

COMMUNITY EDUCATION



Watertown Mayer
Public Schools
Connections • Opportunities

August-December 2025

Registration begins August 4



Treasure Lifelong Learning





REGISTRATION

3 Easy Ways to Register

Payment methods include:

AMEX, Visa, MasterCard, Discover,

& cash or check if registering in person.

Refund deadline is 2 weeks prior to class start unless otherwise listed.

Online wm.ce.eleyo.com

Convenient registration available 24/7.

By Phone 952-955-0280

Registration by phone when you charge your class to your credit card.

In Person

313 Angel Ave NW,

Watertown MN 55388 Door 4.

Stop by our Community Ed Office
Mon-Fri, 8 am-4 pm

Email Notifications & Announcements

Fill out your email and cell phone on your online user profile so we can send a confirmation, instructor or weather cancellation messages. We will never give your information to any other agency, it is strictly for the use by ISD 111 Community Education.

Do you have UCARE?

UCARE may apply to many of our health and fitness classes.

Sign Up Today!

Many classes fill quickly

If classes have insufficient enrollment, the class will be canceled, so please sign up early.



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Enrollment opens August 4th!

Visit wm.ce.eleyo.com to learn more and register

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out. Prepare for a Fall season brimming with chances to learn, create, and have a blast, no matter your age.

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Director's Farewell... A New Chapter

Dear Watertown-Mayer Community,

As my four-year journey as Director comes to an end on June 30, 2025, I'm filled with gratitude for the incredible experience we've shared. It has been a true privilege to lead during this time, and I'm incredibly proud of what we've accomplished together.

I also want to acknowledge Janine Knutson, our Administrative Assistant for 18 years, who recently left. Janine was a dedicated part of our team and a constant cheerleader for our staff and programs. Her support will be greatly missed.

Looking to the future, I'm thrilled to welcome Melissa Brown-Pinard as our new full-time Early Childhood Coordinator. Melissa is an experienced Early Childhood Education leader with a hands-on style, known for inspiring young learners and teaching teams, and driving program excellence through curriculum, mentorship, and parent collaboration. She's stepping into the role previously held by Susie Retterath, who will continue her dedication to early childhood as a preschool teacher.

I want to extend my deepest thanks for the opportunity to serve this wonderful community. I'm confident that Watertown-Mayer will continue to thrive and achieve even greater things in the future. I look forward to watching your continued success from afar.

*Thank you again for an unforgettable four years.
With sincere appreciation,*

Amy Dimmler, Former Director

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Door 4 Community Education Office,
Youth Classes, Young Royals Preschool, ECFE,
Kids' Company & Caring Hands Child Care

Door 3 Evening ECFE Classes

Door 1 Adult Community Wing
All Community Opportunities, Adult Enrichment,
Fitness Classes & Community Lounge

WM Elementary School

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WM High School & Middle School 952-955-0600
952-955-0400

1001 MN 25 NW, Watertown MN 55388

District Office 952-955-0480

1001 MN 25 NW, Watertown MN 55388

Events

Watertown Area Chamber of Commerce

Watch for details regarding these upcoming events



Early Childhood Family Ed Events & Activities

See page 8 for more details

ECFE Open House + Vehicle Fair **Sept 11**

Storybook Trail in the Woods **Sept 27**

Happy Fall Y'All **Oct 23**

Fall Harvest Party **Oct 25**

Holiday Gnome Fun **Dec 4**

Holiday Trim the Tree **Dec 9**

The Jolly Pops **Jan 24**

Preschool / Child Care Open House

Jan - Details coming soon!

SANTA-STRAVAGANZA WATERTOWN CHRISTMAS

Santa-Stravaganza & Holiday Tree Lighting

Sat, Dec 6 Santa, 9 am-Noon Tree Lighting, 4:30-5 pm



Watertown Commission on Aging

Free

SENIOR HOLIDAY DINNER

Join us for a free holiday dinner hosted by the Watertown Commission on Aging and made possible by our many local sponsors.

Tuesday, December 9th

Entertainment 4:00pm

Dinner 4:30-6:30pm

Event and time is subject to change

MENU

Chicken Wildrice Casserole, Coleslaw, Roll, Pumpkin Bar, Coffee, Lemonade and Water

Call WM Comm. Ed at 952-955-0280

To reserve your spot

HAPPY Holidays

Watertown Community Center
309 Lewis Ave S



Watertown Library

The Watertown Library offers a wide selection of programs and events for all ages.

To see a list of all events and to register for classes, please visit www.carverlib.org or call the library at 952-955-2939.

Family Storytime

10:30-11 am, weekly every Thursday, all ages with focus on age 2+

All ages with a focus on children ages 2+. Children and their caregivers are invited to come and share 30 minutes of stories, music and movement that encourages the development of early literacy skills.

Bluey Storytime Party

Thursday, October 2, 10:30-11 am

A fun, interactive event for families that features Bluey-themed stories, games, crafts, and activities

Family Craft Day

11:30 am-4 pm, 1st Thursday of each month

All ages with activities designed so both young children and adults can participate. These weekly programs provide a variety of self-directed crafts and activities. All supplies provided.

Building Together with LEGOs

1st Saturday of each month, 9:30-11:30 am

Individuals of all ages can engage in self-guided building with LEGOs, building bricks, or Picasso tiles

Watertown Book Club

6-7 pm, 3rd Monday each month

Join us for our Check It Out! Book Club the third Monday of every month. We read all different types of books.



For a list of all offerings & to register, visit carverlib.org

Watertown-Mayer Community Education

Gym & Pool Party Packages

2025-2026

PACKAGE DETAILS

- 2 hour package for up to 15 children and 5 supervising adults.
 - Access to the gym or pool and additional space for social time.
 - Party Agreement and payment is required at time of booking.
 - WM staff available for general supervision.
 - Clean up is the responsibility of the group.
 - Groups are required to follow guideline in package agreement.
- To schedule a tour please contact the WM Comm. Ed Office at 952-955-0280.**
- Gym Games available - ask about availability at time of booking.
 - Pool toys, noodles & lifejackets may be brought in.
Floaties are not permitted

PACKAGE FEES

Package Information	Gym	Pool
2 hour Package	\$100	\$110
Add up to 15 participants	\$45	\$55
Additional time per hour	\$30	\$35

Failure to sign agreement and pay within 7 days of request will cancel your package.

CANCELLATION

8+ days from party eligible for up to 50% refund
7 days or less NO REFUND

CONTACT US TODAY

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Party Packages

Looking for a space to host a party or gathering? Use the pool, gym or lounge for a terrific party experience! You bring the cake, ice-cream, and other food/ non-alcoholic drinks and we'll provide the facility.
See page 42 for more details.

EARLY BIRD ADULT (16+)

LAP SWIM

MON-FRI
6-7:30 AM

952-955-0280
wmcommunityed@wm.k12.mn.us

WM HIGH SCHOOL POOL
1001 Hwy 25 NW / Watertown MN 55388
Door #1 (follow signs for pool)

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Early Childhood Family Education-ECFE

A unique parent-child education program for all families with children ages birth to kindergarten

Classes are fun and affordable for families offering both daytime and evening classes. ECFE is a great place to meet other families with children the same age. Spend quality time with your children and receive parent support and information.



ECFE Parent/Child Sliding Class Fees

Please use the table below to determine your fee category for ECFE classes.

ECFE Class Fees based on yearly total family income

Under \$20,000	Fee Waived
\$20,000 - \$49,999	Fee A
\$50,000 - \$74,999	Fee B
\$75,000 and above	Fee C

No one will be denied participation due to an inability to pay. Please call our office at 952-955-0280 to inquire.

Sibling Care Fees

See Sliding Fee income guidelines above for ECFE Parent/child Classes. Sibling care is per class fee. If your children attend different classes a fee will be assessed for each class period.

Under \$20,000 - Fee Waived

Sib Fee A

1st child \$30 / each additional child \$20

Sib Fee B

1st child \$40 / each additional child \$30

Sib Fee C

1st child \$50 / each additional child \$40

WHY TAKE AN ECFE CLASS?

Learning Together

In the children's classroom, parents and children have time to play and learn together. You can choose from many planned activities designed just for you and your child. Learn new ideas for activities to do at home. This time together is planned by a licensed early childhood teacher.

Purposeful Play for Children

Children enjoy learning activities planned by a licensed early childhood teacher. Activities are designed for children to learn through play with their peers. The goal is to help children develop a healthy self-concept and a love for learning.

Connecting With Others

While children are learning with their teachers, parents join together in an informal group setting for a discussion time led by a parent educator. The group discusses current family topics, share ideas, learn more about their child's development, and benefit from feeling connected to parents.

ECFE OFFERS...

- ◆ Fun, affordable classes for families with children birth to five years old
- ◆ Daytime and evening classes
- ◆ Quality time with your child
- ◆ A great place to meet other families with children the same age
- ◆ Parent support and information
- ◆ Fun learning activities for your child
- ◆ Lasting friendships

Classes are held at the Community Learning Center

Enter door 4 for daytime & door 3 for evening classes



REGISTRATION

Register at wm.ce.eleyo.com

See page 2 for registration procedures. Refund deadlines are 2 weeks prior to class start date unless noted otherwise.

A \$5 processing fee per participant will be withheld from all refunds.

Early Childhood

Help Me Grow

Early Intervention Services

Help Me Grow connects Minnesota children with developmental delays and disabilities and their families to early intervention services. If you are concerned about a child's development, you can refer the child through Help Me Grow for a free screening or evaluation. Services are free to eligible children ages birth-5, regardless of income or immigrant status.

To refer a child, visit helpmegrowmn.org or call 866-693-GROW (4769). Interpretation services are available for referrals by phone.

WM Early Childhood

Advisory Council (WMECAC)

Help us plan and organize events and make decisions for improvement of both the ECFE and Young Royals Preschool program. Meetings are held the second Monday of the month, 6:30-8 pm. FREE childcare is available. You can have a direct impact on your child's early childhood experience. The current council members represent the working parents, stay at home parents, school board and the business community. For more information call 952-955-0280 or wmcommunityed@wm.k12.mn.us.



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SCREEN AT 3

SCHEDULE YOUR SCREENING

Kristy Phipps
Screening Coord.

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Early Childhood Screening Dates 2025-26

Appointments are available at 15 minute increments.

Fridays, 8 am-12 pm

Aug 22, Sept 26, Nov 7, Dec 12, Jan 23, Feb 27, Mar 20, Apr 24, May 1

Saturdays, 9 am-12 pm

Aug 23, Nov 8, Feb 28, Apr 25

Thursday Evening, 4:30-6 pm

Mar 19

For more information, visit wm.ce.eleyo.com or call 952-955-0280 7

Family Events & Activities



ECFE Open House + Vehicle Fair

Welcome back to a new school year! Bring your friends to explore your favorite vehicles, visit the ECFE classrooms, and meet the early childhood staff. Fun for the whole family! Parents are responsible for their own child's supervision. In case of bad weather, the Vehicle Fair will be canceled but the ECFE classrooms will be open! Call 952-955-0280 for a recorded message.

Thu, Sept 11 6-7:30 pm
WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Parking Lot

Storybook Trail in the Woods **All Ages**

Meet your friends in the woods at the WM Middle School Campus for a walk in and out of the trees, along the trails. The pages of the story "You Can Do It" by author Eric Carle will be displayed magically through the forest. This event is sponsored by the WM Early Childhood Advisory Council and by United Way. Park in the Middle School parking lot, enter off of Quarry Ave.

Sat, Sept 27 10-11 am Free Event
WM MS Parking Lot, Enter off Quarry Ave.

Happy Fall Y'All **Ages 2-5**

This mini-session is all about using your 5 senses to experience the changes that come with the fall season.

Thu, Oct 23 5-6 pm \$20 per child
WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 3

Preschool / Child Care Open House

Held in January - Details coming soon!

Fall Harvest Party **Ages 0-5**

Spend the morning playing games, enjoying arts and crafts, and connecting with friends. A mini snack will be provided. All activities will be held in the ECFE and Young Royals classrooms. You may wear your costume.

This event is planned and sponsored by the Early Childhood Advisory Council.

Sat, Oct 25 9:30-11 am FREE
WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 3

Holiday Trim the Tree **Ages 2 ½-5**

We will begin this event with a short circle time with holiday songs and a story. Next, you will choose a spruce tip from the ECFE tree lot and create special ornaments to decorate your mini tree. Please bring an empty container for your tree; the size of a 3 lb. coffee can or a similar container works best. We provide all the materials needed for the decorations.

Registration deadline December 1

Tue Dec 9 6-7:30 pm \$20 per child
WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 3

Holiday Gnome Fun **Ages 2-5**

During this mini-session, you will enjoy crafts and activities all about silly gnome fun!

Thu, Dec 4 5-6 pm \$20 per child
WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 3

The Jolly Pops **All Ages**

Mark your calendars for a fun morning of singing and dancing with The Jolly Pops. This event is sponsored by the WM Early Childhood Advisory Council.

Sat, Jan 24 10 am Mayer Community Center



ECFE Classes

All classes are held at WM Community Learning Center

Fees are per child unless otherwise listed. Registration is required for sibling care. See fee scale on page 6.



Mini-Royals 2 ½-4 years

Mini-Royals a unique blend of parent-child time and peer group interaction offering an introductory preschool experience. Tuesdays is a child-only day and Thursdays is a parent/ child day.

Tues & Thu, Sep 18-Dec 4 No class Sept 16, Oct 16, Nov 27
Tue 9:45-11:45 am Child Only Day
Thu 9:45-11:15 am Parent/Child Day *Sibling Care Available Thu only
Fee Per Child A \$272 B \$314 C \$356
Sibling Care Available (Thursday Only) - See Fee Scale

Discovery Time 1-5 years

Tue Sept 16-Dec 2 4:30-6 pm
Fee per child A \$168 B \$192 C \$216

Coffee Chat Connections Parent Classes

It's time to relax, talk, and enjoy coffee with other parents/caregivers. During this hour, you will have the opportunity to learn more about your child(ren) while at the same time taking care of you! A licensed Parent Educator will assist with leading discussions however, for staffing purposes, preregistration is required the Wednesday before the date you wish to attend for both caregivers and children who may need child care.

Fri, 10-11 am Oct 24, Nov 21, Jan 9, Feb 20, Apr 17 & May 17
Thu, 4:30-5:45 pm Oct 23 (Sibling Relationships), Jan 15, Mar 12 & May 14

Baby & Me 0-12 months Free Class

Play together while learning more about your baby. Parents and babies stay together the entire class time. Registration required.

Parent Educator

Thu, Sept 18-Dec 4 No class Oct 16 & Nov 27
8:30-9:30 am Sibling Care Available- See Fee Scale

Bring along any "security" item for the following classes to make your child feel more comfortable during separation time.

