



Rib Mountain Elementary School Newsletter

April 14, 2022



**WE WILL WORK HARD, BE RESPECTFUL, BE THERE, BE READY AND BE
SAFE KEEPING OUR HANDS, FEET AND OBJECTS TO OURSELVES!**

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Daily Schedule

8:15 - Doors Open for Drop Off/Breakfast
8:30 - Bell Rings, Classes Begin
8:35 - Announcements
9:40 - 9:55 Morning Recess (K & Grade 1)
Grade 4 - 11:40 - 12:00 Lunch/12:00 - 12:20 Lunch Recess
Kindergarten - 11:45 - 12:05 Lunch/12:05 - 12:25 Lunch Recess
Grade 3 - 11:55 - 12:15 Lunch/12:15 - 12:35 Lunch Recess
Grade 2 - 12:00 - 12:20 Lunch/12:20 - 12:40 Lunch Recess
Grade 1 - 12:05 - 12:25 Lunch/12:25 - 12:45 Lunch Recess
Grade 5 12:10 - 12:30/Lunch 12:30 - 12:50 Lunch Recess
2:20 - 2:35 - Afternoon Recess (Gr. 2, 3, 4 & 5)
3:30 - Dismissal

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Message from Mrs. Tammy Steckbauer ~ Principal

Volunteer Appreciation Week April 17-23, 2022

In honor of the upcoming **Volunteer Appreciation Week**, I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all families as well as staff members who have volunteered their time, talents, energy, and resources to help make Rib Mountain Elementary School a great place to learn!

It takes a village to raise a child. Even with all the villagers we have working at Rib, it's always nice to have that extra support to elevate our ideas, programs, and activities. Every extra effort makes a difference.

There is no one volunteer or gesture that means more to us than another. We are blessed with your generosity of time, talents, and treasures...no matter how large or small.

Here are a few ways we've been blessed by volunteers: (This list is not meant to be all inclusive, but rather a snapshot.)

- Synergy Mural Project
- Classroom helpers / Library assistants
- Field trip chaperones
- Mustang Market helpers
- After School Tutoring helpers
- Junior Achievement
- PTO Helpers
 - Meeting attendance
 - Committee work
 - P/T Conference meals
 - Donations of any kind
- Forward Exam Snack donations
- Donations for the Mustang Market
- Concert supervision
- Writing Grants for various projects
- Fundraiser participation
- Volleyball Coaches
- Supporting kids by...
 - Bringing in forgotten iPad, lunch or materials
 - Being their #1 cheerleader
 - Helping with homework and projects





Dear Community Members:

We would like to thank our community for your consideration of the referendum question that appeared on the ballot Tuesday, April 5. We learned that the question was approved by a majority of voters.

As a result, the Wausau School District will move forward with addressing long-term facility needs across three main categories:

1. Safety & Security
2. Facility Systems & Deferred Maintenance
3. Right-sized Learning Spaces

Even with the approval of this referendum, property taxes are still projected to *decrease*.

We appreciate all the input and feedback we received throughout this process. We are grateful for those who completed our survey, attended our community engagement sessions, and took part in conversations on social media.

We look forward to sharing more updates as this project moves forward. In the meantime, thank you for your support of our schools and the students we serve.

Sincerely,

The Wausau School District

Our Mission . . .To advance student learning, achievement, and success.

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Forward Exam Schedule

Forward Exam State Assessment Information March 21-April 29, 2022

4th Grade:

March 30- ELA - 9:30

March 31- ELA - 9:30

April 6- Math - 9:30

April 7- Math - 9:30

April 12- Science - 9:00

April 13- Science - 9:00

April 14- Science - 9:00

April 20- Social Studies - 9:00

April 21- Social Studies - 9:00

3rd Grade:

April 12- ELA - 10:00

April 13- ELA - 10:00

April 14- ELA - 10:00

April 19- ELA - 9:50

April 20- Math - 9:50

April 21- Math - 9:50

5th Grade

April 6- ELA - 10:40

April 7- ELA - 10:40

April 12- ELA - 10:40

April 19- Math - 10:40

April 20- Math - 10:40



April 25-29 - Make up Assessments

Helpful
Tips

Please make sure iPads are fully charged each night and brought back to school each morning.

Headphones will be provided by the school, but students may use their own if they choose to.

Please make sure your student(s) get(s) a restful night's sleep and a nutritional breakfast.

Thank you for supporting your students!

Leader in Me – Habit 6

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APRIL'S FOCUS IS HABIT 6: SYNERGIZE

- I get along well with other people and work well in groups
- I value the strengths of others and allow myself to learn from them.
- I know that by working together as a team we can get more done and come up with better solutions than we could alone.
- I am humble

LeaderinMe® @ HOME

Together is Better!

