

November-December  
2024

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Primary School

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Intermediate School

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Middle School

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# The Spartan Impact

Across Wisconsin, on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 120 school districts placed referendum questions on their local ballot.

For 92 or 76% of the districts, the answer was "Yes". Their communities supported the proposed referendums. Some of these referendums were operational, like the one the L-C community passed in April, which saved at a minimum 16 staff positions within the district. Others were capital referendums for building projects and renovations. According to data from the Department of Public Instruction, during the 2024 calendar year, at least 192 of the 421 school district's in Wisconsin (46%) posed a referendum question to the residents of their districts.

Locally, The Green Bay Area School District passed a \$183 million capital referendum for renovations related to school closures, boundary changes, securing school entrances, and ADA compliance.

The De Pere School District approved a \$22 million capital referendum to secure entrances, improve emergency communications, and repair leaky roofs and for building system issues. In April the District passed a \$23.75 million operational referendum that maintained employee salaries and benefits, updated technology and addressed building maintenance.

The Ashwaubenon School District voters approved a \$2.8 million operational referendum to add nine employees to focus on mental health and graduation support.

### Why does this matter????

The State of Wisconsin is already planning for the 2025-27 biennial budget. Education funding will be a hot topic in terms of overall funding and where those funds will be applied.

I urge you to have conversations with your area legislators in regards to school finance and advocate for adequate funding.

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Superintendent



# Primary School News

## October Fun

On October 24th, the Primary School teamed up with the Intermediate School for a Family Night Trunk or Treat. This was the second year of trunk or treat for the Intermediate School, but it was the first year the Primary School joined the fun. Staff decorated vehicles, passed out candy and small prizes, and engaged the students (and parents) with questions about how to be kind, considerate, responsible, and respectful with each other and with adults in their lives. In addition to the Family Night, the Primary School held their annual Halloween Parade on October 31st. Students and staff dressed up in costumes and paraded throughout the school and past a large contingent of parents and family members who came to see all the fun costumes. Both events were very popular and were a huge success!



## Spartan Holiday Helpers

The Luxemburg Casco Primary School is again spreading a little extra cheer this holiday season through the act of giving. Kindness, generosity, and respect are taught early on to our students at the Primary School. This year the school is putting these terms into action by teaming up with the High School FBLA to host a Spartan Holiday Helper drive for families in our community who are in need. As many know, the holidays can be a strenuous time for families, so as a Spartan community we would like to make the holidays a little less stressful and a little more joyous. To accomplish this, the school will be sending an online form for students, staff, and community members to sign up to donate items to families in need. The form will be sent via school folder and email to parents of students within the district. This will allow families to sign up for what they can donate online, and then send or drop off the items at the Luxemburg-Casco Primary School. We are hoping, with the support of the Spartan Community, we will be able to brighten up the holidays for many families this year. If you have any questions regarding this event, please reach out to Jessica Wessel, Primary School Counselor.

# Intermediate School News

## Trunk or Treat

LCIS hosted its second annual Trunk or Treat Family Night on October 24th. New this year, the Primary School joined this family engagement night. This exciting event included staff-decorated cars, candy, music, face painting, and some learning opportunities around supporting students' social and emotional well-being. Our second annual Trunk or Treat Night was considered a Title 1 event, as the "Helping our Kids Build Skills for a Brighter Future" handout related to one of our Title 1 goals and brought the school-families-community together for a fun-filled night. A big thank you to all of our donors, as we couldn't have made this night happen without all of their generosity. Another thank you to the LCIS and LCPS staff that helped behind the scenes to prepare for this event.



