

Ballard Dimensions

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Registration for the 2011-2012 School Year Deadline July 15!

The 2011 summer will soon be drawing to a close and the 2011-2012 school year will be in session. This issue of the Dimensions is dedicated to information regarding student registration.

All the forms needed for registration can be found on the Ballard website:

www.ballard.k12.ia.us under Guidance/Registration.

Additional information is available in the expanded July 2011 issue of Ballard Dimensions which may also be found on the Ballard website.

Print the necessary school forms, complete them and mail in by July 15.

We encourage all parents to take advantage of the opportunity to register their children by mail.

Registration materials should be mailed to:

Ballard Schools/Registration

Attn: Peggy Wilson

P.O. Box 307

Huxley, IA 50124-0307

If you do not have internet access and are unable to print the registration forms, you may pick up a set at the administration office. Summer hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Classes will begin on Thursday, August 18

The first week of school will be full days.

If you have any questions regarding registration, please call the guidance office at 597-2971 ext 400. Please be prompt in returning your registration materials. Many hours are spent making phone calls to follow up on registration materials that are not returned in a timely fashion. Not returning the materials on time may result in delays for your child on back-to-school night and on the first day of school.

Please attach proper postage to your envelope when mailing your registration materials!

School will run from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm on Thursday, August 18, 2011 at

Ballard East Elementary and Ballard West Elementary.

2011-2012 Registration/Technology Fee: This fee is for all students EK-12 and should be sent in the with remittance form found in this Dimensions, on the website, or may be paid on line through PaySchools. Fees will be charged as follows: EK-2: \$10.00, Grades 3-5: \$20.00, Family maximum: \$90.00 If approved for full fee waiver: NO COST. If approved for partial fee waiver: EK-2: \$4.00, Grades 3-5: \$8.00

Registration Remittance Slip: Included is a remittance sheet which we would ask that you use to mail in your fees. This slip should also be used to purchase an activity pass . **Please print off and mail in with registration.**

Lunch account money should be paid on line through PaySchools or mailed directly to :

**Ballard Schools, ATTN: Grant Chapin, P.O. Box 307, Huxley, IA 50124-0307
(form is on the website)**

Activity Passes: Students in grades EK-12 are encouraged to purchase an all sports activity pass for \$40.00. This pass is good for admittance to all sports activities held at Ballard for the 2011-2012 school year, except tournaments. Athletic punch tickets are also available in the high school office for \$20.00

Physical Examination Form: Students entering Early Kindergarten and Kindergarten have already received a physical examination form. This form is also available on the website. These forms need to be returned before school starts and must be completed and signed by the physician.

Insurance: Medical insurance coverage is available from Student Assurance Services, Inc., of Stillwater, Minnesota for those who wish to purchase it. The information and enrollment forms are available in each school office.

Prescription Drugs: If your child should need to take prescription drugs, the medication must come to the school **in the prescription bottle**. The pharmacy label must show the student's name, the date prescribed, name of the medication, dosage, times and method of administration, prescribing physician, name and address of the pharmacy and any special storage or administration procedures. The prescription medication form must accompany the prescription with the parent's written permission showing the time the medication should be given and the number of days. The prescription medication form is on our website. This is required by law and is for your child's safety. We would also appreciate being able to keep the prescribed medication at school as transporting prescription drugs back and forth to school on a daily basis is a concern.

Early Kindergarten and Kindergarten Immunizations Cards: All students in Early Kindergarten and Kindergarten must include their completed Immunization Cards with their registration materials if they have not already sent this information to the school. These students will not be allowed to register unless this requirement is fulfilled as this is State law.

Health Update Form: This form is available on the website and includes information for dispensing over-the-counter medication. Please return this form immediately.

Internet Independent Use Agreement and Acknowledgement Form: Parents of Early Kindergarten and Kindergarten students are asked to read and explain this agreement to their children. The child and parent are then asked to sign the Acknowledgement Form (found on the website) and return it with the registration materials. Any student new to the District must also complete this form. (Kindergarten students received this form before Round Up).

Student Transportation Form: Required for all students. This form is used to set bus routes, but also to make a comprehensive list of how every Ballard student gets to and from school. Completion of this form enables the transportation department and teachers to know if a student is to be walking, picked up by a parent or on a bus. Most students returned this form in May. These forms have already been used to make preliminary routes for the 2011-2012 school year. If you have had an address change or did not return your form in May, please submit a form immediately. The form is available on the website.

Standard Fee Waiver Application: Due to state guidelines the Standard Fee Waiver Application will not be available until late July. It will be included in the August issue of Dimensions and available on the school website the last week of July. ***This application must be completed each year. Filing an application for free or reduced meals does NOT take care of this.*** The Standard Fee Waiver Application Form must be filed to get a fee waived or reduced. You may list all of your children on one form. For any student whose family qualifies for any of the criteria that is listed under the full waiver portion of the form, the Driver Education Fee of \$340.00 will be waived. For those students who are approved for the partial waiver, the Driver Education Fee will be \$136.00 per student. The fee waiver, if approved, also applies to the registration/technology fee for all EK-12 students. The free and reduced lunch price determination for this form must be made using a newly completed 2011-2012 Application for Free and Reduced-Priced Meals, not from last school year's eligibility. This form will be available in late July and will be in the August Dimensions. **Free and reduced price meals does not cover EK or kindergarten milk. Everyone must pay for milk. You may request your child not receive EK or Kindergarten milk.**

School will begin on Thursday, August 18, 2011 at Ballard Middle School. It will be a regular school day with students in class from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. All 6-8 grade students will report to their first hour class.

Good Conduct Code: Students will be given the Good Conduct Code, Academic Eligibility Policy and other important information in a Student Handbook at Back to School Night.

Internet Independent Use Agreement and Acknowledgement Form: Any student who wants the privilege of using the Internet at school must have a signed Internet Independent Use Agreement Form on file in the guidance office.

6th- 8th Grade Back to School Night: Back to School Night will be held on Tuesday, August 16.

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Physical Examination Form: *Any student participating in athletics must have a current physical form on file before they may participate in athletic practices or events.* This form can be found on the school website.

Insurance: Medical insurance coverage is available from Student Assurance Services, Inc., of Stillwater, Minnesota for those who wish to purchase it. The information and enrollment forms are available in the principal's office of each school.

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The free and reduced lunch price determination for this form must be made using a newly completed 2011-2012 Application for Free and Reduced-Priced Meals, not from last school year's eligibility. This form will be available in late July and will be in the August Dimensions.

Athletic Emergency Card: This card will be provided by coaches in each sport. These cards are carried by the coaching staff during each athletic activity to provide information if an accident should occur. Some medical treatment agencies have indicated that they could provide treatment when the parent is not available if there is a signature on the card.

Planners: Planners will be available for students to purchase for \$5.00. This is not required. Students are welcome to purchase any planner of their choice.

Prescription Drugs: If your child should need to take prescription drugs, the medication must come to the school **in the prescription bottle**. The pharmacy label must show the student's name, the date prescribed, name of the medication, dosage, times and method of administration, prescribing physician, name and address of the pharmacy and any special storage or administration procedures. The prescription medication form must accompany the prescription with the parent's written permission showing the time the medication should be given and the number of days. The prescription medication form is on our website. This is required by law and is for your child's safety. We would also appreciate being able to keep the prescribed medication at school as transporting prescription drugs back and forth to school on a daily basis is a concern.

Health Update Form: This form is available on the website and includes information for dispensing over the counter medication. Please return this form immediately.

2011-2012 Students Schedules: Class schedules for 2011-2012 will be handed out during Back to School Night on Tuesday, August 16 or can be accessed on Infinite Campus after August 1.

Driver Education Instruction: Information on Driver Education Instruction and the registration form are on the website for students in grades 8 and 9. If there are any 7th thru 10th grade students who need this instruction, you may also complete this form. Any student wishing to take driver education must be 14 years of age and have a learners permit prior to the start of the driver education class.

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School Picture Day!

