

VINTON-SHELLSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

"The Mission of the Vinton-Shellsburg Community School District is to Be Difference Makers."

Hello Vinton-Shellsburg Community Members,

The first week of May is school staff appreciation week. As always, this annual recognition couldn't come a moment too soon. I am amazed at the tireless and heroic work of staff at every level of education. Recognition isn't just about feeling good. Gallup research shows that consistent recognition for doing good work has a direct influence on the key performance measures that we use to evaluate our schools.

School staff who receive regular recognition and praise:

- are more productive
- are more engaged at work
- are more likely to stay with their school
- are more likely to receive higher satisfaction scores from students and parents

Strictly from a performance perspective, it's clear that when we fail to recognize our best teachers, we are leaving our schools' potential on the table. In an era of school board politics and budget woes, recognizing teachers is an easy win for any community. It does not require a significant investment of money or time.

Who knows, maybe doing these things will also influence your students ... their parents ... the world.

In addition to staff appreciation week in May, the Iowa Association of School Boards has designated May as School Board Recognition Month, this year recognizing their work in 'Launching Iowa's Next Generation.' As citizen leaders, Vinton-Shellsburg board members face complex and demanding challenges. Yet few people fully understand the scope and far-reaching implications of board members' responsibilities. All Iowa citizens should recognize the vital contributions of these elected officials and focus attention on the crucial role they play in the education of our children.

Your school board is working hard to make sure all students succeed. Take a minute and say thanks to the following members of the Vinton-Shellsburg Board of Education: Tom Burke, President; Kathy Van Steenhuyse, Vice President; Directors: Rebecca Williams, Jake Fish, Kim Schirm, Jeni Birker and Darrin Humiston. Thank you for all you do!

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to send me an email or give me a call at any time. Thank you for your continued support of the Vinton-Shellsburg Community School District.

Sincerely, Mr. Koeppen



Kyle Koeppen, Superintendent
VINTON-SHELLSBURG
 COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 319-436-5685 @ Kyle_Koeppen

MISSION:
 To be positive difference-makers.



Special points of interest:

- May — School Board Recognition Month
- May 2-6—Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
- May 11—Senior Awards Night, VSHS Aud., 7:00 pm
- May 13—2-Hour Early Dismissal, Prof. Develop.
- May 17—School Board Meeting, Central Office, 5:30 pm
- May 18—VSEA/VSCD Retirees Reception @ Central Office Board Room, 4:00—5:30 pm
- May 18—Middle School Presidential Awards, VSHS Aud.
- May 19—Shellsburg Presidential Awards, 2:00 pm
- May 25—PRESCHOOL'S LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
- May 27—Graduation Rehearsal, 8:00-10:30 am
- May 26—LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, 2-Hr. Early Dismissal
- May 27—FFA Banquet & Awards, VSHS Commons, 6:00 pm
- **May 29—Graduation, VSHS Garrison Field House, 2:00 pm**

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

First day of school for 2022-2023 is Tuesday, August 23, 2022.

Look for On-line Registration to open mid to late July.

May is School Board Recognition Month.
Take time to thank a Board member for all they do for our schools!!!

Tom Burke—President

Kathy Van Steenhuyse—Vice President

Directors: Jenni Birker, Jake Fish, Darin Humiston, Kimberly Schirm & Becky Williams.

Thank You!!!

Vinton-Shellsburg CSD & VSEA Public Reception
May 18, 2022 4:00—5:30 pm
Central Office Board Room
1502 C Ave., Vinton

Congratulations

Honoring 2022 Retirees:

Dea Burroughs (19 yrs.)

Ann Diedrichsen (38 yrs.)

Kim Hambly (15 yrs.)

Michele Lash (18 yrs.)

Molly Noren (15 yrs.)

Theresa Werner (22 yrs.)

May 2-6 is Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week.

Please take the time to express your appreciation to all the staff members of the Vinton-Shellsburg School District for all the hard work and dedication they give towards making our students and our school district the best around, especially through a pandemic!

VSEA Honorees:

Teachers of the Year:

Member of the Year:

Friend of Education:

Support Staff of the Year:

Stephanie Miller & Alexa Francois

Sharla Wrage

Deb Kaiser

Amanda Hernandez

Please come and express your appreciation to all the honorees for the priceless contributions they have made to our students, district, and community.

VINTON-SHELLSBURG GRADUATION

**The Vinton-Shellsburg High School Class of 2022
will graduate on Sunday, May 29th, at 2:00 p.m.
in the Garrison Field House**

CLASS MOTTO: “Enjoy the little things in life, for one day you’ll look back and realize they were the big things.” - Kurt Vonnegut, Jr.