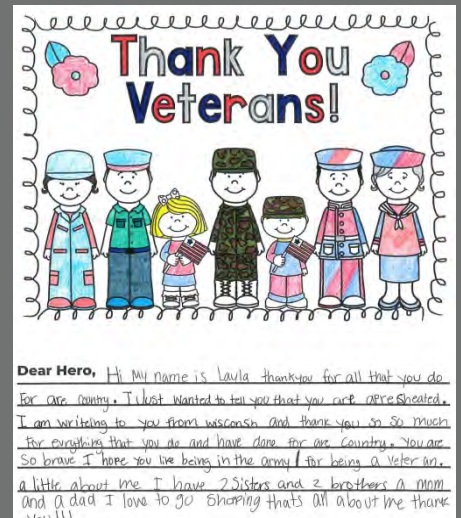
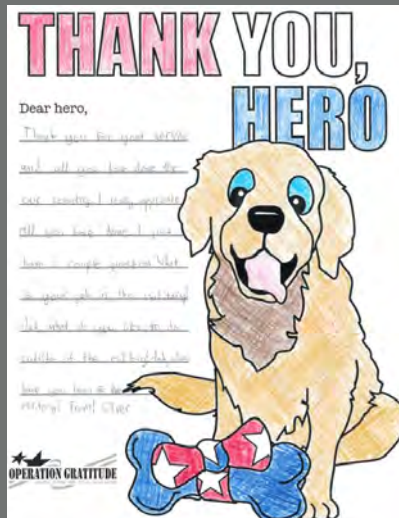
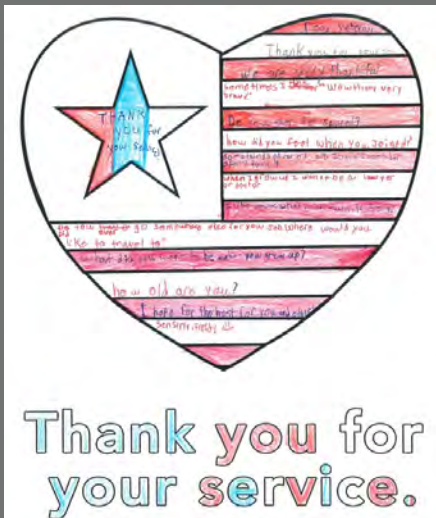
# We Couldn't Do It Without You ! THANK YOU !!

## TRUNK OR TREAT DONORS

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| Mathu's Appliance              | Northern Electric INC. | Roger Mleziva                    |
| SDA Landscape and Lawn Service | Dejardin Trucking      | Don Reinhart                     |
| Flowers and Gifts By Judy      | Northbrook             | The Rendezvous                   |
| QualiT                         | Ultimate Air           | Kewaunee Co. Sheriff's Depart.   |
| Bank of Luxemburg              | Ron's Cheese           | Linda Jonet                      |
| Festival Foods                 | M & B Transit          | Strategic Underwriting Solutions |
| IGA                            | 1330 Wraps             | Kwik Trip                        |
| Nicolet Bank                   | John John's LLC        |                                  |
| Quigly-Brown Appraisals        | NEW Plastics           |                                  |
| Stodola                        | Cura Personalis LLC    |                                  |
| AG -Transport                  | L-C IS Cafeteria Staff |                                  |
| DC Farm Services               |                        |                                  |

## Veterans Day Letters

Operation Gratitude was started in 2003 to send care packages and letters to boost morale and bring a bit of home to those who are serving in our armed forces. This year, in honor of Veterans Day, we asked Luxemburg-Casco Intermediate students to write letters to send to Operation Gratitude. If you would like to know more about this great organization and how you can get involved go to <https://www.operationgratitude.com>. We hope with this activity that students can remember that showing gratitude can be as easy as saying thank you, writing a letter, or sending someone far from home a reminder that we are proud of them and are grateful for their sacrifice.



# Middle School News

## 7th Grade: Career Clusters and Technological Impact



Our 7th-grade students wrapped up their Career Cluster unit with a deep dive into a variety of career fields. This unit allowed students to explore careers across multiple clusters, helping them identify areas of personal interest that they might consider pursuing further in high school. To conclude their research, students worked in groups to create presentations on how technology has impacted specific career clusters.



To prepare for this task, students participated in a survey, identifying which career clusters they found most intriguing. They were then grouped based on shared interests, making for a collaborative experience where they could develop skills in problem-solving, teamwork, communication, and accountable talk. These skills, introduced earlier in the school year, proved crucial in helping students work together to present their findings effectively.

This hands-on exploration has not only broadened students' understanding of various careers but also allowed them to see how technology shapes industries they may one day enter. The experience underscores the value of communication (Accountable Talk and Listening) and teamwork in real-world settings, providing a foundation they can build upon in the years ahead.

## 8th Grade: “Find Your Inspiration” Event and Planning for the Future

On November 6th, our 8th-grade students took part in the “Find Your Inspiration” event at the Resch Expo. This event is a dynamic way for students to begin thinking about career paths they might pursue in high school and beyond. At the expo, they engaged with professionals, asked questions, and gained insights into the diversity of career options available.

In December and February, our 8th graders will be putting together presentations to outline their future goals, mapping out high school classes they are interested in and exploring opportunities for Youth Apprenticeships or College Pathways. These presentations encourage students to think critically about their next steps and make informed choices about the classes and programs that will guide them toward their aspirations.



