

News and Views

from the Vandercook Lake Public Schools

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School Starts Friday - August 27

School will begin in Vandercook Friday, August 27. High school and junior high students, Grades 6 through 12, should report to their first hour classes at 7:45 a.m. School will be dismissed one hour early at 1:35 on Friday for high school students and 2:05 for the elementary students. Elementary pupils at Townsend School, Grades 1 through 5 and morning kindergartners, will begin their day at 8:00. Classes for beginners assigned to afternoon sections will begin at 11:55.

All students who are enrolling in Vandercook Schools for the first time are required by law to present a birth certificate to the school. Please bring this information at the time of registration along with enrollment records and immunization records. All students owing fees should have payment available at registration.

The registration of Grades 6-12 at the high school will begin Friday, August 13. During registration, students will be assigned classes and lockers and will pay required deposit and breakage fees for the school year. Junior and senior high students should also purchase lunch tickets at this time. The price will be \$7.00 for one week. Our breakfast program tickets are also available. The price for breakfast is \$3.25 per week. Breakfast is served approximately thirty minutes before the start of the school day. All lunch periods will be approximately 25 minutes in length for the school year. Sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth grade students are not allowed to leave the school building for lunch. Juniors and seniors may leave the building if they can walk home and return within the lunch period.

At the time of registration, high school students are to pay a \$5.00 deposit fee which will be returned at the end of the school year. Also, students taking the following courses are to pay a \$2.00 breakage fee for non-consumable items: biology, technology, physics, and chemistry. All students in Grades 6, 7, 8, and 9, are required to take physical education unless a written excuse is presented, signed by a physician. Each student enrolled in a physical education class will be required to secure a lock for his/her gym locker through the high school. A lock deposit fee of \$2.00 will be refunded when the lock is returned in good condition at the end of the school year.

Registration will take place on the following dates from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the high school: Friday, August 13 - 6th grade; Monday, August 16 - 7th grade; Tuesday, August 17 - 8th grade; Wednesday, August 18 - 9th grade; Thursday, August 19 - 10th grade; Friday, August 20 - 11th grade; Monday, August 23 - 12th grade. Families with more than one high school student may enroll at the same time.

The open house scheduled for Thursday, August 26, 1999, is a special event for Vandercook Lake Public Schools. During the past several years, the school district and community have been involved in making improvements in the buildings. The new and renovated buildings are now ready for our students and staff. The opening of the Townsend Elementary and the High School/Middle School will be celebrated during the open houses for each building. The opening ceremony for the Townsend Building is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. and the High School/Middle School will follow at 7:30 p.m. Each ceremony will be held in the new gymnasium of each building. Please join us for this special evening.

The Board of Education is currently studying several district programs which can best be served in the McDevitt building. Throughout this coming year, program planning and preparations will be completed for the continued district and community use of the McDevitt facility.

Mrs. Diane McQuillan has accepted the position of Assistant Principal at Townsend Elementary. Mrs. McQuillan has been a teacher at Townsend for nine years teaching BK, first and second grades. Mrs. McQuillan states: "I went into education because I enjoy the challenges and opportunities in working with children. I experience a tremendous amount of joy working with children. My goal/philosophy as an educator is that every child is a learner with great potential. Therefore, I enjoy the challenge of working with every child individually. I am looking forward to working with our wonderful staff and students during this exciting year at Vandercook Lake.

**Townsend
Classroom
Assignments**

Kindergarten

**Mrs. Bailey
Room 24 - PM
Basic Kindergarten**

Anderson, Shay
Barnes, Autumn
Fink, Aaleyah
Foster, Cameron
Maxon, Kimberly
Mock, Scott
Monahan, Tyler
Sheets, Joshua
Tilger, Preston

**Mrs. Elzinga
Room 25 - AM
Kindergarten**

Bigford, Tyler
Bradshaw, Sarah
Brown, Holly
Chappel, Ericka
Cottongim, Austin
Drouin, Lawrence
Leathed-Huggett, Nathan
Licking, Amy
Meade, Tyler
Owens, Jordon
Sprangel, Timothy
Stewart, Breanna
Walker, Dallas
Webb, Terence
Wells, Steven
Wilson, Kayleigh

**Mrs. Elzinga
Room 25 - PM
Kindergarten**

Charles, Caitlyn
Fall, Nathan
Finley, John
Graves, Brytney
Henry, Margaret
Hopkins, Andrew
Leonard, Jordan
Maxson, Sierra
Monroe III, Emmett
Nodine, Alexander
Rauh, Carla
Ritter, Marissa
Smith, Cody
Trepka, Kristi
Wells, Kelsi
Workman, Ethan

**Mrs. Bailey
Room 24 - AM
Basic Kindergarten**

Ambs, Brooks
Arras, Kaycee
Bannister, Emma
Bennett, Jamie
Berry, Ayla
Carter, Brandi
Cox, Joshua
Foster, Logan
Johnson, Brandon
King, Gary
Kinney, Travis
Knox, Jacob
Sweeney, Conner
Wicklund, Kyle
Wolcott, Nicole

