

District Administrator's Report

October 2017



Mission Statement and Shared Values

"Our mission is to prepare each student for a changing world by building strong character and developing skills to become a life-long learner through a safe, caring, and challenging environment in partnership with students, families, school, and community."

Unity School District Belief Statements

Unity Belief Statements represent our strong convictions, our common core values, and our moral character. The following beliefs were established by a committee of 28 people representing our entire school community.

We Believe:

- The student, family, school, and community as partners, share the responsibility for a successful educational experience.
- An awareness of, and a tolerance for diversity enriches life.
- Learning thrives in a safe, caring, disciplined environment.
- Learning is lifelong.
- Character development (respect, trustworthiness, responsibility, fairness, caring, citizenship) is an essential component of effective education.
- All individuals learn in different ways, at different rates, and at different times.
- Education includes social, emotional, intellectual, physical, and aesthetic growth.
- Problem solving, critical thinking, effective communication, and working cooperatively are fundamental life skills.
- In challenging individuals to develop to their fullest potential.
- Education provides students with a solid academic foundation.

Unity School District Annual Meeting

Monday, October 23, 2017
Elementary Cafeteria, 7:00PM

Implement the Educator Effectiveness Model with a focus on school improvement, staff collaboration, student achievement, and educator practices.

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Unity's Enrollment Sees Some Gains

Unity School District's student enrollment has seen an increase for the 2017-2018 school year, as reported in the District's 3rd Friday Pupil Count in September. The Third Friday Pupil Count increased six students from last year. In addition, the 2017 membership was 1,036 up from 1,033 in 2016.

There were 64 FTEs for summer school this year, which was impacted slightly by the lack of the Prairie Fire Theater program due to construction. Nearly six hundred Unity students participated in some capacity in the various programs offered.

This year will see the addition of several part-time educational assistants in the Pre-Kindergarten (4 year old) program due to the more registrations, resulting in larger class sizes.

Unity's enrollment has remained fairly stable over the past few years, with slight fluctuations up or down each year. Unity remains in the declining enrollment exemption for the 2017-2018 school year, for \$70,893. The declining enrollment exemption may not be available for next school year with a slight increase in the recent three year trend.

Unity Community Education Presents, "Trunk or Treat!"

Tuesday, October 31st
5:00pm - 7:00pm
Unity School Parking Lot
Free Meal and Activities!

**Come See The Haunted Bus!
Fire Engine, Police Car!**

Unity Fitness Center is Open For Business!

There are three easy ways to start your membership, online, by mail, or by phone! Information regarding membership, center hours, and equipment is available online at www.unity.k12.wi.us.



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2017-2018 School District Goals

(Approved by the Unity Board of Education, March, 2017)

- 1. Focus on school improvement, staff collaboration, student achievement, and educator practices.
- 2. Encourage career, college, and technical readiness through business and school partnerships.
- 3. Promote and provide flexible accelerated, personalized learning opportunities for students.
- 4. Encourage healthy students, staff, and community.

School Closing Information

Unity School District Website, www.unity.k12.wi.us

WCCO Channel 4, www.wcco.com

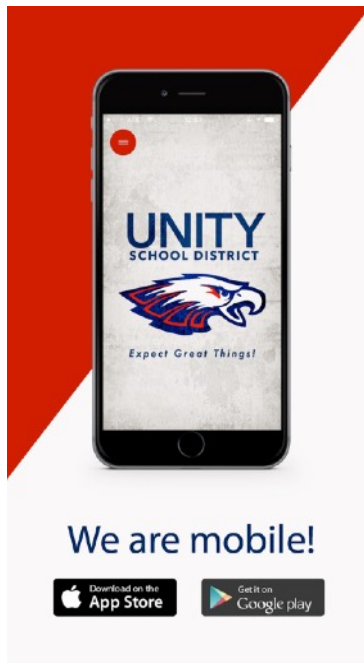
KSTP Channel 5, www.kstp.com

KMSP Channel 9, www.myfox9.com

KARE Channel 11, www.kare11.com

iOS or Google App, Unity School District

Unity School District Technology Updates



We are mobile!

Download on the App Store

Get it on Google play

SCHOOL DISTRICT APP Unity School District has developed an app to better communicate with parents and the community. The app is available for both Android and iOS mobile devices. The new app, Unity School District, can be found at the App Store or Google Play.

INFINITE CAMPUS Unity School District has transitioned from Skyward to Infinite Campus over the summer for its student information system (SIS). The new program will provide a high quality experience for parents and students. The new program has have many new features.

