

COUGAR CONNECTION

NEWSLETTER FROM THE CLINTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT



MID YEAR EDITION
2024-2025

As a school district, we are dedicated to building upon the successes we saw from last year by continuing to establish a collaborative school culture of academic optimism that places the needs of students first. We began the school year by partnering with the staff from Beloit Turner to learn from high quality educational professionals such as Jimmy Casas. As a staff, we have adopted Jimmy Casas's concept of *Culturize* and our culture/climate survey results presented at the Board of Education meeting in November indicated our staff have never felt better working at CCSD. We are truly blessed to have such outstanding educators and staff that care deeply for each and every student that attends our school district.



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Academically, our staff continues to work diligently at improving the educational outcomes of our students. According to the Beloit Daily News, Clinton was the only school district in the area that has seen three straight years of academic growth on the State Accountability Report Card. While we are meeting state expectations on that report, we take great pride in our Redefining Ready scorecard where our students are recognized for their outstanding accomplishments in Work Based Learning and Service Learning which are not part of the tabulation on the state report card, yet are so vital to our students and community.

Achieving educational excellence, and exercising responsible financial stewardship is a priority. I'm extremely proud to have overseen a budget operating in the black for the past seven years. The vast majority of the budgetary savings has been placed into Fund 46 which is geared towards capital improvements to ensure that our buildings and grounds get the priority needed to remain viable for generations to come. Recently, the Board of Education approved funding for our last major big ticket item in need of repair by committing to redoing the track this upcoming summer.

A huge thank you goes out to all of our constituents as the 2020 bond referendum allowed us to modernize our facilities creating a safe, warm and welcoming environment for all to enjoy. We have been able to do all of this while also reducing taxes for our constituents. Over the past few years, we have reduced our mil rate from \$12.50 down to \$10.61 and lowered the overall tax levy by 4% over the past two years. As a District, we have worked vigorously to be as fiscally prudent as possible, while continuing to provide an enriching educational experience for our students.

CCSD's latest endeavor is the startup of our Community Activities Program. Back in 2017-2018 we dabbled in creating a community activities program where we offered community opportunities such as yoga, knitting, and various recreational sporting activities.

While that early attempt fizzled out due to staffing and funding, we have now fully committed to providing a wide range of activities for residents and non-residents alike. Since September, we have had 560 participants engaged in over 40 activities for individuals of all ages. Please visit our website at ClintonActivities.com to learn more about how we are striving to cultivate a thriving and connected community through the provision of high-quality, inclusive programs and events for all ages and interests.

To all constituents, I want to thank you for your continued support of the Clinton Community School District. All of us at CCSD hope you are Cougar Proud as we have accomplished a great deal over the years from raising our academic test scores, modernizing our facilities, lowering our taxes, and enhancing our culture. Strong schools equals strong community and I thank you for being part of the Cougar family.



CCSD Redefining Ready Scorecard

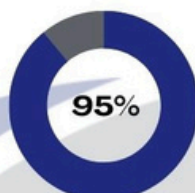
2023-2024

Clinton Community School District is committed to *Redefining Ready*, which goes beyond performance on standardized tests to provide a more well-rounded depiction of our students and district.

The indicators below represent the graduating class of 2024.

Attendance Rate

Attendance is more predictive of academic success than standardized test scores.



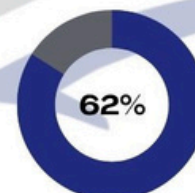
Service Learning

25+ hours of service learning enhances college graduation rates by 22%.



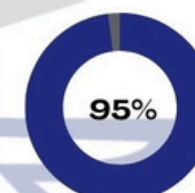
Engaged in 2 or More Co-Curriculars

Co-curricular participation promotes achievement, attitudes and habits that help lead to college and career success.



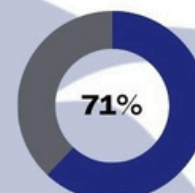
Dual Credit

HS students who have earned college credit are significantly more likely to persist and earn higher GPA's in college.



