

School District of Altoona

RailroaderReview



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"Offering large school opportunities with a small school approach."

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Superintendent's Note:

Dear community members:

Again this year, we are finding ourselves facing challenges brought about by COVID 19. Yet, the important work of educating our children must continue and be a priority. They are our future. In this issue of The Railroader Review, we have our articles arranged according to the priorities identified by our community in May of 2021. That community-input event has continued to shape our decisions and focus. In this issue, you will read about the ways we are preparing students for life beyond high school graduation and about exciting community partnerships we are developing. While the past years in Altoona have been challenging, our future is bright and leaves us feeling hopeful.

Thank you for your support as we keep our sights set on the promises of our future! The best is still to come..

My best,

Heidi Eliopoulos

Dr. Heidi Eliopoulos
Superintendent

A Time to Share

Number of Families who received donations: 63
 Number of Students who received donations: 152
 \$9,400.86 in Donations from Community Members, Students, Staff, and Local Organizations.



OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION PERIOD FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR IS

FEBRUARY 7 – APRIL 29, 2022

[HTTPS://WWW.ALTOONA.K12.WI.US/PARENTS/OPEN-ENROLLMENT](https://www.altoona.k12.wi.us/parents/open-enrollment)

APPLICATION

[HTTPS://DPI.WI.GOV/OPEN-ENROLLMENT](https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment)

 The graphic features a blue background with yellow brushstroke accents. On the left, a cartoon boy in a yellow shirt sits on a yellow globe, surrounded by school supplies like a ruler and pencil. On the right, a cartoon girl in a blue dress stands next to a yellow ruler. The overall theme is educational and celebratory.

4K registration opens February 7th!

Our Altoona School District 4K Program is located at our Early Education Center, 754 Bartlett Avenue, Altoona. Our 4 year old Kindergarten program has a play-based focus, while preparing your child for Kindergarten and beyond. Our curriculum provides school readiness skills, social emotional development, enriched academics, and school expectations. We strive to maintain small class sizes and focus on the individual needs of our students. We are the only 4K program connected with our school district, we work closely with the Elementary staff to make this a seamless transition to Kindergarten, and our program is provided at no cost.

4K is a half day program (morning and afternoon options) that runs four days a week. Children who are four years old by September 1, 2022 are eligible. 4K Enrollment is completed online. Please visit our website to complete the necessary paperwork: <https://www.altoona.k12.wi.us/parents/registration> If you need help accessing the online forms, please come into the Registrar Office and we can provide technology resources to help! When enrolling online, please upload the following forms:

- Original Birth Certificate
- Proof of Residency (mortgage documents, or mail with your name and address on it)
- Immunization Records
- Other important documents if applicable (IEP, court documentation, etc.)



If you are unable to upload the required documents, please bring the above listed forms to the District Registrar Office, located at 1903 Bartlett Avenue, between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., before Friday, June 3rd, to complete the enrollment process. Contact Kari Holm at 715-838-7345 to coordinate a time to come into the Registrar Office. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour of our 4K Early Education Center, please contact Laura Trachsel, Altoona 4K Director, at: ltrachsel@altoona.k12.wi.us or 715-838-7350.



Read what our families have to say!

"The school year has gone well for our daughter. She is excited to be with her classmates and teacher and enjoys telling our family about her day in school. We've seen an improvement in her social skills and an increased independence." - Tim, 4K Parent

"We are so pleased with the 4K program, we'd like to continue open enrollment for our daughter at Altoona – you all are fabulous! The consistent communication from our daughter's teacher has been so great; this has been such a fantastic experience." -Emily, 4K Parent

"Our son is excited to go to school everyday and wishes he could stay even longer! You are exceeding our expectations everyday; it is clear the staff at 4K are going above and beyond for our kiddos." - Kayla, 4K Parent