- **Look for examples!** Have you ever watched a flock of geese? Working together they can fly farther than they could alone. What other examples can you find in nature, history, and books?
- **Solve a Problem:** As a family, discuss a challenge in your home. Use the Synergy Action Plan to solve the problem:
 1. Define the problem.
 2. Share individual views (Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood).
 3. List possible solutions. (Think Win-Win)
 4. Choose the best solution together. See if you can reach a better solution than either of you would have come up with alone.
- **15 Minutes:** The work gets done faster when we all help! Set a timer for 15 minutes. Everyone pitches in to help clean the kitchen, pull weeds, do dishes, pick-up, etc. Using a small chunk of time where everyone helps makes the work go faster and keeps it "doable."

The
LeaderinMe™

great happens here

School Track Meet

School Track Meet

Tuesday, May 10th 9:15am

All 3rd-5th grade students will be participating at Wausau West High School for the annual school track meet. Please dress your child appropriately for the weather. All children should have a water bottle (please no color Gatorade/sports drinks, it makes a mess) and sunscreen for the day. It also would be good to have an extra set of clothes (especially extra socks and shoes in case it is wet). The rain date at this time is set for Thursday, May 12th with the same starting time of 9:15am in case of inclement weather. The decision to cancel the track meet for any reason will not be made until the morning of the event. The decision will be made by 8:15 am the day of the event. Parents are welcome to attend and cheer on their child. Thanks!

ORDER OF EVENTS:

*These are **approximate** starting times but could change based on circumstances*

400m 9:15am

FIELD EVENTS 9:30-11:00

LUNCH BREAK- 11-11:30

RUNNING EVENTS 11:30-1:15 PM

60m Hurdles

60m

100m

Relay

Mile



Board Bus - needs to leave by 1:30pm

Your child will know what events they are participating in before the day of the event.

We look forward to a great event for students to have fun participating in the track meet and having parents/guardians cheering them on!

Thanks Mrs. Christianson

Spring Fling- Save the Date

Save the date for the Spring Fling on Thursday, June 2nd from 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm. We have a lot of fun things planned! We hope to see you all there! There will be more details coming soon!



This is a PTO sponsored event

5th Grade Graduation

It is hard to believe that we are talking about 5th Grade Graduation. Please save the date and watch for details coming at a later date.



2022-2023 Kindergarten Enrollment

**Have a child starting Kindergarten?
Know someone new to the area?**

Students currently enrolled in a Wausau School District 4K program will automatically roll into their home school for the 2022-2023 kindergarten school year. If your child was NOT enrolled in a Wausau School District 4K program or is new to the Rib Mountain area and will be 5 years old by September 1, 2022, please use this link to register your child.



[Online Registration](#)

Summer Learning 2022

We are pleased to share with you that Summer Learning registration for students in 4K - 5th grade is now open. Our 4K - 5th grade programs will offer a wide variety of morning and afternoon activities. Please click [HERE](#) for details on all the programming that is offered as well as directions for the registration process ([Elementary Tutorial](#))

There will be transportation provided from every Wausau School District school to Summer Learning sites.

Detailed busing information will be available at a later date on the district website and will also be sent with student registration confirmation packets the week prior to Summer Learning.

If you have questions or need additional details, please contact:

Elementary (Current PK - Current 5th grade)
Amy Louis at 715-261-0530
or alouis@wausauschools.org.

Community Connections (G2M) Sandy
Wawrzaszek at 715-261-0580
or swawrz@wausauschools.org.



The last day to sign up for G2M is Friday, April 15th



Extend your Summer Learning with Community Connections! Have a FREE lunch and join in the fun (Monday - Thursday, 1:00 - 4:00 PM) with Community partners - like 4-H, Boys and Girls Club, Monk Botanical Gardens and much more! G2M = Growing Great minds!



For students in K-Grade 4, classes are held at GD Jones, Hawthorn Hills, Lincoln, Riverview and Thomas Jefferson Elementary schools!

For more information and to register on-line at:
<https://tinyurl.com/wsdsummer2022>

Cost for the 6 week program is \$40/student; \$100/family; For students economically disadvantaged, the reduced cost is \$10/student.



A Few Friendly Reminders

Please call the Rib Mountain office to report any absences. Even if you have notified your child's teacher(s), please also notify the office of any absences or appointments. Please remember to call **before** 9:00 am at 715-261-0220. You may also email Mrs. Theiler @ dtheiler@wausauschools.org
Thank you!

If your student is arriving late and/or leaving early, please notify the office. If your student is a bus rider and your student is getting picked up on a particular day, please send a note and/or call the office or email Mrs. Theiler @ dtheiler@wausauschools.org
Thank you!



COVID Information

If you have any questions and/or concerns regarding COVID, please feel free to contact our Health Aide, Molly Lewandowski at 715-261-0220 ext. 38152 or mlewandowski@wausauschools.org.

