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# COMMUNITY NEWS

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### School Opens

Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 8:25 a.m. high school students will begin their first day of classes and elementary students will have scheduled parent conferences. Elementary classes will not begin until Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

Please read important information regarding the Open House, scheduled for August 29th from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., on the back page of this Newsletter!

### Crosswalk for Walkers

We ask all students who walk to school to use the following crosswalks: students who live on the north end of town should cross at Ruthie's Restaurant; students who walk from the south end of town should cross by the cafe on the north side of Lake Avenue and Highway 169, opposite the Masonic Hall. Other crosswalks have been painted on 678th Street (County Road 74) to aid students crossing there. All crosswalks lead to the school walkway. **PARENTS, PLEASE INSTRUCT YOUR CHILDREN TO USE THE WALKWAY, NOT THE ROAD PAST THE OLD SCHOOL.** The traffic on that road from people driving to and from school, as well as buses coming to school, make it hazardous for your children to walk there.

**Help us keep our children safe!**

### Transportation

The bus schedule will be published in the September Newsletter, which will be mailed at the end of August. If you are new to the area or have moved since the last school year, please contact the school office at 697-2394 to inform us of the change.

### School Hours

8:25 a.m. to 3:06 p.m. for students

### New Student/Parent Information

If you are new to our school district, please come in any time prior in August prior to Monday, August 13, 2012 from 8 - 10 a.m. to register your student(s) and fill out the necessary forms, to obtain transcripts, and take care of other items needed to start the school year or call the school office at (218) 697-2394, ext. 100. This is very important so your son or daughter is ready for the opening day of school.

### Lunch/Breakfast Application Form and Information

Information and an application for our food service program is contained on page 9-12 in this Newsletter.

LUNCH AND BREAKFAST  
WILL BE SERVED  
THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

# General Information Continued...

## School Closing/Emergency Information

The safety and health of all students is our first concern. When an emergency occurs (fire, tornado, etc.) students and faculty will be retained at school until the emergency is over. Buses will not be dispatched unless authorized by the Superintendent because they might interfere with emergency vehicles. For this same reason, parents are requested **NOT TO PICK UP THEIR STUDENTS**. All safety precautions will be taken. During bad weather (ice, snow, etc.) the radio stations KKIN 930 AM or 94.3 FM; KOZY 1320 AM; WTBX 94 FM; and KMFY 97 FM will be notified the night before or in the morning before 6:30 a.m. and a message will be sent out on our **alert system**. If you do not receive the alerts, you may contact Patty Sawdey at 697-2394, ext. 104. If school is closed during the school day, the radio stations are notified and announcements are made immediately. **PLEASE DO NOT CALL SCHOOL OFFICIALS OR THE RADIO STATIONS!**

Each student will be verifying Emergency Information we have on file, during the first week of school, so please make sure you check the emergency information so we will have accurate information for the alert system. This will give both the school and your child information as to where he/she should go if school is closed, or who to contact in the event of any type of emergency. Call the school office if you have any questions.

### School Visitors Policy

You have an “open invitation” to visit our school at any time. We ask that you “sign in” at the main office as you arrive, as state and district policy require. Visitors will then be given a visitors identification pass, and assisted in finding their destination. Come and visit us whenever possible. We welcome you and encourage your support and involvement.

### Lockers and Locks

Lockers will be assigned the first day of school to students in grades 4-12. All students in grades 7-12 will be given a lock to use on their locker and we encourage them to use them, as school and personal materials and belongings in a student’s locker are the responsibility of the student. Locks from home are not permitted on school lockers.

### Calendars

A school calendar for 2012-2013 is contained on page 4 in this Newsletter. Please **save** for future reference.

### Student/Parent Handbooks

Handbooks are available for all students and will be given out the first day of school. Please review this with your student. Additional copies are available in the office.

### K-12 Breakfast/Lunch

Hill City School will be offering breakfast to all students in Grades K-12. Students may eat breakfast when arriving at school or getting off the bus. Breakfast will be served starting at 8:00 a.m. until 8:26 a.m. Prices for breakfast for the 2012-2013 school year are contained in this newsletter.

**There will be “NO” charging of food, so please make sure your child(ren) have money for breakfast and/or lunch on the first day of school.**

If you have any questions concerning food service, please contact Shawn Kingsley at 697-2394, ext. 112.

### IMPORTANT

Independent School District No. 2 encourages ALL families, regardless of income, to fill out the Application for Educational Benefits form which is included in this newsletter. If you qualify, the school district receives additional educational funds and discounts which reinforces programs such as Title One (help with math and reading).

The information you provide is completely private and confidential. Please contact Shawn Kingsley at ext. 112, if you have questions.

# 2012/2013 Annual Census

The State Law mandates that all school districts have an accurate school census of children between the ages of 0 and 4 years of age, living within the district. The Census Form on the lower portion of this page should be filled out for ALL FAMILIES with children between the ages of 0 to 4 living in School District No. 2. Completed forms may be sent to: Independent School District No. 2, Attn: Sandy Rasmusson, 500 Ione Ave, Hill City, MN 55748. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy in the School Office at 697-2394, ext. 101.

