

Catprints



Edgar School District Newsletter

Vol. 28 No.4

Summer 2021

Operational Referendum: NEXT STEPS

By: Dr. Cari Guden, Mrs. Lisa Witt, Mr. Tom McCarty, and Mrs. Morgan Mueller

Overall we are still very concerned with the status of our school district budget. We have currently presented a budget that has no room for growth in our educational opportunities for our students, no room for annual maintenance projects, let alone any unexpected maintenance issues. Ultimately, the needs for our students have not gone away, along with, decreasing revenues, rising costs of inflation, and the need to retain and recruit high quality staff makes it very difficult to meet these needs of our students.



With this said, we will continue to move forward with an operational referendum again in the spring of 2022. Our next steps in this process are as follows:

- **Form an Advisory Committee with Community Members**
- **Review Priorities and Costs**
- **Determine an Operational Referendum Timeline** (February OR April 2022)
- **Determine a Recurring OR Non-recurring Referendum**
- **Determine Length and Dollar Amount of Referendum**

Our immediate goal is to create our Advisory Committee. This committee will meet quarterly, review goals, findings and costs, and review operating priorities. Please consider being a member of this committee. Your support and help will be appreciated.

If you are interested please call the HS Office at 715-352-2352 or email one of us at the email listed below. We will collect interested names through August with the hopes to have our first meeting in September.

Remember, as a member of our Edgar Community please continue to be engaged, become involved in, and support the school district. We need your help. The future, our students, are in your hands.

Dr. Cari Guden, Superintendent
cguden@gapps.edgar.k12.wi.us

Mrs. Lisa Witt, Elementary Principal
lwitt@gapps.edgar.k12.wi.us

Mrs. Morgan Mueller
mmueller@gapps.edgar.k12.wi.us

Mr. Tom McCarty, MS/HS Principal
tmccarty@gapps.edgar.k12.wi.us

GET INVOLVED *Make a Difference!*

INSIDE THIS ISSUE...

Congratulations to the Class of 2021	2	Girl Softball/Boys Varsity Baseball	7
Congratulations to the Class of 2021/Join Our Team	3	Edgar Track and Field State Performances	8
Edgar School District 2020-21 Retirees	4	Edgar School Calendar 2021-2022	9
FFA Returns to Fishing in Minnesota.....	5	USDA Free Breakfast and Lunch for 2021-22.....	10
FFA Returns to Fishing in Minnesota/Budget Hearing Annual Meeting Recap	6	Dates To Remember.....	11

Congratulations to the Class of 2021!



Daniel Aide
Plan after High School:
Workforce
Major/Workforce Area:
Construction



Austin Dahlke
Plan after High School:
University of Colorado
Major/Workforce
Area: Construction
Management



Makenna Guden
Plan after High School:
UW Superior
Major/Workforce Area:
Orthodontics



Abigail Allmann
Plan after High School:
Western Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Human Services



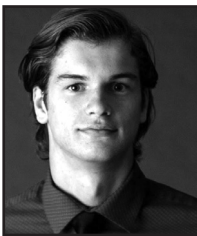
Nicholas Dahlke
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Undecided



Olivia Kamin
Plan after High School:
Project Search through
Aspirus Wausau Hospital



Korbyn Bauman
Plan after High School:
Workforce
Major/Workforce Area:
Agriculture Industry



Nathan Drabek
Plan after High School:
Fox Valley Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Pilot Aeromatic Training



Jacob Kolano
Plan after High School:
Mid-State Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Electrical Apprenticeship



**Brayden
Baumgartner**
Plan after High School:
UW Stevens Point
Major/Workforce Area:
Engineering



Hailey Fahey
Plan after High School:
Lakeshore Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Associate in Court
Reporting



**Ronald (RJ)
Knetter**
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Criminal Justice



Rachel Brewster
Plan after High School:
UW Stevens Point
Major/Workforce Area:
Animal Science



Harry Fehlhaber
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Diesel Mechanic



Jaxson Kurtzweil
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Electrical Power
Distribution



Devanne Berry
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Nursing



Kaden Goodwin
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Criminal Justice



Jada Lang
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Real Estate



Kyle Brewster
Plan after High School:
UW Stevens Point
Major/Workforce Area:
Pre Physical Therapy



Drew Guden
Plan after High School:
UW Madison
Major/Workforce Area:
Pre-Med/Biology



**Maximilian
Larson**
Plan after High School:
St. Norbert
Major/Workforce Area:
Biology

Graduates 2021 Continues on Page 3

Congratulations to the Class of 2021!