Busy Ones 12 months

Mon, Sept 15-Dec 1 8:30-9:45 am
Fee per child A \$168 B \$192 C \$216

Busy Ones & Twos 12-24 months

Mon, Sept 15-Dec 1 10-11:15 am
Fee Per Child A \$168 B \$192 C \$216
Sibling Care Available - See Fee Scale

Terrific Twos 24 months

Tue, Sept 16-Dec 2 8:15-9:30 am
Fee Per Child A \$168 B \$192 C \$216
Sibling Care Available - See Fee Scale

KIDS' COMPANY & CARING HANDS CHILD CARE

6 WEEKS - 12 YEARS



INFANTS



TODDLERS



PRESCHOOL



SCHOOL AGE

MICHELLE HESS
CHILD CARE COORDINATOR

952-955-0283
MICHELLE.HESS@WM.K12.MN.US

WM Young Royals Preschool 25-26

Young Royals Preschool offers play-based, student-centered learning within an inclusive school community, designed to meet the needs of all children

Determine your child's age as of September 1, 2025

3YR CLASSES	8:15-11:00 AM	RATE
1103-A	Tues, Thurs	\$200 mo
1103-B & 1103-C	Mon, Wed, Fri	\$220 mo
3-4 YR CLASS	12:00-2:45 PM	RATE
1103-D	Mon, Tues, Wed	\$220 mo
4-5 YR CLASSES	8:15-11:00 AM	RATE
1104-F	Tues, Wed, Thur, Fri	\$240 mo
4-5 YR EXT DAY	8:15-12:00 AM	RATE
1104-H	Mon-Fri	\$290 mo
4-5 YR CLASS	12:00-2:45 PM	RATE
1104-D	Mon, Tues, Wed, Thur	\$240 mo
4-5 YR FULL CLASS	8:15-2:45 PM	RATE
1105	Mon, Tues, Wed, Thur Mon, Tues, Wed, Thur, Fri	\$495 mo \$515 mo

REGISTRATION FEE

\$85 Per Student Half Day or \$100 Per Student Full Day / \$200 Family Max

MELISSA BROWN-PINARD
EARLY CHILDHOOD
COORDINATOR

Welcome



Experienced Early Childhood Education leader with a hands-on style, known for inspiring young learners and teaching teams and driving program excellence through curriculum, mentorship, and parent collaboration.



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Whimsical Wonders: Draw & Discover!

Grades K-5

Let's turn the back-to-school season into an art-filled adventure! In Young Rembrandts, kids will dive into exciting drawing projects like a zany gumball machine, a video game-inspired still life, a spotted puppy tucked in for a cozy nap, and a glittering Egyptian headdress that takes them on a time-traveling journey. We'll even explore color magic with a cozy fall illustration that introduces warm and cool color theory. Each week brings a new chance to imagine, create, and express—building confidence, creativity, and artistic skills in every stroke. Ready to make some magic? Sign up today and let the drawing fun begin!

Tue, Sept 23-Oct 28 3:05-4:05 pm \$69 pp
WM Comm. Learning Ctr

Cold Winds Cartooning Edition

Grades K-5

Goodbye boredom, hello creativity! Our Cartoon Drawing class will have your child laughing while learning. This season, we're bringing characters to life—kids will draw silly food faces, goofy nutcrackers, and even an action-packed turkey riding on a skateboard. They'll master facial expressions and imaginative storytelling, while we're sketching lively party animals, and creating hilarious characters full of personality and expression. Keep the laughs and learning going as the cold winds blow in — enroll today!

Tue, Nov 4-Dec 9 3:05-4:05 pm \$69 pp
WM Comm. Learning Ctr

Family Paint Time! Ages 8-Adult

Come paint a beautiful Sunflower masterpiece.

Emily Victory

Sat, Oct 25 10-11:30 am WM High School Art Rm
\$25 first participant \$20 per person there after
Ages 8-14 must register with a paid adult

Fall Paint Your Pet! Ages 8-Adult

Paint a sketch of your pet or favorite animal with instruction by artist Emily Victory. A print-out of your photo, all the materials needed to paint will be provided.

- ◆ First: Email a picture of your photo to the instructor: emvictorystudio@gmail.com
- ◆ Next: the instructor will sketch out your image in preparation for class.
- ◆ Finally: tell your friends to meet you there and paint!

Thu, Sept 25 \$35 per person 6-8 pm WM High School Art Room
Ages 8-14 must register with a paid adult

Ooey Goey Clay Creations with Kidcreate Studio Ages 4-9

It's ooey, goey, and oh so much fun! What kid doesn't love to get messy as they create with clay? The children will use a variety of tools and techniques to make owls, monsters, bowls and much, much more. Making a mess is the best, especially when working with clay! Please pack a nut free snack and drink for your child.

Thu-Fri, Oct 16-17 9 am-12 pm \$95 WM Comm Learning Ctr

Grinch Slime with Kidcreate Studio Ages 4-9

Calling all mess-makers!!! Nothing is better than slime, and nothing says Holidays more than everyone's favorite nasty-wasty mean one, Mr. Grinch! In this class, artists will learn a secret slime recipe as they mix up their very own batch of glittery green Grinch Slime. Then they will create a gift box to store it in. Our Grinch Slime is the best for slimy, goey play—plus we guarantee Grinchy good time! Please pack a nut free snack and drink for your child.

Mon, Dec 22 9 am-12 pm \$48 WM Comm. Learning Ctr.



Tech Academy Live Virtual Classes

Home Technical Requirements For all Classes

Computer: PC (Windows 7 or later) or Mac (OSX) with at least a 2GHz processor and 4GB of RAM. Chromebooks, Tablets, and phones typically DO NOT Work. Broadband internet, Webcam, Microphone and Speakers, Zoom Installed on Computer, Students should be comfortable using a PC, mouse and keyboard. Live Virtual Class- Link will be sent prior to class.

There are additional Technical Requirement for certain classes- see class listings for specific requirements



3D Printing Minecraft Inspired

Grades 3-7

Learn the ins and outs of 3D printing with TinkerCAD! Students will learn to design their own custom mobs and Minecraft-inspired creations. One design will be printed offline and mailed home. Minecraft is a Mojang Studios trademark. This class is not affiliated with them. TinkerCAD Website free, login info is provided during class

Sat, Sept 20 & 27 9-11 am \$85

Intro to Game Coding

Grades 1-3

Don't just play games, create them! Learn to modify and build our arcade-style games using Scratch. Scratch is a programming language developed by MIT. Basic computer skills are required. Scratch Account free, sign-up info will be provided before class.

Wed, Oct 1 6-7:30 pm \$35
Live Virtual Class- Link will be sent

3D Printing Jewelry Design

Grades 2-6

The ancient craft of jewelry making is brought to the modern world using TinkerCAD! Students will learn to build 3D models to design a pair of earrings and a ring. One design will be printed offline and mailed home. TinkerCAD login info provided during class.

Wed, Oct 8 6-7:30 pm \$55

You Tube Video Production Shorts & Reels

Grades 3-7

Learn the art of producing video shorts for TikTok, YouTube, and Instagram. Students will learn to edit videos, add motion graphics, and special effects while practicing storytelling and film production techniques. Wondershare Filmora download instructions and sign-up info will be provided before class. You will need a cell phone, video camera or external webcam

Sat, Oct 11 9-11:30 am \$40

Game Coding Nintendo Character

Grades 1-3

Learn the fundamentals of coding with Scratch to create a Nintendo-themed game! Inspire your student to pursue today's most exciting technologies. Scratch uses colorful, visual blocks that fit together like Legos. Nintendo is a trademark of Nintendo of America Inc. This camp is not affiliated with them. Scratch Account sign-up info will be provided before class.

Wed, Oct 15 6-7:30 pm \$35



Virtual Reality Coding

Grades 2-5

Design, develop, and create 3D Virtual Reality environments and characters to make your own 3D games and other virtual reality projects with CoSpaces! CoSpaces is an incredibly fun and stimulating way to learn STEM! VR programs can be viewed on most mobile phones and VR Systems like Oculus or Google Cardboard. CoSpaces Edu login info provided during class. To view VR, you must have VR glasses or system. However, the worlds can be viewed on normal PC/Phones/Tablets in 3D.

Tue, Nov 4 6-8 pm \$55

Intro to 3D Printing

Grades 2-5

This 3D printing camp takes students through the 3D printing process from start to finish. Students will design their own keychains! No 3D printing experience is necessary, but familiarity with common tasks like using a computer and keyboarding is required. One design will be printed offline and mailed home. TinkerCAD login info provided during class.

Tue, Dec 16 6-8 pm \$55

D&D Minecraft Adventures

Grades 3-7

Learn the basics of Dungeons and Dragons. Pick and develop your character and join us for a Minecraft one-shot campaign! Minecraft is a Mojang Studios trademark. This class is not affiliated with them.

Tue, Dec 30 9 am-12 pm \$55

Youth STEM CLASSES



Code Championship Tournament Series Virtual Computer Coding Competition for Grades 3-9

Build a computer bot to play head-to-head against other coders! Whether this is your first Code Championship event, or if you've been competing for years, this is the perfect way to explore the competitive coding world of Code Championship. No previous coding experience necessary.

The Code Championship Series is a series of four tournaments in four weeks (it's ok to miss one or two). These tournaments will be hosted online using Google Meet and the Code Championship website. If you have a modern browser like Chrome or Firefox, no additional download is required.

Please come knowing how to navigate the internet (basic typing and mouse control). The link to the Google Meet event will be emailed two days before the tournament.

Code Championship Staff

Oct 25, Nov 1, 8 & 15 4 Sessions \$70
9-11 am Virtual Class (Google Meets)

Build a Lego Brick Zipline with KidScientific

5-12 years



Unleash your inner engineer! Design and build a thrilling zipline and a sturdy bridge, one LEGO brick at a time. Explore engineering concepts, tackle creative challenges, and test your designs using the scientific method. This hands-on class blends fun, problem-solving, and discovery for budding builders! Please pack a nut free snack and drink for your child.

KidScientific helps children's imaginations soar, their questions multiply, and their love for science blossom. We aim to cultivate the next generation of scientists, innovators, and thinkers who will shape the world. With KidScientific, the wonder of science is just a class away!

Mon, Nov 3 9 am-12 pm \$48 WM Comm. Learning Ctr.

Dungeon & Dragon Club

Grades 5-12

A club for students of all ages to gather and create stories together using Dungeons and Dragons 5e rule set. Students will have the opportunity to create characters, role play, problem solve, and practice communication skills in a group setting.

Ian Chalmers

3-4:30 pm WM Middle School Royal Commons

Fall Session 1 Sept 9, 16, 23, 30, Oct 7, 14, 21 & 28 \$88

Fall Session 2 Nov 4, 11, 18, 25, Dec 2, 9 & 16 \$77

Sign up for both Fall Sessions Sept 9-Dec 16 \$150 (Save \$15)



ACADEMIC & ENRICHMENT

Futura Language Professionals

Live Spanish classes via Zoom

Futura has a comprehensive Spanish curriculum that meets and exceeds the national standards for foreign language. In our LIVE virtual enrichment setting, the curriculum is broken down into two school years (Spanish Prep- 'Ignite your Language Journey' and Spanish Prep- 'A Foundation course') that rotate so that each year new AND returning students can begin and continue to build their skills in Spanish. Each school year has two 8-week semesters (part 1 in fall, part 2 in spring). Futura classes, lessons are dynamic with interactive activities and cultural lessons and visuals included.

Spanish Adventure! Grades K-5

This fall, bring the excitement of learning Spanish into your home with Futura's interactive and engaging virtual class! Through lively songs, games, and dynamic activities, your child will develop essential Spanish skills in a fun and supportive environment. Hop aboard ¡Vamos a Viajar! (Let's Travel!), a hands-on course where students will master key travel phrases, order on a plane, use passports, and ask for prices—all in Spanish! Get ready to explore, connect, and gain a deeper appreciation for the Spanish language. ¡Vámonos!

Wed, Oct 15-Dec 10 4:15-5 pm \$135 No class Nov 26

Discover the world of SPANISH!

¡Vamos a Explorar! (Let's Explore!) Grades 6-8

Ignite your middle schooler's enthusiasm for Spanish with this exciting LIVE virtual class! Over two 8-week sessions, students will learn Spanish conversation basics, advanced vocabulary, and verb conjugations through interactive games and cultural stories. This engaging class sets them up for future success in Spanish while building skills they'll use for a lifetime. (Online portal resources and practice tools included.)

Mon Oct 20-Dec 15 No class Nov 24

3:30-4:15 pm \$135

4:45-5:30 pm \$135

Middle School Spanish Prep

Ignite your Language Journey! Grades 6-8

Ignite Your Language Journey is an exciting 8-week LIVE virtual Spanish class for middle school students, designed to build a strong base for future Spanish success. Students will learn advanced vocabulary, verb conjugations, and essential conversation skills through interactive lessons, games, and cultural exploration, including traditions like Hispanic Heritage Month and Día de los Muertos. Give your child the building blocks for a lifetime of Spanish learning! (Online portal resources and practice tools included.)

Mon Oct 20-Dec 15 No class Nov 24

3:30-4:15 pm \$135

4:45-5:30 pm \$135



Bethany Butler, M. Ed., has enjoyed teaching children, and teens for over 25 years. She has a Master's Degree in education with a teaching license in elementary education. She's an ASHI certified instructor teaching babysitting safety training classes.

Child and Babysitting Safety Class Ages 11+

Participants will learn the responsibilities of being a prepared, safe, responsible, and professional babysitter. Topics include supervision, behavior guidance, proper bottle feeding/diapering techniques, personal and child safety, basic first aid, emergencies and fire safety. Dolls, bottles and diaper supplies are provided for hands-on participation.

This class was developed by the Health and Safety Institute and is approved by the American Pediatrics Association. Participants receive a certification card and a downloadable handbook.

Sat, Nov 22 9 am-12:30 pm \$59 per person
WM Comm. Learning Ctr.

Home Alone Safety Ages 8-12

Participants will learn the important responsibilities of being safe alone-at-home. Topics include basic first aid, fire safety, kitchen safety, internet safety, small and large emergencies, stranger danger, sibling arguments, and more. A take-home handout is provided for discussion at home with parents and guardians.

Tue, Sept 23 3-4:45 pm \$29 per person
WM Comm. Learning Ctr.

SPORTS & RECREATION



Football

Flag Football - NEW Sport Football Camp

Boys & Girls Grades 1 & 2

The focus will be to build the fundamental skills of football. Practices will be split between working on skills and drills and intramural competition. Teams will be split differently every night. Flags will be provided. Participants supply their own spikes and mouth guards (both are optional).

Volunteer parent coaches are needed

Depending on the number of participants we will need 6 to 8 coaches. If you are interested in coaching, please contact Ed Rundell at erundell@wm.k12.mn.us or Andy Gagnon at gagnon006@gmail.com.