Academic
OUTCOMES

Voice of Democracy

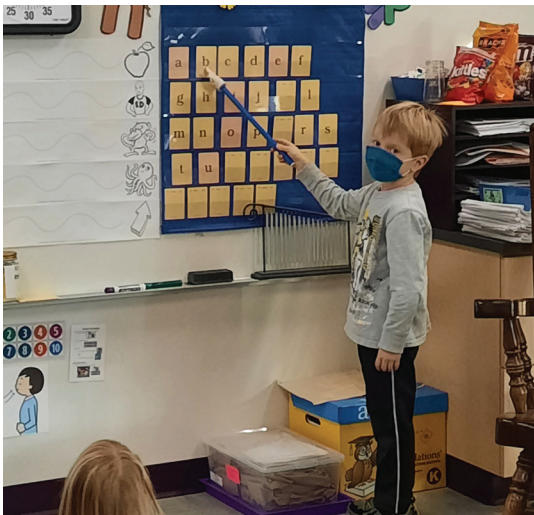
Congratulations to Elizabeth Weiss on earning 1st place in the Voice of Democracy VFW Post 305 writing/speech competition. Elizabeth worked for weeks on perfecting her speech and as the 1st place winner of the local contest had the honor to give her speech at a VFW gathering.



Fundamentals with Foundations

Do you remember watching Sesame Street as a youngster and Grover would start at the left of the screen with a 'c'? He would then run to the right of the screen to get the -at. He would slide the 'c' and -at together and voila! He made the word cat! It was magic!

Learning to read involves many different skills and practices but this year, AES K-2 students are learning about these fundamentals with Foundations. Foundations focuses on phonological and phonemic awareness, the building blocks of spoken and written language. Using a multi-sensory approach, students are "tapping it out," "marking" glued sounds, and even "scooping" sentences. Students are also learning spelling patterns and how to form letters each day. We are having so much FUN learning to read with FUNdations!



High Performance of 4K Attendees

Since moving to our Altoona Early Education Center, our students have shown amazing growth during their 4K school year and are entering Kindergarten with a huge advantage in their development. For those students who attended our 4K program, 94% went into Kindergarten meeting the expectation for knowing their letter sounds. For those who attended elsewhere, 66% went into Kindergarten meeting the expectation for knowing their letter sounds. This is very exciting data to share with our community!



Integrating Media/Technology in AMS

In 7th and 8th grade Fabulous FabLab class, we are using various machines, processes, and technologies to create our custom made LED light box. The students design their light box which is then laser engraved and cut out by a laser engraver, then they assemble and glue it together. Once dry, the students practice their electrical knowledge of the flow of electricity and solder together the LED light, battery snap, and on/off switch. Once assembled completely, they can insert their custom designed acrylic sign on the top.



Altoona Career Fair

April 27, 2022

Altoona High School Gym

1:00-5:00 PM

1:00-4:00 PM

AHS STUDENTS ONLY

4:00-5:00 PM

Open to the Public and students

For more information, email:

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https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aaXxJja3pYT3N6O4K-JtraJ_TpQ_wPI84cNj0-2DwVc4/edit?usp=sharing

SUMMER 2022

The **School District of Altoona** and the **Boys and Girls Club of the Greater Chippewa Valley** are

partnering to bring a **Boys and Girls Club** to **Altoona!**

Our first club will be open to 2nd through 5th graders. Full day programs are being planned for this summer. After school programs will run starting in the Fall of 2022.

Details to follow!

COMING SOON!

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A STUDENT CLUB MEMBER, PLEASE CONTACT AKAISER@CVCLUBS.ORG



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE GREATER CHIPPEWA VALLEY



Personal Success

OUTCOMES



School-Based Mental Health Scholarship Fund

Did you know there are students who are uninsured or underinsured and in need of mental health services? The School District of Altoona has partnered with Genuine Way Family Therapy, LLC, to attain counseling services at a reduced cost and has created a scholarship fund to support students who might not otherwise be able to access these services. If you would like to contribute to the School-Based Mental Health Scholarship Fund, please direct donations to the School District of Altoona at:

School-Based Mental Health Scholarship Fund
Attn: Elys Bohl
1903 Bartlett Avenue
Altoona, WI 54720

