

## Alsea School District Update

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As our school year continues, Alsea Charter School is rolling! We continue to emphasize that in "In Alsea....Attendance Matters!!!" Since the beginning of the year, the attendance average for our students who are regularly attending school (90% or more of the time), is over 70%, which is up from the 55% from the 2022-2023 school year. We are proud of our families' commitment to having our students in school every day and want to make sure we continue to have our students at school 90% or more of the time!

We've had a busy fall! Our entire elementary school went to Davis Family Farms to a Fall Field trip to ride on the hayride, go through the corn maze, and have some apple donuts and cider. Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade has been busy doing science experiments to learn more about cells and learning about data systems. The MS/HS Leadership class has been planning amazing assemblies to help promote school spirit.

Our fall high school sports season went well. Both our volleyball and football teams earned spots into the state playoffs this fall. While both teams fell in the first round, they represented the Alsea Wolverines well in the state.

Congratulations to the following volleyball players for earning All-League Honors:

1<sup>st</sup> Team – Kendra Stone and Megan VanLeuven; 2<sup>nd</sup> Team – Tamarra O'Brien; Honorable Mention – Lila Follett

Congratulations to the following football players for earning All-League Honors:

1<sup>st</sup> Team – Gavan Hinchberger – Defensive End and Utility Player; 2<sup>nd</sup> Team – Chris Foster – Running Back and Defensive End; Braiden Webb – Defensive Back; Honorable Mention – Tanner Hibbs – Wide Receiver and Defensive Back; Braiden Webb – Quarterback; Nate Allen – Center; and Stetson White – Running Back

Our winter high school athletic schedules can be found on the OSAA website at [www.osaa.org](http://www.osaa.org). The middle school athletic schedules can be found on our website and on our Facebook page.

Winter Break for our district will be from December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, through January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, with students returning on Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025. We hope everybody has an amazing holiday season.

The School Board and the District are starting the Strategic Planning process to help create the vision and mission of the district for the upcoming year. The district will also be sending out a survey to our families and community to help inform the school board and district leadership of the wants and needs of the community for our school. We will be releasing the information on how to take those surveys in December. Please check our website and Facebook pages for the links when we release them.

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Our School Board meetings are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, starting at 6pm. Please visit the board section of our website at <https://alsea.k12.or.us/board/minutes-agendas/> for the dates and time for all board meetings, as well as the agendas.

There will be two vacancies on our school board this spring. If you are interested in applying, please contact Lora Nickle at [lora.nickle@alsea.k12.or.us](mailto:lora.nickle@alsea.k12.or.us) for more information. Our board encourages anyone interested in applying to the board to attend the monthly board meetings to see the role of the board in governance of the district.

For the most updated information about the happenings at Alsea School District, please be sure to visit our website at [www.alsea.k12.or.us](http://www.alsea.k12.or.us) or follow us on Facebook. GO WOLVERINES!!!!!!!!!!!!



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