THE PARKVIEW VOICE

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Parkview is Well Positioned in the Event of a School Threat

Steve Lutzke | District Administrator

If you are anything like me, your anxiety skyrocketed when you learned in November about a 15 year old boy that killed several students and injured numerous others in a school shooting at Oxford HS in Michigan. My blood

pressure went even higher when I learned that hours before the shooting, the boy was questioned by the guidance counselors after a teacher reported a graphic picture he drew showing a gun shooting a person to the counselors.

While there is probably no way to completely prepare for such a horrific event, I believe Parkview is prepared to minimize the potential for this type of event in our District. Below are some of the actions taken by Parkview staff to ensure all of our students and staff remain safe.

In 2017, the WI State Legislature passed WI Act 143 requiring schools to implement a safety intervention plan. Due to this law, all Parkview staff completed a minimum of 3 hours combined training in Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) and Trauma Informed Care/Trauma Sensitive Schools. Additionally, at least 10% of Parkview's full-time teachers and counselors and all administrators completed a Dept. of Justice, 12-hour Adolescent Mental Health training program. These trainings provided Parkview with the knowledge to identify students that are experiencing trauma or mental health issues.

In 2019, Parkview established a School Safety Intervention Team (SSIT) according to the Dept. of Justice's (DOJ) standardized guidelines. The SSIT, made up of a wide variety of school staff and administration, performs ongoing violence-related threat assessments, behavior monitoring, and intervention. The SSIT tracks, monitors, assists, and intervenes with at-risk youth. The SSIT works very closely with local law enforcement to assess any threats of violence. The SSIT plan clearly outlines how an employee communicates with them whenever a concern of school safety emerges.

Parkview's also uses technology to assist with preventing acts of violence. Parkview utilizes an online reporting portal, <u>Speak up - Speak out</u>, where individuals can report bullying, threats, violence, etc. The link is on Parkview's website and is also on all the student Chromebooks. This site is monitored 24/7 by the DOJ and Parkview staff also get immediate email and text alerts.

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A Letter from the Superintendent

Parkview also uses a filter on our school servers (Securly/Auditor) that screens all email activity for violence, self harm or imminent threats. Immediate notifications are sent to staff, when a concerning email is detected. Parkview entrances are locked at all times and both buildings have security camera surveillance inside and out. Background checks are run on all visitors to the building.

Lastly, Parkview annually practices how staff and students will respond in the case of school violence. Each school practices lock down, flight and fight drills and when each action is appropriate. Probably most of you experienced fire drills in school, these drills are similar. After each drill the school leadership evaluates the different components and provides everyone with steps to improve upon. Parkview law enforcement also provides annual inspections of both schools and provides a written report with areas to improve school safety.

As mentioned previously, I'm confident that the steps outlined above have placed Parkview in a positive position to prevent a horrific incident like occured in Oxford, MI.

If you have questions or feedback related to Parkview's safety plan or any other topics, please feel free to contact me at slutzke@email.parkview.k12.wi.us or 608-879-2456.







Parkview FFA

The Parkview FFA members have had a busy fall semester. In September, the officer team attended the Fall Leadership Workshop where they had the opportunity to work directly with the State FFA Officer Team. In October, 6 members attended the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN. Members who attended listened to keynote speakers, participated in Career Preparation Tours, and met FFA members from around the country. In November, the chapter attended the Mission and Impact Conferences to learn how they can have a positive impact in the community. The chapter also hosted its annual Pumpkin Bowling Tournament in October, an ice cream social for members in September, and a school-wide holiday movie night in December. Checkout the Parkview FFA Facebook Page to see pictures from all of their events.

As we wrap up the fall semester, FFA members are preparing for the spring competitions. Members will compete in the District Leadership Development Events (Speaking Contests) in January. They are also currently preparing for the State Career Development Events (Judging Contests) at Janesville and UW-Platteville in March and April. At the end of February, the high school will be celebrating National FFA Week. Students will have the opportunity to participate in Agriculture based lunch activities, dress up days, trivia questions, and Ag. Olympics at the end of the week. Throughout the remainder of the semester, FFA members will complete highway clean-up, hold officer elections, have their annual banquet, and wrap the school year up by attending the Wisconsin State FFA Convention in June. If any student or parent would like to learn more or are interested in joining Parkview FFA, contact FFA Advisor Mr. Sattler at tsattler@email.parkview.k12.wi.us.

