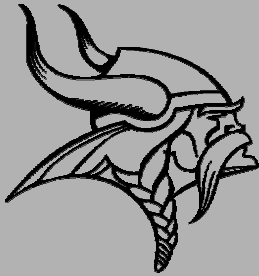


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SUPERINTENDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

by: Bill Eis

I would like to welcome back all district residents to a new school year! There are many reasons for us to be excited about this new year, as there are a number of progressive activities taking place.



Supt. Bill Eis

New Faces

First, there are two new members of our administrative team to introduce. We welcome to the Potterville School Board Mr. Jay Austin, who officially began his duties at the July board meeting. Jay has been active as a parent in our schools and we welcome his involvement at the Board level. The new principal of the high school will be Mr. Tim Donahue. Tim has taught English in Milford High School and Grand Blanc High School as well as at the college level. His leadership background includes serving as English Department Chairperson at Milford High School. Tim has much knowledge in reading and writing as well as the school improvement process, which we will be starting in all three schools this fall. We feel we have an outstanding new leader in the High School as well as an administrative teammate who will bring much expertise.

We welcome both Jay and Tim to their respective new posts in Potterville Schools!

Summer Activities

It seems that every summer gets busier and shorter and this summer is no exception. (I refuse to accept this as a function of age.) Here is a brief run-down of major activities which have taken place.

- Summer Reading - A total of fifty-four elementary students took part in reading enrichment work over a period of six weeks. Mrs. Wolfe, Mrs. Manning, Ms. Norris, Ms. Rensi and Mrs. Smith helped spread the enjoyment of reading using MP3 players, Reader's Theatre, story telling, story enrichment and many other activities. Support from the Intermediate School District allowed us to offer this program. We hope to make this an annual summer event.

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- Teacher Programs - In addition to the Summer Reading Program, teachers from all three schools are also involved in developing our Writing Curriculum and Assessment, establishing a teacher (peer) Mentoring Program and developing an updated system for Teacher Evaluation.

- School Facilities - We have several upgrades to our buildings and property over the summer, including:



*Asphalt Paving - The driveway from the High School gate area leading back to the football concession area was paved. Handicapped parking will be provided near the concession area with paving from fence to fence. Much of the stone walkway around the concession was also paved over.

*High School Bathrooms - Two bathrooms on the south side of the High School gym are being given a facelift.

*Security Upgrade - Doors other than main entryways near the offices of all the schools will remain locked during the day. All daytime visitors will have access to "Visitor Parking" during the day near the main entryways. All visitors will be required to first report to the school office upon entering each school as follows:

- Elementary School - Southeast doors will be open during the day with close visitor parking in the east side near the media center.
- Middle School - East doors will be open near the Middle School Office.
- High School - Northwest doors will be open near the weight room with adjacent visitor parking. All doors will be open in the morning during student arrival to school. All doors except those listed above will be locked within thirty minutes after the start of the school day.

School Improvement

All three schools will begin the formal school improvement process this fall. Principals have spent the past year preparing. Areas of focus will be Reading and Writing in all buildings. Major components of this new system include:

- « committees of teachers led by a teacher leader
- « deep study of effective instructional practices and research
- « a culture of questioning current practices
- « making all decisions based on what's best for students
- « using assessment results to modify instruction.



From the Board of Education, through the administrative team, to the teaching, building and district staffs, we at Potterville Schools are committed to academic excellence for all students. We will be transparent throughout this process and will report our progress in student achievement along the way. I hope this will be the best year for students and families of Potterville Schools!

