

# Secondary Updates:

## Activities Code/Fees/Courses

# Athletics/Activities Code Amendment

- Due to a change in grading practices at the secondary level, we would like to update the athletics/activities code verbiage around academic eligibility to reflect these changes.
  - [Section 5.A of the Wausau School District 6-12 Athletics and Activities Code of Conduct](#)

## B. Academic

In order to be academically eligible, a student must have no failing ~~quarter~~ grades **at the end of quarter 1, semester 1, quarter 3 and semester 2**. A student not meeting this criterion will be ineligible for activities for fifteen (15) consecutive scheduled school days and nights. The ineligibility will begin on the fifth (5th) scheduled school day following the end of the first (1st) **quarter, first (1st) semester, second (2nd)**, or third (3rd) quarter. Eligibility for activities that begin on or before the first (1st) quarter of the new academic year shall be based on the previous ~~fourth (4th) quarter~~ **second (2nd) semester** grades. Opportunities may exist to regain eligibility through summer school courses. Students who are ineligible due to ~~fourth-quarter~~ **second semester** grades, may restore eligibility by taking and successfully completing the same number of courses (maximum of two), which caused ineligibility over summer school.

Grade changes and removal of an incomplete grade must be completed within two weeks of the date grades are posted. Students will remain ineligible until the grade is changed or the incomplete is removed.

To regain eligibility, a student must complete a grade check with the Activities Director on the fifteenth (15th) school day after the declaration of ineligibility to ensure passing grades in all classes. To maintain eligibility, the student must complete a second grade check on the thirtieth (30th) school day after the declaration of ineligibility to ensure continued passing grades in all classes. A student who is ineligible due to failing grades, will continue to practice, may attend home games but not travel with the team to away events, and may not return to competition - until the SCHOOL DAY FOLLOWING the fifteen (15) day ineligibility period. For fall activities, the period of ineligibility is the lesser of twenty-one (21) calendar days beginning with the date of earliest allowed competition in an activity or one-third of the maximum number of games/meets allowed in an activity. Students who withdraw-fail during the first or third quarter will be academically ineligible for the fifteen (15) day period and cannot return to competition until after this 15 day period. The student will not become ineligible for the same class when ~~2nd or 4th quarter~~ **grades semester 1 or semester 2 grades** are posted.

# Motion

- We are seeking a motion to approve the amendment to the 2025-2026 Wausau School District 6-12 Athletics and Activities Code effective immediately.

# Course Fees

- Fee Reductions
  - Spanish III & IV at East (from \$2-\$0)
  - Spanish IB I at East (from \$20-\$0)
  - Med Term at East/West (from \$80-\$5)
    - Dual-Credit
      - NTC stopped requiring the purchase of a specific textbook for the course
- Fee Increases
  - Foods I, II, III and Food Science at East/West (from \$25-\$30)

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# High School Athletics Fee Proposal

- Increase Athletics User Fee from \$50 to \$100
  - 3 sport athletes will pay fees for 2 out of their 3 sports
- Rationale
  - Costs associated with officials, transportation, entry fees, and other consumables associated with athletics have increased.
  - The last athletics fee increase took place in 2001.

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# Motion

- We are seeking a motion to approve all course fee increases and reductions as discussed for the 2026-2027 school year.
- We are seeking a motion to approve an increase in the high school athletics fee from \$50-\$100 for the 2026-2027 school year.

# New Course: Art Foundations I and II

- Art Foundations I is the initial semester art course that explores drawing, painting, sculpture, and ceramics, focusing on the Art Elements in both two- and three-dimensional mediums. Emphasis is on initial techniques in various media and exploration.
- Art Foundations II extends the concepts learned in Art Foundations I. This course is highly recommended for all students, but especially serious art students. The Art Foundation II curriculum is an exploration of two and three-dimensional forms, focusing on the principles of design in a variety of media.
- Unless you are a junior or senior standing, Art Foundations I is a prerequisite class for all level-one art courses.
- These courses are both one-semester classes, offering .5 credit per course completed. Each course would require a lab fee of \$11/semester to offset expenses for class supplies.



# New Course: ServSafe

ServSafe is an educational program from the National Restaurant Association that provides food safety training and certification for food service professions.

It offers various certifications, including for food handlers and managers, which cover topics like personal hygiene, time and temperature control, and preventing cross-contamination. Most working in the food industry are required to obtain this certification either before or shortly after accepting a position.

Working in food service is a high demand job/career and there are many places that will increase an offer of wages knowing the future employee already has the certification. If they do not have the certification the employer must provide the education, training and testing for their employees at the employers expense.

The certification is widely recognized and often required by local health departments, including Marathon County Health Department.

Upon successful completion of the ServSafe course students will earn 1 dual credit through NTC and with a score of at least 70% earn their ServSafe 'Food Handler' certification.

This course is a one semester course offering .5 credit in the WSD. The ServSafe course would require a lab fee of \$30/semester to offset expenses for their weekly labs.

# Motion

- We are seeking a motion to approve Art Foundations I, Art Foundations II, and ServSafe to the district high school course catalogue for the 2026-2027 school year.