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Eagle Express

January 7, 2021



You are invited!!

- WHAT: Horace Mann Family Night
- WHEN: Monday, January 10, 2022
- TIME: 5:30 7:00 pm

Details:

5:30 - 6:00 Registration and supper at no cost; optional student-guided building tour

6:00 - 6:30 Adult Breakout Sessions and students in gym for activity

6:30 - 7:00 Family activity

WHERE: Horace Mann Middle School

WHO: All Horace Mann students and their families

We invite you to our second of three MANN Connections Night (April 25 is the last) Meet some of the HMMS staff members and their families, and enjoy a night with others. **RSVP** to let us know how many people to plan for that evening by contacting Jillian Moore at: **EMAIL** <u>immoore@wausauschools.org</u> **CALL** 715-261-0740

** If you need help with transportation, please let us know!

Message Board

Horace Mann is on Twitter! Follow us at @WausauHMann



Visitors at Horace Mann

When you visit us at Horace Mann between 7:30 -4:00, we ask that you use the Main Entry (door #9). In efforts to keep our students safe, all visitors are greeted at the front door through our intercom system.

You will be asked to stop at the office to register as a visitor and receive your visitor badge.

The first time you visit, you will be asked for a driver's license as part of our security procedures. Subsequent visits will not need a driver's license.

For Athletic events at Horace Mann, please enter door #16. They will be unlocked for athletics events.

Thank you for your help in keeping our students safe.

Attention 8th Grade Parents

The school counselors will be working on a new, 21st century format to guide you and your child through the Xello platform. This will replace the individual, 20 minute meeting. Each family will receive an overview of the program with instructions to access all of the information. There will be an opportunity to schedule a time to continue the discussion.

More information to follow.

If your child will be out of school for the day or late, please call our attendance line at 715.261.0735.

You can leave a message 24-hours a day.

NO SCHOOL DAYS

January 17 - Staff Inservice February 18 - Staff Inservice March 21-25 - Spring Break April 15 - No School

We're Hiring! Educating for the Future, One Child at a Time

Regular, substitute, and support employment opportunities available

For more information about Wausau School District employment opportunities, please visit Human Resources at

www.wausauschools.org or call 715-261-0500



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Message Board

Middle School Enrichment Program Meeting ~ Invitation ~

Mark your calendars, and please join us **February 10th in the MANN Large Group Room at 6:00 p.m.** for the next GT Parents/Guardians Meeting. Students may also attend if they wish! This meeting will cover information pertinent to all students since my enrichment programs are open to all and the GT Counselor's presentation will be on a topic for which most of us parents would love some guidance as we teach our children the importance of implementing organizational strategies.

Topics will include:

- 2nd Semester enrichment opportunities, and question/ answer time about them
- A presentation and discussion focused on the S.E.L. (social/ emotional learning) topic chosen by guardians and parents who submitted survey results to me in September.
- Time for question and answer
- Door prizes for a lucky parent/guardian and student! (One prize per family.)

If unable to attend, but you'd like to discuss middle school enrichment programming or organizational strategies for students, please contact me, Aaron Boller, at <u>aboller@wausauschools.org</u>.

All students

This is just a friendly reminder to all of you that technology devices do not like being left in the cold, the heat or damp areas. The battery will begin to die and the screens will begin to have issues as well. Bringing them into a warm room quickly after they were in the cold may cause condensation inside and also long term damage

In general - you will want to avoid leaving any technology devices in extreme temperatures (cold or heat) as much as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Thank you to all the Staff and Students for participating in the food Drive!

We were able to fill all of our shelves.

Here are the final numbers:

Total items donated: 2,148 Total money raised: \$239

TOTAL POINTS: 6th: 287 7th: 670 8th: 466 Staff: 475

Congratulations to 7th grade!



8th Grade Incentive Information

Who? All 8th graders who qualify

What? Bowling at Dale's Weston Lanes (bowling w/ your friends)

When? Friday, January 14th, 11:30-1:30 pm

Why? To celebrate appropriate student behaviors

How? Meet the criteria on slide #2

COST: \$6 per student, which includes unlimited soda

Additional information: If students bring money, they can order food while at the bowling alley (pizza, french fries, etc.)