**Mrs.(Bentley) Fish
Room 10 - AM
Kindergarten**

Berkshire, Ethan
Bernstein, Abigayle
Bowersox, Devin
Castle, Michael
Hehl, Austin
Maliszewski, Frank
Marshall, Lance
Miranda, Emaleigh
Osborn, Tiffany
Perry, Kelsey
Rottler, Austin
Schultz, Tyler
Sheehan, Somer
Solano, Jessica
VanBlarcum, Tyler
Wilkinson, Jacob
Zakala, Amber

**Mrs. (Bentley) Fish
Room 10 - PM
Kindergarten**

Allen, Shelby
Avery, Amanda
Baird, Caleb
Baxter, Nathaniel
Boss, Tony
Chaffin, Kaylene
Funderburk, Lydia
Gage, Taylor
Harvey, Chyanne
Kirkland, Austin
Midena, Maria
Miller, Dustin
Strohm, Taylor
VanEpps, Kelsey
Vernier, Justin
Waters, Casey
Willis, Spencer

**Mrs. Stapley
Room 13 - AM
Kindergarten**

Bartkowiak, Tyler
Bynum, Carlton
Canty, Mandy
Causer, David
Grow, Samantha
Johnson, Jean-Pierre
Kelly, Kenla
Killgrove, Corey
Martin, Jaysen
McCafferty, Miranda
Meraz, Brandon
Piper, Shawn
Richardson, Jacob
Scott, Tyler
Shadley, Breanna
Strzyzewski, Michelle
Sullivan, Stefanie
Taliaferro, Trey
Weathers, Michael

**Townsend Classroom
Assignments - First Grade**

**Mrs. Barrett
Room 21
1st Grade**

Ambs, Darcey
Askins, Nathaniel
Austin, Dereck
Bailey, Kelsey
Bioty, Tyler
Butterfield, Casey
Caler, Brooke
Choate, Kimberlie
Gerding, Alyda
Hamilton, Jeffrie
Howard, Lauren
McCafferty, Treven
Smilowski, Ashley
Smith, Emily
Spink, Kolee
Sussex, Samantha
Tripp, Jr., Douglas
Wesolowski, Atanas
Wicklund, Stephanie
Yother, Jesse

**Mrs. (Yost) Castle
Room 6
1st Grade**

Bailey, Joseph
Bioty, Emilie
Bunker, Courtney
DeGroot, Courtney
Double, Cody
Embury, Michaela
Hein, Ashley
Hemminger, Kendra
Jacobs, Myriah
Knickerbocker, Charles
Krizan, Nicole
Lamb, Nathan
McCullough, Ashley
Phillips, Lyndsey
Pineau, Leandra
Roberts, Nicholas
Rogers, Sierra
Smith, Brooke
Uroda, Nathaniel
Vasbinder, Alexi
Wyllis, Evan

**Mrs. Frankila
Room 9
1st Grade**

Austin, Kirsti
Ballard, Samantha
Bennett, Justin
Bonney, Drew
Boyers, Amelia
Caler, Mark
Dockham, Ciara
Farthing, Brandon
Fischman, Quinn
Ganton, Chelsea
Horsley, Heather
Horton, Nathan
McDaniels, Joshua
Morgan, Kelly
Poole, Tomee
Raymond, Kristi
Richards, Traci
Rodda, Kasey
Snyder, Logan

**Mrs Cripe
Room 23
1st Grade**

Bird, Rachel
Chaffin, Danielle
Cooper, Mark
Fracala, Tera
Gensel, Kyle
Hoskins, Benjamin
Jennings, Kelly
Kilchenman, Kaitlen
Luty, Theresa
Mascho, Travis
McMullen, Kimberly
Morgan, Sharon
O'Rourke, Alicia
Parmele, Courtnee
Petress, James
Proseus, Jennifer
Smith, Charity
VanEpps, Donald
Webb II, Michael
Worden, Ryan

**Mrs. Osypczuk
Room 12
1st Grade**

Adair, Jason
Andrews, Michael
Augustine, Autumn
Bassett, Ashley
Bouldrey, Jaime
Burkholder, Linzy
Fairchild, Kayla
Field, Andrew
Geistel, Damon
Harvey, Casey
Holm, Carrie
Johnson, Grace
Maliszewski, Amber
Negus, Ryan
Osypczuk, Adam
Payne, Jennifer
Rasmussen, Tyler
Sanders, Maranda
Smak, Travis
Stubbs, Rebecca
Watson, Anna
Webb, Whitney

**Townsend Classroom
Assignments - Second Grade**

**Mrs. Allen
Room 8
2nd Grade**

Adair, Ryan
Berry, Jonathan
Bouldrey, Rebecca
Boyt, Alexis
Bunch, Jennifer
Butterfield, Brandie
Hightower, Steven
Hildebrand, Emily
Jones, Clay
Kaiser, Alessandra
Keyes, Matthew
Lashley, Kody
Lowe, Mitchell
Oberlin, Kayla
Rockwell, Mitchell
Sauceda, Joseph
Tanier, Andrew
Warner, Sydney
Weathers, Kelsey
Weiss, Spencer
White, Sarah
Wilson, Ryan
Worden, Jacob

