



SCHOOL ZONE

Campbellsport

SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Campbellsport Elementary 4K and Kindergarten students gather at a "Character Counts" assembly where they taught the rest of the school about being caring.

Character Counts: Building Good Citizens & Friends

Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "We must remember that intelligence is not enough. *Intelligence plus character* – that is the goal of true education."

Learning how to think critically and solve problems are important skills for our youth, but character also counts. That's why our schools are making sure character education is part of our student learning. Here's how:

Eden Elementary

Eden staff and students started the year with a bang! We chose a Superhero theme to support our school's positive behavior program. The superheroes at Eden are fighting for peace in our school by learning how to treat others with respect and kindness.

Each month we focus on a positive character trait that starts with the letters of the word superhero:

- Self control
- Unconditional Love
- Perseverance
- Empathy
- Respect
- Honesty
- Enthusiasm
- Responsibility
- Obedience

Students who best exemplify our positive trait of the month are recognized on our superhero board.

Campbellsport Elementary

As part of our Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program, Campbellsport Elementary has a new initiative this year called "Character Counts." We hold monthly assemblies that

focus on these good character traits:

- Caring
- Fairness
- Responsibility
- Respect
- Trustworthiness
- Citizenship

Each month, one grade level will teach the rest of the school about a trait. Throughout each month we recognize students for displaying that character trait to their friends and others in our school. Through modeling and practice, we hope to instill these traits in the students to strengthen not only our school community, but the community and world as a whole. Students also have classes focusing on these traits.

We also have added a Friendship Bench to our playground, through the generous donation of the Eden Elementary PTO.

Referendum Plan Supports Academics

To best deliver high-quality, modern curricular programming in an aging high school, portions of which are more than 80 years old, the Campbellsport Board of Education is seeking voter referendum approval on November 8 to borrow up to \$23.4 million to remodel and rebuild Campbellsport Middle-High School and improve HVAC at Eden Elementary School.

The goal is to improve educational opportunities for Campbellsport students while being wise stewards of the District's resources. This will be accomplished by:

- Demolition of the 1938 and 1950s portions of the structure.
- Rebuilding new educational spaces and remodeling specific rooms to meet curriculum needs.
- Increasing security and providing for more efficient operation of the school.

The targeted older sections are inadequate as instructional space, not fully accessible

and structurally showing their age, with cracks in masonry walls that are not insulated and a roof that needs replacement.

Proposed plans involve:

- **New construction:** New spaces would be built for Tech Ed – STEM areas including integrated classrooms, workspaces (shops), and computer labs; Physical Education gymnasium plus related areas; a district office and a school office with a security entrance design.
- **Major remodeling:** Spaces that would receive major remodeling include the current STEM area to become several classrooms; the current shops will be transformed into improved music classrooms with greater proximity to the auditorium; the current multi-purpose room and district office becomes Special Ed classrooms at the high school end; and the current band and choir areas will become an extension of a redesigned, more efficient cafeteria plus classrooms.

Voting Info



Polling places will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on election day.

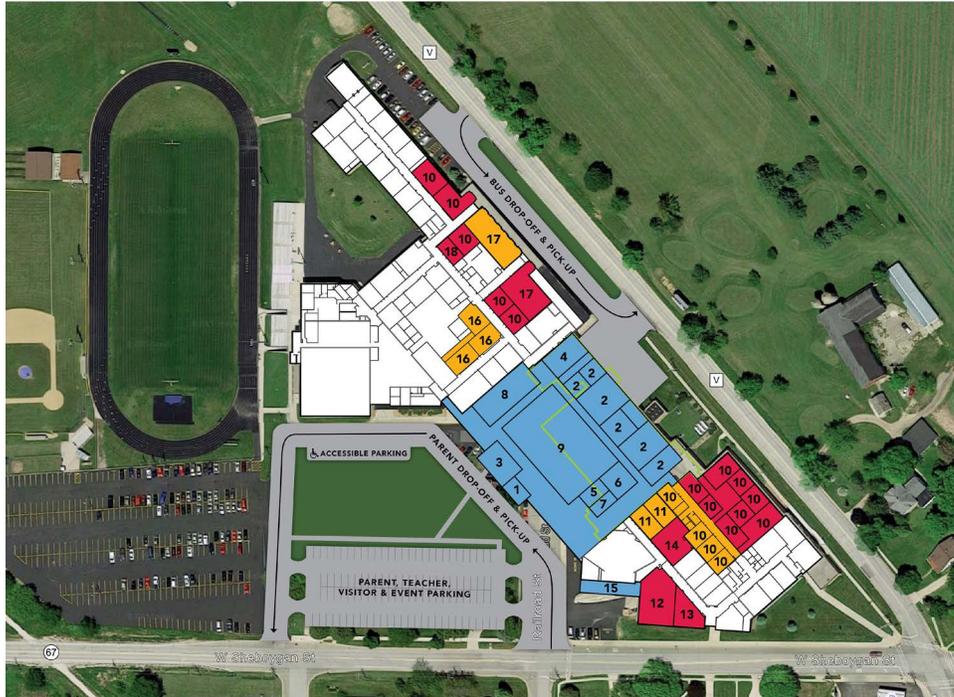
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- **Minor remodeling:** Some classrooms would get minor remodeling such adjustments to attached furnishings, addressing room flexibility and usage concerns.

