

Warsaw Middle School Board Report  
December 7, 2009 Meeting

Sandy Nevens, Principal

**I. Students of the Month for October**

_Saucier, Bolduc	Haley Tibbets
Campbell, Hutt, Newhouse	Courtney Sprague
Littlefield, Graham, Ulrichson	Cassie Miller
Longstreet, Veilleux	Hunter Wintle
Cianchette, Perkins	Jen Handley
Brown, Rollins	Kali Doiron
Dorman, Woodbury	Jacob Burbine

**Congratulations to all seven students who ate pizza together this week, advised us on what they love about Warsaw and what “needs work”, and wrote a card thanking a teacher for “being there” for the students.**

**II. Winter Sports:**

**7<sup>th</sup> grade girls’ basketball, eighth grade girls’ basketball, 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys’ basketball, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys’ basketball** have begun their seasons, along with our ever growing cheerleading squad. Both girls’ teams were victorious in the first games against Messalonskee.

**III. YAP Doings.** Jenn Saucier and Kayla will be coordinating YAP activities at Warsaw. W already had a YAP sponsored Tobacco Awareness Day. Karen Brown will be working with Warsaw on behalf of YAP!

**IV. Chef’s Club** will be cooking soon, thanks to the generosity of Healthy Maine Partnership.

**V. Vaccinations:** Thank you to staff, parents, and students for your patience and support as we

provided vaccinations in the Warsaw gym for those students who signed up. A big thank you to Nurse Millie Bachrach, Dewey Kane, Mike Gallagher, Peggy Thompson, and Kristie Seekins for coordinating the vaccination process !

**VI. Student Council:** Warsaw's student council has been raising funds for Coats and Toys for Kids, our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive,

**VII. Math Curriculum Work:** MMSA's Meghan Southworth has continued her math course here at Warsaw and has visited classrooms as well.

**VIII. Skills Blocks:** We continue to make adjustments to both our 5<sup>th</sup> /6<sup>th</sup> math and reading and 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> math skills blocks We have met several times this fall to ensure that we are meeting the needs of all students.

**IX. The CIPS Plan, 2009-2010:** Warsaw Middle School's CIPS Planning team has met monthly this fall to address issues with math practices and to strengthen the work that we are doing at Warsaw in math. We showed some growth last year with the results of the 2008-2009 MEA tests, but even though we met our targets in math and reading, we are still in Safe Harbor for the 2009-2010 school year. As you know, the Sate Testing has moved from March to October, so we are looking forward to seeing how we did before summer!

There is no question that the biggest item in front of us at Warsaw this year and in front of the Board tonight is the Warsaw Middle School CIPS Plan which you will have in your packets. We worked with Fran Farr, our CIPS consultant to create a plan that we believe is proactive in addressing our areas of needs and our strengths. I will field any questions you may have tonight in regard the many pieces of the CIPS Plan.

**Finally,** as Principal of Warsaw Middle School, I must recognize the commitment of district administrators, Fran Farr, teachers, support personnel, parents and students to our commitment to improving student learning ,especially in math.

*Sandy Nevens, December 3, 2009*