2007-2008 SCHOOL CALENDAR

New Teacher Orientation	August 28
Professional Development – No School	August 29 & 30
1 st Day for Students	September 4
Professional Development – No School	October 22
End of First Marking Period	November 2
Parent Conferences – No School K-4 pm	November 6
Parent Conferences – No School K-4 pm	November 7
Parent Conferences – No School K-4, 5-12 pm	November 8
No School	November 9
Thanksgiving Vacation	November 22-23
End of First Trimester—Middle School only	November 28
Christmas Vacation	December 24-January 4
Classes Resume	January 7
No School K-12 pm	January 18
End of Semester	January 18
Professional Development – No School	January 21
Winter Break	February 15-18
School Resumes	February 19
End of Second Trimester—Middle School only	March 5
End of Third Marking Period	March 21
Parent Conferences – No School K-4 pm	April 2
Parent Conferences – No School K-12 pm	April 3
No School K-12	April 4
Spring Vacation	April 7-11
School Resumes	April 14
Professional Development – No School K-12	May 23
Memorial Day	May 26
No School K-4 pm	June 5

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Evening Conferences K –12	November 6-7
All day conferences K-4	November 8
Afternoon Conferences 5 – 12	November 8
Evening Conferences K – 4	April 1-2
Evening Conferences K – 12	April 3

BREAKFAST- LUNCH PRICES

Elementary

Breakfast	\$1.10
Lunch	\$1.75
Milk	\$.35

Middle/High School

Breakfast	\$1.10
Lunch	\$2.00
Milk	\$.35

Reduced Prices—All Schools

Breakfast	\$.30
Lunch	\$.40



NEW POTTERTVILLE SCHOLARSHIP

Earlier in the summer, we have learned of a new scholarship which is being developed for Potterville seniors. From the estate of the late Leo and Alta Poskey, lifelong residents of Potterville, a sizeable foundation is being set up with proceeds from investment earnings to go for college scholarships expressly for Potterville students.

The exact number and amounts of the scholarships as well as the requirements are all being discussed at this time by Foundation Board Members. We hope to announce more exact information sometime early in the fall. Here, though, is what we do know for now:

- applicants should have an interest in either softball or baseball
- applicants should have an interest in pursuing a career in nursing
- grade point average and extra curricular activity participation will be a factor
- community service will probably be a factor
- applicants should be considering attending either a 2 or 4 year college



Our timeline is to have a detailed listing of requirements by early fall, applications submitted in the fall, selections made by a committee of representatives from the Poskey Foundation during the spring, with awards being announced at the annual May High School Awards ceremony.

This is a terrific opportunity for Potterville students. Our district is extremely proud and appreciative to the Poskey family for this generous donation for our students. We look for this to be an annual scholarship program for many years to come.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WRITING IS MORE THAN A SUBJECT!

Welcome to a new school year! I would like to welcome new families and returning families to Potterville Elementary School. The elementary school years are exciting as well as challenging.

Many things have changed in schools in recent times. The most noticeable is the importance of writing for all children. The Michigan Department of Education has developed detailed writing expectations for students in Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade. It is no longer acceptable to have children proficient in only spelling and grammar. It is also important for children to be able to express themselves clearly and creatively when they are writing.



Mr. Schneider
Elementary School Principal

To address the many changes taking place in writing instruction, Potterville teachers have received professional development training to help children learn the writing process. Two elementary teachers received extensive writing training during the summer months. The ideas will be shared with all teachers so that they may be implemented in the classroom this school year.

Parents will receive a copy of ***A Parent's Guide to English Language Arts Grade Level Content Expectations*** at conferences in November. The **Grade Level Content Expectations** detail specific activities that a parent can do at home to improve a child's writing skills.

- Additionally, I have detailed some ways to make writing part of your child's home life. These activities will help your child become a better writer. Making time for your child to write is as important as making time for reading.
- Children learn what they experience. Make sure they see you writing-whether it's a letter to a friend or a thank you note. Ask your child to add a few lines or even write their own.
- Make a big deal of their writing successes. When your child has written something creative or fun, send copies to grandparents, and put the original on the refrigerator or bulletin board for everyone to admire.

Writing is much more than a school subject. People who know how to clearly express their opinions, creativity and knowledge have a real edge. With your help, your child will be among them.

All of us at Potterville Elementary thank you for your ongoing support. Working together we can make this an outstanding school year for your child.

ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSE

The elementary Open House will be held on Thursday, September 20, 2007 at 7:00 PM. All elementary parents and students are welcome to stop in and tour the elementary building and meet the teachers. Principal Jerry Schneider will be available to answer any questions or concerns anyone may have. We look forward to seeing you!

PLEASE
JOIN US!

