



School District of Denmark

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www.denmark.k12.wi.us

Our Mission:

The mission of the School District of Denmark is to provide the highest level of educational programming to ensure student success within school and beyond.

Our Vision:

Learning transfers to life beyond the School District of Denmark experience, enabling each student to flourish as a responsible citizen in the global community.

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Upcoming Board Meetings

High School PAC

6:00 PM

Dec. 14th

School District of Denmark Newsletter

Issue #1

November 2020



Luke Goral
District Administrator

2020-2021 Tax Levy

The Denmark School Board approved the tax levy of \$7,305,450 for the 2020-21 school year. The 2019-2020 tax levy was \$7,307,317. The 2020-21 mill rate for the School District is \$8.36 per \$1,000 of property value. This is a decrease from the 2019-20 mill rate of \$8.82 per \$1,000 of property value. For \$100,000 of property value, this is a decrease of approximately \$45.44 per year. Please keep in mind, each municipality within the School District of Denmark can be and will be different than this general mill rate. Your school property tax decrease or increase will depend on if your property was improved, you were re-assessed or if there was growth within your municipality. There was an approximate increase of 5.4% in the equalized property value in the District as a whole.

The School District of Denmark has historically been below the mill rate compared to most school districts, and is considered a low revenue district. Last year the average K-12 school district mill rate was \$9.37 per \$1,000 of property value. Currently we pay approximately \$101 less per \$100,000 of property value than the average K-12 school district in Wisconsin.

With this year's budget, we are able to maintain our staffing and programming, stay on track with our facility and maintenance plan, keep the tax levy about the same, lower the mill rate and will look to pay down our new facility referendum debt with any year end funds.

Making the Best Out of A Really Difficult Situation

With two young school aged children of my own, I know what parents are going through with balancing work, child care and on top of that, supporting their children in virtual education. My children have been on quarantine twice due to close contact and it seems like this situation is never going to end.

As an educator, I know that the best place for our children is to be in school. Our team is doing everything we can to balance safety and education for our students, staff and community. We started school in-person on September 1st. We came back because we believed it is what was best for students' education along with their mental and physical well being. By following COVID-19 guidelines and cleaning procedures, we can do it in a manner that mitigates spread. We know we can't stop it completely.

After four weeks of in person education, a shortage of available staff and COVID-19 numbers increasing around us, the District moved into virtual school for three weeks. Knowing and learning from our experiences every step of the way, we developed a short term schedule of in-person and virtual learning to get kids in school as much as possible and mitigate spread.

Just as our local organizations and businesses, we are doing our best to keep moving forward as safe as possible. I need to commend all the staff in the School District of Denmark for not only their hard work, but doing whatever they can to support our students. As a community, we will get through this difficult time.

School District of Denmark Facility Study - Phase 2

In August 2019, the Board of Education had a public presentation on Phase I of the facility study and educational needs assessment that Miron Construction and Bray Architects conducted for the District. Over the past year the District has prioritized our maintenance needs District-wide. As a District we have developed a five year working maintenance plan for the District. With Phase 1 of the facility study completed in January 2020, the District will begin working on Phase 2 which includes facility plans, options and solutions that meet the needs of our educational programming. Some of the key focus areas from the facility study include traffic flow, bus drop off and pick-up and the Early Childhood Center.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAM INFORMATION



~ Free Meals ~

During the COVID-19 pandemic, we are working together as a school and community to ensure children have access to food through the National School Lunch Program's Seamless Summer Option. This is a federally-funded program administered by the Department of Public Instruction where free meals could continue to be available as late as June 2021.

The School District of Denmark partners with Chartwells. We are offering free lunch & breakfast each M - F to any child 18 & under and 21 & under for people with disabilities and a student. No questions will be asked, just let us know how many meals you will need when you drive up to any of the listed sites below. You can also pick up meals for your neighbor's children, your grandchildren, etc.

We will not be offering meals
November 25th - November 27th
& December 24th - January 1st

The curbside Menu is located at Denmark.nutrislice.com. All students are welcome regardless of the school district you attend.

