NEWS AND VIEWS

School Newsletter October - November 2021



Wausau West High School
Office Hours:

7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Principal:

Jeb Steckbauer – 715-261-0855 jsteckba@wausauschools.org

Wausau West High School

Office - 715-261-0850

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Office Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Website**: west.wausauschools.org

Associate Principals:

Amber Haluska - 715-261-0861

(Special Education)

Arrin Woller - 715-261-0871

(Programming)

Jon Tomski – 715-261-0862

(Pupil Services)

Athletic/Activity Director:

<u>Brian Miller</u> - 715-261-0874

bmiller@wausauschools.org

Other Important Numbers:

Counseling Office – 715-261-0890 Nurse's Office – 715-261-0851 Attendance Office – 715-261-0880 Career Center – 715-261-0853





A graduation date has been set!

Please mark your calendar for

Monday, May 23, 2022

7:00 p.m. in the Fieldhouse



Parent/Teacher

Conferences

PARENT - TEACHER CONFERENCES

It's important for parents to stay in touch with their student's teachers. Parent-teacher conferences give you the opportunity to meet and ask questions.

We are continuing to offer parents and guardians online scheduling through PTCFast.com[™] for our

two conference dates held on:

Tuesday, October 19, from 4:00-8:00 p.m. and Wednesday, October 27, from 12:30-7:30 p.m.

Watch for a letter being mailed home along with your students Progress Reports on October 6.

Due to the continued pandemic we will be offering virtual conferences upon request. If you prefer a virtual conference please indicate when signing up. The teacher code will be listed on the schedule you receive from PTCFast, via email after you sign up.

MANDATORY WINTER ATHLETIC PARENT AND ATHLETE MEETING

The mandatory athletic parent and athlete meeting for winter athletes will be held on **Monday, October 25, at 6:00 p.m.,** in room 315. The meeting will last



approximately 60 minutes and will cover the athletic code, harassment, hazing, and general athletic information. Parents, guardians and athletes only have to attend one meeting per year, so if you attended in the fall, your obligation has been met.

A student-athlete will not be allowed to compete until the parent and athlete obligation has been fulfilled.

If you cannot attend the meeting, contact

Brian Miller at 715-261-0874

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- Data will be analyzed each Thursday
- Level number will be shared with students and families each Friday
- Level actions will be implemented each Monday

PROCEDURES FOR STUDENT ABSENCES

If you are absent from school, for whatever reason, please follow the procedures listed below:

- Call the Attendance office and let them know the length of your absence.
- Email your teachers to let them know you will be absent and for how long.
- Continue to do your work through ItsLearning while you are home.
- ☑ It is good practice to follow your schedule during your absence to ensure you are staying up-to-date on your school work. (for example you have USH mods 1-3 so access ItsLearning during that time to cover your work for that class.)
- Connect with your teachers if you have any questions.
 Their schedules are available on the <u>West website</u> under students.

It is the responsibility of the students to continue to access their content through ItsLearning while they are gone. Encourage your students to reach out to their teachers during this time if they have questions.





Hello Students and Parents.

As we begin the new school year, we would like to introduce our Pupil Services Team and make you aware of the mental health services available in our building. We are dedicated to helping students experience academic, personal and social success during their years at Wausau West. We also assist students with academic and career planning, helping students formulate post-secondary plans and focus on life after high school. Please reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns or visit our Mental Health Resources.

MEET YOUR PUPIL SERVICES TEAM:

Joe Kelter, School Counselor (Department Leader)

Jenny Hintz, School Counselor

Teri Sether, School Counselor

Haley Kerswill, School Counselor

- * KC Alft, School Counselor
- * Robbie Grzadzielewski, 504/ACP Coordinator

Kelly Perdue, School Social Worker

Melanie Brunner, School Psychologist

Raymond Jensen, Career Center Director

Patti Kraus, Administrative Assistant

Students at West are assigned to counselors by homeroom: <u>Counselor & Homerooms</u>

MENTAL HEALTH & COMMUNITY COUNSELORS (Available at West)

It is a time of uncertainty, change and unknowns and this can be very stressful, we are here to help, support and problem solve with you. Our community is also fortunate to have many outpatient counseling options. West has partnered with Bridge Clinic and The Centre for Well Being to offer outpatient counseling services at West during the school day. If you are interested in these services please contact Kelly Perdue, School Social Worker. For a more comprehensive list of counseling options within our community please click on the following link: Wausau Area Counseling Agencies



NOTES FROM THE SENIOR MEETING

There will be approximately five senior meetings this year. The first one was held on September 9. We discussed information that relates to your students' senior year and what needs to be done in order to graduate in May. Most meetings will be in the auditorium. Announcements will be made as the dates gets closer. On Monday, November 8, we will be having a meeting with a Jostens representative regarding cap and gown and announcement orders.

- 1. It is the student's job to ensure they graduate. We are here to assist you, yet if your student ignores what needs to be done (come to school, do homework, study for tests, etc.) they may not pass their required classes. Please contact us if you have concerns or see your student's counselor for a credit check.
- 2. Credit check forms were sent to your homes in July and may have caused some confusion. See your counselor if you didn't get one or don't know where you stand.
- 3. Please check your school email! This is how we communicate importation information!
- 4. Also check your:
 - a. <u>Wausau West Counseling webpage</u> under the Student Services tab on the West website. On this website you will see: ACT Registration/Prep, Transcript and ACT ordering, UW/NTC applications, and scholarship information.
 - b. College accounts at each individual school.
- 5. Each year some students who have fulfilled all the graduation requirements by the end of the first semester want to graduate early. If your student has thoughts of graduating after the first semester, see your counselor. **Applications are due by December 1st.**
- 6. This year will have many due dates and that can add a lot of stress! Remember to have your student pace themselves and talk about the stress. They are NOT alone in feeling this way. We are here to help you!



