

# EAGLE EXPRESS

January 19, 2024



**THE HORACE MANN SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB HAD A GREAT TIME AT GRANITE PEAK ON JANUARY 11TH!**



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# MESSAGE BOARD

## NO SCHOOL DAYS

February 19 - Staff Professional Learning  
March 8 - Independent Learning Day  
March 25-29 - Spring Break

If your child will be out of school or late, please call our attendance line at 715-261-0735. You can leave a message 24-hours a day.

Thank you!

Every Wednesday, FCA will meet in Mr. Klug's room at 6:50 a.m.

## Visitors at Horace Mann

When you visit us at Horace Mann between 7:30 am - 4:00 pm, we ask that you use the Main Entry. 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 main 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 procedure. We have a new system this year. Subsequent visits will not need a drivers license.

Thank you for your help in keeping our students safe!

With 700 students in our school, it is very difficult to deliver personal messages. Please discuss after school plans, transportation decisions, where your child should meet you, etc. before school. It is very disruptive to class if messages are run in for students. Emergency situations are different. We will do our best to be of service to you if an emergency arises. Thank you for keeping disruptions to a minimum.

## PHOTOS NEEDED!!

2023-24

## YEARBOOK

IF YOU TOOK SOME GREAT PICTURES OF OUR STUDENTS DURING ACTIVITIES OR ATHLETICS, PLEASE EMAIL TO MRS. TOURTILLOTT FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE HMMS YEARBOOK.



*Effective January 1, 2024, for those who submit electronic payments through LINQ Connect, the credit and debit card convenience fees for all payments will be 3.95% of the transaction amount with a minimum fee of \$2.85 per transaction.*

## SUMMER LEARNING 2024

DATE: MONDAY JUNE 10 - JULY 18, 2024

DAYS: MONDAY - THURSDAY (NO CLASS ON THURSDAY JULY 4, 2024)

TENTATIVE TIMES: AM CLASSES 7:45 - 12:00 PM CLASSES 12:00 - 4:00

LOCATIONS: TO BE DETERMINED

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION IN UPCOMING NEWSLETTERS.

Save the Date



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# JAN 19 NEWS & UPDATES

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**JAN 30 - 6TH GRADE BAND CONCERT**

**FEB 10 - WISCONSIN VALLEY HONORS BAND**

**TBD - 6TH GRADE ORCHESTRA CONCERT**

**FEB 24 - SOLO AND ENSEMBLE @ EAST**

## ROCK-INFUSED ORCHESTRA

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 @ EAST**

Students involved in Rock-Infused Orchestra are about to have an **AWESOME** musical experience on Saturday 1/20. They will be working with professional-level musicians to put on a **ROCKIN'** show that afternoon.

A quick reminder to all RIO students, please remember to bring your **instrument, music, water bottle, and a pencil** with you to Wausau East Saturday morning. And don't forget to have fun!

**THE CONCERT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ~ 3:00 @ EAST**



**PRACTICE CLUB**  
**THURSDAYS 3:15-4:15**

Want to get better at performing, or have a space to play music with friends? Ms. Ohrmundt will be hosting Practice Club each Thursday! This is a great place to get some practicing in and continue to grow as a musician!

All families must complete a G2M permission slip. Space will be limited, so sign up fast!



SCAN ME TO SIGN UP!

Each year, the Wisconsin State Music Association hosts the State Honors Music Project. This opportunity is open to current 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students enrolled in performance music. Students from across the state audition to perform at a high level with renowned directors. This group has highly-motivated, dedicated students from



**WSMA STATE HONORS**

**MUSIC PROJECT**

across the state that will perform at the WI State Music Educator Conference in October 2024, and is one of the highest musical achievements a student can attain at this level.

There are different requirements necessary for each instrument and voice type. If your student is interested in auditioning, please reach out to your director before February 1st. Registration closes February 5th, and auditions are hosted at DC-Everest Middle School on April 12th.

## SOLO AND ENSEMBLE

**SATURDAY, FEB 24 @ WAUSAU EAST**

Is your student looking for a musical challenge? Solo and Ensemble is a great opportunity for your student to truly dive into technique development, musical and self-expression, and receive valuable feedback on their performance from an experienced musician.