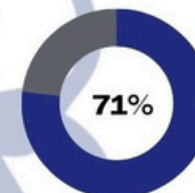
GPA of 2.8 or Higher

HS GPA is the strongest predictor of college success and students meeting this indicator have a higher likelihood of reaching the middle class.



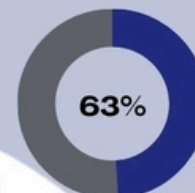
Earning a C or Higher in Algebra II

Success in Algebra II is necessary to enter a registered trade apprenticeship and linked to college enrollment and degree attainment.



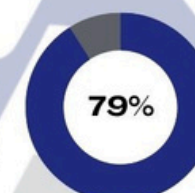
Work Based Learning & Industry Recognized Credentials

WBL and IRC allows students to apply academic lessons outside of the classroom while building employability skills and gaining valuable experiences.



Enrollment in Career Pathway Sequence

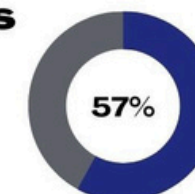
Completing two or more courses within a career pathway allows students to take advantage of career exploration and further develop a career path.



Percent of Students Meeting Indicators



Career Ready: 99%
College Ready: 57%



<https://clinton.k12.wi.us/>



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Tax Levy Update

In October the CCSD Board of Education approved a decrease of 2.5% in its levy for the 2024-25 tax levy cycle, and its mill rate decreased by 2.16%. The tax levy rate dropped for property owners in the Clinton School District from \$10.84 last year to \$10.61 this year. This is after a significant drop last year from \$12.50 to \$10.84.

Many factors contribute to the calculation of a school levy, but the school's multi-year financial plan predicted maintaining a flat levy and mill rate this year. That plan changed when the official property valuations were released by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue on October 1.

"When we received the values, the portion of the City of Beloit within the Clinton school district saw a decrease of 21% in equalized property values. This meant that even if we kept the levy flat, at a 0% increase, some of our municipalities would see double digit increases in levies due to the huge property value decline and subsequent levy decline in the City of Beloit. The new lower levy prevented that," stated Clinton School's Business Manager Kathy Zwirgzdas.

Year	Levy Change	Mill Rate	Mill Rate Change
2024	-2.5%	\$10.61	-2%
2023	-1.5%	\$10.84	-13%

	PROPERTY VALUE CHANGE (equalized values)
Municipality	Inc/Dec
T. BRADFORD	16,354,832
T. CLINTON	12,130,900
T. LAPRAIRIE	5,542,098
T. TURTLE	11,938,108
V. CLINTON	12,193,500
C. BELOIT	-(61,976,298)
T. SHARON	204,426
TOTAL	-3,612,434

The portion of the City of Beloit that lies in the Clinton district is mainly within the new industrial park and includes Amazon and Staples. "We reached out to the City of Beloit to ask why there was such a decline in the values and the response was that it was a combination of personal property loss and both Amazon and Staples appealing their assessments," stated Zwirgzdas.

Because a school district is usually made up of several municipalities, property value changes in one municipality impact the levies of the other municipalities.

When the City of Beloit decreases substantially in equalized property value, that decrease shifts the existing levy to the property values in the other municipalities.

"The Board did not want the residents in those municipalities to have to take on as much of the shift, so they made a conscious effort to reduce the levy," stated District Administrator Dr. Jim Brewer. "For the second year in a row, we didn't want fluctuations in property values to mean a larger tax increase for our community that aren't doing anything different with their properties. So we purposefully levied below our plan. We dropped the levy another 2.5% to mitigate these increases," stated District Administrator Dr. Jim Brewer.

Open enrollment – looking to open enroll your student to Clinton Community School District? The open enrollment application period for the 2025-26 school year is February 2, 2025 – April 30, 2025. Find an application online at dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment to reserve your child's seat!

Thank you to the community for your support to provide the high quality educational environmental for students at Clinton!



Mr. Ben Simmons
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Clinton Elementary School Principal, Mr. Ben Simmons

The 2024-2025 school year is rapidly moving along. Before we get too far into the second half of the school year, I'd like to share some of the first half highlights.

