

Local Sales and Services Tax

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On Tuesday, August 12, 2003, voters in Lyon County will cast ballots on the question of imposing a 1% Local Option Sales and Services Tax (LOSST) for the three school districts in Lyon County. Iowa law requires that the tax proceeds shall be utilized solely for school infrastructure needs and/or property tax relief for debt service.

It is the intent of the Central Lyon School District to use all of the proceeds derived from the LOSST to retire the debt of previous bond issues, thereby reducing property taxes. A simple majority (50% +1) of all those voting in the county is required to approve the question. All Lyon County votes will be counted together. The three school districts will receive their share of the revenue based on the number of students in the county,

whether or not an individual school district approved the issue.

If the sales tax measure is approved, the dollars would be collected by Lyon County businesses when sales and services are completed. The businesses would collect one penny for every dollar spent in the county except for exempt items. Each local school district then would receive sales tax revenue based upon the school district's certified enrollment of Lyon County students. If the Iowa Values Fund recently enacted by the legislature becomes law, state dollars will supplement local dollars up to a one-to-one match. Over forty counties in the State of Iowa have approved the Local Sales and Services Tax for the purpose of funding school infrastructure and/or property tax relief.

Title I Summer Session By Laureen Schram, Title I Teacher

For the past four summers Title I students in kindergarten through second grade have participated in the Title I summer session. The summer session met on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from June 17 to July 17, 2003.

Students attending the summer session throughout the five weeks worked to improve their reading skills. Staff used reading strategies in the form of manipulatives, learning activities and computer software to enhance and develop the students ongoing reading fluency and comprehension.

This year's staff included Lila Kennedy, Stephanie Baker, Vicki Slack and Laureen Schram. These staff members have organized and taught the Title I summer session for the past four years.

Ice Cream Social

Students, parents, grandparents, and senior citizens of the Central Lyon Elementary/Middle School are invited to a **free ice cream social** in the Elementary/Middle lunch room on Friday, August 29, from 2:40 to 3:20 p.m.

Welcome to the 2003-2004 Central Lyon School Year

William Hutchinson, Superintendent 472-2664
David Ackerman, High School Principal 472-4051
Lance Olson, Elementary/Middle School Principal 472-4041

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all students back to the Central Lyon Community School District. If you are new to the Central Lyon District and need to enroll your child in school, please call or stop in and become acquainted with the staff and facility.

STUDENT REGISTRATION

Central Lyon Elementary/ Middle School and Central Lyon High School offices will be open on Tuesday, August 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for registration.

High school students are asked to check their schedules and get their locker assignments on registration day, August 5th. NO schedule changes will be allowed after the beginning of school.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

School will be in session a full day on Wednesday, August 20. The regular school day for elementary school extends from 8:20 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Kindergarten classes are held all day every day. The middle school student's day extends from 8:20 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. and the high school student's day begins at 8:20 a.m. and ends at 3:15 p.m. All high school students should report to the auditorium at 8:20 a.m., Wednesday, August 20. A calendar of school events will be distributed to all students.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

If school will be closed, starting late, or dismissing early due to inclement weather, an announcement will be broadcast on the following radio and TV stations: KQAD (102.1 FM or 800 AM), KIWA (105.3 FM or 1550 AM), KELO (92.5 FM or 1320 AM), KELO (channel 11) and KSFY (channel 13).

IMMUNIZATIONS

The State of Iowa requires all new students going to school in Iowa to have a Certificate of Immunization, a Provisional Certificate of Immunization, or a Certificate of Immunization Exemption at the beginning of the school year. The District will be contracting with Health Services of Lyon County to assist with health screenings, human growth and development curriculum, and other health related mandates. This service will be available on a part-time basis to the Central Lyon Community School District.

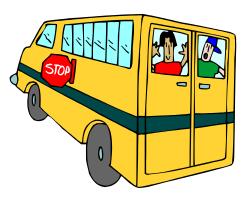
ATTENDANCE

We are requesting parents to contact the school between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. if your child is absent that particular day. Also, a written note signed by the parent/guardian is required when the child returns to school after an absence.