Senior Section

Students planning on attending two or four-year campuses should start working on their applications now. *Once completed, double check your application status to make sure the colleges have received all of your materials.*Missing even one item can hold up the review process. If you need assistance completing applications please come into the Counseling Office or Career Center right away.

Finally the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) will be active as of October 1, 2021.

College Goal Wisconsin is affiliated with a national event that provides free information and assistance to families who need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®), the federally required form for students seeking financial aid such as grants and loans. Completing the FAFSA is the first and most important step in qualifying for aid to help pay for college. If interested in attending, families need to register for this event and make sure the student and one parent have their FSA ID created prior to the event. Please reference the West Counseling Website to learn how to create your FSA ID.

Get help completing your FAFSA by attending a virtual or in person event. You will receive free help and expert advice!

Upcoming College Goal Wisconsin Dates:

October 18, 2021 @ 6:00pm - NTC Wausau (Register Here)

October 26, 2021 @ 6:00pm - UW-Stevens Point (Register Here)

November 2, 2021 @ 6:00pm - NTC Wausau (Register Here)

Please review the <u>list of items to bring</u>.

In the near future, we will be posting a video breaking down the basics on financial aid to our <u>Counseling Website</u>. Please also check our website for <u>scholarships</u> available and deadlines.

The West Counseling Department and Career Center are available for specific questions.

Attention Seniors: If you have been accepted to a college or university, this acceptance is partially dependent on the classes you have selected to take your final year in high school. Therefore, if you must change your second semester schedule, you need to first check with the admissions office of the college you plan to attend to receive their approval of your change. To do so without checking could jeopardize your admission.

Scholarship Information

College education is expensive, however, financial help is available in the form of scholarships. To date, the Counseling Office has posted numerous scholarship opportunities available to seniors. Check the Counseling Office for detailed information. Scholarship information is also available on the West webpage at: west.wausauschools.org. Under the Student Services tab.

Remember scholarships and other free money is very competitive. Once you have completed your admission applications start applying for scholarships. Check the Wausau West Counseling webpage scholarship section. Some of the scholarships require recommendation letters and essays. Plan accordingly and start working on them early.

Any senior still undecided on their next path after high school should set up a meeting with their parents and counselor as soon as possible.

Mid-Term Grads:

If your child is planning on graduating at mid-term, he/she must do the following before December 1, 2021:

- ☑ See their counselor to verify credit status.
- ☑ Pick up an Early Graduation Request form from the Counseling Office and return the completed form with additional documentation to Mr. Kelter before the deadline of **December 1, 2021.**

Junior Section

JUNIOR PARENT NIGHT WILL BE OCTOBER 19, 6:00 - 7:00 P.M., IN THE WEST AUDITORIUM.

**NOTE: THIS WILL BE HELD DURING THE PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES.

It's time to start thinking about and actively planning your post secondary plans. Options include employment, military, trade or technical college, two or four-year university/college. This is a very important year for planning purposes. Those who have decided college, or technical college, the next step is to do "official" campus visits. Contact information is listed on the Wausau West Counseling webpage. Campus visit opportunities are also posted in the cabinet outside of the Counseling Office. Visit as many campuses as possible. Take notes on what you like and dislike about every campus you visit. This will assist you in making decisions about college choices. Also, come and listen to representatives during college visiting days. Before a campus tour or college visit, remember to pick up a question sheet from the Counseling Office. You can always ask college representatives the questions during your tour.

Students planning on entering the workforce or the military should be talking with their parents and meeting with employers or recruiters as soon as possible.

EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM/START COLLEGE NOW SIGN UP DEADLINE

Interested in taking classes at (ECCP) UW Stevens Point at Wausau or (SCN) NTC while still a high school student? Please visit the counseling website for the appropriate application and eligibility information, and see your counselor for more information or clarification. Students must be in strong academic standing, and on track with West's graduation requirements. Both programs have strict application deadline and eligibility requirements. Not all students qualify.

DEADLINES:

No later than March 1, 2022, for a course taken in the fall semester.

No later than October 1, 2021, for a course taken in the spring semester.

<u>Group Activities</u>: One of the ways counselors assist students is by conducting group sessions which deal with specific issues. For example, groups focus on children of divorced parents, the loss of a family member or close friend, eating disorders, smoking cessation, etc. Please call your child's counselor if you feel your son/daughter would benefit from this type of support. Also, if you do not wish to have your child participate in this kind of group, please call the Counseling Office (715-261-0890) and speak with your child's counselor.

UW EAU CLAIRE ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP

Are you a UWEC graduate? Do you give money to the UWEC Foundation? Do you know where that money goes? Would you like to know EXACTLY where it goes?

The faculty of Wausau West who are also UW Eau Claire Alumni have created a \$500 scholarship **just** for a Wausau West graduate who attends UWEC. Until now, they have funded the scholarship themselves, but we need your help to keep it going and possibly expand it.