CLASS FLOWER: *White Rose*

CLASS COLORS: *Black & Gold*

CLASS SONG: *I Lived - One Republic*



REMINDER! -

School library books must be turned in to the media centers by **May 13th thru 17th.** And all dues must be paid by then.

Thank you!!



Make Back to School Easier with EPI School Supply Packs

EPI

- Teacher Approved
- Delivered Before the First Day of School
- Save Time & Money

SHOP NOW

Main Order Deadline **6/10**

Our School ID
TIL020—TILFORD
SHE197—SHELLSBURG

www.EducationalProducts.com/ShopPacks

Vinton-Shellsburg Elementary Schools are once again offering an economical option for your child's school supply needs. Save time and money with EPI School Supply Packs. The supplies will be delivered to your child's classroom before the first day of school.

To order, use the link: <https://www.educationalproducts.com/ShopPacks/> and the correct code for your child's school. Tilford Elementary code: TIL020 or Shellsburg Elementary code: SHE197

FREE SUMMER BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

Open to all children and teens 1-18. No registration or identification is required.

Shellsburg Elem.: June 6 thru July 29, (Closed July 4 & 5) — Breakfast 8:00-8:30; Lunch 11:30-12:15

Tilford Elem.: June 6 thru July 29, (Closed July 4 & 5) — Breakfast 8:00-8:30; Lunch 11:30-12:30

Meals available in-house @ Tilford & Shellsburg lunchrooms. Also available @ the Garrison Public Library

Garrison — Lunch 11:30—12:00

\$3.00 for adult (19+) breakfast and \$3.00 for adult (19+) lunch. Children 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult or responsible teenager. Adults may ride the bus. Bussing Routes are being established, please watch for updated information.

Volunteers are encouraged. 1:1 and Black and Gold hours are also available.

Questions contact Karen Ackman at karen.ackman@vscsd.org or 319-436-5848.

Remember to check out the Public Library Summer Programs in your town!

Please contact your local library for more information.

TILFORD ELEMENTARY NEWS

Our 3rd and 4th-grade students worked really hard and completed this year's round of the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP). We are very excited to see the growth that our students made this past school year.

Fine Arts Nights return to Tilford! For the first time since the pandemic, we held our spring music programs and art portfolio exhibit. It was awesome seeing our students perform and be recognized for the hard work they've put into these two areas of their education.

Tilford is growing in enrollment which means that we are adding staff. For 2022-23 we will be adding an additional Preschool teacher (2 sections), a Special Education teacher, an additional section of 3rd Grade, and we are continuing our Alternative Kindergarten program moving forward. We are very excited about the opportunity to provide more services and programs for our students.

Summer School is based on invitation and will be held at Tilford on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the months of June and July. Parents should have received an invitation to summer school earlier this spring if their child qualifies.



Dr. Stueffen & Staff visited Tilford Elementary to talk to IMZ about dental health. Sophia the super tooth came too!



For the first time in school history VS Girls Soccer made the top 15 state rankings during season. Great job ladies, keep it up!

2022 FOURTH Iowa Girls Soccer Rankings
Compiled by the Iowa High School Athletic Union
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Thursday, April 21, 2022

Class 1A	School	Record	LW
1	Davenport Assumption	4-2	1
2	Des Moines Christian	5-1	2
3	Van Meter	4-1	3
4	Nevada	4-3	4
5	Dike-New Hartford	7-0	5
6	Sioux City Bishop Heelan	3-2	6
7	Hudson	2-0	10
8	Underwood	3-	NR
9	Dubuque Wahlert	2-5	9
10	Iowa City Regina	3-1	13
11	Solon	6-1	14
12	Columbus Catholic	3-2	12
13	Tri-Center	4-4	8
14	Council Bluffs St. Ignace	4-3	15
15	Vinton-Shellsburg	5-2	NR


Congratulations Vinton-Shellsburg FFA!

- Secretary's Book:** (Clayton McKenna) 1ST GOLD
- Treasurer's Book:** (Bailey Weeks) 3RD GOLD
- Reporter's Book:** (Isabel Mullinex & Grace Schminke) 3RD GOLD
- Parliamentary Procedure:** (Annabelle Newton, Grace Schminke, Autumn McGowan, Christopher Fleming, Baylee Wheeler, Rachel Rollinger) 3RD GOLD
- Prepared Public Speaking:** (Josh Wiley) GOLD
- Chapter Exhibit:** (Jerry Lee, Christopher Fleming, Rayleigh Stander, Harley Hinshaw, Brody Waters, Kate Timmerman) SILVER
- Poultry Evaluation:** (Paul Heger, Kinzy Miracle, Ashlee Thomas, Spencer Williams) GOLD - 26TH/117 TEAMS
- Ag Biotechnology:** (Charlee Johnson, Chase Rippel, Kinzy Miracle, Isabel Mullinex) SILVER - 30TH/60 TEAMS
- Greenhand Quiz:** (Juliana Luis & Amber Deklotz) SILVER

Congratulations Vinton-Shellsburg FFA!