### FAQ

#### How long does it take?

- For each performance, there is only about an hour's worth of commitment. This includes warming up practice, checking in with your site, and performing critique.
- If your initial assigned time will not work, it can be adjusted if notified well in advance. Please check your family calendar.

#### How much does it cost?

- Registration fees are \$8.90 for solos, and \$8/student for duets+, school groups (Chamber Orchestra and Rockin' Eagles) are covered by the school
- Please let your director know if you have any concerns covering this registration fee

#### What are the expectations?

- Students are representing our school musically and behaviorally at this event.
- We **highly** recommend watching the high school ensembles! These are usually hosted in the Wausau East auditorium.
- If your child would like to spend an extended amount of time at East to watch performances, please bring cash for concessions!

### TIMELINE

#### CURRENTLY

Students are finalizing selections for perform that day. Students are registered through their director.

#### EARLY FEB

Registration costs will be applied to students' accounts. Wausau East will provide performance times.

- Students are able to adjust their time, just in case they have other commitments that day

#### SAT, FEB 24

**Game time!**

More specific information will be released when times are finalized.

### WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS EVENT!

**SIGN UP AT [BIT.LY/SOLOENSEMBLEVOLUNTEERS](https://bit.ly/soloensemblevolunteers)**

**"THE LANGUAGE OF MUSIC IS COMMON TO ALL GENERATIONS AND NATION; IT IS UNDERSTOOD BY EVERYBODY, AS SINCE IT IS UNDERSTOOD WITH HEART." -GIOACCHINO ROSSINI, COMPOSER**



Horace Mann  
7th & 8th Grade Dance  
Friday, February 16th, 2024  
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.



Time Frame : January 22nd - February 16th, 2024

- 1) No in-school or out of school suspensions
- 2) No truancy court (determined by HM administration)
- 3) Student must attend school on the day of dance
- 4) 3 Minors = no dance
- 5) 1 Major BTF = no dance



## Admission

- Dance time 7pm-9pm
- Dance held in HM cafetorium
- Coats - stored in Large Group Room
- Late arrivals after 7:10pm will not be admitted to the dance
- Cost \$3
- MUST bring Horace Mann ID
- MUST follow the school's **dress code**
- MUST have a ride home by 9:15 p.m.



## Behavior (at the dance)

- No running or loitering in the hallway
- No playing tag
- No throwing of food or drinks or littering
- No sitting on the stage
- No hats
- Cell phones should be left in the large group room
- Help clean up after the dance (wrappers, water bottles, etc.)





# U P C O M I N G   E V E N T S

<b>January 22</b>	G2M - 3:00 pm Study Zone - Room 242 Eagle Power - Weight Room Ambassadors of Diversity - Room 122 CCFC - Cafeteria FLOW @ 4:15 pm - Room 225
	Boys & Girls Wrestling vs Multiple Schools, 4:15 pm @ Horace Mann
<b>January 23</b>	G2M - 3:00 pm Study Zone - Room 242 Game Club - Room 234 Eagle Power - Weight Room FLOW @ 4:15 pm - Room 225
	Girls 7th & 8th Basketball, B Game vs John Muir, 4:00 pm @ John Muir
	Girls 7th Basketball, A Game vs John Muir, 5:00 pm @ John Muir
<b>January 24</b>	G2M - 3:00 pm Study Zone - Room 242 Eagle Power - Weight Room CCFC - Cafeteria FLOW @ 4:15 pm - Room 225
<b>January 25</b>	G2M - 3:00 pm Study Zone - Room 242 Eagle Power - Weight Room Music Practice Club - Room 058 Cooking Corner - Room 116 Robotics - Room 210 FLOW @ 4:15 pm - Room 225
	Girls 7th Basketball, B Game vs James Williams Middle, 4:00 pm @ James Williams Middle, Rhinelander
	Girls 8th Basketball, B Game vs James Williams Middle, 4:00 pm @ Hodag Dome
	Girls 7th Basketball, A Game vs James Williams Middle, 5:00 pm @ James Williams Middle, Rhinelander
<b>January 26</b>	G2M - 3:00 pm Study Zone - Room 242 Eagle Power - Weight Room CCFC - Cafeteria FLOW @ 4:15 pm - Room 225
	Boys & Girls Wrestling vs Multiple Schools, 3:30 pm @ Merrill High School