<b>Name of Living Parents or Guardian:</b>			
(Last)	(First)	(Mi)	(Mailing Address)
(Phone)			
Father			
Mother			
Guardian			

Names of Children Oldest to Youngest	Sex		Place of Birth	Date of Birth			Birth Verification	Attendance Status		Special Needs	
	M	F		Mo	Day	Yr		Gr. Last Yr	Out of School	Yes	No

Independent School Dist. #002  
Aitkin County, Hill City, Minnesota  
2012-2013 School Calendar

M	T	W	TH	F	M	T	W	TH	F
<b>AUGUST</b>					<b>JANUARY</b>				
27	28	(29)	(30)	31	21 Student/22 Teacher Winter Break				
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>					<b>FEBRUARY</b>				
3	4	5	6	7	17 Elem/18 Sec/19 Teacher				
10	11	12	13	14	<b>FEBRUARY</b>				
17	18	19	20	21	Elem Conferences				
24	25	26	27	28	Holiday/Wrkp				
<b>OCTOBER</b>					<b>MARCH</b>				
1	2	3	4	5	19 Student/20 Teacher				
8	9	10	11	12	<b>MARCH</b>				
15	16	17	18	19	End 3rd Qtr/Workshop				
22	23	24	25	26	Spring Holiday				
29	30	31			<b>APRIL</b>				
<b>NOVEMBER</b>					<b>APRIL</b>				
(5)	(6)	7	8	9	21 Student/21 Teacher				
12	13	14	15	16	Spring Holiday				
19	20	21	22	23	<b>APRIL</b>				
26	27	28	29	30	Spring Holiday				
<b>DECEMBER</b>					<b>MAY</b>				
3	4	5	6	7	21 Student/22 Teacher				
10	11	12	13	14	<b>MAY</b>				
17	18	19	20	21	Holiday/End 4th Qtr/Wkp				
24	25	26	27	28	<b>GRADUATION MAY 31</b>				
31					1st Quarter				
<b>Key:</b>					2nd Quarter				
( )	Workshop Day; No school for Students				3rd Quarter				
■	No School for Students/Teachers				4th Quarter				
□	Quarter End				42 Student/45 Teacher				
□	School Begins for Students				42 Student/44 Teacher				
—	Evening Conferences; School is in Session				41 Elem/42 Sec/44 Teacher				
==	Elementary Conferences; No School for Elementary				46 Student/47 Teacher				
<b>Fall Conferences</b>					171 Elementary Student Days				
11/14	Elementary and Secondary Evening Conferences				172 Secondary Student Days				
11/15	Elementary and Secondary Evening Conferences				180 Teacher Days				
<b>Spring Conferences</b>									
2/15	Elementary Daytime Conferences								
	No School for Elementary								

The Board of Education reserves the right to make revisions in the school calendar. In no case shall the student days be less than the minimum required by law. Approved by the Board of Education on March 26, 2012.

## Elementary Students

Elementary students who walk should arrive at school no earlier than 8:15 a.m. unless they are planning to eat breakfast or need to go to the office. In that event, they can arrive at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast. Upon arrival at 8:15, they should go directly to their classroom. Bus students will do the same. Elementary students have individual conferences scheduled with their teacher on the first day of school. **Please do not send your elementary child(ren) to school on the bus the first day of school.** We look forward to meeting students, along with their parents, at their conference. Do you have any questions? Please call us at (218) 697-2394.

Breakfast and lunch will be served on the first day of school. Parents, please enclose your child's lunch/breakfast money in an envelope, clearly marked with the child's name, grade and what the money is for. Complete information on the food service program is contained in this Newsletter.

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## Parents of KINDERGARTEN Students

Hill City School is pleased to offer summer transition sessions for your child entering kindergarten this fall. This is an excellent opportunity for your child to become familiar with, and feel comfortable in the kindergarten classroom. Kindergarten Transition Sessions will be held later in August in the Kindergarten Room. Letters regarding these sessions will be sent out to each family as to the specific dates and times, so if you do not receive a letter during the first week of August and you have a student that will be entering kindergarten, please call the school office at 218-697-2394, ext. 100.

We have found that children who attend these kindergarten transition sessions are far more comfortable the first days of school because they are familiar with the environment, the teacher, and the routines. We strongly recommend your child attend one or both of these sessions.

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### Kindergarten Information

Hill City kindergarten students will once again attend school every day for full days. Parents are reminded to furnish their child's birth certificate and immunization record if they have not already done so.

Students in Kindergarten have an opportunity to participate in a special milk program designed for students in Kindergarten. The fee for the year-long milk program is \$25.00. The School District requests that parents/guardians pay the \$25.00 separate from their lunch/breakfast money as this is a different program. Please label your envelope "Kindergarten Milk" and send to school with your child on the first day of school.

If you have any questions regarding this milk program, please call Shawn Kingsley at (218) 697-2394 x 112.

### School Supplies

There will be some school supplies at the school open house on August 29th that will be available for students to take, due to donations to the school.

