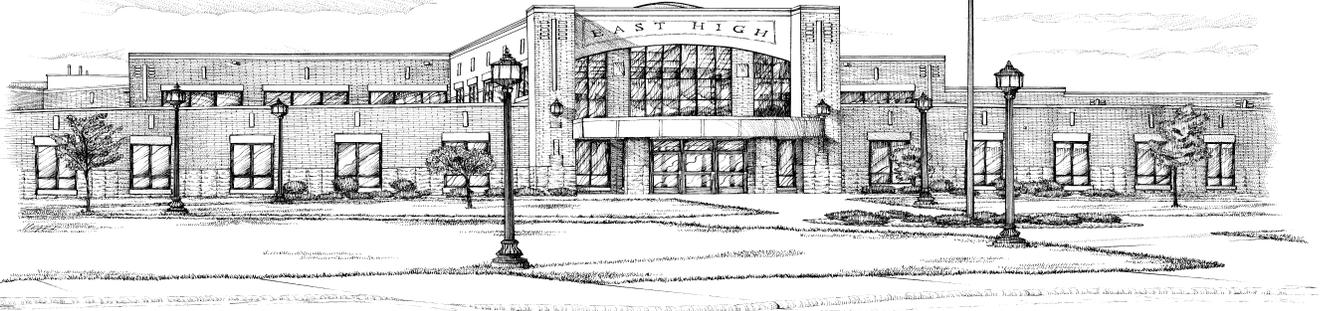


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Wausau East Parent Newsletter



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***Important Message from
the Attendance Office :***

**If you plan to pick up your
student early from school,
please send a note with
him/her to drop off in the
Attendance Office before
the school day starts.**

**This will limit the number of
disruptions to the class-
rooms. Thank you!**

WINTERFEST 2023



Students and staff spent the afternoon of February 16 enjoying a variety of indoor and outdoor activities. It was a wonderful way to connect with our fellow Lumberjacks and have some fun!



Click [HERE](#) for more
Winterfest photos!



Wausau East SkillsUSA Team Celebrates Success at the Midstate Regional Competition!



Congratulations to Wausau East SkillsUSA team members on their success at the regional competition at Midstate Technical College.

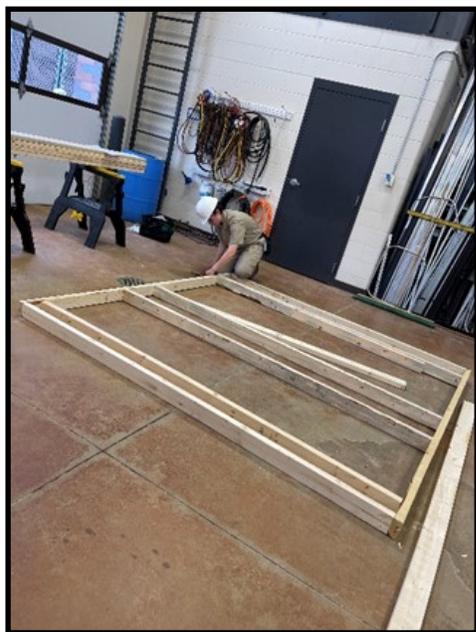
Wausau East Lumberjacks competed in a variety of competitions ranging from Extemporaneous Speaking, Faciliton, Job Interview, Carpentry, and Related Technical Math.



The following students earned medals in these categories:

- Brooke Ohde earned 1st place in Job interview
- Cameron Thomae earned 2nd place in Job Interview
- Brooke Ohde earned 2nd place in Faciliton
- Kendra Ohde earned 3rd place in Faciliton
- Kendra Ohde earned 1st place in Extemporaneous Speaking

Elizabeth Kysely, Wausau East Technology & Engineering instructor, is the East SkillsUSA advisor.



Congratulations to Wausau East's DECA Competitors! 16 Medals Earned and 13 Qualified for State!

Wausau East's DECA chapter exemplified their incredible business and marketing knowledge and abilities as they competed at DECA Districts. Districts were held January 6, 2023, at Mid-State Technical College in Wisconsin Rapids. Twenty-five students participated. East racked up 16 medals for their performances on written exams and business role plays. Thirteen East students earned a spot DECA's State Career and Development Conference. The State Career Development Conference took place February 27-March 1. Stay tuned for those results!