Congratulations to all of our Students of the Month so far this year. Each classroom nominates a Student of the Month, every month. Students receive a certificate and have their picture displayed in the front hallway.

We pick up to 27 students each month of the year in hopes we can recognize as many students as possible to celebrate their positive attributes.



On Veterans Day, our students participated in a celebration of our community's veterans in a ceremony held at Clinton High School. The entire district, Kindergarten through 12th Grade, was able to attend this important celebration. Our elementary students participated in a color contest, performed songs, and handed out carnations to our veterans.

Our students have participated in a variety of other activities so far this year. The entire student body had a great time learning about Norwegian dancing when the Stoughton High School Norwegian Dancers performed for all of our CES students. The 4th grade celebrated poetry by setting up a Poetry Cafe. Our 2nd grade students were able to apply their learning about ancient Greece with a Greek Festival. And to model what great reading looks like, our 6th grade students participated in Read Alouds to our younger students during their library time.

To finish the year, our students are looking forward to various field trips, track and field day, and spring concerts. We're also excited to be partnering with the Beloit Sky Carp and their reading program later this spring. Families should be on the lookout for information about the reading program and a family fun day at the ballpark this spring.

As always, we invite community members to stop in to see our school. I invite you to schedule a time with me anytime. I can be reached by email (besimmons@clintonwis.com) or by phone (608-676-2211 ext. 3000).



PAWS-ITIVELY READY!



PAWS-itively Ready!

Are you curious if your child is reaching their developmental milestones?
Would you be interested in learning more?

Who: Children that will be 3 or 4 years old by September 1st, 2025. You must be a resident of the Clinton Community School District.

What: We invite your child to interact with Clinton Community School District staff. During this time we will gather information about their development. While you are here, you can browse resources about our community, parenting, and developmental milestones. All children who participate will be sent home with a gift bag.

Where: Clinton Elementary School

When: March 7th, 2025

Time: Appointments will be offered between 8:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Deadline for Scheduling: March 3rd, 2025

For any additional questions, contact:

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Clinton Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Mrs. Erika Stewart

As we complete the first half of the school year, it's clear that our schools are thriving with enthusiasm, growth, and a renewed sense of purpose. This year, we've placed a strong emphasis on cultivating relationships, fostering school spirit, and igniting a passion for academic achievement—and the results have been inspiring.

One of our greatest successes so far has been the growth of meaningful relationships among students, staff, and families. Whether it's through collaborative classroom activities, mentorship opportunities, or community-building events, we're seeing stronger connections that help create a positive and supportive environment for everyone. These relationships are

the foundation of our school culture, fostering trust, respect, and a sense of belonging for all.

School spirit has reached new heights, with students and staff showing incredible pride in their schools. From energetic pep rallies and sporting events to creative spirit days, the excitement is contagious. These moments of shared joy and celebration remind us of the strength of our school community and the power of working together towards shared goals.



Perhaps the most exciting thing that's happened is the growing drive for academic success among our students. Teachers and staff have worked hard to implement innovative and engaging learning opportunities that encourage curiosity and a love of learning. Students are stepping up, setting ambitious goals, and showing a determination to achieve their best. This shared commitment to growth and excellence is evident in classrooms across the building.



As we look ahead, we remain committed to fostering these key areas of growth and ensuring our school is a place where every student feels supported, inspired, and ready to succeed. Thank you to our community for your ongoing support—you're an essential part of our journey, and we're grateful to have you with us as we continue to make this school year one to remember.

Let's keep the momentum going!

Jr./Sr. High Athletic Director , Mr. Tyree Gamble

It is crazy to think that we are already halfway done with the 2024-2025 school year.

Here is a quick Fall update!

The football team had its inaugural season in the Capitol conference which resulted in a season that ended one game short of qualifying for the playoffs. We finished the year 4-5 in a very tough conference. Where two teams from the league made it to level 3 of the playoffs. We look forward to next year as we continue to get acclimated to the new conference. The football team also had numerous players recognized for academic excellence with all state honors.

