



Community Education /Activities Director Report (CEADR) 26, 2026

WEM Board of Education Meeting



Activities :

- The 2025-2026 WEM ExCEL Award winners are juniors, Alix Velzke & Gavin Atherton. This MSHSL Awards recognizes Juniors for Excellence in Community, Education and Leadership.
- The 2025-2026 WEM Triple A Award (Arts, Athletics, Academics) winner are seniors, Addison Condon & Auston Holicky. This MSHSL special multi-level recognition award recognizes high school seniors active in league sponsored fine arts and athletic activities and show success in the classroom. Late last week we also learned Addison was selected as the Female Subsection 5 winner and now will be considered for the Region 2A Triple A Award. Congratulations Addison and Good Luck!
- WEM One-Act Play Team: Sub-Section 5 meet was this past Saturday 1/24/2026 hosted by WEM High School. This year's play was entitled "Nellie", by Robby Steltz. The Director is Andrew Velishek. The Gopher Conference event was this past Saturday 1/17/26 at Blooming Prairie HS. This event is not scored and teams are not ranked. Teams receive input from judges and is a very good lead up to the Subsection meet!
- The Gopher Conference Honors Music (Band & Choir) Concert and Visual Arts Display will be hosted by NRHEG HS on Saturday February 7, 2026. The Concert will begin at 1:30 PM. Conference student artwork will be on display beginning around 12:30 pm. Anyone is invited and welcome to attend. There will be an admission charge of \$8 adults and \$5 for students (K-12). Students from all conference schools have been selected and have begun practicing. All Conference schools will have a combined practice on Friday February 6, during the day. Directors and Instructors have been working with students in preparation for months.
- Section Tourney time just around the corner!
 - Wrestling (Coop w/ JWP) gets started February 12 with Team Wrestling. WEM is hosting the Team Semifinals and Championship Saturday Feb. 14. The Section Individual Tournament is Saturday Feb. 21 in Janesville.
 - Girls Gymnastics will begin February 12 in Mankato. (Waseca Coop)
 - Girls Hockey Team will begin February 4. (Waseca Coop)
 - Boys Hockey team will begin February 17. (Waseca Coop)
 - Girls Basketball will begin February 23 or 26.
 - Large Group Choir March 2 (at NRHEG HS) & Band March 16 (at Maple River HS).
 - Boys Basketball will begin March 3.
- Spring Activities Registration will be opening soon with practices beginning in March 9. Clay Targets, Baseball, Softball, Boys & Girls Track Coop with JWP. Speech has already begun practicing and look to start competitions Feb. 7.

Community Education:

- ECFE night classes will be getting started again in March.
- School Age Childcare continues to operate safely. Summer 2026 Registration will begin soon. School year 2026-2027 registrations in March. The plan is to include Wrap Around care for Preschool students beginning in 2026-2027.
- Little Bucs Preschool registrations for the 2026-2027 school year will begin in mid to late February.
- Driver Education Classrooms for 2026 dates are being planned for June and October 2026. Specific dates TBD. Most Behind the wheel occurs in June, July & August. When road conditions are favorable we are able to continue to complete Behind the Wheel Training.