



GRANT ELEMENTARY

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Grant Elementary-WRPS

From the Desk of Mrs. Calteux....

Hello Grant Families,

Where did this school year go?! It seems like yesterday when we were working around a construction site and welcoming everyone back to school. Now we are planning our end of the year activities, field trips, and celebrations. As we look to wrap up this school year there are many events happening before our last day on June 2nd.

*Grant School Community Night. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, May 17th from 4-6pm. This event will kick off with our Grant School Running Club completing their 5K run. Families will cheer on the 4th and 5th graders as they cross the finish line. We will also have our fantastic basket raffle sponsored by our PAG, a local food truck from Chat-R-Box, and a ton of fun hanging out on the playground. We are looking forward to a great night of fun with friends! (Parents/Guardians must accompany their children at this event.)

*Volunteer Status. Field trips are occurring on a weekly basis over the next few weeks! It is very exciting to see students have the opportunity to learn outside of the classroom. Just a reminder, please remember to complete your [WRPS Volunteer Background Check](#) early in the school year. It makes it much easier to get you on the list of approved volunteers at the beginning of the school year.

*Movin' On Up To Kindergarten. This event will take place the evening of May 25th from 5-6pm. This evening students will have the opportunity to see what Kindergarten will be like at Grant Elementary and parents/guardians will be able to ask questions and also see what Kindergarten will be like for the 2023-2024 school year.

*5th Grade Celebration. Invitations were sent out last week for the immediate family of 5th grade students to attend on Thursday, June 1st at 2:30pm in the school gym. Parents/Guardians of our 5th grade students, please RSVP via Google Form sent through Seesaw by May 5th. Thank you!

*Teacher Appreciation Week May 8th-12th. Our awesome PAG has helped create a fantastic week for teachers. We appreciate your support for our staff, PAG! Thank you!!

*Last Day of School. Please remember our last day of school is a half-day on June 2nd. Students will be dismissed at 1pm on that Friday, so plan accordingly for pick-up.

Mrs. Calteux

**PLEASE CALL BEFORE 11 AM
WITH AFTER SCHOOL CHANGES**



CALENDAR

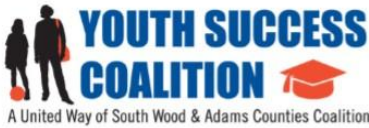
- May 17** Community Night
Raffle Baskets
4:00-6:00 pm
- May 25** KG Night
5:00-6:00 pm
- May 29** NO SCHOOL
Memorial Day
- June 1** 5th Grade Celebration
2:30 pm in Gym
- June 2** Last Day of School
½ day, dismissal 1pm

MEALTIME PRICES

Check your account via
[Skyward Family Access](#)

Breakfast	
Paid	\$1.50
Free/Reduced	\$0.00
Lunch	
Paid	\$2.15
Reduced	\$0.40
Free	\$0.00
Milk	\$0.45

Students who take milk for their cold lunch, or an extra milk with hot lunch, will be **charged \$0.45**, regardless of pay status (i.e., Free, Reduced).



The Great Book Giveaway is Almost Here!

United Way of South Wood & Adams Counties is dedicated to preventing the summer slide and giving children the tools they need to succeed - which is why every year, free books are available to children through the Great Book Giveaway!

At these events, volunteers read books to children, then each child selects books to take home and keep. Reading with young children is one of the most effective ways to improve school readiness, boost literacy skills, and stimulate brain development. Join us at this year's events!

For more information, contact United Way - call (715) 421-0390 or email ben@uwsvac.org



2023 Great Book Giveaway Events:

06/06	10:30 am	THINK Academy
	1:30 pm	WR Zoo
06/07	10:30 am	Ed Heuer Elementary
	6:00 pm	McMillan Library
06/08	10:30 am	YMCA
	1:30 pm	Nekoosa Library
06/09	10:30 am	Adams Library
	1:30 pm	Rome Library
06/13	12:30 pm	Vesper Library



COLLEGE CAMP 2023

Figuring out your interests and skills is the best way to find your perfect career. Are you ready to take the first swing at what your future holds? **Students entering 6th, 7th, and 8th grade next fall are invited to join Mid-State Technical College on Wednesday, June 14, for a day filled with games and exploration.**

During this full-day event on Mid-State's Wisconsin Rapids Campus, students will try out exciting Mid-State programs and hear from program faculty. Our guests at College Camp always have tons of fun getting to know how it feels to be a college student while making a run at the skills needed in today's workforce.

TO LEARN MORE, VISIT MSTC.EDU/CAMP

Questions?

Please contact Jackie Esselman at **715.422.5413** or jackie.esselman@mstc.edu.



News From The Nurse

One month left!!

We have already had several warmer days and this will continue so please make sure your student has any needed medication (inhalers, antihistamines) at school to help combat allergies. Any inhalers at school will need a doctor's order for them to be given. A written and signed note from parent/guardian giving consent for antihistamines is required. *Please note that over the counter medications (antihistamines included) can only be given for 3 consecutive days unless a doctor's order is on file and states otherwise.