Mon, 6-7 pm Tentatively Sept 8-Oct 6 \$45 Includes T-Shirt
HS/MS Practice Field # 2 (Baseball Outfield)

Flag Football League Entering Grades 3 & 4

The focus will be to build the fundamental skills of football while incorporating intramural competition. The first few practices will be spent working on skills and drills, teams will be formed, then round robin competition will occupy the remainder of the nights. Teams will be divided in order to ensure maximum participation. Flags will be provided. Participants supply their own spikes and mouth guards (both are optional).

One or two volunteer parent coaches are needed per team

There will be 6 to 8 teams. Questions, or if you are interested in coaching please contact Ed Rundell at erundell@wm.k12.mn.us prior to August 24.

Tues & Thur 6-7:15 pm Tentatively Sept 4-Oct 9 \$65 (Includes T-shirt)
HS/MS Practice Field #2 (Baseball Outfield)

Tackle Football League

Entering Grades 5 & 6

The focus will be to build the fundamental skills of football while incorporating the safe, proper USA Football "Heads Up" tackling techniques. The first 3-4 practices will be spent working on skills and determining positions. Players will learn and play multiple positions on offense and defense. Competition will consist of participation in area league play. Helmet, shoulder pads, and pants are provided. Participants must supply a mouth guard (spikes are optional).

Minimum of two volunteer parent coaches needed per team

All coaches will be required to be USA Football "Heads Up" certified. Questions or coaching interest -- please contact Ed Rundell at erundell@wm.k12.mn.us prior to Aug 10

Mon & Thurs 6-7:15 pm Tentatively Aug 18-Oct 12
Sat, Sept 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct 4, 11 \$115 includes jersey
HS/MS Practice Field #1 (Football Practice Field)

KIPS Gymnastics

Girls Grades K-6



Kips Gymnastics has been in existence since 1988. Program Director, Steve Hangartner, is the Watertown-Mayer/Mound-Westonka Head Varsity Coach (1987-present). He has led 21 different teams to the state tournament, taking first place in 2021 and 2022.

Rollers and Advanced Rollers

Classes are divided according to age and skill level: "Rollers" is the beginning level, "Advanced Rollers" is advanced beginners, "Springers" intermediate, "Advanced Springers" advanced intermediate, and "Aerials" advanced.

Students in 3:20 p.m. classes may take the designated bus from the elementary school to the high school. Make sure to contact KOCH Bus Company prior, to identify the correct bus and ensure space is available. Please provide a note to the bus driver and teacher to ensure your student rides the correct bus on the day of class.

WM High School Auxiliary Gym Enter Door 23
No classes Oct 16 & 17

Rollers and Advanced Rollers

Mon, Sept 22, 29 Oct 6, 13, & 20	3:20-4:20 pm	\$75
Mon, Sept 22, 29 Oct 6, 13, & 20	4:20-5:20 pm	\$75
Thur, Sept 25, Oct 2, 9, 23 & 30	3:20-4:20 pm	\$75
Thur, Sept 25 Oct 2, 9, 23 & 30	4:20-5:20 pm	\$75

Advanced Rollers, Springers, Advanced Springers, Aerials

Wed, Sept 24, Oct 1, 8 15 & 22	3:20-5:20 pm	\$150
Fri, Sept 19, 26 Oct 3, 10 & 24	3:20-5:20 pm	\$150



OFFERED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CARVER COUNTY PARKS

Activities are led by Carver County Parks Staff

Youth Geocaching for S'mores

Ages 7-13

We're looking for aspiring treasure hunters to join us on a quest for treasure—s'mores! After a brief training on the history and use of GPS navigation, participants use GPS units to seek out secret caches hidden throughout Lake Waconia Regional Park. Each cache contains s'more ingredients—marshmallows, graham crackers, and chocolate—which are enjoyed by the fire after the adventure is over. All equipment provided.

Thu, Oct 16 4:30-5:30 pm \$13
Lake Waconia Regional Park

After School Archery Series

Ages 9-14

Hone your archery skills through our Youth Archery Series! Practice makes perfect, and participants will have plenty as they use compound and recurve bows to grow their archery skills through fun games and experiential learning. Students learn the basics of range safety and proper stance, aim, and release techniques from our trained instructors. The last session will take place at the Carver Archery Range in Victoria. All equipment provided. In the case of bad weather, September 29 there will be a backup date.

Mon, Sep 8, 15, 22 4:30-6 pm \$49
Lake Waconia Regional Park - Sept 8 & 15
Carver Archery Range - Sept 22



Indoor Youth Archery Series

Ages 8-14

Just because there's snow doesn't mean you can't shoot a bow! Indoor archery is a fun way for kids to be active during our cold Minnesota winters. Participants use compound bows to grow their archery skills through fun games and experiential learning. Students learn the basics of range safety and proper stance, aim, and release techniques from our trained instructors. All equipment provided.

Thur, Nov 6, 13 & 20 3:15-4:45 pm \$56
WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Auditorium



Intro to RC Car Racing **Grades K-8**

Interested in RC Cars? Want to try racing them on a track? Then come join us for some fun as we explore what makes them work and then get to try them out. Participants will leave with a better understanding of the hobby, and get some time testing out their driving skills on a few different types of RC Cars and Trucks. Participants can bring their own RC Cars on approval.

RC Racing-Party Crashers

Thu, Nov 7 6-7 pm \$25 WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 7

RC Car Racing **Grades 8-12**

Want to drive RC Cars on a track? Then come join us and you can test your driving skills on a few different types of RC Cars. Participants can use RC Cars provided or use their own on approval.

RC Racing-Party Crashers

Thu, Nov 7 7:15-8:15 pm \$25 WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 7



FREE CLASSES
English Language Classes
General Education Diploma

WEST
Adult Basic Education

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

INTERESTED IN TAKING FREE ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES?

Let us support your educational journey toward achieving your life goals. Whether you want to improve your basic literacy skills (English-ESL, reading, and math), enhance digital skills (computer skills), earn your GED, or prepare for college and career success, we're here to help! Start anytime, classes are ongoing. WEST ABE, part of the MN Community Education, has been the local educational provider for adult learners in Wright County and beyond since 1996. Must be 17 and older, not enrolled in high school, and in need of basic educational skills.

Scan the code, fill out the form and we will reach out to you as soon as possible. See you soon!



SCAN ME

More Information

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- ✉ julia.oneil@monticello.k12.mn.us



SPECIAL OLYMPICS
MINNESOTA



Special Olympics Minnesota

Watertown Mighty Rapids **Ages 8-Adult**

Special Olympics Minnesota ensures fair competition by divisioning participants based on ability level and age, providing a balanced and rewarding experience. This sport also offers a Unified division, where athletes with and without intellectual disabilities compete together on the same team, fostering teamwork, inclusion, and camaraderie. All athletes must be registered with Special Olympics MN prior to the first day of practice.

Special Olympics Flag Football **Ages 18+**

Special Olympics Flag Football is an inclusive, non-contact sport that promotes physical fitness, teamwork, leadership, and sportsmanship. Athletes are grouped into divisions based on age and ability level to ensure fair and competitive play. This sport offers a Unified option. This gives individuals both with and without intellectual disabilities a chance to compete on the same team. Athlete must be registered with Special Olympics MN by the first day of practice to play.

Coaches Dylan Matter, Brad Matter & Darren Schuler

Regional Competition: September 13

State Competition: October 11-12

Tue, 6-7 pm \$10

July 29, Aug 5, 12, 19, 26 Sept 9, 16, 23 & Oct 7
@ WM High School Stadium

Sept 2 & 30 @ WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Fields

Bowling **Ages 8+**

Bowling is a competitive sport in which a player rolls a bowling ball down a wooden or synthetic lane with the objective of scoring points by knocking down as many pins as possible. It is a beneficial sport since it ensures physical exercise, participation, and social integration.

Participants will be divisioned by Special Olympics Minnesota based on ability level and age to give them a competitive experience. This sport offers a Unified option. This gives individuals both with and without intellectual disabilities a chance to compete on the same team.

Coaches include Matt and Susie Derner.

<https://specialolympicsminnesota.org/sports/bowling/>

State Bowling will be November 15, 2025

Sat, Sept 6-Nov 8 12:30-1:30 pm \$10 No Practice Oct 18
Hollywood Sports Complex

Volunteer with Watertown Mighty Rapids

Special Olympics is a global movement of people creating a new world of inclusion and community. Here in Minnesota, we serve thousands of individuals with intellectual disabilities every year through sports training and competition, free health screenings, leadership training and more. None of this would be possible without our volunteers. We're excited for you to join us in any of the following roles!

Positions include: Coaches, Team Assistants, Event Volunteers, Board Members

For question or to learn more about Watertown Mighty Rapids

For questions regarding how to participate as an athlete or volunteer please contact Watertown Mighty Rapids at wmmightyrapids@gmail.com



Archery, Geocaching & RC Racing

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Child & Babysitting Safety Classes

See page 14

TEEN OPPORTUNITIES



Lifeguard & WSI Certifications

Get your certification & get a job!

Visit www.redcross.org for available classes. When you obtain a Lifeguard or WSI Certificate apply online at <https://www.wm.k12.mn.us>
See page 21 for more details



Also check out **CPR, AED & First Aid Certification** on page 33

Tech Academy, Coding Championship, Dungeon & Dragon Club

See page 12-13

Spanish Classes **Live via Zoom**

Ignite your enthusiasm for Spanish as you learn Spanish conversation, and vocabulary through interactive games and cultural exploration. See page 14

Paint Your Pet & Family Paint Time

See page 11



FREE GED CLASSES FOR ADULTS

WM COMMUNITY LEARNING CTR.
313 ANGEL AVE NW, WATERTOWN
wmcommunityed@wm.k12.mn.us
952-955-0280

Sept-May
Closed same days as WM Schools
We will try work with your schedule






Adult Basic Education (ABE) is a free program to help adults age 17+ not enrolled in high school. The program is designed to strengthen important basic skills in math, reading, communication and technology.

Free GED practice tests for enrolled students. The GED is a recognized credential for job seekers and for admission to technical school or college



Watertown Mayer
Community Education
Connections • Opportunities

ACT Advantage Prep Courses

for Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors

Advantage Educational Programs prepare students for the ACT Exam.

Course options offered at Watertown-Mayer

1. **Virtual Zoom:** The Virtual ACT Prep Course is formatted exactly the same as the In-Person ACT Prep Course, except it takes place in an online classroom. The course includes diagnostic testing, instruction in time management, overcoming test anxiety, science reasoning, English strategies and review, essay writing, reading comprehension, and math strategies and review. Advantage instructors teach and interact with students in a scheduled online class and are available to answer questions if needed. The fee for this course is \$180. Internet connection and access to a computer or laptop is required for this course option.
2. **Online (Self-Paced):** ACT Prep Course for students preferring to prepare for the exam on their own schedule and at their own pace. Once enrolled, students are sent an access code via email and can access the course at any time. The fee for this course is \$80. Students may repeat this course at no charge until graduation from high school.

Courses are designed for students who want to maximize their ACT exam score, as well as for those who feel uneasy about their test-taking skills or who have previously taken the exam and aren't satisfied with their results.

For more information visit www.AdvantagePrep.net or call 1-800-521-3177. For test site information for the ACT exam, visit the ACT website at www.ACTstudent.org

Advantage Prep Instructors

ACT Prep Courses Grades 10-12

Virtual Sat, 9-12 pm \$180 per Session

Class 932 Aug 2, 9, 16 & 23

Class 933 Sept 20, 27, Oct 4 & 11

Class 934 Nov 8, 15, 22 & Dec 6 - No Class Nov 28

Self-Paced Online Course \$80



Driver Education Traffic Safety Education

Westonka Driving has been successfully servicing western Hennepin, Carver and Wright counties for over 30 years. We work closely with four school districts that include Orono, Delano, Watertown Mayer and Mound Westonka. The classroom portion of drivers education is run through the Community Education programs of each individual school. There are links to each of those schools websites on the Services page of this website. Watertown Mayer students can get blue card by contacting Rob Illies at 952.237.5971 or westonkadiving@gmail.com

Classroom Driver Education Traffic Safety Education

Ages 14+ (must be 15 to take written test)

This course will offer instruction in all areas of content needed for the driving task and driving related issues. This program meets the MN State required 30 hours of classroom instruction. A certificate of completion of Classroom Driver Education will be distributed at the end of the class. The Certificate of Completion must be submitted as proof of completion of class when you register for a Behind the Wheel program. Please note each class is 3.25 hours (includes a 15 minute break). A make up day is available by attending a class in a nearby community.

Rob Illies, Westonka Driving School

Classroom Drivers Ed will be offered in the WINTER Catalog Watch for dates in Feb-Mar 2026.

Behind the Wheel Instruction

After the completion of the classroom instruction, students may register with any Behind the Wheel Driver's Education Program of their choice. There is an additional cost for Behind the Wheel. Students will receive a blue card from the Behind the Wheel instructor, which will enable them to take the written permit test at the state exam station. Registration for Behind the Wheel instruction is required before taking the written permit exam.



Aquatics

Opportunities to learn to swim, stay fit and engage in family fun

WM Community Education offers a comprehensive, year-round water instruction program to community members 6 months of age to adult. Aquatics opportunities include a wide range of activities including American Red Cross Learn to Swim Lessons, fitness, lifeguard training, and certifications, open swim, private lessons and group rentals.



Learn to Swim - Private Lessons

Individuals looking for one-on-one support with swimming skills. Initial assessments are available to identify skill level and determine goals and objectives for private lessons. Private Swim Lessons are booked individually and times are set based on pool & instructor availability. Contact Community Ed at 952-955-0280 or wmcommunityed@wm.k12.mn.us to schedule an assessment or lessons. Initial Assessment (15 min) \$20 per person
Private Lesson (30 min) \$35 per person

Private Stroke Development Swim Lessons

Grades 3-6

One-on-One stroke development and training for youth who have completed learn to swim lessons and are interested in learning about competitive swimming. WM High School swim coach will provide customized instruction based on the needs and ability of the athlete. To schedule an assessment or book lesson contact WM Community Education. Initial Assessment (15 min) \$20 per person.
Private Lesson (30 min) \$45 per person.