# U P C O M I N G   E V E N T S

<b>January 29</b>	G2M - 3:00 pm Study Zone - Room 242 Eagle Power - Weight Room CCFC - Cafeteria Ambassadors of Diversity - Room 122 FLOW @ 4:15 pm - Room 225
	Girls 7th & 8th Basketball, B Game vs PJ Jacobs Middle School, 4:00 pm @ PJ Jacobs
	Boys & Girls Wrestling vs Multiple Schools, 4:15 pm @ Mosinee Middle School
	Girls 7th Basketball, A Game vs PJ Jacob, 5:00 pm @ PJ Jacobs
<b>January 30</b>	G2M - 3:00 pm Study Zone - Room 242 Eagle Power - Weight Room Game Club - Room 234 FLOW @ 4:15 pm - Room 225
	Girls 7th & 8th Basketball, B Game vs. WI Rapids, 4:00 pm @ Horace Mann
	Girls 7th Basketball, A Game vs. WI Rapids, 5:00 pm @ Horace Mann
	6th Grade Band Concert, 7:00 pm
<b>January 31</b>	G2M - 3:00 pm Study Zone - Room 242 Eagle Power - Weight Room CCFC - Cafeteria FLOW @ 4:15 pm - Room 225

## Attention 8th Grade Parents:

Below are some important dates and times to help transition your child into high school.

If you have any questions about this process for your 8th grader please feel free to contact the Horace Mann counseling office (715-261-0740).

Please mark your calendars.

**January 18th** -Wausau East counselors will come to Horace Mann Middle School to speak with the 8th graders as a group. Information will be sent home to parents.

**February 1st** - 8th graders will tour Wausau East High School

**February 5th, 6:30-7:00** - Wausau East High School will hold an open house in the Auditorium for 8th graders and their parent/guardians. 7:00-8:00 parent/guardian and students may walk through the building to meet East staff in their classrooms.

**February 13th** - Finalize High School Class Registration



# Horace Mann Athletics



[Horace Mann Athletics Website](#)

## Winter Sports Season

**Congratulations to Maria Pond and Demitrius Thao for representing Horace Mann as Athletes of the Month in the January issue of the Wausau Neighbors Magazine.** Cooper Valiska and Zach Walters will be representing Horace Mann in the February issue.

Please use this [site](#) to sign your child up for 6th Grade Intramural Basketball, starting on March 4th; Girls Soccer (7th/8th), Girls Softball (7th/8th), Track (6th, 7th, 8th) or Intramural Golf (6th, 7th, 8th) starting after Spring Break.

**Mann Game Schedule can be used to find the current schedule for your child's sports. You can also download the Activity Scheduler app to stay up to date with the latest schedules.**

**Horace Mann coaches are now using the "Sports You" app to communicate with parents and athletes. Please download the app and use these [codes](#) to join a team.**

**Softball Open Gyms will start in February at Wausau East from 4-6pm for anyone interested in playing for the Horace Mann team. Please enter through door S8 located by the Wrestling Room.**

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest. The Knights of Columbus is hosting our annual Free Throw Contest again this year. It will once again be hosted at Newman Catholic High School at noon on Sunday, January 28. Doors will be open for registration at 11:45.

The contest is free for all boys and girls ages 9-14. Prizes are awarded for 1st-3rd place and winners of each age group will compete at the district level at approximately 1:30 the same day. Winners from that competition will then go to the next level out of town in late Feb/early March.

## MCU Soccer Registration Information

### CALLING ALL PARENTS, FANS, ATHLETES AND COACHES!

BVM Sports (BVMSports.com) is dedicated to providing local, national and international sports coverage. BVM Sports delivers all-encompassing coverage of sports at every level—peewee to pro—conveniently in one place. From scores and news to profiles and human interest stories, BVM Sports is your home for all things sports. Here is a link to [BVM Sports](#)

and the links to some of the articles of our Horace Mann Athletes of the Month. As a parent you can also share articles of information on our local sports, teams and athletes.