Kindergarten through Sixth Grade:

- Tennis shoes for gym
- Book Bag or "back-pack"
- Kleenex
- Pencils
- Paper
- Folders for papers and assignments

Individual teachers do have additional supplies or materials which will be needed. You can find these lists by looking on the school website at [www.hillcity.k12.mn.us](http://www.hillcity.k12.mn.us), hover over ISD #2, and scroll down to Elementary Class Supply Lists. Then scroll down to the grade of your child(ren).

# High School Students

All students in Grades 7-12 will meet in the gymnasium at 8:25 a.m. on Tuesday, September 4, for a general meeting. Following that, students will meet with their own classes and advisors in class meetings. Policies and procedures will be explained and other necessary items taken care of at the beginning of the new school year.

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## 7th Grade Students' Parent Meeting

The meeting for 7th grade students' parents will be held on Wednesday, August 29th at 5:30.

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## Secondary School Supplies

There will be some school supplies at the school open house on August 29th that will be available for students to take, due to donations to the school.

- Tennis shoes for gym (Grades 7-10)
- Paper
- Pencils and Pens
- Ruler
- Folders for papers, assignments, etc.

Individual teachers may have specific supply requests for their classes, and will notify the students of those requirements during the first days of school.

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## Football Season Begins

Practice will begin on Monday, August 13, 2012, for all prospective football players in grades 9-12.

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## Athletic Calendar

Watch for the September Newsletter for an athletic calendar.

## Athletic Physicals

All students are required to have physicals before they can participate in sports at Hill City High School. Ideally these physicals should be done in 7th and 10th grade or every three years. Check with your coaches if you have any questions or concerns.

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## Parent/Student Meeting

There will be an important parent/student meeting, for all those playing sports, on Tuesday, August 14th at 6:00 p.m. Paperwork and fees will be due at this meeting for students playing volleyball and football. The Activity Handbook and sports forms can be printed off the school website at <http://www.hillcity.k12.mn.us> or you can stop into the school office to pick up the forms.

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## Volleyball Season Begins

Attention all students in grades 9-12 interested in participating in Volleyball for the 2012-2013 season, the first day of Volleyball practice is Monday, August 13th from 7:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Grades 7-8 will start on August 20th.

Fall sports will begin soon. Individuals participating in sports should read the following policy governing athletic fees and equipment protection deposit. In addition, all athletes are required to have a sport physical every three years. Please call the school to verify sport physical dates.

### **Policy Governing Athletic Fee and Equipment Protection**

Fees will be required for participation in the following athletics:

Boys Football	Girls Basketball
Girls Volleyball	Boys Baseball
Boys Basketball	Girls Softball

\*No athlete may participate in practice or contest until all financial obligations are fulfilled.

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7th/8th grade - \$35.00 per sport

7th/8th grade - equipment down payment (to be reimbursed when all equipment is handed in )  
\$25.00

**\*\* Please write separate checks for the sport fee and the equipment deposit.**

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9th - 12th grade - \$45.00 per sport

9th - 12th grade - equipment down payment (to be reimbursed when all equipment is handed in )  
\$100.00

**\*\* Please write separate checks for the sport fee and the equipment deposit.**

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\* Participation fee payments will have a family cap of \$150.00/year.

\* All checks for equipment down payment would not be cashed unless a student intentionally destroys their uniform or the uniform is lost/stolen.

\*\* (No family cap on equipment)

\* Equipment down payment checks will be returned to the athlete if all materials are handed in.

\* *Please Note:* If the cost of the damaged or lost/stolen uniform/equipment exceeds the uniform down payment, the athlete and the parent/guardian will be responsible for any additional payments needed to replace it.

\* ISD #002 administration will follow the policy governing student fee collection in the event of lost, stolen or abuse fine that are not paid in full.

Adopted by the Board of Education July 23, 2001.

# BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAM 2012-2013

On July 23, 2012, the Hill City Board of Education set lunch and breakfast prices for the 2012-2013 school year. Prices will be as follows:

BREAKFAST:		LUNCH:	
Reduced	\$0.00	Reduced	\$0.40
K-3	\$1.30	K-3	\$1.85
4-12	\$1.40	4-12	\$2.05
Adults	\$1.80	Adults	\$3.40
Extra Serving	\$1.00	Extra Serving	\$1.50
Extra Milk	\$0.55	Extra Milk	\$0.55

**IMPORTANT: Lactose-reduced milk will be provided upon written request of a parent and/or physician.**

For those families whose income falls within the guidelines set by the Federal Lunch Program and Breakfast program, an application form and informational letter is included with this Newsletter.

The Hill City School currently uses Campus Food Service System two years ago. This system is integrated with our current Campus Student Software.