- Team Ag Sales:** (Andrew Pingnot, Clayton McKenna, Alana Fleming, Austin Noe) GOLD - 6TH/79 TEAMS
- Iowa FFA Degree:** (Ashlee Thomas, Charlee Johnson, Annabelle Newton, Josh Wiley, Christopher Fleming, Clayton McKenna, Paul Heger)
- Courtesy Corps:** (Josh Wiley, Annabelle Newton, Christopher Fleming, Kevin Heckmann II, Matthew Bookmeier)
- Farm Business Management:** (Jeana White, Kail Evans, Christopher Fleming) GOLD - 21ST/100 TEAMS
- Iowa FFA Band:** (Sam Lundvall & Rachel Rollinger)
- 10TH TEAM ACTIVITY:** (Emma Henry) COACH
- Ag Communications:** (Allie Geiger, Anabelle Hernandez, Grayce McClintock, Izzie Birker) GOLD - 6TH/20 TEAMS
- Massing of the Flags:** (Matthew Bookmeier)
- 2ND TEAM PRESENTATION:** (Accepted by Bailey Weeks)
- POA Committee:** (Annabelle Newton) (Accepted by Isabel Mullinex)

MAY 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
2 Day 2 ◇ G V G WaMaC Divisional @ Tama Toledo CC, 3:00 pm ◇ B V G WaMaC Divisional @ Vinton-Shellsburg (Wildcat GC), 4:00 pm ◇ G V TR @ Independence MS, 4:30 pm ◇ B V TR @ Marion (Thomas Park), 4:30 pm ◇ B V/JV SOC vs. Beckman Catholic, 5:30/7:00 pm ◇ Tilford 3rd Gr. Fine Arts Concert, 6:30 pm	3 Day 3 ◇ B V G vs. Benton & Marion @ Gardner GC, 3:30 pm ◇ G V G vs. W. Delaware @ Wildcat GC, 4:00 pm ◇ B MS TR Viking Invite, 4:15 pm ◇ G MS TR @ Clear Creek-Amana, 4:15pm ◇ G V/JV SOC @ Beckman Catholic, 5:15/6:45 pm	4 Day 4 ◇ 3rd Gr. Ag Day @ Benton County Fairgrounds, 9:00 am	5 Day 5 ◇ B/G V TR WaMaC @ Beckman Catholic, 4:30 pm ◇ G V G Meet @ Tara Hills GC, 4:00 pm ◇ G/B V SOC vs. Cedar Valley Christian @ Alburnett Complex, 5:00/7:00 pm ◇ Tilford 4th Gr. Fine Arts Concert, 6:30 pm	6 Day 6 ◇ IHSMA Large Group Contest @ Mount Vernon HS, TBA ◇ G MS TR WaMaC Divisional @ Clear Creek-Amana, 4:15pm ◇ B MS TR WaMaC Divisional @ Benton, 4:15 pm	7 ◇ V SB Scrimmage @ C. R. Jefferson, 8:30 am ◇ B V G @ S. Tama Invite, (TTCC), 9:00am ◇ B/G JV SOC Vinton Tournament (North Filed), 9:00 am ◇ B/G V SOC Vinton Tournament (Karr Complex), 9:00 am ◇ V/JV/INT TRAP vs. Xavier (Otter Creek), 9:00 am ◇ V BB Scrimmage vs. Iowa Valley Comm., 10:00 am
TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK 5/2—5/6					
9 Day 1 ◇ G V G WaMaC Super Meet @ Saddleback Ridge GC, 9:00 am ◇ B V G WaMaC Super Meet @ Gardner GC, 9:00 am ◇ B/G JV TR WaMaC Meet @ S. Tama, 4:30 pm ◇ B V/JV SOC vs. Center Point-Urbana, 5:30/7:00 pm	10 Day 2 ◇ G MS TR Viking Invite, 4:15 pm ◇ B MS TR @ Marion Invite (Thomas Park), 4:00 pm ◇ G V/JV SOC vs. Center Point-Urbana (Fross Park), 5:00/6:30 pm ◇ G V G @ Independence (Three Elms GC), 4:00 pm	11 Day 3 ◇ B V G Sectionals @ Manchester (Pin Oak GC), 10:00 am ◇ NHS Wrap-up HS Commons, 5:30 pm ◇ Senior Awards Night, VS-HS Aud., 7:00 pm	12 Day 4 ◇ B/G V TR Districts, TBA, TBA ◇ G V G @ C.R. Tournament (Airport National GC), 12:00 pm	13 Day 5 2-HR. EARLY DISMISSAL Prof. Dev. ◇ V SB Scrimmage @ C.R. Jefferson, 4:30pm ◇ G V/JV SOC @ Solon, 5:30/7:00 pm ◇ B V/JV SOC vs. Solon, 5:30/7:00 pm	14 ◇ V/JV/INT TRAP vs. C.R. Jefferson (Otter Creek Sportsman's Club), 9:00 am