School Pictures will be taken of all 6th-12th grade students on Friday, August 19, 2011



Back to School Night

will be TUESDAY, AUGUST 16.

Please watch the August issue of Ballard Dimensions for details on back to school night for each building!

Please check the expanded on-line edition of the July issue of Ballard Dimensions at www.ballard.k12.ia.us. There you will find information regarding community events, Dollars for Scholars updates, additional information from the guidance office, sport camp info, school board election information and

Perfect Attendance for 2010-2011

Sam Fletcher—8th grade, Taylor Rayman—8th grade, Alex Silberstein—8th grade, Samantha Tovias—8th grade, Margaret Hannasch—9th grade, Sacha Hotchkiss—9th grade, Matthew Poots—9th grade, Aaron Burger—11th grade

School will begin on Thursday, August 18, 2011 at Ballard Junior /Senior High School. It will be a regular school day with students in class from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. All 9-12 grade students will report to their first hour class.

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Students Involved in DMACC or ISU College Courses: Students taking these courses this fall must have turned in the following forms to Mrs. Yeager: Parent Form Acknowledging Ballard Board Policy on Post Secondary Course Enrollment, Notice of Student Registration Form Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Act and DMACC or ISU Class Schedule Form.

9th- 12th Grade Back to School Night: Back to School Night will be held on Tuesday, August 16.

Parking Space Assignments: Students driving to and from school must complete a Car Information Form and pay a \$2.00 fee. Parking spots will not be assigned to students driving to school. **Student parking spaces will be available on a first come first served basis.**

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Senior Class Pictures and Graduation Announcements: It is up to each senior to make an appointment for their sitting at the studio of their choice. School time WILL NOT be provided for taking pictures. All seniors are to have their pictures taken by mid-November so they can provide two color pictures (billfold size) for the yearbook and class composite. These pictures must be turned into the Guidance Office by December 1. All seniors are to have their pictures taken on school picture day, Friday, August 19. In the event a senior has not taken a senior portrait, the school picture will provide the school a photograph for the yearbook and class composite. There will be no charge for this picture.

Advanced Graduation: Any student wishing to be considered for early graduation must arrange for a meeting with their parents/guardians, the guidance counselor and principal prior to the start of their last year of school.

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Open Enrollment Information

Parents/Guardians considering the use of the open enrollment option to enroll their children in another public school district in the State of Iowa should be aware of the following dates:

- * March 1, 2012-Last date for regular open enrollment requests for the **2012-2013** school year.
- * If the student meets the definition of good cause under 281-Iowa Administrative Code 17.4(1) because of a change in residence or is entering kindergarten for the 2012-2013 school year the application can be accepted after March 1, 2012 for the 2012-2013 school year.
- *A pupil who transfers school districts under open enrollment in all grades 9-12, **shall not be eligible** to participate in varsity contests and competitions during the first 90 school days of transfer.
- *Parents/guardians of open enrolled students whose income falls below 160 percent of the federal poverty guidelines are eligible for transportation assistance. This may be in the form of actual transportation or in the form of a cash stipend.
- *If a request to transfer a student to another district is denied by the Board of Education for failure to show good cause or for not meeting the request deadline, the parent or guardian may appeal the decision either to the Director of the Department of Education or the State Board under Chapter 290 of the Iowa Code.

For further details, contact the Janice Halverson at the Ballard Administration Office. Mrs. Halverson's phone number is 515-597-2975.

Please contact Wilma Gajdel, Consultant at the State Department of Education at 515-281-5332 with any questions you may have. The deadline for 2011-2012 open enrollment applications was March 1, 2011.

Records of Ballard Students

The Ballard Community School District maintains records on each student in order to facilitate the instruction, guidance and educational process of the student. The records contain information about the student and his or her education and may include, but are not limited to, the following types of records: identification data, attendance data, record of achievement, family background data, aptitude tests, educational and vocational plan, honors and activities, discipline data, objective counselor or teacher ratings and observations, and external agency reports.

The records of each student are generally located in the school which he or she is attending. Any exception will be noted in the student's other records or by the person in charge of record maintenance for each school building. The name and position of the person responsible for maintenance of student records for each school building is as follows:

<u>School</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>
High School	Principal 9-12	John Ronca
Middle School	Principal 6-8	Tom Maher
East Elementary	Principal 3-5	Jamie Coquyt
West Elementary	Principal EK-2	Marty Jimmerson

The following persons shall have the right to view permanent, cumulative, and special education student records maintained by the District without the necessity of obtaining consent pursuant to Section 512.8(2) of Ballard Board Policy:

- A. Authorized parents or guardians
- B. Authorized student: a student or prior student who is at least 18 years of age or who is attending an institution of post-secondary education after graduation from high school.
- C. Licensed school personnel within the District and Area Education Agency who have a legitimate educational interest for viewing the particular record.
- D. Non-licensed personnel who assist authorized licensed personnel and then only under the direction of the licensed employee.
- E. The Board of Directors or its representative only in the performance of its official duties.
- F. A person, court, agency, or institution upon presentation of a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena, provided that the Superintendent or building principal shall attempt to notify an authorized parent, guardian or student of the order or subpoena in advance of compliance.
- G. Officials of another school or school system in which the student seeks to enroll.
- H. The U.S. Comptroller General, The U.S. Secretary of Education or authorized representatives of federal or state educational authorities if specifically authorized to view the records by federal or state law.
- I. Representatives of organizations conducting studies for or on behalf of educational agencies for the purpose of developing, validating, or administering predictive tests, administering student aid programs and improving instruction, provided the studies are conducted so they will not permit the personal identification of students and their parents or guardians by other individuals and the information will be destroyed when no longer needed for the purpose of the study.
- J. Accrediting organization in order to carry out their accrediting functions.
- K. Parties in a health or safety emergency who are in a position to deal with the emergency.
- L. Parties in connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or received if the information is necessary to receive the financial aid.
- M. District attorneys and auditors who are retained to assist in providing advice regarding the student.
- N. Juvenile justice agencies with which the District has an interagency agreement if the information is needed to effectively serve the student prior to education.

If an authorized parent or student feels that the student's rights have been violated under school policy he/she may file a complaint with the Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-4605. The full policy may be obtained at no cost in the Superintendent's Office, District Secretary's Office, or any building Principal's office. Date of last revision: May 12, 2004.

Annual Notice of FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education record. They are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the District receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal (or appropriate school official) a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The principal will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate or misleading or in violation of the student's privacy rights. Parents or eligible students may ask the District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception which permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, AEA employees, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee or student team or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the District discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

4. The right to inform the District that the parent does not want directory information, as defined below, to be released. Any student over the age of eighteen or parent not wanting this information released to the public must make objection in writing by the start of each school year (or within ten days of enrolling in the District if a student enters after the start of the school year) to the principal. The objection needs to be renewed annually.

STUDENT'S NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER; NAMES, ADDRESSES, EMAIL ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE PARENTS OR GUARDIANS; DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH; MAJOR FIELDS OF STUDY; PARTICIPATION IN OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED ACTIVITIES AND SPORTS; WEIGHT AND HEIGHT OF MEM-

BERS OF ATHLETIC TEAMS; DATES OF ATTENDANCE IN THE DISTRICT; DEGREES AND AWARDS RECEIVED; THE MOST RECENT PREVIOUS SCHOOL OR INSTITUTION ATTENDED BY THE STUDENT; PHOTOGRAPH AND LIKENESS; AND OTHER SIMILAR INFORMATION.

5. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the District to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Ave., SW
Washington, D.C. 20202-4605

The District may, prior to adjudication, without parental consent or court order, share any information with juvenile justice agencies contained in a student's permanent record which is directly related to the juvenile justice system's ability to effectively serve the student. Information contained in a student's permanent record may be disclosed by the District to juvenile justice agencies after adjudication only with parental consent or a court order. Information shared shall be used solely for determining the programs and services appropriate to the need of the student or student's family or coordinating the delivery of programs and services to the student or student's family. Information shared is not admissible in any court proceedings which take place prior to a disposition hearing, unless written consent is obtained from a student's parent, guardian, or legal or actual custodian. The agreement with the juvenile justice agency only governs the District's ability to share information and the purpose for which that information can be used. The purpose for the sharing of information prior to a student's adjudication is to improve school safety, reduce alcohol and illegal drug use, reduce truancy, reduce in-school and out-of-school suspensions, and to support alternatives to in-school and out-of-school suspensions and expulsions which provide structured and well supervised educational programs supplemented by coordinated and appropriate services designed to correct behaviors that lead to truancy, suspension, and expulsions and to support students in successfully completing their education. The juvenile justice agency requesting the information will contact the principal of the building in which the student is currently enrolled or was enrolled. The principal will forward the records within 10 business days of the request. Confidential information shared between the agency and the District shall remain confidential and shall not be shared with any other person, unless otherwise provided by law.

RELEASE OF STUDENT DIRECTORY INFORMATION

The Ballard Community School District has adopted a policy designed to assure parents and students the full implementation, protection and enjoyment of their rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974. A copy of the District's policy is available for review in the office of the board secretary, the superintendent and of the principals of all of our schools.

This law requires the District to designate as "directory information" any personally identifiable information taken from a student's educational records which it will make available to the public without the parents' or students' prior consent.

The District has designated the following information as directory information: student's name, address and telephone number; the parents' names, addresses, email addresses and telephone numbers; date and place of birth; enrollment status, grade level and fields of study; participation in officially recognized activities and sports; weight and height of members of athletic teams; dates of attendance and building attended in the District; degrees, honors, and awards received; the most recent previous educational institution attended by the student; photographs and other likenesses and other similar information. You have the right to refuse the designation of any or all of the categories of personally identifiable information as directory information with respect to your student provided that you notify the District in writing not later than the start of the school year (or within 10 days of enrolling in the District if a student enters after the start of the school year). If you desire to make such a refusal, please complete and return the slip attached to this notice.

If you have no objection to the use of student information, you do not need to take any action.

RETURN THIS FORM

**Ballard Community School District Parental Directions to Withhold Student
Directory Information for _____ - _____ school year.**

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Do not make any directory information available: _____

Do not make the following directory information available:

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian/Custodian of Student **Date**

Signature of Student 18 years of age or older **Date**

Additional forms are available at the school.

Form Revised: January 10, 2006

AHERA Management Plan On File in District

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (referred to as AHERA) was enacted to determine the extent of asbestos in facilities and develop solutions for any problems schools were having or may have with asbestos. This is information relating to the issue of asbestos and how it is being handled in the Ballard Community School District.

Asbestos has been used as a building material for many years and is a naturally occurring mineral that is mined primarily in Canada, South Africa and the U.S.S.R. Asbestos' properties made it an ideal building material for insulation, sound absorption, decorative plasters, fireproofing, and a variety of miscellaneous uses. The EPA began action to limit uses of asbestos products in 1973 and most uses of asbestos products as building materials were banned in 1978.

During the summer of 1988 all materials containing friable asbestos were removed from the Ballard facilities. Presently there remains some non-friable asbestos contained in pipe insulation and in floor tile at the middle school facility. These are being monitored and maintained so that they will remain in their current condition and not cause a problem to the students and staff working in these buildings. During the spring of 1995, the Ballard School District completed the required re-inspection of all facilities. In 2001, 2004, 2007 and 2010 the required three year re-inspection was completed. The United States Environmental Protection Agency conducted an inspection of the District's records and facilities in November 1998. The District was found to be in non-compliance regarding two minor areas and these were corrected immediately. The two elementary centers and new high school are free of asbestos containing materials.

Ballard School District has an approved management plan on file with the Department of Education as require by law. This plan is available for viewing by students, staff and the public in the office of each building as well as the District Administrative Offices. The school's asbestos management plan has been implemented and inquiries should be directed to Doug Schroeder, Asbestos Program Manager and 515-597-2971 ext. 504.

It is the school's intent to comply with all federal, state and local regulations in the area of asbestos. We will take what ever steps necessary to insure that all children and employees have a healthy, safe environment in which to learn and work.

2011-2012 Class Schedules for 7-12 Grade Students

Junior/Senior High School 2011-2012 schedules will be available on Infinite Campus after August 1. Parents and students please check these schedules to make sure the courses and classes are correct. If students have a conflict, open periods, or it has been indicated on their schedule to "See Mrs. Yeager", please call the guidance office at 515-597-2971 ext 400 to set up an appointment. All changes in schedules should be made prior to Friday, August 12. **Absolutely no schedule changes will be made on Back-to-School Night or the first week of school. Theses days are reserved for new students only.**

Statement Regarding the Homeless

The Board of Directors of the Ballard Community School District is responsible for locating and identifying homeless children and youth who are "found" within the district. A "homeless child or youth of school age" is defined as one between the ages of 3 and 21 who lacks a fixed regular and adequate nighttime residence and includes a child or youth living on the street, in a car, tent or abandoned building or some other form of shelter not designed as a permanent home; living in a community shelter facility; or living with non nuclear family members or friends who may not have legal guardianship over the child or youth of school age. The District shall make available to the homeless child or youth all services and assistance including, but not limited to; compensatory education, special education, English as a second language, vocational courses or programs, programs for gifted and talented, health services, and food and nutrition programs, on the basis as those services and assistance are provided to resident pupils.

BALLARD SCHOOLS MAIL-IN REGISTRATION REMITTANCE SLIP

Please itemize fees by student and indicate their grade.

FEES:	Child #1	GR	Child #2	GR	Child #3	GR	Child #4	GR	Child #5	GR
Child's Name										
Registration Technology Fee (*) <i>West - \$10.00 East - \$20.00 MS - \$25.00 High School - \$25.00 Max. Fee/Family: \$90.00</i>										
Parking Sticker \$2.00										
Middle School PE Uniform (For students who have not already paid for a uniform) \$16.50										
Activity Pass \$40.00										
Athletic Punch Card \$20.00										
Drivers' Ed. \$340.00										
TOTAL:										

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

(*) Per approval of Fee Waiver Application, reduced rates would be \$4.00 @ West; \$8.00 @ East; and \$10.00 @ MS & HS.

Please cut on the dotted line and return this form with your payment and any other required registration forms. **Forms and payment should not be turned in on Back-to-School Night or the first day of school!** Please mail as soon as possible. **All registration forms and fees must be received by July 15, 2011.** If you make your payment via PaySchools, you still need to complete and mail all required forms.

Please make sure you have added enough postage when you mail in your registrations forms!

MAIL FORMS TO:
Peggy Wilson
Ballard Schools
P. O. Box 307
Huxley, IA 50124-0307



BALLARD LUNCH ACCOUNT MAIL-IN REMITTANCE SLIP

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Child's Name: #1 _____
 #2 _____
 #3 _____
 #4 _____
 #5 _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Please cut on the dotted line and return with your payment and remittance form to:

Grant Chapin, Taher
Ballard Schools
PO Box 307
Huxley, Iowa 50124-307

Food Service News

The District will be switching to the Infinite Campus lunch system for the 2011-2012 school year. It will be compatible with the system that the District is currently using. For the families, it will be very similar to the old system in that the lunch program uses a family account. One check to the account covers all family members in elementary and secondary schools. Each student is issued a four-digit ID number that they use every year until they graduate from high school. This account works on the declining balance principle. Out of this we take breakfast, lunch, EK and kindergarten milk and ala-carte items. When an account is down to \$5.00 per student it is considered low, and students are reminded to bring money for the account. The accounts will be accessible through Infinite Campus. For the elementary students we will send a letter home on Friday. Secondary students are given a reminder to take home. Throughout the day the balance can change several times if there are several children in a family and they are at different centers. Accurate account balances are available at the Food Service office after lunch. Sometimes our reminders do not always get all the way home, so it is a good idea to track on your home calendar approximately when to send additional money. The school policy is not to allow extras at \$-0 balance. When the negative balance reaches \$20.00 per family, we will attempt to contact the parents by phone. Negative \$20.00 doesn't sound like much but since we have approximately 1000 families, it can quickly become a burden for the program. PLEASE keep money in your account. If a family qualifies for the free or reduced program, this covers meals only. It does not cover milk by itself or any extras.

