



WEST BEND SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATE

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New Jackson Elementary Preliminary Design

For six months, the design process for the new Jackson Elementary School has included reviewing other schools, staff meetings with architects and planners, a survey of families, and discussions with students on their ideas. At the West Bend School Board meeting on May 27, renderings of a preliminary design were presented. Review the images and more details of the school in the latest [Construction and Design Report](#).

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A Message from Jen Wimmer re: Administrator Moves

Families,

Due to the support of our community and the successful referendum last fall, the West Bend School District is entering an exciting period of transformation. As we prepare for upcoming school reconfigurations, we are pleased to announce leadership transitions that will support students and staff during this time of change.

Beginning July 1, Mrs. Adrienne Schneider, who has served as principal of Decorah Elementary for the past 10 years, will step into a new role as a Curriculum and Instruction Program Administrator for the district. Adrienne’s deep expertise will now benefit students across the entire district. We are grateful for her decade of dedicated service to the Decorah school community and know she will continue to make a meaningful impact in her new role.

Succeeding Adrienne at Decorah will be Mrs. Heather Geldnich, who has served as assistant principal at Silverbrook Intermediate for the past 11 years. Heather brings a wealth of experience in school leadership. She will serve as principal at Decorah for the next two years, through its planned closure in summer 2027, after which she will return to Silverbrook as assistant principal when it becomes a K-5 elementary school.

Looking ahead to the 2025–2026 school year, Silverbrook will serve all of the district’s fifth and sixth grade students. During that transitional year, we will select an interim assistant principal to replace Mrs. Geldnich. In 2026–2027, Silverbrook will transition to a sixth-grade-only building, and an assistant principal will not be needed.

Please join us in celebrating Mrs. Schneider’s contributions and congratulating both her and Mrs. Geldnich as they embark on their new leadership journeys. We are confident these transitions will ensure continuity, care, and strong leadership for our students and staff during the coming years.

Sincerely,
Jen Wimmer, Superintendent



Adrienne Schneider



Heather Geldnich



Hiring: Bus Drivers

Family members, teachers, coaches, and staff who may be interested in some extra income can do so by driving a bus for Riteway for \$20 per hour. Riteway is offering paid CDL training that takes just 2–3 weeks to complete. Once licensed, a driver can:

- Drive PM school bus routes during the academic year;
- Pick up charters for their own teams or field trips; or
- Help out as needed with flexible part-time hours.

Check out the application: [GO Riteway Transportation](#).



School Board News

Recap of May 27 School Board Meeting

The West Bend School Board held a regular meeting on May 27. After recognition of the high school students who competed in the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) state competitions, the board approved the consent agenda. Items on the consent agenda included:

- Minutes of the May 12, 2025 Regular Board Meeting and Executive Session
- Contracts
- Resignations
- Out of State/Country Trips:
 - Out of State Trip: West Boys Track
 - Out of Country Trip: French Class
- Curriculum and Instruction:
 - Math 6-12: Illustrative Math Resource Recommendation
 - Advanced Placement Pre-Calculus Curriculum and Resource Recommendation
 - Advanced Placement US Government and Law Resource Recommendation
 - English Language Arts 5th Grade: Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) Resource Recommendation
 - Career and Technical Education: TC Video 2 Resource Recommendation
 - Career and Technical Education: TC Accounting 1 and TC Accounting 2 Resource Recommendation
 - Career and Technical Education: TC Computer Literacy Resource Recommendation
 - Career and Technical Education: TC Automotive 1, 2, and 3 Resource

- Recommendation 2025-2026 Student Fees
- 2025-2026 Meal Prices

Several reports were given, including:

- Referendum Update
- Curriculum Committee Update
- Superintendent's Report

The board discussed Course Name Update of Advanced Algebra to Algebra II, Process for High School Configuration Review, Policy 119: High School Configuration Review Process First Reading, Policies for a First Reading 600 Series: Fiscal Management, and Policy 830 Use of Facilities First Reading. The board took action on Second Reading Policy 345.41 3rd Grade to 4th Grade Promotion and Retention (Act 20 Required Policy).

If you are interested in reviewing the details of the meeting, [see this tutorial](#) on how to access the agenda with links to the supporting documents. A [video of the meeting](#) is available.

Student and Staff Achievements

West High School Junior Noah Becker Earns Perfect ACT Score

Many congratulations to West High School junior Noah Becker for earning a perfect score of 36 on the ACT. According to BestColleges, only .19% to .33% of the 1.9 million students who take the ACT each year get a 36. Great job Noah!