MIDDLE SCHOOL

NEW YEAR—NEW AND GREATER OPPORTUNITIES

Welcome to a new and exciting year!!!

I really enjoyed my first year at Potterville Middle School. I was very impressed by how much the community supports its school. The middle school had many great things going for it when I began. Some of the great things that I observed were supportive parents, hardworking and dedicated teachers, and caring children who want to do well in school. My goal for this school year is to keep all of the positives of Potterville Middle School while adding some effective middle school practices. The Middle School will have the following new things in place for this next year:



Mr. Martin
Middle School Principal

- A focus on the whole child including their academic, social, and emotional development. Our goal is to help every child believe “they can do it”.
- A continuation with the anti-bullying program with an emphasis on the positive choices that students make regarding anti-bullying behavior.
- A character education program that recognizes students for the positive choices that they make at school.
- A trimester schedule where the school year will be divided into three parts rather than four parts. This will allow for students to have more of an opportunity for increased learning and improving their grades in their courses.
- A modified schedule that allows for more student choices, opportunities for students who need more assistance as well as students who need accelerated instruction, and a consistent time every day where all 6th- 8th grade students will be reading.
- More frequent and consistent communication for the school and teachers to the parents.
- A collaborative staff that will collect student data, analyze data, and make adjustments to better serve the needs of our students.

As you can see we are working to make Potterville Middle School the best that we can. We feel strongly that the improvements that we are making will make a significant difference in the lives of our children.

MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

We will be having an open house for parents and students on the following dates:

- 5th grade: Monday, August 27 @ 3:30 p.m.
- 6th grade: Tuesday, August 28 @ 3:30 p.m.
- 7th and 8th grade: Wednesday, August 29 @ 3:30 p.m.



It is very important for all parents and students to attend. We will be explaining changes to the school, answering questions, introducing teachers, handing out schedules, and giving the students a chance to find their classrooms and try their lockers. We look forward to seeing you and your child at the open house. If you are unable to attend, student schedules can be picked up Tuesday, September 4 @ 7:30 a.m.

← HIGH SCHOOL →

NEW DIRECTIONS AT POTTERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome to the 2007-2008 school year! The first day of school will be here soon, and the staff of Potterville High School is greatly looking forward to another successful year with our high school students.

As the new principal of Potterville High School, I am honored to have been entrusted with the leadership of this school community. Please allow me to introduce myself and share with you my vision for our school in the years to come.

A graduate of Michigan State University, I first began teaching high school English in 1993. At three high schools in the Detroit area over thirteen years, I taught all levels of English courses, along with serving as English Department Chairperson for six years. I was also committed to students in the high school, and I involved myself with numerous student activities throughout my teaching career. These activities have been some of the most rewarding parts of my work, providing the opportunity to connect with students, parents, and community members in activities that make their relationships with the school more meaningful and fulfilling. After receiving my Master's Degree from Wayne State University, and my Education Specialist degree in School Administration from Oakland University, I became motivated for new challenges and endeavors in schools. As much as I enjoyed working with students in the classroom, and making a classroom in which they could feel accepted and able to excel, I have wanted the chance to shape and develop a school community with the same objective. I'm eager to get started for this school year!



*Mr. Donahue
High School Principal*

In the coming years, my goal for our school is to draw on our strengths and address our weaknesses so we can move toward being a learning community where all students are accepted, safe, and able to achieve their fullest potential. It is my obligation to the community to work toward that end. With your cooperation and input, the efforts of the Potterville High School staff will undoubtedly lead to our graduates being ready for the world that awaits them after graduation.

Throughout the interview process this past spring, I stressed my focus on student achievement. While I know that PHS students are meeting objectives and making good progress, I also know that Michigan standards and university and/or employers' expectations are getting more demanding. We will have to make concerted effort to develop and achieve goals that will move our school ahead in all aspects of student achievement. There is a great deal of conversation these days about the world becoming an "information economy" in contrast to the manufacturing economy that has sustained us for so many decades. Tomorrow's successful workers will need to be well versed in how to access, acquire, produce, and distribute information, which will be the primary element of the global economy. I'm confident our student achievement goals and focus will help us to make PHS graduates lifelong learners who can flourish in the world of tomorrow.