Additional issues to be addressed:

- Separating bus and personal vehicular traffic to **improve safety** concerns.
- Answering the **parking needs** of the building and working toward total site improvement.
- Focusing on the much needed upgrade of the **HVAC system at Eden Elementary**.



What is the tax impact?		
Assessed Home Value	Annual	Monthly
\$100,000	\$62.00	\$5.17
\$150,000	\$92.00	\$7.67
\$200,000	\$123.00	\$10.25
\$300,000	\$185.00	\$15.42

Assumptions: Split financing with 20 year borrowing. Mill rate is based on estimated interest rates and an equalized valuation of \$862,669,541 (TID Out). The estimated increase in taxes starting in 2018 is \$62 per \$100,000 of property value. The term of the financing is for 20 years. Prepared by Springsted Incorporated Municipal Advisors, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

What is the project timeline?	
November 8, 2016	Referendum passes
November 2016 – April 2017	Finalize design; create construction documents to be hard bid
April 2017	Bidding phase
May 2017	Procurement
June 2017	Construction begins

color key

- Existing Building Being Demolished
- New Building
- Major Renovation
- Minor Renovation

room key

- New Central Secure Entrance
- New STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering-Math) and Technical Education Classrooms
- High-Middle School Offices
- District-Pupil Service Offices
- Restrooms
- Mechanical Space and Storage
- Concessions
- Locker Rooms
- 2-Station Gym
- Classrooms
- FACE (Family-Consumer-Education) Classroom
- Band
- Choir
- Music Practice Rooms and Storage
- Auditorium Link
- Science Classrooms
- Cafeteria
- Instructional Technology

Middle-High School Test Scores Rise as Curriculum Expands

Scores on standardized tests during the 2015-16 school year at Campbellsport Middle-High School show incredible growth compared to state and national averages. We are encouraged that the work we put into redesigning our course alignment and sequencing has yielded significant increases in our ACT scores.

Why are Campbellsport scores increasing?

More students have access to the higher-end material used on the ACT. For example, ACT suggests students take “Core or More” classes to be college and career ready. Our junior students who took three or more years of math beyond Algebra 1 were **54%** college ready. This is why we are encouraging more students to take Algebra 1 in 8th grade. ACT data shows that students who take more advanced math courses and take biology, chemistry and physics typically achieve higher ACT scores in these areas.

We emphasized curricular development the past two years, looking at data derived from our standardized testing to realign and plug holes in our courses and curriculum. We also are aligning our assessments, whether formative or summative, to the learning targets and standards given by the state and ACT.

We have increased our school’s Advanced Placement (AP) offerings. Because of this increase, Wisconsin Advanced Placement Advisory Council recognized CHS as a Level 3 **Advanced Placement Pacesetter School** for impressive student AP access and excellence in AP exam scores.

We had the highest number of AP students in school history: 84 students took a school record 106 AP Exams. We had the highest

Average ACT Scores						
Year	Students Tested*	English*	Math*	Reading*	Science*	Composite*
2014-15	102 61,801	18.3 19.0	19.7 20.0	19.2 20.1	20.3 20.2	19.5 19.9
2015-16	94 62,647	19.6 19.1	20.0 20.1	19.9 20.1	21.1 20.6	20.2 20.1

*Campbellsport High School vs. State of Wisconsin

number of AP students with scores of 3 or higher in school history: 48.

What scores showed improvement?