Brady Lemmer
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Electrical Power
Distribution



Cole Schilling
Plan after High School:
UW Stevens Point
Major/Workforce Area:
Biology



Kaitlyn Strevler
Plan after High School:
St. Norbert
Major/Workforce Area:
Psychology



Kane Lipinski
Plan after High School:
Apprenticeship
Major/Workforce Area:
Journeyman Stainless
Steel Manufacturing



Jasmine Schnelle
Plan after High School:
UW Stevens Point
Major/Workforce Area:
Elementary Education
with History Minor



Olivia Urmanski
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Cosmetology



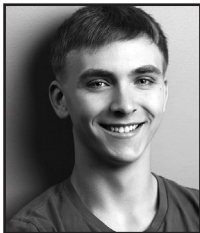
Lucas Mueller
Plan after High School:
Apprenticeship
Major/Workforce Area:
Electrical



Austin Seubert
Plan after High School:
Fox Valley Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Precision Agriculture
Technician



Caylee Weiler
Plan after High School:
Northcentral Technical
College
Major/Workforce Area:
Surgical Technologist



Carter Murkowski
Plan after High School:
UW Stout
Major/Workforce Area:
Applied Biology/Pre
Physician Assistant



Jaylee Skryzpchak
Plan after High School:
UW Stout
Major/Workforce Area:
Dietetics



Konnor Wolf
Plan after High School:
University of South
Florida
Major/Workforce Area:
Industrial Engineering



Deirdra Pilgrim
Plan after High School:
UW Stevens Point
Major/Workforce Area:
English

Join Our Team

Are you looking for either part-time or full-time work? Are you looking for employment at a fun, flexible, and family-oriented organization? If so, the School District of Edgar has several job opportunities available. The district currently is looking to fill the following positions:

- Full-time Night Custodian
- Part-time Food Service/Cook
- 2 Full-time Special Education Paraprofessionals
- Substitute Teachers
- Substitute Paraprofessionals

Please visit our district website under the “District” tab or call the district office at 715-352-2351 for more information. The School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



BEST OF LUCK TO OUR EDGAR SCHOOL DISTRICT 2020-21 RETIREES



TAMMY ANDERSON

Mrs. Tammy Anderson has been a teacher for Edgar Elementary School the past 32 years. She started her career as a fourth grade teacher, moved to first grade and ends her career as a second grade teacher. There are many amazing things that Mrs. Anderson has done throughout her career at Edgar Elementary School, but there are two that are standout memories. When Mrs. Anderson was a fourth grade teacher she was known for her Christmas Musicals that her students performed for the elementary students. Mrs. Anderson is also known for starting the after school jump rope club called JUMPING CATS. She instilled the love of jumping rope in our students and they performed at the half time of basketball games and performed for the elementary students at assemblies and even at the opening and closing ceremony of our Winter Olympics! Mrs. Anderson has been a mentor to new teachers who have started their careers at Edgar Elementary School as well as a technology mentor, too. The impact that Mrs. Anderson has made on the lives of our students is immeasurable! We wish Mrs. Anderson nothing but the best in her retirement! We hope she comes back and subs for us at the elementary!

EUGENE and JOAN FONS

Eugene and Joan Fons have been nighttime custodians for the past four years; Eugene full time and Joan part time. Eugene and Joan were great workers always eager to help out with any extra workload. They were going to retire late last year, but due to the difficulty of hiring replacements they agreed to work an extra 8 months. They are retiring to enjoy each other's company in the garden and around the home. They drove semi-truck for many years together team driving. They live on Eugene's home farm south of town. They enjoy gardening and helping friends, neighbors and family with projects. We wish them nothing but the best in their retirement!

MARILYN FRANKE

Marilyn Franke has worked for the district for 5 years. She has enjoyed her time here and really enjoys the energy of the students by the High School Gym. She would steal looks at the practices and games while she was working cleaning the lobby and locker rooms. Marilyn also spends much of her time during the warmer months helping out her son with his vegetable/fruit farm picking berries and vegetables for people. She cannot sit still. We wish Marilyn nothing but the best in her retirement!