The Volleyball program continues to grow and the program has an influx of younger players that is going to be exciting to watch over the next 3-4 years as they grow. The program hosted its 3 annual volleyball tournament and the program continues to gain momentum.

Girls golf had a great season as well with numerous girls receiving academic all state honors. The golf team is still young with some new players, however they continue to improve each year.

The boys and girls cross country team continued their storied success the past few seasons at the state tournament. We had one individual qualifier and this marks the 5th straight year where we have had at least one runner make it to state.

After the Fall, we moved right into our basketball and wrestling seasons. Our basketball teams have been fun to watch and both teams have been competitive and a lot of fun to watch. Additionally, both teams have had an opportunity to play at the Fiserv Forum this winter, which has been a fun experience for both programs. We also had the pleasure to have our band and cheer programs perform at the Fiserv to make it an extra special event.

We witnessed the wrestling program as it has continued to improve as well! They have a smaller group this year at the high school level, but the interest at the youth level is outstanding. We're excited to see the wrestling program as it continues to grow over the years. We continue to have the opportunity to host large events due to the many upgrades at our facilities.

Lastly, as we transition into the end of the basketball season Clinton has the opportunity to host the boys and girls basketball sectional semi-final games! This is the first time in quite sometime since we had this opportunity and we look forward to having the teams in on March 6th and March 13th!



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Jr./Sr. High Athletic Director , Mr. Tyree Gamble- Continued

Important reminders:

All student-athletes must have all their paperwork and fees paid before they will be allowed to compete. Paperwork can be completed online. Please visit the athletic webpage: Becougarproud.com in order to access the online registration paperwork. You can also turn documents into the high school office. The athletic office needs to clear you before you're able to participate.

A quick checklist of the items needed in order to participate are as follows:

- Clinton High School acknowledgement of codes and policies form
- Medical Emergency Card
- Physical Card or Alternate Year Card
- WIAA Participation Form
- \$25 Participation Fee/ \$10 for Middle school sports

All new student athletes need to view a "New Student Athlete Presentation" which gives a brief overview of expectations at Clinton Junior Senior High, WIAA rules, and expectations of all student-athletes. This is a part of the registration process for new student athletes.

I look forward to finishing the 2024-2025 school year strong here at Clinton Junior Senior High!

#BECOUGARPROUD

Tyree Gamble
Athletic Director
Clinton Junior/Senior High



Professional Development

We are committed to providing all of our school district staff with high quality professional development opportunities to increase their knowledge and skills as a professional. Our staff has shown their appreciation for the opportunities and continue to seek additional ways to participate in learning sessions. Some highlights of our 2024-2025 Professional Development Opportunities include:

- *School year kickoff in partnership with Beloit Turner to actively engage with Jimmy Casas, author of *Culturize*, and begin the 2024-2025 school year as a unified team focused on being “Champions for Students.”

- *over 35 staff members engaged in AIM Institute for Learning & Research Literacy training to increase their knowledge and instructional practices to ensure student success in reading, writing, and spelling

- *Partnership with CESA 6 Math Center to review and implement potential, new math curriculum resources to increase our academic performance and student achievement

- *Partnership with STAGR (Standards, Targets, Assessment, Grading and Reporting) to review and revise common assessments, establish high quality grading and reporting for student learning, and increase our communication with families about grading

- *Grade level, department level, and school teams have been given time for discussion, reflection, and planning for students’ needs

- *Participation in workshops, conferences, and connections to other school districts to share ideas, gain new perspectives, and implement new ideas

Our professional development opportunities will continue to be planned based on evaluation of our needs and feedback from our staff regarding students, staff, and our school community. We appreciate the time and commitment of our Clinton PD Committee to help in the planning of our Professional Development Days. Clinton Community School District is fortunate to have dedicated staff members who are continually working together to help each and every student in our schools. We are also thankful for the support from the entire Clinton Community that supports our students, staff, and schools.



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Achievement and Assessments

School Report Card

The Clinton Community School District is proud to share that with the release of the 2023-2024 School Report Card we Meet Expectations based on the state criteria. This is a great celebration! We do believe that the focus on high quality instructional practices has contributed to the successes we are seeing in our academics.