Criteria to Attend (November 29th - January 14th)

- 1.No in-school or out of school suspensions
- 2.No cutting classes
- 3.No truancy court (determined by HM administration)
- 4.No unexcused absences
- 5. Student must attend school on the day of the incentive trip
- 6.3 Minor BTFs = no bowling
- 7. 1 Major BTF = no bowling
- 8.Must be passing your classes

Bowling Lane Assignments & Payment

1.Pay \$6 to your HOMEROOM teacher by Wednesday, January 12th

2. Wednesday, January 12th:

-During LIM time, meet as homerooms

-Sign up for bowling lanes (groups of 4 to 6) on shared Doc

-Talk to friends on other teams if you would like to bowl together. You need to have a plan before we sign up on January 12th.



January 10	Mann Connections Night, 5:30 pm
January 13	Horace Mann Spelling Bee, 3:15 pm
January 14	Second Quarter Ends
January 14	Wrestling Meet @ DC Everest High School, 4:15 pm
January 17	NO SCHOOL - Staff Inservice
January 17	Wrestling Meet @ Williams Middle School, Rhinelander, 4:15 pm
January 18	Girls 7th & 8th Grade B Basketball, 4:00 pm
	Girls 7th & 8th Grade A Basketball, 5:00 pm
January 20	Girls 7th & 8th Grade B Basketball, 4:00 pm @ John Muir
	Girls 7th & 8th Grade A Basketball, 5:00 pm @ John Muir
January 25	Girls 7th Grade Basketball, B Team 4:00 pm, A Team 5:00 pm, @ Central Elementary School, Rhinelander
	Girls 8th Grade Basketball, B Team 4:00 pm, A Team 5:00 pm @ Williams Middle School, Rhinelander
January 25	School Play, 7:00 pm
January 27	Girls 7th & 8th Grade B Basketball, 4:00 pm
	Girls 7th & 8th Grade A Basketball, 5:00 pm
January 27	6th Grade Band & Orchestra Concert, 7:00 pm
January 28	Jazz Band @ UWSP Jazz Festival
January 31	Wrestling Meet @ Mosinee High School, 4:15 pm

Do you LOVE hanging out with your friends, having fun, and performing plays? Or, maybe reciting poetry, retelling one of your favorite childhood stories, or dramatically sharing a monolog? If you answered YES to any of these questions then FORENSICS is for YOU!

What is forensics you might ask? It is an after school club/extracurricular activity (we accommodate all schedules) that helps students learn how to speak and perform in front of an audience. It is open to **ALL** 6th, 7th, and 8th students. If you are interested in joining forensics, sign up by **emailing** Dr. Rothmeyer (<u>mreimer@wausauschools.org</u>) or Mrs. Austin jcaustin@wausauschools.org</u>). You will receive further directions and information in an email on January 10th. Sign ups for forensics will be from January 3 - January 7

Coaching sessions will be offered Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday starting January 10 through February 28 from 3:00 - 4:00. Participants ONLY need to attend TWO coaching sessions. We will perform in two meets this season. Our city meet is Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at DC Everest Jr. High at 4:00 PM, and the regional meet is Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at Mosinee Middle School at 4:00 PM.

We are looking forward to having you join forensics. It's a splendid time where your voices can be heard! If you have any questions, please email Dr. Rothmeyer at mriemer@wausauschools.org or Mrs. Austin at jcaustin@wauauschools.org

Horace Mann Athletics

Wrestling and Girls Basketball started on January 3rd. It's not too late to join, so please pick up your athletic folder in the main office asap. You'll need a physical in order to practice.

Horace Mann is looking for a Track Coach who is familiar with the Long and Triple Jump and/or Sprints for the spring season. There is an open application on WECAN if you are interested, or contact Mark Beversdorf at mbeversd@wausauschools.org

7th Grade Boys Basketball Season Summary

Congratulations to the 7th grade boys basketball teams for having a fantastic season this fall! The A team started the year rough, losing their first three games, but then went on to win 7 of their next 8 games before losing their season finale. They ended with a record of 7-5. The B team ended the year 3-8 but several of their losses came to teams that were playing several A team players. The B team enjoyed and were effective with pressing during the second half of games; with highlights of the season being a come from behind win against PJ Jacobs and almost coming from behind to beat Wisconsin Rapids.