Medications

As we near the end of another school year, we would like to remind parents/guardians that any over the counter medications, epipens, and inhalers that your student has at school will be sent home with them at the end of the year. Any controlled medication (seizure or ADHD) will need to be picked up by parent/guardian or other adult. If any extra medication is not picked up by the end of the year, it will be properly disposed of.

Mental Health Awareness Month

May is mental health awareness month. WRPS recently partnered with Care Solace to coordinate mental health care and assistance from substance use for students, staff, and families.

About Care Solace:

Care Solace connects people in the US to the support they need anytime, anywhere. Their goal is to break the stigma surrounding mental health and offer the community educational prevention resources, provide prompt, compassionate support when necessary, and build resilience for long-term stability and health. Please view the following link for more information about Care Solace: <https://www.caresolace.org/about-us/our-story>

Summer School-medication

If your child is enrolled in summer school and will need to take daily medication or need any emergency medication, please be sure they have a new doctor's order; the order used during the school year will not be sufficient as it expires at the end of the school year.

Please contact your child's school nurse if you have any questions or concerns

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Hmoob Week 2023

Portage, Wood, and Marathon County

A weeklong celebration of the Hmong culture and success starting with a parade, virtual success stories, pho night, and ending with a music show.

May 7: Kickoff Parade & Proclamation (Downtown Stevens Point) **10am-11:30am**

Workshop with Billy Lor (ADRC Stevens Point) **1pm-3pm**

May 8: Free Pho night with registration (First Congregational Church WI Rapids) **4:30pm-6pm**

Register here: <https://phonight.rsvpify.com/>

May 9: Success story & Hmong flute (Virtual) **5pm**

May 10: Success story & Dance (Virtual) **5pm**

May 11: Success story & Dance (Virtual) **5pm**

May 12: From Laos to America Museum (Virtual) **5pm**

May 13: Party, Open talent, Food & Merchant vendors (Lake Pacawa bandshell) **3pm-8pm**



@SibPabSibQhiaWI

Sponsors:



Asian American Market



Partners:



FEATURING ARTISTS

KIA XIONG



TJ HENNY



MAY
13

**PARTY IN
THE PARK**

TIME: 3 PM-8 PM

FREE Entry

Open Talent Show
Food/Merchant
vendors



DJ XIONG PAO



KOBE



MELODY



LAKE PACAWA PARK (BANDSHELL)
1831 MAPLE DR, PLOVER WI 54467

HMONG WEEK 2023



WISCONSIN RAPIDS
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DRIVERS



NEEDED

CALL OR EMAIL TODAY!

SAFE-WAY BUS

715-423-1130

SWMIKE@WCTC.NET

LAMERS BUS

715-421-2400

BENJAMINR@GOLAMERS.COM

Local bus carriers are facing a severe driver shortage and **would welcome** additional help to cover field trip routes through the end of the school year!

If you have some availability, they are willing to pay for the permit, training and license for you to obtain your CDL! They are very flexible and will work around your schedule - **help spread the word** and encourage others to **apply today!** This is a great opportunity for individuals who work part time, are retired, or have availability even a few days a week.

Thank you for considering!

Wisconsin Rapids

Bike Rodeo

SAFETY FAIR

FREE!

Grand Rapids Lions Club Grounds

Saturday May 6th, 2023 10am-2pm

All area children grades K-6

- ▶ Kids can test their riding skills on a bike rodeo course and learn bike safety essentials
- ▶ Free Helmet Fittings and Bike Safety Inspections
- ▶ Complete a "Passport to Safety" for a chance to win a free bicycle
- ▶ All children must bring their own bicycle for the event and be accompanied by an adult
- ▶ Limited number of loaner bicycles will be available
- ▶ Lunch will be provided (hotdog/chips/beverage)



**PLEASE
BRING
BIKES AND
HELMETS**



Event Sponsors: Wisconsin Rapids Freemasons Lodge, Grand Rapids Lions Club, Wisconsin Rapids Police Department, Grand Rapids Police Department



4-YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN Registration is Open

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR


Child must be 4 years old by September 1, 2023.



Questions about 4K?

Contact Jennifer Wilhorn
Director, Four-Year-Old Kindergarten
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Tracy Weiss, 4K Administrative Assistant
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ENROLL NOW

 **WRPS Enrollment Center
311 Lincoln Street**

Visit [WRPS.org - Parents-Registration/Enrollment](https://www.wrps.org/Parents-Registration/Enrollment)
to pre-print your registration paperwork.

STUFF THE DESK

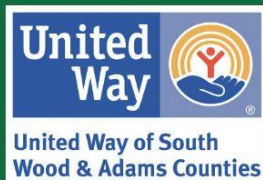
East Junior High School, 311 Lincoln St., Wisconsin Rapids

Pick-up line on back side of school on 6th St. S.

AUGUST 18TH & 19TH, 2023

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Students must pre-register from May 1-August 3, 2023
- Pre-register online by scanning QR Code or visit uwsac.org
- To pre-register by phone, dial 2-1-1 (or 877-947-2211) Monday through Friday between 8:00am - 5:00pm
- There will be eight time slots to select from (5 time slots Friday & 3 time slots Saturday)
- Participants will be able to select their time slots on a first-come, first-served basis
- In early August you will receive a postcard reminding you of your time slot



Stuff the Desk Committee Partners:

