

A Quarterly Newsletter by The Parkview School District



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#### Quality Customer Service Includes Implementing Rigorous Cirriculum Steve Lutzke | District Administrator

The 2021-22 school year begins my 15th year at Parkview and over this time I've seen numerous improvements at Parkview. All the improvements that have been made have been done to provide higher quality customer service

to our customers, first being our students, second our parents/caregivers and lastly, but equally important, the residents of the Parkview School District.

Over the past several years, Parkview has worked to increase the quality of customer service by updating the curriculum to be more rigorous. Increased rigor in the curriculum results in our graduates being better prepared for college, career, military service or any other endeavor they may choose. Next to hiring the best and brightest staff to educate our students, high quality, rigorous curriculum is the best investment we can make.

Each department in the District is on a rotating schedule to review and revise the curriculum. Annually, Parkview's Director of Curriculum and Instruction collaborates with the teachers of the subject up for review to assess the current curriculum, review the WI standards for the subject and the new curriculum resources available since the last update. Using a variety of tools, the top rated new curriculum options are identified and samples are requested. After reviewing the new materials, and checking with other districts that use the new materials, the dept. and Director of Curriculum and Instruction determine if they should pilot one of the new resources. After the review and or pilot is complete and the dept. has provided the Director of Curriculum and Instruction with their feedback, a recommendation is made to the District Curriculum Committee. The Curriculum Committee reviews the dept.'s information and makes a recommendation to the Parkview Board of Education. If the Board of Education approves the new curriculum, materials are ordered and teacher training to learn the new material is scheduled.

Over the past several years, Parkview has used this process to adopt numerous new curriculum. Bridges math, Amplify reading and StudySync English-language arts are just a few examples from the past few years.

# **A Letter From Guy Stricker**

#### PJHS Assistant Principal & Activities Director

What a start to the school year! This year seems a bit more normal to me, and I hope you all have that feeling as well. We are literally off and running with sports and other extracurricular activities.

The fall sports seasons are in full swing. Football (under the leadership of Joe Flister) has had three home games, and there is one more coming up, which is our homecoming game against lowa-Grant on October 8th. This year we will have a full week of homecoming activities. Dress up days, float preparation, powder puff football, and a dance will be some of the highlights of our homecoming week. The Parkview cross-country teams (led by long time coach Shane Suehring) are in the middle of their seasons, and it seems that each week they are setting new personal records. We have three levels of volleyball (varsity, JV, and JV2), and their seasons are going strong. The Parkview Spirit Squad (under new coach Kelly Clobes) has been practicing since before school started, and you can find them cheering at the football games, and performing at halftime. Parkview's band (led by new band director Benjamin Brueggen) and show choir have also started their seasons. The band is sounding great at the football games, and they were amazing at our assembly honoring all the men and women who lost their lives on 9/11. The show choir had their first set of auditions, and our new directors (Emily Selck and Josh Grant) bring an infectious enthusiasm to their positions.

Here is hoping that everyone stays happy and healthy. Come to a game and cheer on the Vikings. I am looking forward to a great 2021-22 school year, and I hope you are as well.

# **Parkview FFA**

#### Fruit Sale

The Parkview FFA Fruit Sale will once again be run through Minntex Fruit. FFA members will be selling fruit from **October 11 - November 5**. They will be offering apples, grapefruit, oranges, pears, cheese spread, beef sticks/jerky, a variety of nuts, and string cheese. If you do not know an FFA, an order form will be available through the Parkview FFA Facebook Page starting October 11. If you ask anyone, this is the best fruit around!

#### Alumni Fundraisers

The Parkview FFA Alumni will have two fundraisers this fall. They will be holding their annual mum sale in mid to late September. They will also be selling Pork Chops at the Burtness Car Show on **Saturday, October 9.** Watch the Parkview FFA Chapter and Alumni Facebook Pages for more information later this summer. 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 SAE 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.



### Homecoming 2021

Friday, **October 8th**, the Parkview Homecoming parade will begin at 4:15 pm, beginning at the Village Hall. It will then go straight up N. Main Street and will end at the intersection of N. Main and E. Howe Street. The Parkview Vikings will host Iowa-Grant for their Homecoming game that night at 7:00 pm at the Parkview High School Football Field. Can't wait to cheer on our #ParkviewCrew!



### **PTO Trunk or Treat**

The Parkview Elementary School PTO is hosting the Trunk or Treat once again this year! It is to be held at Purdy Park on **October 22nd** from 5-7pm. Bring your best costume and a bucket or bag to collect your candy! Can't wait to see everybody all dressed up!





# **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.kl2.wi.us with questions or interest!





### **Parkview Pizazz**

#### Parkview Show Choir Gains Two New Directors

Emily Selck and Joshua Grant were officially hired as the new Parkview Show Choir Directors. Both Emily and Josh have Show Choir experience, and to top it all off Emily is a Parkview Pizazz Alumni! Josh has 25 years of award winning show choir experience and is looking forward to using that knowledge to hone students' music, dance and performance skills! Emily shared that she is excited to continue this Parkview tradition. Since Emily graduated she has been involved in music

and theatre at her alma mater, North Central College, and also studied theatre in Philadelphia. Both directors can't wait to engage all students to get involved with Pizazz and represent Parkview. Whether you want to be involved behind the scenes with sets or costuming, play an instrument, or sing and dance, they've got a place for you! Emily and Josh are excited to bring some fun to the community with energetic performances of fun songs, so get ready for 2021-2022 Parkview Pizazz!

### Parkview Welcomed 9 New Teachers this Fall!

Parkview School District feels very fortunate and excited to be welcoming 9 new instructional staff this fall! Every single one of our new staff is bringing unique skills and energetic attitudes into their classrooms! Let's introduce them! Left to Right: Patty Knutson (KG), Jamie Amundson (PE), Rylee Scinico (1st), Hannah Wellnitz (Business Ed.), Benjamin Brueggen (Band Director), Chelsea Burger (English), Vanessa Hansberry (Spec. Ed), and Megan Miller (Spec. Ed). We hope that this is the start of a long and happy career here at Parkview for our new staff!



# **Covid-19 and School**

#### What's the Plan?

Currently, the Parkview School District is keeping an eye on the Covid-19 cases in Rock County and taking advisement from the Rock County Department of Health. Starting the 2021-22 school year, face masks are strongly recommended, but optional for students and staff. We are prepared to make changes to this plan as recommended by the Rock County Department of Health.

#### How You Can Help

If your student isn't feeling well, please keep them home. Rapid and PCR Covid Testing is available at our schools for staff, students and parents. Negative tests will allow the student to remain at school. Visit our District's reopening plan to stay updated with our plan of operation! It can be found on our website's homepage.

www.parkview.k12.wi.us/families/covid-19---coronavirusdisease.cfm

# America's Farmers Program

#### Could you Help Parkview?

Farmer friends! Please consider enrolling in #GrowCommunities. It only takes a few minutes to potentially earn a \$5,000 grant for Parkview. Check out America's Farmers website for more info: www.americasfarmers.com



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#### **Parkview School District**

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### **Upcoming Events**

Homecoming October 8th Book Fair October 12th-19th Trunk or Treat October 22nd Scoopie Night November 16th

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

### Follow Us on Social Media!



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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.

