



# The mosinee link

A LINK BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND ITS CITIZENS

## Foods 2 Students Bake Rolls For Local Food Pantry

Mosinee High School Foods 2 students participated in the **King Arthur Flour "Bake For Good" Program**. The program teaches students the math and science of making bread from scratch along with encouraging helping those in need. The company provided flour, yeast, instructional materials and dough scrapers for each student, and Foods 2 teacher **Mrs. Susan Swinick** taught them how to make different roll shapes. In all, the classes baked twenty-five dozen rolls to donate to the **Community Center for Hope** in Mosinee! Thanks to the MHS Foods Department for always providing incredible opportunities for the Mosinee students.



Pictured above: MHS Foods 2 classes baked yeast rolls to be distributed by the Community Center of Hope food pantry.

## State Boys Hockey and State Gymnastics with New Middle School Commons Completed



David Muñoz  
Superintendent of Schools

Congratulations to the Mosinee High School Boys Hockey Team for qualifying for the final four State Tournament in March. This was an exciting event that unfortunately ended with a loss in the semifinal round. Congratulations to our State Gymnast, Avery Ahles, who earned a State Tournament bid for the third year in a row competing in Beam and Floor. The Boys Basketball Team also made an end-of-season tournament run winning the Regional Championship.

Prom 2023 scheduled for April 15th is in the final stages of planning and graduation for the Class of 2023 on May 26th will culminate a spring season filled with many celebrations for our seniors.

The New Middle School Commons/Cafeteria officially opened on Monday, March 6th. Thank you to the school board and community for the opportunity to complete this project with no debt and no borrowing. The students and staff started using this 21st century space immediately with many smiles and thank yous to the school board and community. Ellis Construction did not waste a minute by starting demolition in the old middle school cafeteria with a skid steer inside at 7:30 am on March 6th. Demolition is going well and we expect to have Phase 2, which is new Special Education and Pupil Services spaces, completed sometime in May. Phase 3 of this project will be completed with classroom remodels and updates to our middle school music areas.



Pictured above: Eighth grade students are enjoying lunch in the new cafeteria.

## Youth Philanthropy Leadership Program

Mosinee High School was invited to take part in the **Community Foundation of Northcentral Wisconsin's Youth Philanthropy Leadership Program**, a "two-year education and leadership program designed to teach the art, science, and business of community nonprofit work" (Community Foundation). Students in their junior year are eligible to apply to the program which takes place from September to May, for two years. They meet with volunteer adult mentors once a month for activities such as "Make a Community Impact Through Creative Grantmaking," "Vitalize Donor Engagement," and "Encourage Strategic Service and Volunteerism." The curriculum for juniors focuses on the basics of philanthropy, Principles of Endowment, and measuring program impact, among others. For the seniors, they focus on the basics of donor development, campaign pyramid strategies, and deferred giving, among others, also. At the end of both years, there is a capstone ceremony within the community. In order to be accepted into this program, students have to apply online and meet with the program leaders for a personal interview. The first participants from Mosinee are **Savannah Mathson, Riley Wolslegel, Katelyn Kramer, and Alexis Persike**. Congrats, ladies!

## MHS Students Compete in Science Olympiad



Mosinee High School students attended the regional Science Olympiad competition at UWSP on February 18th, where they competed against 14 other teams in various science events. Students practiced and prepared for the competition, and **Brandon Olson, Colton Blank, and Draven Banks** placed 3rd in Codebusters; **Logan Neufeld** placed 3rd in Fermi Questions; **Colton Blank and Draven Banks** placed 2nd in Horticulture

*Pictured above (l to r): Science Olympiad participants were (back row): Brandon Olson, Keaton Wieloch, Garret Donohue, Draven Banks, Kylie Maliszewski, Perseus Kern, (front row): Logan Neufeld, Colton Blank, and Kirsten Balgord.*

## Athletes Compete in WIAA State Tournaments

Girls Gymnastics sent an individual to Wisconsin Rapids for the D2 2023 State Tournament. As a senior on her THIRD trip to State, **Avery Ahles** represented well by scoring a 8.467 (16<sup>th</sup> place) on the Beam and a 8.55 (24<sup>th</sup>) on the Floor. Congratulations Avery on an impressive high school gymnastics career.



**Mosinee Boys Hockey** secured the D2 Sectional 2 Championship, earning a trip to the 2023 WIAA State Tournament. Mosinee faced Oregon in the State Semifinal, falling 0-3.