Media Productions Project Using Grant Dollars

This past fall, the School District was awarded a \$4,200 School and Student Support grant by the Mayo Health System. Part of this grant money is currently being used and will continue to be used to create content to aid Altoona School District students in making safe and healthy choices. This content is being created by Altoona High School's Media Production class. Students use many platforms to create content to help encourage healthy decisions. Some examples of projects in the works are: using Pixton and Stop Motion Studio to create PSA cartoons and videos about a topic that students feel need to be addressed, creating videos about the dangers and consequences of vaping and designing social media posts and posters on Canva to help make students aware of healthy ways to deal with stress. Students really enjoy creating content with a purpose; one student commented, "I loved the creative freedom I get each project and the fact that my projects are actually being used for a purpose in the school and community." Some of these projects are shared with specific audiences, and some are shared on our Facebook and Instagram pages. So, make sure to follow Altoona Rails Athletics and Activities on Facebook and Instagram for updates on these projects!

Big Brothers Big Sisters
OF NORTHWESTERN WISCONSIN

For agency use only:
Govt. ID: _____
DMV Lic.: _____
Auto Ins.: _____
 CB Mentors in Motion OSB HS Big

Administrative Office
424 Galloway Street
Eau Claire, WI 54703
800-648-1696
info@bbbsnw.org
www.bbbsnw.org

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister. Please submit completed application via email to info@bbbsnw.org or fax to 715-835-2636; or mail to/ drop off at: **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwestern Wisconsin, 424 Galloway St., Eau Claire, WI 54703.**

Along with this application, you will need to submit a copy of a government-issued photo ID, as well as your driver's license (if not used as your government-issued photo ID), and proof of auto-insurance, if you plan to transport a child within the community based program. All applications will be given equal consideration regardless of race, age, sex, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, religion or national origin.

GENERAL INFORMATION

First Name:	Middle Name:	Last Name:	Preferred Name:
Home Phone #:	Work Phone #:		Cell Phone #:
Home Address:	City:	County:	State: Zip:
Personal E-mail:	Work E-mail:		How do you prefer to be contacted? (Phone, e-mail, time of day, etc.)
Date of Birth:	Gender:	Marital Status: If applicable, maiden name:	
Race/Ethnicity: <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> White		<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-race (check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Nationality/Country of Origin:		How Long Employed?	Work Hours?
Employer/Occupation:		Are you a student at this time? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please name school:	
Highest Level of Education:		Area of Study:	

School District of Altoona

Railway Mentor Program

Steam-Powered by

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwestern Wisconsin



Volunteer just 30 minutes per week to invest in our future and make a difference for a student today!



Get started at www.bbbsnw.org/railway



**Big Brothers
Big Sisters**
OF NORTHWESTERN
WISCONSIN

Partial view of a form with fields for 'Community-Sexual', 'Contacted?', 'Name:', and 'No'.



FINAL FOUR VIRTUAL FUNDRAISER

MONDAY, MARCH 28 8:00AM - THURSDAY MARCH 31 AT 7:00PM
FIND AUCTION AT LINK OR QR CODE BELOW:

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/AHSBOOSTERS](https://bit.ly/AHSboosters)



RAFFLE WINNERS WILL BE DRAWN
AT 6:00PM ON THURSDAY MARCH 31ST

PICK UP AT WAGNER'S COMPLEX
THURSDAY, MARCH 31ST 8PM-10PM AND
FRIDAY, APRIL 1ST 9AM-6PM

Operational
OUTCOMES



2021-2022

ALTOONA ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

<https://gorails.net/>



Don't miss a game - Get the rSchool App!

GOOGLE PLAY: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/5FKS8N2A](https://tinyurl.com/5fks8n2a)

APPLE: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/2YSXKBNV](https://tinyurl.com/2ysxkbnv)



THANK YOU MRS. KANE AND CCF BANK!

THE ALTOONA CROSS COUNTRY TEAM WOULD LIKE TO THANK CCF BANK AND JENNIFER KANE FOR THE GRANT OF \$2000. THE GRANT, COMPLETED BY HEAD COACH TODD LENZ, WILL HELP FUND THE NEEDS OF OUR CROSS COUNTRY AND TRACK & FIELD STUDENT ATHLETES.

