

October 2023

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PARENT TEACHER VISITATION - MONDAY, OCTOBER 16



Parent/Teacher Visitation will be held on Monday, October 16th from 4:00-6:30 p.m. Teachers will be located in their classrooms. You can choose to meet in person, request a phone call, or hold a zoom meeting.

To avoid waiting, we recommend that you make an appointment with your student's teacher by clicking on this link. Click on "Appointment Links" at the bottom of the page, choose your teacher, and then click on the link next to their name to make an appointment. When scheduling the appointment, be sure to indicate the type of appointment you would like and the name of your student. Drop ins are welcome but you may need to wait for scheduled appointments to be completed.

Please keep in mind that we do not mail paper copies of progress reports. The six week progress report will be posted into the portfolio tab of Skyward Family Access during the afternoon of October 16th.

If you are having trouble or need assistance to schedule an appointment, contact Chris Wefel at 715-424-6751.

Mark your calendar for Term 2's Visitation Night on Wednesday, January 24th.

EARLY RELEASE DAYS

Collaborative time with Professional Staff (PLC) will be from 2:20-3:30 on the Wednesdays listed below. Students will be dismissed at 2:20 p.m. Students that need to be at school until the bus arrives will be supervised in the commons. Buses may pick up and leave LHS earlier than the usual time.

October 11 & 25, November 8, December 6 & 20, January 3, 17, & 31, February 14 & 28, March 13, April 10 & 24, May 8 & 22

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PAIGE WEBER



Hello! My name is Paige Weber, one of the new special ed aides at Lincoln. This will be my first year at WRPS. My husband, myself, and our three daughters moved to central Wisconsin two years ago from Jackson, WI. I

completed my undergraduate and graduate degree from UW Oshkosh in Communications and Educational Leadership. My family enjoys hiking, traveling, and boating on all the beautiful lakes this area has to offer. I am so excited to begin a career at Lincoln and to be able to work with such amazing staff and students! Cheers to a great year!

ALYSSA JOHNSON



I'm Alyssa Johnson and I am the new Cross -Categorical and Fund. of Geometry teacher. I am a graduate of Lincoln High School, I graduated from Carroll University with my bachelor's degree in Sports & Rec

Administration, and I have a master's degree in Education with an emphasis in Special Education from UWSP. I enjoy spending time with my family's four dogs and watching my little niece grow through her new milestones. I am excited to work along with Lincoln's staff and students.

CONNIE BOHN



Hi! I am Connie Bohn and this is my 24th year of teaching physical education. My first 23 years were in the elementary setting, with Woodside Elementary being my home for 22 years. I am

excited for this new adventure. I grew up in Rapids, attending West Jr. High and LHS. I played volleyball, basketball and softball for Lincoln in the early 90's. Here's hoping everyone has their best school year yet.

BRENNA MURRY



Hi! I'm Brenna Murry, the new Agriculture Teacher and FFA Advisor at Lincoln. This will be my first year teaching as I graduated from UW-River Falls with a BS in

Agricultural Education in May 2023. I grew up in Mosinee, WI on my family's dairy farm where I found my passion for agriculture. I enjoy hunting, fishing, and spending time with family and friends. I am excited to be a part of the amazing LHS staff.

DEBBIE JEPSON



Hi, I'm Debbie Jepson and I am a new special ed aide here at Lincoln. I have worked in the district for 11 yrs, I subbed for seven years and have been full time for the last four years

from Woodside to WRAMS and now Lincoln. I went to Cosmetology school at Mid-State Technical school with two other LHS staff members. In my spare time I enjoy camping, going up north on vacation, going to garage sales, and diamond painting.

LETTY SCHMICK



Hello, my name is Letty. I'm a new addition to the kitchen staff here at LHS. I went to East Junior High, Lincoln High School and also attended UW Lacrosse. I've been in the district for 3

years. I enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I also enjoy watching my daughters participate in their extracurricular activities such as volleyball, basketball, and snowmobile racing. I look forward to serving you. :-)

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KERRIE WOLOSEK



Hello! My name is Kerrie Wolosek and I am the new Activities Clerk at Lincoln High School. I am a graduate of Lincoln High School where I met

my husband of 24 years (together 33 :) We raised two beautiful daughters who also graduated from Lincoln High School. I am very excited to be a part of the staff here and look forward to a great year.