**Mrs. Hause
Room 11
2nd Grade**

Brandt, Mitchell
Crum, Bradlee
Donaldson, Jordan
Donner, Ryan
Dougherty, Michael
Guernsey, Brandon
Hale, Olivia
Jeffery, Brandon
Martin, Jonathon
Maxon, Branden
Nodine, Anthony
Passino, April
Pruden, Melinda
Reichard, Tiffany
Sauber, Brittney
Smith, Hannah
Stack-Lacy, Taylor
Stevenson, Marah
Stiles, Kevin
Swaenepoel, Charles
Swihart, Brittney
Tesch, Cassie
Walker, Dylan
Webb, Kristopher

**Miss Kempf
Room 15
2nd Grade**

Adams, Billy
Bailey, Samantha
Bethel, Haylie
Burkholder, Michael
Bynum, Shay
Cichy, David
Fall, Zachary
Ford, Brandon
Globensky, Tara
Hale, Kelcie
Hinton, Ethan
King, Samantha
LeFaive, Austin
Morgan, Lisa
Newman, Kayla
Nichols, Brandon
O'Neill, Zachary
Robbins, Brittney
Solis, Amanda
Topa, Sydney
Trowbridge, Kurt
Vowler, Kirk
Waters, Corey
Wheaton, Ashley

**Mrs. Higgins
Room 7
2nd Grade**

Adair, Allan
Beilfuss, Kaylee
Bennett, Zachary
Bos, Jacob
Burton, Dillon
Collis, Chelsea
Eilola, Brady
Fall, Dillon
Geiersbach, Bradley
Hartzell, Kayla
Joshua, Jase
Maxon, Brooke
Meraz, Alexandria
Myers, Kelsey
Ryan, Krystal
Sands, Olivia
Smith, Kayla
Stevens, Tyler
Trowbridge, Adam
Tucker, Steven
Wagar, Travis
Warren, Caleb
Watson, Zachary
Wyatt, Cody

**Mrs. Rininger
Room 22
2nd Grade**

Backus, Audrianna
Beilfuss, Joshua
Canty, Amanda
Chappel, Sean
Crospey, Alan
Draper, Justin
Dunckel, Erica
Fitzworth, Chelsea
Javaherian, Sharlene
Johnson, David
King, Christopher
Knox, Lynnae
Lange, Ashlee
Lawrence, Casey
Lowe, Joshua
Marriott, Andrew
Mileschkowsky, Melissa
Powell, Eric
Proseus, Corey
Smyth, Reid
Sprangel, Samuel
Wheaton, Michelle
Wilcox, Lisa
Wireman, Steven

**Townsend Classroom
Assignments - Third Grade**

**Mrs. Bennett
Room 3
Third Grade**

Austin, Nick
Barron-Garred, Courtney
Baxter, Nicholas
Brown, Donald
Clement, Brittany
Conner, Emilee
Crabtree, Nicole
Emery, Sean
Fleming, Brittney
Hamlin, Rainey
Harmon, Michael
Hazelton, Lori
Henrich, Trenton
Hutton, Kayla
Mauil, Jr., Kerry
McCafferty, Jeremy
Miranda, Jr., Bobby
Moore, Chelsea
O'Rourke, Arianna
Sauceda, Thomas
Smak, Bryant
Smith, Daniel
Trepka, Frank
Zimmerman, Sierra

**Mrs. Jones
Room 4
Third Grade**

Baxter, Thomas
Boody, Erica
Caler, Joseph
Calkins, Victoria
Caudle, Amber
Cavender, Kayla
Hammerle, William
Hightower, Brittney
Holdridge, Joseph
Holt, Christopher
Howard, Cassandra
Kelley, Carey
Lightner-Workman, Ashley
Negus, Mathew
Peterson, Maria
Phipps, Elijah
Salgat, Amanda
Shores, Kyle
Teeter, Jami
Wesolowski, Cali
Wheeldon, Kelsie
White, Andrew

**Mrs. Kinner
Room 2
Third Grade**

Andrews, Thomas
Ballard, Ashley
Bannister, Caleb
Berry, Jacob
Burkholder, Megan
Camp, Brandie
Cooper, Heather
Dennis, Tiffany
Earley, Brandon
Ebersole, Destiny
Hamlin, Jessica
Herrington, Nathan
King, Christina
Marshall, Dallas
Nichols, Jolene
Pickrell, Anthony
Sessoms, Katelyn
Sexton, Raymond
Smith, Sarah
Uroda, Michael
VanDusen, Amber
Webb, Matthew
Wooten, Ryan

