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Bangor board OKs athletic field plan (Coulee News © 08/31/2010)

The Bangor School Board unanimously approved a plan listing all possible future construction on the new athletic fields just east of the high school.

Federal aid allows Appleton, Menasha school districts to hire new teachers, recall others from layoff (Post Crescent © 08/31/2010)

APPLETON — School officials in Appleton and Menasha have hired new teachers and recalled others from layoff as the result of emergency federal funding aimed at saving education jobs.

From a fortune to pittance, school aids vary in this area (Antigo Daily Journal © 08/30/2010)

Some local educational officials and lawmakers are crying foul over a federal program designed to retain teachers and spur the economy.

New playground ready for action (Portage Daily Register © 08/31/2010)

Kelsey Cervantes, 7, gets a spin on Monday from her aunt, Stacy Lindner, at the grand opening of the new playground at John Muir Elementary School.

New superintendent has 'full circle' approach (Monroe Times © 08/31/2010)

JUDA - Phil Updike, Juda's new school superintendent, probably has a good idea of what it takes for a school district to be successful.

School booster club tied to planned beer tent (WKOW TV © 08/31/2010)

POYNETTE (WKOW) -- A school district's athletic booster club's ties to a planned beer tent following a homecoming football game concerns parents and others.

Unified board to consider teachers contract (Kenosha News (WI) © 08/31/2010)

The Kenosha Unified School Board will vote tonight on a two-year contract for teachers.

Unified to buy new central office (Racine Journal Times © 08/31/2010)

RACINE - The Racine Unified School Board voted 4-3 on Monday to move forward with purchasing new property and buildings to serve as the district's central office.

Viegut enlists teacher help in improving district (Oshkosh Northwestern © 08/31/2010)

The new superintendent of Oshkosh schools invited teachers, aides and other staff to play an active part in turning their struggling district around.

View from the top (*Lake County Reporter* © 08/30/2010)

Only about one-quarter of Wisconsin's 426 districts are run by female superintendents, according to an official with the Wisconsin Association of School District Administrators.

WS School Board considers meeting attendance policy (*Coulee News* © 08/31/2010)

The West Salem School Board attendance policy isn't going to change anytime soon, even though the board president led a discussion to consider otherwise.

Bristol School launches new student behavior program (*Kenosha News (WI)* © 08/31/2010)

Bristol School is launching a new program to address student behavior.

Chalk one up for teamwork (*Racine Journal Times* © 08/31/2010)

Principal Ann Yehle organized the team-building exercise in preparation for the school year, which begins Wednesday.

HHS gets first dean of students (*Hudson Star Observer* © 08/30/2010)

Kevin Moore is the new Dean of Students at Hudson High School. He replaces former associate principal Denny Toll who resigned last month.

Merril's Kate Goodrich Elementary wins 21st Century Community Learning Center grant (*Stevens Point Journal* © 08/31/2010)

The event was funded by the 21st Century Community Learning Center grant. The five-year grant -- \$70,000 per year -- will be used to offer after-school programs and once-monthly family programs that will help parents get engaged in their children's education.

Pewaukee students receive laptops (*Lake County Reporter* © 08/30/2010)

This fall, Pewaukee School District students in Asa Clark Middle School (ACMS) and students in grades nine and 10 at Pewaukee High School will receive laptops to support their learning and instruction.

State slights local school districts (*Rhineland Daily News* © 08/31/2010)

Wisconsin received \$179 million from the 2010-11 Federal Education Jobs Act to help pay for the salaries and benefits of teachers and other school personnel, but little of that money has been allocated by the state Department of Public Instruction for school districts in the Northwoods.

WITH VIDEO: New Mitchell Middle science wing ready for students (*Racine Journal Times* © 08/31/2010)

RACINE - When Mitchell Middle School students return to classes Wednesday, they likely won't recognize their science classrooms.

Bus company unveils state-of-the-art fleet (*Lake County Reporter* © 08/30/2010)

Oconomowoc Area Schools — To the casual observer, it is still the big yellow school bus. But in reality, the new fleet of buses at Oconomowoc Transport has gone green.

Program promotes dental health in schools (*Beloit Daily News* © 08/30/2010)

Elementary students in the School District of Beloit will have a chance to brush up on their oral health thanks to the new "Seal-A-Smile" program.

School Spotlight: K-Ready program preps children for kindergarten (*Wisconsin State Journal* © 08/31/2010)

More than a fifth of the incoming kindergarteners registered in the Madison School District will be more ready for school this fall after attending a six-week summer program.

School starts this week (*WIBI 1310 News/Talk © 08/31/2010*)

Online enrollment for Madison Schools has “gone pretty well” over the past couple of weeks, according to Superintendent Dan Nerad.

Schools gearing up to welcome back students (*Coulee News © 08/31/2010*)

School buses will roll again beginning Wednesday, bringing students to new experiences at West Salem and Bangor schools.

Schools grapple with phone policies (*Coulee News © 08/31/2010*)

Cellphone use among high school students would seem to be nearly universal, but is that technology compatible with classroom education?

Sun Prairie High School Selling Naming Rights (*Channel 3000 © 08/31/2010*)

SUN PRAIRIE, Wis. -- Sun Prairie's Education Foundation, working alongside the Sun Prairie Area School District, is in the middle of offering naming rights for various parts of the new high school.

New elementary school principal in La Crosse meets students and parents (*WKBT TV © 08/31/2010*)

There's a "new kid on the block" at La Crosse's Franklin, Roosevelt and Coulee Montessori schools.

School leaders look forward to Tigers' football conference realignment (*Marshfield News Herald © 08/31/2010*)

Next year, the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association's realignment of the Wisconsin Valley Conference and Fox Valley Association will provide the Tigers' schedule with more conference and in-state games.

Three school principals go to extreme length to win combined \$1.5M in funding (*WITI My Fox Milwaukee © 08/31/2010*)

WITI-TV, MILWAUKEE - Three school principals from Southeastern Wisconsin are teaming up. They're hoping to win a half million dollars for their school through the Kohl's Cares Facebook contest.

Poll shows Madisonians like their public schools (*Madison Capital Times © 08/31/2010*)

Madison area residents are more satisfied with local public schools than residents in other areas of the state, according to a survey released on Monday by the Wisconsin Policy Research Institute.

Children Vote On Design For New Playground (*Channel 3000 © 08/31/2010*)

MADISON, Wis. -- Some local children are excited for a new playground they helped design. Children from the Wexford Ridge neighborhood on Madison's West Side selected a new playground Monday from three designs, each inspired by drawings they gave to Kraft Foods.

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