It is possible to "block" a student's account, which then only allows that child to buy a meal or milk. For budgeting purposes some families find this helpful, and students can pay cash for any extras they would like.

For specific information about your account or if you would like an itemized statement, please call 597-2815, Extension 307.

Lunch pricing is listed below for grades 6-12:

Regular Student Lunch \$2.15 full price, \$.40 reduced price

Breakfast \$1.25 full price, \$.30 reduced price

Extra Milk-1/2 pint \$.40

Al a Carte items will be available at various costs, the same as last year.

Lunch pricing is listed below for grades EK-5:

Regular Student Lunch \$2.00 full price, \$.40 reduced price

Breakfast \$1.15 full price, \$.30 reduced price

Extra Milk-1/2 pint \$.40.

STUDENTS ATTENDING ALL DAY REGULAR KINDERGARTEN AND EARLY KINDERGARTEN MAY PARTICIPATE IN AFTERNOON MILK BREAK. THE COST IS \$.40 PER DAY. FREE AND REDUCED STUDENTS, IF THEY CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE, MUST PAY FOR THIS MILK, AS THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT REIMBURSE FOR THIS PROGRAM.

The per-semester cost for extra milk for the Early Kindergarten and Kindergarten students will be \$36.00 or \$.40 per one-half pint.

Any further questions, call (515) 597-2815 extension 307.

Please ask for Karen or Grant.

Registration Materials Checklist

The following forms must be completed for all returning 1st-6th grade students:

1. Payment Remittance Form (fees and lunch account payment)
2. Health Update/Over-the-Counter Medication form.
3. Transportation Form (if not completed in May)

The following additional forms may be needed as well:

1. Prescription Medication Administration Form (for students who must take prescription medication during the school day.)
2. Free and Reduced Meal Application Form (**must be completed each year, will be available at the end of July**)
3. Standard Fee Waiver Application Form (**must be completed each year, will be available at the end of July**)

The following forms must be completed for all returning 7th-12th grade students:

1. Payment Remittance Form (fees and lunch account payment)
2. Health Update/Over-the-Counter Medication form.
3. Transportation Form

The following additional forms may be needed as well:

1. Parking Permit Form (for students who drive to school and park in the school parking lot)
2. Dental Screening Form (incoming 9th grade students only)
3. Physical Form (for all 7th—12th students who plan on participating in any athletic sport during the school year.)
4. Prescription Medication Administration Form (for students who must take prescription medication during the school day)
5. PE Uniform Order Form (for any incoming 7th grade students who did not turn in a form at the end of May and for any other student wishing to purchase a new uniform)
6. Free and Reduced Meal Application Form (**must be completed each year, will be available at the end of July**)
7. Standard Fee Waiver Application Form (**must be completed each year, will be available at the end of July**)
8. Drivers' Education Fall 2011 Session only (students 14 years and older)

Please mail all registration materials by Monday, July 15 to:

Registration, Attn: Peggy Wilson, Ballard Schools

P.O. Box 307, Huxley IA 50124-0307

Please be sure to include adequate postage on your envelope!

Forms for All Students NEW to the District in Grades EK-12

1. Enrollment Form
2. Payment Remittance Form (fees and lunch account payment)
3. Health Update/Over the Counter Medication Form
4. Transportation Form
5. Internet Agreement Form.

The following forms may also be required: Medical Report Form (EK, Kindergarten Physical Form), Dental Screening Form (EK, K and 9th grade students only) Immunization Certificate (EK/K), Vision Card (EK/K, recommended not required), Physical Form (for all 7th-12th students participating in sports), Prescription Medication Administration Form (for students requiring prescription drugs during the school day) PE Uniform Order Form (7th-12th) Parking Permit Form (for students who drive to school), Free and Reduced Meal Application Form, Standard Fee Waiver Form, and Driver's Education Fall 2011 Session. All forms may be found on our web site, www.ballard.k12.ia.us. Please select "Guidance/Registrar" and then click on "Registration Forms".

Equal Educational Opportunities; Prohibition of Harassment and Bullying of Students

No student in the Ballard Community School District shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in District programs on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, religion, marital status, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic background. The policy of the District shall be to provide educational programs and opportunities for students as needed on the basis of individual needs, interest, abilities and potential.

The District is committed to providing all students a safe and civil educational environment in which all are treated with dignity and respect. The District is also committed to promoting understanding and appreciation of the cultural diversity of our society. The District shall educate students about our cultural diversity and shall promote tolerance of individual differences. The District prohibits acts of harassment or bullying toward others because of race, color, creed, sex, age, religion, marital or familial status, ethnic background, national origin, ancestry, physical or mental ability or disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical attribute, political party preference, political belief, or social-economic background. Acts of harassment or bullying may be treated as grounds for discipline. Discipline may include expulsion of a student, termination of an employee's contact, and/or exclusion of a volunteer from district activities or premises. It is the policy of the Ballard Community School District to maintain a learning environment that is free from sexual harassment. All employees, visitors, and students must avoid any action or conduct which could be perceived as sexual harassment. It shall be a violation of Board Policy for any person to harass a student through conduct or communications of a sexual nature as defined in Policy 501.

General Complaint Procedure: Any person alleging a violation of the Equal Educational Opportunities; Prohibition of Harassment and Bullying of Students Policy may file a complaint using the Student Complaint Procedure of Board Policy 529. The complainant may bypass any step of the complaint procedure where the person to whom the complaint is to be lodged is the alleged perpetrator. The complainant may file the initial complaint with the compliance officer, whose decision may be appealed to the Board of Directors. Board Policy 530 shall govern the investigation of alleged cases of physical or sexual abuse, including sexual harassment, of students by staff members.

The Complainant may be required to complete a written complaint form and to turn over copies of evidence of discrimination, harassment, or bullying including, but not limited to, letters, emails, tapes, signs and pictures. The investigator shall promptly commence an investigation and proceed to completion. Both the complainant and the alleged perpetrator will be given an opportunity to give a statement. A written investigative report shall be completed, a summary of the report, including a finding that the complaint was founded, unfounded or inconclusive will be forwarded to the complainant and to the alleged perpetrator. These procedures do not, in any way, deny the right of the complainant to file formal complaints or charges under the legal procedures provided by federal or state law.

Inquiries or complaints may also be directed to federal and state agencies, including the Iowa Civil Rights Commission and the Office of Civil Rights of the United States Department of Education.

The District has established a grievance procedure to handle complaints of discrimination based on disability and to handle concerns regarding accommodations for disabled students. A parent, guardian or student may utilize such grievance procedures.

The superintendent shall be designated as the District's compliance officer to insure that students are treated in accordance with this policy. In the event the Superintendent is the alleged perpetrator, the 504/ADA Coordinator shall serve as the compliance officer. For claims of discrimination involving disability, where the 504/ADA Coordinator is the alleged perpetrator, the Superintendent shall be the alternate compliance officer.

Any matters involving complaints of discrimination, harassment, or bullying shall remain confidential to the extent reasonably possible. Confidential documentation of allegations or investigations will not be filed in the complainant's student file.

No person shall retaliate against a student because the student has filed a discrimination, harassment or bullying complaint, assisted or participated in an investigation, or has opposed language or conduct that violates this policy, as long as the participation or action was done in good faith.

The District will take action to halt any improper discrimination, or harassment or bullying and will take other appropriate corrective actions, including disciplinary measures which may include discharge, suspension or expulsion of a perpetrator, to remedy all violations of this policy.