### Food Service Account Info

1. Each student is assigned a PIN number.
2. There is **individual** student accounts instead of family accounts.
3. Parents are able to view account balances on line via Parent Portal.
4. Students may make deposits to their account in the school cafeteria or pay on-line on parent portal.
5. Every deposit **must** have the students name and account number on it.
6. Families with more than one child in the district only need to send one check per family and it will be divided evenly between the number of student accounts you have unless you note otherwise.
7. Families are encouraged to bring enough money for a weeks worth of meals and in the elementary, also include money needed for milk breaks that are offered daily.
8. Each time a student has a meal, the food service program will deduct the amount of the meal directly from their account.
9. Students enter their PIN# each meal and also when they purchase ala carte items.
10. Parents will be able to limit the number of ala cart items their child can purchase per day. A student will not be allowed to purchase ala carte items if they have a negative balance.
11. There is **no** charging of food within the food service department.
12. All existing balances will transfer to the next school year.
13. Low balance notices will be mailed to you.
14. Credit cards are not accepted at this time.
15. This system will give us better ease to note students with food allergies.

Elementary students will again have a milk break each day. If you wish to have your child participate in this break, or be able to have an extra milk with his/her lunch at noon, please be sure to send \$5.50 for 10 milks, or \$.55 per day. One milk is provided for with lunch, but any extra milk must be paid for. Lactose-reduced milk will be provided upon written request of a parent and/or physician. Send these requests to Shawn Kingsley, Food Service at Hill City School.

**NOTE: A special milk program will be available for KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS ONLY for milk break.** One carton of milk per day will be available to kindergarten students for milk break at a reduced rate. The fee for this year-long program is \$25.00. Please send this payment with your Kindergarten student on the **first day** of school and **please also keep this payment separate from any lunch/breakfast money.**

Although we encourage students to eat the entire lunch being served, Hill City School has adopted the “Offer vs. Serve” policy for students in grades 4-12, which allows a child to refuse one or two items which would not be eaten and which would end up in the garbage can. Parents, you can help by encouraging your child to try a small portion of a new or unfamiliar food, and by going over the menu with your child to help him/her decide what to eat each day.

Students in grades 7-12 will be able to sign up for pizza, you may also sign up for the expanded salad bar as your main meal. A sign-up sheet will be available in the cafeteria until 9:00 a.m. each day. Juice is offered for sale each day, and other items will be added after the opening of school.

Please complete the application form found in this Newsletter and return it to the school as soon as possible. This will enable us to have your child’s meal account prepared on the first day of school. If you have any questions regarding the lunch or breakfast programs, please call Shawn Kingsley at the Hill City School, 697-2394 extension 112.



**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**500 IONE AVENUE**  
**HILL CITY, MN 55748**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Our school provides healthy meals each day. Breakfast costs \$1.30 for grades K-3 and \$1.40 for grades 4-12; lunch costs \$1.85 for grades K-3 and \$2.05 for grades 4-12. Your children may qualify for free or reduced-price meals. Reduced price is \$.40 for lunch. "Reduced-price" breakfasts are served at no charge. To apply for free or reduced-price school meals, complete the enclosed Application for Educational Benefits following the instructions. A new application must be submitted each year. Your application also helps our school qualify for additional education funds and discounts.

Return your completed Application for Educational Benefits to:

**Attn: Shawn Kingsley**  
**ISD #2**  
**500 Ione Avenue**  
**Hill City, MN 55748**

**Who can get free or reduced-price meals?** Children in households participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), and foster children can get free school meals without reporting household income. Also, children can get free or reduced-price meals if their household income is within the maximum income shown for the household size on the instructions. Approval for school meal benefits is good for the school year.

**Do foster children qualify for free meals?** Yes, foster children who are the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals regardless of household income.

**I get WIC. Can my children get free meals?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Please fill out an application.

**May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen?** Yes. You or your children do not have to be U.S. citizens for your children to qualify for free or reduced-price meals.

**Who should I include as members of my household?** Include yourself and all other people living in the household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives or friends). Include a household member who is temporarily away, such as a college student.

**What if my income is not always the same?** List the amount that you normally get. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you get it only sometimes.

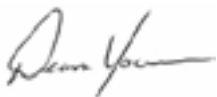
**How will the information I provide be kept?** Information you provide on the form, and your child's approval for school meal benefits, will be protected as private data. See the back page of the application for more information about how the information is used.

**Will the information I give be checked?** Yes, and we may also ask you to send written proof.

**What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application?** You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing.

If you have other questions or need help, call Shawn Kingsley at (218) 697-2394, ext. 112 or if long distance, (800) 232-2394.

Sincerely,



Dean Yocum  
Superintendent

## Instructions for Completing the Application for Educational Benefits

Complete the Application for Educational Benefits for school year 2012-13 if any of the following apply:

- Any member of the household currently participates in *Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP)*, or *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)*, or *Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)*, or
- One or more children in the household are foster children (a welfare agency or court has legal responsibility for the child), or
- Total household income (gross earnings, not take-home pay) is within these guidelines:

Household Size	Maximum Income				
	\$ Per Year	\$ Per Month	\$ Twice Per Month	\$ Per 2 Weeks	\$ Per Week
1	20,665	1,723	862	795	398
2	27,991	2,333	1,167	1,077	539
3	35,317	2,944	1,472	1,359	680
4	42,643	3,554	1,777	1,641	821
5	49,969	4,165	2,083	1,922	961
6	57,295	4,775	2,388	2,204	1,102
7	64,621	5,386	2,693	2,486	1,243
8	71,947	5,996	2,998	2,768	1,384
Additional	7,326	611	306	282	141

**Children and Foster Status** List all children in the household in Section 2.

- Indicate foster care status for a child by checking the box.
- Include any regular income, for example SSI, to children other than foster children (do not list occasional earnings like babysitting).