JAMIE WINCH



Hello, I am Jamie Winch. I am the new Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher at LHS and WRAMS. I am a former Lincoln High School graduate. This is

my third year teaching. I am so happy to be back in my home town after spending 10 years in the Wausau area. I graduated from UWSP and have attended UW-Marathon and NTC. In my spare time I enjoy golfing and being outdoors. We love going to Rafter games in the summer.





ISADORA WAGNER



Hello! My name is Isadora Wagner and I am a new English teacher at LHS. Last year, I came onboard as a long-term substitute and this year I started full time.

I hail from rural western Pennsylvania, am an army veteran, and have a doctorate degree in U.S. literature. Before joining LHS, I taught at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, the University of Minnesota, and Fulbright University Vietnam, where I was a Fulbright Scholar in 2021-2022. I greatly enjoy working with the students at LHS and hope to make this a terrific year.

NICK THOMPSON



Hi, I'm Nick Thompson! I'm the new Phy-ed teacher here at LHS and I'm so happy to be here. I am originally from Eau Claire, WI and just graduated from UWEC in May of this

year. This is my first teaching job and I'm so grateful for this opportunity and feel very supported by this wonderful community. Hobbies of mine include playing/talking/watching sports, hanging out with friends, and being outside. Let's continue to make this school year a great one and I look forward to all the exciting things in our future.

HEIDI TERZYNSKI



Hi, I'm Heidi Terzynski and I am one of the newer helper/Cook at LHS in food service. I use to work in the food service department for Stevens Point

School District for seven years. Here's a little fun fact about me, I love horse back riding on the weekends as much as I can, and enjoy holidays with my family.

CAITLYN LAUTENSCHLAGER



Hi! I'm Caitlyn Lautenschlager, the new Math teacher at LHS. I am originally from Stevens Point and graduated from UWSP with a bachelor's degree in mathematics. I enjoy hiking and almost

everything outdoors with my boyfriend Dalton and my black lab, Bailey. I am excited to work with this amazing group of students, staff and families.

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Hello! My name is Anthony Fannin, and I am a new social studies teacher and virtual learning coordinator at Lincoln High School. I grew up in

Hortonville, WI and graduated from UW-Stevens Point last winter with a degree in History & Social Studies education. This is my first official teaching position, so I am excited to get the school year under way and to work with these amazing students. I love running and hope to be able to coach cross country and track sometime soon at Lincoln. I'm also an avid Wisconsin sports fan and love to travel to National Parks!

LACEY MANCL



Hi, my name is Lacey Mancl and I am a new science teacher at LHS! I graduated from LHS in 2017 and then went on to UW-La Crosse where I majored in

Biology Education and minored in Spanish. I am excited to be back in my hometown teaching at the high school I graduated from. I also help coach cross country at WRAMS!

KAYLEENA SCHAUFF



Hello, I am Kayleena Schauff and I am a new Special Education Aide at LHS, I am currently a student at UWSP, majoring in Special Education. I am excited to be a part of WRPS. I enjoy

coaching dance, gymnastics, and cheerleading, going on hikes, and hanging with my family.



LHS Academic Integrity Policy

All work submitted for the purpose of meeting course requirements must represent the individual efforts of each student. Any form of academic dishonesty is prohibited. Academic dishonesty, cheating, and plagiarism are defined as the following:

- Plagiarism is taking the writings and/or ideas of another person/student and presenting them as one's own. Plagiarized ideas may be taken from written materials such as books, newspapers, magazines, and shared documents, as well as electronic media including the internet and videos.
- Plagiarism is doing another person's work for him/her.
- Plagiarism is buying, selling, or giving work, questions, or answers.
- Plagiarism is proving another person with answers to homework, tests, quizzes, or written work (essays, paragraphs, journals, projects, etc.)
- Plagiarism is copying or stealing teachers' answer keys or teacher's edition texts.
- Plagiarism is, at any time, sharing with others one's final graded work whether digital or print.
- Plagiarism and the Use of Al Language Models: The use of Al language models like ChatGPT (or others) to generate content for academic assignments is strictly prohibited unless approved by the classroom teacher. Any student found to be using Al language models to generate content for academic assignments will be subject to school consequences.