Pride and Tradition: Edgar FFA Returns to Fishing in Minnesota

Written by Matthew Reinders

The Edgar FFA trip to Canada has been a part of the organization for more than 40 years. The trip originally started as a three-day fishing trip to northern Wisconsin in the early 1970's and then progressed to what it is today. Due to the pandemic, the trip was cancelled in 2020 for the first time in decades. With the Canadian border still closed to Americans for non-essential trips the Edgar FFA did the next best thing by heading to northern Minnesota.



The 2021 Canada Trip, Minnesota Edition, took place on Ash Lake just outside Orr, MN. Twenty four FFA members and chaperones participated in the week long fishing trip. The goal is always to be safe and catch lots of fish to eat and we accomplished just that. The fishing was a little different than Canada as Walleye and Northern Pike proved to be elusive in Minnesota. Our group spent the week dining on large perch, bluegill, and crappie fish. It was noticeable that pan fish and other species of fish are considerably larger in Ash Lake. Our fishing highlights included a 20" smallmouth bass, 12.5" bluegill, 12" perch, and 13.5" crappie. Even though we hardly caught walleye and northern pike, we managed to reel in a 19" walleye and a 26" northern pike.

The fishing was excellent and this trip will go down as one of the hottest on record. Temperatures were in the upper 80's and low 90's all week. We were saved by the fact we had several cabins that had air conditioning, a perk we normally do not have in Canada. I am very proud of my students and thankful for wonderful chaperones to make the trip a success. Although we enjoyed our time, we look forward to returning to Mit Lake in Canada for 2022.

A Historic Perspective

The FFA Canada trip evolved as a way to get students involved in FFA activities. Very little is known pre-1973, but earning a trip to Canada has always revolved around member involvement. In order to qualify for the fishing trip, student have to earn points by participating in fruit sales, seed corn and magazine sales, speaking contests, fair, and FFA Alumni events.

After 1973, the late Dennis Schraufnagel, who was an agriculture instructor at Edgar High School and an avid walleye angler, worked with students throughout the year by getting them involved in planning and preparing for the trip. Starting at the beginning of the school year, he would have students save deer tails from hunting season to make fishing lures in class. After all the jigs were made by dyeing the deer hair different colors, he would teach students how to use the colored hair to make the lures most attractive for catching walleye.

The trip always begins the last Friday of the school year with the group leaving Edgar at 4 o'clock a.m. In the early days there would be a stop at KFC in Ashland to enjoy one last non-fish meal before

Edgar FFA Returns to Fishing in Minnesota Continues on Page 6

Edgar FFA Returns to Fishing in Minnesota

Continued from Page 5

hitting the lake. Today, that meal is Subway in Ignace, Ontario, Canada. The final destination has always been Mit Lake north of Ignace. This area was chosen because it is fairly close to town and has ample camping for a group our size. The lake provides a bounty of walleye and northern pike.

After a week of fishing the tradition has always been a stop at Kakabeka Falls near Thunder Bay, Ontario. The water falls approximately 131 feet and is a marvel to visit. Early members recall walking a dirt path to stand on the edge of the falls taking pictures, but today there are boardwalks and fee areas to safely see the falls.



Although Agriculture Instructors and stops en route to Mit Lake have changed over the years, the core of the trip has stayed the same over 40 years. That is truly remarkable if you think about it. I am honored to carry on the tradition for years to come.

Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting Recap

By: Dr. Cari Guden and Mrs. Morgan Mueller

On Wednesday, June 30th the School District of Edgar held the budget hearing and annual meeting. We would like to thank the four community members that attended to hear the information that was presented. During the presentation of the proposed budget there were several items discussed as both projected and historical data. These items were: tax levy, district revenues and expenses, fund balance, head count, FTE, open enrollment, and class enrollment. The 2021-22 Revenue Worksheet was also reviewed in detail. The details of the Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting can found on our District Website under the “District “ tab. You can also call the district office at 715-352-2351 and ask for either Cari Guden or Morgan Mueller to discuss any questions or concerns.

Overall, we are still very concerned with the status of our school district budget. We have been fortunate to be able to “balance” the budget with the one-time use of the Federal Covid Funds (ESSER Funds). Unfortunately, these funds were not intended to be used to “balance” school district budgets, but for Edgar that is our reality. Over the past five years, the School District of Edgar has lost approximately \$398,000 in revenue limit. This loss is significant as it impacts our students and cannot be recovered without the help of the community. **With that said, we are asking our Edgar Community to be engaged, become involved in, and continue to support the school district. We need your help. The future, our students, are in your hands.**

Softball Has a Strong Season

The Edgar Softball team concluded an impressive season. Finishing with an overall record of 14-7 (best since 2009), a Conference Record of 7-3, and in a tie for 2nd place with Auburndale in the Marawood Conference. The team notched impressive wins including a win over Conference Champion Wisconsin Rapids Assumption as well as a sweep of Stratford. The season concluded with a playoff loss to a strong Auburndale team during the Regional Tournament.