**Mr. Spaan
Room 5
Third Grade**

Austin, Zachary
Baker, Nicholas
Bostwick, Jade
Bowersox, Grace
Brenner, Jacob
Caler, Ashley
Campbell, Britney
Dimery, Christy
Fillmore, Amy
Furlong, Megan
Kimball, Eric
Kurtz, Mackenzie
LeFaive, Jordan
Lynch, Jonathan
Middlebrook, Anthony
Newman, Coty
Perry, Kristen
Puckett, Roxanne
Rodziewicz, Ronni
Stoddard, Megan
Suomala, Tyler
Trudell-Reichard, Casey
Uldricks, Sarah

**Miss Waite
Room 1
Third Grade**

Backes, Chantel
Burke, Michelle
Carpenter, Larry
Converse, Thomas
Draper, Brittney
Dunlap, Brent
Fitzworth, James
Foster, Skye
Funderburk, Autumn
Furlong, Patrick
Haire, Jacob
Harris, Christina
Henry, Michael
Higgins, Amy
Horton, Jana
Joshua, Tamar
Pitek, Alyssa
Rauh, Devon
Richardson, Alise
Rink, Cara
Rodriguez, Ricardo
Susskind, Tyler
Wheaton-Herr, Brittney

Reminder- Procedures for Entering the Building at Townsend Elementary

All students who arrive and return home by car are to enter and leave the school through the front door.

Please use the circular drive for drop-off and pick-up only. Parents who wish to enter the school, please park in one of the parking lots in front of the school, along Floyd Avenue.

In order to avoid congestion, please turn **right only** when leaving the circular drive and the front parking lots.

There will be adults inside the front entrance who will help students find their classrooms.

Students who are eating breakfast may arrive after 7:30 and go directly to the lunchroom. Children using Latchkey services may enter the building after 6:30 a.m. All other children should not arrive at school until 7:55 a.m. unless special arrangements have been made.

Mark Schonhard
Assistant Principal - HS

Mr. Mark Schonhard joins the junior and senior high school administrative team as our Assistant Principal. Before joining our teaching staff in 1997 as a social studies instructor, Mark served as Assistant Principal at Jackson Catholic Middle School for ten years. Mark brings a tremendous wealth of middle-school experience and expertise to the Vandercook Lake staff.

MIDDLE/HIGHSCHOOLSTAFF

- Mr. Anthony Hollow, *Principal*;
- Ms. Amy Potts, *Assistant Principal*;
- Mr. Mark Schonhard, *Assistant Principal*;
- Ms. Maria Andrijonas, *Science*;
- Mr. Mark Bareis, *Social Studies; Psych.*
- Mrs. Karen Benson, *Learning Disabled*;
- Mr. Paul Bickel, *Instrumental Music, Choir*;
- Ms. Marcia Bigger, *Librarian*;
- Mr. James Biondolillo, *Counseling*;
- Mr. Chris Blackledge, *Math; Science*;
- Ms. Barbara Blair, *Physical Ed.*;
- Mrs. Susan Cook, *Spanish*;
- Mr. Darrell Dunckel, *Physical Education*;
- Mr. Les Essex, *6th Grade*;
- Mr. John Faber, *Art*;
- Mr. Phillip Garrison, *Technology Director*;
- Mr. Thomas Gass, *English*;
- Mr. Trevor Goedert, *English, Social Studies*;
- Ms. Sue Haney, *Counselor*;
- Mrs. Joan Hofer, *Spanish; Social Studies*;
- Mr. Eric Jacobs, *Physical Education, Social Studies*;
- Mrs. Dawn Knight, *Social Studies; Math*;
- Mrs. Debbie Lattas, *6th Grade*;
- Mrs. Roberta Ludtke, *Learning Disabled*;
- Mrs. Rita McVey, *Learning Disabled*;
- Mr. Charles Miller, *Athletic Director*;
- Mr. Thomas Pepper, *Computer Science*;
- Mr. Pete Powers, *English*;
- Mr. Timothy Pryor, *Science; Health*;
- Mr. Lyman Robertson, *Alternative Education*;
- Mr. Daniel Roggenbaum, *Mathematics, Chemistry*;
- Mrs. Jennifer Schupbach, *English, Speech*;
- Mrs. Patti Shafer, *Business*;
- Mrs. Diane Stevens, *Business*;
- Mr. Wesley Stevenson, *Biology; Spanish; Chemistry*
- Mrs. Debra Talerico, *Alternative Education*
- Mr. Brian Thompson, *Social Studies, Math*;
- Mr. Steven Tucker, *English, Journalism; Soc. Studies*
- Mrs. Beth Ulrich, *6th Grade*;
- Mr. Wayne Vibbert, *Social Studies*;
- Mrs. Patricia Blossom, *Secretary*
- Mrs. Judith Horsfall, *Secretary*
- Mrs. Jacqueline Hunter, *Secretary*

Townsend Elementary Staff assignments other than those previously listed under kindergarten through third grade include Mr. Paul Chilcote, Principal; Mrs. Diane McQuillan, Assistant Principal; Mrs. Brenda Johnson, Mrs. Kathryn (Dulude) Glead; Mrs. Doreen Warner - Special Education Teachers; Lynda Childs, Vocal Music; Mrs. Suzanne Richardson, Art and Kindergarten Physical Education and Music; Mr. Paul Bickel, Elementary Band, Mrs. Helen Taylor, Librarian; Mr. Willian Spencer, Physical Education; Mrs. Marilyn Sheets, School Nurse; Mrs. Michelle Boorman, Elementary Social Worker, Mrs. Susan Franck, HOSTS Coordinator; Mrs. Claudia Taylor Secretary, and Mrs. Joette Saari, Secretary.

Other classroom assignments are: Mrs. Amy Cobb, Mrs. Margaret Hume, Mr. Mark Snyder, and Mr. Dan Wandell - **4th Grade Teachers**. Mrs. Jennifer French, Mr. John Myers, Mr. Jon Packer, and Mr. Chris VanEpps - **5th Grade Teachers**.

Due to time restraints and personnel changes, the entire list of support personnel is not available at this time. The complete listing will be printed in the next issue of "News and Views".

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Randall Treacher	President
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Diane Schweda	Secretary
Delinda Woods	Trustee
Philip Lewan	Trustee
Joseph Sheets	Trustee

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

- Burdette W. Andrews, Superintendent
- Ronald R. Bennett, Assist. Superintendent
- Eve A. Todd, Secretary/Bookkeeper
- Diane O. Riedel, Secretary/Bookkeeper

Bus Students

Friday morning, August 27, buses will leave the school at 7:00 a.m. and cover approximately the same routes as last year. Elementary bus runs will be made at 7:20 a.m. for the trailer court on McDevitt and the Southfield sub-division. When school closes Friday, buses will leave with high school students at 1:40 p.m. and the elementary building at 2:05 p.m. On Monday, dismissal time will be 2:40 for high school students and 3:05 for the elementary grades.

All Kindergarten through fifth grade classes will be at Townsend Elementary. Children who live near McDevitt School should meet in front of the school gymnasium (bus leaving at 7:45) and ride a bus to Townsend. All students in Grades K-5 who live close to Townsend School will walk. The parameters will be from McDevitt to Marion, and Draper to Hague. There will be some adjustments made to the bus routes after the school year begins. Parents of kindergarten students in areas to be covered by school bus runs will be contacted before school starts.

Bus Safety

The mission of the transportation department is to safely and efficiently transport students to and from school. Student behavior that interferes with this mission cannot be tolerated. Misbehavior may result in students being denied the privilege of being transported.

Bus rules will be given to each student riding the bus. If rules are broken and students do not behave appropriately on the bus, the driver will talk to the student and, if warranted, that student's parent or guardian. The next step will be a written warning by the driver and copies sent home and to the appropriate principal.

Parents please discuss the importance of bus safety with your students.

Vandercook Lake High School Fall Sports Schedule

VARSITY FOOTBALL

AUGUST	27 Springport	A7:00
SEPTEMBER	3 Addison	A7:00
"	(Red Nite)	
"	10 Grass Lake	H7:00
"	17 East Jackson	H7:00
"	(Band Nite)	
"	24 Napoleon	A7:00
OCTOBER	1 Michigan Center	H7:00
"	(Homecoming)	
"	8 Manchester	A7:00
"	15 Hanover-Horton	H7:00
"	(Parents Nite)	
"	22 Cross Over	7:00

Coaches: Brian Thompson
Norm Moran
Les Essex

BOYS AND GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

SEPTEMBER	11 Centreville	A9:00a.m.
"	15 Springport Inv	A4:00
"	18 Holly	A 9:00am
"	21 Addison atMC	A4:30
"	25 Jackson Invit	A11:30am
"	28 HH & GL	H4:30
OCTOBER	2	
"	5 East Jackson	H4:30
"	9 Hudson Invit	A10:00am
"	12 Nap & Manch	H4:30
"	16 Gabriel Richard A	
"	21 Conference	
"	30 Regionals	
NOVEMBER	1 Chris Jensen meet	TBA
"	6 State	TBA

Coaches: Boys: Tom Gass
Girls: Dan Roggenbaum

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

AUGUST	26 Springport	H6:30
SEPTEMBER	2 Addison	H6:30
"	9 Grass Lake	A6:30
"	16 East Jackson	A6:30
"	23 Napoleon	H6:30
"	30 Michigan Center	A6:30
OCTOBER	7 Manchester	H6:30
"	14 Hanover-Horton	A6:30
"	21 Quincy	A6:00

Coaches: Mark Snyder
Eric Jacobs

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

SEPTEMBER	15 Michigan Center	A4:30
"	22 Napoleon	A4:30
"	29 Addison	H4:30
OCTOBER	6 Hanover	A4:30
"	13 Concord	H4:30
"	20 E. Jackson	H4:30

Coaches: Mark Bareis-7th Grade
Chris VanEpps-7th Grade
Steve Tucker - 8th Grade
Kris Warner - 8th Grade