Advanced Construction Students Working on Habitat for Humanity Home

East and West High Schools and Kewaskum High School students in the Advanced Construction class taught by West High School teacher Rob Willmas have been working on a Habitat for Humanity home in West Bend since last fall. On May 27, they participated in a ceremonial groundbreaking to signify the contributions to the house, which will be home to a family with students in the West Bend School District.



Ten East and West Students Complete GPS Ed Program

Ten students from East and West High Schools will not only graduate with their class on June 8, they have already completed the GPS Education Systems program. This work-based learning program provides in-depth, hands-on activities, and real-world work that is integrated into students' education, preparing them for valuable careers. East student Alexis Langhoff was the student speaker at the GPS Ed completion event, where she described her experiences working and learning at Steel Craft Corp. in Hartford. The students who completed the GPS Ed program include:

Andrew Demmer, West
Conrad Eifert, East
Drake Gentz, West
Jaxon Jaecks, West
Jackson Johnson, East
Alexis Langoff, East
Mason Mercier, East
Samuel Merrill, West
Alex Muraski, East
John Ortiz, West



Spring Sports Athletes Reach Sectionals

Several East and West High Schools students in golf, tennis, and track and field will compete later this week to qualify for the WIAA Championships.

West Boys Golf: Tony Pietrangelo, Eddie Scott, and Ryan Spaeth

East Boys Tennis: Dawson Peterson (singles)

West Boys Tennis: Doubles teams of Traynor Gieryn and Evan Pitzen and Drew Nielsen and Alec Pitzen

East Girls and Boys Track and Field:

Olivia Daute, Maddie Hesse, Tianna Loether, Chloe Miller: 4x800M Relay
Shealyn Jablonski: 100M Hurdles

Chloe Loether: 200M Dash

Lucy Merrill: 300M Hurdles

Quin Garvey, Lucas Porter, Alex Spartz, Warren Weber: 4x100M Relay

Warren Weber: 100M Dash and 200M Dash

Reed White: Pole Vault

West Girls and Boys Track and Field:

Avah Banks: Triple Jump, 4x200M Relay

Rylee Faehling: 100M Dash (school record), 300M Hurdles (school record), Long Jump, 4x200M Relay

Emily Hondiatis: 4x200M Relay

Amaya Lafontant: 100M Hurdles, Discus, 4x200M Relay

Autumn Sobatka: 4x200M Relay

James Banks: Discus

Garson Brickner, Carter Hackman, Carson Hammer, Grant Walter: 4x400M Relay

Carter Hackman, Ethan Hackman, Carson Hammer, Grant Walter: 4x800M Relay

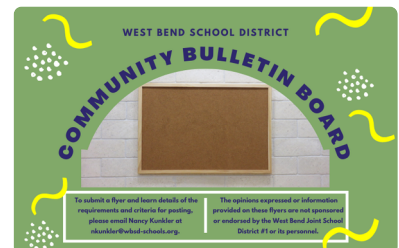
Milo Karl: Discus and Shot Put

Joel Walter: Long Jump and Triple Jump

Community Connections

Community Bulletin Board

There are various events and activities available on the WBSD's [Community Bulletin Board](#)!



Summer 2025:

Cub Scouts Pack 3787 Summer Meet Ups

West Bend Library Youth Programs

Volunteer Center Camp Super Hero for Kids and Teen Leader Opportunities

AFS Program

Autism Exchange Annual Conference

Young Entrepreneurs Program

West Bend Theatre Company Summer Camp

GlobalFest Downtown West Bend

Musical Masquers Kids Summer Theater Camp

Summer Wellness Groups with Creative Roots

Birdhouse Build Off

Classic Green Reunion

MOWA Summer Programs for Kids

MOWA Summer Family Fun

NAMI Washington County Summer Art Therapy Groups

EAA Summer Air Camp for Kids

4H Summer Day Camps

Athletics:

FC Wisconsin Soccer Teams
Grit Girls Mountain Biking Event
East Boys Basketball Camps
East Volleyball Camp
East Jr. Suns Volleyball Team
Kiwanis West Bend Early Risers Tagged Fish Contest
Boys and Girls Club Silver Lining 5K
Big Brothers Big Sisters Golf Outing
West Volleyball Camp
West Boys Basketball Camp
West Bend High Schools Summer Track Camp

YMCA: Various Programs
Summer Programs Registration
Before and After School Daycare
Free Swim Lessons

Other:
West Jr. Sparties Volleyball
FC Wisconsin Fall Minis Program (Soccer)



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