Is your favorite athlete or team not getting the media coverage they should? BVM Sports provides your local sports community the platform needed to highlight these local stars by handing the writing reins over to YOU!

Posting your own local sports stories, videos, photos, game highlights and more helps generate buzz for your school and athletesandconnectssportscommunitiesacrossthecountry—evenhelpingscoutsandrecruitersfollowstar athletes in your neighborhood. With just a few clicks, you can see your local teams and athletes appear on a national website!



# EAGLE PRIDE MARKET

If you know of any businesses, organizations or individuals that would like to sponsor or donate to the Eagle Pride Market, please contact:

Kathy Tyskiewicz (715) 261-0734 or [ktyskie@wausauschools.org](mailto:ktyskie@wausauschools.org)

**There are many ways to support the Pantry:**



Gift Cards



Food drive at your business or organization

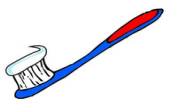


Cash Donations

## Toiletries and hygiene products

- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Floss
- Sunscreen

- Shampoo/Conditioner(Travel Size)
- Lotion(Travel Size)
- Combs/Brush
- Soap/Body wash



Winter Weather Clothing Drive

Please donate to the main office: Mon - Fri 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM  
Everything donated truly makes a difference in the lives of our students in need.



# CREATIVITY CRAFT & FUN CLUB!

STUDENTS WILL BE  
SURVEYED ON  
INTERESTS AND BE ABLE  
TO CHOOSE WHAT THEY  
LIKE TO DO FROM A  
VARIETY OF OPTIONS.

- ART PROJECTS
- GAMES
- MUSIC
- DANCE
- PERFORMING

January 8 - April 5  
Monday-Wednesday-Friday  
CAFETORIUM

Register Here



[G2M REGISTRATION FORM](#)

3:15-  
4:15PM

# Study Zone



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

[G2M Permission Slip Click HERE!](#)

Meet at 3:00pm in the Cafeterium  
For Check in and FREE SNACK



## Eagle Power



FREE class consists of Training Techniques which include  
lifting weights, plyometrics, stretching & aerobic exercise.  
OpentoALL 6th,7th,and8thGradeStudents

Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.  
Meet at 3:00pm in the Cafeterium  
For Check in and FREE SNACK

For questions, please see Mr.Beversdorf or Mrs. Zemke

[G2M Permission Slip Click HERE!](#)



# HMMS

## Ski/Snowboard Club

January/February 2024

\*\*Mandatory Info Meeting for students/parents  
Wed. 11/29 @ 4pm\*\*



[G2M Permission Slip click HERE!](#)

\*\*There are a limited number of spots available\*\*

Email [amarrier@wausauschools.org](mailto:amarrier@wausauschools.org) or [wforbes@wausauschools.org](mailto:wforbes@wausauschools.org)  
with any questions



# ROBOTICS

TEAM: "Eagle's E.G.G."

Electronic Ground-breaking Gadgets



ATTENTION Eagles,

The Robotics club is returning for another exciting season! A maximum of 14 students will meet to explore robot building and coding. Due to limited robotics supplies, 8th graders and last year's participants will be invited first. 7th and 6th graders will be invited if space allows.

> Thursdays: December 14th through March 21st (schedule below)  
> 2:55-3:10...meet in cafeteria for attendance, snack, and juice  
> 3:15-4:15...Room 115

> FULL SCHEDULE (we will not meet on parent conference nights)  
o DECEMBER 14 / JANUARY 4, 11, 18, 25 / FEBRUARY 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 / MARCH 7, 14, 21

Parent permission required. GOOGLE FORM option: [Permission Slip](#), or print or request a hard copy of the second page below.

Email any of us with questions, or the best time to reach you if you prefer a phone call or meeting.

Yours in going above and beyond,

Mr. Boller

Middle School Gifted and Talented Resource Teacher  
[aboller@wausauschools.org](mailto:aboller@wausauschools.org)  
715-261-0725, X35604

Ms. Goessl-Heiser

G2M Out-of-School Enrichment Coordinator  
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## Ambassadors of Diversity Let's Make A Difference!