Consequences will be given if any of the above have been violated. See page 4 of the student handbook for more details.

Yearbooks



If you haven't ordered your yearbook yet, you can still place an order for \$66.00 until the first 80 books are sold after September 15, or \$69.00 for the next 80 books sold, and finally \$75.00 after 160 books are sold after September 15. Yearbooks

MUST be ordered online at <u>jostensyearbooks.com</u> or call 1-877-767-5217.

Underclassperson pictures that will appear in the yearbook were taken at schedule pick-up or picture make-up day.

Seniors can submit a senior picture for the yearbook by November 30th to images.jostens.com. Enter Login Ok1xatuuYJ5e6tQs2tKPXpw. Portraits must be a traditional professional-grade head and shoulder shot, without paraphernalia/props, hats, or hands in the photo. If no picture is submitted the picture taken at schedule pick-up will be used.



PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Pictures for the yearbook and/or ID's were taken at schedule pick-up days. If you missed getting your picture taken, a retake date is scheduled for Thursday, October 5. Watch for announcements as the time gets closer.



Student Pick Up during the Day

If a student is leaving early or coming in late they MUST stop at the attendance window in the main office to sign in or out. If you are picking up or dropping off your student between 7:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., please drive into the front parking lot and pick up near the main entrance. Due to bus pick up at the end of the day, **NO** cars can be in the front lot after 2:30 p.m. If you are picking up after 2:30 p.m. please pick up your student in the student parking lot.

SCHOOL PICTURES

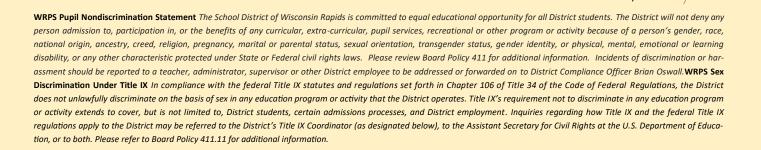
Student picture packages can be ordered through Hamann Studios at harmann.com. Questions??

Call Customer Care at 1-800-236-8910.



Visitors

All visitors that come into LHS during office hours MUST check into the main office and get a visitor badge. Bring a driver's license with you so that a quick background check can be performed. When your visit is complete stop back in the main office to check out. If you are at the school between 7:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., please drive into the front parking lot and enter through the Main Entrance. Visitors will not be allowed to enter through any other doors. If you will be at school and plan to be here after 2:30 p.m. we ask that you park in one of the visitor spots in the front lot. Busses will only be allowed after 2:30 p.m. in the front lot.



ATM (located in the student entry)



WoodTrust Bank is proud to serve LHS with quick access to cash through our newly installed ATM. Those who have accounts with WTB will not see a fee when making a withdrawal. A withdrawal can be made with either a debit card, typically with a checking account, or an ATM card with a

savings account. If the savings account is jointly owned, an ATM card can be issued. The card can be used at no charge at any WoodTrust Bank ATM or Kwik Trip ATM at no charge. Call us at 715-423-7600 and ask for a Private Banker to make arrangements to obtain an ATM card. Cards are not immediately available but would be mailed within 7-10 business days after signing.

GRADING DATES

End of Progress 1 - October 13

End of Term 1 - November 30

End of Progress 2 - January 19

End of Term 2 - February 29

End of Progress 3 - April 18

End of Term 3 - June 4

Hello from the Academic and Career Planning (ACP) Center!

We're excited to kick off the school year with LOTS of ACP events and resources! Check out our webpage: https://www.wrps.org/schools/lincoln/academics/academicandcareerplanning.cfm



Help your student prepare for their future!

There are several upcoming events your child(ren) can participate in to help them figure out their future!! Have them stop in to see Mrs. King in the ACP Center for more information on the following events:

- ⇒ ASVAB testing (10-12 grade only): October 17th, 12:00 pm-3:00 pm (approximately)
- ⇒ The ASVAB test is for any student looking to enlist in the military or looking for insight into selecting a career path.
- ⇒ Midstate visits: October 17th and 31st from 10:00-12:00 in the ACP Center
- ⇒ Marine Rep Visits: Monthly on the first Thursday of every month
- ⇒ Navy Rep Visits: Monthly on the first Tuesday of every month

How can I get involved with my student's ACP journey?

