10 Ways to Engage Your Community

Wisconsin Rural Schools Conference
October 29, 2018
Southern Door County School buildings are located on a beautiful 129 acre site at 2073 County DK, just off Highway 57, six miles north of Brussels and seven miles south of Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin. Included on the site are numerous athletic fields, a **school forest**, a **schoolyard garden**, nature center, **prairie**, Fab Lab & Innovation Center, a **one room school house**, **community walking trail**, **large playground areas**, and a **community auditorium**.

- 1100 students
- 200 square miles
Why Engage?

Staff
Students
Families
Board
Community

Empower
Excel
Staff Engagement

1. **Relationship Building and Training**
   - Safe School Training (all online)
   - Hoonuit (professional development)
   - New Teacher Orientation
   - All-Staff Beginning of the Year Convocation
   - End-of-Year Staff Convocation & Breakfast
   - School Perceptions Staff Survey
   - Google/Survey Monkey as needed

2. **Recognition**
   - Award Nominations
   - Senior’s Nomination of Most Influential Staff Member
   - New Staff “Up Close and Personal” Feature
   - New Staff FB Introductions and Welcome
   - Staff Salutes on FB
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Student Engagement

3. Recognition
   - Superintendent Good News Reports at Board Meetings
   - Graduation Profiles of all Seniors
   - Accomplishment Recognitions on FB
   - Most Influential Staff Member

4. Representation & Feedback
   - Student Board of Education Representatives
   - School Perceptions Survey
   - Food Service Committee
SD STUDENTS CHOSEN FOR SNC MIDDLE LEVEL HONORS BAND - Congratulations to the following musicians: 7th & 8th grade honors band: Amanda Austin (1st Trombone) and Laura Zitlow (Oboe) 9th grade honors band: Annabelle Clark (1st Trumpet) and Collin Grotta (Percussion). They will be performing on Saturday, November 3, 2018 at St. Norbert College. A special thank you to the SD Music Boosters for their scholarships to cover some of the participation expenses. We are proud of our Eagle Musicians. #SDEagleStrong

What Lifts You, SD Eagles?

Hanging up in the hallway near the cafeteria, you will find a large pair of wings created by Southern Door Kindergarten through 5th grade students. This whole school collaborative artwork was inspired by the artist Kelsey Montague, a Colorado born artist who draws wings on walls in cities all around the world. Each S.D. elementary student created a unique feather and included images and words of “what lifts them” when they feel sad, tired or cranky.

Visitors are invited to participate with our collaboration artwork by taking your picture standing in front of the wings and sharing “What Lifts You S.D. Eagles” on their Facebook page, and with family and friends.

- Superintendent Good News Reports
- Graduation Profiles of all Seniors on Facebook
- Recognitions on Facebook
I, Alexander Quigley, do solemnly affirm that I shall faithfully represent the interest of the student body of Southern Door Schools.

I will serve as a positive role model, leader and voice for the student population.

I will strive to achieve the high level of expectation that goes along with being a student representative to the Board of Education.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Family Engagement

5. **Family Events**
   - Grandparent’s & Senior Guest Day
   - Literacy Night
   - Math Night
   - Fine Arts Fest
   - Family Fitness Night
   - STEAM Night

6. **Feedback Opportunities**
   - Community Conversations
   - School Perceptions - Parent Survey
   - School Perceptions - MS & HS Athletic Surveys
   - Technology Survey
   - Calendar Survey
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Feedback Opportunities
Board of Education Engagement

7 Communication & Feedback
- Board Weekly Email Update
- The Connection (weekly staff newsletter)
- The Open Door (weekly staff-family-community e-newsletter – Constant Contact)
- WASB Survey

8 Board Governance & Leadership Workshops
- Quarterly Retreats Focused on District Goals
  - Operational and Academic
Community Engagement

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- Communication
  - The Open Door Newsletter
  - Community Advisory Groups
  - Social Media