Mosinee Hockey members by position were: Left Wings – **Cooper Zastrow, Krystof Pokorny, Tyler Baars, Braden Lokken**; Right Wings – **Caden Schmirler, Spencer Swiderski, Jaegar Dhein, Tucker Kowalski**; Centers – **Grant Kuklinski, Ethan Oatman, Daniel DeCaluwe, Evan Karst**; Left Defense – **Ethan Denesha, Mason Ford, Jackson Lindell, Spencer Lemke**; Right Defense – **Gavin Obremski, Elliot Yirkovsky, Isaac Lewens**; Goalies – **Aiden Karst, Garret Donohue, Andrew Lingl**.

Congratulations to all on a great season and thank you for your hard work and quality representation of the Mosinee Athletic Department.

*Pictured above top: Avery Ahles makes her third trip to the State Gymnastics Tournament.*

*Pictured above bottom: The hockey team takes a group shot before boarding the bus to Middleton.*

## FFA Members Volunteer at Swiderski Implement, Inc.

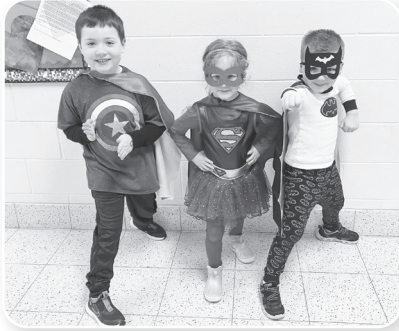
In March, the Mosinee FFA chapter volunteered at the **Swiderski Equipment Inc. Customer Appreciation Lunch**. Members helped set up for the event, served food, greeted and thanked customers, and performed many other tasks. Swiderski staff members also taught the FFA members about new technologies in agriculture equipment such as methane powered tractors and precision technologies. Thank you to Swiderski Equipment Inc. for inviting the Mosinee FFA chapter to assist in this event, and for supporting the club and its members!



*Pictured above (l to r): FFA volunteers were (back row): Isabelle Olson, Tyler Yauck, Jacqueline Kramer, Katelyn Kramer, Kamryn Boesl, Kade Boesl, (front row): Martina Mullins, Vanessa Solinsky, Allison Pecha, Brenna Dulak, Mya Thompson, and Morgan Simonis.*

## Mosinee Elementary Celebrates Read Across America Day

Staff and students at Mosinee Elementary School participated in Read Across America Day – a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually around March 2nd, which is Dr. Seuss' birthday. The staff and students participated in events such as bringing in their favorite books, flashlight reading, dressing up as a superhero, partner reading with another class, wearing bright colors, and dressing in animal print.



There are many benefits to having parents and school staff involved in children's literacy activities both during the early years, as well as the primary and secondary years of schooling. Mosinee Elementary is thrilled to promote reading through fun activities like these!

*Pictured above: Milo McKamey, Charlotte Lewens and Jackson Jensen participate in Read Across America week by dressing up as superheroes.*

## "Seuss on the Loose Day" Raises Money for Charity

In honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, Mosinee Elementary kindergartners participated in "Seuss on the Loose Day." Students brought in six coins and moved through six different classrooms to enjoy fun Dr. Seuss-themed activities. The kindergarten classes raised \$96.54 and used that money to purchase items for **The Women's Community** in Wausau.



*Pictured right (l to r): (back row): Charlie Hursh, Porter Mann, (front row): Mason Heil, Veronica Thomer, Kaylyn Nest and Cooper Wollersheim with the items that will be donated to The Women's Community.*

## Peyton's Promise Supports Mosinee High School's Motique

Mosinee High School's **Motique**, a student resource for clothing, school supplies, food, and hygiene products, has been added as the 59th pantry supported by **Peyton's Promise**. The organization recently made a donation to Motique just shy of \$2,000! The donation consisted of tampons, granola bars, crackers, cereal, and mac and cheese.

Peyton's Promise is a student-lead organization, with students from different local school districts participating. This is a great way for students to get involved in their communities. Peyton's Promise starts recruitment in April for new members. If you are interested in taking part in community change and advocating, please visit their website, [peytonspromise.org](http://peytonspromise.org), or contact Mosinee Leader **Dustin Brooks** at: [dcbrooks@mosineeschools.org](mailto:dcbrooks@mosineeschools.org).