The administration encourages all patrons of the Central Lyon Community School District to contact the school by phone or visit anytime there is a problem or concern about school policies, procedures, etc. Parents of students in grades 9-12 should call 472-4051; grades K-8 should call 472-4041.

TRANSPORTATION

Central Lyon will continue busing students with both in-town shuttle and regular routes. If you have any questions concerning busing, please contact Steve Breske, Building and Transportation Supervisor at 472-2664, or the building principal; High School - David Ackerman, 472-4051, or Elementary/ Middle School - Lance Olson, 472-4041.



VIDEO CAMERA USE ON SCHOOL BUSES

The Central Lyon Community School District Board of Directors has authorized the use of video cameras on school district buses. The video cameras will be used to monitor student behavior to maintain order on the school buses. The use of cameras will promote and maintain a safe environment.

Students and parents are hereby notified that the content of the videotapes may be used in a student disciplinary proceeding. The contents of the videotapes are confidential student records and will be retained with other student records. Videotapes will be retained only if necessary for use in a student disciplinary proceeding or other matter as determined necessary by the administration. Parents may request to view videotapes of their child if the videotapes are used in a disciplinary proceeding involving their child.

RIDING BUSES TO ACTIVITIES

Participating students must ride school approved transportation to/from all activities unless written notification is given to the coach/director that the parent is transporting the student. Students are required to be with a parent when they choose alternate transportation.

RIGHT TO INSPECT AND REVIEW STUDENT RECORDS

Parents and/or guardians for students under eighteen (18) years of age have the right to inspect and review their child's records. For more information, please contact the building principal.

RIGHT TO LEARN ABOUT TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS

Parents/Guardians in the Central Lyon Community School District have the right to learn about the following regarding their child's teacher's qualifications: state licensure status, special endorsements for grade level/subject area taught, and baccalaureate/graduate certification/degree.

Parents/Guardians may request this information from the Office of the Superintendent by calling (712) 472-2664 or sending a letter of request to: Office of the Superintendent, PO Box 471, Rock Rapids, IA 51246.

ADDITIONAL INFORMA-TION FOUND IN STUDENT HANDBOOKS

The following information is printed in all student handbooks and may be obtained from the Superintendent of Schools: attendance, use of or possession of tobacco, alcoholic beverages and controlled substances; violent, destructive, and seriously disruptive behavior; suspension, expulsion, emergency removal, corporal punishment and physical restraint; out of school behavior; participation in co-curricular activities; academic progress; citizenship.

REPORTING OF CHILD ABUSE

All Central Lyon School employees are required by law to report cases of suspected or actual child abuse.

STUDENTS RIGHT TO FREE-DOM OF SPEECH

Students attending Central Lyon have the right to exercise freedom of speech, including the right of expression in official school publications. However, they do not have the right to publish materials or use language which is obscene, libelous, or slanderous.

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

The Central Lyon Board of Education is committed to the policy that no otherwise qualified person will be excluded from employment on the basis of race, religion, sex, age, national origin, or disability. Further, the board affirms the right of all students and staff to be treated with respect and to be protected from intimidation, discrimination, physical harm, and harassment.

ASBESTOS

In compliance with the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), in the fall of 1988, we performed inspections of our school buildings for asbestoscontaining building materials. The inspection findings and asbestos management plans are on file with Steve Breske, Building and Transportation Supervisor, for your review.

STUDENT INSURANCE

All students participating in athletics must have personal (family) health and accident insurance or the parents may purchase coverage through Frontier Insurance Agency at 472-2589 or through your personal agent. The district does not provide accident insurance for students in school or for activities.

NOTICE TO PARENTS OF CHILDREN ATTENDING KIN-DERGARTEN IN THE FALL

The Iowa legislature has just passed a bill making it mandatory for students attending kindergarten to have the Varicella vaccine to prevent chicken pox. If your child has not had a doctor-diagnosed case of chicken pox, please complete the vaccination prior to the first day of school. You may call Health Services of Lyon County at 472-4081 for an appointment.

Positive Peer Pressure

By Mel DeJong, School Nurse

We have had several students during this past school year influencing their fellow classmates in a positive way.