If you wish to help fund this wonderful opportunity for a Wausau West graduate, you can designate your donation to the UW Eau Claire Foundation to **Wausau West - UWEC Alumni Scholarship, scholarship number 2015**. Every penny of your donation goes back to a Wausau West graduate. It could be your son or daughter some day! For more information, contact Dr. Jerry Reinardy at 715-261-0905.





ACT 2021 - 2022 TEST DATES

TEST DATE	REGULAR REGISTRATION Deadline	LATE REGISTRATION Deadline
September 11, 2021	August 6, 2021	August 20, 2021
October 23, 2021	September 17, 2021	October 1, 2021
December 11, 2021	November 5, 2021	November 19, 2021
February 12, 2022	January 7, 2022	January 21, 2022
April 2, 2022	February 25, 2022	March 11, 2022
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022	May 20, 2022
July 16, 2022	June 17, 2022	June 24, 2022

Registration Site: www.actstudent.org

SAT 2021 – 2022 TEST DATES

TEST DATE	REGULAR REGISTRATION Deadline	LATE REGISTRATION Deadline (Online)
August 28, 2021	July 30, 2021	August 17, 2021
October 2, 2020	September 3, 2021	September 21, 2021
November 6, 2021	October 8, 2021	October 26, 2021
December 4, 2021	November 4, 2021	November 23, 2021
March 12, 2022	February 11, 2022	March 1, 2022
May 7, 2022	April 8, 2022	April 26, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 5, 2022	May 25, 2022

Registration Site: https://mysat.collegeboard.org

PSAT

2021 Test Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2021

HIGH SCHOOL CODE: 502417

ACT or SAT

Juniors and seniors planning to attend college should speak to their assigned counselors to obtain information about these standardized tests for college admission. Parents, please urge your child to get this valuable information soon!

NCAA CLEARING HOUSE-ATTENTION DIVISION I AND II PROSPECTIVE COLLEGE ATHLETES

If you are a senior planning to participate in Division I or II sports as a college freshman, now is the time to register and be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center. It is the student's responsibility to research college athletic programs and carefully check and understand NCAA requirements. Since only approved Wausau West High School core coursework will be considered for eligibility, it is imperative that students take the appropriate courses prior to graduation. The approved list can be obtained by visiting the NCAA Eligibility website. The Wausau West school code is 502-417. The NCAA Eligibility Center website provides information on eligibility standards, financial aid, recruiting and the national letter of intent, in addition to other topics of interest to student athletes. It will also provide information regarding NCAA guidelines and the changes regarding the increased number of required approved core courses students in high school must complete.



CAREER CORNER

<u>COLLEGE AND MILITARY VISITS:</u> Representatives from colleges, universities and the military will visit the Career Center throughout the year. Students should watch for advertisements and emails and make a point to stop by the Career Center to meet with a representative and learn more about their post-secondary options.

<u>ASVAB</u>: The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) will be offered at Wausau West to any interested junior or senior. The ASVAB is a voluntary, free career aptitude test designed for students who plan to enter the military upon graduation <u>OR</u> for students who simply want to learn how their skills and interests match hundreds of occupations. The ASVAB is a 3-hour test. The date will be announced by October 1, 2021, along with the registration deadline. If you have questions, see Mr. Jensen in the Career Center.

SELECTIVE SERVICE: All males must register with Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Students may register as early as three months after their 17th birthday. This is not a school requirement, it is the law. Failure to register will affect a student's ability to receive financial aid, job training or to gain citizenship. Registering with Selective Service is easy and only takes about two minutes. Visit Mr. Jensen in the Career Center, go online at www.sss.gov, or pick up a registration card in the Career Center or at any post office.

STUDENTS, CHECK YOUR EMAIL! Students are encouraged to check their Wausau School District email regularly to stay up-to-date on happenings in the Career Center. College, military and community organization visitors will be announced via email. Additionally, job and volunteer opportunities and field trip announcements may also be sent via email. Announcements are also posted on the TV messaging system.

CONTACT INFORMATION: If you have questions related to career planning, college, or employment, please contact Ray Jensen, Career Center Coordinator, at 715-261-0853 or at riensen@wausauschools.org

Biology Extended Students At Wausau West Working On Wisconsin Tree Identification



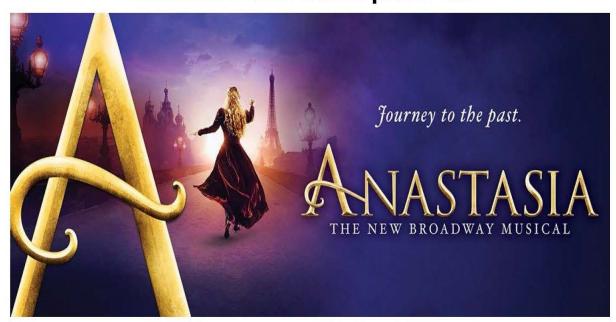


BANDSTOCK 2021

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 16, 7:00 pm., in the Auditorium Tickets available at wausauwhs.booktix.com



Wausau West Drama presents:



November 12 and 13, 7:00 pm November 14, 2:00 pm

Tickets are available at Booktix: wausauwhs.booktix.com

This dazzling Tony-nominated show transports its audience from the twilight of the Russian Empire to the euphoria of Paris in the late 1920s, as a brave young woman sets out to discover the mystery of her past. Pursued by a ruthless Soviet officer determined to silence her, Anya enlists the aid of a dashing con man and a lovable ex-aristocrat. Together, they embark on an epic adventure to help her find home, love, and family. Based on the 1997 movie and the legend of the lost Duchess, Anastasia Romanov.