Fall Group Swim Lessons All classes are 7 sessions

Session 1 – Wed, Sept 3-Oct 15

Preschool 2	5:15-5:50 pm	\$82
Preschool 3	5:15-5:50 pm	\$82
Level 2	5:55-6:35 pm	\$84
Level 4	5:55-6:35 pm	\$84
Level 1	6:40-7:20 pm	\$84
Level 3	6:40-7:20 pm	\$84
Level 5	7:25-8:05 pm	\$84
Level 6	7:25-8:05 pm	\$84

Session 2 – Sat, Sept 6-Oct 25, No Class Oct 18

Parent Child	9:30-10 am	\$80
Preschool 1	10:05-10:40 am	\$82
Level 1	10:50-11:30 am	\$84

Session 3 – Wed, Oct 29-Dec 17

Parent Child	5:15-5:50 pm	\$80
Preschool 1	5:50-6:25 pm	\$82
Preschool 3	5:50-6:25 pm	\$82
Level 1	6:30-7:10 pm	\$84
Level 2	7:15-7:55 pm	\$84
Level 3	6:30-7:10 pm	\$84
Level 4	7:15-7:55 pm	\$84

Session 4 – Sat, Nov 1-Dec 20, No Class Nov 29

Parent Child	9:30-10 am	\$80
Preschool 2	10:05-10:40 am	\$82
Level 2	10:50-11:30 am	\$84

Swim Lesson Levels

- Parent & Child (6 months - 4 years)
- Preschool 1 (Ages 4-5) Introduction to Water Skills
- Preschool 2 (Ages 4-5) Fundamental Aquatic Skills
- Preschool 3 (Ages 4-5) Stroke Development
- Level 1 Introduction to Water Skills (Ages 5+)
- Level 2 Fundamental Aquatic Skills (Age 6+)
- Level 3 Stroke Development (Age 7+)
- Level 4 Stroke Improvement (Age 8+)
- Level 5 Stroke Refinement (Age 9+)
- Level 6 Swimming and Skill Proficiency (Age 10+)

Swim lesson descriptions and prerequisites are listed online

Watertown-Mayer High School Pool, 1001 Highway 25 NW in Watertown, Enter Door 1



Check out our Gym & Pool
Party Packages
See page 42

PLEASE NOTE

The pool temps are cooler in the fall & winter due to high school swim seasons.

Pool temps are raised once swim season ends.
(Typically Dec-Aug)



Visit www.redcross.org for certification class details!

Water Safety Instructor Course

This class is for all those who love children and enjoy swimming. The American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor class will give you the tools to be able to teach Red Cross swimming lessons and help others to enjoy the aquatic environment in a safe manner. Prerequisites include: at least 16 years of age by the end of class, mature and responsible personality, and at least Level 5 swim skills. Students will need to complete a total of 30 hours to become WSI Certified.

Lifeguard Training & Recertification

This class teaches students the skills and knowledge needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies. Through videos, group discussion and hands-on practice, you'll learn teamwork, rescue and surveillance skills, First Aid, CPR/AED and other skills you need to work as a professional lifeguard. To be eligible for Lifeguard Training, students must be 15 years of age by the last day of class and must pass water skills pretest. There can be no exceptions to the 15-year old age requirement. The water skills pretest includes the following;

1. Swim continuously for 300 yards using the front crawl and the breaststroke.
2. Swim 20 yards, surface dive to a depth of 10 feet, retrieve a 10 pound object, return to the surface, and swim 20 yards back to the starting point.
3. Tread water using legs for 2 minutes

Students will learn the value of being a professional lifeguard and upon completion of the course, receive a two-year certification in Lifeguarding, First Aid, and CPR/AED. The course length is approximately 33 hours and attendance is required at all sessions. Course topics include; injury prevention and facility safety, patron surveillance, emergency preparation, rescue skills, victim assessment, First Aid, CPR/AED, and care for head, neck and spinal injuries.

We are Hiring!

When you obtain your Lifeguard or WSI Certificate please apply online at <https://www.wm.k12.mn.us>.

Adults 18+

Early Bird Adult Lap Swim

Mon-Fri, 6-7:30 am with the exception of school holidays and closures

Adults only. Exact change required to purchase at the pool from the lifeguards. If you would like to pay by credit card please call the Community Ed Office to process payment at 952-955-0280.

Mon-Fri 6-7:30 am

Drop In \$5 10 session for \$45 20 session for \$70

Annual (July 2025 - June 2026) \$360

WM High School Pool, Door # 1

Water Exercise Class

This is an interval-based workout that will combine basic water weights and noodles for strength building, mixed with cardio moves to elevate the heart rate and burn fat. The class fits anyone's fitness level; beginner to advanced. You pick the intensity of the workout that best fits your level. You can tone up and burn fat faster with water exercise, because the water provides a resistance that is up to 12 times that of floor exercise. It's also much easier on the joints because there's very little impact. Pick as many classes that fit into your schedule and come out for some good clean fun and burn up to 525 calories during one class.

Rachel Hoffman found water exercise after she moved to Watertown. She wanted to meet new people while being in an environment she loved. She grew up in the pool and joined a local swim team. After about 10 years of competitive swimming then a small break, she hopped back into the pool with the Watertown Water Exercise class. She filled in as a substitute teacher both in Watertown and Delano, and is now running her own class! Come join her for a fun filled time!

Tues 6-7 pm

Sept 9- Oct 21 \$70

Oct 28-Dec 16 \$70 No Class Nov 4

Intense Aqua Workout

An intense aqua workout with interval training, plyometrics, and power moves to improve cardiovascular fitness, muscular endurance, strength, and flexibility.

Rachel Hoffman

Thur 6-7 pm WM High School Pool, Door 1

Sept 4-Oct 23 \$60

Nov 6-Nov 18 \$60 No Class Nov 27

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

WEST Adult Basic Education programs are supported by regional community education departments including Watertown-Mayer Education. Programs are to help adults age 17 years or older (who are not enrolled in high school) develop basic skills.

Visit www.westabe.org for more information.

ABE Academic Open Labs WM Comm. Learning Ctr., 313 Angel Ave NW

ABE helps adult learners who want to acquire or improve their math, reading, or writing skills. Some learners might need to brush up on their skills before taking the GED tests or college entrance exam, for example. Others are learning information for the first time. To learn more about class times and availability contact WM Community Education at (952)955-0280.



WEST
Adult Basic Education

JOIN OUR WEST ADULT EDUCATION TEAM!

Are you passionate about lifelong learning and helping adults achieve their goals? We're looking for dedicated and compassionate educators to join our team!

Why Join Us?

- BE PART OF A SUPPORTIVE, MISSION-DRIVEN TEAM
- ENJOY FLEXIBLE HOURS THAT FIT YOUR SCHEDULE (NIGHT AND ONLINE CLASSES)
- RECEIVE PAID PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO GROW YOUR SKILLS
- EXPERIENCE THE REWARD OF EMPOWERING ADULT LEARNERS

Whether you're an experienced teacher or new to adult education, we welcome individuals who are committed to making a real impact. On-call sub positions available.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE. TEACH. INSPIRE.



APPLY HERE

Phone Number: 763-272-2040
Website: <https://westabe.monticello.k12.mn.us>

WEST ABE Programs Near You!

Annandale 320.274.3058
Big Lake 763.262.2523
Buffalo/Hanover/Montrose 763.682.8509
Delano 763.972.6210
Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted 320.543.4670
Lester Prairie 320.395.2521
Maple Lake 320.963.5991
Monticello 763.272.2132
Monticello Work Force Center 763.271.3768
Orono 952.449.8350
Rockford 763.477.4563
St. Michael-Albertville 763.497.6550
Watertown-Mayer 952.955.0280

MN Adult Literacy Hotline To find an approved ABE program to help you earn your diploma as an adult, visit literacymn.org/classesforadults or call 1-800-222-1990.

The GED® in Minnesota

To Get Started: Register online at ged.com or contact your local Adult Basic Education (ABE) program. [See box below for a program near you.] Staff at each ABE program will be able to walk you through the registration process and also provide resources and classes to prepare for taking the test.

The Test In Minnesota Individuals who do not have a high school diploma may be able to earn a state of Minnesota GED® Diploma by passing the GED test. The four tests in the GED battery measure academic competencies similar to many of those required of a Minnesota high school graduate.

Eligibility If you are 19 years old, do not already have a recognized and documented high school diploma, and are not currently enrolled in high school, you are eligible to take the GED® in Minnesota without an age waiver.

If you are 17 or 18 years old and are not currently enrolled in high school, you must apply for an age waiver before testing. An ABE teacher can assist you with the process.

Once You Pass All the Tests in the GED

The Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) will receive your information from GED Testing Service and print you an official diploma and transcript which will be mailed via U.S. Mail to your address that you have listed in ged.com

Warning Regarding Misleading GED® Claims

The state of Minnesota GED® Diploma cannot be earned or obtained on the Internet or through correspondence programs. The Tests of General Educational Development developed by the GED Testing Service® often require extensive preparation. Tests are administered only under the direction of Pearson VUE® and the GED Testing Service. Any other GED diploma not issued by the Minnesota Department of Education may not be accepted by employers, colleges and universities or the military.

Visit westabe.org For help preparing for the GED, come to your local Adult Basic Education class.

Questions? Contact Julia at West ABE 763.272.2040



Hearthside Book Club

Love books? Join the club!

Book Club meets every month in our gathering room with exciting new titles featuring mystery, romance, and fantasy! Sign up today for our next session. Books will be available for pickup the month before our meeting. Reserve your spot today.

Upcoming Book Selections:

- ◆ **August 19** *Beast Of The North Woods*
by Annelise Ryan
- ◆ **September 16** *The Invisible Life of Addie Larue*
by V. E. Schwab
- ◆ **October 21** *Immortal Dark*
by Tigest Girma

Tues 6-7 pm \$30 per session includes the book
Held at Hearthside Book, 229 Lewis Ave S, Watertown



Get creative with Emily Victory

Paint Your Pet Night! Ages 8-adult

Youth age 8-14 must register with a paid adult
No experience or talent necessary!

1. Email a picture of your photo to emvictorystudio@gmail.com
2. The instructor will sketch out your image for class.
3. Gather your friends and come paint!

A print-out of your photo, all the materials needed to paint and some light refreshments will be provided.

Emily Victory

Thu Sept 25 6-8 pm \$35 adult / \$28 youth 8-14
WM High School Art Room, Door #8

Family Paint Time! All Ages

Youth ages 8 and younger must register with a paid adult
Come paint a beautiful Sunflower masterpiece.

Emily Victory

Sat, Oct 25 10-11:30 am WM High School Art Room
\$25 first participant, \$20 per person there after

Coffee and Create!

Come learn new painting, printmaking, and drawing techniques - then apply your knowledge and work to create greeting cards that can be sent out over the holidays!

Emily Victory

Mon, Nov 10, 17 & 24 1-2 pm WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door #1
\$15 per session or \$40 for all three (Save \$5)



Social Club Simple with Nickie Welsh

Practical Online Training for Busy Adults

A note from Nickie: My goal is to make technology useful for all adults, bringing out the benefits of an area that is changing at such a rapid pace for all age levels. My educational background includes a B.A. in Communication Studies from Iowa State University, Toastmasters and continuous professional development. **Classes meet online 12-1 pm. \$25 per class.**

You'll need access to a computer with internet (or smartphone). Classes are taught live online via Zoom.

Each class is taught live online via Zoom. If a student is unable to attend the live online training time, they can still register and watch the recording of the training at their convenience. Follow-up support is also included from the instructor and students are encouraged to reach out with questions at any time before or after the class has concluded. No password is required. Students must be registered prior to receiving the class Zoom link. Students must also sign into Zoom with their registration name for attendance purposes 10 minutes prior to the class start time. No password is required.



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Practical Classes for Adults

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Grow Your Business Today

Curious about how Instagram can drive significant growth for your customer base and sales? This engaging beginner-level class has the answers you need to grow your business with Instagram. Discover the key steps to boost your company's bottom line. Plus, learn to create irresistible content and have fun along the way! Join us to unlock the potential of Instagram for your business. **Thu, Sept 18 / Tue, Dec 9**

Canva for Awesome Beginners

Unlock a world of creative possibilities with Canva, the ideal digital tool for beginners and novices! This class will teach you how to harness the power of Canva, the easiest design website available, all for free. You'll learn to create stunning designs from scratch or use templates with step-by-step guidance for any digital image you need. Whether it's online documents, business cards, email signatures, or more, you'll leave this class with the confidence and skills to use Canva effectively and creatively. **Thu, Sept 25 / Thu, Dec 18**

Practical ChatGPT Training for Everyone

Have you been curious about what ChatGPT is exactly and how it can be used? Join our fun and engaging class to learn everything you need to know about ChatGPT powered by Artificial Intelligence. Understand how it works and why it's taking the world by storm. You'll explore practical everyday uses for ChatGPT in both the workforce and at home, ensuring you stay in the loop when ChatGPT is mentioned in conversations and on the news. Don't get left behind in today's tech-savvy world—attend this essential training today! **Tue, Sept 30 / Tue, Dec 2**

YouTube Channel Starter Kit

Launch in 60 Minutes

Join our fun and engaging beginner class to learn how to create and launch your very own YouTube channel! Discover how to share your hobbies, advice, tutorials, talents, and more with the world on the largest media platform. We'll guide you through a step-by-step process, ensuring you have all the tools and knowledge to get started today. Dive in and start building your YouTube presence today! **Tue, Oct 7**

Tech-Savvy Survival in 60 Minutes

In today's fast-paced, technology-driven world, being tech-savvy is no longer optional—it's essential. This class is designed to equip you with the critical tech skills needed for everyday life. Expand your practical knowledge and confidence to navigate the digital landscape with ease. Learn key life skills when it comes to what's new in using QR Codes, tech you will encounter while traveling, interactive tech you may see at weddings and major life events, and so much more! **Thu, Sept 11**

Fast-Track to Social Media Marketing for Business

Take your business to new heights with our fast-paced, comprehensive session designed to equip business owners, entrepreneurs, and marketing professionals with the essential skills and strategies needed to leverage social media for business success. Learn how to effectively reach your target audience, increase brand awareness, and drive engagement across major social media platforms. **Tue, Sept 16 / Nov 18**



Navigate with Uber

Achieve Transportation Freedom

Do you hate to drive in bad weather or when it's dark outside? Expand your transportation options and independence through the ride sharing service, Uber. Learn to use Uber at major airports so that you can travel with confidence and without having to ask a friend for a ride, as well as other appointments and errands. Open up your travel options with this fun and engaging class! **Thu, Oct 9**

Cell Phones & Parenting

Balancing Connectivity and Safety

This engaging session will help you navigate the challenges of your child's digital world and provide helpful tools for your parenting toolbox. Learn practical strategies for social media/friendships, setting boundaries, ensuring online safety, and fostering healthy screen habits. Empower yourself with the tools to help raise a teen with a smart technology foundation they will use into Adulthood. **Tue, Oct 21**

Google Sheets for Awesome Beginners

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How To Use Venmo Safely!

