

NATIONAL FFA WEEK IS FEBRUARY 16TH-20TH

FFA WEEK DRESS UP DAYS

Monday - Farmers Day Off
Wear Something Comfy



Tuesday - Harvest Day
Wear Camo, Boots, Flannel



Wednesday - Tractor Pride Day
Wear your favorite Tractor Shirt/Colors



Thursday - Farmer/Gardener Day
Dress up like your Favorite Farmer/Gardener



Friday - FFA SPIRIT DAY
!!!!Wear your FFA colors!!!!
National Blue & Corn Gold

HATS EVERY DAY - \$1 PER DAY
Daily hats are only for Middle/High School Students

REFERENDUM INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Wednesday, February 18th
6:00 pm-7:30 pm

Informational meeting regarding the Operational Referendum is offered by Shell Lake School Superintendent, Mr. Todd Felhofer. The meeting, which will include Q&A session, will be held in the District Library. All are encouraged to join!

ShellLakeReferendum.org

CORRECTION:

The magnetic school calendars list Friday, March 6th as PT Conferences- this is an error. There are not parent teacher conferences on March 6th. March 6th is a staff in service day and there is NO school for our students.



American Red Cross

Mark your calendar for Thursday, March 19th!

Shell Lake FFA is hosting our last blood drive of the year. Every donation is a double blessing: lifesaving for patients and supportive of scholarships for our graduating seniors. With the demand still great, we hope you'll consider giving.

SCHOOL NUTRITION

Lunch

Monday	Cheese Quesadilla or Uncrustable & String Cheese
Tuesday	Popcorn Chicken or Strawberry Blueberry Parfait
Wednesday	Choice of Pizza or Uncrustable & String Cheese
Thursday	Build a Burger or Strawberry Banana Smoothie w/ Bagel
Friday	Boneless Wings or Ham and Cheese Sandwich

Breakfast

WG Mini Waffles
Choice of Muffin
Cheese Omelet
WG Donut Holes
Breakfast Pizza



Feed My People
FOOD BANK

All breakfast comes with choice of cereal

SUSTAINING OUR SCHOOLS

OPERATIONAL REFERENDUM | APRIL 7, 2026



The School District of Shell Lake is a source of pride for our community, reflecting a shared commitment to educating our children and preparing them for future success. However, **ongoing financial challenges** make it increasingly difficult to sustain the high educational standards our community expects and values.

These financial challenges stem from factors largely beyond our control, including an inadequate state education funding system, a lack of state aid for public schools in recent years, rising operational expenses, unfunded state and federal mandates, and declining enrollment. In fact, had revenues kept pace with inflation since 2009, school districts like ours would receive about **\$3,500 more per student** in the current school year alone.



PROPOSED SOLUTION



On **Tuesday, April 7, 2026**, our community will vote on a **nonrecurring operational referendum** question for the School District of Shell Lake. This funding tool will allow our district to exceed its state-imposed revenue limit by \$650,000 per year through 2029-30. These funds will **limit future budget cuts** and allow the district to:



MAINTAIN CLASS SIZES

Ensure individualized attention for our students



PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES

Maintain academic and extracurricular activities



LIMIT STAFF REDUCTIONS

Retain and attract quality educators and support staff



ADDRESS MAINTENANCE NEEDS

Preserve safe, well-functioning facilities for our students, staff, visitors, and community



PROPERTY TAX IMPACT



An approved referendum is estimated to increase the mill rate from **\$6.82 to \$6.89 per \$1,000 of fair market value**. For a property valued at \$250,000, this amounts to an annual increase of about \$17.50.

By using sound debt levy management, the district will be able to keep the mill rate at \$6.89 for each year the referendum is in place.

The Board of Education and administration have a history of respecting the needs of property taxpayers. Since 2021-22, the School District of Shell Lake's mill rate has **fallen by more than 37%**.

Learn More >>>



Find answers to FAQs and more information at:
www.shelllakereferendum.org



SHELL LAKE STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Our Shell Lake Elementary student of the week is Eli Thayer. Eli's can-do attitude, kindness to all, and willingness to help others makes him a great example of a Laker Maker! He approaches each day with a smile and is always ready to learn something new. Way to LEARN, GROW, and TRY EVERYTHING, Eli!