# High School News

## SPARTAN VOLLEYBALL BACK ON THE STATE STAGE

The 2024 Spartan Volleyball team made it back to the WIAA State Volleyball Tournament after a two year absence this season. It marked the program's fifth trip to the state tournament. The Spartans on day one, in the State Semi-Finals, found success as they put forth a dominating 25-15, 25-17, 25-17 victory over St. Thomas More advancing to Championship Saturday for the fifth time in eight years. In the Championship match they faced a big, physical Catholic Memorial team. The team battled all night, but could not solve the Crusaders, falling 18-25, 10-25, 22-25 finishing Runner Up for the second time in school history.

As Dr. Seuss said; "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." The journey of the 2024 team was one of grit, determination and passion. The theme for the 2024 season, "Unity over Adversity" was picked last off season. Every season, every team, no matter how good, faces adversity. The team faced adversity numerous times throughout the season, no bigger than when they lost an instant classic match on Pink Out night at the start of October to Freedom. After that gutting loss, the team had to go on the road two days later and take on the #2 ranked team in the state, Fox Valley Lutheran. The same team that knocked them out of the playoffs last season. The Spartans stayed united, and put together what was arguably their best match of the season in a dominating 27-25, 25-14, 25-15 win over the Foxes. The team stayed united, continued to work hard, and had a chance in the Sectional Semi-Final to avenge their loss to Freedom. In the theme of the season they chose unity in the face of adversity as they faced 3 set points in set 2 and gutted out a 27-25 win and went on to defeat the Irish 25-16, 27-25, 17-25, 25-18. The Sectional Final would be no different. The team showed unity again against Kewaskum, being down 5-13 in the 4th set before coming back to win 26-24 to secure their spot at the State Tournament.

The team was led by three seniors; Lauren Lindsley, Ella Vander Velden, and Campbell Onell. Their biggest show of leadership was at the start of the season when it was decided that the 2024 team would not have standing "captains". They wanted to allow everyone on the team the ability to lead in their own way. This group of outstanding young ladies led as a group, and stayed united all year. The legacy, and footprint that these seniors and this team are leaving behind will be felt for years to come.

Finally, we want to thank the community, the staff, the students and all our fans for all the support at the state tournament as well as all season. We saw you, we felt your love and support, and we appreciate it more than you know. What an amazing journey it was.





# Christmas Party for Senior Citizens



Luxemburg-Casco School District is excited to host the annual Christmas Party for Senior Citizens on Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at St. John’s Lutheran Church. This holiday celebration is in appreciation for the community’s continued support for our district.

This year's festivities begin at 8:30 a.m. with Christmas carols performed by the Luxemburg-Casco High School Choir. Senior citizens will be treated to Christmas cookies, snacks, and refreshments. Thanks to the generosity of over 40 local businesses, senior citizens can try their luck at Bingo with over \$2000.00 in prizes up for grabs. All senior citizens residing in the Luxemburg-Casco District are encouraged to join us for a heartwarming celebration filled with holiday music, sweet snacks, friendship, and memories that will last into the new year.



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# 2024 WWCA Special Recognition



**Congratulations to Coach Tremml, Coach Fabry and the Assistant Coaching Staff**

Wisconsin Wrestling Coaches Association

2024 State Coach of the Year—Chas Tremml

2024 State Assistant Coach of the Year—Lance Fabry

National Wrestling Coaches Association Scholastic Division 2023-2024

Chas Tremml—Luxemburg-Casco— WI—State Boys Head Coach of the Year

Luxemburg-Casco— WI— Boys Assistant Coaching Staff of the Year





Learning that works for Wisconsin

Starting this year, once a quarter, each CTE area will be featuring a different CTE student to spotlight. These spotlights are featured in the high school entry hallway on the way to the auditorium and tells the students' CTE stories as a way to inspire other students to explore CTE opportunities and careers.

CTE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**FACS:**  
HEALTH SCIENCES


**ELLI MUELLER**  
JUNIOR  
LUXEMBURG CASCO HIGH SCHOOL  
POSITION:  
CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT

*"Elli is great to have in Health Occupations class! She always has a positive attitude and contributes so much to every class she is in. I can't wait to see what the future holds for her!"*  
-Mrs. Amber Connor, Teacher

**POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:**  
PURSUING TRAVEL NURSING

*"PEOPLE WAIT ALL WEEK FOR FRIDAY. ALL YEAR FOR SUMMER. ALL LIFE FOR HAPPINESS. STOP WAITING! HAPPINESS IS ACHIEVED WHEN YOU STOP WAITING FOR IT AND MAKE THE MOST OF THE MOMENT YOU ARE IN NOW."*-ELLI