Stay relevant and up to date by learning all about Venmo, the popular mobile payment service. In this class, you'll discover how to securely pay friends and businesses, as well as receive money without the need for cash or checks. You'll gain a confident understanding of setting up Venmo safely, avoiding unnecessary fees, and applying it in real-world scenarios for you and your family. You'll be able to discuss the topic among family, friends and have an understanding of the key terms used when you hear about VENMO in the news! Join us to master Venmo and handle mobile payments with ease and security. **Thu, Nov 6 / Tue, Dec 16**

Post Like a Pro Navigating Facebook & Instagram with Meta Business Suite

Learn to efficiently manage your social media presence with this live, interactive online training class! You'll leave the class knowing how to streamline your posting process, schedule content, and leverage insights to boost engagement on both platforms. Whether you're a small business owner, a marketer, or simply looking to sharpen your social media skills, this class will equip you with practical tips and strategies to enhance your online impact. By the end of the session, you'll feel confident navigating Meta Business Suite and ready to make your posts truly shine! **Tue, Nov 11**

Unlocking the Power of ChatGPT for Marketing Success

This workshop is designed for marketers who are familiar with ChatGPT and want to learn how to effectively leverage its capabilities for marketing success. In this fast-paced, practical session, you'll discover the potential of ChatGPT and gain hands-on experience crafting effective prompts to generate compelling marketing content. We'll cover key prompting techniques and explore real-world examples across various marketing applications. Leave this session with actionable strategies and a toolkit of prompts you can immediately implement to enhance your marketing efforts. **Thu, Nov 13**



Culinary Adventures

Gourmet Cooking with Chef Tess Georgakopoulos online via live Zoom

See website for menus and additional details. Price is per family living in the same home.

Join Chef Tess as she guides you step-by-step creating these delectable meals and deserts. Many of the recipes are her own secret creations shared only with participants in her classes. Whether you are a busy home cook or a curious foodie, you will walk away with serious inspiration and the skills to for creating delicious and nutritious gourmet experiences!

Equipment needs, if you choose to cook along are listed at the end of each course description.



Tess Georgakopoulos, a skilled, well-seasoned home-cook and Community Education Instructor, is providing a wonderful wide variety of cooking classes for Community Education in numerous districts in and around the Twin Cities, the State of Minnesota & beyond for Community Education.

While cooking-along is loads of fun, and highly recommended, it is optional.

This class will take place on Zoom, free online software. Participants will receive instructions on how to access the class prior to it starting.

A list of ingredients and class details will be received in advance of the class with enough time for shopping and preparation.

The Instructor's Personal Recipe from each class will be included in a professionally made PDF packet to be received by participants after the class.

Tess has recently started writing her first cookbook, and her food blog is also in the works! **Some of her creations can be seen on her Facebook page @ dishitupgood** <https://www.facebook.com/dishitupgood/> or on her Instagram Feed: Dish it up Good.



Dim Sum Stuffed Steamed Buns! Char Siu BB!

Chicken & Asian Vegetable Fillings

Ramen noodles may be humble, but with a little creativity and flair, they can be taken to a whole new level being transformed into a restaurant-worthy meal. Join Tess for this fun filled cook-along adventure and learn to turn this humble noodle into a truly special meal using high-quality proteins, fresh vibrant vegetables, and Asian pantry staples. Learn to elevate texture and taste, marinate the protein, and prepare the vegetables and how to build bold, balanced flavors by crafting a rich full- flavorful sauce. Then discover a few simple cooking techniques for layering the ingredients and the flavors to create depth, texture, and visual appeal in every serving.

Sat, Sept 20 4-6:30 pm \$40

Ramen Revival

Transforming a Pantry Staple into a Gourmet Feast!

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Fri, Sept 26 5-7:30 pm \$40

Autumn Baking Bliss

Pumpkin Spice Cinnamon Rolls & Panera®-Style Cinnamon Crunch Bagels!

Indulge in the comforting aromas and flavors of fall where you will experience the crafting of two seasonal favorites from scratch, perfect for cozy mornings or elegant gatherings around the holidays. We will create of the softest most delicious gooey Pumpkin Spice Cinnamon Rolls enriched with real pumpkin puree and pumpkin spice both in the pillowy dough and mouthwatering filling. They will be baked to golden perfection and topped with a pumpkin spice cream cheese frosting. You will also be guided in the creation of Panera®-style Cinnamon Crunch Bagels that feature a tender, chewy interior studded with cinnamon chips and a signature crackly-sweet cinnamon topping; the perfect balance of softness and crunch, and a textural dream.

Sat, Sept 27 4-6:30 pm \$45



Air Fryer Hype

Copycat KFC®, Doughnuts & Crave-Worthy Creations!

The POPULAR Air Fryer Hype Copycat KFC® class is being taken to the next level! Are you curious about the Air Fryer craze or looking to expand your recipe repertoire beyond fries and frozen foods? Whether you're a seasoned air fryer user or considering your first purchase, this class is for you! Join Chef Tess for an elevated Air Fryer experience and explore new family-favorite crave-worthy creations, including her mouthwatering Copycat KFC®, and her from-scratch air fryer doughnuts, pizza, burgers, and egg rolls! Enjoy a fun and interactive virtual cook-along class with Air Fryer and tips that take the 'Air Fryer Hype' to new heights!" Equipment Needs: Air fryer. A stand-mixer is also recommended for making the doughnut dough. If stand mixer is not available, dough can be made by hand. More info will be provided in the ingredient list packet.

Fri, Oct 3 5:30-8 pm \$45

Hand Crafted Ravioli Workshop!

Discover the joy of making fresh, handcrafted ravioli from start to finish! Join Chef Tess in one of her newest cook-along classes where you will learn how to make delicate pasta dough from scratch, roll it and fill it with two mouthwatering fillings—spinach and three cheese for vegetarian lovers, and a savory spinach-cheese blend with Italian sausage for those who prefer a little added kick and protein. Chef Tess will guide you through the process of stuffing and shaping the ravioli step-by-step then cooking them with your favorite sauces for an authentic experience. Regardless of your culinary background, this class will empower you with the artistry and assurance to create exquisite, homemade ravioli that delight every time. Equipment Needs: An inexpensive pasta roller is recommended but not required. A stand-mixer or food processor recommended for the dough and the meat filling but not required. Ravioli maker mold, optional. More info will be provided in the ingredient list packet.

Fri, Oct 10 5:30-8 pm \$45

Elegant Soups & Bread

Chicken & Dumplings, Chicken Orzo Avgolemono Soups, & French Bread

Nothing expresses the comfort of home more than a soothing delicious bowl of soup. Step into the soothing world of soulful soups and gourmet French bread in this elegant, cook-along experience. Explore and create two comforting yet refined classic soups. Participants can choose to create one or the other or both during the class along with a wonderful gourmet French Loaf of Bread. Choose one soup for your cook-along, and watch a demonstration of the other or choose to make both! It's up to you! Both will pair perfectly serves with the amazing homemade French Bread we will be making from scratch!

Sat, Oct 11 4-6:30 pm \$45

Mardi Gras Meet Halloween!

Muffuletta, King Cake & Beignets Flavors of Mardi Gras to life!

We'll make fresh Muffuletta bread, making a vibrant olive and veggie giardiniera-style condiment, before assembling this iconic, flavor-packed colossal sandwich. In addition, you will be absorbed in the process of how to make a full flavored, colorful King Cake, complete with festive flair & filling, and a surprise inside, and the making of warm, powdered sugar—dusted beignets as the instructor demonstrates the making of these two beloved New Orleans sweets. Perfect for families and food lovers alike, this cook-along class is all about celebration, bold flavors, and letting the good times roll... NOLA style!

Sat, Oct 25 4-6:30 pm \$50

Zuppa Toscana, Italian Wedding Meatball Soup & Homemade Baguettes

Instant Pot® or Stove Top

Warm, delicious, soothing, satisfying soups are such a welcome treat for dinner any time of year. All the stresses of the day seem to melt away with the smell of freshly made soup that brings smiles to the entire family. Have some fun participating in this virtual COOK-ALONG class; expand your family's soup rotation and your culinary repertoire as you learn to create two wonderful soups in addition to homemade Baguette! Choose one soup for your cook-along, and watch a demonstration of the other or choose to make both! It's up to you! Both will pair perfectly serves with the amazing homemade Baguettes we will be making from scratch! You will feel so accomplished! NO INSTANT POT®? NO PROBLEM!

Tue, Oct 28 5:30-8 pm \$45



Classic Homemade Pierogi & Sweet Berry Pierogi!

Have some fun participating in this cook-along experience as you learn how to make your own homemade Classic Pierogi, and wonderful Sweet Berry Pierogi with 2 types of homemade dough and filling that will make your taste buds dance for joy! We will also be learning how to cook, and freeze these little dumplings that you can make ahead and store for a rainy day. No fancy equipment needed. This class has been so popular; it has even been featured in the American Polish Journal!

Sat, Nov 1 4-6 pm \$40

Crafting Steamed Bao, Korean Bulgogi BBQ Chicken, & Asian Pickled Veggies

The word "Bao" is derived from the word "Baozi" which means, "to wrap" in Mandarin. Bao buns are often described as "steamed pillows" of deliciousness. They are created by freshly steaming yeasted velvety dough, and are then filled with a variety of fillings. You will learn to create Steamed Bao that will be used "to wrap" almost like a little "jacket", the fantastic filling of Korean Bulgogi BBQ Chicken, and a wonderful variety of Asian inspired quick pickled vegetables! What fun! Everything from the Bao, the Korean Bulgogi BBQ chicken and the pickled veggies will be made from scratch. Equipment: A bamboo steamer is a "nice to have", but not necessary. A stand mixer is highly recommended.

Fri, Oct 7 5:30-8 pm \$50

Pastitsio, Greek Gourmet Hot Dish & Garlic Roll Bliss!

Escape to the Mediterranean with the flavors of Greece and get your "OPPA" on! Learn the secrets of creating a lavish Greek Hot Dish called "Pastitsio", and a divine gourmet garlic rolls, both of which are enjoyed by Greek families around the worlds. Pastitsio, pronounced pas-TI-tsi-o, is a delicacy in its own right, fit for royalty. It is a culmination of layered Greek pasta, savory spiced meat sauce, and a luxurious topping of often "mile high" cheesy béchamel sauce, baked to perfection. The soft, buttery, elegantly shaped garlic bread rolls bursting with flavor will round out a perfect the meal. Tess will also share how to create her Greek Salad dressing for all who wish to include a classic, crisp Greek Salad. Equipment: A stand mixer is highly recommended for the garlic rolls.

Sat, Nov 8 4-6:30 pm \$50

Baklava & Spanokopita!

Sweet & Savory Mouthwatering Greek Phyllo Pastries

Dive into the world of creating two scrumptious traditional Greek Phyllo pastries, Baklava and Spanakopita that have been known to awaken taste buds and the "inner Greek". Baklava is a Traditional Greek layered dessert pastry made with phyllo, chopped nuts and other secret ingredients. They are baked to golden perfection and bathed in dreamy honey-kissed syrup. Spanakopita, on the other hand, is a Greek savory pastry, consisting of a savory filling made of spinach, cheese, herbs and other secret ingredients that is enrobed in delicate sheets of phyllo pastry. Talk about mouthwatering goodness! Join Tess as she guides you through the process of creating one of her versions of Baklava she calls 'Baklava Rolls' and creating her spanakopita triangles.

Tue, Nov 11 5:30-8 pm \$40





Better than Take-Out Chinese Dinner Favorites!

Learn how to create, from scratch, a wonderful Chinese “Better-than-take-out” meal in your own kitchen! You will learn about the various ingredients and step-by-step processes that turn these ingredients into fabulous Chinese favorites. Gain the confidence to create your own “better-than-take-out” meals time and time again. After this class your search for Chinese take-out will be a search through your freezer and pantry. Although most Chinese take-out items are fried, this class will also provide healthier options for cooking. The class will include a cook-along option for 4 recipes and one additional recipe will be demonstrated. Equipment: a wok is recommended but not required.

Sat, Nov 15 4-7 pm \$79



Building a Festive Mediterranean Mezze / Charcuterie Board

The word “Mezze” refers to what we all know as finger foods and dips. Many Mediterranean meals consist of a variety of “mezze” items that come together creating the most wonderful flavors, tastes and textures. Learn how to bring warmth, color, and the flavors of the Mediterranean to your fall and winter gatherings with this festive Mediterranean mezze cook-along class where Chef Tess (a descendant of Spartans) will guide you through creating a stunning mezze-style charcuterie board, perfect for sharing or seasonal entertaining any time of year. The charcuterie board will include four delicious scratch-made dips, warm-spiced, bright Greek meatballs, and handmade pita bread, an array of fresh and pickled vegetables, olives, fruit and nuts for a vibrant crowd—pleasing spread! The board, platter, or table becomes the canvas upon which we create an edible work of art! A food processor or blender is needed for the creation of the Whipped feta. Stand mixer recommended for the pita bread.

Sat, Nov 22 4-6:30 pm \$50

Winter Wonderland Monster Cookies & Stuffed Cookies Workshop!

Learn to create FOUR amazing gourmet cookies from scratch using two types of dough using Tess’ original recipes. First up, MONSTER COOKIE DOUGH will be used to craft two DIFFERENT types of Monster Cookies, one of which actually looks like the beloved Cookie Monster, and the other is more of a classic albeit moist, delicious, and decadent. They are MASSIVE, colorful, chewy, and loaded with festive mix-ins that are as fun to make, as they are to eat. Next, an out of this world dough will be created using a recipe Tess has never shared before that uses very unconventional mixing techniques. The dough will be used to create the ultimate bakery, NYC-Style stuffed cookies filled with dreamy indulgent centers like cheesecake, and fudgy brownie. Cookies will then be created, once again, using unconventional shaping and baking techniques! Tess will also demonstrate how to stuff cookies with the Viral Dubai Chocolate, and how to create her version of a most delicious Apple Crumble Stuffed NYC—style cookie. A step-by-step guided bake-along experience designed for cookie lovers of all ages full of holiday cheer and endless memories! Equipment: Stand mixer is required. Hand mixers do not have enough power to mix the dough.

Fri, Dec 5 5:30-7:30 pm \$50

Copycat Cinnabon Cinnamon Rolls & VIRAL DUBAI CHOCOLATE

Add two wonderful treats to your holiday celebration as you learn to create freshly baked homemade Copycat Cinnabon® Cinnamon Rolls, and NEXT LEVEL, VIRAL Dubai Chocolate bars with made from scratch Kadaifi (shredded phyllo)! You will love these billowy, warm, luscious, gooey, rolls topped with cream cheese frosting that is out-of-this world-delicious. Tess takes the experience to the next level teaching participants how to create their own Kadaifi (shredded phyllo) from SCRATCH costing PENNIES, and her from-scratch version of pistachio cream filling for the chocolate bars!

Equipment needs: A 1” deep silicone Dubai Chocolate Bar mold is needed to create the chocolate bar. The bars can be made with simple melted chocolate. However, if a longer lasting shiny finish is preferred, tempering the chocolate is beneficial. If participants wish to temper the chocolate, an instant read kitchen thermometer is needed.