Pick Up Times:

Denmark High School

10:30 AM

450 N. Wall St., Denmark WI

(Inside School Entrance)

All Saints Catholic School

11:00 AM

145 St. Claude St., Denmark WI

(in Front of School Entrance)

St. John's Lutheran School

12:30 PM

14323 Maribel Rd., Maribel WI

(in Front of School Entrance)

*Information may change
as we adjust to the needs
of the Community*



No child will be discriminated based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity conducted or funded by USDA. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaining_filing_custhtml, or at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: Mail: U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Ave., SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410. Fax: (202) 691-7442 or Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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Student Fee Payment Due Date

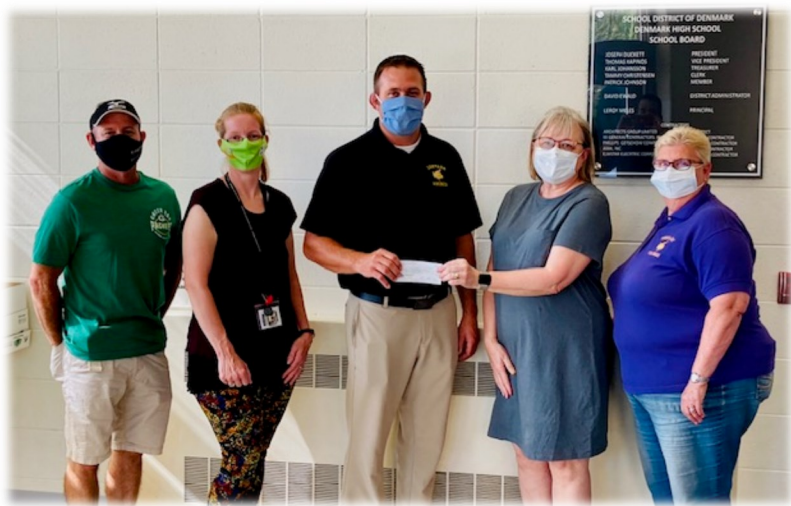
We know that this may be a tough time for our families and community and we would like to provide ample time for the payment of current year fees, as well as to be able to align our school fees with the progression of our school activities and courses.

Therefore, the District is delaying the due date for the collection of school fees for the 2020-2021 school year until the second semester (around January 1st).

We will send out reminders once we have confirmed the due date for this year's school fees and opened up our system for online payments. We will accept online payments through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal in addition to accepting payments of cash or check in the school office.

If you have already paid your student fees, there is nothing you need to do. We appreciate your prompt payment and we are processing payments to student accounts as payments are received. Please contact your child's school office if you have any questions concerning student fees.

~ Things Happening in our District ~



Denmark United Educators donated \$2000 to help provide masks for students and staff for the upcoming school year.

[#thankyou](#) [#onwarddenmark](#)

School District of Denmark New Staff



Mary Doucha, MS Para

Jocelyn Ehlert, ES Counselor

Catherine Hagen, ES Art Teacher

Courtney Jensen, ELL Para

Kaylee Karlen, ECC Guidance

Erin Kolar, Physical Therapist

Emily Kolka, ES Teacher

Chelsea Kurtzbach, 5K Teacher

Jacqueline Martinson, 4K Teacher

Zachary Olson, HS Social Studies

Michelle Riedi-Baumgartner, ES Para

Alex Rutter, HS Science

Olivia Schmitz, Nurse

Jason Schneider, HS Maintenance

Gina Wagner, MS Spanish

Peggy Wentorf, MS Lunch

Thomas Wright, ES Phy Ed

Long Term Subs:

Patricia Bekkers, ES

Emily Diny, MS

Travis Lange, HS

Ann Mleziva, ES

Caitlyn Tilot, HS

Rachael Weldon, ES



Joe Schlies



Katrina Hoesly

FFA State Officers

Joseph Schlies was elected to serve as President of the 2020-2021 State FFA Officer Team. This is the first time ever that Denmark FFA is honored to have the state President from our chapter. His hope for the year is to help members make those connections so they can make the most of their opportunities in the organization. Making the most of opportunities is something Schlies knows firsthand.

Katrina Hoesly was elected to a year of service as the 2020-2021 Section Nine State FFA Parliamentarian during the 91st Wisconsin FFA Online Convention. She is the third consecutive State FFA Officer from Denmark and tenth in the history of Denmark FFA. Katrina participated in Leadership Development Events being a National Semi-Finalist in the FFA Creed Speaking contest in 2017, then placing 6th at Nationals with her Parliamentary Procedure team in 2019.

During the year as State FFA Officers, Joe and Katrina will meet thousands of FFA members and will travel over 10,000 miles. In addition to meeting with members on the local, state, and national levels, the entire state officer team will meet with leaders in government, education, business and agriculture.

~ Denmark High School ~



DHS Construction Class

The construction class led by Mr. Tim Kapinos, has been making steady progress on the new soccer shelters. A block foundation was laid with the help of local masons Lee Kapinos and John Zellner.