The TATU (teens against tobacco use) group went through a day of training to learn about the effects of tobacco. They then gave anti-tobacco presentations to the third, fourth, and fifth grade classes and had a display at the county fair. The Central Lyon stu-

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NEWS FROM OUR NUR

dents shared the TATU fair booth with other county schools and were in charge of it on Monday, July 21. It's good to see our future leaders taking responsibility and educating others. TATU students include Diana Steven, Karli McDonald, Jessa Menning, Amy Tuenge, Julie Popkes, Sara Christians, Jen Roeman, Alissa VerSteeg, Jessica Roozeboom, Ashley Lemon, Anthony Folkens, Elizabeth Sayavong, Jackie Jenkins and Alicia Wright.

Speaking of setting a good example, there were several high school students who took part in the May term class "No Apologies." This is an abstinence-based curriculum that was presented to all freshman and a few sophomores. Students involved in teaching the curriculum were Lindsey Adams, Heather DeBey, Melissa Mammenga, and Rachel Unekis.

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Fall Athletic Schedules

Cross Country

DAY	DATE	SITE	MEET HOST
THURS.	9/04/03	AWAY	ОКОВОЈІ
TUES.	9/9/03	AWAY	SIBLEY OCHEYEDAN
MON.	9/15/03	AWAY	WEST LYON
TUES.	9/23/03	AWAY	SHELDON
FRI.	9/26/03	AWAY	SIOUX CENTER
TUES.	9/30/03	AWAY	HULL WESTERN CHRISTIAN
THURS.	10/09/03	HOME	AT GEORGE
TUES.	10/14/03	AWAY	MOC (Conference Meet)
MON.	10/20/03	AWAY	SOUTH O'BRIEN
THURS	10/23/03	TBA	REGIONAL MEET
SAT.	11/01/03	AWAY	FORT DODGE (State Meet)

Football

DAY	DATE	SITE	OPPONENT
FRI.	9/05/03	HOME	WEST LYON
FRI.	9/12/03	AWAY	LEMARS
FRI.	9/19/03	AWAY	SIOUX CENTER
FRI.	9/26/03	HOME	WESTWOOD (SLOAN)
FRI.	10/03/03	AWAY	SIBLEY OCHEYEDAN
FRI.	10/10/03	HOME	SHELDON
FRI.	10/17/03	AWAY	SERGEANT BLUFF-LUTON
FRI.	10/24/03	HOME	BOYDEN HULL/ROCK VALLEY
FRI.	10/31/03	AWAY	SOUTH O'BRIEN

ACTIVITY TICKETS

Activity tickets are required for students in grades 9-12 who participate in cocurricular activities. They are optional for other students. An activity ticket will allow the student admission to all activities sponsored by Central Lyon Community School with the exception of district and state competitions.

Activity tickets cost \$25.00 and are good for the entire school year. Single admission tickets for athletic contests for 2003-2004 will cost \$3.00 for students.



ADULT ATHLETIC TICKETS

Adult athletic tickets will be available for 2003-2004. An adult activity ticket will allow the purchaser admission to all **athletic events** sponsored by Central Lyon Community School, with the exception of district and state tournament competitions.

Adult athletic tickets cost \$55.00 and are good for the entire school year. Single admission tickets for athletic contests will cost \$4.00 for adults.

Volleyball

DAY	DATE	TIME	SITE	OPPONENT
TUES.	9/02/03	5:00 PM	AWAY	SIOUX CENTER (JV/V)
SAT.	9/6/03	9:00 AM	AWAY	SHELDON TOURNAMENT (JV/V)
TUES.	9/9/03	4:30 PM	AWAY	BOYDEN-HULL TOURNAMENT
THURS.	9/11/03	8:00 PM	AWAY	BOYDEN-HULL (9/JV/V)
SAT.	9/13/03	9:30 AM	HOME	CL TOURNAMENT (V)
MON.	9/15/03	4:30 PM	AWAY	GLR TOURNAMENT (V)
THURS.	9/18/03	7;00 PM	AWAY	SIBLEY-OCHEYEDAN (9/JV/V)
THURS.	9/25/03	8:00 PM	AWAY	GEORGE-LITTLE ROCK (9/JV/V)
TUES.	9/30/03	5:30 PM	HOME	HMS (9/JV/V)
THURS.	10/02/03	7:00 PM	AWAY	ROCK VALLEY (9/JV/V)
TUES.	10/07/03	7:00 PM	HOME	MOC-FV (9/JV/V)
THURS.	10/9/03	7:00 PM	HOME	SIOUX CENTER (9/JV/V)
TUES.	10/14/03	8:00 PM	AWAY	WEST LYON (9/JV/V)
THURS.	10/16/03	7:00 PM	HOME	OKOBOJI (9/JV/V)