[Wausau School District COVID-19 Information](#)

Dates to Remember

April 15	No Classes 
April 18	4 th Grade @ Little Red School House
April 19	PTO Meeting - 4:15 pm - Library 
April 21	Stand for the Silent - 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm - Library
May 6	John Muir Orchestra @ Rib - 10:00 am
May 10	Grade 3 - 5 Track Meet @ Wausau West - (May 12 Rain Date)
May 17	PTO Meeting - 4:15 pm - Library 
May 18	Kiefer Swenson Track Meet - Wausau West
May 19	Stand for the Silent - 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm - Library
May 19	Art Show/Ice Cream Social - 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
May 26	5 th Grade Talent Show - 1:30 pm
May 27	No Classes - Professional Learning 
May 30	No Classes - Memorial Day 
June 1	5 th Grade Graduation - 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 
June 2	Spring Fling - 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
June 3	Last day of school - 11:30 dismissal

Mark Your
CALENDAR 



2022-2023 Registration for 4K Learning Academies and Community Sites

Begins February 1, 2022

Registration for the free, half-day 4K Program is a two-step process for all eligible children
(Four years of age on or before September 1, 2022)

1

Visit the 4K & Early Childhood page at www.wausauschools.org

Complete and submit the online form. You will receive an electronic confirmation following the completion of Step 1. The online registration indicates your interest in 4K and preferred site of attendance; however, the registration form must be verified (Step 2) before your child is fully registered and assigned to a site.

If you do not have computer access or need assistance completing the online form, please contact the 4K office at 715-261-0265 or email 4K@wausauschools.org.

2

Registration verification and enrollment

Please follow the instructions outlined in the email you will receive from the 4K Office to finalize your child's 4K enrollment and secure a spot.

ATTEND 4K AT ONE OF THESE 8 SITES:

WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT 4K LEARNING ACADEMIES (Busing is available at elementary school sites with some qualifications)



G.D. Jones Elementary School

(4K & Early Childhood Programs Office)
1018 South 12th Avenue
Wausau WI 54401
715-261-0950



Riverview Elementary School

4303 Troy Street
Wausau WI 54403
715-261-0030



Thomas Jefferson Elementary School

500 West Randolph Street
Wausau WI 54401
715-261-0175



Hawthorn Hills Elementary School

1600 Kickbusch Street
Wausau WI 54403
715-261-0045

WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMUNITY 4K SITES (Busing is not available)



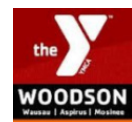
Mountain View
Montessori
1500 Merrill Avenue
Wausau WI 54401
715-298-3832



Newman Catholic
St. Michael
615 Stark Street
Wausau WI 54403
715-848-0206



Wausau Child Care - West
505 N. 28th Avenue
Wausau WI 54401
715-848-1437

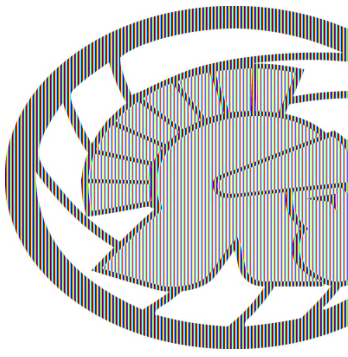


YMCA
707 3rd Street
Wausau WI 54403
715-845-2177

*Please note that Wausau School District Kindergarten placement will be at your neighborhood school regardless of where your child attends 4K.
4K Learning Academy attendance is based upon home address and/or child care address.*

We look forward to meeting you and your child. Please call us with any questions about the registration process at 715-261-0265.
The 4K & Early Childhood Programs office is located at G.D. Jones Elementary School, 1018 South 12th Avenue, Wausau.

**Yog koj xav tau kev pab txhais lus, thov hu, 715-261-0265.
Si usted requiere de servicios de traducción por favor llame al teléfono 715-261-0265.**



Wausau West Youth Volleyball Camp

Tuesday, June 7th - Friday, June 10th

Wausau West High School Fieldhouse

Session 1: 10:30 - 12:30

Students Entering Grades 7-9

Session 2: 1:00 - 3:00

Students Entering Grades 4-6

Cost is \$50/participant - Includes T-shirt!

Whether you are new to the game or interested in improving your skills, the Wausau West Youth Volleyball Camp is for you!

Learn skills of the game from the Warrior coaching staff and players in a high-energy, supportive, engaging and FUN atmosphere!



For more information contact:
Coach Theran Peterson
School: 715 261 0850 x34332
Cell: 715 754 0185
Email: tpeterso@wausauschools.org

How to Enroll:
Complete the form at the following link:
<https://forms.gle/KGib3Z9QyPvoSPTX8>

Or Scan the QR code below:



APRIL

Rotation

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 5 R-2	2
3	4 1 R-1	5 2 R-1	6 3 R-1	7 4 R-1	8 5 R-1	9
10	11 1 R-2	12 2 R-2	13 3 R-2	14 4 R-2	15 NO CLASSES	16
17	18 5 R-2	19 1 R-1	20 2 R-1	21 3 R-1	22 4 R-1	23
24	25 5 R-1	26 1 R-2	27 2 R-2	28 3 R-2	29 4 R-2	30