



CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63

NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Shelly Camden, *President*
Kent Absalonsen, *Vice President*
Alice Esposito, *Secretary*

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& District Director of Teaching & Learning
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& District Director of Technology
Leland Wagner, *Assistant Principal*
Robert Strande, *District Director of Financial Services*

Board of Education Highlights

At the April 23 2019 Board of Education Meeting, the Board:



The Board of Education welcomed Cass Junior High School student Ella Calo to lead them in the Pledge of Allegiance. Ella was a recent recipient of the Darien Women's Club Fine Arts Scholarship, which affords her the opportunity to attend a summer music camp at the University of Illinois.

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Recognized outgoing Board Vice President Rich Brandeis who ended his tenure on the Board of Education after 12 years of dedicated service to the students, staff and community of Cass School District 63.

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Shelly Camden



Brad Carrino



Alice Esposito



Lana Johnson

Welcomed and seated newly elected and re-elected Board of Education Members, Shelly Camden, Brad Carrino, Alice Esposito and Lana Johnson. Each member was elected to a four-year term until April, 2023.

In other action, the Board

- Approved a Technology Lease to replace aging student and staff devices.
- Approved an Internet Service Contract that provides a much larger bandwidth than what the District previously had.
- Approved a new Website Development, Support and Management Company for the District.
- Approved Curriculum Adoptions to go into effect for the 2019/20 school year in Social Sciences, Skills for Learning, Spanish, Band and Music.
- Elected new Board of Education Officers. Shelly Camden was elected President, Kent Absalonsen was elected Vice-President and Alice Esposito was elected Secretary.

- Board of Education Committee assignments were approved.
- The Board of Education Meeting dates were set for the 2019/20 School Year. Those dates can be found at [Board Meeting Dates](#).



The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held Tuesday, May 21, 2019 7:30 p.m. at the District Administrative Office 8502 Bailey Road in Darien, Illinois.



Do Not Forget

- ☐ EARLY DISMISSAL
Friday, May 10, 2019
Concord Elementary School, 11:15 am
Cass Junior High School, 12:00 pm
- ☐ LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR
PREKINDERGARTEN
Friday, May 24, 2019
- ☐ NO SCHOOL
Monday, May 27
Memorial Day
- ☐ EARLY DISMISSAL
Tuesday, June 4, 2019
Concord Elementary School, 11:15 am
Cass Junior High School, 12:00 pm
- ☐ LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Tuesday, June 4, 2019

We Think You Should Know

Registration is open for the 2019/20 School Year. If you have not already done so, please be sure to register your children by June 4 in order to take advantage of the 2018/19 rates for school fees. For more information, please visit the District website under [Student Registration Information](#).

Administrators' Addendum

Dear Cass School District 63 Families:

We are very fortunate to have so many long-time, dedicated and caring individuals that serve in Cass School District 63 to ensure we can provide the best education possible for students. Each year, the Board of Education and the Administration honor some of these dedicated individuals. At the close of this school year the following staff members will be celebrating 10, 15, 20 and 25 years of service within our school district and/or will be retiring from Cass School District 63.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>10 Years</u></p> <p>Craig Damrow, <i>Concord Elementary School Physical Education Teacher</i></p> <p>Lauren Grochowski, <i>Concord Elementary School Special Education Teacher</i></p> <p>Krista Jamrose, <i>Concord Elementary School Kindergarten Teacher</i></p> <p>Greg Kirchen, <i>Concord Elementary School Physical Education Teacher</i></p> <p>Christy Sells, <i>Concord Elementary School Kindergarten Teacher</i></p> <p>Katharine Summers, <i>Concord Elementary School First Grade Teacher</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>15 Years</u></p> <p>Daniel Farias, <i>Cass Junior High School Custodian</i></p> <p>Kenneth Kohnke, <i>Cass Junior High School STEM and Social Sciences Teacher</i></p> <p>Marie Musil, <i>Concord Elementary School Second Grade Teacher</i></p> <p>Theresa West, <i>Cass Junior High School Science Teacher</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>20 Years</u></p> <p>Mary Kay McSheffery, <i>Concord Elementary School Teacher Assistant and District Attendance Coordinator</i></p> <p>Kevin Shingler, <i>Concord Elementary School Third Grade Teacher</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>25 Years</u></p> <p>Audrey Vaci, <i>Cass Junior High School and Concord Elementary School Gifted Teacher</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Retiring at the Close of the 2019/20 School Year</u></p> <p>Mary Ambroz, <i>Concord Elementary School Teacher Assistant</i></p> <p>Jen Fetty, <i>Cass Junior High School Special Education Teacher</i></p> <p>Kathy Jensen, <i>Concord Elementary School</i></p> <p>Mary Kay McSheffery, <i>Concord Elementary School Teacher Assistant and District Attendance Coordinator</i></p> <p>Lori Reinke, <i>Cass Junior High School Teacher Assistant</i></p> <p>Joanne Riesgo, <i>Concord Elementary School Reading Specialist</i></p> <p>Kevin Shingler, <i>Concord Elementary School Third Grade Teacher</i></p> <p>Debbie Vacco, <i>Concord Elementary School Health and Administrative Assistant</i></p>	

Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m. when the Board of Education will host a celebration reception to recognize these devoted staff members. Following the reception, please then join us at the Board of Education Meeting at 7:30 p.m., where these individuals will be formally recognized for their dedication. We hope you are able to join us.

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