Principal's Report May School Board Meeting Waterville-Elysian-Morristown PreK-12th Grade



All District

Congratulations to WEM's Class of 2023 seniors. Commencement will be held on Friday, May 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the WEM High School Gym.

The last day of school for all K-11th grade students is Thursday, June 1.

Graduation Rates from across the state were recently published. WEM's graduate rate increased to 96.2% from 95.8% in 2021. This is a four year high for WEM.

The WEM EA hosted the annual Retirement Social on Monday, May 22 with refreshments. This year we congratulate Mrs. Ruth Ann Olson, a staple teacher in the WEM district. Mrs. Olson has been a high school English, a mentor, a part of the play directing, a leader amongst the union and overall an outstanding educator to all. Congratulations to Mrs. Olson on her retirement!

PreK-6 Grade

We welcomed around thirty incoming kindergarteners and their families during our Kindergarten Round up May 5th.

On Tuesday May 9, the th and 6th grade students put on amazing band and choir performances under the direction of Jared Larrson and Megan Kreinbring. Thank you to them for leading this fun night and sharing their love for music with us all!

On May 11th K-4 students welcomed the community in for the second annual ice cream social and art show! This event was well attended with more then 350 bowls of ice cream served!

K-6 Summer School registrations continue to come in. We are looking forward to classes that will be held June 19-29 & July 10-20, 8:15-11:45, M-Thurs.

May 19, K-4 for the second year students participated in specialists day. Students worked through rotations with the specialist doing fun outdoor, team building activities.

Students K-6th grade have been and will continue to participate in a variety of field trips and fun activities in the last days of the year!

7-12 Grade

Seniors enjoyed a day at Valley Fair on Friday, May 19 for their class trip.

The last full day for seniors is Thursday, May 25. Seniors will have their rehearsal and senior breakfast on Friday, May 26.

Congratulations to Emma Woratschka and Shelby Krienke, Class of 2023 valedictorians and Jenessa Baumgarten, Class of 2023 salutatorian.

The Class of 2023 will have 47 graduates with 35 members having earned and received honor cords.

Junior High students will attend physics day at Valley Fair on Wednesday, May 24.

7-12th grade band/choir presented their annual Pop's Concert. The choir "Rock and Roll Revival" will perform a dress rehearsal on Tuesday, May 23 at 9:00 a.m. before performing for the public the evening of Wednesday, May 24.

On May 17 WEM hosted the annual Night of Excellence. Scholarships, academic and extracurricular awards were announced. A special thank you to all those in attendance and the generous donations of many. Since COVID WEM has not hosted a Night of Excellence with a full meal as tradition had, but this year the event included a full meal. Extended appreciation and thanks to the Elysian Lions for their donation to cover the cost of the meal and special thank you to Lana Adermann and Nancy Culhane along with WEM's food service for helping to prepare the meal. Last, but not least, Jason Eiler, a custodial staff team member, went above and beyond to help with the set-up and clean-up. He picked up some big tasks for the event and his attention to the details is applaud worthy. IIn total \$248,023.00 were awarded in the form of scholarships to be used for post-secondary education and career based training.