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL

SEPTEMBER	20 Napoleon	A4:30
"	22 Addison	H4:30
"	27 Hanover-Horton	A4:30
"	29 East Jackson	H4:30
OCTOBER	4 Grass Lake	H4:30
"	6 Manchester	A4:30
"	11 Michigan Center	A4:30
"	13 Napoleon	H4:30
"	18 Addison	A4:30
"	20 Hanover-Horton	H4:30
"	25 Springport	A4:30

Coaches: TBA-7th Grade
Becky Scholten-8th Grade

GIRLS J.V. AND VARSITY BASKETBALL

AUGUST	31 Springport	A5:30
SEPTEMBER	2 Western	A5:30
"	9 Leslie	H5:30
"	16 Manchester	A5:30
"	21 Jackson Baptist	A5:30
"	23 Napoleon	H5:30
"	28 Grass Lake	A5:30
"	30 E. Jackson	A5:30
OCTOBER	5 Battle Creek St.Phil	H5:30
"	7 Addison	H5:30
"	12 Hanover	A4:30
"	14 Michigan Center	A5:30
"	19 Manchester	H5:30
"	21 Napoleon	A5:30
"	26 Grass Lake	H5:30
"	28 East Jackson	H5:30
NOVEMBER	2 Addison	A5:30
"	4 Hanover	H4:30
"	9 Michigan Center	H5:30
"	11 Lenawee Chr.	H5:30
"	15 Districts	

Coaches: Varsity: Amy Potts
J.V: Barb Blair

Tailgate Party

The annual tailgate party will be held on Wednesday, August 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the parking lot on top of the football field. Food will be furnished. Bring your own card tables and chairs. The tailgate party is sponsored by the Athletic and Band Boosters organizations. All fall athletic teams and band members will be introduced.

On Tuesday, September 14 there will be a Tailgate Party for all the junior high girls basketball and football teams. The Athletic Boosters will sponsor the party. Parents and their families are invited to meet the teams. The party will start at 6:30 p.m. in the high school gym.

See you at the Tailgate Party!

Smoke-Free School District - See Page 10 for policy.

HOT LUNCH MENU

FRIDAY 8-27-99	MONDAY 8-30-99	TUESDAY 8-31-99	WEDNESDAY 9-01-99	THURSDAY 9-02-99	FRIDAY 9-03-99
Pizza or Cheeseburger on Bun Corn Pears Ice Cream Sandwich Milk	Pizza or Nachos w/Meat & Cheese Green Beans Cherry Crisp Milk	Pizza or Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Peaches Roll & Butter Milk	Pizza or Ham & Cheese on Bun Doritos Dill Spears Mixed Fruit Jello Milk	Pizza or Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Tossed Salad Bread Sticks Applesauce Milk	Pizza or Fish Sandwich on Bun Tater Tots Pineapple Tidbits Choc. Chip Cookie Milk
	MONDAY 9-06-99	TUESDAY 9-07-99	WEDNESDAY 9-08-99	THURSDAY 9-09-99	FRIDAY 9-10-99
	Labor Day No School	Pizza or Ravioli Corn Bread & Butter Peaches Milk	Pizza or Turkey & Gravy Mashed Potatoes Bread Sticks Pears Milk	Pizza or Beef & Bean Burrito Peas Pineapple Tidbits Iced Cake Milk	Pizza or Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Bread & Butter Applesauce Milk

Daily Choices: Hamburg on bun, vegetable, fresh fruit, crackers, 2% or whole milk (choc or white)

Based on family income, applications will be made available at all school offices for free or reduced price lunches. When sending lunch money to school for elementary students, place the exact amount in a sealed envelope. The amount due for the first two weeks of school which is ten days is \$12.00 for Townsend students. Cost of hot lunches to date is \$6.00 per week for Townsend students (1.30 daily). Place the student's first and last name on the outside of the envelope, the date the student is having lunch, the amount of money enclosed, and the teacher's name. If extra milk is desired, it may be purchased for 20 cents. High school students may purchase tickets for the first two weeks of school (10) days for \$14.00. Cost of hot lunches for high school students is \$7.00 per week or \$1.45 daily.

Help Needed for Playground Assembly - September 11, 1999

In the fall of 1998 a group of concerned teachers, parents, and administrators gathered in the Townsend Elementary School Library to begin the process of creating a safe play environment for the children of our school.

After a year of planning, research, and fund-raising, the playground plan has evolved. We feel we have planned a well-designed outdoor environment that combines physical fitness, imaginative play and access for special-needs children. This playground will be an asset to our students and the Vandercook Lake community for years to come.

On Saturday, September 11, we will need your help in the form of equipment assembly, refreshments, and childcare. We will need at least 50 people on the assembly crew. Please contact Townsend Elementary School (517) 784-6133 by August 26 to volunteer your help.

Thank you so much for your support!

----The Townsend Elementary School Playground Committee

**NAPOLEON - GRASS LAKE - VANDERCOOK LAKE
ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION**

Community Enrichment Classes

A variety of enrichment classes will be offered this fall. Most classes will be held at the Ackerson Lake Community Center, 4216 W. Brooklyn Road. If you are interested in our classes or you have a suggestion for classes you would like to see offered, please call 764-0761.