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

DATE	MEETING	PLACE	TIME
Monday, October 9	Parent-Teacher Conferences	District	4:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Tuesday, October 10	Board of Education Meeting	Board Room	6:00 PM
Wednesday, October 11	Administrative Team Meeting	Board Room	10:00 AM
Wednesday, October 11	Student Flu Shot Clinic	Library	
Thursday, October 12	District Technology Committee Meeting	Board Room	7:40 AM
Thursday, October 12	WASB Region 1 Meeting	Rice Lake	6:30 PM
Friday, October 13	CESA 11 Superintendent Meeting	Turtle Lake	9:00 AM
Tuesday, October 17	Lakeland Conference Superintendent Meeting	Turtle Lake	9:00 AM
Wednesday, October 18	Administrative Team Meeting	Board Room	10:00 AM
Monday, October 23	District Annual Meeting	Elem. Cafeteria	7:00 PM
Wednesday, October 25	Administrative Team Meeting	Board Room	10:00 AM
Thursday, October 26	District Curriculum Committee Meeting	Elem. Conf. Room	7:40 AM
October 30, 31	Wisconsin Rural Schools Alliance Conference	Stevens Point	
Tuesday, October 31	Unity Comm. Ed. Presents "Trunk or Treat!"	Parking Lot	5:00 PM
Wednesday, November 1	Administrative Team Meeting	Board Room	10:00 AM
Thursday, November 2	Professional Staff Development Meeting	Elem. Conf. Room	7:40 AM
Tuesday, November 7	Polk Co. Annual Truancy Meeting	Government Center	11:00 AM
Wednesday, November 8	Administrative Team Meeting	Board Room	10:00 AM
Thursday, November 9	District Technology Committee Meeting	Board Room	7:40 AM
Thursday, November 9	CESA 11 Superintendent Meeting	Turtle Lake	9:00 AM
Friday, November 10	Veteran's Day Assembly	HS Gym 1	10:30 AM
Tuesday, November 14	Board of Education Meeting	Board Room	6:00 PM
Wednesday, November 15	Administrative Team Meeting	Board Room	10:00 AM
November 20 - 24	Fall (Thanksgiving) Break - No School	District	

"Expect Great Things"

Encourage healthy students, staff, and community.

UNITY COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH SERVICES

Unity School District is dedicated to providing comprehensive health services for its students and employees. The District is an educational leader in partnering with local providers and the county for a focused health program.

School Nursing Services

- Unity School District provides nursing services for all of its students.
- Unity School District has a Department of Public Instruction licensed registered nurse on staff full-time to meet the needs of its student population.
- The school nurse oversees the dispensation of medication to students.
- The student wellness program is coordinated by the school nurse.
- The school nurse coordinates with a medical advisor from the St. Croix Regional Medical Center (SCRMC).

Mental Health Clinic

- Unity School District has partnered with Family Therapy Associates (FTA) of New Richmond and St. Croix Falls to provide mental health therapy for referrals at the school.
- The mental health clinic has been approved by the State of Wisconsin.
- A therapist from FTA will be assigned to Unity one or more days a week, dependent upon the caseload.
- School counselors and principals may provide a referral packet to the parent/guardian of the child. The subsequent therapy is handled by the family's insurance.
- With parent permission, the therapist and clinic may provide scheduled therapy sessions as needed with the student and family.
- The office location of the therapist is room #108, in the high school area of the library.

Social Worker

- Unity School District has partnered with Polk County to provide a full-time social worker in the school setting.
- Unity contracts directly with Polk County for the position and services are available for all students.
- The social worker may provide access to social and human services. The social worker may also provide crisis intervention for students with immediate needs.
- School counselors and principals may provide a referral for a student. There is no cost to the family.
- The office location of the social worker is room #303, next to the special education office.

Public Health Services

- Unity School District contracts with Polk County for Public Health Services. The services provided include:
 - Infectious Disease
 - Immunizations, including Influenza
 - Annual Health Screening
 - Vision and Audiology Screening
 - Classroom Presentations

Student Oral Health Program

- Unity School District has a cooperative agreement with NorthLakes Community Clinic to provide oral health services to its students.
- With parent permission, students may receive teeth cleaning and sealants. There is no charge for the services provided to the student.

Athletic Trainer

- Unity School District has a business partnership with the St. Croix Regional Medical Center (SCRMC) to provide athletic training services to its athletes.
- The services provided are free of charge to Unity's athletes and are coordinated through SCRMC's sports medicine program.
- The office location of the athletic trainer is in the high school, room #136.

Physical and Occupational Therapy

- Unity School District has a business partnership with the St. Croix Regional Medical Center (SCRMC) to provide physical and occupational therapy to students who qualify.
- Physical and occupational therapy services are typically provided to students as part of an IEP or 504 plan.

Staff Training/Professional Development

- Trauma Informed Training
- DPI Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Training
- Lifelines Suicide Prevention Training