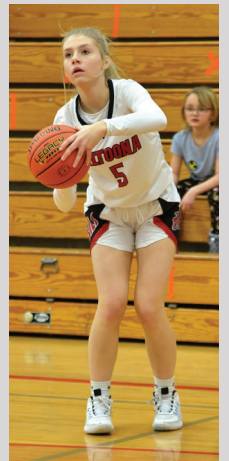
Fall 2021 All-Conference Student Athletes

CROSS COUNTRY (MBC): AYDEN DARNELL (11) 1ST TEAM, JOEY LUDY (10) 2ND TEAM, CODY RIECHERS (12) 2ND TEAM, GRETA PETERS (9) 1ST TEAM **BOYS SOCCER (MBC):** TRENTYN GIERE (12), 1ST TEAM **VOLLEYBALL (MBC):** MYA MARTENSON (11), 2ND TEAM **FOOTBALL (COULEE CONFERENCE):** CRAIG ERVIN (12), 1ST TEAM OFFENSIVE LINE, COLIN BOYARSKI (11), 1ST TEAM RUNNING BACKS, COLIN BOYARSKI (11), 1ST TEAM LINEBACKER, BRAXTON LANG (12), 2ND TEAM OFFENSIVE LINE, JACKSON BERG (10), 2ND TEAM DEFENSIVE BACK, TOMMY TOMESH (11), 2ND TEAM LINEBACKER. **FOOTBALL HONORABLE MENTION:** TYLER THOMMESEN (12) OL, ANTHONY BLOOMBERG (10) OL, DAWSON SAHM (12) LB, CONNOR MATTISON (12) DB

O'Connell Headed to WIAA State Wrestling Tournament

ON FEBRUARY 19TH, THE REGIS-ALTOONA WRESTLING TEAM (RAW) COMPETED IN SECTIONALS FOR A CHANCE AT STATE. DEAGLAN O'CONNELL 106LB AND TOMMY TOMESH 138LB TRAVELED TO AMERY FOR THE DIVISION 2 SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT. DEAGLAN PLACED 3RD TO ADVANCE TO THE D2 STATE TOURNAMENT IN MADISON FEBRUARY 24-26TH.

Winter Sports
in Action!
Pictures by Chris Colbert



Title IX Nondiscrimination Policy Statement – As mandated by the current provisions of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and under the regulations set forth in Chapter 106 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations (“the federal Title IX regulations”), the District does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of sex in any education program or activity that the District operates. Title IX’s requirement not to discriminate in any education program or activity extends to cover, but is not limited to, District students, certain admissions processes, and District employment. Inquiries regarding how Title IX and the federal Title IX regulations apply to the District may be referred to a District Title IX Coordinator (as designated below), to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, or to both. The District’s commitment to nondiscrimination under Title IX and under other state and federal laws is further defined in the following policies of the School District: Policy 113, Policy 411, Policy 411.1, Policy 511, and Policy 512. District Title IX Coordinators – The District employees who hold each of the positions identified below serve as Title IX Coordinators for the District: Alan McCutcheon (Director of Pupil Services and Special Education) 715-839-6030, ext. 311 | amccutcheon@altoona.k12.wi.us Sharon Chwala (Payroll and Benefits Specialist) 715-839-6064, ext. 504 | schwala@altoona.k12.wi.us 1903 Bartlett Avenue, Altoona, WI 54720.

Board of Education



Rick Risler, President
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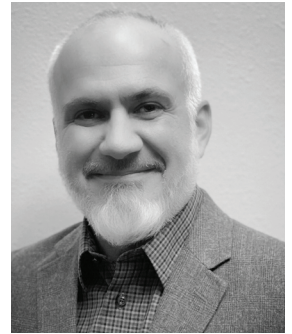
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MEETINGS, AGENDAS, MINUTES - Regular Meetings of the Board of Education are typically held on the third meeting of the month and begin at 6:30 pm, unless otherwise posted. Meetings are held in the District Office at 1903 Bartlett Avenue. Board meeting agendas, packets, and minutes are posted on the Board of Education website. Paper copies of the agenda or minutes may be requested by calling the district office at 715-839-6032.