Our Shell Lake Middle School student of the week is Perla Aguilar. Perla leads by example on a daily basis. Her teachers appreciate her ability to balance a healthy social life with her school work. Keep up the great work, Perla!

The student of the week for Shell Lake High School is David Petz. David is showing dedication and hard work in all of his classes and puts in the effort at the end of the day during Resource time. We appreciate how David contributes to a positive classroom environment as he quietly takes care of business. Thank you David for your efforts!!



CONGRATULATIONS LAKERS!

CLC Program

Students must be registered prior to attending the After School Program for Lakers in grades 4K-6th. Details regarding dates and pick-up times can be found in the registration form below:

CLC/ AFTER SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Updates and Reminders:

February 18:

Referendum Information Meeting

March 5:

End of 2nd Trimester

March 6:

No School for Students

March 9-13:

Spring Break- No School

March 11:

Referendum Information Meeting

EXPLORING 4K

9AM-10:30AM
Shell Lake 4K Classroom
 (271 Hwy 63 Shell Lake, WI 54871)
March 20 | April 17 | May 15

ALL CHILDREN turning 4 years old before **September 1, 2026** are invited to join us for a time of **Stories, Crafts, Snacks and Play!** Siblings welcome.



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holmant@shelllake.k12.wi.us

Bryanna Green
218-206-6675
bryanna@lakelandfrc.com



Child Development Day 2026

MARCH 21
9a-12p



ALL SHELL LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT CHILDREN 0-5 YR

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

BIG TRUCKS

DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS

Staff Shout Out

Celebrate our Staff

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
HOME OF THE LAKERS

Athletic Events
[CLICK HERE](#)



February 16th - 21st

Fiber Fun
Tuesday, February 17th at 4pm

Families are invited to the Shell Lake Public Library and join us to make wool-felted soap bars and learn about the animals that donate their fleece. This program will adapt to any age group so bring the whole family along

Teachers, Educators, & Arts

Tuesday, Feb 17th at 4pm **Fiber Fun**
Families are invited to come make wool felted soap bars and learn about the animals that donate their fleece. This program will adapt to any age group so bring the whole family along

CLICK & Learn!

Struggling with technology? We have help with your laptop, tablet and phone!

Questions? Contact Our Computer Specialist at 715-468-2074 or shelllakelibrary.org

Canvas Tote Painting

Friday, February 20th at 4pm

Teen's are invited for a night of creativity! Come paint a tote bag with paint markers! All supplies will be provided as well as a snack!

Shell Lake Public Library

Thursday, Feb 19th from 10am-2pm **Click & Learn**

Get help with basic computer, technology, and internet skills. Bring your own devices, use the library's public computers, or try one of the laptops available.

LET'S TALK about DEATH

A safe and welcoming space where people come together to have open, honest and respectful conversations about death and dying.

Come to our session on Come to know us: Thursday Jan 23, Feb 19, Mar 19, 2019. 5:00pm - 8:00pm. Shell Lake Public Library, 501 1st Street, Shell Lake, WI 54871. Contact: Jennifer at shelllakelibrary.org

Thursday, Feb 19th from 3-4:30pm **Death Cafe**

A Death Cafe is a welcoming and casual space where people gather to have open and respectful conversations about death and dying. This is not a grief support group.

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Shell Lake Public Library

Friday, Feb 20th at 4pm **Teen Night**

Teens are invited for an evening of expression at the Shell Lake Public Library. Art is a great way to express your thoughts and feelings, develop your own ideas, and explore your creativity.

Daily scavenger hunt for kids and teens, puzzles, games, wii & more!

Shell Lake Winterfest

SAT, FEB 14th
11:00am — 4:30pm

Join us at the Shell Lake Beach House!