Talk with your child(ren) about their interests/skills and ask them to show you what careers they've saved, what their Match Maker results are, or what colleges they might be interested in. All of this is in their Xello profile. Xello is the web-based program we use to house ACP-related resources. As your student progresses through high school, this will keep all of their ACP-re



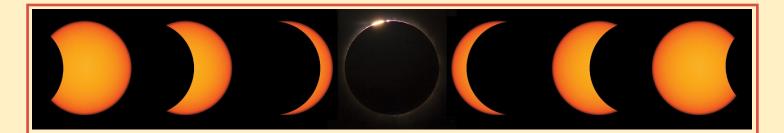
related resources. As your student progresses through high school, this will keep all of their ACP-related information stored and organized which will grow into their very own career-ready portfolio.

More opportunities to connect:



ACP is a community-wide effort. We're always interested in collaborating with our community to provide opportunities for our students whether that be: hosting job shadows, offering Work Based Learning or Youth Apprenticeships, Industry tours, or anything else that would help students explore your career field! If you have ideas and/or would like to get involved, please contact Liz King, ACP Coordinator: elizabeth.king@wrps.net.





SOLAR ECLIPSE

On Saturday, October 14, a partial solar eclipse will be visible in Wisconsin Rapids. The eclipse will begin when the moon stars to block the sun at 10:34 a.m. The eclipse will slowly build until 11:53 a.m., when the moon will cover 53% of the sun. After reaching its maximum, the eclipse will gradually want until the moon clears the sun at 1:15 p.m.

Looking directly at the sun can cause permanent vision loss, even during a partial solar eclipse. Sunglasses, X-ray fil, and most welding shields will not block enough light to protect your vision. However, there are safe ways to view a solar eclipse.

WRPS staff will host students, families, and interested community members for eclipse viewing events on October 14. Stop in to use telescopes with solar filters, pinhole viewers, and other projection methods to view the eclipse safely. A limited number of eclipse glasses will be available to purchase for \$1.00 each. On the east side of Rapids look for us in the student parking lot at Lincoln High School. On the west side you'll find us in the YMCA parking lot.

Eclipses are sensational and rare, and if the weather cooperates we have the change to view one from beginning to end. We hope you'll join us for a memorable viewing experience.

ART INTERNATIONAL TRIP

Do you love to travel? Do you enjoy learning about new cultures and places? Parents and students are welcome to join our Summer 2025 Europe trip to Amsterdam, Brussels, and Paris! An informational meeting will be held on October 3 at 5:30 p.m. in room 135 (Art Department).

Use the QR code below to register for the meeting. If you are unable to attend please contact Ms. Kleman at Jeanine.kleman@wrps.net for more information.



Skyward Gradebook Reminders

One way to help your student succeed is to *monitor* their progress on Skyward in Family Access. On the left hand column you can click on "Gradebook" to see your student's current grades.

You can also receive grading emails for your student. Once in Family Access click on "My Account" and check the box "Receive Grading Emails for my students". You will receive the following information through email on a daily basis:

- Missing Assignments
- Low assignment/class grade percent is 70% or less

You should also check the Message Center on Family Access regularly for important messages. Being informed about your student's progress and attendance will help you support academic success!





There will be a **MANDATORY** meeting for all seniors on Tuesday, October 24h at 11:00 a.m. in the PAC. You will be measured for your cap/gown and receive a Jostens information packet regarding graduation diploma name and related graduation items.

After this meeting you will be able to begin ordering cap/gown and tassel, and other graduation items. The earlier your order the items, the cheaper they will be. Order online at Jostens.com by November 14, 2023 to avoid late fees. Cap & Gown may be returned if you do not participate in the 2024 ceremony. See Mrs. Wefel in the office with any questions.



All Freshmen will receive information regarding ordering class rings on Tuesday, October 24th at a mandatory meeting. If your student is interested in purchasing a class ring, be sure to review the packet after that meeting. If you have questions, contact Jostens or Mrs. Wefel in the office at 715-424-6751.