The leading scorers for the A team were Maddox Hurtis with 12, Elijah DeMoss with 10, and Xander Klein with 8 points per game. The leading scorers for the B team were Grayson Best and Jackson Gumbert who averaged 10 and 5 points per game respectively. Both teams developed good habits throughout the season including excellent attendance at practices and games; working hard and being focused in practice, being enthusiastic and supportive of each other; gaining experience and learning how to compete; and once the season started the boys collectively maintained their grades in school.

Best of luck to those playing 7th grade travel ball for Wausau East; and for all players who continue to work on developing your skills in the off-season. It was a pleasure getting to coach each and every athlete on our team!

Coach VanderLeest and Coach Messman

8th Grade Boys Basketball 2021 Season Summary

Congratulations to the 8th Grade Boys Basketball Teams on their fine season! The A Team finished with a record of 6-6. The B team, divided into two squads to schedule more games and playing time for the players, finished with a combined record of 11-5.

Our greatest triumph of the season was providing opportunities for 30 boys to gain game-time experience playing basketball. The players learned many of the same offensive plays that the East High School Varsity Basketball Team runs in their program. The most important victory was teaching the boys the fundamentals and watching them develop their skills as the season progressed. Every player made big gains with their skill sets: (offense: ball movement, passing, dribbling, and shooting; defense: guarding, switching, and rebounding).

Congratulations Eagles on your teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the season! It was a joy coaching you and we look forward to watching you next season on the court at Wausau East!

Coach Meyer & Coach Forbes





Please join us for the performance of "The Princess Knight" Tuesday, January 25th 7:00 pm HMMS Cafetorium

DC/Philly/BOSTON Trip 2022 Attention students in Grades 8, 9 & 10! Below please find the payment schedule for those going on the trip:

Calendar For:

Tour Code: T225006A 6/12/2022 - 6/19/2022

Deposit Due	Fri
	12-Nov
1st Regular Payment Due	Wed
	12-Jan
2nd Regular Payment Due	Sat
	12-Feb
3rd Regular Payment Due	Sat
	12-Mar
Final Regular Payment Due	Tue
Final Regular Payment Due	Tue 12-Apr
Final Regular Payment Due Rooming List Due	
	12-Apr
	12-Apr Tue
Rooming List Due	12-Apr Tue 29-Mar
Rooming List Due	12-Apr Tue 29-Mar Sun
Rooming List Due Final Trip Documents	12-Apr Tue 29-Mar Sun 22-May

Please contact Mrs. Tourtillott tetourtil@wausauschools.org for more information on how to register and make payments online.

2022-2023 Information

Important Dates and Activities for 8th Grade Parents – Wausau East

Parents and eighth graders, it is time to begin thinking about high school course registration. Below are some important dates and activities that will assist both parents and students in this important process.

January 21 East Counselors visit Horace Mann. Course request forms are given to students.January 24 School Visit. Eighth grade students from Horace Mann and the surrounding parochial schools will be touring Wausau East and visiting with department leaders of the elective areas. This will provide students the opportunity to ask questions and see what Wausau East High School is like.

February 3 Incoming Freshman Open House at East, 5-7pm. More information to come.

February 7 East counselors visit Horace Mann to help students enter electives into Infinite Campus.February 16-17 Registration Verification (more information will be sent)

Registration Information for Current 7th Graders:

Hello Middle School Parents/Guardians!

As we approach registration, we want to make sure that you have any and all essential information necessary when planning your student's future course selections at East.

We are fortunate to be able to offer International Baccalaureate (IB) classes along with a **full International Baccalaureate diploma**. The IB is a program of courses and examinations offered at schools all over the world. This advanced program allows students to explore subjects in great depth, helping them to prepare for college work. Perhaps the greatest benefit of the IB program is that it offers the students accelerated subject matter and intense university preparation that is recognized worldwide. Students may graduate with individual certificates for each IB class taken that may translate into college credit at many universities, or they may earn an IB Diploma which may mean sophomore recognition at many universities around the world.

One component of this program is instilling a global perspective. As a result, IB has a language requirement. In order to meet the IB language requirement, students need to begin their language study in the 8th grade. Both Junior and Senior year at the high school level are required for the IB diploma. Students who begin language study in 9th grade are not eligible as they are only able to complete one year of the required two-year course. Additionally, students may not start in one language and change to another language so students should choose the language that interests them.