STUDENT ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

The last day Pioneer Medical Center will be offering athletic physicals for area junior and senior high students at the Rock Rapids clinic will be July 30, 2003 between the hours of 5:30-7:30 p.m. The discounted rate of \$15.00 (due at the time of service) applies only on this date. No appointment is necessary.

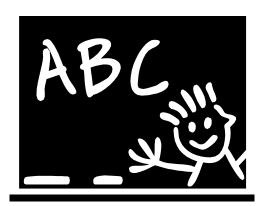
All Central Lyon students must have an athletic physical prior to participating in any sport or cheerleading. If you have any questions regarding the school physicals, please call Pioneer Medical Center at 712-472-3716 or contact John McDonald, Central Lyon Athletic Director.

Fees 2003-2004

Application forms for free and reduced price meals will be available at registration.

Students whose families meet the income guidelines for free and reduced price lunch, the Family Investment Program (FIP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), transportation under open enrollment, or who are in foster care are eligible to have their student fees waived or partially waived. This waiver does not carry from year to year and must be completed **annually**.

Students deposit money into their school meal account daily, weekly, monthly or by semester. All students are assigned an account number and issued a plastic lunch card with a bar code on it. As the student goes through the lunch line, the bar code is scanned and their account is charged. There is a charge for the first plastic lunch card of \$1.25. Replacement cards will cost \$2.00. Student meal accounts must be kept at a positive balance at all times.



OTHER FEES

Textbook Rent-grades K-8 \$ 30.00 Textbook Rent-grades 9-12 40.00 Drivers' Education 175.00

Student supplies may be resold as needed, such as eye protection devices and other school supplies. Fees for optional activities, such as trap shooting, bowling, and May term may be charged up to \$20.00 per activity.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

For Reduced Price Meals

Effective 7-1-03 to 6-30-04

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly	Every Two Weeks	Weekly	Twice a Month
1	\$ 16,613	\$ 1,382	\$ 639	\$ 320	\$ 693
2	22,422	1,869	863	432	935
3	28,231	2,353	1,086	543	1,177
4	34,040	2,837	1,310	655	1,419
5	39,849	3,321	1,533	767	1,661
6	45,658	3,805	1,757	879	1,903
7	51,467	4,289	1,980	990	2,145
8	57,276	4,773	2,203	1,102	2,387
For each additional family member add:	+5,809	+485	+224	+112	+243

The Central Lyon Community School District serves nutritious meals every school day. Students may buy lunch for \$1.30 in grades K-5, \$1.50 in grades 6-12, and breakfast for .75 cents in grades K-12. We want to remind parents/guardians of the meal programs that the state offers.

Children from families whose income is at or below the level shown on the above scale are eligible for either free meals or reduced price meals priced at .40 cents for lunch and .30 cents for breakfast.

The Central Lyon Community School District encourages all households whose income falls within the income eligibility guidelines to apply for free or reduced price meals.

Application forms will be available at registration. Please contact Marla Freese at the Superintendent's Office, 472-2664, if you have any questions.