Team members pictured above are (kneeling left to right) Coach Angela Totzke, Makayla Wirkus, Morgan Streveler, Jessica Mucha, Haylee Schreiber. (standing left to right) Skylee Manecke, Leah Davis, Kendalyn Dahlke, Reagan Borchardt, Ashley Erickson, Karlin Lipinski, Coach Hailey Cihlar, Natalie Krause.



Varsity Baseball Wins Conference and Regional Championship

The Edgar Baseball team finished a historic season in June. The team won the schools first ever Regional Championship as well as their first Marawood Conference Championship since 1997. The team finished with a record of 19-4 and a 9-1 Conference Record. The team concluded their season in the sectional final with a loss, one game away from qualifying for the State Tournament.



Team members and coaches pictured above are (Kneeling Left-Right) Jordan Bunkelman, Justin Davis, Konnor Wolf, Ashton Schuett, Peyton Dahlke, Coach Mitch Mueller, Coach Connor Handrick. (Standing Left to Right) Coach Josh Eberhardt, Kaden Goodwin, Kyle Brewster, Coach Shawn Bunkelman, Brady Lemmer, Brandon Schoenrock, Keghan Hartway, Drew Guden, Max Larson, Brayden Baumgartner, Evert Brehm, Austin Dahlke, Lucas Mueller, Coach Alex Mashak.

EDGAR TRACK AND FIELD SEASON FINISHES SEASON WITH STATE PERFORMANCES

Written by Greg Streit

Another successful Edgar Track and Field season is in the books and ended with the Boys team finishing as State Runner Ups along with many individual and team accomplishments. The boys track and field team also won the Marawood Conference Championship, with the girls team finishing second. The Boys 4x100, 4x200 and 4x400 relays teams were all crowned State Champions. This is the 1st time in the history of the WIAA State Track and Field meet that a school has won all 3 of these relays in the same year in any division!! What a great season for the Wildcat Track and Field teams! Feed the Cats!!

Boys State Qualifier's and Finishes

1st Place 4x100 Meter Relay Austin Dahlke, Konnor Wolf, Drew Guden, Kyle Brewster, Ayden Weisenberger, and Karter Butt

1st Place 4x200 Meter Relay Drew Guden, Konnor Wolf, Ayden Weisenberger, Kyle Brewster, Kohlbe Weisenberger, Nate Drabek

1st Place 4x400 Meter Relay Kohlbe Weisenberger, Drew Guden, Ayden Weisenberger, Austin Dahlke, Mattison Butt, Avery Normington

2nd Place 200 Meter Dash Austin Dahlke

5th Place Long Jump Austin Dahlke

6th Place 110 Meter Hurdles Konnor Wolf

9th Place Triple Jump Konnor Wolf

Girls State Qualifier's and Finishes

4th Place 4x100 Meter Relay Rachel Brewster, Ella Morse, Amber Skrzypcak, Morgan Schnelle, Rachel Schneider, Malia Hoesly

6th Place 4x400 Meter Relay Rachel Brewster, Ella Morse, Makenna Guden, Morgan Schnelle, Amber Skrzypcak, Jasmine Schnelle

12th Place: Rachel Brewster 300 Meter Hurdles

12th Place: Morgan Schnelle 100 Meter Dash

14th Place: Morgan Schnelle Long Jump



Edgar School Calendar 2021- 2022

July 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Event

New teachers report	N
Vacation	V
Teacher Inservice-Full Day(1/2T=Half Day)	T
Teacher Inservice MS/HS Remote Learning	T/R
Half day students/Half inservice	H
Parent/Teacher Conference	P
Concerts #=Elem, ^=MS, *=HS	C
Grading period starts	S
Grading period ends	E
Board Meetings	B
Graduation	G
Legal Holiday	*

Dated

Inservice days - 12
 Holidays - 4
 Parent/Teacher Conferences - 1.5
 Total contracted days - 189.50
P/T Conference Times:
 October 13 & 14 - 3:30-7:30 pm
 February 23 (MS/HS) & 24 (Elementary)
 - 3:30-7:30 pm
 The 3rd snow day and any thereafter
 will be made up virtually.