The shelters will not only provide our soccer teams with protection from Wisconsin weather, but also valuable experience for the class. As demand for young people in the trades continues to grow, the project will hopefully be positive enough for these students to pursue a career in construction.



DHS Ice Fishing Club

**“Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day.
Teach a man to fish, and you feed him for a lifetime.”**

The Denmark High School Ice Fishing Club will be starting its' second season with signups Friday November 13th during lunch at the High School. We want to send out BIG THANK YOU'S to the following groups, organizations and individuals that have made this club possible. Your in-kind donations and time have made our first year with our anglers something to remember!

Thank You to the following:

Algoma-Kewaunee Great Lakes Sports Fisherman Club, Larrabee Sportsman Club, Maribel Sportsman Club, Denmark Rod and Gun Club, Wings Over WI - Denmark Chapter, Denmark Lions Club, Nicole Bomski, Fleet Farm, Norb's Auto Salvage, Salm Partners, Chase M. Parsons, Luke Cieslewicz, Your Bobbers Down, Whitefish Anonymous, Justin Schaal, Jim and Vicki Wesolowski, Larry Johnson, Christopher Rozmarynoski, Jim Pryle, Deputy Estano, Deputy Sheriff Dan Delebreau, James Moore Conservation Warden WI DNR, Denmark High School—board and staff, parents of our anglers and above all, our anglers!!



DHS Girls Golf

The Denmark Girls Golf team had a successful fall season finishing 3rd in the conference and making a trip to Sectionals. They were ranked 5th in the state to start the season and finished ranked 12th. Fifteen golfers were a part of the team and three earned All Conference Honorable Mention: Justine Duckart, Lilly Kaminski and Autumn Kaminski. Three golfers earned Academic All State High Honors: Autumn Kaminski, Lilly Kaminski and Regan Cavanaugh. Justine Duckart earned Academic All State Honors.



Community Connection Page

This Community Connection page is for those community organizations or non-profits that would like to get a special message out to all the residents of the School District of Denmark. Please keep the message as brief as possible. If you have a message that you would like placed in the next newsletter, send it to Joy Frelich at frelichj@denmark.k12.wi.us.

If the content is appropriate for the District newsletter, it will be printed.

Ruby's Pantry is a monthly grocery event held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Our Savior's Lutheran Church (435 Wisconsin Ave., Denmark). Community volunteers help to unload, sort, and distribute groceries to a maximum of 400 families each month. There are no income or residency requirements to receive groceries from Ruby's Pantry - if you eat, you qualify. Guests who wish to receive groceries should visit rubyspantry.org to create an account and reserve their grocery bundle through "Express Track." Guests are asked to donate \$20 for each bundle of groceries reserved (\$21 if reserving online). We will also accommodate drive-up guests, but your wait time will be significantly less if your groceries are reserved. This is a great way for frugal families to receive grocery items they might not otherwise purchase on a regular basis. The donations support the work of Ruby's Pantry in our local community and do not support the efforts of Our Savior's Lutheran Church. **WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS!** We need approximately 70-80 volunteers each time we host this event. Visit rubyspantry.org and select "Volunteer" at the top of the page to fill out an application and get added to our email list. Visit "Ruby's Pantry - Denmark" on Facebook for up-to-date information.

Ruby's PANTRY



The Community Cupboard provides local families with nutritious groceries through the generosity of local businesses, organizations, and individuals. Recipients do not need to meet any income requirements but must live within the Denmark School District. Groceries are delivered once per month on the second Tuesday to each household and include meat, eggs, fruits and veggies as available, canned items, pasta, bread, milk, and butter. If you would like to receive these groceries for your family, please visit denmarkcommunitycupboard.org to register for the upcoming month. You can also contact Our Savior's Lutheran Church at (920) 863-2230 to register. Recipients are asked to donate \$10 to the Community Cupboard each month they participate. All donations are used by the Community Cupboard to continue offering their programs. Visit "Denmark Community Cupboard" on Facebook for up-to-date information.



Denmark has its own clothing thrift shop! Being thrifty is at the heart of family life, regardless of how old our children are. We sell clothing for all ages-from infant to elders and everything in between. The best part? Every piece of clothing is just \$1.00! We are currently open on the first Saturday of each month from 9:00-2:00 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church (435 Wisconsin Ave., Denmark). All proceeds from clothing sales benefit the Denmark Community Cupboard, an ongoing effort aimed at providing local families with nutritious groceries. Visit "Denmark Community Closet" on Facebook for up-to-date information, including additional days of availability.