Sat, Dec 6 4-6:30 pm \$45



Cooking with Chef Tess



Gingerbread House

Bake & Build

Gather the whole family and join in the fun Baking and Building your very own show-stopping gingerbread house. Together, we will combine the wonderful flavors of gingerbread and use the dough to create the pieces that will be used to “build” breathtaking houses. We will also whip up the perfect batch of stiff Royal Icing—the edible “glue” that holds everything together and is used to decorate the houses with candies and delicious treats. Participants will receive a professionally made PDF ingredient list and prep packet a week in advance of the class to allow time for shopping and preparation. The packet will also include the instructor’s “Gingerbread HouseSpecific” Recipe that she has tested time and time again to ensure the cookie pieces are delicious but strong enough to hold the weight of the icing and decorations. A template that will need to be printed and cut out before class to be used as a “pattern” will also be included.

Whether you are starting a new family tradition, or continuing a beloved one, this cozy, joy-filled experience will leave everyone smiling, and maybe sneaking a few gumdrops. Equipment needs: Large sheet pan, parchment paper / non-stick baking mat, rolling pin, and mixer will be needed. Other items & Ingredients will be listed in the handout that will be received roughly a week before class.

Fri, Dec 19 5:30-7:30 pm \$35

Mediterranean Holiday Elegance

Greek Dolmathes in Avgolemono Sauce & Crusty Artisan Bread

Experience the warmth and elegance of Greek cuisine in this one-of-a-kind cook-along experience with instructor Tess, who brings generations of culinary tradition straight to the table. Tess will guide participants in the step-by-step process of making Dolmathes—tender grape leaves delicately filled with savory rice and seasoned meat filling, then gently simmered and finished with a luxurious velvety avgolemono sauce, a classic emulsion of fresh lemon juice and egg. To complete the meal, participants will also bake a loaf of crusty artisan bread—perfect for savoring the bright, savory essence of the rich lemony sauce. Cherished at holiday gatherings and family feasts throughout Greece and beyond, Dolmathes are more than a meal—they’re a tradition. Join in an evening of soulful cooking, rich flavor, and timeless technique as you learn to craft this classic from scratch with guidance rooted in generations of experience. Whether you’re new to Mediterranean cooking or simply craving authentic comfort food, this cook-along experience is an invitation to slow down, savor the goodness, and cook with heart.

Sat, Dec 20 4-6:30 pm \$45



Baking with Laurel Severson

Classes held at WM High School
FAC Room, Door #6 Upper Lot

LEFSE

This wonderful Norwegian delicacy is made for banquets, holidays, weddings and all special occasions. If you are Norwegian and missed recording Grandma's recipe, tips and techniques- this is the class for you! Note: other nationalities find it delicious too!

Learn the fine points in making the dough, baking, storing and of course how to serve lefse- bonus is a bit of history and humor too. We will begin with ready potatoes using a number of authentic recipes- and a modern version using instant potatoes. Plan to sample your fresh, warm creation with traditional fillings plus take home finished lefse and double to bake and then share with family/friends.

There is a \$9 food fee due in class, cash only please.

Wed, Nov 5 6-9 pm \$20

Four Famous Ethnic Cookies **Krumkake, Pizzelle, Sandbakkels & Rosettes**

We'll make four Scandinavian cookie favorites. Rolled Krumkakes, made with cream, butter, and cinnamon Italian Pizzelles - a flat, anise-flavored cookie baked on the top of the stove using an iron. Almond Swedish Sandbakkelse are baked in tiny tins to resemble tarts. Deep fried rosettes, the fragile, paper-thin Scandinavian delicacies dusted with confectioner's sugar. Please bring containers to take your creations home.

There is a \$14 food fee due in class, cash only please.

Fri, Dec 19 6-9 pm \$20



Morning Yoga with Ann Nelson

Ann Nelson is a longtime yoga practitioner and a certified RYT500 teacher through Yoga Alliance. She has completed continuing education training programs for meditation, prenatal yoga, baby and me yoga, and yoga for children. Ann has a passion for helping children and adults of all ages develop a sense of calm and mindfulness through breathwork, movement, play, and imagination.

Her customizable classes help strengthen and care for the physical and emotional body. Each class will begin with a breathing and mindfulness exercise, followed by a longer standing series to strengthen and care for all parts of the body.

Classes allow students ample time to customize each posture to their individual body. For the final portion of class, practitioners return to the mat for stretching and rejuvenation. Instructors are at-the-ready to help each participant figure out what works best, taking into consideration any joint concerns or injuries, as well as requests to increase the intensity, as desired. Bring a yoga mat and water. Optional: Bring two yoga blocks, blanket, and yoga strap.

Yoga Session Cards available for Fall

15-\$150, 10-\$110, 5-\$60 Drop In \$15 / Cards cannot be transferred between seasons

Foundational slower pace class

Mon, Wed, Fri Sept 8-Dec 19 9-10 am \$288 WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 1
No Class Sept 19, Oct 15, 17, 20, 22, 24 Nov 3, 26, 28

Level 1 faster pace class

Tue Sept 9-Dec 16 9-10 am \$112 WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 1
No Class Oct 21

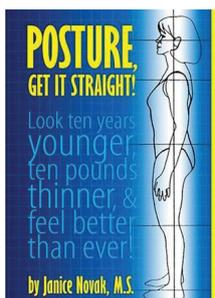
Nutrition, Health & Safety

Live Online Classes with Janice Novak, MS

All classes meet 6-7:30 pm \$25 per class

Janice Novak has a Masters Degree in Health Education. She is an internationally acclaimed, best selling author, speaker and wellness consultant who teaches workshops and seminars for hospitals, corporations and professional organizations. She presents up-to-date info on pertinent health/wellness topics that can improve health, productivity, alertness, energy and motivation. Janice empowers people to take action toward attaining better health. Her easy-to-use techniques are informational and motivational and can easily be integrated into daily life. She teaches simple steps that lead to powerful changes in how you look and feel. Janice regularly presents health segments on television and radio, including a guest spot on the Oprah Winfrey Show discussing her best selling book, "Posture, Get It Straight!" Janice Novak, M.S. janice@improveyourposture.com

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Feet, Knees & Ankles Sept 16

Have you taken a good look at your feet, ankles or knees lately? They support the weight of your entire body. Take off your shoes and socks, roll up your pants and look in a mirror. Do your ankles roll in? Are your arches flat? Do you have bunions or calluses? Are your toes straight or do they bend in? Does your big toe pull in towards the other toes? Do your knees lock back? Do your kneecaps turn in or pull outward? In this workshop, you will learn simple things to help correct these common problems.

Empowered Aging

Take Control of Your Health & Peel Years off Your BioAge Sept 29

Every day, your body makes about 330 billion new cells which means 3.8 million cells are replaced every SECOND! This means every second is an opportunity to make every system in your body healthier. The quality of cell your body can produce this second is very dependent on what raw materials you have floating around your bloodstream. Studies show you can be 50 and have the physiology of a 30-year-old (and vice versa), depending on how well you take care of yourself. What you do now greatly affects your health and well-being now and in the future. Nothing beats good health! We'll discuss simple steps you can take now to help make every system in your body as healthy as possible.

Seven Steps to reverse or prevent diabetes Oct 13

Diabetes is a condition in which too much belly fat leads a person to symptoms ranging from mild blood sugar imbalance to full blown diabetes. Whether you have a little extra weight around the middle, insulin resistance or type 2 diabetes, the root cause of ALL these conditions are the same - problems with our diet, lifestyle and exposure to environmental toxins. Most treatments focus on the downstream symptoms (elevated levels of glucose, cholesterol, blood pressure, triglycerides) and never get to WHY your levels are too high and how to change it. The good news is all of this can be reversed. Learn how to work with your doctor to help restore your body to health.

Metabolism Boosters & Busters Oct 15

In the past you probably could drop weight by cutting back on calories or exercising a bit more. But then suddenly the scale stops moving, and you just can't seem to lose weight. THE GOOD NEWS - You could lose up to 20 pounds in a year - without eating less. Just by revving up your metabolism, you can burn more calories every day, lose fat, boost energy, feel stronger and more fit. In this class, you will learn 20 SIMPLE things you can do every day to boost your metabolism.

The Art of Aging Well

Peel Years off your Bio Age Oct 29

Your chronological age is the number of years you have been alive. It is a fixed number and cannot be changed. Your biological or bio age, however, is measured by how well your organs and body systems work. And there are many things you can do to affect your biological age. You have more control over how your body ages than you may think. Research has shown us that you can peel years off your bio age. In this workshop, you will learn simple, scientifically proven things you can do right now to decrease your body age. Also, you will learn facial acupressure points to help erase years from your face naturally.

Soothe Those Achy Joints Nov 11

Do you have joints that ache - a knee or hip or back? Whether you have arthritis, bursitis or just creaky joints, this workshop is for you. Joint lubrication exercises are quite simple and easy to do yet produce rather remarkable results by helping to free your joints of pain. We'll also discuss which nutrients are needed to help keep your joints healthy.

Join Registered Dietitian Nutritionist,

Taylor Cain MS, RDN

Taylor is dedicated to empowering people to build a personalized relationship with food through group education. She is so excited that you are interested in joining in on this health and wellness journey!



Fueling for Success Weight Management Series

Join Taylor Cain, MS, RDN for a three-part series focused on building sustainable, balanced eating habits that will support your wellness goals. Whether you are looking to manage your weight, improve energy levels, or be more mindful of meal planning, these interactive virtual sessions are for you!

Wed, Sept, 10, 17 & 24 6-7 pm \$39 Series

Build a Better Breakfast Sept 10

Celebrate National Breakfast Month by starting the day strong! Learn how to create a satisfying and nourishing breakfast that supports metabolism, keeps you energized, and curbs cravings throughout the day.

Midday Meals that Work for You Sept 17

Keep your energy steady and your goals on track with midday meals. Whether you are at work, on-the-go, or juggling a busy day at home, building balanced lunches and smart snacks are key to feeling your best!

Dinner Done Right Sept 24

In celebration of Family Meals Month, explore convenient dinner options that work for you and the entire family. This class will review tips for meal prepping, meal planning, and creating positive mealtime habits.

National Diabetes Month The Art of Carbohydrate Counting

Take the guesswork out of managing your carbohydrates with Registered Dietitian, Taylor Cain, MS, RDN! Whether you are diagnosed with diabetes or looking to eat more mindfully, this session will help build your confidence around counting carbs. Leave knowing why carbs matter, how to decipher nutrition labels, appropriate portion sizes, and tools that make counting easier.

Tue, Nov 18 6-7 pm \$20

Create Your Future Goal Setting & Vision Board Workshop

Ready to make your goals stick and your dreams a reality? Join Registered Dietitian, Taylor Cain, MS, RDN for a transformative workshop to gear up for 2026. In this guided session, you will learn effective strategies for setting purpose-driven goals, reflect on your values and visions, craft a personalized vision board to keep you on track, and leave with renewed motivation. No experience needed - just bring a notebook, colored pens or markers, and your imagination!

Tue, Dec 2 6-7:30 pm \$25

American Heart Association

CPR, AED & 1st Aid Certification

Would you know what to do in a cardiac, breathing or first aid emergency? The right action can help save a life!

With an emphasis on hands-on learning, this course gives you the skills to save a life. Training meets OSHA's Best Practices for Workplace First Aid Training for the infant, child and adult. Skills include how to respond to cardiac and breathing emergencies in all ages, use of Automated External Defibrillators and choking.

First Aid will include wounds and bandaging, burns, head, muscle, bone and joint injuries, heat and cold emergencies, poisonings and sudden illnesses. Two-year certification.

Shelly Nahn, RN, BSN, PHN

Sept 24 & Nov 17 6-8:30 pm \$65
WM Comm Learning Ctr Door 1



Water Safety Instructor & Lifeguard Certification

Get certified & get a job!

Visit www.redcross.org for available classes. When you obtain a Lifeguard or WSI Certificate apply online at

<https://www.wm.k12.mn.us>

See page 21 for more details.

Language/Music & Dance

Adult Conversational Spanish

Live Zoom Sessions

As the demand for Spanish language skills grows, Futura offers affordable, LIVE virtual classes tailored for busy adult learners.

Held weekly with a dynamic instructor, our interactive courses provide the flexibility to learn from anywhere. Whether you're starting fresh or looking to improve, our conversational approach focuses on real-world application to build confidence in communication.

All class handouts and recordings are available on our website for easy access and practice.

All classes are 6 sessions, 6-7 pm \$110

Zoom access and basic computer skills required

Enroll today and start your language-learning journey!

Visit our registration site to learn more about each course.

Beginner Part 1

Always wanted to learn or refresh your Spanish?

This class focuses on building conversational skills through interactive practice. Topics include greetings, pronunciation, numbers, food, clothing, and basic grammar. You'll engage in small conversations and explore cultural insights like word origins and dialects.

Mon, Oct 20-Dec 1 No class Nov 24

Tues, Oct 21-Dec 2 No class Nov 25

Wed, Oct 22-Dec 3 No class Nov 26

Beginner Part 2

Continue your Spanish journey in Beginner Spanish Part Two! Build on conversational skills for directions, restaurants, and everyday interactions. Learn vocabulary on weather, dates, family, and key verbs like ser and tener. Explore cultural topics on food, family, and friendships. Open to new and returning students.

Mon, Oct 20-Dec 1 No class Nov 24

Tues, Oct 21-Dec 2 No class Nov 25

Spanish for Travelers

Learn Spanish for travel from the comfort of home!

This live, interactive course helps adults master essential phrases for greetings, dining, and directions. With Futura's engaging approach, you'll build confidence while having fun. Perfect for beginners and those with some experience.

Thu, Oct 23-Dec 4 No class Nov 27



Instant Guitar & Piano for Hopelessly Busy People Age 13+ Live via Zoom

In just a few hours you can learn enough to give you years of musical enjoyment without taking private lessons to do it. Fee includes the online book, online follow up lessons, a recording of the class and also an optional periodic question and answer session. Class is held online using zoom and is partly hands on instruction and partly lecture/demonstration.

Guitar

This crash course will teach you some basic chords and get you playing along with your favorite songs right away.

Oct 4 1-3:30 pm \$59

Piano

Learn to play piano the way professionals do-using chords. The chord method is LOTS of fun and dramatically easier to learn than reading notes.

