

REACH OUT RAPID RIVER

Rapid River Public School's Newsletter

October – December 2021

ATHLETIC EVENTS

High School Varsity Football

October

08 North Dickinson	home	7:00
14 Norway	home	7:00
22 Superior Central	home	7:00

Middle School Football

October

05 Munising	away	6:00
12 Stephenson	away	6:00

High School Volleyball

October

05 North Dickinson	away	6:30/8:00
07 Superior Central	home	6:00/7:30
15 Forest Park	home	6:00/7:30
19 Munising	home	6:00/7:30
21 Mid Pen	home	6:00/7:30
26 Superior Central	away	6:00/7:30
28 North Central	home	6:00/7:30

Cross Country High School

October

06 Skyline Meet	home	4:00
11 Norway Invitational	away	4:00
18 North Central Invite	away	4:00
23 UP Finals (away/Marquette)		10:00

Cross Country Middle School

October

06 Skyline Meet (home)	4:00
11 Norway Invitational (away)	4:00
18 North Central Invite (away)	4:00

Middle School Boys and Girls

Basketball

**boys team will play at 6:00 pm EST with the girls team following:

November

08 Superior Central	home
10 Manistique	away
15 Mid Pen	away
17 Big Bay	home
22 Munising	away
29 Superior Central	away

December

01 Manistique	home
06 Mid Pen	home
08 Big Bay	away
13 Munising	home

HOME COMING

The theme for Homecoming is "Flower Power – In the Groove"
Dress up days will be October 18th – 22nd.

Monday - White Lie Monday

Tuesday - Tourist Tuesday

Wednesday - Groovy Day

Thursday - Color Day

Friday - Spirit Day

Friday: Morning: 6-12 Assembly

Afternoon: 9-12 Powder Puff.

The football game will be on Friday, October 22nd against Superior Central.

Start time for the game is 7:00.

The Brisket Barn will have a limited menu available from 5-8.

Rapid River Sports Boosters will have concessions available as well. The Student Council will be selling Saykly's Carmel Apples.

Saturday-Homecoming Dance @ Rapid River

Start Time: 7pm

Cost: \$10

PARTIAL SCHOOL DAYS

November 4th partial school day, dismissal will be at 11:45

December 22nd partial school day, dismissal will be at 11:45.

VETERANS DAY

November 11th. We want to send out a big THANK YOU for your service, dedication and sacrifices to all of our Veterans.



RIFLE SEASON OPENING DAY

November 15th there will be no school. Good luck to all the Hunters!

THANKSGIVING BREAK

November 24th - 26th is Thanksgiving Break.

WINTER BREAK

December 22nd (Wednesday) dismissal will be at 11:45.

December 23rd - December 31st is Winter Break.

Key Club

Our Key Club has some new and exciting things happening this year. First off, we have a new advisor, Kathryn Frisk, who is also the P.E./Science teacher at Rapid River this year. We are very excited to announce that we had 32 students enroll in Key Club, which will allow us to do some very promising events.

Currently this Fall, the Key Club volunteered their time on October 2nd for an event with the Kiwanis, that was held at Jones Elementary School.

We are also starting to plan the Halloween Carnival at the school this year. We have some great ideas to make the carnival extra special and are hoping for a great turnout. We are also already starting to plan our "Lights in the Park" for the Christmas season this year with the Rapid River Business Association.

This year we are hoping to attend DCON in February and are looking to get each student a minimum of twenty community-service hours, which is the required amount of hours needed to attend DCON. If there are any community members that need some extra help, please reach out to Rapid River Key Club. We look forward to helping in any way that we can.

OLD YEARBOOKS LYING AROUND?

We are missing the following years: 1927, 1932-1939, 1940-1947, 1949, 1950-1952, 1981, 1996. If you have any of these yearbooks and no longer want them, or find them among a deceased relative's belongings that isn't wanted, our school library would very much appreciate the donation. This is a resource for the community to use in researching history, or otherwise call 474-6411 ext. 6512 and leave a message.

INDIAN EDUCATION

Once again Mr. Pilon is busy helping students with their school work. If you feel your son/daughter could use some extra help before they get too far behind, please have them stop in and see Mr. Pilon or call our IE office @ 474-6411 ext. 6572. Thank You!

PICTURES OF RAPID RIVER'S HISTORY WANTED

We would like to have a showcase dedicated to Rapid River's history. Any old pictures or copies will be very much appreciated. Any size picture is welcome as we can enlarge it. Old pictures of the surrounding area are also appreciated. Please call 474-6411 ext. 6512 or 6572 and leave a message.