GOVERNANCE - Governance for Excellence is a results-oriented framework used by the board to ensure a system focus on our school district's vision and results policies. Both our school district's vision and our results policies are based on authentic community feedback. Through our Community Conversations, we have opened clear lines of communication with community stakeholders, and we have embraced community feedback and embedded it into our operational expectations and results policies. For more information regarding members, Governing Policies for Educational Excellence, agendas and information (Boarddocs), definition of meeting types, and annual notices visit the Board of Education page on the school website.

ADDRESSING THE BOARD - Persons interested in providing comments to the Board may register to provide written comment to the Board; and or register to address the Board as a speaker. The Registration Period will begin no earlier than 20 minutes prior to the time that the meeting is scheduled to convene. Paper copies of the registration forms are available at the meeting or may be downloaded from the School Board Public Participation at Board Meetings website. Completed forms must be given to School Board secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting.

Turn Your Pop Cans Into Scholarships!

- The Altoona Area Foundation has a can collection bin in the high school parking lot. Monthly, the high school Student Council members empty the bin and turn the cans in for money. The Altoona Area Foundation uses these dollars to provide scholarships to graduating seniors.

Please consider donating your empty cans to help send Altoona students to college or technical college!



Meet the School Board 2022 Candidates



Nicole Breed

Question 1: Please provide a short biographical background

Answer 1: I'm a lifelong resident of the Chippewa Valley, having grown up in Chippewa Falls and attended college at UW-Eau Claire. My husband, Nick, and I moved to Altoona in 2018. We're excited to raise our children, Henry and Mollie, here. We love exploring local libraries, museums, and outdoor activities. I enjoy my work at Chippewa Valley Technical College as an instructor and librarian. I'm also proud to serve as a board member for Literacy Chippewa Valley and as the Vice Chair for the Wisconsin Association of Academic Librarians.

Question 2: Why did you choose to run for the Board of Education?

Answer 2: I chose to run because when I see a need and have the skills to fill it, I step up to the challenge. I'm looking forward to ensuring that our schools are acting in students' best interests and that all students are guaranteed to receive a high-quality public education. My professional work is very much grounded in social justice and I'm excited to bring this expertise on diversity, equity, and inclusion to the Board. The School District of Altoona is already great - but we can still make progress and I'm ready to help bring that to fruition.

Question 3: What do you think the most important work of the Board will be over the next year?

Answer 3: The district's new strategic plan set in motion many excellent goals for the next five years and the Board will need to hold the superintendent accountable to ensure that these goals are met. In particular, "all means all" is going to be challenging and it's important that the Board supports this effort. The effects of COVID on the health, safety, and wellbeing of students and staff can't be ignored. The Board must ensure that our schools emerge stronger than before. Finally, Altoona is seeing exponential growth and the Board needs to ensure that the practices of the district are sustainable.



Rich Hager

Question 1: Please provide a short biographical background

Answer 1: I have been a resident of the Altoona school district for 15 years, and two of my three daughters have graduated from AHS. My youngest, Elliana, is a Freshman. Both of my parents also graduated from AHS. I graduated from MHS and UWEC with a BS in Resource Management. I am a Senior Analyst for Short Elliott and Hendrickson and focus on regulatory compliance for our private industrial clients. In my spare time I enjoy spending time with my family in Hayward on Round Lake, hunting on the family farm in Buffalo County and working outside in the yard.

Question 2: Why did you choose to run for the Board of Education?

Answer 2: I decided to run for school board because I think it is important for us as parents to be involved in the education of our children and our communities' children. To take an active role in shaping the environment that allows our kids to learn, grow and achieve their goals. I also feel I can bring a unique perspective to the board since I have had at least one child in the district for the last 15 years and have seen the changes over that time.