Oct 4 9 am-12 pm \$59

Partner Dancing for All Occasions

with Deanna Constantine

No matter the occasion, you'll be prepared to dance! Taking beginner friendly steps from ballroom dance, learn easy to remember patterns that are fun and usable. Practice to all your favorite songs including pop, blues, rock, country and more. Add spark and fun to your relationship. Exercise your mind and body. Couples stay paired. Singles rotate with other singles, but partners not guaranteed. For more information, visit www.ConstantineDance.com

Wed, Sept 17, 24, Oct 1, 8 7-8:30 pm \$69 per person
WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 1



Sail (Stay Active & Independent for Life)

Free daytime exercise program for seniors

Stay Active & Independent for Life is a free daytime exercise program for seniors. Sail is an exercise and education program for older adults meeting twice a week for one hour as an ongoing program. Classes are led by AmeriCorps RSVP volunteers and hosted by WM Community Ed. The program includes a combination of aerobic conditioning, strength training, and balance exercises which have been shown to decrease the risk of falling. The program was developed through Washington State Public Health with support from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

Participants interested in participating must register online and complete updated paperwork. Participants must enroll annually in June.

Mon & Wed Free Class 10:30-11:30 am
WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 1

Let's Talk About Medicare

As you get closer to 65, the amount of information you are receiving about Medicare can make the process of applying very confusing. Check out this educational meeting about Medicare and Medicare insurance that will answer your questions and help determine what type of plan is best for you. We'll discuss what Medicare covers, costs, how to enroll and types of Medicare Insurance.

Tues, Nov 11 6-7:30 pm \$3 per person or couple WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 1

Protect Your Wealth: Navigating Insurance for Seniors

This informative session is designed for seniors concerned about rising insurance costs and ensuring their current coverage adequately protects their assets.

Topics Covered:

- ◆ Liability Insurance: Learn how to safeguard your savings with appropriate liability coverage.
- ◆ Lowering Premiums: Discover practical strategies to reduce home and auto insurance costs without compromising on coverage.
- ◆ Common Mistakes: Understand and avoid typical insurance errors made during retirement.

Who Should Attend:

This class is beneficial for seniors on a fixed income, those assisting families with insurance policies, or anyone seeking peace of mind regarding their insurance decisions.

Taught by local insurance agent PJ Hangartner, the session promises clear, down-to-earth advice and immediately applicable tips. decisions in today's changing market. Taught by local insurance agent PJ Hangartner, this session will be clear, down-to-earth, and full of tips you can use right away.

Tues, Oct 21 10-11 am \$3 per person or couple WM Comm. Learning Ctr. Door # 1

Walk This Way

Free Walking Mon & Wed

6-8pm



8 Laps = 1 Mile

WM Comm. Learning Ctr, Door # 1

Lace up your walking shoes and join us

Schedule may vary. Call Community Ed for availability 952-955-0280.

ADULT GETAWAYS

With Jolly Ramblers Tours. Registration deadlines are 2 weeks prior to the trip.

In order to secure tickets for these events, there will be no refunds after registration. Prices are per person. If you need any special accommodations make sure to communicate this at registration so arrangements can be made.

Pick-Up / Drop-Off Locations - Winsted: Security Bank & Trust / Waconia: Mackenthuns

Times are listed for each pickup location. Please make sure to arrive 15 minutes early as the bus departs at the pick-up time.



I Am He Said

A Celebration of Neil Diamond

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the Coyote Moon Grille and then head for the St. Cloud Paramount Theatre for I Am He Said: A Celebration of Neil Diamond. "We are saying what HE said," laughs Matt Vee referring to the one and only Neil Diamond.

Matt along with cousins Jeff and Tommy Vee, music industry veterans and sons of the legendary Bobby Vee, join forces with their family and friends as The Killer Vees to celebrate the music from a timeless catalog.

With songs like "Cracklin' Rosie," "America," and "Sweet Caroline," Neil Diamond sold over 100 million records worldwide with music that became the soundtrack to one generation after another with hits spanning five decades. As a Tin Pan Alley song writer in the mid 60s, he penned songs recorded by everyone from Elvis Presley to Deep Purple and, of course, the Monkees' classic, "I'm A Believer."

Thu, Aug 21 \$105 pp Winsted 10 am-4:45 pm

Mick Sterling Presents Everybody Loves Dean

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the Coyote Moon Grille and then head for the St. Cloud Paramount Theatre for Mick Sterling Presents Everybody Loves Dean. The Songs of Dean Martin featuring Mick Sterling and The Amore' Orchestra is an unabashed musical love letter to the legendary voice and songs of the internationally beloved Dean Martin. Mick Sterling leads the 16-piece Amore' Orchestra through such Dean Martin classics including Everybody Loves Somebody Sometime, That's Amore, Volare and more!

Tue, Sept 9 \$102 pp
Waconia 9 am-5:45 pm Winsted 10 am-4:45 pm

Stillwater Fall Colors Boat Cruise

This has become an annual favorite event. It is so relaxing and also a reminder that our seasons are changing. Hopefully, we'll see some beautiful fall colors. I am so impressed with the included deli buffet lunch. You could build your own sandwich with all sorts of ingredients and add warm entree' selections and dessert.

Wed, Oct 8 \$95 pp
Waconia 9:15 am-3:30 pm Winsted 8:15 am-4:30 pm

Fireflies

We're headed to the Ives Auditorium in Bloomington where we'll begin with an included lunch of creamy chicken breast with roasted red potatoes, glazed carrots, coleslaw, dinner rolls, assorted desserts, coffee or hot tea. (Special dietary meals available by request ahead of time.) Then we'll head to the theatre for Fireflies! Retired schoolteacher Eleanor Bannister lives a quiet life alone in tiny Groverdell, Texas, set in her routines and secure in her position as the town's most respected woman - until a hole in her roof draws the attention of Able Brown, a smooth-talking drifter intent on renovating Eleanor's house, and possibly her life. Can the unexpected sparks of late-life romance be trusted, or is there truth in the gossip that Able isn't all that he seems to be? Either way, the whole town is talking.

Wed, Oct 22 \$101 pp
Waconia 10:30 am-4 pm Winsted 9:30 am-5 pm

Great Theatre Presents 9 to 5

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the Coyote Moon Grille and then head for the St. Cloud Paramount Theatre for Great Theatre Presents 9 to 5. In the corporate world of the late 1970s, Violet, Judy, and Doralee are fed up with their arrogant, misogynistic boss. When a wild turn of events gives them the chance to take matters into their own hands, they set out to change the office - and their lives - for the better. With music and lyrics by Dolly Parton, 9 to 5 is a laugh-out-loud story of empowerment and unlikely friendship. Full of catchy songs, hilarious antics, and a message about challenging the status quo, this high-energy show celebrates perseverance, camaraderie, and standing up for what's right.

Thu, Oct 30 \$106 pp
Waconia 9 am-5:45 pm Winsted 10 am-4:45 pm

Willie & Family Live

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the Coyote Moon Grille and then head for the St. Cloud Paramount Theatre for Willie & Family Live: a heartfelt homage to the legendary outlaw of country music - Willie Nelson. Michael Moore, born and raised in McKinney, Texas, brings the soulful twang of Willie Nelson to life through his exceptional talent. From the upbeat rhythm of "Whiskey River" to the classic tales of "Good Hearted Woman" and "Mamas Don't Let Your Babies Grow Up to Be Cowboys," this show captures the essence of Willie's timeless contributions to the genre.

Thu, Feb 12 \$109 pp
 Waconia 9 am-5:45 pm
 Winsted 10 am-4:45 pm

Elvis in Concert

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the Coyote Moon Grille and then head for the St. Cloud Paramount Theatre for Elvis in Concert. Step into the world of Rock 'n' Roll royalty as Anthony Shore's Elvis Tribute Show brings Elvis Presley's legendary performance to life. Accompanied by a talented 10-14 piece band that includes a string and horn section, this show promises a thrilling homage to the King of Rock 'n' Roll, offering an unforgettable afternoon of nostalgia while capturing the essence of Elvis's legendary performances.

Thu, Feb 19 \$104 pp
 Waconia 9 am-5:45 pm
 Winsted 10 am-4:45 pm



55+ DRIVER DISCOUNT PROGRAM

888-234-1294 (toll free)
 320-308-1400 (St. Cloud)
 55DDP@stcloudstate.edu

Must register with Precision Driving
 \$24 per person

- **Thur, Sept 18**
- **Thur, Nov 6**
- **Thur, Jan 22**



Classroom Training

Hosted at Watertown-Mayer Comm. Learning Ctr.

Enter Door #1

12-4pm



PICKLEBALL COURT RENTAL

1.5 hr sessions
(4-6 player group)

10 Sessions / \$200
 Drop-In / \$25

Courts are available for groups of 4-6 players to reserve for 1.5 hours per court. Participants are encouraged to bring their own paddle; limited paddles are available for use.

WM COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER
 313 Angel Ave NW, Watertown

MAYER COMMUNITY CENTER
 413 Bluejay Ave, Mayer

To reserve a court contact WM Community Education

Cancellations and rescheduling accepted up to 48hrs prior to reservation, pending availability. No credit if cancellation is less than 48hrs in advance.

📞 952-955-0280
 ✉️ wmcommunityed@wm.k12.mn.us





WM Special Education Advisory Council **WMSEAC**

WM SEAC provides parents a community and forum to communicate with the district's special education administration and staff. This parent group also collaborates with district staff to improve special education services and quality of life for children. Parents provide feedback and share their unique perspective with special education services.

Currently we are seeking parent members from each building in our district. The membership of the council can include parents, students with disabilities, community agencies, and school staff. Come join our next meeting. For more details contact Rande Peyton, Director of Special Education, at rande.peyton@wm.k12.mn.us or 952-955-0207

Our Schools

High School - WMHS

Open House Grade 9	Aug 27	5-7 pm
Band Concert Grade 7 & 8	Dec 8	7:30 pm
Band Concert Grade 9-12	Dec 8	6 pm
Choir Concert Grade 7-12	Dec 15	7 pm



Middle School - WMMS

Open House Grade 5	Aug 20	5 pm
Open House Grade 6-8	Aug 27	5 pm
Choir Concert Grade 5 & 6	Dec 15	6 pm

Elementary School - WMES

4th Grade Concert	Mar 6	1:30 pm	PAC
Strides for Students	May 2	watch for more details	
Kindergarten Royal Round Up	Early Jan 2026	4:30-6 pm	

*Have you registered your child for kindergarten? **Sign up today!***

All enrollment forms are handled digitally.

Performing Arts Center Events

1001 Highway 25 NW, Watertown

Veterans Day Ceremony

Nov 11, 2025

High School Performing Arts

Fall Auditions	Sep 4
Homecoming Coronation	Sep 29
Homecoming Dance	Oct 3
Fall High School Musical:	OKLAHOMA
	Nov 20 & 21 7 pm

WM Parent Teacher Organization **WMECAC & WMPTO**

The WMECAC & WMPTO strive to extend students' learning through enriched educational experiences, offering opportunities for community and parental involvement, acting as a forum for families to stay connected to school. For more information about

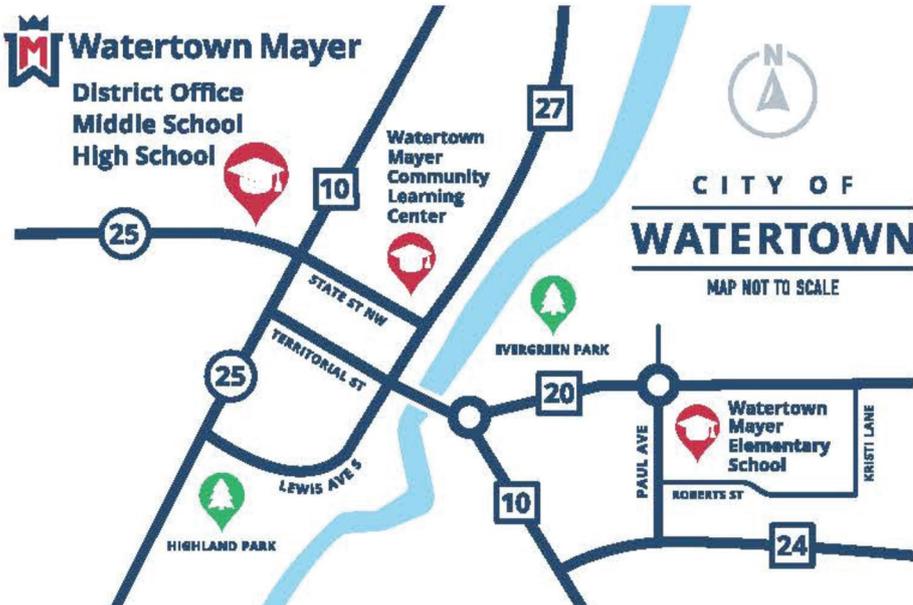
- ◆ The Early Childhood Advisory Council email wmeCAC@wmeCAC111.org
- ◆ The Elementary PTO email PTO@wm.k12.mn.us
- ◆ The Middle School PTO email PTOWMS@gmail.com





Facilities & Programs

Watertown-Mayer Public Schools



WM Elementary School 500 Paul Ave, Watertown MN 55388

WM High School, Middle School & District Office
1001 MN 25 NW, Watertown MN 55388

WM Community Learning Center & Community Ed Office
313 Angel Ave NW, Watertown MN 55388

Facility Use

The School Board of District 111 recognizes that all school district facilities, both indoor and outdoor, belong to the school district residents and further encourages the responsible use of those facilities by individuals or programs. Community organizations, associations and groups are welcome to use district facilities for appropriate activities that do not interfere with operations and interests of the school district. [See page 40 for details regarding Facility Use & Rentals.](#) The school board authorizes the Community Education Department to schedule and supervise the community's use of school district buildings, grounds and equipment as outlined in School District 111 Facility Use Policy #902.



Rec Sunday Night Basketball **Ages 14+**

Participants interested in Sunday Night Basketball games can sign up for an individual drop in session or pay for multiple sessions. Location will be Watertown Elementary Gym OR the High School Auxiliary Gym. Times and locations are subject to change. For details check FACEBOOK SITE: Watertown Open Gym

6-8 pm Sunday's year-round
NO PLAY Easter, Memorial Day Sunday or Labor Day Sunday
 \$3 Drop In
 \$25 for 10 sessions
 \$50 for 25 sessions

Facility Use & Rentals

Watertown-Mayer Schools facilities are available to rent by community members, groups or businesses to use within the guidelines established by the school board. These facilities include classrooms, cafeterias, gymnasiums, pools, auditoriums, and the stadium. Users must comply with district policies and procedures. School district facilities are tobacco, alcohol, drug and weapons-free areas.

The Community Education Office serves as the service center for all community use of school facilities in the areas of scheduling, billing and supervision, and coordinates requests for use of school equipment related to the on-site activity. Tracey Taylor, Facilities Coordinator, can be reached via email at tracey.taylor@wm.k12.mn.us or by calling 952.955.0289.

