

Potomac Elementary School

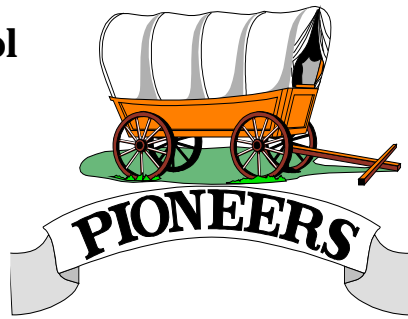
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4-14-22

Vision Statement

"Potomac School equips each student for his/her future within a culture of excellence that values the small community experience."

Events Calendar

- 4-14 PTC Easter Egg Hunt
4-18 Montana Shakes (Theater day)
4-26 Pre-Kindergarten sign up 5pm
(must be 4 by September 10th)
5-2~5-6 Teacher Appreciation Week
5-7-22 "Bingo"
5-30 Memorial Day (No School)
6-8 Graduation 6:30pm
6-9 Last Day of School

Track

- Thurs. 4-14 @ Frenchtown
Thurs. 4-21 @ Stegner
Thurs. 4-28 @ Stegner
Thurs. 5-12 @ Frenchtown (Copper League Qualifier)
Wed. 5-18 @ MCPS-Big Sky (Meet of Champions)



PTC Easter Egg Hunt 4-14-22

Preschoolers and younger 10:00am
K-3rd @ 1:40, 4th-8th will have a classroom treat.

Board Meetings

2nd Monday of each month @ 7pm

Agendas/Minutes are on the website:

www.potomacschoolmontana.us

Board meetings can be attended by all either in person or through WebEx. Contact Mr. Rouse if you would like the link.

Board Trustee Contact information:

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Box Tops link <https://btfe.smart.link/x95ee3gb6>

Public Library hours Wed. 1:30 – 4:30

Alpine Artisans scholarships helps pay for any kind of arts. Music lessons, Drama camps, etc., see: <http://www.alpineartisans.org/scholarships/>

From the 8th Grade Class

We are very excited to go to the Crystal River in Tampa, Florida, and snorkel with manatees. We are also very grateful for everyone that made it possible for us to be able to experience this capstone experience. Gabriel and Kaycee

"BINGO"

Classroom baskets will be collected on April 21st.

Please remember to send in your items.

District Stakeholders Meeting

Potomac School District #11 Stakeholder's Meeting
(In Person or Virtual via WebEx)
ESSER III Funds and

Participation in Federal Programs by Non-Public schools
Purpose of the Meeting – We are required by the federal government to host stakeholder meetings periodically to discuss how the school district is proposing to use its federal funds. As a requirement for receiving ESSER Covid-relief Funding, we are also required to review our ESSER Plan and our Return-to-School Plan. Public input is critical in this process. Also during this meeting, the administration will go over all of the federally-funded programs offered in the school district, including Title I, Title II, and Title IV. Included in the discussion will be information for non-public schools (home schools) regarding participation in federal programs. **April 18, 2022 at 6:00 PM in Room 112 at Potomac School as well via WebEx connection.**

Join from the meeting link

<https://potomacschooldistrict11.my.webex.com/potomacschooldistrict11.my/j.php?MTID=m053d8b23bab655a5afefae2824fbd8c>

Join by meeting number

Meeting number (access code): 2557 421 1737

Meeting password: Yad8JdBx3s3 (92385329 from phones and video systems)

Board Notes April 2022

This is a new feature of our Newsletter. The week after each board meeting, Mr. Rouse will provide a short informal summary of the actions taken at the board meeting. These are not the formal board minutes. Those are prepared by the clerk and approved by the board at their next meeting.

After the approval of the consent agenda that included routine business matters of the school district, we moved to the report from the 8th graders regarding their monthly report on their upcoming culminating activity—trip to Florida. Teacher reports were given by Ashley Olsen and Jessica Van Kerkhove. Both reports mentioned various aspects of our literacy grant and the impact that the professional development through the grant has impacted their teaching.

Mr. Rouse presented his principal's report which highlighted our recent Parent-Teacher conferences and the teachers' use of data during these conferences. He also pointed out that Dr. Esmont, our literacy consultant, will be returning to spend another full week in our school next week.

Mr. Rouse also discussed our new Summer Support Program that will be taking place this summer. The program is designed to serve a few students who are still struggling to meet their benchmarks in reading and/or math in grades k-2. This program is funded through Federal Covid relief dollars (ESSER III).

Heather Marcella presented her clerk's report in which she stated that our auditor has begun the audit process. Each year, the school district is required to have an independent financial audit conducted.

There was no Old Business to be considered. Under New Business, the approval of Kathy Wilson as a substitute teacher was pulled from the agenda because we are still waiting for her required criminal history check. Scott Taillefer was approved to serve as our Artist-in-Residence during Natalie Howard's upcoming absence. The board approved Amy Baier as a new teacher for the 2022-23 school year. Ms. Baier will be assigned to teach the third graders next year because we are splitting the grade2/3 combo class into two separate classes.

The board approved the certified teachers' contracts for the 2022-23 school year. They also approved their intent to hire Heather Marcella as our District Clerk for the 2022-23 school year. They approved the employee health insurance plan for 2022-23.

The school calendar for 2022-23 was approved. The board reviewed, revised, and approved on first reading a number of policies.

The next meeting will be May 9th at 7:00 pm.

Community News

AA Meetings Wednesdays at 7pm,
at the Blackfoot Church behind the school.

Clubs and Organizations

Potomac Greenough Community Center

Board Meetings: 1st Tues./ month-7pm
Scheduling & Keybox: Call Tom 406-202-2559

Volunteer Fire (GPVFD)

1st Tuesday of each month 6:30pm.

Food Bank Dates:

April 10th 12-2:30pm, PGCC (Easter)
Call 244-3621 For donations or volunteer info.

Blackfoot Home & Community Club

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month.
Call Janelle 244-6156 for more information

Blackfoot Peacemakers Quilt Guild

Sew Day Saturday, April 16th

Potomac Valley 4-H Club

April 10th Talk/Demo Day 3pm

