

Maine Messenger

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2021

NOVEMBER STUDENT LEADERS RECOGNIZED!



We are so proud of our November Leader in Me award recipients! These students caught the eye of an adult in the building while they were demonstrating Habit 1 - Be Proactive. Way to go kids! Thank you for showing your leadership at Maine Elementary.

Pictured left to right (front): Bennett S., Angelina X., Maci L., Braelyn C., Benjamin G., Brinley S., and Braelee N. (Row 2): Lakenna D., Briah L., Jack K., Lydia S., and Declan K. (Row 3): Wyatt K., Lee G., Jenna B., Jace D., and Kennedy W.

Our focus in December will be Habit 2 - Being with the End in Mind!



MRS. FITZSIMMON'S
CLASS

MS. LAUX'S CLASS

MAINE STUDENTS SUPPORT THEIR COMMUNITY!

During the week of Nov. 15-19, students of Maine Elementary were asked to help their community by collecting food and hygiene products. In just 5 days, students collected over 1,000 items. What an amazing example of what can happen when we SYNERGIZE! Items came in all week across the school. Students were excited to not only help their community, but were competing to earn an additional recess. Mrs. Fitzsimmon's class was our first place winner with a collection of 235 items! Wow! Our youngest learners began with the end in mind and then synergized toward that goal! Following was Ms. Laux's class with a collection of 164 items! With a "think win-win" mindset, the 4th graders were also able to demonstrate synergy by being proactive to achieve the goal they had set! Well done student leaders of Maine! You are making a difference in your community and we are so proud of you! Items collected will go to Peyton's Promise.

THIRD GRADERS VISIT THE SCHOOL FOREST!





IT'S TIME FOR WINTER GEAR!

Dear Families,

Please make sure your child(ren) are ready for the winter weather with snow pants, winter jacket, hat, water resistant gloves/mittens, and boots. This morning it was only one degree above zero. The wind really blows across our playground and it gets very cold at recess time.

Remember, wear your boots to and from school. Bring or keep a pair of sneakers at school for PE class. It's hard to run in boots.

Please feel free to reach out if you are in need of winter clothing items for your child. We are happy to help! Call us at 715-261-0250.

Big picture

1 2 3 4 5 Ready!



Bring Your Sneakers for PE Class!

Wearing your sneakers for PE class is super important! Be proactive and make sure you either wear your sneakers or bring them on PE days.

Day 1 - Laux, Swiander, Moore, Miller, Thorson, Williamson, Bandura


Day 2 - Rasmussen, Laux, Swiander, Xiong, Litman, Fitzsimmons, Kmiecik

Day 3 - Rasmussen, Moore, Miller, Xiong, Thorson, Litman, Fitzsimmons, Williamson, Bandura, Kmiecik



PICTURE RETAKES ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021

If you were unable to get your child's picture taken in October or if you would like to have your child's school picture retaken, LifeTouch will be here on November 30, 2021.



November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Day 5	2 Day 1	3 Day 2	4 Day 3	5 Day 4	6 Chili Supper 4:30-6:30
7	8 Day 5	9 Day 1 PTO Meeting 6:00-7:00p.m.	10 Day 2	11 Day 3	12 Day 4	13
14	15 Day 5	16 Day 1	17 Day 2	18 Day 3	19 Day 4	20
21	22 Day 5	23 Day 1	24 No School	25 No School Thanksgiving	26 No School	27
28	29 Day 2	30 Day 3 Picture Retakes				



December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	29	30	1 Day 4	2 Day 5	3 Day 1	4
5	6 Day 2	7 Day 3	8 Day 4	9 Day 5	10 Day 1	11
12	13 Day 2	14 Day 3 PTO Meeting 6:00-7:00p.m.	15 Day 4	16 Day 5	17 Day 1	18
19	20 Day 2	21 Day 3	22 Day 4	23 Winter Break	24 Winter Break	25
26	27 Winter Break	28 Winter Break	29 Winter Break	30 Winter Break	31 Winter Break	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8



January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 Day 5	4 Day 1	5 Day 2	6 Day 3	7 Day 4	8
9	10 Day 5	11 Day 1	12 Day 2	13 Day 3	14 No PM Classes Recordkeeping	15
16	17 No School Professional Learning	18 Day 4	19 Day 5	20 Day 1	21 Day 2	22
23	24 Day 3	25 Day 4	26 Day 5	27 Day 1	28 Day 2	29
30	31 Day 3	1	2	3	4	5

VOLUNTEER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES!