Question 3: What do you think the most important work of the Board will be over the next year?

Answer 3: I feel the population growth in our community and the effects that has on our schools is and will be an important factor in the near future. How we deal with the influx of more kids in the classrooms and ensure we are providing them the top notch education they deserve. I also feel that how our kids learn and how our teachers teach in the age of Covid will be an important issue moving forward. We must be able to provide a safe and healthy environment for our students and teachers, without sacrificing our children's education.



Jeremy Zook

Question 1: Please provide a short biographical background

Answer 1: Born and raised in the Chippewa Valley, I have worked in Altoona and resided in our district for over twenty years. I'm married (to an Altoona alumni) and have a 7 year old daughter in the district. I was appointed to the Altoona School Board in August 2021, filling a vacated seat.

Question 2: Why did you choose to run for the Board of Education?

Answer 2: One word: involvement. I want to be involved not only in our school, but in our community and my daughter's life. I want to contribute, be part of something at an executive level, and feel like I'm making a difference. I want to be a role model for my daughter, to show her that together people can work to achieve great things. Simply put, I want to be involved.

Question 3: What do you think the most important work of the Board will be over the next year?

Answer 3: The continued development and implementation of long-term plans to address the increased population of our school in its entirety. Working towards continued growth of our district, while not compromising the "small school" feel that has made our district such a popular choice.

JOIN OUR TEAM!



<https://www.altoona.k12.wi.us/district/employment>

The School District of Altoona posts vacancies to their

District website and uses the Wisconsin Education Career Access Network (WECAN) website for accepting applications for job vacancies. All applications must be submitted electronically through WECAN. We are also looking for substitute teachers! Pay is \$140/day, with a free lunch each day, provided by Taher. The DPI substitute license (required) will be reimbursed after 5 days of subbing in the School District of Altoona.

“Altoona is a unique District because it is bigger, but has the small school feel. Staff are close and collaborative. I enjoyed my time here student teaching and was excited to be able to come back in a substitute role. I’ve been able to build great relationships with the students!” Addison Van Ess.

The School District of Altoona is an equal opportunity employer. Personnel hiring and administration in the District are to be conducted so as not to discriminate against applicant or employee on the basis of age, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation, disability/ handicap, citizenship status, marital status, pregnancy, national origin, creed, color, political or religious affiliation, genetic information, ancestry, arrest or conviction record, military service, genetic information, use or nonuse of a lawful product off school premises during nonworking hours, declining to attend a meeting or participate in any communication about religious or political matters, or any other reason prohibited by state or federal law. Exceptions to this policy may only be made in accordance with state and federal laws. Reasonable accommodations shall be made for qualified individuals with a disability or handicap, unless such accommodations would impose an undue hardship to the District. The District shall also accommodate the religious practices of an employee to the extent required by law. The District does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of sex in any education program or activity that the District operates. Title IX’s requirement not to discriminate in any education program or activity extends to cover, but is not limited to, District students, certain admissions processes, and District employment. Inquiries regarding how Title IX and the federal Title IX regulations apply to the District may be referred to a District Title IX Coordinator, to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, or to both. The District’s commitment to nondiscrimination under Title IX and under other state and federal laws is further defined in the following policies of the School District: Policy 113, Policy 411, Policy 411.1, Policy 511, and Policy 512.



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(6th – 8th Grades)

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Altoona Intermediate School

(4th – 5th Grades)

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Jess Bucki ext. 301
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Altoona Elementary School

(5K-3rd Grades)

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Altoona WI 54720

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Laura Trachsel, Coordinator
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Early Childhood Program
754 Bartlett Ave, Altoona WI 54720
Phone: 715-838-7350

Grace Lutheran Afterschool Care
Nancy Fliehr
nancy.fliehr@graceluthfound.com
Office 715-832-3003 ext 166

