

Tabusintac Rural School

The Teacher
said to the students:
"Come to the edge."
they replied:
"We might fall."
the teacher again said:
"Come to the edge."
and they responded:
"It's too high."
"Come to the edge."
the teacher demanded.
And they came,
and the teacher pushed them,
and they flew.



Principal's Message:

The long warm summer evenings were limited over July and August this summer and the 2011-2012 academic year has begun. I wish to sincerely thank students, parents and staff for making my rookie year at Tabusintac Rural School such a personal success. The support and appreciation of the entire school and the community at large contributed to a fantastic year of personal and educational growth.

Tabusintac Rural School welcomes back your exceptional staff members for 2011 - 2012:

Miss Jennifer MacDonald
Mrs. Kendra McLean
Mr. Albert Grant
Mrs. Krista Hutchinson
Mr. Gary Forrest
Mrs. Angela Forbes
Mrs. Marilyn Ward

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Admin Assistant
Education Assistant

Mr. Lloyd Murray

Custodian

Mr. Myles Harding, Mr. Alva Rousselle and Mr. Jean Marie Hache Bus Drivers

Our school is fortunate to welcome Mrs. Gaetane McGraw as our Resource and Methods teacher. Mrs. McGraw will also offer French enrichment for students with proficiency in our second language.

Last year our small school was able to offer students the chance to canoe, skateboard, photograph, act, sing, dance, play instruments and produce videos with the help of our talented staff and District # 16 mentors. Our plan is to continue to grow in every component – intellectually, artistically and physically.

Breakfast Program

Tabusintac Rural school offers daily breakfast of toast and juice through the voluntary and monetary support of St. Andrews United Church. Miss. Reba Taylor acts as the Breakfast Coordinator and welcomes any new volunteers at 779-4417.



Lunch Program

Hot lunches are available twice a week. The Home and School prepares a hot lunch meal on Wednesdays and Greco pizza is served on Fridays. Both hot lunches are \$3.00. White and Chocolate milk is also available daily at a cost of \$.40. Volunteers are welcome to assist with the Wednesday lunch and may contact Mrs. Tanya Comeau at 779-9342 The hot lunch schedule for the month of September is included..

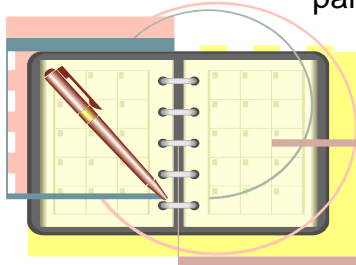
Attendance Policy

School District 16 is continuing to address the significant problem of absenteeism in our local schools. Students miss irreplaceable instruction when they are absent. It is inevitable that students miss instruction time due to childhood diseases, colds and influenzas. Late last year we enforced statement #1 of the attendance policy – “parents must send a detailed note explaining their child’s absence from school”. All students must bring a note when they return from a sick day as well as bring a note on the morning of an appointment that requires them to leave school early. The note sent for both absences must include enough detail to make it clear why the absence was necessary. Parents must always consider the reason your child must miss valuable class instruction. Some examples of unacceptable reasons for absence would be haircuts, birthday celebrations, slept “in” and missed the bus. Students are negatively impacted by absences and often will begin to struggle academically. Statistics have proven that there is a direct connection between absenteeism and academic difficulties. The entire staff appreciates your support to diminish unnecessary absences.

Note: Parents are advised to write a detailed note in their child's agenda when clarifying an absence.

Agendas

Agendas have been purchased over the summer break. These agendas are valuable paid \$40.00 to cover school supplies. All other students, Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 must pay \$5.00 to help pay the cost of the agenda. The Student Council will cover the additional \$2.00 for these agendas. If you find this amount to be a financial burden, please call Mrs. Stymiest to make arrangements for payment. This agenda must be used by all students and must go home every day.



Permission to Publish

Last year, the students of Tabusintac Rural School were able to make exceptional technological advances. Many students took part in our school video announcements which are daily uploaded to our school website. Students at our small school are given the opportunity to participate, a privilege many District 16 students never have due to the large number of students in larger schools. Please carefully consider your decisions to disallow your child to be photographed or videotaped as this would prevent their participation in video announcements.

School Entrance

Parents are asked to use the Main Entrance door to pick children up at school. Students will not be permitted to enter or exit via the bus entrance unless travelling on the bus. In an effort to control admittance to the school, the bus entrance door will remain locked during the day and parents must pick up at the main office only. No child will be permitted to leave the school without permission of the principal or her designate.

Electronic Devices

Parents are reminded that students are not permitted to use any electronic devices during school hours. MP3 players, Nintendo DS devices and cell phones should be left at home. These devices are expensive and staff cannot be responsible for the care and safety of your child's electronic devices. On occasion, your child must bring a cell phone to school and the electronic device must be left with the principal in the morning and picked up after school.



Welcome Back!