"The more you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

—Dr. Seuss, "I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!"

Literacy 101: Building a Foundation for Literacy Tuesday, November 30, 2021 - 9:00-11:00 a.m. Longfellow Administration Center

Reading is the foundation for all learning, so what is the best way to help a child learn to read and understand what they are reading?

Lit 101: Building a Foundation for Literacy is a FREE two hour training for Wausau School District volunteers who are working with students (or who want to work with students in the future) on reading at the elementary level. You'll learn key things to listen for and important questions to ask students. The training will assist you in understanding how to best help the students you are volunteering with.

- ❖ Registration is limited to the first 25 volunteers so act quickly to gain this valuable training experience!
- ❖ Deadline for registration is November 22, 2021
- ❖ For those volunteers who are unable to attend, this training will be recorded and available to view on our webpage: <https://www.wausauschools.org/programs/one-volunteer-network>



**Our Network for Education
WSD's Volunteer Program**



United Way
RSVP of Marathon County
Connecting Volunteers 55+ to Community Needs

Register by Email (Preferred) or Call:

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Math 101: Supporting Elementary School Math

Wednesday, December 8, 2021 from 11:00 am-Noon
Longfellow Administration Center

Math 101: Supporting Elementary School Math is a FREE one-hour training for Wausau School District Volunteers who are working with students (or who want to work with students in the future) on math at the elementary level. You'll learn key concepts and important questions to ask students to check comprehension. The training will assist you in understanding how to best help the students you are volunteering with.

**"The only way to learn mathematics
is to do mathematics."**

-Paul Halmos, Mathematician and Statistician

- ❖ Registration is limited to the first 25 Volunteers so act quickly to gain this valuable training experience!
- ❖ Deadline for registration is December 1, 2021.
- ❖ For those Volunteers who are unable to attend, this training will be recorded and available to view on our webpage:
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WSD COVID INFORMATION PAGE

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:	
<input type="checkbox"/> New or worsening cough	<input type="checkbox"/> Fever over 100.4/Chills	<input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea
<input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing	<input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat	<input type="checkbox"/> Runny nose/congestion
<input type="checkbox"/> New loss of smell or taste	<input type="checkbox"/> Headache	<input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue
	<input type="checkbox"/> Nausea/vomiting	<input type="checkbox"/> Muscle/body aches

- If a student has symptoms, it is recommended that they immediately be tested for COVID, regardless of vaccine status.
- **The student may return to school with proof of a negative PCR COVID 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, s/he will be sent home.
- **If parents choose not to have their symptomatic child tested, the student is presumed positive and must stay home for 10 days**, 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.
- 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

The Wausau School District is now offering free PCR COVID-19 testing to all students, staff, and even their immediate family members.

Testing is now available, on a limited basis in a mobile unit. Below you will find a schedule that shows where the unit will be and when. Then, starting closer to December, 'Wellness Cottages' will open up on each school campus in the District, where that testing will be done. The cottages are currently being built.

Everyone who would like to receive that free test must fill out a consent form. The consent form for students is available below, it's also available on our website.

It's imperative that you know the District will not test students without parental consent. Instructions for registering your child to receive testing are below. Once parents and guardians fill out the consent form, they must return it to their child(ren)'s school.

All staff and immediate family members of students and staff who would like to receive that free testing, will give consent either at the mobile unit or at the Wellness Cottages when they open up.

You should also know this is all being done at absolutely no cost to the Wausau School District. In fact, the Department of Health Services is paying for it all – including the testing of students, staff, and their immediate family members, along with paying for the staff who will administer the tests, the mobile unit, and the construction of the Wellness Cottages.

Mobile Unit Schedules:

Mobile Unit #1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Stettin Elementary	Thomas Jefferson Elementary	Wausau West High School	John Muir Middle School	G.D. Jones Elementary School
1:00 p.m. - 4 p.m.	N/A	South Mountain Elementary	Maine Elementary	NTC Alternative School	Rib Mountain Elementary

Mobile Unit #2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Wausau East High School	Horace Mann Middle School/ Montessori	Riverview Elementary School	Franklin Elementary	Hawthorn Hills Elementary
1:00 p.m. - 4 p.m.	Hewitt-Texas Elementary	John Marshall Elementary	Lincoln Elementary	Grant Elementary	Longfellow Administration Center



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