# **Fordville-Lankin School Newsletter**

### **March 2023**





On days, your child will <u>NOT</u> be riding the bus, <u>please call the school</u> so we can let their bus driver know. THANK YOU!

### Note To Parents/Guardians:

All absences MUST be accompanied by a written note from parents OR a telephone call stating why their student was absent from school. [pg. 5 Student Handbook]





## Mission Statement

Be Kind.

Be Respectful.

Be Better Every day.

## Vision Statement

Every Student will gain knowledge, achieve success, and continue to grow. **"Special Assignment: Pizza"** aims to teach students about North Dakota's leading role in agriculture by using one of children's favorite foods as its starting point. PIZZA.

Even though many people associate pizza with Italy, North Dakota farmers grow or produce all the crops essential for pizza-making ingredients, including wheat, vegetables, meat, oil crops and cheese.

Students discussed the need for protein and vitamins like thiamin and iron as they learned about the cows and pigs that supply their sausage and Canadian bacon.

Afterwards, they went to the Pizza Ranch for lunch. Who wants to just *talk* about pizza...am I right?



Fordville-Lankin's 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5th graders attended Special Assignment Pizza in Grand Forks at Sharon Lutheran Church on March 9. Left to Right: Hudson Jallo, Lane Mathiason, Ilsa Samson, Aubriana LaMont, Liam Wilcox, Becket Smestad, Harper Nielsen, Sutton Nielsen, Jarren Bondy.



They learned a lot about making all the ingredients that go into their favorite pizzas.

### **Thank You Farmers and Ranchers!**

On March 26 & 27, the Fordville-Lankin Juniors and Seniors toured the North Dakota Capitol in Bismarck, North Dakota to get a glimpse of our North Dakota government in action. It began with a one-hour guided tour of the Capitol, where we saw the House and Senate chambers, many committee hearing rooms, and the wonderful observation deck on the 18th floor of the Capitol. After our tour, the students sat in on a Senate Industry and Business Committee hearing. At this hearing, the Senators were discussing HB 1368, a bill showing our support for Israel by boycotting businesses that boycott Israel. With a break in our schedule, we walked over to the North Dakota Heritage Center to see the many exhibits about the history and geology of North Dakota. The students capped off the day by participating in the North Dakota House and Senate floor sessions. All of our students were lucky enough to sit with different Senators and Representatives on the floor during the session to see how bills are debated and voted on. After the sessions ended, the Juniors and Seniors were all in the hallway excitedly discussing what their legislator told them. The legislators let the students press the voting buttons for them. It was an exciting, educational, and tiring day for everyone involved!



At the steps of the ND State Capitol, Addison Skibicki, Robert Wells, Colton Gemmill, Kelvin Cooper, Emma Hagen, Jaiden Eliason, Sam Merry



Emma Hagen & Jaiden Eliason with our District Legislator, Karen A. Anderson



Standing with the ND State Capitol building in the background. Sam Merry, Kelvin Cooper, Colton Gemmill, Emma Hagen, Jaiden Eliason, Addison Skibicki, and Robert Wells



At the Great Seal of North Dakota in what used to be the main entrance of the ND State Capitol before 911.



#### April 3

April 3
B: Assorted Cereal, toast
L: Spaghetti, w/meat sauce, garlic toast, salad bar
April 4
B: French toast, syrup L: Assorted pizzas, and salad bar
April 5 B: Scrambled eggs, toast
L: Chicken burgers, hashbrowns, veg tray
April 6
B: Cinnamon rolls, cereal
L: Chili, bread sticks, crackers, cheese sticks, veg tray
April 7 NO SCHOOL
April 10 NO SCHOOL
April 11
B: Waffles, syrup
L: Hot dogs, chips, baked beans, mac salad, salad bar
April 12
B: Fried eggs, toast
L: Oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, veg tray
April 13
B: Grilled cheese
L: Chef salad w/assorted toppings, garlic toast, veg tray
April 14
B: Assorted cereal, toast
L: Hamburger macaroni hotdish, buns, corn, salad bar
April 17
B: Raised donuts, cereal
L: Chicken noodle soup, assorted sandwiches, veg tray
April 18 B: Brookfoot hurritoo
B: Breakfast burritos L: Taco salad w/assorted toppings, Spanish rice, salad bar
April 19
B: Pancakes, syrup
L: Ham slices, baked potatoes, cream corn, salad bar
April 20
B: Caramel rolls
L: Stroganoff hotdish, buns, corn, salad bar
April 21
B: Scrambled eggs, toast
L: Chicken nuggets, French fries, coleslaw, veg tray
April 24
B: Waffles, syrup
L: Boneless pork chops w/gravy, diced potatoes, glazed carrots
April 25
B: Cereal, toast
L: BBQs, chips, baked beans, cheese slices, pickles, salad bar
April 26
B: Grilled cheese
L: Vegetable beef soup, assorted sandwiches, , veg tray
April 27 B: Brockfact conducish
B: Breakfast sandwich L: Philly steak sandwiches w/assorted toppings, chips, salad bar
April 28 B: Cinnamon rolls
L: Cooks Choice



## **Early Out:** April 12 at 1:25 PM

## **No School:**

April 7 - Good Friday April 10 - Easter Monday

#### School Board Minutes

The regular meeting of the Fordville-Lankin School Board was held in the library on

Wednesday February 8th, 2023, at 7pm.

Attendance included President Grant Skibicki, Todd Knudson, Gary Brintnell, Kylie Moen, Jen Carlson, Superintendent Michael O'Brien, Elementary principal Mitch Jorgensen, and business manager Augusta Ramsey.

President Skibicki called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Additions to the agenda included the bus route and newsletter. A motion to approve the agenda M: Carlson, S: Knudson, all in favor, MSC.

Motion to approve January minutes M: Brintnell, S: Moen, all in favor, MSC.

No public comment

Superintendents report consisted of important updates to staffing, teacher negotiations, and a motion was made to offer a principal position for the 2023-2024 to Albert Irvine. M: Carlson, S: Knudson, all in favor, MSC.

Principal report included important dates and an update on the bus routes.

No executive session

A motion was made to recognize the Fordville-Lankin Education Association (FLEA) as a negotiating unit, M: Carlson, S: Knudson, all in favor, MSC.

M: Brintnell, S: Carlson to keep the printed newsletter in circulation, all in favor, MSC.

M: Brintnell, S: Knudson to accept the 23-24 Superintendent Contract as written, all in favor, MSC.

M: Moen, S: Carlson to approve bills, all in favor, MSC.

M: Carlson, S: Moen to approve the finance training through the NDSBA for \$300, all in favor, MSC.

Next board meeting will be held Monday March 13th at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm.