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Wausau East High School Parent Newsletter

Registration for the 2012 - 13 School Year

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The registration process for the 2012-13 school year will take place between Tuesday, January 24 and Tuesday, February 7, 2012. The procedure of selecting courses for the following school year is extremely important and can have a profound impact on successful post-secondary education and career options. Furthermore, teacher staffing, class sizes, and course availability all hinge on the courses your son or daughter decide to take. Ultimately, our class offerings and how many teachers we have available in our building are directly affected by the classes students choose to enroll in. **As parents and students, you need to be aware that schedule changes will only occur if one or more of the following criteria are met:**

- ◆ Requested change by teacher
- ◆ Student failed to meet course prerequisite
- ◆ Direct conflict causing student to have less than six classes per semester
- ◆ Change needed to fulfill graduation/college requirement

Please take the time to discuss course selections with your son or daughter and encourage them to select their courses very carefully!

Important dates regarding this year's registration process:

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| January 16 | Students receive course description books and second semester schedules in first hour class. |
| January 24, 25 & 27 | Counselors conduct classroom visits in social studies classes to review course selections and graduation requirements. Distribution of "Choice of Study" form. |
| January 31, Feb 1 & 2 | Students complete Choice of Study forms. Students must choose a minimum of six classes per semester. These forms <u>must</u> be signed by parents. |
| February 2 | Students submit completed course selection forms and teachers enter on-line. |
| February 7 | Course selections reviewed for accuracy by students. |

As always, students will be guided through the registration process by their homeroom teachers and guidance counselors. If you have any questions regarding the registration process, please feel free to contact me at 261-0654, or your child's guidance counselor at 261-0677. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,
Joe Svitak
Associate Principal-Programming

Featured Artist

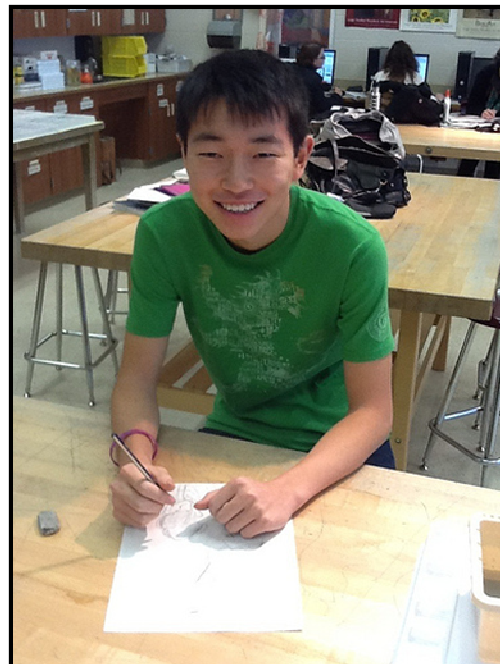
Senior Zach Klinner has six of his art works on display in the Madison Capitol-courtesy of State Representative 85th Assembly member Donna Seidel.

Zach is currently an International Baccalaureate art student and has been working on a series of drawings that focus on pop culture. He was chosen to show his work because of his attention to detail and portrayal of realism.

This is the 5th year that Seidel has provided gallery space within her capitol office space for East high school students. "I wanted to show the many visitors to the capitol building the amazing talent of Wausau area students", said Seidel.

Zach hopes to attend The Parsons School of Design in New York City next fall.

Congratulations Zach!



Check Out What the Young Adult Medicine (YAM) Students Have Been Up To!



YAM students have been busy getting their CPR Pro certifications as well as immersing themselves in the endless opportunities existing in the medical field. Students have had the opportunity to become exposed to many different careers through guest speakers and field trips. Speakers have included an orthopedic surgeon, respiratory therapist, speech therapist, physical therapist, pediatrician, radiation oncology therapist, nurses, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, flight paramedic, athletic trainer, large animal veterinarian, nephrologist, medical examiner, occupational therapist, and family physician with more to come.

Students have also been fortunate enough to see the Aspirus MedEvac helicopter land in the Wausau East HS parking lot. Students were able to sit in the

helicopter and see first-hand what the field of emergency medicine and the thrill of flight entails. We are very grateful for this opportunity and thank Aspirus MedEvac and Kathy Kwasny for providing such a real-life experience.

Students also took a field trip to the Pain and Acupuncture Clinic and were exposed to the many intriguing therapies Eastern medicine offers. Students got to try out basic acupuncture, thermography, cupping, and the hyperbaric chamber thanks to Dr. Jennifer and her staff. It's been an exciting semester with much more to come!



Junior Girls Dance 2012

The 2011-2012 Junior Girls Committee would like to thank all the students who plan on attending the dance on January 7, 2012. The dance will be a wonderful success thanks to the anticipated participation and enthusiasm of Wausau East students!