CTE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**AGRICULTURE:**  
ANIMAL SCIENCE

**CALEB SALENTINE**  
SENIOR  
SALENTINE HOMESTEAD DAIRY FARM  
POSITION: FARM HAND

*"Caleb has a strong work ethic. He exhibits a positive attitude when on the dairy farm."*  
-Salentine Dairy

**POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:**  
PURSUING A DAIRY SCIENCE DEGREE

*"AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT'S ABOUT TAKING HOME MORE THAN A PAYCHECK. IT'S ABOUT THE PEOPLE YOU MEET AND THE EXPERIENCES YOU HAVE."*-CALEB

CTE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**TECH ED:**  
MANUFACTURING

**ELLA MARACH**  
JUNIOR  
AMERICAN CUSTOM METAL FABRICATION  
POSITION: WELDER

*"Ella has been a great asset to our company. Her hard work and passion for this career path is very inspiring and will continue to show in her future at ACMF."*-Brice Wiesman  
-Shop Trainer -ACMF

**POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:**  
WELDING

*"YOU HAVE TO TAKE RISKS. WE WILL ONLY UNDERSTAND THE MIRACLE OF LIFE FULLY WHEN WE ALLOW THE UNEXPECTED TO HAPPEN."*-ELLA

CTE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**AGRICULTURE:**  
HORTICULTURE

**VIOLET KIPP**  
SENIOR  
LUXEMBURG CASCO HIGH SCHOOL  
POSITION:  
GREENHOUSE ASSISTANT

*"Violet is detail oriented and has been really successful in the growing of crops for the school lunch program."*  
-Ms. Justine Selk, Teacher

**POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:**  
UW GREEN BAY - BIOLOGY/ECOLOGY

*"A SAILOR CAN'T CHANGE THE WIND'S DIRECTION. THEY CAN ONLY ADJUST THEIR SAILS."*-VIOLET

CTE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**EDUCATION:**  
EARLY CHILDHOOD

**RACHEL GRIMM**  
SENIOR  
DAY BY DAY DISCOVERIES  
POSITION: CHILD CARE

*"Rachel is such a great role model here at Day By Day Discoveries. She has always had an outstanding work ethic, friendly smile, and a strong commitment to making sure everyone she is in contact with has a great day. We strive for our young kiddos here to become just like Rachel!"*  
-Day By Day Discoveries

**POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:**  
UW-WHITEWATER/ELEMENTARY ED

*"NO MATTER WHAT CAREER PATH YOU CHOOSE, THERE WILL BE GOOD AND BAD DAYS. FOCUS AND SOAK IN ON THE GOOD DAYS! THEY MAKE YOUR JOB ALL WORTH IT!"*-RACHEL

CTE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**TRANSPORTATION:**  
AUTO REPAIR

**JACK PETERSON**  
SENIOR  
KARE AUTO  
POSITION:  
AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICIAN

*"Kare Auto would like to say how happy we are to have Jack working for us. He is a great asset to our team. He is very smart, a hard worker, and always willing to jump in and help where needed. We hope to keep him as an employee after graduation."*  
-Kare Auto

**POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:**  
NWTG- AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICIAN

*"PURSUE ACTIVITIES THAT INTEREST YOU"*-JACK

### CTE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**BUSINESS:  
FINANCE**

**SOPHIA HERMANS**  
SENIOR  
**BANK OF LUXEMBURG**

POSITION: TELLER  
"YOU BECOME WHAT YOU BELIEVE IN." -SOPHIA

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:  
**NWTC FOR BUSINESS**

*"Sophia is a great asset to Bank of Luxembourg. She has really come out of her shell over the last year and provides excellent customer service. She is always willing to help wherever needed and continues to take on additional responsibilities, allowing her to continue to grow in her role."*

### CTE STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**BUSINESS:  
ADMINISTRATION**

**REAGAN DOELL**  
SENIOR  
**LUXEMBURG CASCO HIGH SCHOOL**

SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT:  
BASKETBALL, BASEBALL, FBLA, STING CANCER, NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY  
"ON THE PATH TO SUCCESS EVERYONE HAS ROADBLOCKS, BUT DON'T LET THEM STOP YOU; PERSEVERE AND WORK AROUND IT AND LEARN FROM THEM AND GROW." -REAGAN

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:  
**ACTUARY SCIENCE OR ACCOUNTING**

*"Reagan has been elected as FBLA president for the 3rd year in a row. He is a great leader and role model for other students. He has also qualified for FBLA Nationals three years in a row." -Ms. Tracy Bins, Teacher*