Your story. Your style. Your Ring.









UW-STEVENS POINT UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM

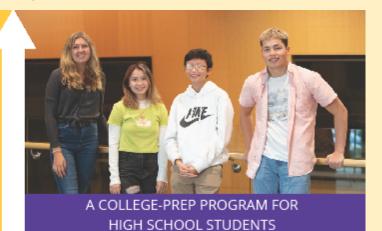
Now recruiting grades 9-11 from Lincoln High (Wis. Rapids)

HOW TO APPLY

Begin the application process online by completing the preliminary student application at: www.uwsp.edu/UpwardBound

Upward Bound is always 100% FREE







SUMMER PROGRAM ON UWSP CAMPUS (1 Week before 9th grade or 5 Weeks Before 10-12th Grade)

- LIVE IN A UWSP RESIDENCE HALL
- EAT IN THE UWSP DINING FACILITY
- BE LIKE A COLLEGE STUDENT
- TAKE FUN INTRO COURSES ON CAMPUS
- GO ON WEEKEND TRIPS



COLLEGE VISITS

- SEE 2-6 COLLEGES PER YEAR
- VISIT TECHNICAL, STATE, PRIVATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES!



ACADEMIC YEAR HELP

- MONTHLY SCHOOL MEETINGS
- FREE ONLINE TUTORING
- ACT TEST PREP AND HELP
- WEEKEND WORKSHOPS
- COLLEGE APP ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS
- COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID APP ASSISTANCE



Bright by Text is a free program that sends tips and resources for healthy child development to parents' & caregivers' cell phones.

Research based messages help parents and caregivers feel prepared, and local messages from United Way of South Wood & Adams Counties keep them informed. In fact, 92% of parents are more confident as a result of receiving messages from Bright by Text!

Each text message has a link to a landing page with information, including short modeling videos, related books, games, and other resources. Content comes from sources you can trust, including: Bright by Three, Cooking Matters, Delta Dental, PBS Parents, PBS Learning Media, Sesame Street, Vroom, and other partners like local libraries, museums, and health organizations.

United Way is excited to help parents be more informed and engaged with Bright by Text.

Sign up to receive Bright by Text messages by texting BADGER to 274448. For more information, reach out to Ben at United Way by calling 715-421-0390 or emailing ben@uwswac.org.



Attendance

ALL students participating in a Co-Curricular Program, such as a Sport, School Group, or Club must be present in school ALL DAY in order to participate in the event, sport, or contest. Failure to be in attendance will result in non-participation in all co-curricular events that day. Absences which have been excused for a funeral, court appearance, school approved trips, documented medical appointments, exercising your right to vote, other unusual or extenuating circumstances or family emergencies must be cleared with the principal and/or athletic director in advance. Hunting or fishing is not an exception.

Student Absences

Parents MUST call in their child's absences (whether excused or unexcused) to the Attendance Line at 715-424-6765, report the absence in Family Access, or by pressing 2 when calling 715-424-6750.

During the school day, students who leave school or arrive late to school MUST have parent's permission. If the student is leaving early you can send a note with your student or call our office. Please give us ample time to write a pass and locate your student so they will be ready when you are planning to pick them up. DO NOT text or call your student to leave early, they will not be able to leave class without a pass from the office.

All students will need to sign in (if they are late) or sign out (if they must leave) at the attendance window in the main office.

Bridging Brighter Smiles Reminder....



RECEIVE DENTAL CARE RIGHT AT SCHOOL!!! Bridging Brighter Smiles will be providing dental serves at

LHS during the school day. Dental services include Oral Screening, cleaning, fluoride, etc. Forward Health (Badger Care) is accepted, they do not accept private dental insurance, and charitable care is offered for those students who do not have the financial resources to access dental care. You can sign up now, turn in the enrollment form to the main office or enroll online at enrollmet.bbsmiles.org. Questions? Call 262-896-9891.

Vaccinations

As you have seen in the past few newsletters, we will be excluding non-compliant students this year. The first legal notice was mailed on Sept. 25. If you received a notice, but believe your student is compliant with their vaccinations/waivers, please contact your nurse. Deadline for compliance is October 16, 2023. Vaccines required for grades 9-12 are: 4 DTP/DTaP/DT/Td, 1 Tdap2, 4 Polio, 2 MMR, 2 Var3, 3 Hep B.

