

Principal's Report
August 2024 School Board Meeting
Waterville-Elysian-Morristown
K-4 + 9-12th Grade



Waterville Campus Information

All high school students and elementary students were greeted by staff in a green carpet welcome, a tradition at WEM. Students were cheered on by staff as they entered the building. It is a great and very positive entry into school and a fresh new year!

A BIG thank you to our custodial staff for working feverishly in the final weeks of summer and around construction projects. Both sides of campus were fresh and ready for our students and staff on day 1.

Construction projects on both sides of campus are fantastic makeovers to the spaces and we are so thankful for them.

For the year we will again have Southern Minnesota Counseling Services meeting with students and providing therapy. This is an ongoing partnership we are so very thankful our students have access to. We will continue to partner with Christine Meeks (youth mental health navigator) through the service cooperative.

WEM Football is hosting a Tackle Cancer activity with a variety of activities including collecting coins for cancer research. The varsity football players are pushing down to the elementary before games on Friday mornings to play with students ahead of the bell ringing. This has been well received and a great way to build community across grade levels. Thank you Coach Stier for the leadership and forward thinking!

K-4

The first day for our elementary students was Wednesday, September 4. Our teachers were ready to greet our students in the morning and have had awesome days since.

A big thank you to our food service for being patient and eager to help our youngest students as they navigate the lunch line for the first time.

Kindergarten will be attending a field trip to the apple orchard in Montgomery on September 27 in the afternoon.

Picture Day in the elementary was Tuesday, September 17.

9-12

High school students kicked off their first day of school on Tuesday, September 3. It has been an awesome and very positive start to our school year! The high school has a plethora of student leaders and we are so excited that our fall sports teams are off to a successful start (both in and outside of competition).

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Thursday, September 26 WEM's 10-12th grade classes will attend a mock crash hosted by Le Sueur County EMS teams and To Zero Death's Coalition. WEM will have 3 student participants: Senior Gabe LaCanne (reading part) and Juniors Tarek Tolzman and Jacob Androli (actors).

High School picture day is coming up on Friday, September 27. Lifetouch will be our host for photography.

We received notice earlier in September that Mr. Immerman has been approved to teach Statistics as a College in the Schools course. Students who elect to take this math class will receive college credit through SMSU, also a part of the MNSCU system (Minnesota State Colleges and Universities).