WG Pizza
- Green Beans

**Monday 13**
- Breakfast Burrito
- WG Grilled Cheese Sandwich
- Hot Ham & Chz on WG Bun

**Tuesday 14**
- Waffles w/Syrup
- Chicken WG Wrap
- Soft Shell Tacos
- Peas

**Wednesday 15**
- Cheesy Eggs w/WG Toast
- Italian Pasta Bake
- w/WG Breadstick
- Hamburger or Cheeseburger on WG Bun
- Corn

**Thursday 16**
- Sausage Pancake Stick
- Turkey & Gravy
- Chicken Nuggets
- WG Bread, WG Corn Chips
- Baked Beans

**Friday 17**
- Ham & Cheese WG Biscuit
- WG Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce
- w/WG Breadstick
- WG Pizza
- Corn

**Monday 20**
- Breakfast Pizza
- WG Philly Cheese Pocket
- Hot Ham & Chz on WG Bun

**Tuesday 21**
- WG French Toast w/Syrup
- Chicken WG Wrap
- Soft Shell Tacos
- Peas

**Wednesday 22**
- WG Cinnamon Roll
- Italian Pasta Bake
- Hamburger or Cheeseburger on WG Bun
- Corn

**Thursday 23**
- Scrambled Eggs w/WG Toast
- Super Mexi Tots
- Chicken Nuggets
- WG Bread, WG Corn Chips
- Baked Beans

**Friday 24**
- Ham & Cheese WG Biscuit
- Grilled Turkey Bacon Swiss
- WG Pizza
- Baked Fries

**Monday 27**
- Waffles w/Syrup
- Pork Fritter on WG Bun
- Hot Ham & Chz on WG Bun

**Tuesday 28**
- WG Biscuit & Gravy
- Corn Dog
- Soft Shell Tacos
- Corn

**Wednesday 29**
- Cinnamon Pastry
- Turkey Pot Pie
- w/WG Biscuit
- Hamburger or Cheeseburger on WG Bun
- Peas

**Thursday 30**
- Cheesy Eggs & WG Toast
- Salisbury Steak
- Chicken Nuggets
- WG Bread, WW Cookie
- Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy

**Friday 31**
- Breakfast Burrito
- Sloppy Joe on WG Bun
- WG Pizza
- Carrots

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