Children

Music Garden Demo Class Aug 25 10:00am

Music Garden Sept 16 (16 wks)
10:30-11:30 - Newborn to 18 months
11:30-12:30 - 18 months to 3-1/2 years

Karate Sept 13 (8 wks)
Jr. 6-7 pm Cost \$15
Grace - 7-8 pm \$15
Open/Family 7-9 pm - Individual \$30 - Family \$60

Roller Hockey - \$3.00 Sept 18 & Oct 16 10am-12 pm

Hunter Safety 6:30-9:30 (\$5.00) Sept 21, 23, 28, 30
Shoot Date Oct 2

Red Cross Babysitting - TBA

Adults

Dog Obedience \$70 Sept 14 (6 wks)

Aerobics \$35 Sept 20 (Mon & Wed)

Sign Language \$60 Sept 16 6-8 pm

Basic Computers \$30/3 wks \$55/6wks Sept 9

Cake Decorating \$25 Sept 22 (4 wks)
Days 10am to 12pm
Nights 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Swing Dancing TBA - CPR & First Aid - TBA

Stain Glass- TBA Financial Planning - TBA

Ackerson Lake Child Care Center

A toddler room is available at the Ackerson Lake Child Care Center, and we provide child care for children 12 months to 12 years old. If you have a need for these services, please call and register your child at 764-0761.

Earn your Diploma! Sign up for high school classes. Vandercook Lake, Napoleon, and Grass Lake will be offering Adult Education classes during the 1999-00 school year.

WHERE: Ackerson Lake Community Center
4126 W. Brooklyn Road
Jackson, MI 49201

WHEN: August 30, 1999 - Community High
September 7, 1999 - Adults

ADVANTAGES:

- Relaxed atmosphere
- Small classes
- Plenty of personal attention

REGISTER NOW - CALL 764-0761

Ackerson Lake Preschool

There are openings in Preschool classes at Ackerson Lake Community Center. We have an exciting preschool program for children 3 and 4 years old. Preschool starts September 7, 1999. If you would like your child in Preschool this fall, please call and register immediately at 764-0761.

Asbestos Management Plan Notice

The school district has conducted an extensive asbestos inspection of all buildings. This survey and a follow-up management plan were completed by state certified inspector-consultants. Insulation on pipes, furnaces, hot water tanks, etc. are encapsulated according to EPA recommendations. The survey and plan indicate no friable materials in school buildings.

To ensure the health and safety of building occupants, surveillance by local certificated personnel is conducted every six months. Reinspections by state qualified inspectors also are required and made every third year.

The plan is available for inspection at the central office in the high school, and if requested, it will be supplied to school patrons within five working days at a cost of \$.30 per page.

Smoke-Free School District

The Board of Education of the Vandercook Lake Public Schools adopted a resolution that there will be no smoking on school grounds at any time. The policy takes effect in the 1999-2000 school year. This smoke-free policy will affect athletic contests. If someone needs to smoke between games or at half-time, they must leave the school grounds. This resolution is not intended to inconvenience too many people; however, it will benefit the entire community to be smoke free.

Use of tobacco products includes:

1. The carrying of a lighted cigar, pipe or other lighted smoking device.
2. The inhaling or chewing of a tobacco product.
3. The placing of a tobacco product within a person's mouth.

Weapon Free School Zone Policy

The Board of Education of the Vandercook Lake Public School District, as both an employer and a public school district, is concerned with and interested in protecting the health, safety, and welfare of students, employees, and visitors. The Board recognizes that school buildings, facilities, vehicles, grounds and other school property are best utilized in the educational process in the absence of threats to physical well-being and safety, by individuals possessing weapons.

Accordingly, the Board of Education of the Vandercook Lake School District shall permanently expel a pupil from attending school in the school district if the pupil possesses a weapon or commits arson or rape in a weapon free school zone.

This law continues to be discussed at the state legislature. Vandercook Schools will maintain a policy in full compliance with this law.

Drug Free Schools Notice

The Vandercook Lake School District attempts to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for all of its students and patrons. To this end and because the use of illicit drugs and the unlawful possession and use of alcohol is wrong and harmful, the district complies with the Federal Drug Free School Act.

In accordance with this federal law and Board of Education policy, the use, possession, concealment, or distribution of drugs or alcohol by students on school grounds, in school or school-approved vehicles, or at any school-related event is prohibited. Any student who violates this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, in accordance with due process, up to and including expulsion from school and prosecution. Compliance to these standards by students is mandatory.

The district is concerned about any student who is a victim of alcohol or drug abuse and will facilitate the process by which he/she receives help through programs and services available in the community.

Non-students who violate the provisions of the Drug Free School Zone subject themselves to severe penalties under the law.