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Submission Deadline: October 31

Seniors and Senior Parents: All senior portraits for the yearbook must be submitted by October 31. Photos may be emailed to westpublications@wausauschools.org, or brought in to Room 144 (Pub Lab) on a disk in good condition to scan.

Still need a photo or need a photo that meets yearbook requirements?

Empire Photography will be at Wausau West on Wednesday, October 6, to offer **FREE** senior portrait opportunities. Sign up on the Pub Lab door, room 144, for a designated photo time. A portrait will be provided to the yearbook, and then you will receive proofs at your home for any additional photos you wish to order.

All submitted photos must meet the yearbook guidelines, which were mailed home to all juniors (seniors to be) in May 2021. We will not accept photos that do not comply with these specifications. The rules are to be followed, not challenged.

DO NOT LOOK AT PREVIOUS YEARBOOKS FOR EXAMPLES. THE REQUIREMENTS BELOW WILL BE CONSIST-ENTLY AND STRICTLY ENFORCED FOR THE 2021-2022 YEARBOOK!

DO: PROVIDE A TRADITIONAL HEAD SHOT

- *Head size: eyebrow to chin should measure one-half (1/2")
- *300 dpi, CMYK color
- *Shoulder shot, front view
- *Print size: minimum of 1 3/8 inches wide by 2 inches tall, but a larger print is requested so we have the flexibility to align faces
- *Digital images are preferred, but regular prints will be accepted
- *Plain colored background, avoid white & gray; a solid brick wall background is acceptable
- *Remember the dress code and consider how pictures will be cropped; we will return photos which would be inappropriate for the yearbook

REMEMBER:

- *NO OUTDOOR SHOTS!!!
- *NO WHITE, BLACK, PATTERN OR OUTDOOR BACKGROUNDS
- *NO PROPS IN PHOTO OR ON BACKGROUND (chairs, books, trees, athletic articles, hats, fences, wagon wheels, shutters, etc.)
- *NO SOFT or FUZZY FOCUS
- *NO LEAVES, TREES, FLOWERS, WATER, WIND OUTDOOR SHOTS
- *NO FULL BODY SHOTS

Standard school ID photos will be used as substitutions for non-complying photos. Photo requirements are designed to take into account economic differences of our students, to decrease lighting variances, and to meet yearbook academics competition guidelines.

Parents, who wish, may purchase senior ad space in the yearbook and submit personal photographs and messages for their student. Senior ad material will be mailed home in mid October.

Any questions please email cnewton@wausauschools.org



DECA IS IN FULL SWING!

Wausau West DECA is off to an amazing start for the 2021-2022 school year! There were over 175 students at our first meeting. Preparing leaders and

entrepreneurs for careers and education in marketing, finance, hospitality, management, and other business areas is DECA's primary focus. DECA also prepares students to be academically prepared, community oriented and professionally responsible experienced leaders. A few events that DECA hosted already this year was the summer annual DECA Deck Party and Bonfire. Both events were well attended and veteran DECA members had a chance to speak to interested members about the valuable organization. DECA's next BIG event will be the annual TRICK or CAN where members collect non-perishable food items and donate them to an organization in the greater Wausau Area. Last year DECA collected over 5,000 items for the Women's Community. We have numerous events happening in October and November. Competition season kicks off November 13 at our first ever Wausau DECA Invitational right here at Wausau West! Over ten schools from our District will be involved in participating in the Invitational. Follow us on Instagram @wwdeca to see all of our upcoming events and happenings. This year's DECA Officers are President-Grace Albee and Vice Presidents - Anika Parks, Lexi Schauls, Mason Voigt, Caleb Tuley, Lexi White and Jack Ecke. Students interested in joining DECA should see Mr. Hert or Mrs. Fuller for a membership card and list of monthly meeting dates. There is a \$25 activity fee for joining DECA. For the latest news and to check out our local business partners, check out our website at http://wwdeca.wixsite.com/wausau-west-deca and follow us on Instagram @wwdeca!





GERMANY 2022!

Our trip to **Germany** in 2022 is on, and we're gearing up for the excitement!

This will be the twenty-fifth year of our exchange with the **König-Karlmann-Gymnasium in Altöt-ting, Germany**. Our partner school will be sending students here for two weeks in April, and we will visit them in June.

We have held two informational meetings, but if you missed them, there is still time to sign up for the trip. Contact Dr. Jerry Reinardy at 715-261-0905 or reinrdy@wausauschools.org if you are interested. The final deadline to register is November 1, 2021. Los geht's!

Wonderful life advice from Mrs. Schremp's Sociology class!

Observe before you react Everything happens for a reason

"Be Kind" So much Luck comes from hard work can be said in those Go at your own pace. It two words.