Technology Grant Announcement

Something New and Exciting for Adults Age 60 and Older in the Denmark Area!



Through a generous grant awarded by Bader Philanthropies, several community organizations have partnered to launch the "Denmark Connects" initiative that will provide older adults in the Denmark area with the technology and training they need to virtually connect with family, friends, neighbors, community activities and more! Participants will learn how to use the devices they already have or be loaned devices to socially connect with others. Devices may include smartphones, tablets, computers, and smart home devices like the Echo Show. Internet fees will also be provided for up to six months. There is no cost to participate in Denmark Connects, just a willingness to learn and try something new!

For more information or to register, please contact Lori Wagner, Denmark Community Connector for Neighborhood Partners at (920) 863-2738 or by email at lwagner@goodwillnew.org. Denmark Connects is a collaborative effort between Neighborhood Partners/Goodwill of North Central Wisconsin, Options for Independent Living, Curative Connections, the Brown County Library, and local religious and civic organizations.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DENMARK

Annual Notices

All Annual Notices are available on the District website at
www.denmark.k12.wi.us

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DENMARK **ANNUAL NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION** **2020-2021 School Year**

The School District of Denmark prohibits all forms of unlawful discrimination against students and other persons in all aspects of the District's programs and operations. Accordingly, consistent with Wis. Stat. §118.13, no person shall unlawfully be denied admission to any public school in this District, or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil service, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's sex, sexual orientation, race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, or physical, mental emotional or learning disability. The District likewise requires and enforces nondiscrimination in a manner consistent with the rights and obligations established under all applicable federal civil rights laws, including the current provisions of Titles IV and VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (race, color, religion, sex, or national origin), Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (sex), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (disability), the Americans with Disabilities Act (including Title II of the ADA, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in state and local government services), and the civil rights provisions associated with the District's participation in federal meal programs.

All District career and technical education opportunities are offered to students on a nondiscriminatory basis. The District offers career and technical education programs in Animal Science, Architecture and Construction, Automotive Technician, Business Management, Education, Engineering, Health Sciences, Information Technology, Manufacturing, Marketing, and Plant Sciences.

Admission to these programs is based on interest and aptitude, age appropriateness, course prerequisites, and class space available. The District will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

Children of homeless individuals and unaccompanied homeless youth (youth not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian) as identified under federal law shall have equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including comparable services, as provided to other children and youth who reside in the District. Homeless children and youth shall not be required to attend a separate school or program for homeless children and shall not be stigmatized by school personnel.

The District shall provide legally-required accommodations and appropriate educational services or programs for students who have been identified as having a disability, regardless of the nature or severity of the disability. The District shall also provide for the reasonable accommodation of a student's sincerely held religious beliefs with regard to examinations and other academic requirements. Requests for religious accommodations shall be made in writing and approved by the building principal.

When acceptable to the complaining party, the District encourages informal resolution of discrimination complaints and related concerns. However, a formal complaint resolution procedure is available to address allegation of unlawful discrimination and/or any alleged violation of the District's equal educational opportunities policies.

Any questions concerning this notice, the District's nondiscrimination and equal educational opportunities policies, policy compliance, or the District's complaint procedures may be directed to the following persons:

Luke Goral
District Administrator
450 N. Wall St.
Denmark, WI 54208
(920) 863-4004

Lance Grishaber
Title IX Coordinator
Director of Curriculum & Instruction
450 N. Wall St.
Denmark, WI 54208
(920) 863-4176

Sheryl DeLarwelle
Title IX Coordinator
Director of Pupil Services
450 N. Wall St.
Denmark, WI 54208
(920) 863-4035

Julie Hodges
Section 504 Coordinator
450 N. Wall St.
Denmark, WI 54208
(920) 863-4127

Discrimination-related complaints may be filed with the District's Title IX Coordinator (sex discrimination and sexual harassment issues and complaints) or the Section 504 Coordinator (disability rights, disability-based discrimination issues, and Americans with Disabilities Act issues and complaints) for all student and non-employment related matters.

EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS

The School District of Denmark offers students a variety of educational options to children who reside in the District. The District's primary educational pathway and instructional program for students involves a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten through 12th grade, leading to a high school diploma.