Ballard Middle School and High School Physical Education

Parents/Guardians and Students:

All Ballard high school and middle school students are required to wear P.E. uniforms. The PE Department wants to promote all students feeling positive about their dress in our classes and not feel uncomfortable because students wear inappropriate workout clothing. These uniforms will be the responsibility of the students to launder, mark with appropriate name or number on both top and bottom, and keep locked in assigned physical education lockers. The shirts are red with the logo and the shorts are navy mesh again with the logo appearing on them. **The different uniform sizes will be in the Guidance Office at the middle school, 509 N. Main Ave., Huxley, IA. You are invited to come in and look at the sizes or have your child simply stop in the office and try them on if you are unsure about what size to order.**

Checks should be made out to: **Ballard Community Schools**. The cost for one pair of shorts and one shirt is \$16.50. The sizes range from junior large (youth size 14-16) up to adult 2 XL. Any item over 2 XL will need to be special ordered. Please remember that this style of uniform will be worn throughout the student's middle and high school years. Please order sizes accordingly. If the student out grows his or her uniform, they will be able to re-order in the years to come.

Order forms are located on our school web site at www.ballard.k12.ia.us under the Guidance/Registrar tab and then click on "Registration Forms". If your child has not yet ordered their uniform, please return the completed order form along with your payment to: **Peggy Wilson, PO Box 307, Huxley, IA 50124-0307**. This can be included with all other registration fees. Uniforms will be handed out to the students on Back-to-School Night, August 16, 2011. They will be in their advisor's room for pick-up.

PAYSCHOOLS

Reminder that you can add money to your child's lunch account, pay a driver's education fee, pay for the district registration/technology fee on-line, or pay for preschool. This on-line payment system is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week anywhere the world-wide-web is available. The system may be accessed from our school home page at www.ballard.k12.ia.us. Simply click on the PaySchools button at the bottom of the home-page. The system works like many other online systems, requiring you to register.

The school has no access to any of your personal or financial information—the information is simply used by PaySchools to start an account for you to use after registering with their system. Keep in mind that although the district receives electronic confirmation after paying a bill or adding money to your child's lunch account, it does not automatically transfer to the schools financial software. A day or two lag may occur between your payment and the payment being assigned to the appropriate bill or account.

Ballard Schools will not profit from the use of PaySchools in any way—we offer this as a convenient way for those that choose to use it to manage school bills and lunch accounts. The school district is charged a 3.5% fee by PaySchools to have this program.

No Child Left Behind Notification

As parents/guardians in the Ballard Community School District, you have the right to information regarding you child's teacher's qualifications, state licensure status, special endorsements for grade level/subject area taught, and baccalaureate/graduate certification /degree.

Parents/guardians may request information from the Office of the Superintendent by sending a letter of request to: Office of the Superintendent, Ballard Community Schools, P.O. Box 307, Huxley, IA 50124-0307

Preschool 2011-2012

-First Day of School for Preschool is Monday, August 22, 2011. There are currently no openings in the 3 or 4 year-old programs for 2011-2012.

-Ballard offers a 3 year-old preschool program 3 mornings a week (Mon, Tues, Thurs) from 8:15-11:15. The cost is \$110/month. The 4 year-old program runs 4 days a week (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) from 12:15-3:15. There is currently no charge for the 4 year-old program. All children in the 4 year-old class must be 4 by September 15, 2011 (5 by Sept. 15, 2012) and both programs require your child to be potty trained. There is no transportation offered for preschool.

-Supply list for both preschools

- *10 Elmer's glue sticks
- *1 Elmer's school glue
- *24 crayons
- *1 Washable markers
- *1 Washable watercolor paints
- *1 folder
- *backpack
- *1 package of stickers
- *Clorox wipes
- *1 box of Kleenex
- *1 package of dry-erase markers
- *1 white 1" binder
- *extra set of clothes (please put in a Ziploc bag with your child's name)

Preschool 2012-2013

-Registrations for the 2012-2013 school year will start being accepted on August 24, 2011. All registration forms must be turned in to Shanna Wunder at Ballard West. Once the spots are full, all registration forms will be added to a waitlist. Currently we have one spot open for the 4 year-old 2012-2013 class and 6 spots in the 3 year-old 2012-2013 class.

-Registration forms

- Student enrollment form*
- Health Update Form*
- Immunization Form
- Prescription Medication Form* (only need if your child takes any prescription medication during the school day)
- Copies of the child's birth certificate (required) & social security card (optional) also need to be submitted with the registration forms.

* These forms are interactive .pdf forms. Once you have accessed the form, you will be able to type information directly on the form from your computer and print them off to submit.

Preschool 2013-2014

-We will not be accepting registrations or taking names for the 2013-2014 school year until the fall of 2012.

Ballard Community School District

Update for School Health Record

In order to bring your child's health record up to date, please complete this form. This needs to be filled out yearly with pertinent details from beginning of previous year to supplement existing school health records.

Student's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Current Grade: _____
 Name of Parent/Guardian(s): _____ Home Phone: _____
 Child lives with: Mother _____ Father _____ Step-Mother _____ Step-Father _____ Grandparent _____ Other _____

Please list any prescribed medications student takes:

	Name of Medication	Taken for	Dosage	Time Taken
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____	_____

I give permission for my child's teacher to administer medication on a school sponsored field trip.

Present or Past Health Concerns or Illness:

	Yes	No	Explain		Yes	No	Explain
Food Allergies				Depression/Anxiety			
Medication Allergies				Learning Concerns			
Other Allergies				Glasses/Contacts			
Asthma				Hearing Condition			
Skin Condition				Heart Condition			
Diabetes				Kidney Condition			
Seizures				Hospitalizations/ Surgeries			
Dental Issues				Other Serious Illness			
Freq. Ear Infections				Sleeping Concerns			
Freq. Throat Infections				Other Concerns:			
ADD/ADHA/Behavioral Concerns				Other Concerns:			

Additional
 Comments: _____

Does your child have any activity restrictions? _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Ballard Community School District
Student Over-the-Counter Medication Permission Form

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ School Year: _____

I grant permission to give my child the appropriate dose of the following medications when needed:

_____ Ibuprofen

_____ Acetaminophen (Tylenol)

_____ Caladryl

_____ Bacitracin Ointment

_____ Orajel

_____ Burn Gel

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

Date/Time	Medication/Dosage	Reason/Initials
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Date/Time	Medication/Dosage	Reason/Initials
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68.	_____	_____

Initial	Name & Title
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Dollars for Scholars Update

The Ballard Community Dollars for Scholars Annual Scholarship Night was a great success with 90 graduating seniors receiving \$425 each! Some will be able to receive \$850 if their colleges or schools are Matching Partners. Outstanding community support has made it possible to increase the amount of the scholarship this year and, hopefully, in the future. Thank you for your support!

Help Wanted!

Ballard School food service is seeking applicants for part time positions in the Huxley, Slater and Cambridge facilities. It's a great opportunity for parents with children in school or for retirees.

Application available online at: http://www.ballard.k12.ia.us/district_information/human_resources/human_resources_home.htm

For more information call (515) 597-2978 ext 307 or Grant Chapin at home (515) 685-2933. Or Email: gchapin@ballard.k12.ia.us.

Class of 2011 Graduation Pictures

Pictures taken of this year's graduates receiving their diploma may be picked up in the guidance office. The guidance office is temporarily located in the teacher's lounge of the middle school (509 N. Main). Please enter via the athletic/activity doors.

2011-2012 ACT and SAT Testing Dates

<u>ACT testing dates</u>	<u>ACT Registration Deadline</u>	<u>SAT testing dates</u>	<u>SAT Registration Deadline</u>
September 10	August 12	October 1	September 9
October 22	September 16	November 5	October 7
December 10	November 4	December 3	November 8
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012	January 28, 2012	December 30
April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012	March 10, 2012	February 10, 2012
June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012	May 5, 2012	April 6, 2012
		June 2, 2012	May 8, 2012

Registration packets and practice tests are available in the Jr/Sr High guidance office or register online for the ACT at www.actstudent.org the SAT at www.collegeboard.com

The ACT basic fee is \$34.00 and the SAT fee is \$49.00.