ACT 20 - aimswebPlus Assessment

Our students in Kindergarten through Grade 3, and 4K in the Spring, are participating in the new state required assessment through aimsweb to measure our students' reading readiness and early literacy skills. These common assessments will help us guide our instructional practices and increase our communications with the families and community on how to collaborate to ensure all students are developing skills to be successful readers.

ACCESS for ELLs

Our EL (English Learners) students and staff have been busy completing the ACCESS Test. This test is administered to our English Language Learners to monitor their progress in learning academic English. This test is given to a select population of students identified as English Language Learners and helps our staff prepare the best instructional plans for each individual student.

Forward Exam

In March, we will begin the Wisconsin Forward Exam, which is administered annually from the Department of Instruction. Our students in Grades 3-8 and Grade 10 will participate in this exam. The exam includes sections on Mathematics, English Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science and gauges how well our students are doing in relation to the Wisconsin Academic Standards. This exam is one piece of the many data pieces we use to help ensure that our students are ready for college, careers and life. We look forward to supporting our students during this spring exam and appreciate your encouragement for their success.

PreACT Secure and ACT

In the spring, we will participate in the PreACT Secure exam with our 9th and 10th grade students and the ACT Exam with our 11th grade students. These assessments help measure student growth and achievement throughout their educational journey as they progress through the high school years.





Director of Pupil Services, Mrs. Jenny Loveless

Hello Clinton!

I hope you're all enjoying the cooler weather we've been experiencing and are looking forward to a winter filled with fun activities, making memories, and special time with friends and family.

Did you know that while, "childhood is often considered a carefree time of learning, exploration, and joy... research shows that mental health concerns are common in children and, when left unaddressed, can have long-term negative outcomes" (kidsforward.org). That being said, talking with your child about mental health can be overwhelming and uncomfortable. This can be on account of the stigma involved or a lack of communication, amongst other

things. Further, it often feels much easier to talk about other medical issues, such as the flu, diabetes, and asthma. People are generally more familiar with these conditions, which can be easy for a doctor to diagnose with a definitive test, and people don't tend to place blame on anyone for having these conditions. Unfortunately, too often, people blame others for mental health challenges by saying they aren't trying hard enough or they're doing something wrong (NAMI.org). It's with this in mind, that I share some tips to help you support your loved ones to the best of your ability, should they ever need assistance.

Strategies from NAMI to help a child with mental health concerns:

- Openly talking to your child is a great way to help decrease the stigma around mental health.
- Go to NAMI.org and print out their "Meet Little Monster" coloring and activity book designed to help adults talk with kids about emotions. This booklet helps make talking about feelings a normal occurrence in the home and can be printed off their website free of charge. It is available in six languages.
- Children understand when they have a medical condition. They understand that if they have diabetes, they have to take insulin and watch what they eat. Similarly, you can explain to your child that mental health concerns, like anxiety, depression, and ADHD, amongst others, are also physical conditions that start in your brain. The brain controls feelings, thoughts, and behaviors. Sometimes our brain gets "knocked off balance," but just like other medical issues, with treatment, these problems can get better.
- Listen to them and validate their experiences. Since there is often a stigma around mental health, children can find it difficult or be embarrassed to talk about their worries, impulsivities, or fears. Talk with your child about what they're experiencing and empathize with them. Be curious and supportive.
- Be sure they know it's not their fault. It's not unusual for a child to blame themselves or feel it's "their fault" they're dealing with things like fears, anxieties, and depression. Help them understand that mental health concerns are common and that it doesn't mean something is wrong with them as a person. Focus on their strengths. Their mental health is just one small piece of who they are.