## DECA Members Take the Plunge to Raise Money for Special Olympics WI



Members of Mosinee High School DECA braved the cold to participate in the **2023 Polar Plunge** for the Special Olympics. The students raised over \$2,100 for **Special Olympics Wisconsin!** Way to go team!

*Pictured above top: Mosinee DECA members prepare to jump into the frigid water.*

*Pictured above bottom (l to r): (front row): DECA Advisor Mrs. Kurtzweil with Polar Plungers Dustin Brooks, Morgan Hoerke, Libby Sondelski, Vanessa Northcott, Alivia Freiboth, (back row): Garret Donohue, Holden Stephens and Noah Stencil.*

## MMS Forensics Competes

Mosinee Middle School Forensics Club has been actively competing in local and regional meets. Congratulations to all of the students for doing an outstanding job!



*Pictured above (l to r): MMS Forensics members are (back row): Ashton Korte, Danika Alford, Owen Leach, Benjamin Colrud, Hunter Schnell, Aaliyah Redmond, (front row): Amy Morel, Zachary Fuls and Nolan Raffik.*

## MHS DECA Members Attend State Conference

Mosinee DECA was quite successful at the WI DECA State Career Development Conference in Lake Geneva.



**Morgan Hoernke, Riley Wolslegel** and **Savannah Mathson** earned awards for their role plays. MoTown Market's Gold Certification for SBE earned **Morgan Hoernke, Kolton Cherek,** and **Brett Dudei** the chance to compete in the International Career Development Conference in Orlando April 22-25. Good luck at ICDC!

*Pictured above (l to r): DECA members who competed at the State Conference were Riley Wolslegel, Kolton Cherek, Morgan Hoernke, Brett Dudei, and Savannah Mathson.*

## National FFA Week Events

Mosinee FFA celebrated the FFA's rich history and advancements in agriculture during National FFA week February 18th-25th. The club hosted a multitude of activities and events including Ag Olympics, pie-eating and hay bale toss contests, and dress-up days. Monday kicked off the activities with chicken bingo bets and an emblem hunt throughout the high school. Tuesday was Flannels and Floats Day along with Teacher and Staff Appreciation. Students wearing flannels received a discount on root beer floats and staff received a free float in honor of the work they put into supporting MHS FFA. Snow days and a short week altered the schedule of events, but the club was still able to hold Chicken Bingo and Kiss-a-Critter. Students and staff completed a survey and the lucky winner tasked with kissing a calf was science teacher, Mr. Ley. There was also a special guest along with the calves from **Stankowski's Farm** – a barn cat named Willa. Thank you to everyone who had a part in making FFA Week a huge success!



*Pictured above: Mr. Ley wins the Kiss-a-Critter contest. Here he puckers up for this cute calf.*



## Volunteer Spotlight: Peyton's Promise

Last year, MHS sophomore **Dustin Brooks** started volunteering for **Peyton's Promise**, a local organization that partners with food pantries to help keep their shelves stocked. Dustin serves as the leader for Mosinee, is on the advocate board, and will help with recruiting this spring. He also enjoys helping out at events like Stock the Shelves where food donations are collected at local grocery stores. Dustin recently ran a hygiene drive at Mosinee High School that collected 55 donations from MHS staff and students. The hygiene items will benefit The Motique, the high school student resource closet, and also the middle school closet. Dustin is grateful for all that volunteering with Peyton's Promise has taught him, from time management to leadership and communication skills.



## MMS Drama Club Performs Mary Poppins Jr.

Mosinee Middle School Drama Club performed the Junior edition of *Mary Poppins*. Students were involved in many aspects of the theater including stage crew, lighting, sound, props, sets, choreography, costumes, and acting. They held two performances for the community as well as productions for students in kindergarten through fifth grade. They were "Practically Perfect in Every Way!"

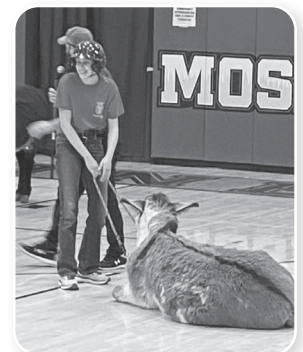


*Pictured above: The cast and crew of Mary Poppins Jr.*

## Mosinee FFA Hosts Donkey Basketball Fundraiser

On Monday, March 13, the Mosinee FFA chapter hosted Donkey Basketball as a club fundraiser. Many community members along with students and staff came out to cheer on the games. There were two FFA teams, a teacher team, and a sponsor/alumni team that competed at the event. The night was full of laughter and donkeys!!

