



DELONG
MIDDLE SCHOOL

NEED-TO-KNOW NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2026



DeLong Calendar

September

- 1 – 1st Day of School
- 1 – Fall Sports Start
- 4 – Picture Day
- 7 – No School – Labor Day
- 15 – PTO Meeting 5pm
- 15 – DeLong Health Knight 6pm
- 21-25 – Respect Week
- 25 – PTO Family Movie Knight 7pm

October

- 2 – Mid-Quarter
- 2 –Picture Re-Takes
- 15 – No School – FTC 7:45am-8:15pm
- 16 – No School
- 19 – No School – Staff Development
- 20 – PTO Meeting 5pm
- 29 – Fall Sports End
- 30 – Fun Knight

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5026.

Si usted quiere ayuda en interpretar esta carta,
por favor póngase en contacto con el asistente
de educación bilingüe al 715-852-4924 y deje
un mensaje con su nombre y número de
teléfono.

Quick Links

[September Lunch Menu](#)

[ECASD Technology Support and Resources](#)

[DeLong Website](#)

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Principal's Message

Dear DeLong Families,

We Are Off to a Great Start!

Thank you!

The start of the new school year is always filled with excitement for staff, students, and families, and this year was no different. Our staff are prepared for a great school year. Students will quickly adapt to their schedules, lockers, expectations, and of course meeting new people., after being off for the summer.

The support of the families is key to the success of our students. Our staff appreciates the effort that families put into guiding their students to be successful.

This fall we are looking forward to watching the athletic fields filled with student athletes, the start of clubs and family teacher conferences.

Marcus Larsen

DeLong Middle School Principal

School Announcements



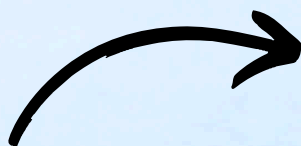
7th & 8th Grade Health Knight

Picture Re-Takes

Picture Re-takes
will be October 2nd.



Join us for our Health Class Information Night on **September 15th at 6pm in room 2136**! This one-hour, or less, session is designed for families of 7th and 8th-grade students who will be taking health either first or second semester. You'll have the opportunity to learn about the curriculum, meet the teachers, and get answers to any questions you may have. Please note, there will not be a spring Health Night, so we encourage all families to attend this informative event. We look forward to seeing you there!



Movie Knight! Sponsored by DeLong PTO

Welcome Back! PTO will again be hosting our 4th Annual DeLong Movie Knight on **September 25th**. We will be watching "The Super Mario Galaxy Movie." Be sure to come by 7:00 PM to get your free popcorn and set up with a good spot to watch the movie. The movie will start promptly at 7:30pm. We will also have concessions for sale hosted by Mr. Albrecht's concession crew. We will be asking for volunteers to help run this event soon, so please be on the lookout for the SignUp Genius. This is an outdoor showing, so please bring your own chair or blanket and water bottle. No pets are allowed. Per district policy, we ask that every 4 students be accompanied by an adult, that stays with them for the entirety of the event.



★ DELONG MOVIE KNIGHT ★
The Super Mario Galaxy Movie
★ Friday, Sept. 25, 2026 7:00pm ★
★ DELONG SOFTBALL FIELD ★

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***POPCORN WILL BE PROVIDED**
***BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET**
***CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE**
***EVERY 4 STUDENTS MUST BE WITH AN ACCOMPANYING GUARDIAN**

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School Announcements



DeLong's School Play

This year's school play is James and the Giant Peach. Auditions for the play will be **Sept. 3 & 4, 3:00–4:30pm. Please note that students may not participate in both a Fall Sport and the School Play simultaneously.** The Public performance will take place on November 5th at 7pm, and the performance for the students will be held on November 6th during the day.

At DeLong, **RESPECT** is something we value greatly in our school. The fourth week of school, we celebrate this by holding **RESPECT** Week. During this week we have counselors come in to classes to talk about the importance of respect and have various activities we do to promote respect, such as dress up days and fun announcements. At DeLong, **RESPECT** is What We Do!