To not care what anyone thinks too fast or slow you'll about you because in the end it really doesn't matter

Don't compare yourself finish line

with others Don't change for anyone because when you die you

If a day doesn't go well, wait until the clock hits 12. It's a new day, a better tomorrow

Always follow your dreams and don't give up on Show up them even if people tell you otherwise

If it won't affect you in 5 years class it's not a big deal

Everyone goes through pain, that your's might not be as big or bad as someone else's but that's

ok, because you're a human who has feeling

Bad things happen for a reason. I understand now. Losing people that you cared for will only make you stronger. Things heal and things do get better

Never book by its

cover

The only thing that matters ${
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m a}\,$ is what you do alone. Any accomplishment made with others will be downplayed and not as

impressive if you had done it alone

Aim to be better than how Never give up on you were the day before and something just because never stop doing so because you are bad at it, because

you can only become the next challenge and better with time and effort surpass it

Do not be afraid to stand up for something if you feel its right and needs to be changed

Education is one of the best things, do your best

Don't make decisions when you're mad or sad

If you give a man a fish, you feed him for a day. If you teach a man to fish, you feed him for a lifetime

Ask

doesn't matter if you're eventually get to the Always try even when it

for help

seems so far away or even when it seems impossible may have regretted not

Focus on what you can do and be in the future and not what you did or were in the past

Stop running away from your

problems and face them

Always focus yourself

What is the best advice vou have received?

Always try something before asking for help

Failing is there will always be someone a part of better than you, so look for

Yourself

Everyone has potential, what matters is how you use it

If we are so small and insignificant compared to the universe, then why would you want to disappoint the only person that loves you in the whole universe

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FOLLOW WHAT YOU LOVE DOING, BECAUSE WITH THIS YOU CAN LIVE MUCH HAPPIER KNOWING THAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO SOMETHING YOU ENIOY

Never take anything personal. Their thoughts about you, negatively or positively, will only affect trying or not giving it your all yourself. Learning to not

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take anything personal from anyone allows you to take better control of your own life

Hey, be a Warrior today

Not everything is about you

Keep going no matter what

Everybody has their strengths, and nobody has the right to judge others on what they're good at and not good at

It's ok to feel sad

Although sometimes it can be hard to keep going, you always have to get back up and keep fighting. No matter how tired, angry, sad, frustrated, etc

Say something nice to someone before you go, it may be the last time you'll see them or talk to them

Always try even when it seems so far away or even when it seems impossible because when you die you may have regretted not trying or not giving it your all

succeeding When bad things happen in life, always remember it happens for a reason. Pick yourself back up & good t things will happen

> You need to be able to process the disappointments NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS KEEP GOING in your life

UNTIL YOU REACH YOUR GOAL Follow your dream, you have to have a job most of your life so choose a career that you love and good things assumptions

2021 Featured Muralist Artists



Drift Glass by Jim Warren Reproduced by Mia Schuler Grade 12



Do not Wait for May by Gyuri Lohmuller Reproduced by Evie Del Conte Grade 10



Elements of Life by Jim Warren Reproduced by Destiny Lane 2021 Graduate



Evening Flights by Vladimir Kush Reproduced by Charlotte Knihtila Grade 11

VOLLEY FOR THE CURE VOLLEYBALL GAME 9/28/21



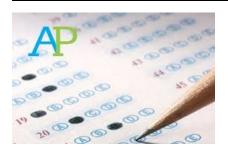








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Department/Activity Information cont'd

AP NEWS

PLEASE READ IF YOU ARE TAKING AN AP CLASS THIS YEAR.

Below is a timeline of events that AP students should follow so they are successfully registered for their AP test this year.

<u>Now:</u> Students create a College Board account (myap.collegeboard.org) for access to curriculum materials and test questions throughout the year.

October 18, 2021 - November 12, 2021: Students must register and pay for AP exams through TotalRegistration.net to avoid late fees (see below for more information regarding fees).

January 18, 2022: Last day to request testing accommodations through College Board

<u>February 15, 2022 - March 12, 2022 Students register and pay for 2nd semester classes (AP English Literature, AP Macroeconomics) through Total Registration</u>

March 15, 2022: Last day to register and pay in full for a year-long exam with a \$40.00 late fee.

May 2-13,2022 AP Testing - Schedule and testing sites to be posted at a later date.

<u>July 2022:</u> Students can access test scores through their College Board Account Students will be accessing the two different websites for their AP journey (See the notes below)

College Board

(myap.collegeboard.org)

- -Create a student account at the beginning of the school year.
- -Use the join code from your AP teacher to enroll in your class.
- -Receive activities, formatives, and practice tests assigned by AP teachers.
- -Designate whether you will be taking an AP test or not.
- -Information entered will produce a unique AP ID label sheet that will be used on exam materials.
- -During the Summer of 2022 students may request free exam reports to be sent to colleges (no longer on an answer sheet)

Total Registration

(Totalregistration.net)

- -Create a Total Registration account which includes parent information.
- -Register and pay for AP exams here
- -Receive administrative emails and texts sent to both parents and students regarding testing details, fees, etc.
- -To avoid a late fee, students in full year classes will register and pay by November 12, 2022

Payment Options are:

- Pay in full \$99 per exam by November 12, 2021
- Registration for full year classes can be done up to March 15th with a \$40 late for for a total of \$99 +
 \$40 per test
- Unused tests will result in a \$40 return fee per exam ordered.



WELCOME NEW 2021 STAFF!



