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**HA to have free breakfasts, lunches for all district students**

A federal program will allow all Hoopeston Area students to have free breakfasts and lunches, regardless of their families' income.

At Thursday's district board meeting, Supt. Hank Hornbeck announced that Hoopeston Area was approved to participate in the Community Eligibility Program, which will allow all students to have one free breakfast and lunch daily. Students who wish to have a second meal will have to pay for the extra helpings, he added.

Hornbeck said that last year, a couple of area districts were approved for the program. Districts in which the number of low income students is at least 40 percent qualify for the program.

"It's good for the community and good for the kids," Hornbeck said. "Families won't have to pay. It will be the federal government paying for the food."

In other discussion, business manager Mark Eighner told the board that FY2017 should be brighter for the district, based on increased state aid and equalized assessed valuation (EAV).

Hoopeston Area expects to receive about \$176,000 more than last year, thanks to the stopgap budget passed in Springfield, which is set to fully fund state aid.

If all state aid payments are received, it will be a pleasant surprise for school districts. For the last several years, state aid has been prorated or payments not made.

As for EAV, Eighner said it increased from about \$65 million to more than \$72 million, thanks to taxes from local wind farms.

While the district has smaller sources of income, state aid and property taxes "the things that make this vehicle roll," he said.

District funds are expected to end the new year in the black, according to Eighner's financial report. The education fund started off the year with a cash balance of

\$,309,000 and is expected to end the year with \$4,524,000.

Other funds and their beginning and projected ending balances include:

- Buildings and Grounds - \$117,000, \$114,000
- Transportation - \$41,000, \$22,000
- Municipal Retirement - \$630,000, \$614,000
- Working Cash - \$1,219,000, \$1,632,000
- Tort - \$140,000, \$113,000
- Life Safety - \$128,000, \$3,000
- Bond & Interest - \$4,000, \$4,000

A public hearing on the budget will be held at 6:30 p.m. September 15 in the high school library.

In personnel matters, the board approved:

- hiring David Sanders, third grade teacher; Emily Carter' Honeywell aide; Lauren Klein, middle school PE teacher; and Sierra Davis, part time cafeteria cashier.
- Transferring Suzi Root from Honeywell principal to Maple principal at the end of the 2016-17 year.
- Volunteers Jeff Alexander, middle school baseball; Ryan Devore, high school golf, Angie Torres, elementary band; Ashley Beauvois, marching band; Josh Inman, wrestling; Alex Morales, boys soccer; Ron Cade, middle school track; Doug Wagoner, middle/high school bowling; Henry Patton, wrestling; Dean Cloud, middle school boys basketball; Dakota Patton, wres-

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**Correction**

It was incorrectly reported in the August 11 issue that Hoopeston firemen installed new hydrants. Installation was done by city water/sewer department employees.

Just the Facts regrets the error.

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**From the Blotter**

A **50-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 12 p.m. Thursday that someone damaged her pool in the 600 block of East Young.  
**No tickets or injuries** were reported in an accident at 11:20 p.m. Thursday at McCracken and Tenth Ave. Police said Jordan Stream, of Rossville, was southbound in a 2006 Toyota, failed to yield the right-of-way and struck a westbound 2008 Pontiac

**Lunch Menus**

**Hoopeston Area grade schools**  
 MONDAY: Chicken nuggets, corn, applesauce, Power Punch juice, milk  
 TUESDAY: Pepperoni pizza, salad, baby carrots, peaches, milk  
 WEDNESDAY: Ham & cheese sandwich, Sunchips, sliced apples, celery sticks, Tropical Twist juice, milk  
 THURSDAY: Cheese quesadilla, baby carrots, chips & salsa, pineapple, milk  
 FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, baked beans, cucumber slices, mixed fruit, milk

**Hoopeston Area High/Middle School**  
 MONDAY: Chicken strips or ham & cheese, salad bar, broccoli/cheese, applesauce, milk, juice  
 TUESDAY: Taco Max Snax or Hot Pocket, salad bar, refried beans, chips & salsa, peaches, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Pork BBQ or chicken patty, salad bar, mac & cheese, pears, milk, juice  
 THURSDAY: Mini corn dog or cheeseburger, salad bar, baked beans, pineapple, milk, juice  
 FRIDAY: Pizza or fish sandwich, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice

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tlng; and Tammy Hornbeck, Honeywell.  
 In other business, the board:  
 ●Learned Meet the Board for new teachers will be held at 6 p.m. September 15 in the high school library.  
 ●Heard from athletic director Brian Hodge who said recent rains have hampered some fall sports and that the district is seeing improved numbers for its sports programs.  
 ●Heard from Hornbeck that September 27 is the last day applications will be accepted for his replacement.  
 ●Heard from Dan Walder, John Greer principal, that a transition plan is already being created for next year when Honeywell School closes and third and fourth graders will join fifth grade students in his building.  
 ●Heard from high school Principal Larry Maynard that credit requirements are being studied for the eight-period day. He also reported that students and parents will each have a log-in for the Info Now system, making it “a little bit more parent-friendly.”

**Weather**

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driven by Haley Dixon, of Hoopeston.  
**An unidentified woman** was taken to Carle Hospital by ambulance after hitting her head while exiting a moving vehicle.  
 The incident happened at 10:39 a.m. Friday at West Honeywell and Tenth Ave., when the woman tried to get out of a 1999 Chevrolet Suburban, driven by Nicholas Czarny, 22, of Rankin.  
 Czarny was ticketed for operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

**Obituaries**

**HAMILTON** - Eileen “Louise” Hamilton, 92, of Hoopeston, died at 10:20 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, 2016 at Heritage Health, Hoopeston. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.