



# The mosinee link

A LINK BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND ITS CITIZENS

## 8<sup>th</sup> Graders Perform in Honors Band

On February 5th, 8th graders from Mosinee Middle School Band participated in the annual **Wisconsin Valley Middle Level Honors Band** at John Muir Middle School.



The Honors Band is comprised of area band students who were nominated by their band instructors based on their musical skill and dedication to band. After being chosen, the students received music to practice individually. On the day of the event, the entire Honors Band gathered for 8 hours of rehearsals with the guest conductor and then concluded the day with a concert.

*Pictured above (l to r): Honors Band members from MMS were Holly Treba, Bailey Anderson, Anna Gagnon, Emily Verhasselt, Kaeli Doll, Kyle Bahr, Owen Lynch, and Mason Hoffmann (not pictured).*



## Parent-Teacher Conferences

### High School

Thurs, March 10 • 4pm - 8pm

Thurs, March 17 • 4pm - 8pm

### Middle School

Thurs, March 17 • 4pm - 8pm

## 2022-2023 School Calendar Approved; Summer School 2022; Congratulations Winter Sports Teams



David Muñoz  
Superintendent of Schools

The Mosinee School Board approved the 2022-2023 school calendar which can be found on the district website: [mosineeschools.org](http://mosineeschools.org) - District - Calendars. The Mosinee School District will start the new school year September 1, 2022 and end on June 2, 2023, with graduation for the Class of 2023 (current Juniors) on May 26, 2023. One major calendar change to note is having the entire week of Thanksgiving off as a late fall break. We were able to create a calendar that allowed for this break when many are in the woods and/or preparing for the holiday season while maintaining a full week of spring break that aligned with several of the larger surrounding school districts. The Class of 2022 (current Seniors) graduates May 27, 2022. The Senior Class, like all of our students, endured and persevered through several years of a pandemic. All of our students, families and staff deserve special recognition for not only maintaining a commitment to in-person learning at high-levels academically but also through activities at the school forest, dances, sports, clubs, internships, dual college credit opportunities, and work.

Mosinee will be holding summer school again this year. Information packets will be sent home with students at the beginning of April. An email will be sent to parents the week of April 18th so a parent can log on to the summer school registration site to ensure they have access prior to registration. Please see the article on Page 4 for more summer school details.

Mosinee's winter sports teams surged to the top including Boys Hockey winning the Conference Tournament and Regional Championship; Girls Hockey remained top seeded heading into the WIAA playoffs; Girls Basketball won the GNC Conference Championship and #1 seed going into WIAA playoffs, ranked top 10 in the state; Boys Basketball won the GNC Conference and #2 seed for the WIAA playoffs; Wrestling advanced 4 competitors to the Sectional Tournament; Gymnastics is currently second in the conference moving into the tournament season; the Dance Team went to state for the second time in school history in consecutive years and were Regional Champs in Hip-Hop and Runners-up in Pom. Congratulations to all participants on a great winter season!

The Activity Scheduler app, found on both iOS and Android stores, can be downloaded for free at the Mosinee Schools website - select the Menu - Athletics - Calendars - Athletic Calendar, then click on Get The Mobile App. This app will allow you to see all of the sports and events, including band concerts and choir concerts. This Activity Scheduler app is linked to software that we use to schedule many of the wonderful activities that fill the days and nights in the Mosinee School District.

## MHS Dance Competes at State Championships



For the second straight year, Mosinee Dance placed 1st in Hip Hop at Regionals and as a Runner-up in Pom. Their strong finish at Regionals secured a chance to compete in Hip Hop and Pom at the 2022 WACPC State Championships in February. This is the second consecutive year the dance team has made it to State, with last year being the first time in Mosinee Dance history! The Mosinee Dance team practices from June through March and has been working on their competition routines since August of 2021. Congratulations on a great season!

*Pictured above (l to r): Dance Team members (back row): Brenna Dulak, Braxtyn Olson, Mary Lou Folwarski, Aleksandra Dul, Kiarra Kennedy, Mikayla Koskey, Addison Braunel, Sophia Gburek, Sophia Hodgson, Rajia Budimlija, (front row): Bryanna Schwartz, Jamie Kazmierczak, Eliana Kurzinski, Hana Jinsky, and Bryn Butalla.*

## MES 100<sup>th</sup> Day Celebration



In mid-February, Mosinee Elementary School joined schools around the country to celebrate the 100th day of school. Mosinee students celebrated by dressing up as 100 years old, taking individual pictures and using an aging software program to find out how they might look at 100 years old, writing about what they would do with 100 dollars, making 100 Valentine cards, bringing in collections of 100 things, and doing 100 acts of kindness.