HOT LUNCH		BREAKFAST
K – 5	\$ 1.30	K - 12 \$.75
6 – 12	1.50	Extra Juice .25
Extra Sandwich	.75	
Extra Milk	.25	
1st Lunch Card	1.25	Replacement Lunch Card 2.00

AFTERNOON MILK (grades K-3 only)

Semester	\$ 22.25	Year	\$ 44.50

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Checklist for the first day of school

- Are your children registered? What are the fees? When is the first day of school? What time does school start?
- What school supplies are needed? Do they need a bag to carry books?
- How are your children going to get to school? What is
 the bus schedule and where is the bus stop? If your children are biking, do they know the school rules for bicycles? Have you reviewed safety precautions regarding traffic and strangers?
- What time is lunch? Can your children buy lunches at school, and how much will they cost? Will they need snacks or afternoon milk? Is breakfast offered?
- What clothes will your children need to wear? Are there any restrictions on what can be worn? Will they need different clothes for physical education or art classes?
- Have you filled out all the health forms or emergency contact forms that have been sent home?
- Have any new health problems developed in your children over the summer that will affect their school day? Does the school nurse know about any health-related conditions, or is an appointment set up to discuss them?
- If your children will need to take medication at school on the first day, have arrangements been made for this?
- Do your youngsters know where they are going after school (e.g., home, babysitter)? Do they know how they will get there? If you will not be there when they arrive, do they know who will be responsible for them, what the rules are, and how to get help in an emergency?



Information taken from Insights for Families

Making the first day easier

- Remind your children that they are not the only students who are a bit uneasy about the first day of school.
- Point out the positive aspects of starting school: It will be fun. They'll see old friends and meet new friends.
- Give your children some strategies for coping with bullies. They should not give in to a bully's demands, but should simply walk away or tell the bully to stop.
- Find other children in the neighborhood with whom your youngsters can walk to school or ride with on the bus.
- If you feel it is appropriate, drive your children (or walk with them) to school and pick them up on the first day.
- Plan in advance for school supplies and involve your children with purchasing, labeling, and organizing them.
- Get a good night's rest and encourage eating a good breakfast. Choose and lay out school clothes the night before.

Milk

August 20 August 21 August 22 Breakfast Cereal French Toast Sticks Cereal \$.75 Cinnamon Toast Toast Fruit or Juice Milk/Juice Milk Milk/Juice Lunch *Corn Dogs Spaghetti Chicken Patty on a Bun **August** K-5 \$1.30 Green Beans Lettuce Salad Corn 6-12 1.50 Potatoes Pineapple Mandarin Oranges 2003 *A second sandwich may be Peaches Roll & Butter Pudding purchased for \$.75 on days Milk Milk Milk indicated with an asterisk. August 27 August 29 August 25 August 26 August 28 Egg & Cheese Wrap Cinnamon Roll Cereal Cereal Cereal Toast Fruit or Juice Toast Fruit or Juice Toast Milk/Juice Milk/Juice Milk Milk/Juice Milk *Mr. Rib *Hamburger on a Bun *Sub Sandwich Chili Crispito Creamed Chicken on Cheese Sauce Cheese Slice Carrots Potatoes Lettuce & Cheese Pineapple Corn Green Beans Peas Pickle Spear Milk Pears Fresh Fruit Iell-O Chips Cake Milk Roll & Butter Applesauce

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Supplies Needed for the 2003-2004 School Year

KINDERGARTEN

4 - no. 2 pencils

1 eraser

1 box of crayons (8)

1 box of crayons (24)

1 bottle of white glue (no glue sticks)

1 pr. of scissors (recommend Fiskars)

1 school box (plastic, standard size)

1 pocket folder – bottom pocket

1 box of tissues (200 count)

1 tote bag

1 paint shirt

GRADE 3

1 resting mat (no plastic resting mats)

Please label items with child's name

GRADE 4

1 eraser

2 spiral notebooks with 3 sections

1 spiral notebook (70 sheets)

5 pencils (no. 2 lead)

1 box of crayons (24)

1 box of colored pencils

1 eraser

2 blue or green pens

1 pair of scissors

1 bottle of white glue

5 pocket folders: 1 red, 1 yellow, 1 blue

1 green, 1 purple

1 box of tissues (200 count)

art box (small - 5 x 8-1/2) 1 wooden ruler

tote bag

4 manila envelopes (10 x 13)

- Mrs. Clasen' class only

scotch tape

1-2 highlighters (yellow)

1 calculator - basic operations only.

200 sheets notebook paper (wide lined)

No trapper keepers or large, bulky, 3-ring notebooks please.