- S'MORES
- Hot apple CIDER
- Hot CHOCOLATE
- BONFIRES on the beach
- ICE SKATING on the lake
- Roasted MARSHMALLOWS
- Adult ICE FISHING experience
- ICE FISHING experience for KIDS
- Tomato soup & GRILLED CHEESE

CRASS ON THE LAKE WRESTLING CLINIC

Build Strength Master Technique Train With The Best

CRASS TRAINED

June 22 - 23 At 9AM - 2:30PM

Grades 7 - 12 **\$75**
Grades K - 6 **\$50**

Boys And Girls Of All Skill Levels Welcome

REGISTER TODAY:

SCHEDULE:

- 9:00 - 10:30 (7 - 12)
- 10:30 - 11:00 Break
- 11:00 - 12:30 (7 - 12)
- 12:00 - 12:30 Lunch
- 1:00 - 2:30 (K - 12).

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH

CALL/TEXT:
Registration Questions 715-419-0610
Clinic Questions 715-558-2931

SHELL LAKE HIGH SCHOOL
271 US 63 Shell Lake, WI 54871

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SHELL LAKE MUSIC DEPARTMENT'S PRODUCTION OF

Disney's **THE LITTLE MERMAID**

Music by Alan Menken Lyrics by Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater Book by Doug Wright

SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY MAR 19	7:00 PM
FRIDAY MAR 20	7:00 PM
SATURDAY MAR 21	2:00 PM & 7:00 PM
SUNDAY MAR 22	2:00 PM

TICKET INFO COMING SOON

Based on the Hans Christian Andersen story and the Disney film produced by Howard Ashman & John Musker and written & directed by John Musker and Ron Clements

Originally Produced by Disney Theatrical Group

DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.com



**Monday, February 16, 2026
Regular School Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

Notice is hereby given to the public and news media pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes that the regular meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Shell Lake, Wisconsin, will be held on Monday, February 16, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the library media center.

The proceedings can be viewed here:

<https://www.youtube.com/@shelllakeschool3064/streams>

1. Opening Items

- A. Posting of Meeting
- B. Call to Order
- C. Roll Call
- D. Public Comments

2. Administrative Reports

- A. Athletic Director Report
- B. Pupil Services Report
- C. PK-6 Principal Report
- D. 7-12 Principal Report
- E. Superintendent Report

3. President's Report

- A. President's Report

4. Consent Agenda Items

- A. Approval of Consent Agenda B-E
- B. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of January 19, 2026 and Special Meetings February 5, 2026
- C. General Fund Invoices
- D. General Fund and Fund 21 Hand Payables
- E. January 2026 Financial Information

5. New Business

- A. Accept the Resignation of Lane Deyo, Assistant Track Coach
- B. Approve the Employment of: Matt Kubista, Trap Team Coach
- C. Approve the Employment of: Sharon Ricci, High School Assistant Track Coach

- D. Approve the Employment of: Phil Klein, Middle School Girls Basketball Coach
- E. Approve the Employment of: Custodian
- F. Approve the Transfer of:
- G. Accept the Retirement of:
- H. Approve Field Trips:
- I. Acceptance of Gifts:
- J. April Operational Referendum Update
- K. Second Friday January Enrollment Count
- L. Food Service Report
- M. Mid-Year AGR Report
- N. 2024-2025 Financial Audit
- O. Update Fund 46 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
- P. Initial Health Insurance Renewal
- Q. Second Reading Policy 443.6: Student Use and Possession of Weapons
- R. Second Reading Policy 443.7: Bullying
- S. Second Reading Policy 445: Interview with Outside Agencies
- T. Second Reading Policy 445-RULE: Student Interviews with Outside Agencies
- U. First Reading Policy 446: Student Searches
- V. First Reading Policy 446.0: Student Search Activities
- W. First Reading Policy 446.1: Locker Searches
- X. First Reading Policy 447: Student Discipline
- Y. First Reading Policy 447.1: Staff Use of Physical Force
- Z. First Reading Policy 447.11: Use of Seclusion and Restraint
- AA. First Reading Policy 447.3: Student Suspension/Expulsion

6. Committee and Liaison Reports

- A. Finance
- B. Strategic Planning
- C. Policy
- D. Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment
- E. Arts Center
- F. School Safety
- G. School Forest

H. WASB

7. Adjourn

A. Adjournment