- Have frequent conversations. Many mental health conditions come and go. They vary based on age, stress levels, and many other things. It's beneficial to have conversations as soon as the condition begins. As they get older, they will better understand the diagnosis and will view you as a trusted adult who they can talk to about their concerns. While it might not always be easy, it's really important to build trust and establish open communication.
- Let them ask you questions. When your child asks questions, try to answer those questions fully. Being open with your child and explaining the way treatment can help and be very reassuring.
- Include the family. This transparency can be very helpful in reducing shame and feelings of isolation. Further, your child may feel more secure if those responsible for them are aware of their mental health challenges
- Discuss self-care and prevention. Mental health concerns can be complex. Teach your child about self-care such as taking breaks, coping strategies, eating healthy, and exercise. Ensure they get enough sleep and understand how these strategies can help reduce relapse and lessen symptoms.
- Don't be afraid to talk about suicide. For many years a myth has been circulating that talking about suicide will increase the likelihood that someone will actually attempt to take their life. This has been proven false. It may actually be a relief to talk about suicide. If your child has a mental health condition, it's important to talk about suicidal thoughts.

CCSD has a strong pupil services team that is here to support you and your family. We also partner with Stateline Mental Health, an organization that offers therapy services to students, while in school, through the parent's personal insurance. Families often find this helpful, as they don't have to take time off of work and/or drive their child to the appointment. You're welcome to reach out at any time if you have questions or are interested in getting connected with Stateline Mental Health. You are not alone, we are here to help.
Take care and GO COUGARS!





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Hello Clinton Community!

We've made it to the midway point of the 24/25 school year. It's been a challenging but successful start to the year. Our IT department has been extremely busy working on projects and making sure that students and staff have their technology needs met.

We've been busy keeping the students' Chromebooks repaired, as some have had accidental damage and others, intentional damage.

We've continued the implementation of enterprise-grade endpoint detection and response software and continued our security awareness training by sending "fake" emails to our users in order to create a baseline of the type of training our staff needs. Everyone on staff had to complete a security awareness training course at the start of the school year. We'll continue with these training assessments throughout this school year and into next year.

During the school year, we've deployed some new applications that are assisting teachers in the classroom. The first major piece of software allows for students and teachers to have a "one-stop shop" for educational resources. This also allows the district to roster only students that need access to certain applications. This will be an ongoing process as new applications are approved by the Director of Academics.

The second major software change was to install a classroom management solution at CJSH. This allows teachers to limit which websites students can access during their class periods. It also enables teachers to view the students' Chromebook screens and keep students on task, as the teachers have the ability to close any webpages that don't pertain to the subject being taught. Within the second semester, we'll build upon this software and switch to a computer-based hall pass system. This will allow staff to monitor students movements throughout the day and potentially limit the number of passes a student can use throughout the day. This helps teachers keep students in the classroom where they can learn.

Throughout the second semester and into the summer, we'll continue to improve on the overall technology environment for the district! We want to ensure that our teachers, staff, and students have everything they need for a successful educational experience.
Go Cougars!





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Director of Facilities, Grounds & Safety, Mr. Brandon Loomer

As we move along this winter season, we're excited to share important updates regarding the facilities in our district to ensure a safe, comfortable, and productive environment for everyone.

1. Heating Systems:

- Our heating systems have been fully inspected and serviced to provide consistent warmth throughout the winter months. All classrooms, common areas, and hallways will be adequately heated.
- Please notify the administration if you experience any issues with heating in your area

2. Snow Removal:

- We're prepared for winter weather! Our snow removal team will be on-site early each morning to clear walkways, entrances, and parking areas. We kindly ask everyone to exercise caution on snowy days and use designated pathways.

3. Parking:

- Additional parking spaces are available in the lot adjacent to both buildings for visitors, students and staff. Please be mindful of snow clearing operations and avoid parking in areas that may be blocked during snow removal.

4. Health and Safety Measures:

- Our schools have increased air ventilation in all rooms and common spaces to maintain a healthy indoor environment during the colder months.
- Hand sanitizing stations will remain available, and we encourage all students and staff to practice good hygiene, especially during flu season.

5. Winter Sports and Outdoor Activities:

- The sports field will remain open for winter sports, weather permitting. We'll also be hosting indoor activities in the gymnasium and other designated areas.
- Please ensure that students dress appropriately for winter activities and outdoor play, including warm clothing, gloves, and hats.