**Assistance Number** Complete Section 3 if any household member currently participates in one of the programs listed in that section. If Section 3 is completed, skip Section 4 (adult names and incomes).

**Adults / Household Incomes** List all adult household members, whether related or not, in Section 4. Include any adults temporarily away, such as a student away at college.

List each adult household member's gross incomes, not take-home pay, and how often each income is received. For example "W" for Weekly.

- List gross incomes before deductions.
- If an income varies, list the amount usually received.
- For farm/self-employment income only, list net income after subtracting business expenses.
- Examples of "other income" to include in the last column are farm/self-employment, Veterans benefits and disability benefits.
- Check the "No Income" column after a person's name if they have no income.

Do *not* include as income: foster care payments, federal education benefits, MFIP payments, combat pay, or value of assistance received from SNAP, WIC, FDPIR, or Military Privatized Housing Initiative.

**Signature** The form must be signed by an adult household member.

**Social Security Number** The person signing the application must provide the last four digits of their Social Security number unless:

- A qualifying assistance number was provided in Section 3, or
- All children in the household who need school meal benefits are foster children, or

The person signing the application does not have a Social Security number and has indicated this in Section 6.

## Application for Educational Benefits

### Free and Reduced-Price School Meals • School Year 2012-13 • State and Federally Funded Programs



1.  Check here if this is the first application at this school district or nonpublic school for any child listed below.

2. Names of all Children in Household including Foster Children <small>Attach additional page if necessary</small>	Date of Birth <small>Month/Day/Year</small>	Grade	School	Any Regular Income to Child <small>Example: SSI</small>	✓ If Foster Child* <small>* See Section 3</small>
Last Name First Name	/ /			\$ per	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	/ /			\$ per	<input type="checkbox"/>
	/ /			\$ per	<input type="checkbox"/>

\* Child is the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court. If all children applied for are foster children, skip Sections 3 and 4.

4. Names of all Adults in Household <small>(all household members not listed in Section 2) Include all adults living in your household, related or not. Attach additional page if necessary.</small>	Check if NO Income ✓	Gross Wages and Salaries - all jobs - before deductions -	Pension, SSI, Retirement, Social Security	Public Assistance, Child Support, Alimony	Unemployment, Worker's Comp, Strike Benefits	Any Other Income, including net Farm/Self-Employment
Last Name First Name		\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per
		\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per
		\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per

**Household Incomes:** Write in each gross income and how often it is received: weekly (W), bi-weekly (every other week) (BW), twice per month (T/M), monthly (M). Do not write in hourly pay. If income fluctuates, write in the amount normally received. Attach additional page if necessary.

5. If your children are approved for school meal benefits, this information may be shared with Minnesota Health Care Food Programs to identify children who are eligible for Minnesota health insurance programs. Leave the box blank to allow sharing of information. See back page for more information.  
 Do not share information with Minnesota Health Care Programs.

6. I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the school will get federal and state funds based on the information I give. I understand that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits and I may be prosecuted.

Signature of Adult Household Member (required) \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Social Security number – last 4 digits (required if Section 4 is completed): \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ OR  I don't have a Social Security number  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Benefits (if applicable)**  
 If any household member receives benefits from a program listed below: write in name of person and case number, check the appropriate box, and skip section 4.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Case Number \_\_\_\_\_

Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP)  
 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)  
 Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPPIR)

*- Medical Assistance and WIC do not qualify -*

Total Household Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Incomes: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approved (check all that apply):  Case Number - Free  Foster - Free  Income - Free  Income - Reduced Price  Income Too High  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Denied:  Incomplete  Income Too High  Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature - Determining Official: \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Change Status To: \_\_\_\_\_

**Office Use Only**

Signature – Confirming Official: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Verification Sent: \_\_\_\_\_ Response Due: \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Notice: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Result:  No Change  Free to Reduced-Price  Free to Paid  Reduced-Price to Paid  Reduced-Price to Paid  Foster not verified  Foster not verified  
 Reason for Change:  Income  Case number not verified  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature – Verifying Official: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Privacy Act Statement / How Information Is Used

The National School Lunch Act requires that the household member signing the application must provide the last four digits of their Social Security number unless the application is for a foster child, or they do not have a Social Security number, or they provide an active assistance number from the Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR). Provision of a Social Security number is not mandatory, but if a Social Security number is required for a complete application and the number is not provided, the application cannot be approved.

We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced-price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

At public school districts, each student's eligibility status is also recorded on a statewide computer system used to report student data to the Minnesota Department of Education as required by state law. The Minnesota Department of Education uses this information to: (1) administer state and federal programs, (2) calculate compensatory revenue for public schools, and (3) judge the quality of the state's educational program.