GRADE 1

1 box of crayons (box of 24)

6 pencils (sharpened)

1 pair of scissors

1 eraser

1 bottle of white glue

1 box of tissues (200 count)

1 pocket folder (pocket on the bottom)

art box to keep supplies in

1-12 inch ruler (metric, also)

2 bottles of white glue

1 box of colored pencils

1 box of tissues (200 count)

2 red ball point pens

1 pair of scissors

4 pocket folders

1 roll of scotch tape

highlighter (any color)

No trapper keepers.

art box (small size)

3 spiral notebooks/wide lined, 30-40 pg.

200 sheets notebook paper (wide lined)

1 box of crayons (24 count or smaller)

5 book covers (no adhesive covers please)

4 - 10x13 manila envelopes without clasp

1 calculator (basic operations only)

4 or more pencils (no mechanical)

(no perforated pages)

tote bag

GRADE 2

6 pencils

1 box 24 or more crayons (Crayola preferred)

1 pointed scissors (Fiskars preferred)

18 oz. bottle of white glue

art box to keep supplies in

1 large eraser

1 spiral notebook—wide lined, 30-40 pg

1 box of tissues (200 count)

4 dry erase markers

1 box of colored pencils (24 count or more)

1 set of 8 paints (Prang or Crayola preferred)

paint shirt

Please label your child's materials

GRADE 5

1 box of crayons

1 box of colored pencils

1 - 12 inch ruler (standard/metric)

1 pair of scissors

1 eraser

1 bottle of white glue

no. 2 pencils (no mechanical)

3 green or blue marking pens (no gel pens)

2 pocket folders

trapper keeper (optional)

2 manila envelopes (9 ½ X 12 ½)

2 boxes of tissues (200 count)

4 – 2 subject spiral notebooks

(No black covers please)

400 sheets notebook paper (wide lined)

art box

scotch tape

2 manila envelopes (9 ½ X 12 ½)

1 pencil case

GRADE 6

8 wide lined spiral notebooks

400 sheets notebook paper (wide lined)

8 pocket folders

several pencils

1 eraser

2 blue or black pens

2 green pens

1 pair of scissors

1 box of tissues (200 count)

5 book covers

1 bottle of white glue

1 roll of scotch tape

1 box of colored pencils

1 small box of crayons (no more than 24)

1 pkg. felt-tip markers

art box (for art only)

calculator (marked with name)

clear protractor

standard/metric ruler (clear)

No theme paper or trapper keepers.

GRADES 7-8

7 spiral notebooks (8th grade)

6 spiral notebooks (7th grade)

200 sheets notebook paper (wide lined)

5 pocket folders

5 book covers

pencils

blue or black ball point pens

green ball point pen

ruler w/English & metric (for math)

protractor - math/science - clear works best scientific calculator-pre-algebra (w/name)

colored pencils - art/math/science

1 bottle of white glue (7th art)

1 pair of scissors (7th art)

1 box crayons - 24 count (7th art)

soft gum eraser



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Note-Worthy Dates	
✓ Student Registration	8/5
✓ Local Option Sales Tax Election	8/12
√ First Day of School	8/20
✓ Ice Cream Social (Elem/MS)	8/29
✓ School Board Election	9/9
✓ Homecoming	9/26
✓ Mass Band Show	10/10

Releasing Information Regarding Students

Any student over the age of eighteen or parent/guardian not wanting this information released to the public must make objection in writing by August 15 to the building principal. The objection needs to be renewed annually.

Name, Address, Telephone Listing, Date And Place Of Birth, E-Mail Address, Grade Level, Enrollment Status, Major Field Of Study, Participation In Officially Recognized Activities And Sports, Weight And Height Of Members Of Athletic Teams, Dates Of Attendance, Degrees and Awards Received, The Most Recent Previous School Or Institution Attended By The Student, Photograph and Likeness and Other Similar Information.

Visit our website at www.central-lyon.k12.ia.us

Care about children?

Care about your community?

Serve on the school board!

Nominations for school board positions open July 7 and close 31.

For more information on what school board members do, ask for the free "Leaders Who Care" brochure from:



Iowa Association of School Boards 700 Second Avenue, Des Moines IA 50309 1-800-795-4272 – www.ia-sb.org