*Pictured right: Jacqueline Kramer tries to motivate her donkey to get ready for the basketball game.*



# Open Enrollment Dates

February 6 - April 28, 2023

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has announced the dates for public school Open Enrollment for the 2023-24 school year. Children in kindergarten through grade 12 may participate. Open enrollment for prekindergarten, 4K and early childhood education is limited. Parents with children in these age groups must contact their resident school district to see if their children are eligible. If you would like your child to attend a different public school next year, you must apply to the school district of choice between **February 6 and April 28, 2023. Applications must be received by 4:00 pm on April 28, 2023. Late applications will not be accepted.** Parents may apply online at <https://dpi.wi.gov/oe>. For more information: Toll-free: 888-245-2732, option 2; Email: [openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov); Website: <https://dpi.wi.gov/oe>. You may also call Carrie Kundinger at the Mosinee School District with questions: 715-693-2530.

## 4K Registration Now Open For 2023-24 School Year

The enrollment process is now open for any students entering 4K (4-year-old kindergarten) for the 2023-24 school year. Children who are four years old on or before September 1, 2023 are eligible to register.

The 4K web page (<https://www.mosineeschools.org/schools/4yok/>) on the Mosinee School District website provides an overview of the 4K program and also step-by-step registration instructions. The first and most important step is registering your child in Mosinee's Skyward Family Access. Busing transportation forms can also be completed at this time. **The 4K site preference form opened at noon on February 9, 2023.**

Please call the elementary school at 715-693-2810 if you have any questions or need assistance with the registration process.

## 2023-24 Kindergarten Registration

Students currently attending 4K in the Mosinee School District will automatically be enrolled in five-year-old kindergarten at Mosinee Elementary School for the 2023-24 school year. A letter will be mailed in August to all parents/guardians of incoming five-year-olds confirming their teacher assignment and other important information for the upcoming school year.

If you know your child will not be attending Mosinee Elementary School for the 2023-24 school year, please call 715-693-2810 as soon as possible.

Kindergarten students new to the district are asked to register online using the link found on our Mosinee School District website.

## MMS PE: Roller Skating

This year, MMS Physical Education implemented a roller skating unit. Skating is a great cardio-respiratory workout that improves balance, coordination and motor skills. Students learned skills such as starting, stopping, forward skating, backward skating, cornering, and a number of safety tips for being a smart skater. Most importantly, the students learned that skating is FUN!



Pictured right: Mrs. Bagby's class embraces the challenge of roller skating under the bar.

## Mosinee Board of Education Notes

At the March 14, 2023 regular Board of Education meeting, the Board approved the following:

- minutes from the regular Board of Education meeting on February 21, 2023
- high school courses with enrollment under 15
- Support Staff pay model
- Substitute Staff pay increase
- statement of the Board of Canvassers from Primary Election
- School Psychologist resignation, middle school Science Teacher retirement, Kindergarten Teacher retirement, School Psychologist and middle school Special Education teacher hires
- 4K Instructional Program curriculum materials purchase
- Salaried & Administrative Staff compensation for 2023-24 school year
- February's monthly voucher list and treasurer's report

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the District Educational Service Center. The public is invited to attend.

## PTO Notes

Highlights from the March PTO meeting:

- Elementary classes will be competing to see which class can collect the most Piggly Wiggly receipts. The class that brings in the most receipts will get a treat of Carousel Animal Cookies.
- The PTO approved the following mini grants:

### \$500 Grant:

Kelly Schmidt - **Leather Jewelry**

Tina Buchberger - **Universal Sensory Stations**

Mari Jo Nechuta - **Egg Incubation/Brooder Boxes**

### \$200 Grant:

Kara Trelka - **Kindness Day**

### \$175 Grant:

Chris Olson - **MES TV Morning Announcements**

The next PTO meeting is Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:00 pm, in the Creske Library.

## Junior Prom 2023

"Enchanted Garden"

April 15, 2023 • 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

ROTHSCHILD PAVILION

Grand March: 7:30 pm, Open to the public

Photos of the dance and Grand March will be available for purchase from Stacy Stubbe Photography.

Visit [stacystubbephotography.com](http://stacystubbephotography.com).