ACT Benchmarks: In March 2016, our juniors raised the percentage of students proficient in all four ACT Benchmarks from 14% to 24%, which is above the state average of 22%. We also raised the ACT composite average score 0.7 points to 20.2 - also above the state average.

ACT Aspire Test: In spring 2015, 9th graders fell below the National average in Science, Reading, Writing, and English, scoring above only in Math. But in spring 2016 as 10th graders, they improved to score above the National average in English, at the National average in Math and Reading and only one point below in Science. Also last spring, 9th graders scored above the National average in English, Science, and Math while being close to proficient in Reading and Writing.

Forward Exam: Last spring, our students in grades 6-8 scored above the state in proficiency levels in English and Math.

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Students who want to make new friends or who do not have someone to play with because they are new to the school, can sit on the bench and other students, in turn, will introduce themselves and invite them to play.



A playground “peace bench”, donated by the Eden Elementary School PTO, prompts students to invite new or lonely peers to join them.

We also are featuring a new song called “Our Pride Song,” new T-shirts with the message “Campbellsport Elementary is On Track with Good Character” and school-wide thoughts of the week with character recognition.

Campbellsport Middle School

We focus on three behavioral expectations that are stated positively and easy to remember. In other words, rather than telling students what not to do, our school focuses on preferred behaviors. We encourage students to:

- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be Resourceful

Our PBIS committee meets monthly to plan themes and activities related to

these three behaviors. One way students are rewarded is by receiving Cougar Cash from staff for exhibiting positive behaviors. Last year, the Campbellsport Middle School opened the Cougar Cash Store, where students can use Cougar Cash to purchase items including school supplies, gift certificates to area businesses and donated or fun items.

As our Middle School PBIS program continues to grow, we welcome parents and community members to become involved with our committee.

If you have any questions, wish to donate items or become a PBIS Middle School member, please contact Judy McCabe-Krudwig at jmccabe-krudwig@csd.k12.wi.us.



Mark Your Calendar

- Nov. 4:** HS Fall One-Act Play, 7 p.m., Lang Auditorium
- Nov. 7:** MS-HS Winter Athletics Meeting, 7 p.m., Lang Auditorium
- Nov. 8:** Election Day – District Referendum Vote
- Nov. 11–** CES Missoula Children’s
- Nov. 12:** Theater, 7 p.m. Friday & 2 p.m. Saturday, Lang Auditorium
- Dec. 7:** MS-HS Band Concert, 7 p.m., Lang Auditorium
- Dec. 8:** CES Choral Concert K-1, 6:30 p.m., CES Gym
- Dec. 19:** MS Choral Concert, 7 p.m., Lang Auditorium

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Get Involved in Student Athletics and Clubs



Tom Griesemer

I often end my newspaper articles with “It takes a village...” I have many reasons for doing this, but it all comes back to the fact that we all must work together and it takes many contributors to have successful athletic programs. It is not just the coaches and athletes. It is everyone who has a stake in our community – parents, grandparents, neighbors,

business owners, literally everyone in the greater Campbellsport community – who help make our athletic teams successful. We need your support and we thank you in advance for your support.

Fall sports are well underway. We are seeing our teams have success and/or continuing to improve. Our struggles come in the form of numbers. In particular, numbers of participants. Our boys’ cross-country team has just seven runners. Our football team does not have enough players to support three levels of football. As a result, we have canceled our JV schedule and are fielding a JV2 and varsity team. This requires

numerous players playing on both JV2 and varsity. This means that some players must play a game on Thursday and miss the practice right before the varsity game. Finally, our boys’ soccer team has also been short-handed as well. We have 13 or 14 players on varsity and eight players left for JV. We have been playing as many games as possible by going 8 on 8 for JV soccer. We need to be developing our players by getting quality minutes and competing against appropriate competition. This means playing games with fewer players and less breaks.

Athletics Meetings

Learn more about Winter Athletics on Nov. 7 and Spring Athletics on March 6. Attend parent meetings at 7 p.m. in the Lang Auditorium.

What is the solution? Pretty obvious, but not that simple. We need more students to get involved. We all know the positive benefits of being on a team. Encourage your son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter or neighbor to join a team. If athletics isn’t your thing, join a club or activity group.

Even if you do not have a child in the program, come out and support the coaches and athletes. Cheering for our teams gives us a sense of community. Good things happen when people get together for a common cause. Remember, “it takes a village...”

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