- Denmark Early Childhood Center – Pre K – 5K
- Denmark Elementary School – 1st Grade – 5th Grade
- Denmark Middle School – 6th Grade – 8th Grade
- Denmark High School – 9th Grade – 12th Grade
- Denmark Community School – 6th Grade – 8th Grade

See District website www.denmark.k12.wi.us for a listing of education programs offered to eligible students.

The full version of the District's most recent school and school district accountability report, as issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction under section 115.385 of the state statutes, can be found on the District's website (if the report has been issued by DPI): www.denmark.k12.wi.us/district/distrptcard.cfm



Denmark School District Preschool Screening Notice Children Age 3 (and turning 3 or 4)

In Accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and the Child Find Law, Denmark School District follows a procedure to locate, refer and identify, as early as possible young children who are in need of an Early Intervention Program or Early Childhood Services.

If you live in the Denmark School District and have a child who is age 3 or turning age 3 or 4 during the current school year, please notify the Denmark School District's Early Childhood Office at 920-863-4177.

Once you have contacted the school, you will be placed on a list to receive a questionnaire to complete called the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ). The ASQ is sent in early January of the current school year and helps the district Child Find Team determine if further screening is needed for your child.

If you have any immediate concerns about your child's age appropriate development, you can call Sheryl DeLarwelle at 920-863-4035 to inquire about the referral and evaluation process. You can also email her at delarwes@denmark.k12.wi.us.



PROJECT RECOVERY

Have you or a loved one been emotionally impacted by COVID-19?

Do you live in one of the following counties?

~ Dane ~ Brown ~ Rock ~ Walworth ~ Milwaukee ~

Project Recovery can help!

Trained Crisis Counselors are available to help people better understand their situation and reactions, assist in the review of their options, provide emotional support and encourage linkage with resources.

**Visit www.projectrecoverywi.org or call 2-1-1
to be connected with a Crisis Counselor**

46th annual Denmark Lions Poinsettia Sale



New Location - Denmark High School
450 N. Wall St. / Cty Rd T (new atrium)

Sunday
November 29th

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**Natural Beauty
Growers Poinsettias**



Curbside Pickup Available

School Phone Numbers

Early Childhood Center..... 863-4175
Elementary School..... 863-4050
Middle School..... 863-4100
High School..... 863-4200
Community School..... 863-4153
District Office..... 863-4000
Lunch Accounts..... 863-4220
Special Education..... 863-4030
Free/Reduced Meals..... 863-4217

Denmark school schedule through January 1st
(This is dependent on staff and student positive COVID-19 cases and quarantine numbers in our schools.)

In Person Education K-12
October 26 - November 24

(there is no school on November 25 - 27)

Virtual Education K-12
November 30 - December 4

In Person Education K-12
December 7 - December 23



Lamers Denmark Terminal
Daniel Rouse (920) 367-2075 ext. 13211
danielrouse@GoLamers.com

2020 - 2021 DENMARK SCHOOL CALENDAR

2020

November 20	Early Dismissal - PDT Day
November 25	No School
November 26	No School
November 27	No School

December 23	Early Dismissal - PDT Day Last School Day Before Holiday Break
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2021

January 4	First School Day After Holiday Break
January 15	Early Dismissal - PDT Day

February 19	Early Dismissal - PDT Day
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March 26	Early Dismissal - PDT Day Last School Day Before Spring Break
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April 5	First School Day After Spring Break
April 23	Early Dismissal - PDT Day

May 28	Early Dismissal - PDT Day
May 31	No School - Memorial Day

June 4	Last Day of School - Early Release
June 6	HS Graduation



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English:

If you need this information in your native language, please contact Deb Kralovetz at kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us or 920-863-4034

Spanish:

Si necesita esta información en su idioma materno, póngase en contacto con Deb Kralovetz en kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us o 920-863-4034.

Hmong:

Yog tias koj xav tau cov ntaub ntwav no ua koj hom lus, thov hu Deb Kralovetz ntwam kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us los sis 920-863-4034.

Mandarin Chinese:

如果您需要使用母语提供的这些信息，请联系Deb Kralovetz，电子邮件地址为kraloved@denmark.k12.wi.us或920-863-4034。

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

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Attention: Non-Residents of the School District of Denmark

This newsletter is a service provided to all residents of the School District of Denmark. The most effective and affordable process to circulate this newsletter throughout our community is to use a saturation mailing which occasionally picks up a few streets in the postal route areas of non-residents. Avoiding a few non-residents from receiving this newsletter is difficult and costly. Our efforts to communicate with our resident families is important. Thank you for understanding.