Days in school

Term 1 - 42
 Term 2 - 45
 Term 3 - 43
Term 4 - 42
 Total - 172

USDA Will Continue Providing Free Breakfast and Lunch for 2021-22

The USDA announced it will continue its child nutrition program waivers to combat food insecurity caused by the pandemic. The School District of Edgar has adopted the waivers with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction in order to participate in the USDA program. We are very fortunate that this program will again offer free breakfast and lunch to ALL PK-12th grade students in Edgar. There is no cost to the district in participating in this program.



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR

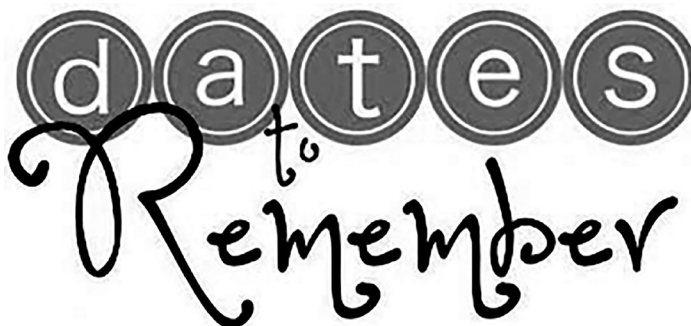
Mission Statement: The School District of Edgar provides a safe and positive environment and is committed to continuous improvement for all students, staff and community members. Edgar Excellence embodies leadership in: curriculum & instruction, technological integration & innovation, collaboration & co-curriculars. We prepare all of our graduates to be college and career ready.

Vision: The Edgar Excellence environment will ensure a rigorous learning experience that equips our students for success in a global society.

Values: The School District of Edgar Values: Edgar Excellence...Pride and Tradition! Respect & Responsibility, Teamwork, Hard Work & Integrity, Leadership, Critical Thinkers, Acceptance of All.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR SCHOOL BOARD

School Board Members	Term Expires
William Dittman, President	2022
Gary Lewis, Vice President	2022
Corey Mueller, Clerk	2024
Open Position, Treasurer	2022
Pamela Stahel, Member	2022



- AUGUST 2-13**..... ON-LINE DISTRICT REGISTRATION
- AUGUST 2**..... 1ST DAY OF FOOTBALL PRACTICE
- AUGUST 11-12**..... FILL A BACKPACK – PICK UP 7:30-4:00
- AUGUST 16**..... 1ST DAY OF CROSS COUNTRY & VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE
- AUGUST 17**..... 6TH & 9TH GRADE ORIENTATION
- AUGUST 26** ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSE 3:00-6:00PM
- SEPTEMBER 1** 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL
- SEPTEMBER 1-2**..... 4K VISITATION DAYS 8:00-3:00

Edgar Public Schools
203 E. Birch Street
P.O. Box 196
Edgar, WI 54426

NON PROFIT ORG
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
UMS

(715) 352-2351 - Administrative Office
(715) 352-2352 - High School Office
(715) 352-2727 Elementary Office
website: www.edgar.k12.wi.us

Dr. Cari Guden, District Administrator
Mr. Bill Dittman, School Board President
Gary Lewis, Vice-President
Suzanne Wolf, Treasurer
Corey Mueller, Clerk
Pamela Stahel, Member
Thomas McCarty, Middle School/
High School Principal
Lisa Witt, Elementary School Principal,
Director of Curriculum



Wisconsin Statute 118.13 No person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil service, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

SCHOOL CENSUS INFORMATION

School District of Edgar

Please complete and return this form to the Edgar School District Office, 112 N. 2nd Ave., P.O. Box 198, Edgar, WI 54426. In order to reach all new families in our area, as well as all newborn babies, we are asking that this form be completed by anyone who **has moved into the Edgar School District or has a new addition to their family.**

Parent's Name _____
Last First Spouse

Address _____
House/Fire Number Street/Road City

Telephone _____ Township or Municipality _____

LIST ALL CHILDREN **NEW TO THE DISTRICT** (LESS THAN 21 YEARS OLD).

1.	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>SCHOOL ATTENDING</u>
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Thank you-if you have any questions, please call 352-2727 and ask for Michelle Socha.