Children who are eligible for free and reduced-price school meals may be eligible for Minnesota Health Care Programs. Your child's eligibility status for school meals (qualified for free or reduced-price meals) may be shared with Minnesota Health Care Programs unless you tell us not to share your information by checking the box in section 5 of the application. You are not required to share information for this purpose and your decision will not affect approval for school meal benefits.

## Nondiscrimination Statement

This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly: In accordance with federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call toll free (866) 632-9992 (Voice). Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

### Children's Ethnic and Racial Identities (Optional)

Please provide the following information, which is used to determine the school's compliance with civil rights laws. If the information is left blank, a representative of the school is required to identify the ethnic and racial identities of participants for civil rights reporting.

1. Choose one ethnicity:
  - Hispanic/Latino
  - Not Hispanic/Latino
2. Choose one or more races (regardless of ethnicity)
  - Asian
  - American Indian or Alaskan Native
  - Black or African American
  - Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
  - White

May 2012

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
HILL CITY, MINNESOTA

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2, Hill City, Minnesota, was called to order by Chairman Greg Bounds at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 29, 2012.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Greg Bounds, Sue Kaslow, Martha Lentz, Tom Fasteland, Jodi Gulbraa, and Mike Murphy. Board Members absent: None. Also present was Superintendent/Principal Dean Yocum, Business Manager Ellie Hill, Maintenance Supervisor Eric Hill, and a few visitors.

1. Approved the Agenda with an addition.
2. Approved the following:
  - \*Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Apr. 23, 2012;
  - \*April 2012 bills presented for payment;
  - \*Current bills through 05/09/12;
  - \*Investments and wire transfers;
  - \*Reviewed the Activity Fund Statement;
  - \*Reviewed Cash Receipts including donations.
3. No comments or requests from visitors.
4. There was no report from the School Attorney.
5. No transportation report.
6. Student Council voted to give two \$250.00 scholarships this year. They will also buy recycling bins for the school and will be participating in the 4th of July parade.
7. Martha Lentz reported that the System Accountability Committee reviewed the annual report, discussed K-3 literacy, math, on-line learning, and recent MCA scores. The next meeting is set for Sept. 18, 2012.
8. Martha Lentz reported on the School and Community Health Committee meeting. The PTO will be organizing the "Walk to School Day" in the fall. The fresh fruit and vegetable program will have a display at the open house in the fall.
9. Approved the 2012-2016 Transportation Contract with Nor-Tran Inc.
10. Approved the ECFE, Early Start, and School Readiness wage increases as presented.
11. Community Education Report dated May 29, 2012 was handed out for an update.
12. Maintenance Supervisor Eric Hill stated they are getting ready for graduation, they will be refinishing the gyms this summer and other summer projects. Tom Fasteland reported McNeil Environmental visited the district and performed their five-year review. The Health and Safety Policy was reviewed and staff will have training in June.
13. No Technology Coordinator update.
14. The 2012-2013 Staff Development goals were presented.
15. First reading of Policy 807: Health and Safety Policy.
16. Preliminary MCA Math results were presented for

grades 3-8. Fifth grade took a dip, but all the rest increased.

17. Distance Learning update: two studio carts are here and assembled and the rooms are being prepared.
18. Approved the K-3 Literacy Plan as presented.
19. Discussion was held on the Capital/Building Project of the Bus Barn. Could Nor-Tran lease the land from the school and build the facility and then sell the building back to the School District. Nor-Tran will continue to pursue the feasibility of this project.
20. Approved MREA dues for the 2012-2013 school year.
21. Accepted the resignation from Christy Bachmann as Assistant Volleyball Coach and to post for this position.
22. Accepted the resignation from Stacey Johnson as Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach and to post for this position.
23. Accepted the resignation from Paul Brainard with regrets.
24. The Summer MSBA Seminar is August 5-6, 2012.
25. June 12, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. is the IASC Big Board Meeting: principals and union representatives will be invited to discuss teacher evaluations.
26. Graduation is June 1, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
27. There will be a school board workshop meeting on June 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
28. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
HILL CITY, MINNESOTA

The Special Board Meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2, Hill City, Minnesota, was called to order by Chairman Greg Bounds at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 14, 2012.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Greg Bounds, Tom Fasteland, Mike Murphy, and Martha Lentz. Board Members absent: Jodi Gulbraa and Sue Kaslow. Also present was Superintendent/Principal Dean Yocum, Business Manager Ellie Hill, and Maintenance Supervisor Eric Hill.

1. Approved the agenda.
2. The revised 2011-2012 budget was reviewed.
3. Approved the revised 2011-2012 budget as presented.
4. The 2012-2013 budget was reviewed.
5. Approved the 2012-2013 budget as presented.
6. Approved proceeding with the capital project, to have attorneys for the school and Nor-Tran draw up a contract regarding Nor-Tran's intent to build a bus/maintenance building on school property and to have a survey of the site completed.
7. Approved increasing clerical time by 3.5 hours in the office during the school year.
8. Approved a one year leave of absence for Sandy

Rasmusson from her 3.5 hours paraprofessional position.