DECA competitors left to right: First row- Logan Fike, Ben Schuette, Garrison Stockwell Emily Juedes, Kaosheng Chang, Dominic Wright, Stella Glaser, Samara Rezwan, David Sklow, and Quinn Barber

Wausau East DECA's award winners

Dominic Wright (Business Services Marketing Series): Earned medals for his Finance Exam and two more medals for both role plays. Overall first place (Automatic State Qualifier!)

Kaosheng Chang (Quick Serve Restaurant Management): Earned two medals for both role plays. Third place (Automatic State Qualifier!)

David Sklow & Samara Rezwan (Marketing Management Team Decision Making) Medals in exam and one role play. Second place overall (Automatic State Qualifiers!)

Emily Juedes (Human Resource Management): medal in exam and both role plays. First place overall (Automatic State Qualifier!)

Logan Fike (Personal Financial Literacy): medal in exam and both role plays. First place overall (Automatic State Qualifier!) Logan also earned Honorable Mention for his Economics Test.

Arianna Malbonne/Maddy Wunsch (Buying and Merchandising Team Decision Making): Fifth place, Honorable Mention. (State Qualifiers)

Quinn Barber (Business Services Marketing Series): Sixth overall Honorable Mention. (State Qualifier)

Tiarahnee Springfield (Principles of Marketing): role play for exam and one role play. Fifth Place, Honorable Mention.

Trevor Doering (Principles of Business Management and Administration): medal in one role play. Seventh place, Honorable Mention.

Stella Glaser (Retail Merchandising Series): Fifth Place, Honorable Mention. State Qualifier.

WAUSAU EAST FORMAL SHOWCASE

WE ARE KINDLY LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF FORMAL ATTIRE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

GIRLS- LONG/SHORT FORMAL DRESSES, SHOES, AND JEWELRY

BOYS- DRESS PANTS, BUTTON DOWN SHIRTS, AND TIES

DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE COUNSELOR'S OFFICE BY MRS. WALTERS

Wausau East is looking for donations of formal attire for boys and girls. We will be happy to take your long and short formal dresses, shoes, suits, ties and boys dress slacks and shirts. We are also collecting women's jewelry. These items will be recycled and available for future East formal dances! Please consider donating your formal outfits instead of letting them collect dust in your closet or giving them to Goodwill. Clothing that has been cleaned and laundered can be dropped off in the Counseling Office.

SAVE THE DATE! The **Formal Showcase** will be open on March 15-16, March 29-30, and April 5-6 to all East students, free of charge. We have more than 80 long dresses and 100 short dresses, as well as 20 suits to choose from. More information will follow as we get closer to Prom!

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Wausau East Youth Apprenticeship Program

Youth Apprenticeship is a rigorous one or two year program, that combines academic instruction offered at Wausau East with mentored, paid, on-the-job learning that makes real world connections for students.

Requirements:

- *Junior or senior status
- *Work a minimum of 450 hours at YA job site each yr
- *Must have related East coursework

Benefits:

- *Paid work experience
- *Possible 2 credits
- *Learn real life skills
- *Obtain Y.A. credential
- *Possible release time during school day
- *Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources
- *Architecture & Construction
- *Arts, A/V Technology & Communication
- *Finance
- *Health
- *Hospitality, Lodging & Tourism
- *Information Technology
- *Manufacturing
- *Marketing
- *STEM
- *Transportation & Distribution & Logistics

Career Interests:

Students may use their existing employment to enroll in YA or work with Mrs. Cayley to seek out new employment opportunities. Students need to be enrolled in a class each semester at Wausau East that is connected to the career path area of their YA program.

Ready?

Contact:
Missy Cayley, Wausau East YA Coordinator
mcayley@wausauschools.org
715-261-0662



Checking Into Universities and Their IB Credit Policies

Now that your student has registered for next year's classes, it is time to start dreaming of colleges and universities. Know that every university has their own separate policy on course credit for IB exams and for admissions, so it is important to be a good consumer and compare and contrast each institution. If you are looking for a general rule of thumb, usually Higher Level (HL) IB courses such as English, History, Psychology, Biology, Physics and Visual Arts can earn college credit depending on your student's upcoming exam score in May. Standard Level (SL) courses may also earn credit. If you are interested in seeing what credit can be earned at a UW system school go the [UW HELP website](#).