In closing, I sincerely appreciate the confidence the Potterville School Board and Superintendent have shown by selecting me to be PHS principal. I look forward to meeting many of you at events and meetings throughout the school year. As always, I welcome your comments and suggestions. Please contact me at any time.

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FRESHMEN AND NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Orientation for freshmen and new students will be held in the high school cafeteria from 1:00 to 2:00 PM on Tuesday, August 28, 2007. Schedules and locker assignments will be available, and there will be time for new high school students to tour the building. Parents and family members are welcome to attend but it is not mandatory. If you have any questions, you can contact the high school office at 645-7609.

VIKINGS FALL ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

*=League Event

Events for 8/20/2007 to 11/23/2007

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Thursday	8/23/2007	Boys JV Football	Dansville	Away	6:30 PM
Friday	8/24/2007	Boys V Football	Dansville	Home	7:00 PM
Saturday	8/25/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Bellevue Tournament	Away	8:30 PM
Wednesday	8/29/2007	Boys JV Football	*Carson-City Crystal	Home	6:30 PM
Thursday	8/30/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Delton-Kellogg Tournament	Away	8:30 AM
Thursday	8/30/2007	Boys V Football	*Carson-City Crystal	Away	7:00 PM
Wednesday	9/5/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	Springport Invitational	Away	4:00 PM
Thursday	9/6/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Dansville	Home	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/6/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Dansville	Home	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/6/2007	Boys JV Football	*Laingsburg	Away	6:30 PM
Thursday	9/6/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Dansville	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	9/7/2007	Boys V Football	*Laingsburg	Home	7:00 PM
Saturday	9/8/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	Bath Invitational	Away	TBA
Saturday	9/8/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Sacred Heart Tournament	Away	9:00 AM
Tuesday	9/11/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	Tri Meet	Home	4:30 PM
Wednesday	9/12/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Laingsburg	Away	5:00 PM
Thursday	9/13/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Carson City-Crystal	Away	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/13/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Carson City-Crystal	Away	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/13/2007	Boys JV Football	*Fowler	Home	6:30 PM
Thursday	9/13/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Carson City-Crystal	Away	7:30 PM
Friday	9/14/2007	Boys V Football	*Fowler	Away	7:00 PM
Saturday	9/15/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	Holly Invitational	Away	TBA
Saturday	9/15/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	Holly Invitational	Away	TBA
Saturday	9/15/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Maple Valley Tournament	Away	9:00 AM
Saturday	9/15/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Lakewood Tournament	Away	9:00 AM
Monday	9/17/2007	Gils MS Basketball	Dansville	Away	6:00 PM
Monday	9/17/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Quad Meet	Home	6:00 PM
Wednesday	9/19/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	CMAC @ Bath	Away	4:30 PM
Wednesday	9/19/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	CMAC	Away	4:30 PM
Wednesday	9/19/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Saranac	Home	5:30 PM
Thursday	9/20/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Laingsburg	Home	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/20/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Laingsburg	Home	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/20/2007	Boys JV Football	*Saranac	Home	6:30 PM
Thursday	9/20/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Laingsburg	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	9/21/2007	Boys V Football	*Saranac	Away	7:00 PM
Saturday	9/22/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	Pittsford Invitational	Away	9:00 AM
Saturday	9/22/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	Pittsford Invitational	Away	12:20 PM
Saturday	9/22/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Williamston Tournament	Away	8:30 AM
Monday	9/24/2007	Girls MS Basketball	St. Patricks	Home	5:30 PM
Tuesday	9/25/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	Bath Invitational	Away	4:00 PM
Wednesday	9/26/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Pewamo-Westphalia	Away	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/27/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Fowler Schools	Away	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/27/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Fowler Schools	Away	6:00 PM
Thursday	9/27/2007	Boys JV Football	*Pewamo-Westphalia	Away	6:30 PM
Thursday	9/27/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Fowler Schools	Away	7:30 PM