We would also like to thank the Jefferson Street Inn, Bob and Laura Gall of Gall Photography, Evolutions in Design, Janke Bookstore and Josh Duwe. In addition, we would like to thank the many Wausau East staff members and parents who will be assisting and chaperoning for the evening. A special thanks goes out to our sophomore helpers.

We will be establishing the 2012-2013 Junior Girls Committee soon. Sophomore girls interested in being on the committee should watch for signs and television announcements.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

The last evening of parent/teacher conferences for this school year is scheduled for Thursday, March 1, from 3:30-6:30pm here at Wausau East High School. Watch for a separate mailing in early January, 2012!

Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

Please join us for the next Parent Advisory Committee meeting:
 Monday, March 5, 2012
 6:00 - 7:00 PM
 Community Room (F125)

WAHISCAN News

The *WAHISCAN* is always looking for people to submit good photos. We need photos of students involved in athletics, drama, music, and other extra-curricular activities. Please email photos to wahiscan@wausau.k12.wi.us or drop off at either the main office or the *WAHISCAN* office.

2012-2013 Open Enrollment

Application Period for the 2012-13 school year is February 6 - 24, 2012

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows children to attend a school district other than the one in which they live. An Open Enrollment application must be submitted on-line no earlier than February 6, 2012, and no later than February 24, 2012, by 4:00 PM.

Late applications will not be accepted.

To complete an on-line application, please go to the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Open Enrollment webpage at: <https://www2.dpi.state.wi.us/OpenEnrollApp> For more information, please call Sheryl Kazda, Wausau School District, at 715-261-0570.



On-Time Behavior & Regular, Consistent Attendance

As we usher in the New Year it seems an appropriate time to refresh our memories about the importance of regular school attendance. Excellent attendance is a skill. It is a much needed 21st Century skill; one of the number one complaints of employers is the lack of urgency around attendance. Since instituting our on-time policy complete with 'tardy sweeps' our students have learned the sense of urgency it takes to be on-time for class. It is also important to be on-time for school each day. As the weather changes so does our need to make adjustments in our schedules. When the roads are bad we need to plan ahead and leave earlier than on days when roads are clear and dry. We need to teach our students to plan ahead for changing conditions, to plan ahead for poor driving conditions; we are all in this together - we as educators, we as the adults need to also plan ahead and have the same sense of urgency for being to school on-time and make every effort to report to our classes on time.

If you have an extenuating circumstance, please call ahead to our attendance office. Also, if you are planning to have your child out of school for a brief period of time we have **anticipated absence forms** available in the attendance office. We recognize there are times when families may need to be out of school. The more notice we have, the better we are able to make accommodations for the lost learning. Students should not be in attendance if they have a fever or have gotten sick the day of school; otherwise, please make every effort to have your student here at school, on time, prepared and ready to learn. Thank you.

"The unconscious is a great dynamo, but it is also a computer that has to be programmed. If fear thoughts, worry thoughts and/or failure thoughts are constantly programmed into the unconscious, nothing very constructive is going to be sent back. But if a clear, purposeful goal is steadfastly held in the conscious mind, the unconscious will eventually accept it and begin to supply the conscious mind with plans, ideas, insights, and the energies necessary to achieve that goal." Norman Vincent Peale

Our on-time policy incorporates our core values of respect, integrity, compassion and excellence. Setting goals and planning for these goals beginning with showing up on time ready to learn programs your conscious mind for action in a positive direction and learning occurs! You can't learn if you aren't here; you have to be here to learn. You need to be on time for school and your classes every day all the time.

NOVEMBER TARDY NUMBERS:

November 2010 = Excused tardy = 351 November 2011 = Excused Tardy = 458

Increase of 107 excused tardies

November 2010 = Unexcused tardy = 902 November 2011 = Unexcused Tardy = 612

We improved our on-time behavior by decreasing unexcused tardy by 290!! Great job but we still have work to do. Tardy sweeps and the warning bell have helped. Students receive a detention for being late after 3 times, the number of detentions increase each time the student is unexcused tardy – please make every effort to arrive to all classes on time every day all the time.

Our On-time Video will be on the website soon – watch for this!

Mrs. Budnik, Student Services

Attention Juniors and Seniors with Incentive privileges:

We need to clear up how incentive works with our On-Time Policy. Incentive **does not** exempt you from Tardy Sweeps; in fact you should not be hanging out in the halls or at your locker once the bell rings. Incentive is a privilege you have earned due to passing grades, excellent attendance and on-time behavior.

As a student with Incentive Privileges you either need to:

- A. Sign out in Student Services and leave the building.
- B. Sign into a resource center on-time and remain there for the entire class period.

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Your cooperation in this matter is expected; as incentive privileges can be earned they can also be taken away due to being late to class 3 or more times, failing a class, unexcused absences or not following the intent of incentive. Watch for new incentive forms coming your way in January.

Second semester sophomores have the opportunity to leave campus during the lunch hour if you have parent permission, passing grades, good attendance (less than 3 tardies and no unexcused absences), good behavior and a valid student ID card. *Sophomores do not have incentive privileges; this is good for open campus lunch only.* Watch for open campus forms coming in January.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Mrs. Budnik, Student Services

2011-12 Semester 1 Exam Schedule

Tuesday, January 17

Resource/Study Time 7:45 – 8:25 am

During this time, students will have the option of going to a resource center. Resource centers will be open and staffed for all hours except lunch.

Period 1 8:30 – 10:15 am

Period 2 10:25 am – 12:10 pm

Lunch 12:10 – 1:10 pm

Period 3 1:15 – 3:00 pm

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Wednesday, January 18

Resource/Study Time 7:45 – 8:25 am

*Student supervision will be the same as on Tuesday*

Period 4 8:30 – 10:15 am

Period 5 10:25 am – 12:10 pm

Lunch 12:10 – 1:10 pm

Period 6 1:15 pm – 3:00 pm

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Thursday, January 19

Resource/Study Time 7:45 – 8:25 am

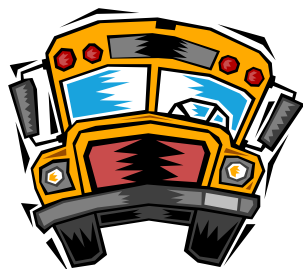
Student supervision will be the same as on Tuesday

Period 7 8:30 – 10:15 am

Period 8 10:25 am – 12:10 pm

Students will be dismissed at 12:10 pm

Jr. Math Competency Test 1:00 – 3:00 pm



First Student Bus Arrival Times

The following are the approximate times buses would arrive at the schools to pick up students when schools are in session and developing weather conditions indicate a closing may be necessary. Students will be dropped off at the bus stop they were picked up at in the morning with the exception of special needs students who will ride the regular afternoon bus route.

District Announced	11:30 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:30 p.m.	1:00 p.m.
Dismissal Time				
	Arrival Time	Arrival Time	Arrival Time	Arrival Time
Horace Mann Middle School	11:30 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	12:30 p.m.	1:00 p.m.
Wausau East High School	11:40 a.m.	12:10 p.m.	12:40 p.m.	1:10 p.m.
EEA & EGL Charter Schools	11:40 a.m.	12:10 p.m.	12:40 p.m.	1:10 p.m.



Important Notice for WSD Rural School Bus Students and Their Parents

Occasionally, weather-related road conditions within our School District may vary drastically depending on location. For instance, weather and road conditions may allow those students who live in or near the city or on county trunk roads (the lettered county roads) to arrive at school with little or no trouble. Certain rural, secondary roads may, however, simultaneously be impassable or dangerous for buses to travel. In this event, the District will only run buses in the city, on county trunk roads, and rural roads which are safe for travel.

Should this situation occur, District and First Student officials will determine which areas are unsafe for bus travel. The District will attempt to announce via television and radio the particular areas that are affected.

If the school bus is unable to pick up the student and parents are unable to transport their child(ren) to school because of road conditions, Wausau School District students will receive an excused absence from the District provided the parent/guardian notifies the school. Parents of private school students will need to follow the administrative guidelines for their school.



SCHOOLMESSENGER®

In an effort to quickly and efficiently communicate time-sensitive information to parents/guardians, the Wausau School

District recently implemented a mass communication system capable of contacting all parents/guardians in the event of snow days, emergency release of students, etc.

To ensure the system functions at its full potential, it is important that we have accurate contact information on file for every student. **Therefore, in the event of an email or phone number change, East parents/guardians are asked to contact Gina Walters in the Counseling Office at 715-261-0677 or gwalters@wausau.k12.wi.us with their new contact information.**

Thank you for helping us stay connected!

German Club News

German Club is up and running. In September, the German Club played its annual soccer game against the French Club. In December, we ordered our German Club T-shirts, had a "Kaffeestunde" at Biggby's, and made holiday cards. In January, we are planning on a day of sledding at Sylvan Hills or an afternoon at Clay Corner designing our very own German mug.

I would like to invite interested people to our monthly "Kaffeestunde". We will meet on a Saturday morning at a local café and speak German. If you are interested in this event, you can contact me about the time and meeting.

As I wrote in the last *Notes Home*, we are expecting seventeen German students and two teachers from our sister school in Frankfurt. They will be in Wausau from April 15 through April 30, 2012. Wausau East students and staff are excited to welcome them in their homes and families. I greatly appreciate the enthusiasm for our exchange program. Thank you for your support.

Alles Gute!

Frau Winter-Leigh

rwinter@wausau.k12.wi.us



Key Club News

We are proud to announce the KC Members of the Month. These members are being recognized for their commitment, dedication, and going above and beyond to volunteer and make Key Club a success. Each winner will receive a Key Club aluminum water bottle.

September-Christina Hauser

October- John Grady

November-Amanda Kjenstad

December – Baylee Luedke

We have participated in the following events over the past month: Community Days at the Grand Lodge, Coats for Kids, Teddy Bear Breakfast (Festival of Trees), and a penny drive fundraiser for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

We'd like to thank the following businesses: Briqs, Subway, The Filling Station, Family Video, Sweet Lolas, Wal-Mart, Pizza Hut, and The Mandarin for donating prizes for our Penny Drive raffle.

In December, we organized the Christmas Assistance Program for the Neighbors Place (The Giving Tree). Wausau East and EGL students and staff sponsored 30 kids in our community.

It's the last call for dues collection.

Upcoming events:

Blood Drive - February 1

DCON (Key Club and Leadership workshop this spring)

Art Department News

The following painting students had their works on display at Biggby Coffee on Bridge Street for two weeks in December.

Natasha Albrecht
Lea Bombien
Whitney Eiden
Sierra Jagler
Kellen Slagowski
Desiree Spoores
Nong Thao
Mariah Watts

Customers were asked to vote for their favorite painting which will be revealed in January. Top pick receives a Biggby gift card. A big thanks to Tom Belongia, owner of Biggby Coffee, for his continued support of East's art program!



[Biggby Coffee](#)
 320 East Bridge Street
 Wausau, WI 54403-3589
 (715) 848-2442

English Language Learners News

Tsab 1 Xyoo 2012

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Mark Your Calendar For the IB Information Night!

Who: Parents of 8th, 9th and 10th grade students (students also welcome!)

What: IB Info Night

When: **Wednesday, January 25, 6:00 pm**

Where: Large Group Room, D110, at the back of the Commons

Why: To find out more about IB and to have your questions answered



We will discuss the following questions: What does it mean to be full IB? Should my child take IB classes? How do colleges recognize the IB program? What are the pros and cons of IB classes? Full IB juniors and seniors will answer questions from a student's perspective.

IB is not a Trivial Pursuit!!

If you were playing Trivial Pursuit, and the category was IB at Wausau East, would you be able to answer the questions? See if you can answer the following IB trivia:

How many juniors and seniors are taking at least one IB class?

What percent of the juniors and seniors are involved in the IB program?

How many full IB Diploma seniors are there? juniors?

How many students have registered for the May 2012 exams, and how many total exams are students taking?

For the correct answers, see the fine print below. East should be proud of the students who have chosen to be a part of the IB program which is certainly **no trivial pursuit!**

1. 378
2. 63.6%
3. 12 seniors and 12 juniors
4. 66 students taking 141 exams



English Course Requirement Change

Beginning in the 2012-2013 school year, juniors and seniors will be required to take at least a one semester literature course as a graduation requirement. In the past, East required all students to take an American literature course. Students now have a choice on what literature class they prefer. Options at the junior/senior level include the following: Books of American Literature, Contemporary American Literature, Literature Seminar, Multi-cultural Literature and World Literature. At least one of the courses must be successfully completed to meet the .5 credit requirement of a junior/senior literature class. Students and parents should remember that universities are looking for students who take rigorous classes during both the junior and senior year of high school. If you have any questions regarding this, contact Joe Svitak, Assistant Principal, your student's counselor or Sara Eberlein, English Department Chairperson.



Global Language News

Did you know that 37% of the incoming UW-Madison students have studied a language for four years?

Did you know that 27% of the incoming UW-Madison students have studied a language for five years?

Did you know that 2% of the incoming UW-Madison students have studied a language for six years?

That means that 66% of the incoming UW-Madison students have four or more years of language study!

Language is unique when it comes to University entrance and exit requirements. Many parents/students are familiar with the entrance requirements, but do not fully understand that many universities have language graduation requirements that can be met with high school language. Ask questions, do your research, be informed and know your facts! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email your child's language teacher.

Study a Language, Discover a World

As most language teachers and students can attest, studying a language is all encompassing. The language component is just one aspect, albeit one with profound impact on learning and understanding English, becoming better readers and writers, as well as increasing a students' vocabulary base. Language, however, is also culture, art, music, food, history, and current events.

So, what are your children learning along with their language study? In French, some students are studying history while others are studying love and relationships (which may seem ironic as French is the language of love). Students have been learning songs, watching videos, and will even get the chance to text in French. Some of the German students began their year with a unit on healthy living which included studying drug/alcohol issues in the target language and experiencing a breakfast made with organic products. Some of the Spanish students have been studying La Guerra Sucia (Argentina's Dirty War) learning not only history, but tying it into current events while reflecting on their own values and character.

The content and skills garnered and developed through the acquisition of a second language are unique. They help create globally competent citizens who are flexible, able to learn and relearn, apply new skills and communicate with a broad spectrum of people.

Nooks, mp3s, and eBooks, Oh My!

The Wausau East Library continues to forge forward into the digital age by acquiring Overdrive, a digital management system. Overdrive is also a collaborative effort between the Wausau East and Wausau West libraries. Our site is now in the final testing phases with an anticipated launch in early January. Overdrive will help cater to the increased demand by digital natives for audiobooks in the mp3 format as well as ePub books. Overdrive is compatible with hundreds of different mp3 players and eReaders. Students can access digital books anytime, anyplace. Our digital library will be open 24/7 and will not even have to close over the summer.



Because of a **Reach for the Stars** grant through the Wausau School Foundation, Wausau East students now have access to eight Nooks and 10 Sony mp3s for checkout. The chance to use these devices is a privilege that we are able to grant to students at Wausau East provided that the students use extra caution and responsibility. Each color Nook and its cover are valued at \$300.00 and each Sony mp3 is \$100. For this reason, we require parental signatures before a Nook or Sony mp3 can be assigned to a student. Please ask for a Ebook permission slip and Ebook Reader Agreement in the library or go to the library home page to print out the forms. We are excited about the opportunities this will provide our patrons!

Take SOCIOLOGY

Helpful Classes for Students Seeking Post-Secondary Education or Entering the Workforce

Whether your son or daughter will attend a college or tech school, many first year requirements include a social science course. Sociology, a class offered at East, can help prepare students for courses they may need to take in college.

Sociology is the study of groups and the interactions of its members. We are all members of many groups and our roles may differ in all of them. Students who take Sociology will study their role as individuals within various groups. Sociology analyzes groups and their conception and the causes they may align with. Groups offer a sense of belonging for its members and may define our opinions.

East's Sociology elective looks at world population and the impact American citizens have on global issues. What will the future hold for us as world citizens? The course concludes with the study of various current social issues, with an emphasis on tolerance as students become adults in a complex and diverse society.

Sociology is an interactive course. Students will have the opportunity to voice their opinion and learn how they impact society. We all have a place in society and a role to play. This course will prepare any student to be aware of life outside of high school and be an active participant in society.

WEHS

Wausau East High School

Platinum Plus

Did you know the average teen spends \$105 per week or a total of \$157 billion as a teen population?

Did you know that 42% of teens age 18-19 have a credit card in their name?

Teens are more likely to have a cell phone (74%) than a savings account (60%)

Source – Making the Right Money Moves, Cemark Inc.

With figures like that, your student needs to be financially literate and economics can fulfill that need.

As you and your son or daughter discuss registration, consider Economics. Economics is a practical, survey course in Macro and Micro Economics with an emphasis on financial literacy. After studying the basic components of our capitalistic system, students will participate in a financial literacy unit. Students will set financial goals – invest in the stock market; understand the importance of "time value of money" and the advantage of investing early. We will also look at credit cards and their proper use as well as social security. It is a useful life lesson students never forget.

As students are making choices for their schedules, remember that economics is the study of choices in a world of scarcity. Taking Economics will be a decision they will never regret. It is the right choice.

If you have any questions regarding economics, please contact Christy Powell at 261-0650, ext. 23279 or cpowell@wausau.k12.wi.us

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Family and Consumer Education News

Why Family and Consumer Education Courses?

1. **21st Century Survival Skills.** We teach life skills that students need to succeed.
2. **Unlimited career possibilities.** One example includes: After successful completion of our Child Care Teacher course a student may be able to be a “lead teacher” in a preschool setting after turning age 18.
3. **Well rounded student.** Our courses focus on soft skills, which include communication, decision making, team work, and problem solving; all of which employers are looking for.
4. **Hands-on curriculum.** All of our classes feature a hands-on approach to learning.
5. **Possible college credit.** Our Food Service Careers course and Careers with Kids course have the possibility of earning college credit through Nicolet Technical College and NorthCentral Technical College.

Foods III Course

~A Culinary Delight~

Interested in a career in culinary arts or wanting to learn more about the industry of hospitality and tourism when it comes to food service? Our ***Foods III*** course offers the students the opportunity to develop culinary skills as they explore food service techniques. Careers in food service, food stylist, hospitality and the culinary industry will be studied along with learning basic operations of food quality and service. Food Service Certification through the state of Wisconsin can be obtained along with possible transcribed college credit through Nicolet Technical College to students who meet the established criteria.

Health Academy

The Wausau School District Health Academy is an initiative designed to expand awareness and interest in health careers for youth. A selection of courses are offered to provide opportunity for students in grades 10-12 to learn more about health occupations and the entrance requirements of a post-secondary health program. These courses also offer a variety of hands-on learning experiences. They will help strengthen the self-confidence of students and increase their leadership skills. The courses required for the Health Academy are listed in the chart below. Please see the registration handbook in January for prerequisites. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jessica Anderson at 261-0650 ext. 23157.

Health Occupations I	Semester 1	10-12	.5 Credit
Health Occupations II	Semester 2	10-12	.5 Credit

Technical Education News

Manufacturing



The manufacturing program currently offers five different course selections.

Metals and Materials Processes gives students a chance to gain first hand knowledge and experience with different metal working machines and tools. Some experiences include: machining with the lathe and milling machine to create parts that work together and have very tight tolerances. Sheet metal layout and forming are taught as well.

Woods and Materials Processes is another course students can start out with. This class teaches students to safely operate all the wood working equipment in the lab to create different projects of the students design. Both of these classes also give students a chance to use math in a practical setting such as when doing a bill of materials or calculating cuts based on given dimensions or figuring out board feet.

Introduction to Production Welding is a class that is transcribed through NorthCentral Technical College. What this means is that students earn dual credit while enrolled in this class. Students earn their normal Wausau East credit for this class, but if the student passes this class with a 75% or better they get two credits directly on a transcript from NTC. The students will learn how to do many welding processes which are in high demand throughout our State and Nation. Some examples are stick welding, wire feed welding, and TIG welding. Students in this class learn how to weld mild steel, aluminum, and stainless steel.

The follow up course to these is the Manufacturing Enterprise Class. This class will enable students to work as a team in forming a company and coming up with different product ideas. The class will choose based on research and marketing which product they are going to make and put the item into production. Each student will have a vital role in the company to see the final product out the door. While in production, students will also gain further knowledge and skills in the lab, taking processes they did in the earlier classes to the next level.

A third level course offered titled Advanced Manufacturing which will allow students to take things even further and produce products right here at East. Students in this class make projects furthering their knowledge in manufacturing production and filling orders for different buyers. This will be a year long course.

Automotive



The Wausau East Automotive Program provides four levels of classes.

Automotive Awareness covers all the important information a vehicle owner needs to know. Things like changing a flat tire, changing your motor oil, how much repairs should cost, and purchasing a used car are covered.

Transportation Power & Energy II is another beginning level course that covers the principles of the internal combustion engine through the overhaul of a small engine. Students will be working with brand new engines recently donated by Kohler Engine Corporation of Wisconsin.

Occupational Mechanics I & II courses are offered for students considering an occupation in the repair industry. Our program here at East is certified by NATEF (National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation) and is also one of 13 schools in Wisconsin to be an AYES (Automotive Youth Educational Systems) site. Qualifying students who have taken the required prerequisites at the completion of their junior year will be placed at a dealership or independent repair shop the summer prior to their senior year and remain there throughout their senior year. As an added bonus AYES students will have the opportunity to purchase a starter set of Snap-On tools at over 50% off their normal price to be used at the job site. (Students do keep the tools at the program's completion.) Anyone interested should contact Mr. Poppe the Automotive Instructor at Wausau East.

If a career in the Automotive business sounds interesting, please join us for our Annual Automotive Careers Night being held at Fred Mueller Automotive on January 24th. It is a free event with food and door prizes along with some really cool cars, trucks and information about careers in the automotive industry.

Building Trades

In the Building Trades III class students are without a house to build this current year, but have been very busy building on many different construction projects to help the district. Some examples of the students' activities include installing siding and shingling sheds and pouring concrete. Plans are already being made for our students at East to build a daycare center next year that could be our biggest structure built to date.



Students in Building Trades I are finishing up the model houses they have constructed as they have studied the different systems and components that make up a residential home. The models are scaled versions of real houses. Students in Building Trades II will be building sheds and learning how to plumb walls and install electrical circuits into houses during their second semester class.

PLTW (3 College Credit Classes)

Students who take a Project Lead The Way class and pass the class with an 85% take a college credit exam at the end of the course. If the students pass the exam with a 70%, the student will have a transcript with 3 college credits that can be transferred to other universities. We have had students in the past graduate with 12 college credits taken in high school. What a great start to their college classes and career.

Introduction to Engineering Design (IED) students have been experiencing what the Engineering entails by participating in several projects through the course of the semester. These projects have developed the students' problem solving skills as they have worked through the Engineering Design Process to gain the answers to the engineering problems posed to them. In addition, the students have gained insight on the Engineering career as there have been many local engineers who have given their time to talk to the class to share their experiences and give information on their field of expertise. IED is the first class in a sequence available to students that is focused on Engineering.

