



WEM CEADR

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WEM Board of Education Report

Athletics

- WEM/JWP Cross Country –The Section Meet was held this past Thursday October 25th in Norwood Young America at Baylor Park. Congratulation to MaKenzie Westphall (JWP Freshman) for qualifying for the State Meet this Saturday November 2nd at the U of M! Other female runners were Emma Heulsnitz, Maddie Miller, Lydia Cously, Ellie Schlie, Quinn Krause & Jaelyn Wilmes. Boys Section runners were Wyatt Jans (29th out of 112 runners), Teagan Mulder, Alex Kleve, Wesley Heinz, Jaxon Hilley, Maddox Moreno & Parker Smith. The Girls team placed 10th out of 15 complete teams and the Boys finished 12th out of 16 complete teams.
- The WEM Varsity Volleyball team finished up the regular season with an 18-11 record earning the #5 seed in Section 2AA (This is the first year no subsections are being played). The team finished with a 7-3 Conference Record for 3rd place in the Gopher Conference. Monday 10/21 the Bucs upended LeSueur-Henderson 3-1 and advanced to the Section 2AA Quarterfinal game at #4 seed Glencoe-Silver Lake played on Thursday October 24. Unfortunately the Bucs season came to an end 3-0 to the Panthers from G-SL.
- The WEM Varsity Football team ended their regular season with a 7-1 record and earned a #2 seed in Section 2AA. The Bucs received a bye in the quarterfinals and played the Semifinal game Saturday Oct. 26.
- Winter Seasons – Registration is open for Winter Activities. Girls Basketball begins Nov. 11 along with JH Boys and Girls Basketball. Boys Basketball and Wrestling begin Nov. 18. Coop Sports with Waseca will also begin soon Girls Hockey (Oct. 28), Boys Hockey & Girls Gymnastics (Nov. 11) Action begins for Girls Basketball on Friday Nov. 22 at the Sleepy Eye St. Mary's Tip Off tournament. Boys Basketball games get started Dec. 3 and Wrestling's first Action is December 5.
- This Friday Oct. 25, Six (6) WEM students and I attended the Annual Gopher Conference Team up event at JWP HS. Students in grades 7-10 gathered for an interesting day learning about teamwork, leadership, and making positive healthy choices, and taking it to the next level. This is the 9th year that Rick Rassier former Elementray PE teacher at Foley Public Schools has put on the event for the Gopher Conference. This year's attendees were 7th graders Tori Bruns & Bentley Kiker, 8th graders Harper Wilker & Dakotah Blaisdell, 9th graders Paetyn Judd & Hunter Tonn.

Community Services

- WEM Driver Education class will begin began Wednesday October 23. 21 students are registered for the in-person classroom here in Waterville.
- AARP Safe Driving Courses will be held here at the school October 2 (5pm – 9 pm) and at the Morristown American Legion October 3 (Noon – 4pm). Over 20 seniors participated in the 4 –hour long course.
- School Age Care is up and running before and after school with 35 enrolled WEM students.
- Currently 52 enrolled in the Little Bucs Preschool program, with 3 classroom options.
- Childs Play Theatre was in town the week of September 16 with over 35 students participating in Performances of “Twinderella” on Friday Sept. 20 at 5:00 PM & 7:00 PM.
- 45 elementary students grades 2 - 4 participated in Flag FB with another 30 + playing 5th & 6th Grade FB
- Nearly 60 students played 3rd - 6th Volleyball this Fall