Getting credit for SL classes is occurring more and more often. For example, check out the [University of Colorado System](#). They grant SL credit for all of the courses we offer at East High School as do most of the other UC universities.

[Purdue University](#) also grants credit for all of our SL courses at East as well, with the exception of foreign language. However, placement exams are given instead and traditionally our students have done very well on these types of foreign language exams.

If your student is an IB Diploma Candidate, the research you will need to do is even more critical. Take for example UW-Madison. Unlike Purdue, they grant very little SL credit, but recognize all of our HL courses. They will also award three credits for the IB Diploma. So students who take IB English, History, Biology and Psychology at the HL, and whose exam scores are high enough, could earn 24 credits plus whatever retro-credits they get from foreign language. These retro-credits usually average around 8 to 12; however, some of our IB students have earned 20. This puts your student between 28 and 44 credits for their IB preparation.

Now, compare this to the [University of Nebraska](#). For earning the IB Diploma, it will make the student a college sophomore with 25-28 credits and are eligible for an IB scholarship worth \$15,000 a year (\$60,000 total).

Another example is [St. Michaels College @ Colchester, Vermont](#) that will give up to 32 credits for the IB Diploma, or sophomore status. Students may also qualify for a merit scholarship depending on the diploma score.

Remember when applying to a two-year junior college or extension, they cannot give credit for IB exams. If your intention is to transfer to a four-year institution, early on in the process you will want to check the deferred admissions policy for that institution in regard to IB credits.

In summary, it pays to do your research. Every school is different.

Health Services News

**IMPORTANT: If your child is feeling ill during the school day,
please have them report to the health office.**

We will contact you to make arrangements for them to be picked up or sent home.

Information regarding your child and illness.

Please follow these guidelines from the Wausau School District for illness:

Masks are optional within the Wausau School District, so if you prefer to send your child to school with a mask, you are more than welcome to do that.

Here's what else you need to know:

- If your child is sick (COVID-19 or something else), keep them home.
- If your child is showing COVID-19 symptoms, we recommend they get tested.

We accept PCR, Rapid Antigen, and home tests.

- If the test comes back negative, they can return to school when they are fever free for 24 hours without medication and their symptoms are improving.
- If they test positive, we recommend that they quarantine for 5 days from their symptom onset.

So what does that look like? The first day of their symptoms is considered **DAY 0**.

Once **5 days** have passed, they are then cleared to return to school on **DAY 6**.

When they return, we recommend they wear a mask until **DAY 10**.

Reminder: All medication, prescription or over the counter, (i.e., ibuprofen, Tylenol, Tums, cold medication) must be kept in the health office during the school day. Students may carry emergency medication, inhalers and diabetic supplies. They also may carry cough drops, if needed.

Home test kits are available in the Health Office upon request and are free of charge for students, family members and staff. Please contact us!



Thank you from Wausau East Health Services!

Nancy Peters, Health Aide: 715-261-0678 or npeters@wausauschools.org

Emilee Mootz, School Nurse: 715-261-0713 or emootz@wausauschools.org

Office Hours: 7:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. on school days

Wausau School District Covid-19 Testing and Respiratory Illness Information

The Wausau School District is offering FREE Covid-19 testing for students, staff and the immediate family members of students and staff. You will need to show your Wausau School District badge to receive a test. Students should also have a parent or caregiver with them.

For more information, including testing locations and times, please visit our Covid-19 testing webpage [at this link](#).

Also included below is information regarding respiratory illness:

There has been an increase in respiratory illnesses recently, particularly respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and influenza. Due to the higher than normal levels of RSV and influenza for this time of year, along with Covid-19, we are sharing a letter and some resources from the Marathon County Health Department. The intent is to provide awareness of the situation, what to do if you become ill with a respiratory virus, and actions to prevent the spread of respiratory viruses.

[Parent Letter ENGLISH 2022-12-02.pdf](#)

[Parent Letter SPANISH 2022-12-1.pdf](#)

[RSV Handout 2022-11-30.pdf](#)

[RSV Handout Spanish 2022-11-30.pdf](#)

[Influenza Handout 2022-08-31.pdf](#)

[Influenza Handout Spanish 2022-08-31.pdf](#)

[COVID-19 Handout 2022-08-31.pdf](#) [COVID-19 Handout Spanish 2022-08-31.pdf](#)



Stay Well

Wausau East Counseling & Career Center News

ACT - Required Testing for All Juniors: March 7, 2023

All juniors are required to take the ACT test on Tuesday, March 7. This test will be in person and attendance is required. Specific information regarding testing times will be sent home as we move closer to the test date.