If you have any questions you may contact the IB program coordinator, Darlene Beattie at dbeattie@wausauschools.org or you may also wish to contact the Global Language Department Chair, Jody Krieg at jkrieg@wausauschools.org

Citizens of the Month

Horace Mann is very proud of the following students who were recognized in December for "being helpful to others"



Front Row: Kateri Schemehorn, Aydan Yang, Levi Moyer-Covey, Maria Pond, Lora Ross, Dominic Pitzo

> Middle Row: Elle Boers, Jazzmine Hintze, Gaige Stockwell, Jackson Heise

Back Row: Jelena Chang, Payden Wolff, Carly Guenther, Liang Vang, Sawyer Krambs

Not Pictured: Porsche Yang, Cooper Waggoner, Lydia LeNoble

WSD COVID GUIDELINES 21-22

Students must stay home from school if they have the following symptoms.

One of these symptoms:	Two or more of these symptoms:	
New or worsening cough	Fever over 100.4/Chills	Diarrhea
Shortness of breath/difficulty	Sore throat	Runny nose/congestion
breathing	Headache	G Fatigue
New loss of smell or taste	Nausea/vomiting	Muscle/body aches

- If a student has symptoms, it is recommended that they immediately be tested for COVID, regardless of vaccine status.
- The symptomatic student may return to school with proof of a negative rapid or PCR COVID test from a medical facility (not a home test) or an alternate diagnosis from a medical practitioner. (Proof may be an email, text, or paper copy.) If a student returns to school without proof of a negative test, the student will be sent home.
- *New guidance from the CDC: If a student tests positive for COVID, the child must stay home and <u>isolate for 5 days from the COVID test date</u>. The student must also be fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication, and have improvement of symptoms before returning to school. The student must wear a mask for 5 days after the isolation period ends. (Ten days total isolation plus masking.)
- If parents choose <u>not</u> to have their symptomatic child <u>tested</u>, the student is presumed positive and must <u>stay home for 10 days</u>, be fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication, and have improvement of symptoms before returning to school.

Return date: _____

- Parents are asked to notify the school if a student develops symptoms or tests positive for COVID. A
 positive home test will be accepted. A lab verified test is strongly recommended.
- Parents may choose to quarantine the siblings of a positive student in the home, based on the health department recommendation, and the absence will be excused.
- If your child is identified as a close contact by the health department, follow the directions from the health department.

Contact the Marathon County Health Department with questions. 715-261-1900

WSD COVID COV CIAM KEV TAW COJ (GUIDELINES) 21-22

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- Kev taw qhia tshiab los ntawm CDC: Yog tias tus tub ntxhais kawm kuaj pom tus kab mob COVID, tus menyuam yuav tsum nyob hauv tsev tshiab nyob ib leeg rau 5 hnub txij li hnub xeem COVID. Tus menyuam kawm ntawv yuav tsum ua npaws tsis pub dhau 24 teev yam tsis muaj tshuaj kub taub hau, thiab kho cov tsos mob ua ntej rov mus kawm ntawv. Tus menyuam kawm ntawv yuav tsum hnav daim npog qhov ncauj rau 5 hnub tom qab lub sijhawm cais tawm.
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- Yog tias koj tus menyuam yog tau txheeb paub tias yog ib tug txav ti lwm tus neeg muaj mob siab nraug ntawv tsev neeg, ua raws li tej kev qhia ua los ntawm lub tsev saib kev noj qab haus huv.

Hu rau Marathon County Health Department txog tej lus nug. 715-261-1900

Pautas de WSD COVID 21-22

Los estudiantes deben quedarse en casa y no asistir a la escuela si presentan los siguientes síntomas.

Uno de estos síntomas:	Dos o más de estos síntomas:
Tos nueva o que empeora	Fiebre superior a 100.4 / Escalofríos Diarrea
Falta de aliento / dificultad para	Dolor de garganta D Congestión / secreción nasal
respirar 🗅 Nueva pérdida del olfato	Dolor de cabeza D Fatiga D Náuseas / vómito
o del gusto	Dolores musculares / corporales