Students in Principles of Engineering (POE) have been working on several projects during the semester ranging from simple machine activities to building and controlling some simple robots. In the near future students will be building, testing and analyzing structures and competing in a ballistic ball launching device competition. In addition the students will gain insight on the Engineering Career of their choice on field trips and there have been local engineers who have given their time to talk to the class to share their experiences and give information on their field of expertise.

There are several other PLTW classes that will be available again next year for students to sign up for. Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM) and Digital Electronics (DE) will both be offered at West, but if East students would like one of those classes the student can attend the class at West. Civil Engineering and Architecture (CEA) and the capstone course Engineering Design and Development (EDD) will be offered along with IED and POE at East. Check out the course description book to see which class is right for you.

Graphic Communications

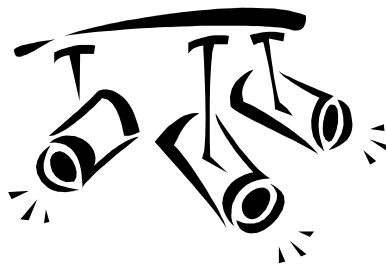
The Graphic Communications 1 students are finishing printing their designs on their t-shirts and notepads. The students have been running a Heidelberg offset press as well as a Vastex screen printing press to accomplish these tasks. The layout and design process was completed using several different graphic programs including Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, and Adobe In-Design. All of the programs that they have been using are state-of-the-art graphic arts programs.



In the Graphic Communications 3 class the students have been producing all different types of printed products for the school as well as the community. Some of you may have seen the sports pocket schedules as well as the fall and winter sports poster schedules that these students have produced. Other projects have included: "6th Man" basketball shirts, senior football plaques, Wausau East letterhead and the student planner cover, just to name a few. The students are having a great time learning how different printing processes work and seeing that printing is everywhere.

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR

SPOTLIGHT THEATRE



The Wausau East High School East End Players proudly present their sixteenth consecutive season of student directed one act plays! Each year Wausau East juniors and seniors receive the opportunity to direct, and in some cases, write, fully mounted one act play productions to be performed for the general public. This year is no exception. The East End Players are proud to announce that there are four productions this season; six students will be making their directorial debuts!



Show times for the *2012 Spotlight Theatre: One Act Plays* are on January 26, 27 & 28 at 7:00 PM; January 28 and January 29 at 1:00 PM.

All performances will be staged in the Black Box Theater here at Wausau East. Prices are \$5.00 per person.

All proceeds benefit the Wausau East High School East End Players Drama Scholarship Program. During the past 16 years of student directed one act plays, the Drama Scholarship has grown from a single \$200 scholarship to 2011's four awards totaling \$1,000.00! Please support the Drama Scholarship Fund by attending one of the performances this season. For more information, contact Terry Riska at East at 715/261-0650, ext. 23150.

Wausau East High Counseling/Career Center News

The 2012-2013 Academic Year is fast approaching!

Counselors will be assisting students with the registration process through these planned activities.

Classroom Visits

Counselors will be visiting freshmen, sophomores and juniors in their history classes.

Counselors will do the following:

- Distribute and review credit checks
- Review graduation requirements
- Summarize college entrance requirements
- Explain credits, prerequisites and course sequences
- Provide information on our Career Center/ Counseling services

In addition to the above, junior class presentations will include the following:

- Testing (ACT, SAT)
- NCAA Clearinghouse (when and how to register)
- Campus visits
- College application process
- Scholarships and Financial Aid

8th Grade Registration

Counselors will be meeting with 8th graders at Horace Mann for registration and will also visit several parochial schools to meet with interested students.



Help Your Teen Balance Work & School

Your teen worked late last night and wants to sleep in- just through his/her math class. Don't let him/her! School attendance affects school achievement. To help your teen balance work and school:

- Limit late-night work hours
 - Make sure he/she has a reliable alarm clock
- Stress that school is their most important job and they need to be on time

Source: Carl Chung, "The impact of Attendance, Instructor Contact and Homework completion on Achievement in a Developmental Logic Course,"

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2012—2013 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

The current FAFSA on the web worksheets are now available in the Career Center and the Counseling Office.

The website for individuals wishing to apply online is: www.fafsa.ed.gov

Parents and students are encouraged to complete their taxes early as this information is helpful for the application process.