16 Day 6 ◇ G V G @ S. Tama Tournament (TTCC), 2:00 pm ◇ B V G Districts TBA @ Wildcat, TBA ◇ V BB Double vs. Solon, 5:00 PM ◇ G V SOC Regionals, TBA, 5:30 pm	17 Day 1 ◇ School Board Meeting, Board Room, 5:30 pm ◇ 9-12 Vocal Concert, VSHS Aud., 7:00 pm	18 Day 2 ◇ VSEA/VSCSD Retiree Reception @ Central Office Board Room, 4:00—5:30 pm ◇ G V G Regionals, TBD ◇ G V SOC Regionals, TBD ◇ Middle School Presidential Awards, VSHS Aud., TBD	19 Day 3 ◇ B V SOC Districts @ TBA, TBA ◇ JV/V BB @ Grinnell, 5:30/7:00 pm ◇ MS Fine Arts Night, MS Gym, 7:00 pm ◇ Shellsburg Presidential Awards, 2:00 pm	20 Day 4 ◇ JV/V BB @ Oelwein, 5:00/7:00 pm	21 22 SUNDAY ◇ V/JV/INT TRAP @ Izaac Walton, 9:00 am ◇ HSAP Graduation, Tilford, 3:00 pm
BOYS & GIRLS STATE TRACK					
23 Day 5 ◇ B V District SOC, TBA, TBA ◇ V SB Double @ Mount Vernon, 5:30 pm ◇ V BB Double @ Mount Vernon (Cornell College), 5:00 pm	24 Day 6 ◇ L3 BB Double @ Center Point-Urbana, 5:00 pm ◇ L3 SB @ Mount Vernon, 6:30 pm	25 Day 1 ◇ B V SOC Substate, TBA	26 Day 2 2-HR. EARLY DISMISSAL Last Day of School ◇ G V GOLF State, TBA ◇ L3 SB Double @ Clear Creek-Amana, 12:00 pm ◇ L3 BB Double @ Clear Creek-Amana, 5:00 pm ◇ V BB Double vs. Clear Creek-Amana, 5:00pm ◇ V SB Double vs. Clear Creek-Amana, 5:30 pm	27 ◇ Graduation Rehearsal, 8:00 am ◇ JV/V BB @ Monticello, 5:00/7:00 pm ◇ FFA Banquet, 6:00 pm	28 ◇ V SB @ Jesup Tournament, 9:00 am
29 SUNDAY Graduation VS-HS Garrison Field House, 2:00 pm 	31 ◇ V BB Double @ Marion, 5:00 pm ◇ L3 BB Double v. Marion, 5:00 pm ◇ L3 SB Double v. Marion, 5:00 pm ◇ V SB Double @ Marion, 5:30 pm	JUNE 1 ◇ L2 SB Double @ Oelwein, 10:00 am	2 ◇ JV/V BB vs. Nevada @ S.C.O.R.E., 5:15/7:30 pm	3 ◇ L2 SB Double @ Benton, 12:00 pm ◇ L3 BB Double vs. Benton, 12:00 pm	5 ◇ V SB @ Belle Plaine Tournament, 10:00 am
30 NO CLASSES MEMORIAL DAY					

SUMMER CAMP DATES can be found on the Activities Calendar under "Summer Camps".

Senior Citizen Activity Passes are available for Vinton-Shellsburg CSD residents who are age 55 or older; stop by the Superintendent's Office at 1502 C Ave., Vinton between 8:30 am—3:00 pm Mon.—Fri.

V-SCSD EQUITY STATEMENT

The Vinton-Shellsburg Community School District provides equal educational and employment opportunities and will not illegally discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, disability, religion, creed, age, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. Vinton-Shellsburg Community School District shall take affirmative action in recruitment, appointment, assignment and advancement of women and men, minorities and disabled. Inquiries regarding compliance with equal educational or employment opportunities and/or affirmative action shall be directed to Becky Lutgen, Equity Coordinator, Vinton-Shellsburg CSD, 1502 C Avenue, Vinton, Iowa 52349 or becky.lutgen@vscsd.org. Inquiries may also be directed in writing to the Director of the Region VII Office of the United States Equal Employment Opportunities Commission, or the Director of the Region VII Office of Civil Rights, United States Department of Education in Chicago, IL.