

# THE CARDINAL CONNECTION

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New and Returning Students Register online. See our website for details. If you are unable to complete registration online, please join us to complete registration in person.

## Jr/Sr HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATION

**7-12 New Student In Person Registration**  
Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-2:00pm  
Other times by appointment

**Grades 7-12 In Person Registration**  
Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am-Noon and 1:00pm-3:00pm  
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## ELEMENTARY REGISTRATION

**K-6 New Student In Person Registration**  
Time 9:00am—12:00pm and 1:00pm-2:00pm  
Monday August 16th through Friday August  
20th.

*Class lists will be available on August 25th.*

### School Sessions

Jr/Sr High School  
7:55 AM—3:00 PM

Elementary (Pre-K to 6th)  
7:55 AM - 3:10 PM

***Please join us for our K-12 Open House on August 25th from  
5:00pm-7:00pm.***

Don't have time to come to the school for enrollment, check out the website and complete your students registration online! Save time!

From your mobile device, android or apple, you can download a new app to be notified of school closings and other activities going on in the district. Go to the main page and scroll down to the bottom and click on "Get the Mobile App".

**THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IS MONDAY AUGUST 30<sup>th</sup>!**

2021 - 2022 Calendar

August 30	First Day of School
September 3	No School
September 6	Labor Day—No School
October 29	End of 1st Marking Period
November 4	Parent-Teacher Conf. ½ Day for Students
November 5	½ Day of School
November 15	No School - Safety Day
November 25 & 26	No School - Thanksgiving
December 22	Last day of School before Winter Break
December 23 - January 3	No School - Winter Break
January 4	Return to School after Winter Break
January 14	End of 2nd Marking Period/1st Semester
February 7	Professional Development - No Students K-12
March 3	Parent-Teacher Conf ½ Day Students
March 18	End of 3rd Marking Period & Last day of school before Spring Break
March 21-25	No School - Spring Break
March 28	Return to School after Spring Break
April 15 & 18	No School
May 27	½ Day of School
May 30	No School - Memorial Day
June 6	½ Day of School

IMPORTANT NAMES AND NUMBERS

**School Board Members:**

President: Janet Smith  
 Vice President: April Mason  
 Secretary: Dennis Parent  
 Treasurer: Sandy Wilson  
 Trustee: Karen Tracy  
 Trustee: George Reeve  
 Trustee: Mary Phinney

**Business Office**

Superintendent: Joseph J. Perrera  
 989-756-2500, Option 1

**Elementary School**

Principal: Bryan Crainer  
 989-756-2502, Option 1

**Jr. and Sr. High School**

Principal: Clinton Miller, 989-756-2501, Option 1

**Athletic Director**

Director: Anne Mervyn, 989-756-6007

**Food Services**

Director: Suzie Hall, 989-756-6006

**Special Education Services**

Director: Chelsea Morris, 989-756-6013

**Bus Garage**

Supervisor: Gordon Seyler, 989-756-2503

**Technology Supervisor**

Jason Melkus: 989-756-6018

**Bus Route Information**

We look forward to meeting your family's transportation requests. In an ongoing commitment to student safety, bus routes and stops will not be published online. To get access to our Viafy bussing parent app which will provide all the information for your stop/route, please fill out this [form](#), or call the transportation department for detailed information regarding bus stop times and locations. Thank you for your patience and understanding as our students' safety is our number one priority.

**Bus Route Changes**

Bus stops will be assigned based on the address on file. Changes to your home address must be made through your child's school building with proof of residency. Changes to bus routes, due to home address changes, will be reviewed by the Transportation Supervisor, and students will be assigned to the appropriate bus. These changes may take up to 3 business days. Parents may be required to supply alternate transportation until their bus stop has been approved and assigned. Transportation changes cannot be approved by anyone besides the Transportation Supervisor.

**Drivers Needed**

As we begin planning, we need to reach out to the community and ask, "Would you be willing to drive a school bus for Whittemore-Prescott Area Schools?" Please don't give a hasty no as so many do. Driving bus is a challenge, and it takes the right kind of person to do it successfully. It isn't the greatest schedule in the world as routes are about 2 hours in the morning and 2 hours in the afternoon, BUT, it can be a great experience for someone who wants to be part of a team of professional drivers. Why not give it a try we would love to have you join our team. Applications are available in our transportation office, call (989) 756-2500, or [online here](#). Why not consider coming in and talking with us about becoming a bus driver? We look forward to meeting you.

IRESA Special Education Bus Student pick up / drop off times to be arranged.  
 \*\*Schedule subject to change with notification\*\*

**School Closing Information**

<u>Television</u>	<u>Radio Stations</u>
WNEM 5	WKJC 104.7
WJRT 12	WCLS 100.7
WEYI 25	WKCQ 98.1

Also you can download our app from our website, or like our Facebook page for school closing notifications.

## **CARDINAL ATHLETICS UPDATE**

### **2021-2022 Athletic Ticket prices:**

Adult \$5.00  
W-P Students \$3.00  
Seniors \$3.00

### **Season Passes:**

Family \$100.00  
Couple \$75.00  
Adult \$40.00  
W-P Student \$25.00  
Seniors \$25.00

Family passes are for immediate family currently residing in the same home. Season Passes do not include tournaments.

Passes may be purchased at the gate prior to all home games.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT A FUTURE HOME GAME!**

## **NEW ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL**

The Whittimore-Prescott Elementary School welcomes Mr. Bryan Crainer as the new principal. A committee made up of parents, upper and lower elementary teachers, Title I teachers, classroom parapro's, secretaries and administrators interviewed three very strong candidates and selected Mr. Crainer to lead the building. I would like to thank the committee for their hard work. They asked the tough questions and approached this endeavor with extreme professionalism.

## **SUMMER CONSTRUCTION**

**New Greenhouse** - Although we got a late start on this project, the Career and Technical Education (CTE) program and the district are partnering on a new greenhouse which will benefit students in FFA. The greenhouse will be 18 ft. wide and 36 ft. long. The CTE department has additional funds in their account to pay for the greenhouse while the district will pay for the cement slab. Another great investment for kids!

**Press Box** - The press boxes are in need of significant repairs. The large press box is getting a new service door, partial floor decking replacement, new windows and a metal roof. The smaller press box is getting window replacements and a new rubber roof.

**Dugouts** - The dugouts are not very old, but water damage created issues with the roof systems. All the dugouts have new roofing (black metal) which will last many years.

## **SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM**

All Students will receive FREE breakfast and lunch for the 2021-2022 school year. Free meals include one entrée, three sides, and one milk in accordance with the State of Michigan meal pattern. If your student chooses to take "extras", we must charge for them in accordance with the State of Michigan meal pattern. Extra entrée \$1.75, extra side \$.75, extra milk \$.50. Please fill out the household survey which will be sent home with each student, one survey per family. The district receives At-Risk funding for the survey's, which pays for programming for kids, like before and after school tutoring programs and enrichment programs.