6. Facility Access:

- Access to school facilities during winter months can be limited. We have many activities during our winter months. For specific inquiries about access to rooms, equipment, or other areas, please contact the school administration.

7. Emergency Preparedness:

- Our school regularly conducts drills, including fire, lockdown, and evacuation procedures, to ensure that all students and staff are prepared in the event of an emergency.
- We encourage parents to familiarize themselves with these safety protocols and discuss them with your children so they feel confident and know what to do in an emergency situation.

8. Reporting Concerns:

- We encourage students, parents, and staff to speak up if they notice anything suspicious or concerning. Our school maintains a zero-tolerance policy for bullying, harassment, or any form of violence.
- You can report safety concerns confidentially through our safety hotline, email, or directly to a staff member. We take all reports seriously and investigate them thoroughly.

We're committed to providing an optimal learning environment and appreciate your understanding and cooperation in making the winter season smooth and safe for everyone. Should you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to the administration. Stay warm and safe!





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Community Activities Program (CAP) Reflects on a Successful Start

Since its launch in September 2024, the Clinton Community Activities Program (CAP) has engaged over 550 participants of all ages in a wide range of activities! This remarkable milestone couldn't have been achieved without the interest and support of the Clinton community. Whether you took a class, taught a class, or spread the word about programs, thank you for playing a vital role in CAP's success.

CAP is for Everyone

One of the most exciting aspects of CAP is its inclusivity for everyone. Regardless of location or age, CAP welcomes participation in activities and events. From infants to seniors, and everyone in between, there are offerings for all. District residency is not required, creating an open invitation for friends and neighbors from surrounding areas to join and experience everything CAP provides.

Highlights of Fall/Winter Programming 2024-2025

Reflecting on the journey so far, several programs have stood out for their impact and popularity:

- Build-A-Buddy: Where creativity came to life
- Playground Playdates: Encouraging outdoor fun and socialization
- Safe Sitter & Safe @ Home: Preparing youth for babysitting and emergency situations
- Art Classes: Offering a canvas for creativity across all skill levels
- Pickleball: Providing adults with fun and engaging physical activity

These programs illustrate CAP's dedication to offering something for everyone, creating spaces where creativity, physical activity, and learning thrive.

Looking Ahead to Spring/Summer 2025

The Spring/Summer 2025 Activities Guide will be released at the end of March. The guide will be mailed to all District residents and you can find a copy at the schools or local establishments. This comprehensive guide will outline programs and activities scheduled from April through August. Here's a sneak peek at what's in store:

- More Safe Sitter and Safe @ Home classes
- A Science Camp for kids to explore and learn
- Birding Adventures with the Welty Environmental Center on the Pelishek-Tiffany Nature Trail
- Kayaking on the Turtle Creek with new friends
- And so much more!



CAP Upcoming Events

Registration Details

Signing up for CAP activities is easy and convenient:

- Online: Visit ClintonActivities.com to register, using a credit or debit card
- In-Person: Stop by the CAP office at Clinton Elementary School (enter through the front doors). Payment options include cash, check, or card.
- Mail-In: Download a registration form from the website and send it in with cash or check

The CAP office hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Brooke Franseen, Community Engagement Director, is available to assist with registrations, answer questions, or hear your suggestions.

Stay Connected

Thank you for making CAP a part of your life and for helping cultivate a thriving, connected community. If you have ideas for activities or events, or if you possess a skill you'd like to teach, please contact Brooke Franseen. We look forward to continuing this journey together as more programs are introduced to inspire, engage, and bring people together.

Visit ClintonActivities.com for the latest updates or contact Brooke Franseen at brfranseen@clintonwis.com or 608-676-8494 for any questions or suggestions.

Together we're building a vibrant community through CAP!





