

# COMMUNICATOR

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## New for 2020-2021

By: Mr. Dan Zylstra, Superintendent

### 2020-2021 Registration:

**August 3, 2020 - 8:00am-3:00 P.M.**

**August 4, 2020 - 1:00pm-7:00 P.M.**

(Online registration can occur any time between 6:00 A.M. on Monday, August 3– 6:00 A.M. on Wednesday, August 7.)

Never before have we faced such uncertainty heading into the summer. COVID-19 put life on hold for two months and dealt a crushing blow to our state's economy. Governor Holcomb's plan provides us with a much-needed pathway forward. Here's how we stand at the start of May.

**May 20 - Last Student Day:** Our last day of eLearning is scheduled for Wednesday, May 20. iPad/Chromebook return and student item pickup is in the works for that week.

**May 22 – Last Food Distribution:** We will send out meals on the buses one last time, after which the buses will be parked for their summer vacation.

**June 21 – Graduation:** If the state successfully mitigates the spread of COVID-19, groups of up to 250 people will be permitted to assemble with appropriate social distancing. With a senior class of less than 55 students, we believe it would be possible to conduct some type of ceremony with the blessing of the Department of Education.

**July 4 and Beyond:** If all goes according to plan, we should be able to operate at some level of openness during the month of July. This *may* include athletics practices, Kindergarten Roundup, pool usage, summer school, marching band practice, and other activities involving students which are currently prohibited.

**August 3 & 4 – Registration:** We hope to have online and in-person registration to prepare for the school year from 8:00-3:00 on August 3 and 1:00-7:00 on August 4.

**August 12 – First Student Day:** Our hope is to be starting school with all of our students back in the building in a way that is safe and conducive to learning. We would also have the capacity to toggle back to distance-learning should the need arise.

All these plans are all tentative and subject to change. We appreciate the prayers and support of the community as we've adapted, and we look forward to continuing to meet the needs of students in 2020-2021.





# 2020-21 School Entry Immunization Requirements

Below are the Immunization requirements mandated by the Indiana State Department of Health. Each child must be properly immunized to enroll in West Central Schools. You may contact your family physician or our Health Dept. to schedule appointments. Please bring proof of your child/children vaccinations to school at registration. If your child is not properly immunized or proper "objection" Letter on file, they will be excluded from school. **Please get these done over the summer!**

If you have any questions, please contact the School Nurse @ 219-567-9741.

## Kindergarten - Grade 5

3 Hep B  
5 DTaP  
4 Polio  
2 MMR  
2 Varicella  
2 Hep A (Hepatitis A)



## Grades 6 to 11

3 Hep B  
5 DTaP  
4 Polio  
2 MMR  
2 Varicella  
2 Hep A  
1 MCV4 (*Meningococcal conjugate*)  
1 Tdap (*Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis*)

## Grade 12

3 Hep B  
5 DTaP  
4 Polio  
2 MMR  
2 Varicella  
1 Tdap (*Tetanus & Pertussis*)  
2 MCV4 (*Meningococcal conjugate*)  
2 Hep A

**Hep B** The minimum age for the 3rd dose of Hepatitis B is 24 weeks of age.

**DTaP** Four doses of DTaP/DTP/DT are acceptable if 4th dose was administered on or after child's fourth birthday.

**Polio** Three doses of polio vaccine are acceptable for all grade levels if the 3rd dose was administered on or after child's fourth birthday and at least 6 months after the previous dose with only one type of vaccine used (all IPV or all OPV).

For students in grades kindergarten through 5th grade the final dose must be administered on or after the 4th birthday, and be administered **at least 6 months** after the previous dose.

**Varicella** Physician documentation of disease history, including month and year, is proof of immunity for children entering preschool, kindergarten through 7th grade. Parental report of disease history is acceptable for grades 8-12.

**MCV4** Individuals who receive dose 1 on or after their 16th birthday only need 1 dose of MCV4.

**Hep A** The minimum interval between 1st and 2nd dose of Hepatitis A is 6 calendar months. K-3rd grade is required. \*For grades 4-11, two doses of Hep A are recommended. For 12th grade, 2 doses are required.



# Medical/Religious Exemption

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child has a medical/religious exemption to vaccination and is not fully immunized. Although your child remains at risk for getting a vaccine preventable disease, IC 20-34-4 permits your child to attend school.

In the event of an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease for which your child is not fully vaccinated, your child may be excluded from school to protect his/her health and the health of all our students and staff. It is important to understand that with some diseases such as measles, one infected child is an outbreak. The length of time your child will be kept out of school depends on the disease. Your child's exclusion may be as long as 3-4 weeks.