## Dual Credits with NWTC

### Luxemburg-Casco High School Unlocking Potential



Through Dual Credit with NWTC

2023-2024 Academic Year

**1,784**  
College Credits Earned

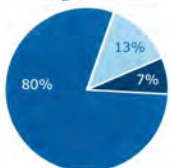
**\$291,327**  
Tuition Saved



\*Upon graduation from High School

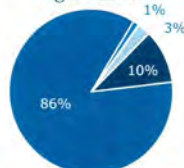
#### Credits Earned by Type of Dual Credit

Luxemburg-Casco High School



Legend  
 ■ Start College Now  
 ■ Transcribed Credit  
 ■ Distance Learning  
 ■ Contracted Classes

All NWTC District High Schools

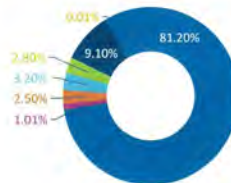


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#### General Information

##### Race Breakdown of all students taking dual credit



**5,550**  
STUDENTS SAVED AN AVERAGE OF

**\$842** ON TUITION COSTS IN 2022-2023



##### Total Number of Students Earning Dual Credit at NWTC



#### Benefits of Dual Credit



Students are more likely to pursue post-secondary education

Credits are easily transferable to another College or University



Save money on tuition

#### Types of Dual Credit

**Transcribed Credit**  
Courses taught at your HS, by your teachers, using NWTC curriculum. Students will earn NWTC credit with a 'C' or better.

**Start College Now**  
Students enroll in NWTC courses taught by NWTC industry-expert instructors.

**Distance Learning**  
Live instruction online by NWTC instructors, during HS school hours.

**Youth Apprenticeship**  
Receive industry-related classroom training from NWTC instructors; students may also be assigned to work-related placements.

**Advanced Standing**  
Courses taught at your HS, by your teachers, that closely match NWTC coursework. Students with a 'B' or better will receive college credit upon enrollment at NWTC (or another WTCS school).

Watch this NWTC YouTube video to learn more!



<https://go.nwtc.edu/dualcredit>

# Holiday Events



## High School

December 16 Winter Band Concert 7:00pm Auditorium

December 16 Winter Choir Concert 7:00pm Auditorium

## Middle School

December 9 Holiday Concert 7:00pm Auditorium

## Intermediate School

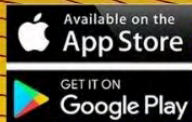
December 12 Holiday Concert 9:00am Gym Parents & Students  
1:30pm Gym Parents & Community

# Get in Touch

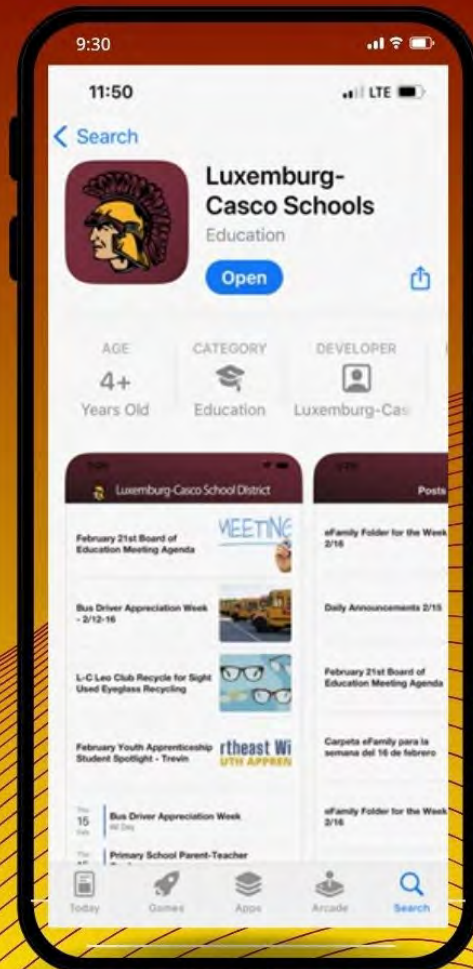


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Video Link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SzAQoKir5Fc>





**Luxemburg-Casco**

**School District**



**Cordially Invites You to a**

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**FOR SENIOR CITIZENS**

**Wednesday, December 11th**

**Snowdate: Thursday, December 12th**

**St. John's Lutheran Church**

**700 Heritage Rd. Luxemburg**

**8:30 Music, Snacks,  
Refreshments**

**9:00 Bingo**

**Must live in L-C District to attend.**