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## April Calendar of Events

April 7 **NO SCHOOL** - Good Friday

### MOSINEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- 10 PTO Meeting - Creske Library..... 6:00pm-6:45pm
- 17-20 Forward Exam - 3rd Grade
- 21 Kindergarten Concert - Creske Auditorium..... 1:30pm

### MOSINEE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- 4 Spring Picture Day
- 14 4th Grade Concert - Creske Auditorium ..... 2:00pm
- 24 Evening of Jazz Concert - Creske Auditorium..... 7:00pm

### MOSINEE HIGH SCHOOL

- 4 Softball - Tomahawk (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Assumption (H) ..... 7:00pm
- 6 Track - Invitational (A - Northland Pines)..... 4:00pm
- Baseball - Stratford (H) ..... 4:30pm
- Softball - Antigo (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Wausau East (H) ..... 7:00pm
- 8 Girls Track - Invitational (A - UW-Whitewater)..... 9:30pm
- 10 Baseball - Medford (H) ..... 5:00pm
- 11 Softball - Northland Pines (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Baseball - Xavier (A) ..... 6:30pm
- 13 Baseball - Medford (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Rhinelander (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Lakeland Union (H) ..... 7:00pm
- 15 Junior Prom - Rothschild Pavilion ..... 7:00pm-11:00pm
- Grand March (Open to the Public) ..... 7:30pm
- 17 Baseball - Lakeland Union (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Amherst (H) ..... 6:30pm
- Softball - Pacelli (H) ..... 6:30pm
- 18 Forward Exam - Sophomores..... 7:55am
- Baseball - Onalaska (H) ..... 4:30pm
- Softball - Wausau East (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Track - Meet (H) ..... 4:30pm
- 19 Golf - Invitational (A - Kohler) ..... 9:30am
- 20 PreACT Secure Test - Freshman & Sophomore..... 7:55am
- Golf - Invitational (A - Kohler) ..... 9:30am
- Baseball - Lakeland Union (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Lakeland Union (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Medford (A) ..... 7:00pm
- 21 Baseball - Tournament (A - Franklin)..... 4:30pm
- 22 Soccer - Medford (A) ..... 10:00am
- Baseball - Tournament (A - Franklin)..... 4:30pm
- 24 Softball - Assumption (A) ..... 4:30pm
- Evening of Jazz Concert - Creske Auditorium ..... 7:00pm
- 25 Golf - Invitational (A - Nekoosa) ..... 11:00am
- Golf - GNC Meet (H) ..... 3:00pm
- Girls Track - Meet (A - Colby) ..... 4:30pm
- Baseball - Marshfield (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Medford (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Antigo (H) ..... 7:00pm
- 27 Soccer - Northland Pines (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Tomahawk (A) ..... 5:00pm
- 28 Golf - GNC Meet (A - Rhinelander) ..... 3:00pm
- 29 Softball - Invitational (A - New London) ..... 11:00am
- Evening of Elegance  
 Reception - Creske Center Lobby..... 4:00pm  
 Dinner - MHS Cafeteria..... 5:00pm

For a complete list of activities and events, visit [mosineeschools.org](http://mosineeschools.org).



## Community Outreach Classes

To register, contact: Michelle Pozorski at [mpozorski@mosineeschools.org](mailto:mpozorski@mosineeschools.org)

CLASS	BEGINS	DAY	TIME	SESSIONS	LOC.
Zumba	4-10	Mon	6:00-7:00	6	MES Gym
Adult Golf Lessons	4-11	Tues	5:30-6:30	5	Indianhead Golf
Zumba Toning	4-12	Wed	6:00-7:00	6	MES Gym
Strength Training for 50+	4-13	Thurs	4:30-5:15	6	Fitness Center
Acrylic Painting	4-25	Tues	6:00-9:00	1	MES Cafeteria

**EVENING**  
*Elegance*

April 29, 2023

The Mosinee High School Student Senate will be hosting the annual Evening of Elegance dinner Saturday, April 29th, 2023 at 4:00 pm. Reception social will be hosted in the Creske Community Center lobby followed by musical entertainment by the MHS band and choir. Dinner will then be at 5:00 pm in the high school cafeteria. This event is FREE to any Mosinee community member who is 65 years of age and older.

**Please contact Mr. Paul Nievinski to make a reservation by April 19th.**  
 Email: [pnievinski@mosineeschools.org](mailto:pnievinski@mosineeschools.org) Phone: 715-693-2550, Ext 3653

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