

Thank You to School Board Members:

Director Mierau and Director Pettit:

A special note of thanks to them for their four-years of service as school board members.

Kathie Ingram:

My thanks to her for filling in as an interim board member. Chris Grindland will be seated for the December 17th board Meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS:

All School Play - Willy Wonka:

A great job by the Cast, Crew, Vocal Director - Ben Mahlke, Band Director - Adam George, Chorographer - Michelle Erickson, Costumes - Katie Humble, Set Builder - Colin Schroeder and Director Forrest Mussleman - They set a new attendance record over the weekend for all of their performances. Everyone did an AWESOME job!!!!!!

Academic Letter Winners:

Congratulations to these students for their academic success:

Seniors:

Cora Bauer, Kaitlyn Bieberdorf, Chloe Bunke, Isabelle Gile, Kjersta Hinz, Abbey Hoegh, Peyton Hoiness, Lauren Lawston, Abbylyn Malone, Nolan Mueller, Matthew Nelson, Megan Oian

Juniors:

Ethan Atkinson, Lorenz Buchanan, Elizabeth Dahl, Karissa Eide, Seth Heiden, Timothy Highum, Leah Himlie, Avalon Jacobson, Tyler Johnson, Ayla McNeill, Jasmine Schueler, Caitlyn Spitzer

Sophomores:

Bradley Colbenson, Paige Dailey, Megan Ekern, Alayna Helgemoe, Hailey Jenkins, Hannah Linder, Julia Maynard, Luke O'Hare, Isabelle Olson, Emma Schuster, Hale Stensgard, Lily Thompson, Easton Wilcenski

Please join me in thanking and commending these students on being Academic Leaders.

Cross Country Team and Coaches:

Luke O'Hare -1st & Aiden Ellinghusen- 10th both qualified for State @ St. Olaf in Northfield. Boy's Teams finished in 4th Place.

The girls had a good showing and finished in the 13th place.

Ellie Ekern - 37th, Hannah Linder - 38th & Lauren Honken - 39th

State: Luke finished in 41st place and Aiden finished 97th out of a field of 176 runners.

Volleyball Team & Coaches :

They had a great showing against Spring Grove.

Football Team and Coaches:

They faced a tough team, the Goodhue Wildcats.

I congratulate everyone on the successful seasons they just completed. I commend all of our athletes and their coaches for the competitiveness they exhibited throughout their meets and games. It takes a huge commitment by everyone for our athletes to experience the team success they had throughout their seasons!

I commend all our players and coaches for their ongoing and continuous efforts to "Always Do Our Best!"

Congratulations to the Bowling Team sponsored by Nordic Lanes:

They won the Conference Tournament on Saturday and qualified for the State Tournament to be held in Inver Grove Heights on Saturday, Dec. 1st.

Team Member are: Nolan Mueller, Hale Stensgard, Korey Burroughs, Tristyn Hegland, Easton Wilcenski and Conner Board.

CONGRATULATIONS and good luck at STATE!!!

Congratulations - Cast and Crew of Tom Sawyer: - Children Prairie Fire Theatre Production – Oct. 18th & 19th:

Wow, they did an outstanding job with their performances. It's truly amazing what they are able to accomplish in a weeks time. A large number of our students participated and did an outstanding job.

Thank you to RASA for sponsoring this special event for our students.

Craft Fair – Saturday 10.19.18:

Congratulations to the Rushford Women's Group for hosting this special event.

We had a very busy and productive Saturday!! A "GREAT" big THANK YOU to: Ellie Parish, Gabby Heffner, Arwen Johnson, Luke O'Hare, Jacob Meyer, Lane Waldo, Carlos Horton, Faith Eide and Jaelyn Connauhty for their help and assistance with the setup, serving of food and clean up. It was greatly appreciated.

A special note of thanks to Diane Johnson & Jen Hengel for their help and assistance.

A note of thanks to the Rushford Women's Group for their service to our community. Saturday, Oct. 19th marked their final Craft Fair.

Condolences and Sympathies:

Lacey Drinkall's grandmother (Mary Anne Overland – 80) passed away on Friday, Oct. 26th. The funeral was held on Thursday @11:00 AM at the Rushford Lutheran Church.

I extended our condolences any sympathies to Lacey & Chris and the family members.

Ruth Knutson and her family:

Her husband Stan (80), passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 14th . Please join with me in keeping Ruth and the Knutson Family in our thoughts and prayers.

Visitation will be Monday (11.19) followed by a Memorial service @ 6:00 PM at the Hoff Funeral Home.

Early Childhood Screening – Friday, November 1st:

The EC Staff, Mrs. Lawston and a host of other professionals conducted a very successful EC screening.

This is the first year of us hosting the event at our school.

My thanks to all for providing this opportunity to our families.

Model Legislative Experience:

Our student participated in the hands-on experience at the Tau Center in Winona on Nov. 14th & 15th.

This was a great experience and opportunity for our students to see how the State of Minnesota conducts business.

My thanks to our students for being great ambassadors and representatives of our school.

A special note of thanks to Mr. Mlsna and Ms. Kindvall (student teacher), for their leadership of this special classroom activity.

A special note of thanks to Representative Gene Pelowski for his leadership of the Students Model Legislature!

Thank you to John Paulson – Big Band Sound:

He and the musicians did a great job of working with our students on Friday (11/9) and Sunday (11/11) before the concert.

Our students' performance on Sunday was outstanding!

The concert put on by John and his band was phenomenal. It was very special to have Chloe Bunke, Cameron Johnson and Mr. George play with them.

A great big Thank you to all for sharing their musical talents and gifts with us on Sunday.

Great sounding bands!!!!

American Education Week (Nov. 12th – 16th):

The National Education Association's 96th Annual American Education Week – November 12-16, 2018 – presents all Americans with an opportunity to celebrate public education and honor individuals who are making a difference in ensuring every child receives a quality education.

Thank you to all of our staff for their contributions and for their dedicated service to our students, school and communities.

Veterans Day Program - Monday, Nov. 12th:

A great job by all. I extend my thanks to our students for being well behaved and exhibiting great patience and respect during the program.

Thank you to the students, vocal and instrument, for sharing their songs and music with us.

Thank you to Abby Malone, Zenessa Anderson, and our guest speaker – Andru Peters.

A special thanks to the Color Guard and the:

- American Legion Auxiliary & Gilbertson-Rude American Legion Post 526 of Peterson
 - American Legion Auxiliary & Murphy Johnson American Legion Post 94 of Rushford
 - Rushford VFW and the Rushford Legion Riders
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Purchase of a Pickup:

We moved forward with the purchase of a 2011 Ford – Ranger pickup. We purchased it from Spring Valley Chevrolet Buick for \$14,300. The purchase of this pickup allowed us to utilize our snowplow and sander unit that fit on the old truck.

Happy Thanksgiving!!!



We have truly been blessed as a school family and district. I am deeply thankful for all that we have to offer as a school.

Thank you for your contributions as school board members in making Rushford-Peterson Schools one of the best!

Enjoy some special family time!!!