WM Facilities rental process

1. Submit Facility Application and Certificate of Liability
2. WM Community Education will follow up confirming dates and provide a quote
3. Once the application contract has ended an invoice will be sent out for payment

Available for Rental

WM High School Performing Arts Center
 WM Comm Learning Center Auditorium, Community Lounge & Enrichment Room
 WM Fields & Stadium, Gyms, Pool, Cafeteria, and Commons Areas and Classroom

Watertown-Mayer Community Learning Center WM CLC

Providing Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE), Preschool (School Readiness) and year round Child Care programming. The WM CLC also offers space for both daytime and evening youth, adult and senior programming. Recreational and social activities are important part of the independent living. Parking is available on State Street, Enter Door 1

Community Lounge

Free community use on the following days:
 Public Use: Mon & Wed 11 am to 2 pm
 Senior Card Group: Tues 12 to 2 pm
 For rentals, contact WM Comm Ed at 952-955-0280.



Pickleball Court Rental

Courts are available for groups of 4-6 players to reserve for 1.5 hours per court. Participants are encouraged to bring their own paddle; limited paddles are available for use. Court locations include. Courts must be reserved in advance (Cancellations and rescheduling accepted up to 48 hrs prior to reservation, pending availability. No credit if cancellation is less than 48 hrs in advance.)

To purchase sessions and reserve courts, contact Community Ed at 952-955-0280

1.5 hour court rental
 \$25 - Drop-In \$200 - 10 Sessions
 WM Comm Learning Ctr
 Mayer Community Ctr

Walk this Way

Free walking at the WM CLC
6-8 pm Mon & Wed Sept-May

Lace up your walking shoes and join us, eight laps around the building are equivalent to one mile. The building will be closed when school is not in session or days with inclement weather. Call Community Ed for availability 952-955-0280.

Facilities & Programs



ENGAGE & BE THE CHANGE

JOIN

**Watertown Mayer
Community Education
Advisory**

Meetings

2nd Tues 6-7pm
Sept, Dec, Feb & May
WM Comm. Learning Ctr.

Community Ed. Director

952-955-0282

wmcommunityed@wm.k12.mn.us



**Watertown Mayer
Community Education**
Connections • Opportunities



**Looking for Royals apparel?
WM Community Education is selling**

WM Royals T-Shirts

Youth-\$10 / Adult-\$12 / Adult 2XL-\$13

T-Shirts available to be ordered

White or Grey T-Shirt

w/ Red & Blue Royals Logo

Royal Blue T-Shirt

w/ White Royals Logo

Contact WM Community Ed. to order

Designed &
Produced by
WM HS Students

Supporting
WM HS
CT Programs



wmcommunityed@wm.k12.mn.



952-955-0280



wm.ce.eleyo.com

WM Party Packages

Come use the gym, pool or lounge for a terrific party experience!

Looking for a space to host a party or gathering? WM Community Education has party packages available. You bring the cake and ice-cream, food and nonalcoholic drinks and we'll provide the facility.



WM CLC Gym & WM HS Pool Package Details

2 hour package for up to 15 children & 5 additional supervising adults

High School Pool Package \$110 for 2 hours / CLC Gym Package \$100 for 2 hours
Additional Participants (up to 15) \$55 Pool / \$45 Gym

- ◆ Up to 1½ hour of gym or pool time and ½ hour of time in our gathering space with tables and chairs.
- ◆ 15 minutes before and after scheduled time is available for set up and clean up
- ◆ WM Staff onsite for general supervision
- ◆ Additional participants and/or time can be added to the package
- ◆ Gym equipment available for use
List of available equipment provided when reserving space

WM Community Lounge Package Details

3 or 6 hours packages for up to 30 participants

Lounge includes: Tables & Chairs, Smart TV, and Counter with Sink, Small Beverage Fridge, Limited plastic cups and water pitchers available. WM Staff are onsite for general supervision. 3 Hours: \$50 / 6 Hours: \$100

Booking Procedures and Policies

To request a party package rental contact WM Community Education at 952-955-0280. Once the request is approved, a confirmation email will be sent to you. **Do NOT consider the party confirmed until you have received your confirmation email.**

Payment and Party Package Agreement must be received within 7 days or rental request. Once payment and agreement have been submitted, you will receive a confirmation with additional details regarding your party package. Payment can be made by calling 952-955-0280 with credit card information or it can be brought into the WM Community Ed Office at 313 Angel Ave NW, Watertown. The Party Package Agreement can be brought in, emailed to wmcommunityed@wm.k12.mn.us or faxed at 952-955-0201. Failure to pay in full or not return the Party Package Agreement within 7 days may forfeit your reservation.

CANCELTION: 8 + days 50% refund / 7 days or less NO REFUND

Policies

Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Use: The use, consumption or possession of tobacco, alcohol or any controlled substances is prohibited on all District property, including parking lots and athletic fields.

All District buildings are peanut and latex free.

Discrimination: No group which limits memberships or attendance in its activities on the basis of sex, race, religion, color, national origin, economic status, age or disability shall be allowed to use District building or grounds.

Firearms: Firearms on District property are prohibited except when in the possession of legally authorized officials.

Supervision: All groups are required to provide adequate adult supervision. The adult supervisors are required to remain with the group at all times and are responsible for the group's conduct and compliance with all rules.

Liability: The applicant and/or organization agrees to assume all responsibility for damage or liability of any kind and further agrees to hold the district harmless from any expense or costs in connection with the use of district facilities.





Community Partners

Watertown-Mayer partnerships are groups and/or organizations that have a shared responsibility and are committed to supporting the needs of all community members. Partnerships have a shared goal and vision with WM Community Education to support lifelong learning and provide opportunities that engage the community as a whole. WM partnerships are aligned with the district's strategic plan.

Watertown Chamber The Watertown Area Chamber of Commerce is a member driven, non-profit organization dedicated to supporting the business community and enhancing the visitor experience. The chamber fosters strong partnerships between local businesses, governments entities and community organizations. These partnerships make our community a great place to work, live and visit. WatertownAreaChamber.com 952-955-5175 WatertownChamber@gmail.com

Watertown Library

For a list of all program offerings, and to register for classes, please visit www.carverlib.org or call the library at 952-955-2939.



Family Storytime

10:30-11 am, weekly every Thursday, all ages with focus on age 2+

All ages with a focus on children ages 2+. Children and their caregivers are invited to come and share 30 minutes of stories, music and movement that encourages the development of early literacy skills.

Bluey Storytime Party

Thursday, October 2, 10:30-11 am

A fun, interactive event for families that features Bluey-themed stories, games, crafts, and activities

Family Craft Day

11:30 am-4 pm, 1st Thursday of each month

All ages with activities designed so both young children and adults can participate. These weekly programs provide a variety of self-directed crafts and activities. All supplies provided.

Building Together with LEGOs

1st Saturday of each month, 9:30-11:30 am

Individuals of all ages can engage in self-guided building with LEGOs, building bricks, or Picasso tiles

Watertown Book Club

6-7 pm, 3rd Monday each month

Join us for our Check It Out! Book Club the third Monday of every month. We read all different types of books.

Watertown-Mayer Youth Sports Associations

Community-based youth sport associations that serve the Watertown-Mayer district 111 areas. They are an integral part of serving the recreation and social needs of our families as well as developing skills of our youth for a lifetime. The WM Youth Sports Associations are separate from the WM School District and Community Education and run by parent volunteers or offseason coaches. Website: wmyouthsports.org



WM Youth Baseball & Softball

The WM Youth Baseball and Softball program, with the help of our volunteers, tries to provide a positive experience to the young people of Watertown and Mayer who participate in our baseball and softball programs. Our goal is to provide programs that will allow our participants to have a positive learning experience, and help each player improve individual abilities, while participating in a team atmosphere.

Baseball: wmyouthbaseballandsoftball@gmail.com

Softball: Liz Gerads / lizgerads@gmail.com

612-501-5837

WM Youth Basketball

The WMYBA provides opportunities for boys and girls from Kindergarten through 8th grade to learn and play basketball. Registration opens in June. Email wmyba111@gmail.com

WM Youth Wrestling

We are excited to introduce young athletes to the world of wrestling. Our program is designed to provide a safe and supportive environment where kids can learn valuable life skills while developing their strength, agility, and discipline through the sport of wrestling.

Mike Hanna / Mike2fas@gmail.com / 612-987-1299

WM JO Volleyball

JO Volleyball is for students grades 4-8 that helps develop and acquire skills essential on the volleyball court and in life through teamwork, goal setting and physical fitness.

Email: watertownjoclub@gmail.com

Crow River Soccer Club

Rec and travel soccer club serving Watertown-Mayer and surrounding communities for ages 5-18.

crowriversoccer.sportngin.com / crowriversoccer@gmail.com

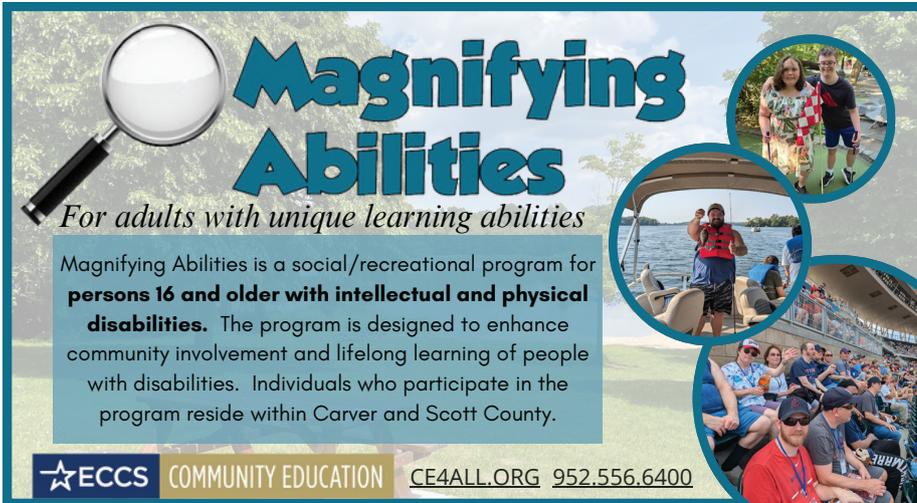
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Community Partners



Magnifying Abilities
For adults with unique learning abilities

Magnifying Abilities is a social/recreational program for **persons 16 and older with intellectual and physical disabilities**. The program is designed to enhance community involvement and lifelong learning of people with disabilities. Individuals who participate in the program reside within Carver and Scott County.

☆ **ECCS** COMMUNITY EDUCATION CE4ALL.ORG 952.556.6400

Magnifying Abilities Registration & Payment

All participants must be registered for Magnifying Abilities events. We are not able to accommodate drop-ins. Payment for each activity is required at the time of registration. The easiest way to register is to visit our website: ce4all.org/programs/adults/magnifying-abilities

You may also Mail or Drop Off (check payment) Mon-Fri, 8 am-3 pm
110600 Village Road, Chaska, MN 55318

Marshmallow Mingle

Join your Magnifying Abilities friends for a marshmallow-filled adventure with exciting marshmallow games and fun team challenges! Then, share and connect while whipping up a sweet and easy marshmallow snack to enjoy together.

Wed Oct, 1 6-7 pm \$10 pp Register at ce4all.org

Susan Meyer, Magnifying Abilities Specialist

Community Education
110600 Village Rd. Chaska, MN 55318
952-556-6434 | ce4all.org



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Watertown-Mayer and Surrounding
Communities

YOUTH AGES 5-18



Visit our website to learn more about winter training opportunities

LEARN MORE:

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IG: @crowriversoccer
Facebook: Crow River Soccer Club
Email: crowriversoccer@gmail.com



Watertown Mayer Public Schools

Connections • Opportunities

- Watertown-Mayer Public Schools was named the BEST district in Carver County and ranked in NICHE.com's Top 25 school districts in Minnesota.
- Watertown-Mayer has a Nationally-Accredited and Parent-Aware 4-star rated child care program for children aged 6 weeks to 12 years.
- 84% of WM Kindergarten students are reading at or above grade level.
- 91% of WM Middle School students report a strong teacher connection, with 93% feeling safe and supported in school.
- WM High School offers over 70 College In the Schools (CIS) classes, with 95% of seniors feeling prepared for college, trades, or work.



**Come Experience the Royal
Difference at Watertown-Mayer!**

952-955-0480 | www.wm.k12.mn.us



Community Education

Registration opens August 4



Photos in Classes

ISD 111 Community Education periodically takes pictures of participants in classes and during sponsored activities for use in promotional materials. If you do not wish to have your picture taken or published, you must provide written notice. WM Photo Opt Out Form is available at wm.ce.eleyo.com

Cancellations

You will be notified via text and/or email using the User Account Profile. Please make sure your profile info is current.

Community Ed Cancellations

Community Education reserves the right to cancel any activity, and will make every effort to contact participants via text and/or email.

Emergency Cancellations

When severe weather or other emergencies affect the regular school day, daytime Community Ed activities, or ones that meet in the evening are also canceled.

The American with Disabilities Act (ADA)

The ADA guarantees equal access and nondiscrimination in employment, public services, public accommodations, transportation, and telecommunications.

ISD #111 support the intent and provisions of the ADA.

Let us know how we can better serve you.

UCare Discount

Eligible members get an allowance loaded to their HYPERLINK "<https://www.ucare.org/health-wellness/healthy-benefits-plus-visa-card>"

Healthy Benefits+ Visa® card to use toward most community education classes nationwide. To find a class, check a local community education catalog or contact a local school district for times and locations. You can use your Healthy Benefits+ card to enroll in a class in person, over the phone or online. Allowance amounts and expiration dates vary by plan. The card won't work if you're no longer a member. UCare isn't able to reimburse for classes that are paid for without the Healthy Benefits+ card.

Refunds

If you wish to cancel your registration for a class, you must call and request a refund prior to the **refund deadline or at least 2 weeks prior** if no deadline is stated. Refunds or credits will not be issued for missed classes. A \$5 processing fee per participant will be withheld from all refunds.

Delinquent Account & Non Sufficient Funds

ISD 111 charges a fee for returned payments due to non sufficient funds (NSF). All Community accounts must be in good standing and paid in a timely manor to continue to participate in Community Ed Activities and Programs.



Sign Up Today! Many classes fill quickly

If classes have insufficient enrollment, the class will be canceled, so please sign up early.

3 Easy Ways to Register

Payment methods include: AMEX, Visa, MasterCard, Discover, & cash or check if registering in person. **Refund deadline is 2 weeks prior to class start unless otherwise listed.**

Online wm.ce.eleyo.com

Convenient registration available 24/7.

By Phone 952-955-0280

Registration by phone when you charge your class to your credit card.

In Person

**313 Angel Ave NW,
Watertown MN 55388 Door 4.**

Stop by our Community Ed Office
Mon-Fri, 8 am-4 pm

Email Notifications & Announcements

Fill out your email and cell phone on your online user profile so we can send a confirmation, instructor or weather cancellation messages. We will never give your information to any other agency, it is strictly for the use by ISD 111 Community Education.



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