



# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW LONDON

## Monthly Update

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR • BUSINESS SERVICES  
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### August 2024

#### District Administrator

##### WASB Fall Regional Meeting

The WASB Fall Regional Meeting for Region 7 will be held on September 26 at the Bridgewood Resort in Neenah. Please contact Jill Willner if you are interested in attending.

##### B212

The August B212 Extra Degree of Effort recognizes the New London High School choir. Recently, members of the New London High School choir supported professional musical performer Barry Manilow at the Resch Center in Green Bay on July 28 with a show-stopping performance. Kevin Spindler, High School choir director, was contacted by former District Middle School choir director LuAnn Rupnow to inquire if our High School choir department would be interested in performing with Barry Manilow at his Green Bay concert.



NLHS choir students performed in front of over 6,000 spectators. Congratulations, and thank you to all individuals who supported the opportunity for our high school choir department to have a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

##### August 20-21, 27-29 Back-to-School Inservice Schedule

Back to school in-service will welcome certified and support staff on August 20-21, 27-29. As we prepare for the start of the academic year, anticipation is high to greet students and our school community for the 203-24 academic year.



##### Staggered Back to School Start

To ease the transition and continue to provide time for onboarding, class meetings and orientation for each grade level, the School District of New London again has a staggered start schedule for the first days of September.



**Tuesday, September 3 -**

Grades 5K, 1, 2, 5, 9

**Wednesday, September 4 -**

Grades 4K, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

**Thursday, September 5 -**

all grades

##### September Regular Board of Education Meeting

With the intent to increase active involvement throughout our School Community please note that the September Regular Board of Education meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 11, at 6:00 p.m.

#### Director of Business Services

##### Facilities Meeting

The Facilities Committee met on July 24. The topics are noted with summary notes after the items in addition to the minutes in the full packet.

- A. Review and discussion of properties for sale adjacent to school boundaries

Two property owners approached the district about buying small parcels of land. The committee recommended discussing the property near the middle school bus lot with the Board.

- B. Review and discussion of potential stadium project scope of work and timelines

The Boldt Company provided a rough estimate to construct 45 x 45 x 10 restroom / concession space at the high school athletic complex for \$525,000. This did not include the cost of laterals. Boldt shared that if the project would be done this fall, it would need to be approved in mid-August. The

project would include assistance from students in the high school construction class.

We have not hired an architect to design the space with a budget so everything is still a rough estimate. The committee feels this is still a project to consider but not at the existing cost and quick timeline.

C. Review and discussion of bus purchasing schedule

The committee reviewed existing mileage on buses and suggested including 4 buses in capital purchasing for 2025-26 with regular discussion.

D. Review and discussion of capital projects budgets and facilities plan

The committee reviewed items on the long-term facility plan for roofing, tower replacement at ISMS, chiller, boiler and controls and Lincoln elementary and equipment replacements in custodial, kitchen and athletic budgets.

There was also discussion on solar project/grants, aging high school HVAC equipment, sealcoating/asphalt work and tennis courts.

### **Food Service Program Administrative Review**

The district will have an administrative review of the food service program during the 2024-25 school year.



The U.S. Department of Agriculture requires a review every five years to review school lunch, school breakfast, school snack program, summer school food program and our fiscal operations of food service.

DPI conducts the review to determine if our operation continues to meet program requirements and provides technical assistance and support for the program. There will be a formal report once the review is completed.

### **Director of Pupil Services**

#### **Bilingual Registration**

During the week of July 29-August 2, the district bilingual team worked with our bilingual families to assist them with completing registration for the school year for all their students. Thank you to our entire bilingual team for assisting the families with this process. Members of the bilingual staff will also be on-site to assist at all of the upcoming open house events.

### **Immunizations**

Annually, parents are sent information regarding the required immunizations and updates appropriate for their students at various age levels. Our nursing services will be working with families on compliance in this area. The Wisconsin Immunization registry is utilized to verify that all students have obtained their required vaccinations or have signed the waiver form required for family opt-out.

### **District Re-Entry Operation Manual**

In early August our District Re-entry Operation Manual was verified to still be in place on our district website.

### **Director of Teaching and Learning**

#### **WI Forward Exam Results**

The individual results of the WI Forward Exam from the 2023-2024 school year will be distributed at the beginning of the school year

#### **New Teacher Inservice**

August 14, 2024, marks our New Teacher inservice event. This is in addition to our welcome back inservice activities.



#### **Act 20 Update**

At the time of this report, 33 staff members have completed the required training for Act 20 on Literacy Strategies. We are excited to move forward implementing these efforts in the next year.

There have also been updates on the required screeners and diagnostics related to this legislation. We will continue to unpack how this may be put into place at the start of the year, however it is not yet ready.

### **Summer School Success**



Our final sessions of summer school are wrapping up with Band

and Choir events to get our musicians ready. Sincere thanks to instructors, staff, families and students for a great summer.

### **Online Registration in Family Access**



Thank you to families who have logged in and updated their records in Family Access for the 2023-2024 school year.

For those who have not, please do so prior to the start of the year. Late enrollment and communication or

updates impact our ability to staff and plan for students.

Included in our online registration process is an annual application for Free and Reduced lunch and fees. This information also allows our district to receive additional federal budget dollars to offset costs. Information is confidential. For any questions or needed support for registration, please contact Lesley Baehman, [lbahman@newlondon.k12.wi.us](mailto:lbahman@newlondon.k12.wi.us).

### **Instructional Committee**

An Instructional Committee meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2024, at 7:00 a.m. at the District Office.