



WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dr. Keith W. Hilts, Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Wausau School District Community:

As we begin 2024 and settle back into our routines and classrooms for the remainder of the school year, I just want to take a moment to wish you all a Happy New Year!

As we look back on 2023, there is much to celebrate! Our students and staff achieved many amazing things! For example, Creative Writing students from Wausau East High have been published in the book 'EMPOWERED.' We can't forget all of the amazing concerts and sporting events that happened, (more than we can count!), as well as the moment Wausau West students and staff enjoyed the first meeting of the school's annual ping pong league. There's truly so much good happening in the Wausau School District and I encourage you to check them out! You can do that by reviewing our monthly district newsletters or following us on social media, especially Facebook and Instagram.

While there is much to celebrate, we all know there were also some challenges along the way. But, by working through those challenges, we grow, every time! For example, even though we are not restructuring our secondary schools, the curriculum work that our staff engaged in led to new math courses for our high school students. Most importantly, regardless of our views or how we were feeling, time and time again we were all reminded about how much we all care about our kids. That's truly what makes Wausau and the Wausau School District such a great place to be for us and for our students!

As we look forward to what 2024 has in store for us, we want you to know that all of the great things happening in our schools will continue! And, even though I will be retiring at the end of the school year, a change in leadership offers opportunities for reflection and a refocus on our priorities. We encourage you to continue to be involved in your child(ren)'s schools and in our district. Your partnership, and your input, makes us a more effective school district. I'm so grateful that you entrust us with the education of your children. We don't take that lightly. We're excited to work together with you in the year ahead!

Take care,
Dr. Keith Hilts
Superintendent
Wausau School District

It is the mission of the Wausau School District to advance student learning, achievement, and success.