KC Alft Counselor



Regina Anderson EL Teacher



Anna Belongia Resource Paraprofessional



Tekoya Cosby English Teacher



Randy Erdman Science Teacher



Karolyn Erickson Business Ed. Teacher



Kandie Gallagher Special Ed. Teacher



Melissa Gilbertson Special Ed. Teacher



Robert Grzadzielewski Counselor



Aimee Hein English Teacher



Sara Hinke Art Teacher



Kimari Kautzman Cafeteria



Matt Kleinhans Special Ed. Teacher



Jafia Kuzmick Special Ed. Paraprofessional



Jenna Kuzmick Special Ed. Paraprofessional

WELCOME NEW 2021 STAFF!



Alex Mills West Academy Teacher



Maria Myrick Speech/Language Pathologist



Katrina Olbrantz Cafeteria



Nick Peterson Special Ed. Teacher



Keith Pupp Special Ed. Teacher



Tracy Pupp
Health
Paraprofessional



Kirsten Rock Global Language Teacher



Keith Roerdink
Business Ed.
Teacher



Amy Schunk English Teacher



Brenna Solum English Teacher



Dawn Walbeck Special Ed. Teacher



Tamara Williams Cafeteria



Kelly
Wokatsch
Admin. Asst.
First Floor



Brianna Wright Science Teacher



Nancy Xiong Phy. Ed. Teacher



Ann Zastrow Special Ed. Para



Alexz
Zollpriester
Receptionist



From the Health Office

- Does your child have an emergency medication or rescue inhaler?
- Does your child need to take a prescription medication at school?
 If so, please make sure we have the needed paperwork and medication in the health office, including backup inhalers. Please contact the health office with any questions or concerns. We can assist you in getting all of the needed forms completed.
- If your child's absence is Covid related, please call 715-261-0851.
- Covid results can be emailed to tpupp@wausauschools.org



Tracy Pupp-HA
Kira McGinnity-RN
Phone-715-261-0851
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Contact - tpupp@wausauschools.org



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Talk with Your Teen About E-cigarettes: A Tip Sheet for Parents



BEFORE THE TALK

Know the facts.

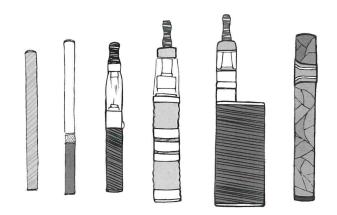
 Get credible information about e-cigarettes and young people at E-cigarettes.SurgeonGeneral.gov.

Be patient and ready to listen.

- Avoid criticism and encourage an open dialogue.
- Remember, your goal is to have a conversation, not to deliver a lecture.
- It's OK for your conversation to take place over time, in bits and pieces.

Set a positive example by being tobacco-free.

• If you use tobacco, it's never too late to quit. For free help, visit smokefree.gov or call **1-800-QUIT-NOW**.







PARENT PORTAL

The Parent Portal provides you access to your child's academic progress, homework completion, attendance, schedule and more!

Is your parent portal activated? Can you login? If your answer is no, or if you are having difficulties please contact

Julie Cordova at 715-261-0875 or at jcordova@wausauschools.org.

District Hotspots for Families with Internet Need

Once again the Wausau School District is able to provide families who are lacking adequate internet connectivity with a US Cellular Hotspot. To obtain a Hotspot, a parent or guardian will need to complete and return a WiFi Hotspot Contract (found on the District Webpage or a printed copy is available in the library). Once a completed contract is received by your child's school, a hotspot can be checked out from the school library.

Key Points:

- Hotspots are for school work and instruction only no personal use
- They are filtered in the same manner as school-issued devices
- Hotspots can be checked out for the entire school year
- They must be returned in good working order, damage free, and with all components
- Damaged and unreturned hotspots will result in a fee of \$99.00
- Missing charging components will result in a fee of \$25.00

If you are interested in obtaining a US Cellular Hotspot, please contact your child's school or return a completed WiFi Hotspot Contract to your child's school.





Dear Wausau School District Families,

Wausau School District is participating in the United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) Seamless Summer Option (SSO) for the entirety of the 2021-22 school year. This means that our school provides free meals to all students! This program provides additional support and flexibility for our district to continue serving meals to children while maintaining safety measures and managing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Included in the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic are nationwide supply chain and product availability shortages. Disruptions are due to a lack of availability of raw ingredients and labor to produce, unload, and transfer food products. Some food and/or beverage products normally provided to students may not be available or arrive as scheduled. Due to unforeseen circumstances, last-minute menu changes and product substitutions may occur. Be assured meals will remain balanced, healthy, and plentiful. We ask for patience and understanding as we do our best to meet the needs of your children.

Menus and nutritional information are always posted on our district website https://www.wausauschools.org/departments/nutrition-services

Please contact me with any questions at 715-261-0805 or email me at kfochs@wausauschools.org.

Sincerely, Karen Fochs
Director School Nutrition Services Wausau School District

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To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the <u>USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form</u>, (AD-3027) found online at: <u>How to File a Complaint</u>, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: 1. mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; 2. fax: (202) 690-7442; or 3. email: <u>program.intake@usda.gov.</u> This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

If you need Hmong or Spanish translation copies are available in the main office.



HOMECOMING 2021

FRIDAY Oct 1st: KICK OFF ASSEMBLY (alternate schedule for AM)

SUNDAY Oct 3rd: CLASS DECORATING in FIELDHOUSE

4p-6p - COME HELP!!

