

### A Note from the Principal

December and the holidays are here and that typically means shopping for gifts for friends and family. Sometimes our children can be more focused on getting gifts rather than giving them, so I appreciate when parents provide opportunities for giving.

The Salvation Army puts together bagged meals for families and State Road has been asked to collect and donate boxes of macaroni and cheese. We have set an ambitious goal of 1000 boxes and you can see our progress displayed in the school office. As I type this note, we have over 300 boxes, so we have plenty to collect yet. As an incentive, Mrs. Fox and Ms. Faust have offered to be slimed on December 14<sup>th</sup> at our school assembly if we hit that 1000 box goal. I will also join the sliming since my friend Mike met my personal challenge of donating 50 boxes himself. I'm happy and sad at the same time for this. Another thing to keep in mind is that the holidays are a time of financial hardship for some members of our community. Consider donations to the Salvation Army, New Horizons shelter, and the charitable work that happens through our community churches. Our PTO is also a very giving organization that has an immediate and direct impact on our State Road families. Donations to the PTO marked with "holiday help" will be turned around to help our own school families within the next year. Those donations can come right to the school office.

We have some fun upcoming events for students before our winter break!

Thanks for all you do to support the students and staff at State Road!

Curt Rees

### November STAR Winners



### Mac & Cheese Drive

We are collecting macaroni and cheese for the Salvation Army. Our goal is 1,000 boxes and the collection ends on Friday, **December 7<sup>th</sup>**! Boxes can be dropped off at the table outside the office.

Mrs. Fox, Ms. Faust and Mr. Rees will get SLIMED if the goal is met!

### Upcoming Dates to Remember

**Now-Dec 7<sup>th</sup>:** Mac & Cheese drive

**December 13<sup>th</sup>:** 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Music Concert 6:00pm (Rehearsal @ 9:45am)

**December 21<sup>st</sup>** – Sing-a-Long

**December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 1<sup>st</sup>** – Winter Break – NO SCHOOL

**January 11<sup>th</sup>:** Early Release – 12:45pm



### Daily Drop-off/Arrival to School

Your child/children should not arrive at school earlier than **7:40am**.

At that time, they should either go to the playground or come inside for breakfast.



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### School Days

**Breakfast begins:** 7:40am

**Classes begin:** 8:05am

**Dismissal:** 2:45pm

**Early Release Dismissal:** 12:45pm

**Preschool AM:** 8:05-10:35am

**Preschool PM:** 12:05-2:45pm

### Volunteer at State Road

Visit the district website to sign up!

<https://www.lacrosseschools.org/parents/volunteer-opportunities/>

In order to go on a field trip or help in the classroom, you must be approved by the district. Once approved, it is good for three years.



### Cold Weather Reminder

As the seasons change, so does the way children need to be dressed. Please make sure you are sending your child in the appropriate outdoor gear. Coats, hats, mittens/gloves, and boots are required when there is snow.

### School Lunch Menu

<https://schools.mealviewer.com/school/StateRoad>

### Winter Music Concert

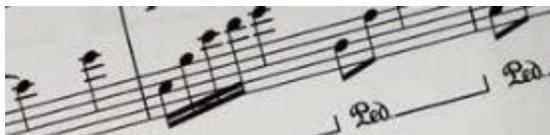
**Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> – 6pm**

Come join us as the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders present "A Holiday of Music." This program explores many diverse styles of music while putting us all in the mood for the holiday season!

Students should arrive no earlier than 5:45pm to their classroom. Dressy apparel is requested in fall or winter colors.

Rehearsal is at 9:45am and is open to those who cannot attend the evening performance.

Please contact Ms. Schockmel with any questions at [eschockm@lacrossesd.org](mailto:eschockm@lacrossesd.org).



### Health Information

All prescription and over the counter medications require a form.

Visit the website at:

<https://www.lacrosseschools.org/programs-services/school-health-services/>

Doctors may fax over orders to 608-789-7084.

You must have a **new form/order on file every year**. This includes EpiPen's and inhalers.

Prescription must come in original container and be delivered by an adult to the school.



### Holiday Sing-a-Long

**Friday, December 21 – 2:00pm in the gym**

Come join State Road staff and students for a karaoke style sing along before Winter Break begins!

### Nutrition Services

**Free & Reduced Applications must be completed each year UNLESS you receive a letter from the nutrition office that you have automatically been approved.**

Children will not be eligible for free or reduced meals until the application is received and approved.

Applications are available online or in the school office.

### 2018-2019 Meal Prices – Elementary School

**Breakfast:** Regular \$1.60/Reduced \$0.30

**Lunch:** Regular \$2.80/Reduced \$0.40

**Milk:** \$0.50 for all students

Make checks payable to State Road Elementary.

*\*\*Students bringing cold lunch from home must pay for a milk if they want one. This includes regular, reduced, and free plans.*



# State Road PTO

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## Upcoming PTO Meeting

Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

6:30pm

State Road LMC



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## News from the PTO

Happy Holidays to all of you! While we are all busy & perhaps, a little more stressed, I would like to share something wonderful about the PTO assisting the PBIS Committee at school, to help encourage positive behavior.

When our children are given stars for good choices/behavior, they go into a bucket in their classroom, At the monthly assembly, one student name/star is picked from their classroom bucket to win a prize (some of which are donated by businesses, some which are purchased by PTO). All the stars from each class are then placed into a larger bucket, and a star is chosen for the Grand Prize. The Grand Prize is a "larger" item that the children know about so they can work towards getting more stars, & making good choices become a habit.

Some of the prizes are:

Dominos Pizza

Bowling at Pla-Mor Lanes

Taco from Taco Johns

Pizza from Pizza King

Jump Start card

Shenanigans \$ for playing games there

Ice cream from Dairy Queen or Kwik Trip

...& more

The next all school Assembly at State Road is on Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:45pm.

Just a heads up, our annual Culver's night is coming up on Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, so mark your calendars to join us for dinner!

Thanks,

Laura Eber

PTO President