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<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Friday	9/28/2007	Boys V Football	*Pewamo-Westphalia	Home	7:00 PM
Saturday	9/29/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	Carson City Invitational	Away	9:00 AM
Saturday	9/29/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Lansing Eastern Tournament	Away	9:00 AM
Saturday	9/29/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	JV Tournament	Home	9:00 AM
Saturday	9/29/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	Carson City Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
Monday	10/1/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Carson City - Crystal	Away	6:00 PM
Monday	10/1/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Saranac	Away	6:00 PM
Monday	10/1/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Saranac	Away	7:25 PM
Tuesday	10/2/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Quad Meet	Home	6:00 PM
Wednesday	10/3/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	CMAC @ Laingsburg	Away	4:30 PM
Wednesday	10/3/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	CMAC @ Laingsburg	Away	4:30 PM
Wednesday	10/3/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Bath Middle School	Home	5:30 PM
Thursday	10/4/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Pewamo-Westphalia	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	10/4/2007	Boys JV Football	*Fulton	Home	6:30 PM
Thursday	10/4/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Pewamo-Westphalia	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	10/5/2007	Boys V Football	*Fulton	Away	7:00 PM
Saturday	10/6/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Springport Invitational	Away	9:00 AM
Monday	10/8/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Fowler Schools	Away	6:00 PM
Wednesday	10/10/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Bath Middle School	Away	6:00 PM
Thursday	10/11/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	Saranac Invitational	Away	4:30 PM
Thursday	10/11/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Fulton	Away	5:30 PM
Thursday	10/11/2007	Boys JV Football	*Bath Middle School	Away	6:30 PM
Thursday	10/11/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Fulton	Away	6:30 PM
Thursday	10/11/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Fulton	Away	7:30 PM
Friday	10/12/2007	Boys V Football	*Bath	Home	7:00 PM
Saturday	10/13/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Homer Invitational	Away	8:00 AM
Saturday	10/13/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Springport Tournament	Away	9:00 AM
Saturday	10/13/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	Greater Lansing @ Ledge Meadows	Away	10:00 AM
Monday	10/15/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	Greater Lansing	Away	TBA
Monday	10/15/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Fulton	Home	5:30 PM
Monday	10/15/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Tri-Meet @ Bellevue	Away	6:00 PM
Monday	10/15/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Tri-Meet @ Bellevue	Away	6:00 PM
Wednesday	10/17/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	CMAC Final @ Potterville	Away	4:30 PM
Wednesday	10/17/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	CMAC Final Jamb	Away	4:30 PM
Wednesday	10/17/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Saranac	Away	6:00 PM
Thursday	10/18/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	Bath	Home	6:00 PM
Thursday	10/18/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Bath	Home	6:00 PM
Thursday	10/18/2007	Girls V Volleyball	Bath	Home	7:30 PM
Friday	10/19/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	MITCA	Away	3:15 PM
Friday	10/19/2007	Boys V Football	*St. Patricks	Away	7:00 PM
Saturday	10/20/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	Whitmore Lake Invitational	Away	TBA
Saturday	10/20/2007	Boys/Girls MS Cross Country	Whitmore Lake Invitational	Away	TBA
Saturday	10/20/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	Potterville Tournament	Home	9:00 AM
Monday	10/22/2007	Girls MS Basketball	Dansville	Home	5:30 PM
Thursday	10/25/2007	Girls FR Volleyball	St. Patricks	Away	5:30 PM
Thursday	10/25/2007	Girls JV Volleyball	St. Patricks	Away	6:30 PM
Thursday	10/25/2007	Girls V Volleyball	St. Patricks	Away	7:30 PM
Saturday	10/27/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	MHSAA Regional	Away	TBA
Saturday	10/27/2007	Girls V Volleyball	CMAC Volleyball	Home	9:00 AM
Saturday	11/3/2007	Boys/Girls V Cross Country	MHSAA State Finals @MIS	Away	TBA
Saturday	11/3/2007	Girls V Volleyball	District Volleyball	Away	TBA

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Free and Reduced Price School Meals Family Application

Part 1 - Foster Child **YES** **Child's spending money per month \$ _____ If none available, list \$0.
Use a SEPARATE application for each FOSTER CHILD

Part 2 - Homeless **Migrant** **Runaway**
 If the child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway check the appropriate box and call the:
 District/School Homeless Liaison or Migrant Coordinator at _____

Part 3 - The names of all children in the household in school or The name of ONE Foster Child in school

New Student	Student's Name	School Name	Grade	Does your child receive Food Stamps/FIP/FDPIR?	
<input type="checkbox"/> YES				<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
<input type="checkbox"/> YES				<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
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If you listed a Food Stamp/FIP/FDPIR case number for EACH child, skip to Part 5.

Part 4- Total Household Gross Income-You must tell us how much and CIRCLE how often it is received.

Name List everyone in the household	Earnings from work (Before taxes)		Welfare, child support, alimony		Pensions, retirement, Social Security		All other income		Circle if NO income
	Weekly <small>Every 2 weeks</small>	Twice a Month Monthly	Weekly <small>Every 2 weeks</small>	Twice a Month Monthly	Weekly <small>Every 2 weeks</small>	Twice a Month Monthly	Weekly <small>Every 2 weeks</small>	Twice a Month Monthly	
<i>Example Jane Doe</i>	\$100	Weekly	\$500	Monthly		Weekly		Weekly	NO
1	\$	Weekly	\$	Monthly	\$	Weekly	\$	Weekly	NO
2	\$	Weekly	\$	Monthly	\$	Weekly	\$	Weekly	NO
3	\$	Weekly	\$	Monthly	\$	Weekly	\$	Weekly	NO
4	\$	Weekly	\$	Monthly	\$	Weekly	\$	Weekly	NO
5	\$	Weekly	\$	Monthly	\$	Weekly	\$	Weekly	NO
6	\$	Weekly	\$	Monthly	\$	Weekly	\$	Weekly	NO
7	\$	Weekly	\$	Monthly	\$	Weekly	\$	Weekly	NO

Part 5 - Signature and Social Security Number (Adult household member must sign.)
 If Part 4 is completed, the adult signing the form must also list his or her Social Security Number or check the "I do not have a Social Security Number" box. (See Privacy Act Statement on the back of this page.)
I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the school will get Federal funds based on the information I give. I understand that school officials may verify (check) the information. I understand that if I purposely give false information, my child may lose meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted.

Sign Here: X _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____
Adult Social Security Number: _____ **I do not have a Social Security Number**

Address	City	Zip Code	County
Home Phone	Work Phone		

Do not fill out this part. This is for school use only.

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice a Month x 24, Monthly x 12
 Household Size: _____ Total Gross Income: \$ _____ Week _____, Every 2 Weeks _____, Twice a Month _____, Monthly _____, Annual _____
 Foster Child: _____ Categorical Eligibility: _____ Eligibility: Free _____ Reduced _____ Denied _____
 Temporary Free _____ Time Period: _____ (expires after _____ days)
 Reason for Denial: _____ Income too High _____ Incomplete Application _____ Other (specify) _____
 Determining Official's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Date Withdrawn: _____

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Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application (Continued)

Part 6 - Foster Children In most cases foster children are eligible for free meals regardless of your household income
 Foster Home License Number: _____ (optional)
 ___ A. The welfare agency or court is legally responsible for the child and the foster home is, in fact, and extension of the welfare agency or court.
 ___ B. The child is a resident of a licensed "Group Foster" home or a residential institution.
****Only the foster child's spending money is counted as income on this application. Do not include money from occasional or part-time jobs like paper routes and babysitting. If you have any questions, please contact the school.**

Part 7 - Child's Racial/Ethnic Identity (Optional)
Check one or more racial identities:
 ___ American Indian or Alaskan Native
 ___ Black or African American
 ___ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 ___ Asian
 ___ White
 ___ Other
Check one ethnic identity:
 ___ Hispanic or Latino
 ___ Neither Hispanic nor Latino

Privacy Act Information: Social Security Number
 The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Food Stamp Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

Non-discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly
 In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write to USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington DC 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 or (202) 720-6382 (TTY). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