OSHA Regulations

The Vandercook Lake School District is subject to federal regulation from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to restrict the spread of hepatitis B virus (HBV) and human immune deficiency virus (HIV) in the workplace. These regulations are designed to protect employees of the district who are, or could be, exposed to blood or other contaminated bodily fluids while performing their job duties.

Because of the very serious consequences of contracting HBV or HIV, the district is committed to taking the necessary precautions to protect both students and staff from its spread in the school environment.

Part of the federally mandated procedures include a requirement that the district request the person who is bleeding to consent to be tested for HBV or HIV. This information would then be provided both to the exposed employee and the treating physician to determine proper medical treatment.

The law does not require parents or guardians to grant permission for the examination of their child's blood, but it does require the district to request the consent. Although we expect that incidents of exposure will be few, we wanted to notify parents of these requirements ahead of time. That way, if the situation does develop, you will understand the reason for our request and will have an opportunity to consider it in advance. These are serious diseases, and we sincerely hope that through proper precautions and cooperation, we can prevent them from spreading.

Bus Vandalism Sanctions Strengthened

H.B. 4155 (bus vandalism) was signed by Governor John Engler in April to take effect August 1, 1995. P.A. 13 (H.B. 4155) establishes a five-year prison term and a fine of up to \$5,000 for creating a health or safety hazard by damaging a bus. Previously such conduct was punishable as a malicious destruction, carrying a prison term of up to four years and a fine of up to \$2,000.

Pesticide Control Act Required Notice of Pesticide Application

At the beginning of each school year, administrators shall notify parents and guardians of children attending that school of the right to be informed prior to any application of a pesticide at that school.

The notice described in the previous paragraph shall contain information, obtained from the person applying the pesticides, which includes a statement that a pesticide will be applied, the approximate location of the application, and the date of application.

Nondiscrimination Policy

It is the policy of the Vandercook Lake School District that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, sex, marital status, or handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity and in employment as required by Title VI Civil Rights Act of 1964; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Title IX of the Educational Amendment of 1972; or American Disabilities Act of 1990.

Student Harassment Policy

Harassment of a student(s) by other students or any member of the staff is contrary to the Board of Education's commitment to provide a physically and psychologically safe environment in which to learn and may be in violation of federal or state law. Anyone found to have violated this policy and/or the Code of Conduct shall be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion from the district.

Senior Citizen Passes

Passes are available to all Vandercook Lake School District senior citizens compliments of the Board of Education. This pass will allow our senior citizens the opportunity to attend Vandercook Lake School sponsored events held in any of our district facilities free of charge. Exceptions to the free admission include but are not limited to MHSAA tournaments, non-school -sponsored programs and events, fundraising activities, and school plays/dramas requiring admission due to royalties. Passes are available from the Superintendent's office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Senior citizens are at least 60 years of age and retired.

Board of Education
meetings will be held
the second Monday
of each month at 6:00
p.m. in the high
school library.

1999 CALENDAR

August	9	Regular School Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.
	13	6th Grade Registration
	16	7th Grade Registration
	17	8th Grade Registration
	18	9th Grade Registration
	19	10th Grade Registration
	20	11th Grade Registration
	23	12th Grade Registration
	25	High School Tailgate Party 6:30 p.m.
	26	Open House - See Article on Right
	27	Students first day - Early dismissal
September	6	Labor Day - No School
	7	School Pictures High/Middle School
	13	Regular School Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
	14	Junior High Tailgate Party 6:30 p.m.
October	1	Homecoming - Michigan Center
	3	Marching Band Invitational
	4	Awards Night - Junior/Senior High 7:30 p.m.
	12	Elementary Picture Day
	29	Marking Period Ends
November	3	Marching Band Concert - High School Gym 7:00 p.m.
	4	Parent Teacher Conferences 1-4; 7-9 pm 1/2 Day School
	5	Parent Teacher Conferences 1-3 pm; 1/2 Day School
	20	Apple Pie Sale
	25-26	Thanksgiving Break
December	4,5	5th-6th Grade Girls' Basketball Tournament
	9	Holiday Band Concert - High School Gym 7:00 p.m.
	17-Jan3	Winter Break

Open House Thursday, August 26, 1999

Open House will be held earlier again this year to allow parents to tour the building, find their child's classroom, meet the teachers, and to hear what the school year will be like. The curriculum, classroom expectations, and ways parents may become involved will be explained. The evening will begin by meeting in the gym for the opening ceremony then go to the classrooms to meet with the child's teacher. Everyone is invited to tour the building. We hope this will help make the start of school a little smoother for all.

Times:

6:00 p.m.-7:15 p.m. Grades BK-2nd at Townsend
8:00 p.m.-9:15 p.m. Grades 3rd-5th at Townsend
7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Grades 6th-12th at High School

Latchkey

Latchkey registration will be August 16 and 17 in Townsend's old library beginning at 7:00 a.m. under the supervision of Mrs. Bonnie Harvey and Mrs. Wendy Hynes. There is limited space for five-year olds. All children must attend Townsend Schools to participate. Latchkey will be held in the old Library (Room 20) during the 1999-2000 school year.

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