RESPECT WEEK:
September 21–25

Free & Reduced Info



***Online Applications for School Year 2026-27!**
You can easily apply online for free or reduced price meals for the 2026-27 school year [HERE](#).
If you fill out an online application, there is no need to fill out a paper application.

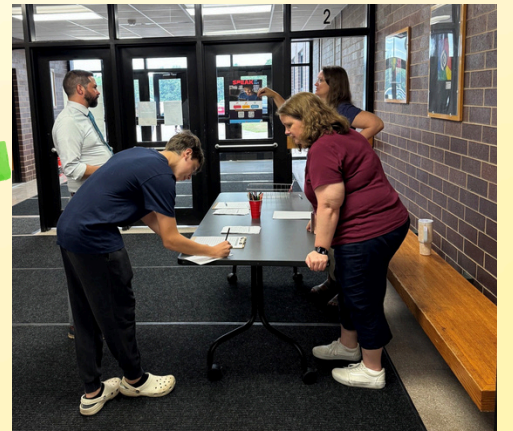
Back-to-School Knight Highlights



6th Grade Knight!



BACK TO SCHOOL



7th/8th Grade Knight!



News from our PTO



Welcome Back, DeLong Knights!

As a parent or guardian of a student at DeLong Middle School you are already a member of our PTO! The mission of DeLong's PTO is to unite staff, family, and the community while raising the standards of education, encouraging involvement within the school, and raising funds to support these goals.

We currently provide hospitality events at the beginning of the school year and food/meals for teachers during parent teacher conferences and Teacher Appreciation Week. We give financial support to teachers and students by providing mini grants for a special need or innovative effort that will benefit DeLong students.

PTO September Meeting:

Our meetings are usually the third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is **September 15 at 5pm** in the IMC (library). At the next meeting we will:

- Review our budget for the 2026-27 School Year
- Start planning for our No Buy No Sell Fundraiser
- Go over details for our Movie Knight
- Discuss October Family Teacher Conferences

At every meeting there is an update from Principal Marcus Larsen.



News from our PTO

No Buy No Sell Fundraiser



The DeLong PTO No Buy No Sell fundraiser is coming at the beginning of October! This has been hugely successful in previous years. Donated money will go toward teacher mini-grants, end of the year field trips for each grade, staff appreciation week, t-shirts for 8th grade graduation, and Fall/Spring family events. All donations are tax-deductible. More detail to come later in the month.

Our meetings are usually the third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is **October 20 at 5pm** in the IMC (library). You can attend virtually. Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/gtv-kiju-drc>
Or dial: (US) +1 413-438-4170 PIN: 957 139 186#

REMINDER

You can view all of our previous meeting minutes on the [DeLong PTO page](#).

Please contact the Executive Committee with any questions:

- Rebecca Pick, President: president@delongpto.com
- Jamie Kampf, Vice President: vicepresident@delongpto.com
- Katie Furlano, Secretary: secretary@delongpto.com
- Julia Johnson, Treasurer: treasurer@delongpto.com

ECASD SPECIAL OLYMPICS SEASON KICKOFF



Practice starts on September 21st!

Informational Kickoff
Meeting

The meeting will take place at Northstar
MS on September 9th at 6:30PM

CONTACT

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For more information use the QR code below!



Community News

Household Battery Recycling Now Available in ECASD School Media Centers



We are excited to let our families and community know that our Eau Claire Area School District Media Centers are now home to **AA, AAA, C and D battery red recycling buckets**. Our School Board Energy Committee is partnering with Eau Claire County and First Choice Recycling to make it easy to recycle your household batteries. Just send them with your students or drop them off in our Media Centers and we will get them recycled for you. Thank you for your support in raising climate awareness in our schools and community!

ECASD Express Routes

Did you know that Eau Claire Transit has set up some ECASD Express City Bus routes for you? Visit [Express Routes](#) to learn more about the AM and PM Knight Express. We're excited about these additional options from Eau Claire Transit for our families and students!



Find more community events for families & students [here](#)!



DeLong is De-Best!

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