If your child is excluded from school, your child will also be excluded from school sponsored activities, such as sporting events, dances, and graduation that occur within the exclusion period. The school will notify you when your child can return to school.

Incompletely vaccinated children can be excluded from school due to cases of measles, chickenpox, pertussis, mumps, or any other vaccine preventable disease (at the discretion of the local health officer).

## Acknowledgement of Consequences of Incomplete Vaccination

I understand that my child may be excluded from school in the event of an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease.

I understand that school exclusion includes after-school activities, such as sporting events, dances, and graduation.

I understand that my child may be required to stay home for multiple weeks during an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease for which he/she is not vaccinated.

Parent's  
name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_



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**Francesville IN**

**EXEMPTION FOR IMMUNIZATIONS**

The Indiana State Department of Health will allow objections to immunizations to be raised on the following grounds:

**Medical-** A physicians' certification that a particular immunization is or may be detrimental to the child's health is required. This must be in writing from the physician (M.D., D.O., or Nurse Practitioner), signed by the parents and renewed on a yearly basis.

**Religious-** A written statement that the objection to immunizations is based on religious grounds is required. This must be signed by the parents and renewed on a yearly basis.

In the state of Indiana there is no exemption allowed for philosophical objections.

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OBJECTION TO IMMUNIZATION

I object to my child ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) being immunized or tested against the following diseases:

DTP (Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis) \_\_\_\_\_ Tdap \_\_\_\_\_ (grades 6-12)

Polio/IPV \_\_\_\_\_

Measles, Mumps, Rubella/MMR \_\_\_\_\_

Varicella (Chicken Pox) \_\_\_\_\_ or date if had Chicken Pox \_\_\_\_\_

Hepatitis A \_\_\_\_\_

Hepatitis B \_\_\_\_\_

Meningitis \_\_\_\_\_ (grades 6-12)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian

My objection is based on the following reason:

Medical \_\_\_\_\_ (written statement from physician is required)

Religious \_\_\_\_\_

# Notes from the High School Guidance Department

Mark your calendar for the following events:

## ***Seniors and Senior Parents:***

**TBD – Senior Awards and Graduation. We are considering some type of ceremony on Sunday, June 21, 2020.**

## ***Juniors and Junior Parents:***

**SAT and ACT Info** – Juniors are encouraged to take either the SAT or the ACT in the spring of their junior year. Everything is being pushed until fall due to CoVid-19. You may register online. Let me know if you need a code (free/reduced lunch or 21<sup>st</sup> Century scholars). I would HIGHLY recommend registering soon as spots will fill quickly.

ACT – [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

SAT – [www.sat.org/register](http://www.sat.org/register) (students MUST use same username and password as the one they created for their PSAT results.)

Note: Due to documented testing fraud (students taking the test for other students), both testing companies require students to upload or mail in a photo of themselves when registering for the SAT or ACT. Students should be sure to input their information exactly as it appears on an ID such as a driver's license.

Helpful websites to check out regarding college planning/funding:

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com)

[www.triptocollege.org](http://www.triptocollege.org)

<http://www.indianacollegecosts.org/>

## **Attention Juniors, Seniors and Past Graduates:**

***Do you need a transcript sent to a college, university, or trade school?***

Request transcripts through the e-transcript link on the West Central web page under "Community." We strongly encourage the use of this system!

Questions? Contact Marci Kennedy at 219.567.9119 (Extension 1508).



**SAT**

 **CollegeBoard**

**ACT**

# WEST CENTRAL ELEMENTARY

2020-2021



**All Students need to have a backpack large enough to fit books and papers. No trappers, duffle bags or school bags on wheels.**

## KINDERGARTEN

School box-normal size without a zipper  
1 Elmer's washable school glue bottle  
1 Pink pearl big eraser  
**Fiskars Pointed** small scissors  
2 Large boxes of Kleenex  
3 pkgs. Of Expo **fine point** low odor dry erase **black** markers (skinny-NOT fat)  
1/8" headphones-(**No earbuds**)  
(Pencils and Crayons will be provided)

## FIRST GRADE

Pencils (No. 2) Dixon Ticonderoga, or Papermate Please  
1 Box of 24 Crayola crayons  
1 School box  
Scissors (Fiskars for kids or Crayola)  
White school glue  
2 Glue Sticks  
1 pkg of cap erasers  
1 Large box of Kleenex  
2 pkgs of 4 Expo **fine point** low odor dry erase **black** markers  
1/8" **headphones (No earbuds)**  
Zipper plastic bags, quart size

## SECOND GRADE

Pencils (No. 2) Dixon Ticonderoga, or Papermate Please  
Scissors (Fiskars for kids or Crayola)  
Glue sticks or Elmer's school glue  
Crayola crayons (16 or 24) or colored pencils  
Erasers (Pink Pearl)  
1 Large box of Kleenex  
1 School box  
1 pkg Bic low odor dry erase black markers  
1 Spiral bound 1 subject notebook  
1 3-pack yellow highlighters  
1/8" **headphones (No earbuds)**

## THIRD GRADE

1 pkg 3/8" lined loos-leaf paper (NO spiral)  
2 pkg Pencils (No.2)  
1 large eraser  
Scissors (Fiskars for kids or Crayola)  
Elmer's school glue  
3 lg. glue sticks  
School box  
2 pocket folders  
Crayons and colored pencils  
2 large boxes Kleenex  
3 Expo fine point dry erase black markers  
1/8" **headphones (No earbuds)**  
Pencil pouch  
**\*No pencil Sharpeners\***

## FOURTH GRADE

24 pencils  
3 spiral notebook 80 sheets  
1 pkg. notebook paper - (200 count loose leaf wide rule)  
1 pkg. Crayola colored pencils  
Scissors  
1-2oz Elmer's school glue bottle & glue stick  
1 large eraser  
2 boxes Kleenex  
Pencil pouch  
8 Expo dry erase fine point black markers  
1/8" headphones-(**No earbuds**)  
1 pkg. 3 x 5 lined index cards

## FIFTH GRADE

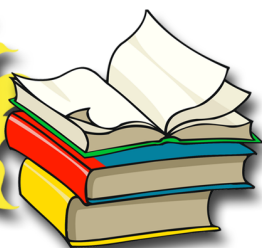
1 pkg. notebook wide ruled loose leaf paper per semester  
1 spiral notebook 80 pages  
1-24 pkg. No. 2 pencils per semester  
3 pkg. of 4 Expo fine point dry erase black markers  
2 pkgs. Crayola colored pencils per semester  
2 boxes Kleenex  
1-2oz Elmer's glue & 1 glue stick per semester  
4 pocket folders-1 of each color-(yellow, blue, green, red)  
Ruler with inches & centimeters  
Pencil pouch  
Pointed scissors  
1/8" headphones/earbuds  
1 box Ziplock storage baggies-quart & gallon  
1 container Clorox wipes  
**\*No Pencil Sharpeners\***

## SIXTH GRADE

2 pkgs. Notebook paper loose leaf 1 per semester  
4 spiral notebooks 80 pages  
3 pkgs. **Ticonderoga** pencils (No 2) 24 per semester  
2 pkgs. of 4 each low odor Expo fine point dry erase black markers  
2 pkgs. of 4 each low odor Expo fine point dry erase color markers  
2 pkgs. **Crayola** color pencils  
2 large boxes Kleenex  
4 glue sticks per semester  
8 pocket folders (4 green & 4 red)  
Ruler with inches & centimeters  
Pencil Pouch  
Pointed Fiskars scissors  
1/8" headphones/earbuds  
2 boxes Ziplock baggies-1 quart & 1 gallon  
4-2" 3 ring binders with pockets on the inside  
2 pack of pink erasers  
2 pack red pens for grading  
2 pkgs. Low odor multi-colored highlighters



# Get ready for SUMMER READING



From Mr. Zylstra, Superintendent

As students go into this summer, I would encourage every child to read each day. Reading is such an important skill for everyone. The improvements and gains made during this school year will only continue to grow with continued practice. I encourage every family to take advantage of the summer reading programs at the local libraries by exploring the world through reading.

Have a great and enjoyable summer!





# Driver's Education 2020

AGE: 15 years old by June 1, 2020

**REQUIREMENTS:** Driver's Education in Indiana exists in two parts. There is a Classroom portion and a Driving portion. The State of Indiana requires that you complete 30 hours of classroom time or an equivalent online program. You will take your Classroom portion of Driver's Ed online through **Driving Brilliance.com**. You are also required to take 6 hours of in the car training to complete Driver's Ed. At West Central driving will be done during the month of June. **You must be at least 15 years old in the State of Indiana to get your Learner's Permit.** If you complete Driver's Education and hold your permit for 180 days, then you will be able to get your license when you are 16 years and 90 days old.

**CLASS:** The classroom portion of the class will be done online through Driving Brilliance. To access the registration go to **drivingbrilliance.com** and select register, Drive at my high school. **Make sure to put West Central as the high school.** Students may begin the online class after they turn 15, and must be completed to drive this summer. The online class may be done at home, on school computers during the school year, or students may also come to school to use computers during the first two weeks of June.

**FEES:** Total cost for the program will be \$275.00. A \$25 fee will be paid to Driving Brilliance for the online class. The fee must be paid online. A \$250.00 fee will be paid to West Central for driving. Out of corporation students will be charged \$350. Students not completing the class will be refunded \$150.00 (only if requested in writing).

**PERMIT:** Students will be given a CDE form **once they turn 15 years old and have the \$250 fee paid.** This form is what is needed to get the student driving permit. Students will take the CDE form and proper documents (found in Driver's Manual) to the license branch to get their permit. **Students must take and pass a written test at the license branch over the driver's manual to get their permit.** The manual can be found online at [www.in.gov/bmv/](http://www.in.gov/bmv/) under the drivers education tab. I have also ordered manuals to be delivered to West Central.

**DRIVING:** Each student must drive for 6 hours. Driving groups will be assigned at the end of May. **Driving will begin at West Central and students will be dropped off at West Central after driving.**

**VACATIONS:** If there is a specific week a student cannot drive, please fill out the form below so we do not schedule the student to drive during that time. Remember there is only so much flexibility we will have to get all students scheduled. Please include any camps, 4-H fairs, and vacations.

Students Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Vacation or camps \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Mike Harter 567-9119 School or 574-870-6605 Cell

Please return the bottom portion of this page to Mr. Harter with your payment.







# WCHS Yearbook

*Order your 2020-2021 yearbook today!  
Don't miss this opportunity.*

*Your memory may fail but your trusty West Central High School yearbook will remind you of friends, fashion, sports, events, classes, and teachers. Years from now, who will have changed the most?*

*To order, contact:*

*Abby Bernell-Beall (219) 567.9119 Ext. 1540*

*West Central High School*

*1852S US 421*

*Francesville, IN 47946*

*abirnellbeall@wcsc.k12.in.us*

*Yearbooks are now \$55.00.*

*The price will go up in September.*



*To order your yearbook, please provide the following information:*

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*Name (Please print)*

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*Grade*

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*Phone number*

*Please send form and money to Mrs. Bernell-Beall at the high school.*

# 2020 Summer Athletic Schedule

## July

Weight Room Workouts - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday—8 to 10:30am

Football Open Facility - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday—8 to 10:30am

Girls Basketball Open Facility - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday—6:30 to 8:30pm

Volleyball Open Facility - Tuesday, Thursdays—9:30 to 12pm

### Contact List

Athletic Director - Charlie Roberts-765-337-5696

Football - Marc Hall - 574-206-5886

Volleyball - Lacey Steele— 219-207-1150

Cross Country - Jeremy Glasford-219-204-0422

Wrestling - Kenny Nielsen - 219-204-0942

Boys Basketball - B.J. Aldridge-859-992-3976

Girls Basketball - Tyson Mellon

Softball - Brian Pilarski - 219-204-0164

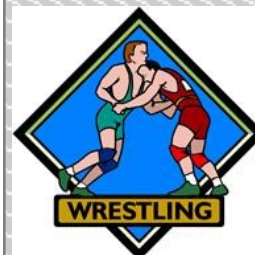
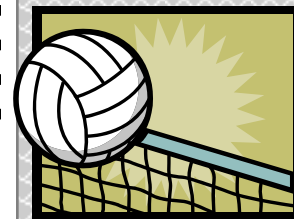
Track - Becky Reed - 219-954-0321

Baseball - David Allen - 219-204-1703

**\*\*July 29-August 4- West Central Moratorium - No Activities**

**\*Official Practices for Fall Sports will begin on Monday, August 5.**

**\*All participants must have a completed IHSAA athletic physical on file in the athletic office before they begin practice. All physicals done after April 1st, 2020, are valid for the entire 2020-21 school year. All physicals done for the 2019-2020 school year will be valid for the 2020-2021 school year.**



# ***West Central High/Middle School*** ***“Home of the Trojans”***



***1852 S. US 421 – Francesville, IN 47946 Phone: 219-567-2534***

***Principal: Scott Ritchie—[sritchie@wcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:sritchie@wcsc.k12.in.us)***

***Assistant Principal: Angie Radtke—[aradtke@wcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:aradtke@wcsc.k12.in.us)***

***Athletic Director: Charlie Roberts – [croberts@wcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:croberts@wcsc.k12.in.us)***

The West Central Athletic Department continues to partner with FinalForms, an online forms and data management service. FinalForms allows you to complete and sign athletic participation forms for your students. The most exciting news is that FinalForms saves data from season-to-season and year-to-year, meaning that you will never need to enter the same information twice! FinalForms also pre-populates information wherever possible, for each of your students, saving you time.

You may review your data at any time to verify it is current. You will be required to sign your forms once per year and after any update.

**We are asking that ALL parents of athletes use FinalForms.**

**Please register at: <https://westcentral-in.finalforms.com> and follow the prompts to create your account, create your students and sign your forms.**

Thank you for your assistance in streamlining our paperwork processes in the West Central Athletic Department.

Charlie Roberts  
Athletic Director



## PARENT REGISTRATION

### HOW DO I SIGN UP?

1. Go to <https://westcentral-in.finalforms.com>
2. Click **NEW ACCOUNT** under the Parent Icon
3. Type your **NAME**, **DATE OF BIRTH** and **EMAIL**, then click **REGISTER**
4. Check your Email for a FinalForms Email, and click **CONFIRM YOUR ACCOUNT** in the email text



Parent

← LOGIN

→ NEW ACCOUNT



**NOTE:** You will receive an email within 2 minutes prompting you to confirm and complete your registration. If you do not receive an email, check your spam folder. If you still do not see the FinalForms email, please email [support@finalforms.com](mailto:support@finalforms.com)

5. Create your new FinalForms password and click **CONFIRM ACCOUNT**
6. Click **REGISTER STUDENT** for your first child

# FINALFORMS™

## REGISTERING A STUDENT

### WHAT INFO WILL I NEED?

- Basic Medical History & Health Information
- Doctor & Dentist Contact Information
- Insurance Company & Policy Number
- Hospital Preference

### HOW DO I REGISTER MY FIRST STUDENT?

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*** If you have followed the steps on the previous page, you may Jump to Step 3.

1. Go to <https://westcentral-lin.finalforms.com>

2. Click **LOGIN** under the Parent Icon



Parent

• LOGIN  
• NEW ACCOUNT

3. Click **INCOMPLETE FORMS**



4. If your student plans to participate in a sport, activity, or club please click the checkbox for each. Click **UPDATE** after making your selection

**NOTE:** A selection can be changed any time until the registration deadline

5. Complete each form and sign your full name (i.e. 'John Smith') into the Parent Signature field at the bottom of the page. After signing, click **SUBMIT FORM** and move on to the next form.

6. When all forms are complete, you will see a 'Forms Finished' message

Forms finished!

7. **\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*** If required, an email will automatically be sent to the email address that you provided for your Student prompting him/her to sign required Student forms

### HOW DO I REGISTER ADDITIONAL STUDENTS?

8. Click **MY STUDENTS**. You may repeat steps 3 through 6 for additional Students

### HOW DO I UPDATE INFORMATION?

9. **LOGIN** at any time and click **UPDATE FORMS** to update information for any Student.



**WEST CENTRAL ATHLETIC BOOSTER  
CLUB  
SUPPORTING  
ENCOURAGING  
ADVANCING  
WEST CENTRAL STUDENT ATHLETES**

**2020-21 Membership Form—SUPPORT YOUR WEST CENTRAL ATHLETE**

Please fill this form out completely for our records. Membership begins the month you sign up and ends in that same month the following year. For example, you become a Booster member in April of 2019, then your membership will expire in April of 2020.

Parent(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Name:

Grade:

Sport:

\_\_\_\_\_

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**TYPES OF MEMBERSHIPS: (Please mark membership of choice)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Member	\$25.00	You will receive a car window decal and listed as a donor in our sports programs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Booster	\$50.00	You will receive a window decal, a punch pass for (5) free popcorns to be used at home events and listed as a donor in our sports programs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Black	\$100.00	You will receive a window decal, a punch pass for (10) free popcorns at home events, an invitation to the hospitality room prior to a designated home event and listed as a donor in our sports programs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Cardinal	\$250.00	You will receive a window decal, a punch pass for (10) free popcorns at home events, one (1) sports punch pass for (10) home events, an invitation to the hospitality room prior to a designated home event and listed as a donor in our sports programs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Trojan	\$500.00	You will receive a window decal, a punch pass for (10) free popcorns at home events, two (2) sports punch passes for (20-total) home events, an invitation to the hospitality room prior to a designated home event, you will be announced at home events for being a donor and listed as a donor in our sports programs.

**\*\*\*This form along with payment can be mailed to P.O. Box 578, Francesville IN 47946.  
Thank you!!\*\*\***



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**May**  
**2020**

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# WEST CENTRAL "STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE"

**June**  
2020

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

	1	2	3	4 School Board Meeting 7:30	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Tentative Graduation
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

**WEST CENTRAL "STRIVING  
FOR EXCELLENCE"**

**July**  
2020

**CALENDAR  
OF EVENTS**

			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 School Board Meeting 7:30	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Have a great



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