

# RENWICK SNAPSHOT

MAY 2019

## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Emotions ran high for me during graduation ceremonies this past weekend at Andale and Garden Plain high schools. While the seniors accepted diplomas decked out in caps and gowns, I was honored to behold the proud smiles of their families and listen to their many accomplishments. It was no wonder my heart swelled with pride.



I have attended countless graduations throughout my 25-plus years as an educator. But this past Sunday marked my first commencement ceremonies as superintendent of schools. This milestone was extra special as my own daughter was among the graduates. When I recall the ceremonies at both of our district's high schools, I recognize how the pride I felt for my own daughter extended to the entire classes of students.

Here at Renwick, I think of all the students as "our kids." I know I'm not alone.

Teacher, counselors and staff feel the same. When students begin their journey in kindergarten, we join them on the path to fulfill the mission of USD 267: *To prepare all students to be college and career ready for the 21st century.*



Their struggles are our struggles. When they reach a milestone, we celebrate their triumph.

Each graduate began their education at Renwick, but now each member of the Class of 2019 now goes their own way to blaze a new trail. And we can't wait to see where their future leads.



While it's bittersweet to say goodbye to the Class of 2019, our mission remains the same as we look forward to welcoming the Class of 2032 in the fall.

Let the journey begin once again.

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I also want to keep you informed regarding the bond projects. Greg Tice, SPT Architecture Firm, updated BOE members regarding the bond at their May 13 meeting. Tice shared information about the projects at Andale High School, Garden Plain High School and St. Mark's Elementary. The projects are currently in the schematic design phase, which is work that focuses on size and shape of projects and looking at the budget. The next phase – development design phase where materials, finishes and details are discerned – will begin sometime in June. Tice said he expected renderings to be shared in the fall.

The bond construction manager – The Law Company – is working on pricing the two largest projects – Andale High School and Garden Plain High School. The construction managers will also be meeting with the administrative staff to communicate what their sites will look like in August when students and staff return to they can plan over the summer months for parking and other accommodations.

### RENWICK BOE

**President Greg Tice** (rep. Colwich/St. Marks)

**VP Joanna Fair** (rep. Andale)

**Bill Brand** (rep. Andale)

**Joe Camp** (rep. at-large)

**Brent Dome** (rep. Colwich/St. Marks)

**Chris Heimerman** (rep. Garden Plain)

**Craig Nelson** (rep. Garden Plain)

The Board of Education meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Find agendas, meeting minutes at [usd267.com](http://usd267.com)

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## BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

- Board members welcomed the Recognition of Excellence recipients for April: Joan Johnson, GPES custodian; Casey Jones, AHS library paraprofessional; Donna Quaney, CES Kindergarten teacher; Sara Gomez, GPHS Spanish teacher.
- Patron Brad Scheer addressed the board about middle school football at Garden Plain.
- Members approved the consent agenda, which included approval of personnel; approval of recent supplemental contracts; out-of-district students; supplemental contracts; student handbooks, out-of-state travel request; and testing fee. Members also approved the following start and ending times for schools for 2019-2020: All elementary schools will begin at 8:05 a.m. and end at 3:27 p.m.; both high schools will start at 7:55 a.m. and end at 3:22 p.m.
- Meal prices for 2019-2020 were approved by the board as follows:
  - Breakfast: \$1.60 (K-12)  
\$2.00 (adults)  
\*\*This is a \$0.10 increase for students, no increase for adults\*\*
  - Lunch: \$2.45 (K-5)  
\$2.65 (6-8)  
\$2.80 (9-12)  
\$3.75 (USDA required price for SY 19-20)
- The next regular Board Meeting will be at 7 p.m. Monday, June 10 in the District Office Conference Room, 600 W. Rush, Andale. Meetings are open to the public.



## WE ARE #RENWICKPROUD OF YOU – CONGRATULATIONS 2019 RETIREES

District retirees were honored at the Board of Education meeting for their years of service. We are #RenwickProud of your work with our students and the legacy you leave behind as you begin this exciting new chapter. We wish you all the very best. Retirees include:

Judy Lawson – SMES teacher with 22 years in Renwick

Karen Martin – CES Paraprofessional with 31 years in Renwick

Susie Reichenberger – AES Library Paraprofessional with 23 years in Renwick

Donna Quaney – CES teacher with 34 years in Renwick



### MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of USD 267 is to prepare all students to be college and career ready for the 21st century.