Do you want to learn about others? Do you want everyone to be treated fairly? Do you want to make a change? Do you want to have a voice in a safe environment? If so, join the after school group, Ambassadors of Diversity. As an ambassador of diversity, you

will learn about others through google meets, guest speakers and projects.

WHEN: Mondays

WHO: Mrs. Zemke @ [pzemke@wausauschools.org](mailto:pzemke@wausauschools.org)

[G2M Permission Slip Click HERE!](#)

Meet at 3:00pm in the Cafeterium  
For Check in and FREE SNACK



MOVEMENT, FUN, FREEDOM

[G2M Permission Slip Click HERE!](#)

Meet at 3:00pm in the Cafeterium  
For Check in and FREE SNACK.

FLOW starts after other G2M  
activities and goes until 5:15pm



## Game Club

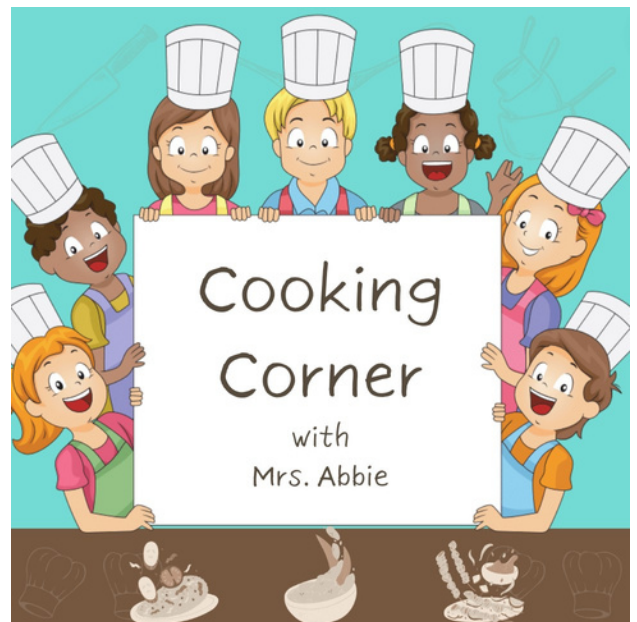
**\*Bring your own board/card/rpg  
games if you wish!**

**Come join us for an hour of games  
on Tuesdays**



[G2M Permission Slip Click HERE!](#)

Meet at 3:00pm in the Cafeterium  
For Check in and FREE SNACK



[G2M Permission Slip Click HERE!](#)

**THURSDAYS After School  
Starting Oct. 5th**

Meet at 3:00pm in the Cafeterium  
For Check in & FREE SNACK





# COLD WEATHER SAFETY

## What you (and your kids) need to know!

Although this winter may have started out mild, we are now seeing temperatures start to drop and children are especially vulnerable of developing frostbite and/or hypothermia. Young children are dependent on their parents and caregivers to dress them appropriately for cold weather.

Teenagers should also be reminded of how to dress, even if it's "unfashionable".

It is important to know how to prevent, recognize, and treat these cold weather emergencies.

### FROSTBITE

Frostbite occurs when the skin, and sometimes the tissue beneath, freezes due to prolonged exposure to cold temperatures. Frostbite can happen in minutes and result in severe, sometimes permanent, damage.

#### Prevent:

- Dress in loose, comfortable layers. Inner clothing layers that absorb moisture and outer layers that are windproof and waterproof are best
- Cover exposed skin (hat, mittens, scarf/face mask)
- Wear thick socks and insulated boots to protect toes and feet
- Send extra mittens and clothing to school in case your child's get wet

#### Recognize Symptoms:

- Tingling, numbness, burning sensation
- Waxy, white and hard skin

#### Treat:

- Bring indoors ASAP.
- Do not rub or massage cold body parts
- Remove any wet clothing
- Place affected body part in warm (not hot) water, wrap in blanket, drink warm liquid
- Seek medical attention

### HYPOTHERMIA

Hypothermia is a significant and potentially dangerous drop in body temperature. The most common cause is prolonged exposure to cold.

#### Prevent:

- Dress in layers, appropriate for cold temperatures. Avoid overly constricting clothing
- Try to avoid getting wet
- Cover exposed skin, wear a warm hat
- Seek shelter from wind, take breaks indoors

#### Recognize Symptoms:

- Shivering, exhaustion, confusion, slurred speech, drowsiness, slow & shallow breathing

#### Treat:

- Move person into warm room or shelter - Remove any wet clothing
- Warm the center of their body (chest, neck, head and groin)
- Keep them dry and wrap in blanket
- Seek medical attention immediately

### RESOURCES

[CDC - Hypothermia and Frostbite Prevention](#)

[Wisconsin DHS - Winter Health and Safety Tips](#)

[National Weather Service - Cold Weather Safety](#)

Your WSD School Nurses,  
Emilee Mootz, Sydney Nielsen, Emma Buckli, Alex Hein





Presented with UW-Stevens Point &  
NorthCentral Technical College



# START YOUR JOURNEY: COLLEGE & CAREER READY GRADES 6-8

Parents/Guardians and Students: It's never too early to start planning for the future! Come learn more about high school, local college options, and Academic and Career Planning (ACP)!  
The following will be covered:

High School Planning

Explore Options

Xello

College Planning

Transcripts



Horace Mann Middle School  
Thursday, March 7, 2024  
4:30 - 5:30 pm

Please RSVP and register:

**RSVP LINK**

Walk-ins are Welcome!



John Muir Middle School  
Thursday, Feb 29, 2024  
4:30 - 5:30 pm

Questions? Please contact:  
Mann: Manee Vongphakdy - (715) 261-0753  
Muir: Heidi Schmidt - (715) 261-0118



**Enroll**



**Now!**



# **GIRLS WRESTLING**

COME LEARN THE FUNDAMENTALS OF WRESTLING.  
YOU WILL BE TAUGHT THE BASIC SKILLS OF  
WRESTLING WHILE ENGAGING IN FUN DRILLS.

**Who: Girls Grades 3rd-8th**

**When: Wednesday 6:00-7:00pm**

**January 24-March 20**

**Where: Wausau West Wrestling Shelf**

**Cost: \$30.00 includes T-shirt**

**REGISTER ON-SITE JAN. 24TH**

**PRE- REGISTER BY EMAILING NAME & GRADE TO:  
TFABRY@WAUSAUSCHOOLS.ORG**

**GROW  
GIRLS  
WRESTLING**





Registration for  
**2024**  
Lacrosse is  
**NOW OPEN!**

**OPEN TO BOYS AND GIRLS  
3RD - 8TH GRADE  
ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME!**

**JOIN US NOW @ WOLFPACKLAX.ORG**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

LOCATED AT THE GREENHECK TURNER COMMUNITY CENTER

### LAX OPEN GYM

- Free to returning & new players
- No sign up needed
- Wear Lax Pads & Gym Shoes  
(helmet not needed)

#### **DATES:** Sundays

- January 7
- January 21
- January 28 •
- February 4
- February 11

**Time:**  
6:00-7:30 pm

### INTRO TO BOYS & GIRLS LACROSSE

- Sign up at: <https://gtcc.dce.k12.wi.us/>
- \$40 Total for all dates


#### **DATES:** Sundays

- February 18 •
- February 25 •
- March 3
- March 10
- March 17

**Time:**  
6:00-7:45 pm








# ONE Network *for* VOLUNTEERS


## WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT

WANT TO HELP WITH FIELD TRIPS, SCHOOL EVENTS, SPORTING EVENTS,  
MATH, READING, CLASSROOM HELP, SCHOOL ASSISTANCE OR PROJECTS?  
**GET STARTED TODAY!**


### Become a Volunteer at School




**CHECK US OUT ON THE WEBSITE!**  
**RESOURCES • LINKS • VIDEOS**  
[wausauschools.org/programs/one-volunteer-network](https://wausauschools.org/programs/one-volunteer-network)




### 3 EASY STEPS




Background Check






Volunteer Handbook



**KATIE CROTTEAU**  
VOLUNTEER & COMMUNITY  
INVOLVEMENT COORDINATOR  
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