Counselor Assignments

Alphabetical by Last Name

<u>Alphabetical by Last Name</u>	<u>Counselor</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
A - G	John Boulanger (Dept Chair)	715.261.0661
H - M	Missy Cayley	715.261.0664
N - Si	Jane Beckel	715.261.0666
Sj - Z	Manee Vongphakdy	715.261.0663
Counseling Secretary	Gina Walters	715.261.0677
Career Center Coordinator	Sheila Frederick	715.261.0657

Scholarship News:

Scholarship information, requirements, and applications and online information for each scholarship are filed in the 'Scholarship Box' in the Career Center. Listed below are just a few of the Scholarships available:

- ◆ Charter Communications Scholarship
- ◆ Wausau East Family and Consumer Education Scholarship
- ◆ 2012 BBB -Better Business Bureau of WI Foundation Scholarship
- ◆ Wausau Area Youth Football League, Inc. Scholarship (WAYFL)
- ◆ Kolbe & Kolbe Millwork Co., Inc. Scholarship
- ◆ Wausau Police Benefit Association Scholarship

The following **COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS** are now available online at www.cfoncw.org/grants/scholarships.cfm

- ◆ Steve Hansen Earth Steward Scholarship
 - ◆ Scott Stasney Freedom Award
 - ◆ Wausau East Girl's Swim Team Scholarship
 - ◆ Shari K. Widmark Memorial Scholarship
 - ◆ Archie C. Towle Aviation Scholarship
 - ◆ Kimberly A. Van Den Elzen Memorial Scholarship
 - ◆ Wausau Area Builders Association Scholarship
 - ◆ Wausau Area H.O.P.E. Hmong Women Scholarship
 - ◆ Walter (Coke) Fehl Hockey Scholarship
 - ◆ Marathon County Farm Progress Days Scholarship
 - ◆ Marathon County Labor Council Scholarship
 - ◆ Rotary Club of Wausau Scholarship
 - ◆ Marvin C. Schuette Memorial Scholarship
- Plus More!



College Goal Wisconsin Saturday, February 18 Beginning at 2:00 PM

College Goal Sunday is a national event providing free information and assistance to families filling out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal

Student Aid), the federally required form for students seeking financial aid.

Completing the FAFSA is the first and most important step in qualifying for aid.

Financial Aid professionals will be on hand to assist families with completion of the FAFSA on

Saturday, Feb. 18, 2012, at Northcentral Technical College, Room E101 & E102 starting at 2:00 pm.

Wausau East Scholarship Program

The Wausau East Scholarship Committee will soon be interviewing seniors and selecting recipients for available scholarships.

Wausau East requires eligible seniors to have a 7th semester cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or above.

Eligible seniors will be notified and must complete an application in mid-February. In addition to turning in the application, students will sign up for an interview. Those interviews will take place in March.

Announcements of these Wausau East scholarships and awards as well as other community-presented awards will, occur at our Wausau East Awards Night on May 2, 2012.

Spring Sports Player/Parent Meeting Tuesday, February 28

6:30 PM

Large Group Room at Wausau East

This meeting is for any player/parent who has not already been out for a sport this school year. Following the 6:30 PM meeting, players and parents will be asked to attend their sport-specific meeting with the head coach.

Boys' and Girls' Track 2012

Happy New Year!

The countdown to spring sports has begun! The track and field meeting will take place in the large group room following the spring sports meeting on Tuesday, February 28. **The first day of track & field practice is Monday, March 5, 2012.** All track & field athletes are reminded that they must turn in a complete athletic folder before they can participate.

A big thank you goes out to Rich Luedke for being the track & field Backyrjax rep. Any other parents interested in being a Backyrjax representative for track & field may contact Coach Blaskowski or Coach Olson.

Have a great winter!
Coach Blaskowski and Coach Olson



This Awesome Lumberjack Quilt Could be Yours!

Raffle tickets on sale NOW through January 27, 2012 in the Business Office.

**\$3 each OR 2 for \$5
OR 5 for \$10**

Drawing will take place during half-time at the East/West home basketball game on Friday, January 27, 2012.

(You need not be present to win.)

All proceeds benefit the East Girls' Swim Team.



Wausau East High School

January/February/March 2012 Calendar

January

- 4 East/West Financial Aid Parent Night - 7 pm, East Auditorium
7 Junior Girls Dance
17 - 19 First Semester Exams
25 IB Parent Night - 6:00 pm, Large Group Room
20 District-wide Staff Development - **No Classes**
26-29 One Act Plays
30 8th Grade Parent Night - 7 pm, East Auditorium

February

- 12-13 Dorian Orchestra Festival @ Luther College
13 Choir Concert - 7:30 pm - East Auditorium
14 Winterfest
20 District-wide Staff Development - **No Classes**
25 District Solo/Ensemble @ DC Everest

March

- 1 Parent/Teacher Conferences - 3:30 - 6:30 pm
6-7 Scholarship Interviews - All Day
12 Orchestra Concert - 7:30 pm, East Auditorium
13 Band Concert - 7:30 pm, East Auditorium
23 **No PM Classes - District-wide**
26-30 Spring Break

Mission Statement

The Mission of Wausau East High School is to positively impact the future by helping students reach their full potential in a rigorous learning environment of respect, integrity, compassion and excellence.

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