MONDAY Oct 4th: PAJAMA DAY

TUESDAY Oct 5th: NEON DAY

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WEDNESDAY Oct 6th: CLASS COLOR WAR DAY & COLOR ASSEMBLY

(alternate schedule for AM)

 $9^{th} = yellow(gold)$ $10^{th} = blue$ $11^{th} = white$ $12^{th} = black$ Staff = grey

THURSDAY Oct 7th: CLASS THEME DAY

9th = Friday Night Lights 10th = The Great Outdoors

11th = Teen Beach Movie 12th = Wild West Staff = Alumni Day

FRIDAY Sept Oct 8th: BLUE/GOLD DAY & BLUE-GOLD PEP ASSEMBLY from 1-3p



FOOTBALL GAME: Wausau West vs. Appleton West (Terrors) 7pm Thom Field

SATURDAY Oct 9th: HOMECOMING DANCE

- West Commons 7:30p-11:00p











FALL 2021 UPDATE

AD Miller here! We certainly have had a different September in 2021 than we did last year. All of your sports are playing a full schedule and we have had few schedule changes.

If you are asking about "the big headache" it's having enough bus drivers. Currently, we are having trouble finding drivers for buses to activities and events. This is especially true for our 2:30-4:30 departures. If you want to consider driving teams to and from games please contact me and I will direct you to First Student for more information.

Up to this point, our students and coaches have done a good job of staying safe. Our COVID exposure has been minimal and the addition of some of our kids being vaccinated shortens any periods for close contact quarantine. Our hope in the athletic office is that this continues.

On Monday, October 25, at 6 pm I will be hosting the WIAA Winter Sport parent/athlete meeting. If you and your student were unable to attend the fall meeting, you will need to attend this one to make sure your child is registered correctly and eligible for team sports. We will meet in room 315 at the high school.

There are currently no restrictions on the number of spectators that may watch our sports in person. If you haven't done so, make a point to check our calendar online and get out and support our Warriors. We are in the middle of a great fall season. Check out the calendar at https://wisconsinvalleyconference.org/public/genie/63/school/6/.

My motto for this year is "you are important to me." If nothing else, COVID left many of our students feeling disconnected and not part of anything. Some of them had a very difficult time last year. I want them to know that each one is important to me and my commitment is that when I meet with a student, they are the most important person to me at that moment and they have my attention. I want them to know West cares and we want them involved in all kinds of activities that can nurture lasting relationships.

We will be working on our online ticket and pass purchases platform as we move toward winter sports. Stay tuned for updates and tutorials. Purchasing online eliminates the use for cash and speeds up the process of entering events.

I hope you are enjoying the fall and all our activities, I know I am.

Respectfully,

Brian M. Miller – CMAA Athletic and Activities Director Wausau West High School "You are important to me"





DON'T FORGET OUR PRIDE PUMP AT RIISER ENERGY



Wausau West Athletics/Activities is participating in the Buffalo Wild Wings "Home Team Advantage Program."
Ten percent of your total bill will be donated back to Wausau West, which goes towards the athletic program for student athletes. You can mention "Team M" when you go to Buffalo Wild Wings to participate in this program.

WAUSAU WEST HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT 1200 WEST WAUSAU AVENUE, WAUSAU, WI 54401 745 264 0850 FAX (745)264 3260						
715-261-0850 - FAX (715)261-3260 2021-2022 HEAD COACHING STAFF & PHONE NUMBERS						
Athletic Director	Brian M. Miller	715-261-0874	715-209-6890	bmiller@wausauschools.org		
Admin. Assistant	Brittany Tesch	715-261-0870	715-212-2151	btesch@wausauschools.org		
Athletic Trainer	Kim Beggs	715-432-6462		kbeaas@boneioint.net		
Strength/Agility Coach	Vince Spratte	715-261-0850 Ext. 34267	262-370-7483	vspratte@wausauschools.org		
Fall Sports						
Sport	Head Coach	Work Phone	Home Phone	Email		
Cheer	Dana Rasmussen	715-2610250 Ext. 40005	262-909-5120	drasmussen@wausauschools.org		
Cross Country	Jason Myers	715-261-0850 Ext. 34147	715-432-7905	jmyers@wausauschools.org		
Cross Country	Rachel Tordsen	715-261-0850 Ext. 34218	715-212-7038	rtordsen@wausauschools.org		
Football	Jason Foster	715-261-0850 Ext. 34142	715-891-5952	ifoster@wausauschools.org		
Golf (Girls)	Janna Hillman	715-261-0850 Ext. 34863		ihillman@wausauschools.org		
Soccer (Boys)	John Czarnota		920-642-3363	john.czarnota@gmail.com		
Swimming (Girls)	Tyler Litman	715-261-0850 Ext. 34866	651-795-1731	tlitman@wausauschools.org		
Tennis (Girls)	Steve Wenninger		715-218- 4 571	swenning@wausauschools.org		
Volleyball	Paul Linzmeyer	715-261-0850 Ext.34239	715-581-5469	plinzmey@wausauschools.org		
Winter Sports						
Sport	Head Coach	Work Phone	Home Phone	Email		
Alpine Ski (Co-ed)	Jeff Tobin		715-551-0693	ski.guy@hotmail.com		
Basketball (Boys)	Nate Lemmens	715-261-0850 Ext. 34376	715-482-7909	nlemmens@wausauschools.org		
Basketball (Girls)	Tom Weinkauf		715-573-0864	tomweinkauf@charter.net		
Cheer	Dana Rasmussen	715-261-0250 Ext. 40005	262-909-5120	drasmussen@wausauschools.orq		
Curling (Co-ed)	Jim Wendling	715-261-0920	715-297-5757	jwendling@wausauschools.org		
Hockey (Boys)	Brian Brandt, Jr.	715-261-0850 Ext. 34181	715-212-4021	bbrandt@wausauschools.org		
Hockey (Girls)	Jacques du Vair			JduVair@dce.k12.wi.us		
Nordic Ski (Co-ed)	TBD					
Wrestling	Troy Fabry	715-261-0850 Ext. 34343	920-366-0098	tfabry@wausauschools.org		
Spring Sports						
Sport	Head Coach	Work Phone	Home Phone	Email		
Baseball	Jon Albee	715-261-0100 Ext. 35523	715-297-0618	jalbee@wausauschools.org		
Golf (Boys)	Matt Johnson	715-261-0850 Ext. 34215	715-571-7934	mtjohnson@wausauschools.org		
Lacrosse	Travis Brown	715-261-0100 Ext. 35572	715-432-8101	tbrown@wausauschools.org		
Soccer (Girls)	Sandra Barnhart		206-499-4255	sbamhart coa@wausauschools.org		
Softball	Jaime Hughes		715-977-1024	jhughes@wausauschools.org		
Tennis (Boys)	Steve Wenninger		715-218- 4 571	swenning@wausauschools.org		
Tennis (Boys) Track (Boys)	Steve Wenninger Vince Spratte	715-261-0850 Ext. 34267	715-218-4571 262-370-7483	swenning@wausauschools.org vspratte@wausauschools.org		