9. Accepted the resignation from Justin Isaacs as Industrial Arts Teacher and head football coach and to post for both positions.
10. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
HILL CITY, MINNESOTA

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2, Hill City, Minnesota, was called to order by Vice Chairman Jodi Gulbraa at 6:52 p.m. on Monday, June 25, 2012.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Sue Kaslow, Tom Fasteland, Martha Lentz, and Jodi Gulbraa. Board Members absent: Greg Bounds and Mike Murphy. Also present was Superintendent/Principal Dean Yocum and Tami Meyer.

1. Approved the Agenda with an addition.
2. Approved the following:
  - \*Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 29, 2012;
  - \*Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of June 14, 2012.
  - \*May 2012 bills presented for payment;
  - \*Current bills through 06/11/12;
  - \*Investments and wire transfers;
  - \*Reviewed the Activity Fund Statement;
  - \*Reviewed Cash Receipts including donations.
3. No comments or requests from visitors.
4. There was no report from the School Attorney.
5. No transportation report.
6. Student Council is working on the float for the 4th of July parade.
7. No System Accountability Committee meeting.
8. No School and Community Health Committee meeting.
9. No Negotiation Committee meeting.
10. Community Education Report was handed out.
11. The gym floor is done and the big stuff is almost all done.
12. No Technology Coordinator update.
13. Capital Project update: Superintendent/Principal Yocum talked with Mr. Colosimo, they are waiting for a legal description of the land and the surveyors may be here this week.
14. Adopted Policy 807 Health and Safety Policy as presented.
15. Adopted the At-Risk Youth Multi-Disciplinary Team Resolution.
16. Approved the Itasca Co. Probation approval of case consultation agreement.
17. Approved the revised ECFE budget for the 2012-2013 school year.

18. Approved the bid form for milk and the quote forms for bread, garbage hauling, propane and snowplowing for the 2012-2013 school year along with the list of names of firms desiring to submit quotes for these services.
19. Set the following athletic rates for the 2012-2013 school year: adult yearly pass (up to age 62) - \$35.00; senior citizen single yearly pass (age 62 and up) - \$15.00; senior citizen couple yearly pass (age 62 and up) - \$25.00; college student/student yearly pass - \$25.00; family yearly pass - \$60.00; adult ticket (up to age 62) - \$5.00; senior citizen ticket (age 62 and up) - \$3.00; college student/student - \$3.00.
20. Approved the 2012-2013 Specific Services Contract with ARCC.
21. Approved hiring Linda Causton as 100% time Special Education EBD teacher starting the 2012-2013 school year with a salary to be set according to the current HCUE Master Agreement.
22. Adopted Resolution Establishing Dates for Filing Affidavits of Candidacy.
23. The summer MSBA Seminar will be held Aug. 5-6.
28. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
HILL CITY, MINNESOTA

The Special Board Meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2, Hill City, Minnesota, was called to order by Chairman Greg Bounds at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 9, 2012.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Greg Bounds, Martha Lentz, Jodi Gulbraa, Tom Fasteland, and Sue Kaslow. Board Members absent: Mike Murphy. Also present was Superintendent/Principal Dean Yocum.

1. Approved the agenda with additions.
2. Approved the land lease/construction agreement with Nor-Tran, Inc.
3. Approved putting three storage sheds up for bids, two 10 x 12 and one 8 x 10. The bid opening and awarding will be on August 10, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. with the sheds to be moved by the end of August 2012. The final approval will be at the August 27, 2012 Board meeting.
4. Accepted the resignation from Mike Murphy as School Board member as of July 9, 2012 with regrets. The Board will take applications until July 20, 2012 with an appointment to the Board made at the July 23, 2012 Board meeting.
5. Adopted the Resolution Calling Special Election to Fill School Board Vacancy.
6. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Complete Minutes of the above Board Meetings and all Board Meetings are on file in the administration office and may be viewed at any time during regular business hours.

## Grade 12

### A

Jacob Brenholt  
Alyssa Jensen  
Jordan Rogers  
Natasha Simons

### B

Billy James  
Austin Lamke  
Brandon Nelson  
Jacob Swing

## Grade 11

### A

Timothy Benson  
Caitlin Crandall  
Katherine Majerus

### B

Taylor Becker  
Chantel Huff

## Grade 10

### A

Izaiah Bishop

### B

Tim Bishop  
Tyler Hesse  
Sophia Jenkins  
Jordan Johnson  
Nathan Oukrop  
Sawyer Passig

## Grade 9

### A

Brittany Benson  
Alexandra Blanchard  
Emily Bounds  
Jenna Ihle  
Samantha Katzenberger  
Phillip Niesen  
Monika Olson  
Parker Semmler  
Haylee Smith  
Kyle Yotter

### B

Hallie Bishop  
Tess Hatfield  
Rachel Hopkins  
Jessica Ihle  
Mandi McNeil  
Zane Nielson  
Dale Simmens  
Marcus Wagner  
Lacey Washburn