- Si un estudiante tiene síntomas, se recomienda que se le haga una prueba de COVID inmediatamente, independientemente de su estado de vacunación.
- El estudiante sintomático puede regresar a la escuela con prueba de una prueba COVID rápida o PCR negativa de un centro médico (no una prueba casera) o un diagnóstico alternativo de un médico. (La prueba puede ser un correo electrónico, un mensaje de texto o una copia impresa). Si un estudiante regresa a la escuela sin una prueba de una prueba negativa, el estudiante será enviado a casa.
- * Nueva guía de los CDC: si un estudiante da positivo en la prueba de COVID, el niño debe quedarse en casa y aislarse durante 5 días a partir de la fecha de la prueba de COVID. El estudiante también debe estar libre de fiebre durante 24 horas sin medicamentos para reducir la fiebre y tener una mejoría de los síntomas antes de regresar a la escuela. El estudiante debe usar una máscara durante 5 días después de que finalice el período de aislamiento.
- Si los padres optan por qué no se le haga la prueba a su hijo sintomático, se presume que el estudiante es positivo y debe quedarse en casa durante 10 días, estar sin fiebre durante 24 horas sin medicamentos para reducir la fiebre y tener una mejoría de los síntomas antes de regresar a la escuela.

Fecha de regreso:

- Se les pide a los padres que notifiquen a la escuela si un estudiante desarrolla síntomas o da positivo por COVID. Se aceptará una prueba casera positiva. Se recomienda encarecidamente una prueba verificada por laboratorio.
- Los padres pueden optar por poner en cuarentena a los hermanos de un estudiante positivo en el hogar según la recomendación del departamento de salud, y la ausencia será justificada.
- Si tiene preguntas comuníquese con el <u>Departamento de Salud del Condado de Marathon</u> al 715-261-1900

Healthy Smart Snack Program



Donate healthy foods so our students can fuel up on individual sized:

Granola bars

Oatmeal bars

Nutri-Grain bars

Baked Cheetos, Fritos,

Doritos (reduced fat)

Popcorn

Chex mix

Jerky (Beef, Turkey)

Rice cake Snacks

Fruit cup, applesauce (plus plastic spoon) Animal Crackers Graham Crackers Pop Tarts Ritz cheese crackers Gold Fish Pretzels

Freeze Dried Fruit

Wheat crisp crackers

*More than a quarter of kids' daily calories may come from snacks! **NO PEANUTS**

Please contact Kathy Tyskiewicz with question at 715-261-0734 or ktyskie@wausauschools.org



FREE class consists of Training Techniques which include lifting weights, plyometrics, stretching & aerobic exercise.

Open to ALL 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Students 3:05 – 4:20 PM, Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday

Classes will be located in the 7th grade hallway and weight room located on the 2nd floor. Permission slips are required and are located on the G2M bulletin board near the health office!

For questions, please see Mr.Beversdorf or Ms. Woller

FCA at HMMS

When: Every Wednesday at 6:50am to 7:30am

Where: Room 156 (Mr. Klug's Room)

Contact: Mr. Klug (dklug@wadsauschools.org) Mrs. Raduechel (braduechel@wausauschools.org) Ms. Gehrke (mgehrke@wausauschools.org)

Come as you are.



Every **A day** Thursday or Friday until the end of 1st quarter, Mr. Boller will be leading the MasterMinds club from **3:00-4:20.** Join us if you seek some fun competition in activities including chess, Dungeons & Dragons, Dominion, Magic the Gathering, and other strategy games. You might even want to try your hand at game design!

WHAT: MasterMinds

WHO: all grade levels with Mr. Boller

WHEN: A days, Thursdays and Fridays, starts **September 10th**, until end of 2nd quarter WHERE: Room 210, upstairs in the corner of the 8th grade wing (above the art rooms) HOW: parents may return this form to my email, or students return paper copy to homeroom

Email Mr. Boller with any questions. Permission/Information slips are posted on the G2M wall near the counseling offices.

Yours in going above and beyond,

Mr. Aaron Boller

Middle School Gifted and Talented Resource Teacher aboller@wausauschools.org / 715-261-0725, X35604





There's still room for you on The MATHCOUNTS team!

Meet new people, investigate complex problems, improve your skills, and increase your confidence.

Beginning November 9th, the MATHCOUNTS team will meet in room 210 on Monday or Tuesday **A days** from 3:00-3:45. Permission slips are in a folder on the G2M wall between the health and student services offices. Contact Mr. Boller for more information: <u>aboller@wausauschools.org</u>



G2M Permission Slip CLICK HERE!

Study Zone



Need more time to finish homework? Want a teacher available to help answer questions? Join Study Zone after school!

Mondays/Tuesdays/Thursdays 3:00 - 4:00pm Rooms 226/228