BALLARD JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
2010-2011 SECOND SEMESTER HONOR ROLL
3.3 GPA OR HIGHER

7TH GRADE

Sarah Albers
Olivia Astarita
Nicholas Baumhover
Emilia Bendler
Caitlyn Benson
Bailey Burnes
Aryan Calvert
Andrea Dahl
Makynze Davies
Mackenzie Davis
Matthew Devig
Gabrielle Doud
Johnathan Fleenor
Nicholas Fopma
Olivia Hall
Brittany Hennick
Annalyssa Holly
Jennie Huxford
Hannah Jensen
Lauren Jones
Emily Jurgensen
Mikayla Kaldenberg
Nicole Kling
Kaylee Klunder
Abigail Kohut-Jackson
Hannah Larsen
Jenna Lee
Madison McInroy
Ashley Meldrum
Jaden Moody
Maxwell Moulden
Kennedy Newell
Miranda Noack
Meredith Ossian
Nathaniel Palmer
Rylie Price
Gloria Przybyszewski
Charlie Rietz
Brenna Ripp
Lili Rund
Tyler Sanders
Sydney Smith
Bryce Snell
Raymond Stark
Megan Thompson
Hannah Wagner
Darrian Ward
Rachel Watters
Sara Wilken

8TH GRADE

Austin Allaire
Hannah Astarita
Lindsey Baldus
Annah Begg
Ellie Begg
Alyssa Black Bear
Jessica Blackmer
Kelcie Bohning
Brandon Brown
Nash Bucher
Rylee Cahill
Elvis Calvert
Nathan Carlin
Hannah Carmon
Valerie Charter
Benjamin Claussen
William Douglas
Shelby Drummond
Kelli Emerson
Quinton Erickson
Garth Flaming
Sam Fletcher
Kayeleigh Ford
Dylan Foster
Emma Grice
Carolena Haan
John Hartog
Jacob Herrin
Kathryn Holly
Madison Houge
Sarah Hугee
Ellen Huxford
Marcus Johnson
Mikayla Jones
Craig Jordan
Aubrey Kahler
Hannah Kauble
Sydney Knight
David Konfrst
Quentin Luke
Nathan Macki
Jacob Malone
Michael McVicker
Adelaide Metcalfe
Ella Paris
Aidan Perry
Alexandra Petersen
Riley Peterson
Taylor Rayman
Nathan Russell
Lauren Schmidt
Shania Schmidt

Reagan Sesker
Rick Sesker
Madeline Sheldahl
Adam Silberstein
Alexander Silberstein
Rachael Soder
Maria Sorenson
Sydney Tatam
Olivia Thomas
Jacob Torkelson
Samantha Tovias
Zachery Upah
Cole Wilson

BALLARD HIGH SCHOOL
2nd SEMESTER HONOR ROLL
2010-2011
3.3 GPA or Higher

9th GRADE

Nicole Ackerman
Holly Albers
Hailey Andersen
Molly Astarita
Coy Baker
Rachel Bruns
Spencer Culp
Ashley Davis
Alanna Dubberke
Ethan Estabrooks
Sheridan Gealow
Margaret Hannasch
Emma Hartman
Taylor Hilbrands
Meghan Hirsch
Ann Houlette
Mason Jensen
Holly Johnson
Kirklyn Kohrt
Joseph Kruger
Adam Kusler
Tyler Kyhl
Madison Lange
Samantha Lettow
Brooke Mallon
Allison Maybee
Bailey Moulden
Alissa Netcott
Jacob Nethers
Joshua Norris
Daniel Oler
Charcey Petersen
Shelby Petersen
Matthew Poots
Joshua Przybyszewski
Mary Raes
Andrew Rasmussen
Joshua Rietgraf
Tyler Ronca
Alexis Scharfenkamp
Joel Schoening
Kate Stephany
Anne Stolte
Kelsey Tully
Anna Van Maanen
Lauren Vogel
Lane Volkmann

10th GRADE

Katie Ahrenholtz
Ryan Allen
Tedi Anderson
Jacob Bernholtz
Katarina Betz
Ellyn Carson
Joey Dahl
Billie Flaming
Nathan Friedrichsen
Kameron Graves
Christopher Grice
Luther Grulke
Dillon Hansen
Julia Herrin
Brett Hull
Mackenzie Jahn
Russell Jones
Katlyn Kahler
Melissa Lee
Jenna Leland
Alexander Macki
Cassandra McMullen
Sydney Moore
Tyler Nyhus-Nelson
Nicole Onken
Kasie Pote
Adriana Silva
Adam Smith
Christopher Sorenson
Jordan Stewart
Ryan Vincent
Brian Von Arb
Noah Wheeler
Joeseeph Wilson
Michael Wuestenberg
Michael Wulfekuhle

11th GRADE

Jacob Ackerman
William Beglinger
Alysia Blum
Morgan Brown
Kayla Bruns
Erin Bryan
Aaron Burger
Beatrice Charter
Hannah Cole
Brandon DeMuyneck
Peter DeTar
Erika Edwards
McKenzie Flick
Rachel Gaul
Jenna Graves
Brynnan Greimann
Grace Hall
Danielle Herrold
Katie Hokel
Kevin Jack
Rebecca Jensen
Courtney Karns
Cassandra Kennedy
Emily Larkin
Cassandra Linn
Adam Matthews
Ashly McLaughlin
Lauren Ossian
Cody Reed
Peter Rietgraf
Casey Robson
Rachel Sage
Chandler Schmidt
Natasha Shehade
Mollie Sheldahl
Chelsea Smith
Stephanie Stall
Nicholas Upah
Erick Vespestad
Seth Weeks
Shelbi Weeks
Colin Wollaston

12th GRADE

Clayton Ackerman
Jordan Aust
Shelby Baker
Kylee Brownrigg
Molli Butler
Kristy Carr
Inger Cooper
Alyssa Danger
John Danks
Emily Denning
Sophie Dickens
Marjan Farahbakhsh
Briana Fortner
Scott Gaul
Taylor Greenfield
Caleb Grulke
Mason Hasty
Jordan Henry
Joseph Hiatt
Tanner Hiatt
Sidney Jamison
Samantha Jensen
Christian Jones
Timothy King
Susan Kirschenman
Bethany Kluender
Daniel Krause
Stuart Macki
Sierra McVicker
Cassondra Moore
Theresa Nemeth
Maren Ocheskey-Holland
Lydia Peters
Nathan Pietz
Sean Raes
Teresa Rasmussen
Abby Rewoldt
Kayla Robbins
Devynn Roberts
Quincy Schafbuch
Shanna Smith
Riley Vier
Hunter Weatherman
Dezerae Westerly
Michael Wilkerson
Travis Zimmerman

BALLARD DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS MEET
JUNE 16, 2011

The Dollars for Scholars Committee met June 16, 2011 at the J-Corp offices at 7:00 p.m. Present were: Valerie Allen, Doreen Blackmer, Brenda Brink, Sally Case, Danelle Jensen, Peggi Knight, Lisa Ann Mens, Sheila Norris, Marita Rouse, Mary Ellen Sabers, Jean Saveraid and Cindi Thomas. Doreen Blackmer was welcomed as a new member.

The secretary's minutes from March 2011 are available at the Ballard School District's website under the Dimensions section.

The treasurer's report included information about scholarships left to pay out for 2010 (a total of 14) and 2011 (13 have been paid out at this time). Funds have been sent to colleges that are partner schools and provide matching funds to meet the threshold deadlines. Scholarship checks for 8 athletes have been sent directly to the schools. Treasurer, Valerie Allen, is working on collecting for scholarships and Pts. For Scholars.

Old Business:

Danelle Jensen discussed the 16th Annual Scholarship Night which was held on May 16, 2011. Ninety graduates were given \$425.00 scholarship amounting to \$38,250. Discussion of date for the 2012 Scholarship Night. There are many conflicts during the busy spring months.