From the Nurse....

Please be sure you are sending appropriate outside clothing with your student as the temperatures will be dropping. Along with weather changes comes illness.

Your student should not attend school if they have a temperature of 100.4 or greater, vomiting, and/or diarrhea, or if they are just not feeling well enough to attend school. They need to remain home for 24 hours fever-free without using fever-reducing medications and be vomit/diarrhea-free for 24 hours after the last episode.

Also, if your student has had a history of asthma and needs an inhaler, please be sure they have it at school and an order on file from the doctor. Asthma exacerbation/flare-up is very common due to weather changes.

RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus)

A common respiratory virus that usually causes mild cold-like symptoms. Most people recover in a week or two, but RSV can be serious. A nasal swab can be taken to confirm RSV at any clinic.

Symptoms usually include:

- ⇒ Runny Nose
- ⇒ Decrease in appetite
- ⇒ Coughing
- ⇒ Sneezing
- ⇒ Fever
- ⇒ Wheezing

For care of, transmission, and prevention of RSV, please view the following <u>link.</u>

Influenza (Flu)

Influenza is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat, and sometimes the lungs. If can cause mild to severe illness. A nasal swab can be taken to confirm influenza at any clinic.

Symptoms usually include:

- ⇒ Fever/Chills
- ⇒ Cough
- ⇒ Sore Throat
- ⇒ Runny/Stuffy Nose
- ⇒ Muscle/Body Aches
- ⇒ Headaches
- ⇒ Fatigue
- ⇒ Vomiting/diarrhea

For care of, transmission, and prevention of influenza, please view the following <u>link.</u>

COVID

COVID is a contagious respiratory illness caused by SARS-COV-2, a coronavirus discovered in 2019. The virus spread mainly from person to person through repiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks. Some people who are infected may not have any symptoms at all. A nasal swab can be taken at home or any clinic to confirm COVID.

If your student tests positive for COVID they may attend school as long as they are fever-free without the use of medication, and feeling well enough to attend school. Currently, there is no masking requirement, but if they feel more comfortable wearing one that is fine.

Symptoms usually include:

- ⇒ Fever/Chills
- ⇒ Cough
- ⇒ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- ⇒ New loss of taste or smell
- ⇒ Fatigue
- ⇒ Muscle/Body Aches
- ⇒ Headaches
- ⇒ Sore Throat
- ⇒ Congestion or Runny Nose
- ⇒ Nausea or vomiting/Diarrhea



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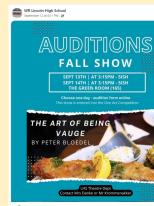












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September 12 at 829 AM | &







LHS Cool 2 Be Kind September 21 at 3:00 PM · 🚱

LHS Principal Ron Rasmussen recently accepted a donation of \$2,000 from Brian Kozlowski the Director of Environment and Sustainability at Domtar. Thanks to an ... See more











Chefs' Dinner

Sunday, October 8th, 2023

Enjoy a delicious gourmet meal

Prepared by ACF Middle Wisconsin Chefs assisted by FCCLA and ProStart students Social Hour 5:00 PM Dinner 6:00 PM



\$49 per person

Raffle Prizes and Silent Auction

Michele's Restaurant, 513 Division Street, Stevens Point, WI

Proceeds will go towards Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School

Family, Career, & Community Leaders of America & ProStart programs

Make reservations by calling Michele's: 715-341-3363

For more information or to make a donation, contact

Caitlin Engel: 715-424-6750 caitlin.engel@wrps.net

Valerie DeVries-Polman 715-424-6750 valerie.devries@wrps.net







Book Giveaway

October 19, 2023 12:00 - 6:00 pm



East Junior High (Room 120)
311 Lincoln Street, Wisconsin Rapids
(Enter through Door "W" - south end off of Lincoln Street)

The community is invited to choose from a large assortment of books - including textbooks, novels, children's books and much more!



If you have any questions, please contact
Carole Pfahning, Curriculum Administrative Assistant
at (715) 424-6721, ext. 1058

