

# **CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63**

## **NEWSLETTER**

Wednesday, May 19, 2020

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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## **Board of Education Highlights**



At the May 19, 2020 Board of Education Meeting, the Board:

The Board of Education recognized staff who have reached 10, 15, 20, 30 and 40 years of service to Cass School District 63, as well as celebrated those individuals who are retiring at the close of the 2019/20 school year. Each individual was presented with a token of appreciation from the Board of Education.

Please join us is recognizing and congratulating each of these staff members for their dedication to the students of Cass School District 63 and in congratulating those staff members entering retirement.

#### Thank You for 10 Years of Service

Lauren Kotzum
Cass Junior High School
MathTeacher







**Scott Kondraschow** 

## Thank you for 15 Years of Service

Michelle Breyne
Cass Junior High School
Physical Education
Teacher

**Deb Dolehide**District Coordinator of
Fiscal Services

Karen Mosquera Second Grade Teacher

**Bob Strande**District Director of
Fiscal Services









#### Thank You for 20 Years of Service

James Bundy Cass Junior High School MathTeacher

Jane York
Concord Elementary School Speech
and Language Pathologist





### Thank you for 30 Years of Service

Rebecca Kriz
Cass Junior High School
Choral Music Teacher



### Thank you for 40 Years of Service

Robert Sniegowski
Cass Junior High School
Custodian



#### **A Fond Farewell**

Janet Miller
Third Grade Teacher

Robert Strande
District Director of Fiscal Services

**Kerry J. Foderaro**Superintendent of Schools







#### In other action, the Board:

- Approved an Intergovernmental Agreement between Center Cass School District 66 and Cass School District 63 for the lunch program with ARAMARK Corporation
- Approved a waste disposal contract
- Approved an Energy Provider Contract
- Approved a Technology Lease
- Approved a Memo of Understanding with the Cass Education Association

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The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held Tuesday, June 16, 2020, 7:30 p.m. at the District Administrative Office 8502 Bailey Road in Darien, Illinois.



#### **Administrators' Addendum**

Dear Cass School District 63 Families:

As the school year comes to a close, we would like to sincerely express our gratitude to you for your ongoing support of our schools and school district. Your support has been critical during this unprecedented time over the last several months conducting school through E-Learning/Remote Learning. Thank you.

Over the next two weeks we will continually look for alternative ways to celebrate and recognize student accomplishments. Please join us in recognizing and celebrating the many successes your child(ren) has/have achieved this school year individually. Based on our educational experience, we firmly believe that everyone needs to be recognized and appreciated for his or her efforts and successes, especially during challenging times such as now. Children, even though it is not always readily apparent, do genuinely care that their parents or guardians are interested in, as well as proud of, their academic efforts.

We will be especially proud to recognize our Class of 2020 at a virtual graduation on Monday, June 1. This video production will be available to all families and staff. This class, like previous graduating classes, excelled in the classroom, in the areas of Fine Arts, athletic arena and within our school community at large. The Class of 2020 also successfully navigated through and met their academic goals through E-Learning/ Remote Learning and we know this was not an easy task.

The Board of Education, the Administration, the Faculty and Staff are all especially pleased with each student's individual and class collective efforts and achievements. In addition to our graduating students, we also have some families that are graduating from Cass School District 63 at the end of this year. If you are one of these families whose last child is finishing up in Cass School District 63, please know that you will be dearly missed and we will always be indebted to you and your family for your many years of support in making our Cass Family very special. Thank you.

We strongly encourage graduating students and families to support and get actively involved in your new high school, just as you have been in Cass School District 63. We also encourage your family to stay connected to us in any and every way possible. The easiest way to stay connected is to continue to support and attend our parent organization activities and functions. Many former Cass School District 63 families, staff and alumni have supported these activities. Please strongly consider continuing to support the District to benefit future students and helping Cass School District 63 continue to be a special place for the children of our school community.

In regards to our parent organization, a special thank you to the Mrs. Cathy White, outgoing President, and her multitude of CARE (CAss Resources for Enrichment) members. Mrs. White has truly been amazing with her leadership and we are greatly appreciative of her selfless and countless efforts. Mrs. Katie Beringer will now assume the CARE Presidency. Thank you Mrs. Beringer for stepping up to continue to lead CARE in their mission to enrich the Cass School District 63 experience for all students.