The test on March 7 will be free to all juniors and if you are satisfied with your score, you do not need to take it again. You can elect to take the ACT multiple times and colleges will accept the highest score. Students can choose to take the test on a national test date through ACT. To register for a Saturday test, visit www.actstudent.org.

Attention Juniors!!

Junior Parent Night

It is time to gear up for your FINAL YEAR at Wausau East High School!

Junior Parent Night will be held on April 3, 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Large Group Room (D110) to give you important information to prepare you for senior year, graduation, and life after high school.

Topics to be discussed include:

- Senior Schedule and Graduation
- ACT and Standardized Testing
- Post-Secondary Schools
- Campus and College Representative Visits
- NCAA Eligibility Center
- Financial Aid
- Scholarships
- And More!

* In May, juniors will meet with their counselor to finalize graduation requirements and discuss these topics in more detail.

Counseling Department Staff

<u>Name, Title & Phone #</u>	<u>Alphabet</u>
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<u>Katie Gilles</u> Counselor 715-261-0663	Sj-Z
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<u>Cathy Gauger</u> Career Center Coordinator 715-261-0657	
<u>Matthew Mitchell</u> School Psychologist 715-261-0959	
<u>Sarah Nilles</u> School Social Worker 715-261-0668	



2023 UW Placement Testing

A reminder to seniors attending a UW campus for fall of 2023 - You must register to take your UW Placement Tests. Placement test results will be used to help identify appropriate classes when you register for your college classes.

Online placement testing registration for fall 2023 students will begin in March. Please monitor communications from your campus for further instructions. Seniors will receive information directly from the UW they will be attending on which tests to sign up for. For more information or to register, visit [UW Placement Testing 2023](#).

ACT Test Format & Prep

What does the test look like?

- o English: 75 questions/45 minutes
- o Reading: 40 questions/35 minutes
- o Math: 60 questions/60 minutes
- o *Writing: 1 essay/40 minutes



Suggestions to help you prepare:

Visit www.actstudent.org and do the practice tests

- Complete the ACT Prep (Method Test Prep) in Xello
- Relax the night before and get a good night's sleep – Do NOT have a late night with friends!
- Eat a healthy breakfast before the test
- Dress comfortably
- Take the test seriously, but don't panic

What should I bring to the ACT?

- o Entrance ticket with photo
- o [Permitted calculator](#)
- o #2 pencils and erasers
- o Identification (driver's license or school ID)
- o Fully charged Chromebook



The ACT is scored on a 1-36 point scale; 36 is the highest.

*NOTE: The ACT has an optional writing test, which all students will take on March 7. It is important for students to check to see if the college they plan on applying to requires the writing test since not all schools require the test.

Additional resources:

[UW System ACT/SAT FAQ](#)

[Additional ACT information](#)

[2023 ACT Test Dates](#)

SAT Test

The SAT is an entrance exam used by universities in the Eastern, Western and Southern parts of the United States to make admissions decisions. Please be sure to check if the college you are interested in requires the SAT test. The SAT is a multiple-choice, pencil-and-paper test created and administered by the College Board. The maximum composite score is 1600. For more information or to register to take the SAT, visit [SAT](#).

[2023 SAT Test Dates](#)

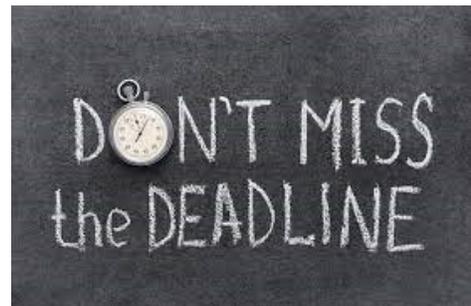
ACT vs. SAT

Wondering which test is right for you? Make sure you check with the college(s) you are looking to apply to for their requirements and/or preference. For additional information: [ACT vs. SAT: 11 Key Differences to Help You Pick the Right Test](#)

Scholarships - Apply Now!

The following scholarships are still available, but the deadlines are quickly approaching!