October-November 2021



2021-2022 CALENDAR

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- 1 Homecoming Kickoff Assembly Fieldhouse 8:00 am
- 5 Spirit-themed Bleacher & Entrance Decorating 4:00 - 6:00 pm
- 4-8 Homecoming Week
- 6 Senior Yearbook Photos Auditorium Lobby
- 6 Homecoming Color Assembly Fieldhouse 8:00 am
- 8 Homecoming Assembly Fieldhouse 1:00 pm
- 8 Homecoming Football Game Thom Field 7:00 pm
- 9 Homecoming Dance Commons 7:30 11:00 pm
- 16 Bandstock Auditorium—7:00 pm
- 18 Academic Awards Auditorium 7:00 pm
- 19 Parent/Teacher Conferences ~ 4:00 ~ 8:00 pm
- 25 All City Strings Concert @ Wausau East ~ 7:00 pm
- 27 Parent/Teacher Conferences ~ 12:30 ~ 7:30 pm

NO SCHOOL - PM

28-29 No School - Professional Learning

NOVEMBER

- 8 Jostens Senior Meeting Auditorium 7:45 am
- 11 Jostens Graduation Orders Commons 10:40 1:00 pm
- 12&13 Fall Musical Anastasia

Auditorium ~ 7:00 pm

- 14 Fall Musical Anastasia Auditorium 2:00 pm
- 22 Choir Concert Auditorium 7:00 pm
- 24 No School

25-26 Thanksgiving Break - No School

DECEMBER

- 1 Jostens Class Rings, Letter Jackets and Graduation Orders
 Commons 10:40-1:00 pm
- 6&7 Winter Concert Grand Theater 7:00 pm

23-31 Winter Break - No School

JANUARY

- 3 Classes Resume
- 7 Eighth Grade Tour ~ 8:00 am ~ 3:00 pm
- 8 Winter Gala
- 10 Eighth Grade Parent Night Auditorium 7:00 pm
- 12-14 Exams
- 17 No School Professional Learning
- 18 Conflict Resolution Day ~ Fieldhouse ~ 10:15 am ~ 2:30 pm

FEBRUARY

- 7 Advisor/Advisee Night 4:00 ~ 8:00 pm
- 18 No School Professional Learning
- 28 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00 8:00 pm

MARCH

- 7 Orchestra Concert Auditorium 7:00 pm
- 8 ACT Testing ~ 11th Grade ~ All day
- 10 Choir Concert Auditorium 7:00 pm
- 12 Art Show Commons 1:00 3:00 pm
- 14-18 Spring Fling Week
- 18 Battle Royale Fieldhouse 8:00 am
- 21-25 Spring Break No School
- 28 Classes Resume
- 29 ACT Makeup Testing 11th Grade

APRIL

- 13 Wall Of Excellence Auditorium 7:00 am
- 15 No School
- 20 ACT Aspire ~ 9th & 10th grade only
- 22 Spring Play Auditorium 7:00 pm
- 23/24 Spring Play Auditorium 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm
- TBA NHS Induction Ceremony Auditorium 7:00 pm
- 30 Prom

<u>MAY</u>

- 2 Band Chamber Recital Auditorium—7:00 pm
- 9 Band/Orchestra Concert Auditorium 7:00 pm
- 13 Pop Concert Auditorium 8 pm
- 14 Pop Concert Auditorium 4 pm & 8 pm
- 16&17 Pop Concert Auditorium 8 pm
- 18 Senior Awards Auditorium 6:30 pm
- 23 West Graduation Fieldhouse
- 27 No School Professional Learning
- 30 No School ~ Memorial Day

JUNE

- 1-3 Final Exams
- 3 Students' Last Day
- 6 Teachers' Last Day

View the WSD 2021-2022 calendar