New Business:

Nominations were made for a new Dollars For Scholars co-chair, recording secretary, and corresponding secretary. The new officers are: Co-chair, Jean Saveraid, Recording Sec.; Sheila Norris, and Corresponding Sec.; Doreen Blackmer.

Brenda Brink discussed the new technology "platform" that Scholarship America is offering assistance for to all DFS chapters. Discussion on individual who could help with this need.

Sally Case discussed details for the 17th Annual Academic Awards Night to be held on Thursday, August 18, 2011. Discussion focused on the needs for the evening. Sally Case and Cindi Thomas, co-chairs, will email duties and needs to committee members. Sheila Norris and Lisa Ann Mens will help with the reception.

Danelle Jensen discussed the DFS Homecoming Meal which will be held on September 30, 2011 at the new Ballard High School. Discussion took place on the needs for that event which could involve a larger participation with the first homecoming held at the high school.

The remaining event sponsored by DFS was discussed; Points for Scholars. It is hoped to involve as many of the sports as possible. Danelle Jensen will work on this event. It was motioned by Lisa Ann Mens and seconded by Valerie Allen to charge a flat fee of \$300.00 for the sponsors of this event. It was motioned by Jean Saveraid and seconded by Sheila Norris to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Saveraid, Secretary

School Election Information

Nomination papers for Iowa school board elections are available from the local school board secretary, the County Auditor's Office, or on line from the Auditor's office or the Secretary of State. The first day to file papers with the board secretary is Monday, July 11, 2011. Papers must be filed with the school board secretary no later than 5:00 PM on Thursday, August 4, 2011.

Ballard will have three seats on this year's ballot:

District #1 is a 4-year term and currently held by Tim Erickson

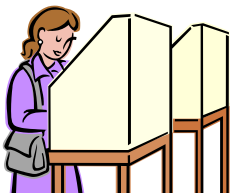
(Western portion of the school district – contact Admin. Office for map of the boundaries)

District #2 is a 4-year term and currently held by Kirk Peterson

(Center portion of the school district – contact Admin. Office for map of the boundaries)

At Large is a 4-year term currently held by Joyce Peterson

(May live anywhere within the school district)



The election is Tuesday, September 13, 2011 and polls will be open from NOON until 8:00 PM.

Backpack/School Supplies, Shoes Giveaway

Harvest Fellowship Assembly of God will host a backpack, school supply and shoe giveaway on Sunday, July 31 from 5:00 – 6:00pm at the church located on the curve of Hwy 69 in Huxley. Supplies and shoes will be given away on a first come basis. All Ballard students grades pre-K through 12 are welcome. We will have hotdogs, chips and beverages available. For more information or to make a donation of supplies, hot-dogs, etc. call 515-597-3525 or 515-250-0496. *Supplemental funding provided by the Story County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and support from area business.*



Ballard Junior/Senior High School Perfect Attendance

Second Semester 2010-2011

7th Grade

Brittany Hennick, Jenna Lee, Nathaniel Palmer, Connor Van Maaren

8th Grade

Ben Claussen, Sam Fletcher, Owen Gentner, Taylor Rayman, Alex Silberstein, Samantha Tovas

9th Grade

Margaret Hannasch, Sacha Hotchkiss, Matthew Poots

10th Grade

Kameron Graves, Christopher Sorenson, John Wagner, Joe Wilson

11th Grade

Aaron Burger, Cassandra Linn, Rachel Sage, Keegan Soder

Ballard High School Homecoming 2011



Parade, Pep Rally

& Coronation

Thursday, September 29

Football game

vs. Clear Lake

Friday, September 30

Alumni/Community Dance

Featuring : Standing Hampton

Saturday, October 1

*Cherish The Memories, Celebrate New Traditions
- Homecoming 2011”*

*The National Honor Society will once again be selling
Homecoming t-shirts.*

*Please be sure to check the August issue of Ballard
Dimensions for more information!*

A FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

HEADS UP: Concussion in High School Sports

The Iowa Legislature passed a new law, effective July 1, 2011, regarding students in grades 7 – 12 who participate in extracurricular interscholastic activities. Please note this important information from Iowa Code Section 280.13C, Brain Injury Policies:

- (1) A child must be immediately removed from participation (practice or competition) if his/her coach or a contest official observes signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with a concussion or brain injury in an extracurricular interscholastic activity.
- (2) A child may not participate again until a licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions and other brain injuries has evaluated him/her and the student has received written clearance from that person to return to participation.
- (3) Key definitions:
"Licensed health care provider" means a physician, physician assistant, chiropractor, advanced registered nurse practitioner, nurse, physical therapist, or athletic trainer licensed by a board.
"Extracurricular interscholastic activity" means any extracurricular interscholastic activity, contest, or practice, including sports, dance, or cheerleading.

What is a concussion?

A concussion is a brain injury. Concussions are caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body. Even a "ding," "getting your bell rung," or what seems to be a mild bump or blow to the head can be serious.

What parents/guardians should do if they think their child has a concussion?

1. OBEY THE NEW LAW.
 - a. Keep your child out of participation until s/he is cleared to return by a licensed healthcare provider.
 - b. Seek medical attention right away.
2. Teach your child that it's not smart to play with a concussion.
3. Tell all of your child's coaches and the student's school nurse about ANY concussion.

What are the signs and symptoms of a concussion?

You cannot see a concussion. Signs and symptoms of concussion can show up right after the injury or may not appear or be noticed until days after the injury. If your teen reports one or more symptoms of concussion listed below, or if you notice the symptoms yourself, keep your teen out of play and seek medical attention right away.

STUDENTS:

If you think you have a concussion:

- Tell your coaches & parents – Never ignore a bump or blow to the head, even if you feel fine. Also, tell your coach if you think one of your teammates might have a concussion.
- Get a medical check-up – A physician or other licensed health care provider can tell you if you have a concussion, and when it is OK to return to play.
- Give yourself time to heal – If you have a concussion, your brain needs time to heal. While your brain is healing, you are much more likely to have another concussion. It is important to rest and not return to play until you get the OK from your health care professional.

Signs Reported by Students:

- Headache or "pressure" in head
- Nausea or vomiting
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Double or blurry vision
- Sensitivity to light or noise
- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy
- Concentration or memory problems
- Confusion
- Just not "feeling right" or is "feeling down"

PARENTS:

How can you help your child prevent a concussion?

- Every sport is different, but there are steps your children can take to protect themselves from concussion and other injuries.
- Make sure they wear the right protective equipment for their activity. It should fit properly, be well maintained, and be worn consistently and correctly.
 - Ensure that they follow their coaches' rules for safety and the rules of the sport.
 - Encourage them to practice good sportsmanship at all times.

Signs Observed by Parents or Guardians:

- Appears dazed or stunned
- Is confused about assignment or position
- Forgets an instruction
- Is unsure of game, score, or opponent
- Moves clumsily
- Answers questions slowly
- Loses consciousness (even briefly)
- Shows mood, behavior, or personality changes
- Can't recall events prior to hit or fall
- Can't recall events after hit or fall

Information on concussions provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

For more information visit: www.cdc.gov/Concussion

IT'S BETTER TO MISS ONE CONTEST THAN THE WHOLE SEASON.

IMPORTANT: Students participating in interscholastic athletics, cheerleading and dance; and their parents/guardians; must sign the acknowledgement below and return it to their school. Students cannot practice or compete in those activities until this form is signed and returned.

We have received the information provided on the concussion fact sheet titled, "HEADS UP: Concussion in High School Sports."

Student's Signature _____

Date _____

Student's Printed Name _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature _____

Date _____

Student's School _____

8/14

2011-2012 BALLARD BOOSTER CLUB MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIP FEES

FIRST CLASS _____ \$500 (Two Passes & a Plaque) PILOT _____ \$200.00 (Two Passes)
CO-PILOT _____ \$100.00 (One Pass) NAVIGATOR _____ \$75.00 (One Punch Card)
FLIGHT CREW _____ \$25.00 Punch Card Passes are available in the office for \$20.00

OR

Make a donation of your time helping with club sponsored meals, tournaments & home athletic events!!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Member Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Please make checks payable to: **Ballard Athletic Booster Club**

MAIL APPLICATION TO: **Ballard High School, P.O. Box 307, Huxley, IA 50124 – attention Terri Weeks**

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: **athleticboosters@ballard.k12.ia.us**

All funds support grades 7 - 12 Ballard Athletic Programs

I would like to help with the following: (please check the ones you would like to help with.)