Parkview FFA Alumni Association

The Parkview FFA Chapter is supported by the Parkview FFA Alumni Association. The Alumni Associations helps the members by coaching CDE Teams, practicing for LDE Competitions, providing \$2,500 in scholarships annually, interviewing for trip opportunities, and providing Supervised Agricultural Experience Project opportunities. Any community member that is interested in supporting Ag. Education at Parkview is encouraged to join. You don't need to be a previous FFA member to join the alumni, and there are no annual dues. The FFA Alumni meets on the first Monday of each month with the location varying. If you are interested in joining the alumni, contact them at parkviewffaalumni@gmail.com to start receiving monthly information.

State Report Card | DPI

Parkview "Exceeds Expectations" for 4th Year in a Row

The results are in, and Parkview officially "Exceeds Expectations" again (according to the Department of Public Instruction)! We're extremely proud of the hard work from our #ParkviewCrew students and staff shown on the DPI State Report Card results. Parkview is again a high ranking district in both Rock and Green County! We plan on continuing this hard work to make sure we are always serving our students as best we can! You can read more about Parkview's DPI State Report card on our website: www.parkview.k12.wi.us/district/psdperformance









Parkview Academy of Virtual Eduation (PAVE)

A New Virtual School for Parkview

Parkview recently received a grant that has jump started the creation of a new virtual charter school, the Parkview Academy of Virtual Education (PAVE). Although PAVE is a Parkview school, all students living in Wisconsin in grades 6th-12th are welcome to attend! Students enrolled at PAVE will have the opportunity to earn their diploma virtually, as well as gain real career and college experience, and earn college credits! PAVE values the success of all students, including marginalized groups. Its vision is to ensure an individualized, rigorous, and supportive academic, college and career ready virtual program. If you think your student would thrive at PAVE, enrollment will open up in February of 2022. Contact Nicole Victor at nvictor@email.parkview.k12.wi.us with questions or interest!



If you wish to attend PAVE, but live outside of Parkview School District, the open enrollment window opens on February 7th! See below for more details.



Xtravaganza 2022

Parkview Pizazz Event of the Season

The 4th annual Xtravaganza show choir competition is almost here! On Saturday, January 8, 2022, Parkview will host 8 high school groups from the Midwest. As hosts, Parkview does not compete but will perform at 4:00 pm that day. We will need lots of volunteers to make this a successful event, so if you would like to volunteer please sign up below! Anyone within the community is welcome to volunteer or attend the event. We can't wait to see you there!

New Video Production Class

High School Launches New Course

This was the first semester that the new Video Production class was offered to Parkview High School students! This class is taught by art teacher, Sarah Moran. So far Video Production has been busy creating PSA's, a 5 shot project, stop motion animation, and an interview project. They are starting to gear up for our First episode of the Viking News Program, a weekly segment they are producing. The students get hands on experience and learn first hand about the equipment. On the right, students were learning how to use the green screen while creating a fake news segment.





Open Enrollment

February 7th - April 29th

If you or anybody you know has an interested in enrolling at Parkview and joining a top ranked district in both Rock and Green County, the time is coming up!

If families don't live in the district, but still would like to attend, they need to apply via open enrollment starting in February! Parkview has amazing options to fit any style of student, and we welcome any and all to apply!

Apply Today!

Open enrollment takes place online, and we have all of the instructions on our website for interested families! If you have any questions about how to apply or to learn more about our schools, please visit our website by scanning the QR code below or contact us!



Contact Us!

Sue Draves | Open Enrollment Coordinator (608) 879-2717 Ext. 6191 sdraves@email.parkview.k12.wi.us Office Hours: 9am - 2pm

Inclement Weather Closings

How to Keep in Touch

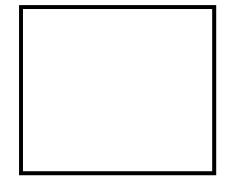
As we near the harshest parts of winter in Wisconsin, we want to remind you of how to stay in the loop for school delays and closings.

As always, as will try to contact parents and guardians of students as soon as we make any cancellations via phone messages and email. In addition to those direct forms of contact, we will also try and share our closings on social media, but know that phone calls and email are our main priority for these urgent matters.









Upcoming Events

Pizazz Xtravaganza January 8th

PES Spelling Bee January 13th

Scoopie Night February 22nd

PHS Musical March 25th

Visit our District Calendar at www.parkview.k12.wi.us for up-to date information on upcoming events.

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Teachers on Call

Make a difference, become a substitute!

Looking for inspiring work? Substitute teachers have the chance to inspire students every day, and make a difference in our community. Great substitute teaching opportunities in the Parkview School District are available through our partner, Teachers On Call. You don't need prior teaching experience—just a desire to help students become the best versions of themselves. Learn more and apply here:

www.teachersoncall.com/substitutes/apply-now **Questions?**

Contact our Teachers on Call Recruiter Elly Davis at <u>eleanor.davis@teachersoncall.com</u> or (608) 381-5039.