<i>Verification - This is for school use only.</i>		
Date Selected for Verification: _____	Sample Selection:	
Response Due from Household: _____	___ Focused	___ Random
Second Notice Sent: _____	Basic	
Food Stamp/FIP Eligibility: ___ Not Confirmed	Income \$ _____ ___ Monthly ___ Yearly	Verification Result: ___ Free to Reduced ___ Free to Paid ___ Reduced to Free ___ Reduced to Paid ___ No Change
Confirmed: ___ Food Stamp Office ___ Notice of Eligibility ___ ATP Card issued monthly	___ Wage Stubs ___ Written Documents ___ Collateral Contact ___ Agency Records ___ Other	Reason For Eligibility Change: ___ Income ___ Household Size ___ Refused to Cooperate ___ Other
Confirming Official's Signature: _____	Date: _____	
Follow-up Official's Signature: _____	Date: _____	
Date Adverse Notice Sent: _____		

Only one form needs to be filled out per family. If you have any questions regarding the application please contact Missy Julson at 645-4782. Please detach along the dotted line and return completed (front and back) applications to any office. **Any student who returns a completed application on the first day of school will receive a reward.**

POTTERVILLE SCHOOLS TRANSPORTATION POLICY

Our first priority with busing our students is to provide safety and comfort. We continue to also focus on efficiency, reducing student ride time and conserving district resources. Reducing the number of stops and maximizing the number of students at each pick-up point helps us toward these goals. We ask parents' cooperation in understanding that it is not always possible to accommodate special drop-off/pick-up points.

We also ask parents to review safety rules with each child. Backpacks should not have string or straps hanging. Large items or glass containers should not go on the bus. Students should ALWAYS cross in front of the bus at least 10 feet away and be sure the driver sees you. The driver will signal when it's time to cross. Students should be 20 feet away from the road while waiting for the bus.

If students observe just a few simple rules while riding, a safe and comfortable ride can be provided for all. These include:

- Stay in your seat until it is time to exit
- Keep hands, head, and any object inside the bus
- Talk in a normal voice
- Do not stand, kneel on the seat, or turn around in the seat. Sudden stops can be dangerous
- If you forget a rule and the bus driver gives you a reminder, listen and follow directions the first time
- Respect others
- All school rules apply on the bus, as it is just an extension of the classroom

Drive Safely Near School Buses



- Stop no closer than 20 feet from a stationary school bus with flashing overhead red lights (with or without a bus stop sign).
- Prepare to stop when overhead yellow lights are flashing.
- Proceed with caution when yellow hazard warning lights are flashing.

Parents of Potterville School Students:

If your child rides the Potterville school bus to school, your child/children will be receiving a post card with the pick-up and drop-off times. If you reside at Independence Commons or Valley Springs the bus schedule will be posted on the office window. Highway Mobile Haven's schedule will be posted on the laundry mat window. All kindergarten students will be contacted by the bus driver. If you have not been contacted by August 31, 2007, please contact Jeff Hydon at 645-2696.

DRIVER EDUCATION

The next session of driver education will begin September 10, 2007 and will run through November 26, 2007. Class will meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:15 - 8:15 PM in room #3 of the Administration Building (schedule is subject to change). Applications may be picked up and dropped off at the high school office. The deadline to drop off an application is September 7, 2007.

ATHLETIC ADMISSION PRICES

Please note the following change in admission prices for the 2007-2008 school year. The CMAC league has increased individual game tickets for all Varsity events to \$5.00, sub-varsity will be \$4.00 and Middle School will be \$3.00. Family passes are \$200 and are for immediate family members only, individual passes are \$100. Seniors, 62 and over, may apply at the Athletic Office for a lifetime pass at no charge.

POTTERVILLE CHILD CARE CENTER

*Quality Care Oriented to Child
Development*

Now accepting applications for the following:

- Half Day/Before & After School – AM/PM Kindergarten
- Full Day - 5 days per week (2 1/2—5 year olds)



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**Mark your calendars—we urge the
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Potterville Public Schools Mission Statement:

It is the mission of the Potterville Public Schools to provide an educational learning environment with a level of instruction that gives all students opportunities to reach their individual potential and to develop the skills essential for success in life and work.

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