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- Community Recognition & Events
  - Alumni Hall of Fame & Friends of Education
  - Senior Citizens Holiday Party
  - Community Tech Help Sessions
  - Fab Lab Classes/Workshops
  - STEP Volunteers
  - Auditorium Season
    - Special Shows, School Shows, Learning in Retirement, etc.
  - Outdoor Learning Areas
    - Schoolyard Garden
    - Waniger Schoolhouse
    - School Prairie
    - Maple Syrup Boil
    - School Forest, Pond, Trail, and Nature Center
  - Community Support for Activities
    - Haunted Mansion
    - Special Projects
      - Formula Racecar
      - Convocation Plaza
Week of October 15-19, 2018

“What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us. And when we bring what is within us out into the world, miracles happen.” Ralph Waldo Emerson

Dear Southern Door Community

The above quote brings to mind the great things that can happen when our students feel engaged and empowered. SDHS junior, Deliah Rose (pictured above), our student correspondent with Door County Daily News, has done a fantastic job reporting on school events, including her last two interviews on the November referendums. Go to this link for her latest interview with Mark Logan.

In talking with Deliah, I learned that she is leading the effort to bring back our high school newspaper. Here's what she shared with me: This is a student-run online newspaper that is the voice for our SD student body. The Eagle Pride focuses on all media that can involve a variety of students with different interests. Being an online paper, it not only focuses on being immediate but also nature-friendly. While looking good on student resumes, this paper is a great opportunity for improving student skills. Deliah's passion lies in journalism, and she's sensing that her mind is of utmost importance to her. She feels that with this paper, students who feel the same can put their interests into action. She is invested in the paper's success and hopes that by the time she graduates in 2020, this paper will continue to run for years to come.

We have so many individual stories of students and staff that celebrate our individual and collective talents and what we as a district can accomplish together. We Are Eagle Strong!

Patti
Pattie Vickman, Superintendent

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 12 - Eagle Strong School Spirit Day

COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUPS

- The Open Door Newsletter
- Community Advisory Groups
- Social Media Outreach
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
- Pictures & Videos
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Contests & Trivia
- Throwback Thursdays
- Spotlights
  - Seniors and Staff
- News & Announcements
DISTRICT RECOGNIZES BOB & SUE MASSART AS 2018 FRIENDS OF EDUCATION AWARDS - At the “back-to-school” convocation for staff, the Massarts were recognized with the Friend of Education Award.

"Bob and Sue Massart are the epitome of volunteerism and giving back to their community. For over twenty-two years, they have been donating their time, talent, and their treasure to benefit Southern Door Schools. They have served in numerous leadership capacities with both the Community Auditorium and the Haunted Mansion.

When chandeliers need to be rewired, special effects designed, and animatronics featured, you can count on him to make it happen. His carpentry skills have designed sets complete with lighting and rigging at both the auditorium and the mansion. Did you know that those popular confetti drops that delight audiences are a result of the aerotechnics system that he designed and installed? She serves as lead make-up designer and coordinator of costumes and props, transforming the ordinary mansion volunteers into zombies, mad scientists, butchers, crazy clowns, and even more. Together, they also serve as stage managers behind the scenes so that our school musicals effortlessly create their magic with every technical detail met.

If you ask them why they are so involved even after their own two sons graduated from Southern Door, are married, and have children of their own, they will tell you, “It’s for the kids.”

With an estimated 5,600 hours of service to the Haunted Mansion and 3,500 hours to the auditorium, this couple’s community engagement and volunteerism is beyond compare. In addition to what they do for our school, they find time to serve the community in the BUG Fire Department and the Brussels Lions Club.