We would also like to express our gratitude to the Cass School District 63 Board of Education; President Mrs. Shelly Camden, Vice President Mr. Kent Absalonsen, Secretary Mrs. Alice Esposito, Mr. Brad Carrino, Mrs. Lana Johnson, Mr. Jeff McCollian and Mr. Michael Ockrim. These seven volunteer, elected officials, just as the past members of the Board of Education, continue to provide excellent leadership with loyal dedication and unwavering integrity through setting goals, policies and directions for Cass School District 63, where the focus is truly on the child, while also being extremely responsible fiscal stewards.

Finally, as your family starts to plan this unique and possibly somewhat compromised summer, please remember to find time to continually expose your child(ren) to the many available wonderful educational resources, as well as, take the time for reading, writing and problem solving this summer. Learning is a year-round lifetime activity.

Kerry J. Foderaro
Laura Anderson ● Christine Marcinkewicz
Leland Wagner ● Robert Strande

# 2020/21 Registration

If you have not already done so, please be sure to register your children for the 2020/21 school year.

When registering, please make sure that you are completing the registration process. If you have not seen a notice stating your "Registration is Complete," you have not finished the process.

For more information, please visit the District website under <u>Student Registration Information</u>.

Please remember that if you register your children by June 30, you will be able to take advantage of the 2019/20 rates for school fees.

Please contact Concord Elementary School at <a href="MSkurzewski@CassD63.org">MSkurzewski@CassD63.org</a> or Cass Junior High School at <a href="WHirhager@CassD63.org">WHIrhager@CassD63.org</a> with any questions.

## End of the School Year Calendar

	Last Day of Attendance for Prekindergarten Students		
Thursday, May 21	7:30 a.m 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m 2:00 p.m. 11:30 a.m 1:30 p.m. Prekindergarten End of the 8-9 a.m. Last Nation 9-10 a.m. Last Nation 10-11 a.m. Last Nation 10-11 a.m.	ames M-S	
Friday, May 22	7:30 a.m 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m 2:00 p.m. 11:30 a.m 1:30 p.m.	Lunch Bus Delivery E-Learning / Remote Learning Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School	

	MEMORIAL DAY – No E-Learning/Remote Learning		
Monday, May 25	No Lunch Bus Delivery 11:30 a.m 1:30 p.m.  Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School sponsored by CAss Resources for Education (CARE)		
	Cass Junior High School Recognition Night		
Tuesday, May 26	7:30 a.m 8:30 a.m.  8:30 a.m 2:00 p.m.  11:30 a.m 1:30 p.m.  Lunch Bus Delivery  E-Learning / Remote Learning  Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School		
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Wednesday, May 27	Grade Four End of the Year Drop-Off/Pick-Up Day at Concord Elementary School  9-10 a.m. Last Names Q-S  10-11 a.m. Last Names T-Z  11-12 p.m. Last Names A-F  12-1 p.m. Last Names G-L  1-2 p.m. Last Names M-P		
Thursday, May 28	Last Day of Attendance for Eighth Grade Students  7:30 a.m 8:30 a.m.		
Friday, May 29	7:30 a.m 8:30 a.m. Lunch Bus Delivery 8:30 a.m 2:00 p.m. E-Learning / Remote Learning 11:30 a.m 1:30 p.m. Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School  Grade Two End of the Year Drop-Off/Pick-Up Day at Concord Elementary School  9-10 a.m. Last Names Q-S  10-11 a.m. Last Names T-Z  11-12 p.m. Last Names A-F  12-1 p.m. Last Names G-L  1-2 p.m. Last Names M-P		

Friday, May 29 (continued)	Grade Seven End of the Year Drop-Off/Pick-Up Day at Cass Junior High School  9-10 a.m. Last Names A-F  10-11 a.m. Last Names G-L  11-12 p.m. Last Names M-P  12-1 p.m. Last Names Q-S  1-2 p.m. Last Names T-Z	
Monday, June 1	Eighth Grade Graduation 7:30 a.m 8:30 a.m. Lunch Bus Delivery 8:30 a.m 2:00 p.m. E-Learning / Remote Learning 11:30 a.m 1:30 p.m. Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School Grade One End of the Year Drop-Off/Pick-Up Day at Concord Elementary School  9-10 a.m. Last Names Q-S  10-11 a.m. Last Names T-Z  11-12 p.m. Last Names A-F  12-1 p.m. Last Names G-L  1-2 p.m. Last Names M-P  Grade Six End of the Year Drop-Off/Pick-Up Day at Cass Junior High School  9-10 a.m. Last Names A-F  10-11 a.m. Last Names G-L  11-12 p.m. Last Names M-P  Last Names M-P  12-1 p.m. Last Names M-P  Last Names C-S  1-2 p.m. Last Names T-Z	
Tuesday, June 2	Last Day of School  Fourth Grade Clap-Out  7:30 a.m 8:30 a.m.	