LIBRARY

HUGE Thank You to Larry and Chris Lundin for their very generous monetary donation in memory of Chris's parents, Floyd and Bernice Lundberg and Calvary Lutheran Church/Perry Peterson Endowment for their donation to our books fund. These donations are greatly appreciated!

Thank you to the American Legion for their very generous donation to the Library for books.

In memory of Sandy Sauve's Mother, Dawn Broeders, thank you for the donation from Linda Erickson, Diane Kuchan and Lisa Boudreau.

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

American Education Week happens the week prior to the week of Thanksgiving. To honor the team of people who work in our nation's public schools, everyone from the bus driver and classroom teacher to the cafeteria worker and administrative staff, plus countless others.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

November 7th, time to change the clocks back one hour "fall back".

SCHOOL BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Regular Mtg., September 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Brooke Johnson at 6:30 p.m. in the Tri-Township Library. Members

present: Travis Gustafson, Brooke Johnson, James Olson, April Proehl, Betty Jo Proehl, Matt Holmio (new member); members absent: Steven Lenaker. Administrative members present: Jay Kulbertis, Rachal Gustafson, Matt Scheuren, Lisa Boudreau, Karen Fisher. Audience members: Karen Miller, Kim Viau, Michelle Hadel, Bobbi Ryan, Kelli Anderson, Karen Wolf, James Olsen. Superintendent Jay Kulbertis and board members interviewed board member candidates Beth Nelson and Matt Holmio. Motion made by Brooke Johnson, seconded by Betty Jo Proehl appointing Matt Holmio as new board member. Motion carried 5-0. Matt Holmio recited Oath of Office. Motion made by Betty Jo Proehl, seconded by James Olson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0. Motion made by James Olson, seconded by Betty Jo Proehl to approve the August 9, 2021 regular minutes as presented. Motion carried 6-0. Motion made by Travis Gustafson, seconded by Betty Jo Proehl to approve payment of accounts payable. Motion carried 6-0. Travis Gustafson reviewed the policy and personnel committee meeting. Facilities, Grounds, and Transportation Manager Matt Scheuren provided an update on new custodial hires, bus route changes and bus behavioral issues. Principal Rachal Gustafson discussed high school student schedules, elementary student routines and special education student accommodations. Superintendent Jay Kulbertis discussed COVID protocols. Motion made by James Olson, seconded by Betty Jo Proehl to accept letter of retirement from Sandra Sauve effective June 30, 2022. Motion carried 6-0. Motion made by Betty Jo Proehl, seconded by James Olson to accept letter of resignation from Julie Pilon as National Honor Society co-advisor. Motion carried 6-0. Motion made by Travis Gustafson, seconded by Betty Jo Proehl to approve the hire of teacher Kathryn Friske. Motion carried 6-0. Informational items for the board included the hires of Sally Rager as elementary secretary, Elizabeth Lee as kitchen and custodial staff, and Brian Lee as custodial staff. Andrea Cook resigned

from her kitchen position, Marcia Linzmeier resigned from her custodial position and George Kanyuh resigned as softball coach. The school board thanked Calvary Lutheran Church Perry Peterson Fund for a \$142.84 library donation and Larry and Chris Lundin for a \$500 library donation in memory of Floyd and Bernice Lundberg. Audience member Bobbi Ryan talked about bus behavior and discipline, and Kim Viau welcomed back reading buddies for this year as the district did not have reading buddies last year due to COVID. Motion made at 7:14 p.m. by Betty Jo Proehl, seconded by James Olson to adjourn meeting. Motion carried 6-0. For complete minutes go to our website at www.rapidriver.k12.mi.us. Future School Board Meetings are as follows: October 11th, November 08th and December 13th.

AUGMENTED REALITY SANDBOX

Ms. Larson's 5th grade students have been enjoying the Augmented Reality Sandbox in their classroom. The sandbox was constructed and programed by our Rapid River High School Stem Classroom students in Mr. Sprietzer's room. The students learn by manipulating elevation and constructing different landforms. They see how precipitation creates run-off and how water moves to different areas of the land. It is fun to see the 5th graders playing in the sand again and learning.

HALLOWEEN

Saturday, October 30th, 4-6 pm Trick-or-Treat, 6-8 pm Halloween Carnival at the Rapid River School Elementary Gym put on by the Rapid River Key Club. Free admission, but must purchase tickets for games. Cake walk – games & prizes – concessions. The Escape Room is in the PTC Room with a \$5 admission. Haunted Trail, put on by the Cross Country Team 8-9 pm for the younger crowd. 9 - ? extra scary for the more experienced.

Christmas Program

December 17th will be our Christmas program in the High School Gym starting at 1:00