_____ Football Pre-Game Meal – Oct. 14 – 5:00-7:00 pm

_____ Youth Wrestling Tournament – January 13, 2012

_____ Youth Basketball Tournament – Feb. 24-25, 2012

_____ Golf Outing – Date TBA

_____ Chain gang for sub varsity games (moms or dads) _____ Ticket takers for any home athletic events

_____ Oversee the running of home event concession stand _____ Sell Merchandise during home events

If you are looking for a way to become involved in the Ballard Community – here's your chance!

It is lots of fun and a great way to meet new people and to help our athletes.

??? QUESTIONS ??? CALL: Terri Weeks @ 597-2971 ext. 302 (thru July) ext. 2138 in August

2011 BALLARD BOMBERS
ELEMENTARY (GRADES 2-6) FOOTBALL CAMP

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2nd and WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3rd

FROM 5:00 TO 7:00 P.M. AT THE PRACTICE FIELDS IN HUXLEY
(west side off of 5th street)

COST - \$35.00 INCLUDES A CAMP T-SHIRT

PLEASE MAKE THE CHECK OUT TO - BALLARD FOOTBALL

MAIL TO - AL CHRISTIAN
BALLARD HIGH SCHOOL
P.O. BOX 307
HUXLEY, IA 50124

NEED - TENNIS SHOES / CLEATS, SHORTS, AND A T-SHIRT

ANY QUESTION CALL - AL CHRISTIAN – 597 – 2971 (ext.505) (school)
- 597 – 2752 (home)
- 450 – 0587 (cell)

(cut and send below in) -----

NAME - _____ GRADE (FALL) - _____

PARENT'S NAME - _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE - _____

PHONE NUMBER - _____

ADULT T-SHIRT SIZE - (CIRCLE) - S M L XL XXL

*(Late registration is available the day of the camp)

2011 BALLARD BOMBERS
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL CAMP

FOOTBALL CAMP WILL BE HELD ON

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY - AUGUST 13th AND 14th

FROM 3:00 TO 5:00 P.M. AT THE PRACTICE FIELDS IN HUXLEY
(west side off of 5th street)

THE COST IS \$35.00 AND INCLUDES A CAMP T-SHIRT

PLEASE MAKE THE CHECK OUT TO - BALLARD FOOTBALL

MAIL TO - AL CHRISTIAN
BALLARD HIGH SCHOOL
P.O. BOX 307
HUXLEY, IA 50124

NEED - TENNIS SHOES / CLEATS, SHORTS, AND A T-SHIRT

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NAME - _____ GRADE (FALL) - _____

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PHONE NUMBER - _____

ADULT T-SHIRT SIZE - (CIRCLE) - S M L XL XXL

*(Late registration is available the day of the camp)



9-12 Grade Ballard Bomber Volleyball Camp



When: August 1-4
Where: Middle School Gym (509 N. Main)
Time: 8:30-10:30
Cost: \$25 (includes camp t-shirt)
Make checks payable to: Ballard Volleyball
Registration Deadline: July 22

Mail Entry Form to: Christi Ersland or Christi Ersland
916 NE 49th St Ballard High School
Ankeny, IA 50021 509 N. Main Box 307
Huxley, IA 50124

If you have any questions please contact Christi Ersland at 605-695-1769



9-12 Grade Ballard Bomber Volleyball Camp

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Grade (2011-2012): _____
Parents/ Guardian Name: _____
Parent Phone: _____
Parent E-Mail: _____
T-Shirt Size (adult sizes only): SMALL MEDIUM LARGE XLARGE

Release Waiver

In consideration of allowing the named participant to enroll in Ballard Volleyball Camp, I hereby give my approval for her participation in any and all of the activities. I hereby waive and release Ballard School District, coaching staff, and other participants involved in Ballard Volleyball Camp any claim arising out of an injury or accident while involved with this camp.

I hereby declare any physical problems or restrictions and declare the participant to be in good physical and mental health. Please list any conditions we should be aware of.

SIGNED (parent or guardian): _____ Date: _____



6-8 Grade Ballard Bomber Volleyball Camp



When: August 1-3
Where: Middle School Gym (509 N. Main)
Time: 12:00-2:00
Cost: \$20 (includes camp t-shirt)
Make checks payable to: Ballard Volleyball
Registration Deadline: July 22

Mail Entry Form to: Christi Ersland or Christi Ersland
916 NE 49th St Ballard High School
Ankeny, IA 50021 509 N. Main Box 307
Huxley, IA 50124

If you have any questions please contact Christi Ersland at 605-695-1769



6-8 Grade Ballard Bomber Volleyball Camp

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Grade (2011-2012): _____
Parents/ Guardian Name: _____
Parent Phone: _____
Parent E-Mail: _____
T-Shirt Size (adult sizes only): SMALL MEDIUM LARGE XLARGE

Release Waiver

In consideration of allowing the named participant to enroll in Ballard Volleyball Camp, I hereby give my approval for her participation in any and all of the activities. I hereby waive and release Ballard School District, coaching staff, and other participants involved in Ballard Volleyball Camp any claim arising out of an injury or accident while involved with this camp.

I hereby declare any physical problems or restrictions and declare the participant to be in good physical and mental health. Please list any conditions we should be aware of.

SIGNED (parent or guardian): _____ Date: _____



4-5 Grade Ballard Bomber Volleyball Camp



When: August 4
Where: Middle School Gym (509 N. Main)
Time: 12:00-2:00
Cost: \$10 (includes camp t-shirt)
Make checks payable to: Ballard Volleyball
Registration Deadline: July 22

Mail Entry Form to: Christi Ersland or Christi Ersland
916 NE 49th St Ballard High School
Ankeny, IA 50021 509 N. Main Box 307
Huxley, IA 50124

If you have any questions please contact Christi Ersland at 605-695-1769



4-5 Grade Ballard Bomber Volleyball Camp

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Grade (2011-2012): _____

Parents/ Guardian Name: _____

Parent Phone: _____

Parent E-Mail: _____

T-Shirt Size (adult sizes only): SMALL MEDIUM LARGE XLARGE

Release Waiver

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SIGNED (parent or guardian):

Date:

Ballard School District Phone Numbers

Ballard West Elementary (Grades EK-2)

105 E. Main, Slater, Iowa

Attendance Reporting	228-3890
Office	228-3890
Fax	228-3892
Bus Riding Changes	228-3890
West Kitchen	228-3893

Administration Office

602 N. Main Ave, Huxley, Iowa

Superintendent	597-2811
Business Manager	597-2975
Fax	597-2965

Ballard East Elementary (Grades 3-5)

505 W. 4th, Cambridge, Iowa

Attendance Reporting	228-4306
Office	220-4306
Fax	220-4310
Bus Riding Changes	220-4306
East Kitchen	220-4893

Ballard High School

701 Ballard Drive, Huxley IA 50124

Attendance Reporting	597-2971 (xxxxxx)
Office	597-2971
Fax	597-2964
Principal's Secretary	597-2971 (ext 2170)
Activities Secretary	597-2971 (ext 2138)
High School Kitchen	597-2978

Ballard Middle School (Grades 6-8)

509 N. Main, Huxley, Iowa

Attendance Reporting	597-2815 (xxxxxx)
Office	597-2815
Fax	597-2818
Principal's Secretary	597-2815 (ext 200)
Activities Secretary	597-2971 (ext 2138)
Middle School Kitchen	597-xxxx

Ballard Bus Barn

597-2979

Ballard Website

www.ballard.k12.ia.us

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