Absentee Hotline Number

Call: 715-839-6095

Altoona High School
Enter 1 | follow the prompts

Altoona Middle School
Enter 2 | follow the prompts

Altoona Intermediate School
Enter 3 | follow the prompts

Altoona Elementary School
Enter 4 | follow the prompts



School District of Altoona

2022-2023

July 2022						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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- June 23 & 24 Teacher InService
- August 9 & 10 New Teacher Orientation
- August 23, 24 & 25 Staff InService
- August 30 4K-12 Welcome Back Day
- September 1 K-12 First Day of School
- September 5 No School
- September 6 First Day of 4K
- September 30 Staff InService

- October 25 4K-12 Evening P/T Conferences
- October 27 K-12 Student Early Release; No 4K
- October 27 4K-8 Aft & Eve P/T Conferences
- October 28 No School
- November 21-25 No School
- November 21 & 22 Staff InService
- December 1 End of 9-12 Trimester 1
- December 23-30 No School

- January 16 Staff InService
- January 19 9-12 Evening P/T Conferences
- January 19 End of Semester 1
- February 27 4K-8 Evening P/T Conferences
- March 2 End of 9-12 Trimester 2
- March 2 K-12 Student Early Release; No 4K
- March 3 No School
- March 20-24 No School

- April 7 No School
- April 27 9-12 Evening P/T Conferences
- May 29 No School
- May 31 Class of 2023 Graduation
- June 2 Student Early Release
- June 2 Last Day of School

All School Reunion!

ALL ALTOONA GRADUATES FROM ALL CLASSES ARE INVITED!

August 6th 2022

The 29 Pines Family Restaurant

A Message from the Altoona High School Alumni Association

Our next All Graduates High School Reunion is August 6, 2022. In order to locate more of our Altoona High School Alumni, we are asking for your help. If you, family or friends graduated between 1940 and 2015 and have recently moved or changed your name, please use the link below to update your current name and address. Note: If you did not receive a red, save the date card in November 2021, we do not have your address. Many graduates still have a parent's address in our alumni database. Please give them the following link to update their address if they are no longer living with you.

<https://altoona.forms-db.com/view.php?id=43262>

School District of Altoona 2023-2024

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Two Summer Days Teacher InService
August 8 & 9 New Teacher Orientation
August 22, 23, & 24 Staff InService
August 30 4K-12 Welcome Back Day
September 1 K-12 First Day of School
September 4 No School
September 5 First Day of 4K
September 22 Staff InService

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October 24 4K-12 Evening P/T Conferences
October 26 K-12 Student Early Release; No 4K
October 26 4K-8 Aft & Eve P/T Conferences
October 27 No School
November 20-24 No School
November 20 & 21 Staff InService
November 30 End of 9-12 Trimester 1
December 25-29 No School

January 2024						
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January 1 No School
January 15 Staff InService
January 18 9-12 Evening P/T Conferences
January 19 End of Semester 1
February 26 4K-8 Evening P/T Conferences
February 29 K-12 Student Early Release; No 4K
February 29 4K-8 Aft & Eve P/T Conferences
February 29 End of 9-12 Trimester 2
March 1 No School
March 25-29 No School

April 2024						
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April 25 9-12 Evening P/T Conferences
May 27 No School
May 29 Class of 2024 Graduation
May 31 Student Early Release
May 31 Last Day of School

A NOTE TO Visitors

WE WANT OUR SCHOOLS TO BE OPEN AND WELCOMING PLACES FOR OUR FAMILIES, VOLUNTEERS, AND COMMUNITY. AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THEY ARE SAFE AND SECURE PLACES FOR OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF.

VISITORS TO OUR SCHOOLS WILL BE ASKED TO PLEASE DO THE FOLLOWING:

CALL AHEAD TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE PERSON YOU ARE GOING TO VISIT.

BRING YOUR IDENTIFICATION AND BE PREPARED TO SHOW IT IF REQUESTED.

SIGN IN AND WEAR THE ASSIGNED VISITOR BADGE.

REMAIN IN THE SPECIFIC AREA OF THE BUILDING WHERE YOUR MEETING OR VISIT IS SCHEDULED.

SIGN OUT AND RETURN THE ASSIGNED VISITOR BADGE.

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