Above all, Bob and Sue are passionate about our Southern Door students being successful well-rounded students with an appreciation for the arts, the community, and all of life’s blessings. Their contributions to Southern Door have had and will continue to have a lasting impact on generations of Southern Door students and staff."
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• Fab Lab Classes/Workshops
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Community Connections/Events
Community Support
- Haunted Mansion
- Books on the Bus
- Special Projects

My Public School Experience Videos
Elementary
Secondary

Community Connections/Events
2018-19 Season Community Event Series

UNITED STATES POET LAUREATE - TRACY K SMITH
October 11 @ 7pm
Tickets free with goodwill donations requested. Please preregister at https://www.showclix.com/event/tracyksmith/

ART ON THE WILD SIDE July 8-12 & 15-19
Free Summer Day Camp for all Door County Children Tickets: Free

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS
July 19-20 @ 7pm & July 21 @ 2pm
Tickets: Adults $11, Seniors $10 (62+), Youth $7

U.S. COAST GUARD BAND
Friday, August 9 @ 7pm
The United States Coast Guard Band celebrates Maritime Week. Tickets: free but must obtain online at www.southerndoor auditorium.org.

MAMMA MIA!
SOUTHERN DOOR HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL
November 8-10 @ 7pm, Nov 10 @ 1pm, Nov 11 @ 2pm
Tickets: Adults $11, Seniors $10 (62+), Youth $7

SWITCHBACK
Friday, November 16 @ 7:30pm
Modern Celtic
Tickets: Adults $15.00, Seniors $12.00, Youth $8.00

CHRISTMAS WITH TONIC SOL-FA
Saturday, December 22 @ 7pm
A cappella holiday program. Tickets: Adults $15.00, Seniors $12.00, Youth $8.00

SOUTHERN DOOR 5th GRADE MUSICAL
ROCK! Celebrate the History of Rock 'N Roll
January 24-25 @ 7pm Tickets: $5

SOUTHERN DOOR'S GOT TALENT
(Kids' Talent Show) Saturday, February 16 @ 6pm
Open to Southern Door children in grades 1-12. Tickets: $2

MISS DOOR COUNTY PAGEANT
Saturday, February 2 @ 4pm
Tickets: $10

LATE NIGHT CATECHISM
Saturday, February 23 @ 7pm
Sister teaches an adult catechism class to a roomful of "Students" (the audience). Tickets: Adults $19, Seniors $12, Youth $8

JUSTIN FLOM
NATIONALLY TOURING ILLUSIONIST
Saturday, March 23 @ 7pm
Tickets: Adults $15, Seniors $12, Youth $8

LEAP The Human Kindness Project Friday, April 12 @ 7pm, & Sunday, April 14 @ 2pm
Tickets: Adults $15, Seniors $12, students free

Missoula Children's Theatre
KING ARTHUR'S QUEST
Friday, May 3 @ 6pm
Southern Door children in grades K-5 participate in this full-scale production. Tickets: $5

2018-19 Southern Door School Concerts:

High School Winter Band Concert
Mon Dec 10, 2018 7:00 pm

High School Winter Choir Concert
Mon Dec 17, 2018 7:00 pm

High School Pops Concert
Thu Feb 7, 2019 7:00 pm

Grades K-4 Spring Concert
Thu Mar 21, 2019 7:00 pm

Grades K-4 Spring Concert
Fri Mar 22, 2019 7:00 pm

High School Spring Concert
Tue May 7, 2019 7:00 pm

Grades 7-8 Spring Concert
Tue May 21, 2019 7:00 pm

Grades 5-6 Spring Concert
Wed May 22, 2019 7:00 pm

Thank You To Our Sponsors!
Without them, we wouldn’t be able to bring you these great shows every year!

Margie & Dale West

Door County Medical Center
Southern Door Education Foundation

For a full listing of all SD School District concerts & programs, visit sdud.org or call 920-746-3036.
LEAP: The Human Kindness Project

LEAP (“Learning to Empower and Appreciate all People”) is a student-led, adult-facilitated program with students from local county high schools. Each year, the group collaborates with a team of local writers, musicians, actors, choreographers and directors to identify a societal issue and design a program of music, dance, multimedia imagery, spoken word and theater. The students express their approaches to the issue, share their ideas for a solution, convey the educational material that brought them to that conclusion, and challenge their peers and community members to shift their own perspectives.
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