*WALTER (COKE) FEHL HOCKEY SCHOLARSHIP
MARVIN C. SCHUETTE MEMORIAL
RICHARD WEINREIS MEMORIAL
WISCONSIN AVIATION HALL OF FAME
CLOVERBELT CREDIT UNION
THOMAS H. LUTSEY-WASEDA FARMS
KOLBE & KOLBE MILLWORK CO., INC.
PAIGE BOOTZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
YWCA WAUSAU'S WOMEN OF VISION
WAUSAU ELKS LODGE #248 SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST
AROW GLOBAL CORP
ARCHIE TOWLE
WEAC REGION 2
AB NICHOLAS
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF AUTOMATION
DANI'S JOURNEY
AARON "MAESTRO" FRANK
BRUCE WISSE MEMORIAL
GIFTS FROM HEAVEN*



Stop by the Career Center or see the [online scholarship list](#).

Let's Get the Spring Sports Season Started!

Spring Sports Meetings

Thursday, March 2

All Spring Sports Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Large Group Room (D110)

Boys Golf Parent Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Community Room (F125)

Girls Lacrosse Parent Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Room E108

Track Parent Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Large Group Room (D110)

Monday, March 6

Girls Soccer Parent Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Large Group Room (D110)

Season Start Dates

Monday, March 6: Boys/Girls Track & Field

Monday, March 13: Softball

Monday, March 20: Baseball & Girls Soccer

Monday, March 27: Boys Golf & Boys Tennis

Wausau East Track & Field

Spring will soon be here and that means Wausau East Track & Field will be back in action. All students are welcome to join and develop their speed, strength, endurance, and toughness. Practice begins Monday, March 6, after school in the gymnasium. Athletes should plan to attend the parent meeting on March 2, at 6:00 p.m. to learn more. Talk to Coach Ekiss (mekiss@wausauschools.org) or Coach Ole (tolson@wausauschools.org) if you have any questions. Be the best at getting better! #ChopWood

Follow us on Instagram @*wausaeast_track*



Upcoming Events

[Click Here](#) for the 2022-23 East High Calendar

March

- 6 Eastside Orchestra Concert, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 7 ACT for 11th Graders
Independent Learning Day for 9th, 10th and 12th Graders
- 8 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4:00-7:30 p.m.
- 13 East Band & Choir Concert, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 16 Rube Goldberg, 5:45 p.m.
- 20-24 Spring Break, **All East Offices Closed, No School**
- 27 Classes Resume
- 28 Pre-ACT (9th & 10th Graders) & Forward Exams (10th Graders)
Independent Learning Day for 11th and 12th Graders

April

- 3 Junior Parent Night, 6:00 p.m. Room D110
- 7 Good Friday, **No School**
- 14 Spring Play, *Trap*, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 15 Spring Play, *Trap*, 1:00 & 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 16 Spring Play, *Trap*, 2:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 17 National Honor Society Induction, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 19 Josten's Graduation Delivery, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Gym Entrance
- 22 Prom
- 26 Honoring Excellence Banquet, 5:30 p.m., Memories Ballroom

May

- 1 Orchestra Concert, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 3 Scholarship Night, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium

May, continued

- 6 State Solo/Ensemble @ UWSP
- 8 Band Concert, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 10 IB Celebration, 6:45 p.m., Commons
- 12 Physics Great America Trip
- 15 Variety Show School Performance, TBD
Variety Show, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 16 Senior Awards, 2:15 p.m., Auditorium
Variety Show, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium
- 17 C.A.F.E., 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- 19 Seniors' Last Day & Graduation Practice
- 20 Baccalaureate Service, 7:00 p.m., West
- 21 Graduation, 2:00 p.m., Thom Field
- 26 Teacher Inservice, **No School**
- 29 Memorial Day, **No School**
- 31 Final Exams

June

- 1 Final Exams
- 2 Final Exams
Students' Last Day
- 5 Teachers' Last Day



**ALL EAST OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FOR
SPRING BREAK - MARCH 20-24**

Mission Statement

The Mission of Wausau East High School is to positively impact the future by helping students reach their full potential in a rigorous learning environment of respect, integrity, compassion and excellence.

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Anyone who believes that the Wausau School District has inadequately applied the principles and/or regulations of Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, Section 504 or the Americans with Disabilities Act, may file a complaint with the WSD Equity Director at the Longfellow Administration Center, 415 Seymour Street, Wausau, Wisconsin 54402-0359, or by telephone at 715-261-0500.

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