## Grade 8

### A

Noah Bishop  
Allyssa Butler  
Eric Watkins

### B

Emmalee Gerber  
Kelsey Harstad  
Autumn Hess  
Chanay Huff  
Christopher James  
Brady Kingsley  
Hannah Nelson  
Mason Watkins  
Carly Welk

## Grade 7

### A

Lane Gerber  
Kailey Gilmer  
Selket Jewett

### B

Brendon Gould  
Abigail Knapp  
Hayley Lathrop  
Madison Lathrop  
Logan Mickelson  
Brady Wagner  
Andrew Yotter

# HILL CITY SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

## 2011-2012

## FOURTH QUARTER



# Elementary Cheer Team

All students in grades K-6th are invited to join the elementary cheer team.

When: Starting Tuesday Sept.4th  
(schedules will be handed out at the first practice)

Time: 3:15pm-4:30pm



Where: Commons

Cost: \$10.00

If you have any questions or need assistance with fees please contact Stacey Johnson at 697-2394 ext. 172 or at [sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us](mailto:sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us)

# Elementary Cheer Team



Cost: \$10  
Starting Sept. 4th

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info:

Home Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to participate on the elementary cheer team.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If you have any questions or need assistance with fees please contact Stacey Johnson at 697-2394 ext. 172 or at [sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us](mailto:sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us)

# Elementary Volleyball

Grades 4th-6th  
Starting September 13th



Registration is \$10.00

Thursdays 3:15-4:30 pm  
in Gym B

Come and learn volleyball skills, game rules and volleyball strategy.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Stacey at 697-2394 ext. 172 or [sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us](mailto:sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us)

# Elementary Volleyball

Thursday Sept. 13th  
3:15-4:30 pm  
\$10.00

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info:

Home Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to participate in elementary volleyball.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guradian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Return this form, with fee made payable to Hill City Community Education, to the school office or to the first practice - no later than Sept. 13th -

For assistance with class fees or questions concerning this class, please contact Stacey @ Hill City Community Education at 697-2394 X172 or [sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us](mailto:sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us)





**Hill City Pony  
League Football**  
4-6th Grade  
**\$20**

**Practice will start  
August 20th at 5pm**

*Summer Football Camp  
July 30th-Aug. 3rd 9am -12noon  
At GR middle school  
Cost \$10*

*For more info or questions please call  
Rich Casteel 259-0226  
Drew Prochazka 326-0397*

Reminder that all player need to get a physical completed by a physician. Forms can be found in the office or at the clinic

If you have any questions contact Mark Blanchard at 218-360-3469

If you need assistance with the fee please contact stacey at 697-2397 ext 172 or at [sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us](mailto:sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us)

**Pony League Football**  
4-6th Grade  
**FEE: \$20**

(made payable to Hill City Community Education)

Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact info: Home Ph: \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Ph: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Ph: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to participate in Pony League Football.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian Signature Date

Please bring registration form and fee to the office or to the first practice

Questions about leauge or fees please contact Stacey @ Hill City Community Education at 697-2394 X172 or [sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us](mailto:sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us)



**JUDO**  
**(8 week class)**

Judo is a self-defense sport in which students will learn basic holds, throws, break falls, safe falls, and balance. Learn confidence and self discipline all while having fun! If you've never taken Judo beofre now is a great time to start. Wear comfortable clothes (sweat shirt and sweatpants). Register early, class size is limited to 20 students.



Fee: \$18.00 payable to Hill City Comm. Ed.  
Instructor: Colleen Bishop, Sandan  
Ages: K-adult  
Days: Wednesdays for eight weeks  
Starts: **Wed., Sept. 12th**  
Ends: **Wed., Oct. 31st**  
Times: Class one 6:00pm-7:00pm  
Open to all! Class for beginners  
Class two 7:00pm-8:00pm

For those ages 10 and up or those who have coaches permission

Register by: Wed., Sept. 12th  
Max # Allowed: 20

For assistance with class fees or questions, please call Stacey Johnson @ Comm. Ed. at 697-2394 X172 or at [sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us](mailto:sjohnson@hillcity.k12.mn.us).

**Sept. - Oct. JUDO**  
**K-Adult**  
**FEE: \$18**



Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact info: Home Ph: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Ph: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to participate in the Judo Class.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Class One 6-7 pm** for beginners and ages 10 and under

\_\_\_\_\_ **Class Two 7-8 pm** for those 10 and older

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian Signature Date

**Return this form, with fee made payable to Hill City Community Education, to the school office**

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**Independent School District #2**  
*Serving Hill City, Jacobson, and Swatara*  
invites you to our  
**Fall 2012 Open House**



**Wednesday, August 29**  
**4:00 - 7:00 PM**  
**Hill City School**

Visit the classrooms! Meet the teachers!  
7th Grade students' parent meeting at 5:30  
Free picnic dinner 5:00 - 6:00  
Sponsored by Kids Plus  
**Everyone is Welcome!!**

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