**HEARTSAVER
CPR/AED/
FIRST AID**

TUES, FEB 25 | 5:00-9:00PM
LOCATED AT CLINTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CLINTON
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

TRAINING INCLUDES

- Adult, child, and infant CPR & AED
- Choking
- Basic First Aid Skills
- 2-Year Certification

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SIGN UP BY: ☎ 608-676-8494 🌐 ClintonActivities.com

Canvas Creations

Painting "Highland Cow"



Thurs, Feb 27
6:00-8:30pm
Ages 16+ / \$35
At Hickory Wood Events

All skill levels are invited to follow step-by-step instructions! Give as a gift or keep for yourself!

www.ClintonActivities.com



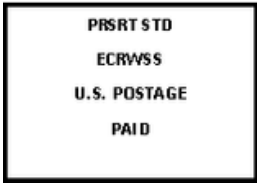
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112 MILWAUKEE ROAD, PO BOX 566
PH: 608-676-2223 FAX: 608-676-2904



CLINTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
115 MILWAUKEE ROAD, PO BOX 70
PH: 608-676-2275 FAX: 608-676-5176





Important Upcoming Dates:



Spring Sports 2024-2025

Varsity Boys Baseball (Home)

4/5 vs. East Troy High School 10:00 a.m.
4/10 vs. Jefferson High School 4:45 p.m.
4/12 vs. Palmyra- Eagle High School 10:00 a.m.
4/22 vs. Turner High School 5:00 p.m.
4/29 vs. Evansville High School 4:45 p.m.
5/2 vs. Whitewater High School 4:45 p.m.
5/8 vs Big Foot High School 4:45 p.m.
5/13 vs Brodhead High School 4:45 p.m.
5/20 vs Edgerton High School 4:45 p.m.

Varsity Boys Golf

4/5 at Evergreen Golf Course 9:00 a.m.
4/8 at Jefferson Golf Course 3:00 p.m.
4/14 at Bigfoot Country Club 3:00 p.m.
4/25 at Evansville Golf Course 3:30 p.m.
5/6 at Towne Country Club 3:00 p.m.
5/21 at Riverside Golf Course 10:00 a.m.
5/27 Regionals at Evansville Golf Course 9:00 a.m.
MORE DATES TO COME

Varsity Track

4/8 at Home 4:30 p.m.
4/12 at Home 11:00 a.m.
4/25 at Brodhead High School 4:00 p.m.
4/29 at Home 4:30 p.m.
5/2 at Fort Atkinson High School 4:15 p.m.
5/5 at Home 4:30 p.m.
5/9 at Turner High School 4:00 p.m.
5/16 at Brodhead High School 10:00 a.m.
5/27 at Delavan- Darien High School 4:30 p.m.

Varsity Girls Soccer

4/12 at Beaver Dam- Prairie View Elem. 9:00 a.m.
4/17 at Whitewater High School 7:00 p.m.
4/21 at East Troy High School 6:45 p.m.
4/24 vs. Delavan-Darien High School 7:00 p.m.
4/28 at Uihlein Soccer Park 4:30 p.m.
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5/1 at Evansville High School 7:00 p.m.
5/8 vs Big Foot High School 7:00 p.m.
5/12 at Jefferson High School 7:00 p.m.
5/15 vs Monroe High School 6:45 p.m.
5/19 at Edgerton High School 7:00 p.m.

Varsity Girls Softball (Home)

4/3 vs. Jefferson High School 5:00 p.m.
4/15 vs. Big Foot High School 5:00 p.m.
4/22 vs. Turner High School 5:00 p.m.
4/24 vs. Evansville High School 5:00 p.m.
5/2 vs. Whitewater High School 5:00 p.m.
5/6 vs. Brodhead High School 5:00 p.m.
5/15 vs. Edgerton High School 5:00 p.m.

We would like to give a big thanks to the Clinton Booster Club for all the support they show our school and community!
Are you looking for a way to support the Booster club?

- The Booster Club typically meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month @7:00pm at Cougar Lanes.
- Any individual or business who is interested in supporting the Clinton Booster Club can purchase a sponsorship to help support all Clinton programs!
- Be on the look out for the 2nd Annual Golf Outing coming this Spring!

Follow us on our website and Facebook at www.clinton.k12.wi.us/ and www.facebook.com/CCSDCougars

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