Each classroom was also challenged to collect 100 Box Tops, Piggly Wiggly receipts, and pop tabs. The money will be used for enrichment activities for all Mosinee Elementary students.

*Pictured above: Mrs. Trelka's kindergarten class made 100 day glasses.*

## Grant Awarded for Field Lights at Edgewood Park

In February, the **Mosinee Soccer Booster Club**, in partnership with the **Mosinee Community Athletic Association (MCAA)**, received a tourism grant for \$109,000 to install lights at Edgewood Park.

The project began with **Van Ert Electric Company** and **Newton Electric Corp.** collaborating on a design for state-of-the-art stadium lights at Edgewood Park. The booster club then took that plan to the Mosinee Parks and Recreation Commission for approval. After receiving the go-ahead, friends of the Mosinee Soccer Booster Club and several coaches completed and submitted the grant paperwork, while also partnering with the MCAA. Their efforts paid off when the boosters received word that the grant was being awarded for a portion of the lighting project. There is still much to be done before the installation begins. The Mosinee Soccer Booster Club is looking for additional partners to secure the remaining funds needed to make this project happen. If you are interested in helping fund this project or for more information, please email Joseph Carlson at [josephcarlsonjc@gmail.com](mailto:josephcarlsonjc@gmail.com).

## MES "Soup-er" Bowl Challenge

The students at Mosinee Elementary celebrated the NFL Super Bowl by hosting their own "Soup-er" Bowl food drive challenge. Students donated soup and/or canned goods to the NFL team that they wanted to win. After collecting the canned goods, the Cincinnati Bengals ended up with 360 cans of soup and the LA Rams had 277 cans. The 637 canned goods were donated to the school food pantry, Feeding Our Future, to help local families.



*Pictured above: Mrs. Olson's 2nd grade class participated in the "Soup-er" Bowl food drive.*

## Heckel Wins Artsonia's "Artist of the Week" Contest

Each week, Artsonia, the world's largest collection of online student art portfolios, chooses twelve art pieces at random in four grade groupings. Family, friends, and art lovers then vote for their favorite. Mosinee Elementary student **Kamden Heckel** was the winner for the week of Jan. 30 - Feb. 5 in the Grade PreK-3 category.

Heckel received more than 600 online votes for his art submission - a mixed-media depiction of cherry blossoms in a vase titled *Yo-yo*. Kamden's outstanding artwork earned him a \$50 gift certificate from **Blick Art Materials** and a \$100 gift certificate for the school. Congratulations, Kamden!

*Pictured right (l to r): Kamden Heckel is presented with the Artsonia "Artist of the Week" plaque by MES art teacher Mr. Tourdot.*





# Open Enrollment Dates

**February 7 - April 29, 2022**

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has announced the dates for public school Open Enrollment for the 2022-23 school year. Children in 5-year-old 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 7 and April 29, 2022. Applications must be received by 4:00 pm on April 29, 2022. 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 Kunderinger at the Mosinee School District with questions: 715-693-2530.

## 4K Registration Now Open For 2022-23 School Year

The enrollment process is now open for any students entering 4K (4-year-old kindergarten) for the 2022-23 school year. Children who are four years old on or before September 1, 2022 are eligible to register.

The 4K web page ([https://www.mosineeschools.org/families/4K\\_Information.cfm](https://www.mosineeschools.org/families/4K_Information.cfm)) 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 and site preference requests can also be completed at this time.

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

## 2022-23 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 2022-23 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 2022-23 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.

## Developmental Screening

The Mosinee School District is hosting "The Other Check-up" a free developmental screening on Thursday, March 3, 2022 from 1:00pm-7:00pm at Mosinee Elementary School, 600 12th Street. The event gives parents an opportunity to have their children, ages two years/nine months to five years, complete a screening of all areas of their development. Children will be asked to complete a variety of activities in the areas of motor skills, verbal skills, and cognitive/readiness skills. Parents need not have concerns to schedule a screening. District residents may schedule an appointment by calling Becky at 715-693-3660, ext. 2109.

## Mosinee Board of Education Notes

At the February 15, 2022 regular Board of Education meeting, the Board approved the following:

- minutes from the regular Board of Education meeting on January 17, 2022
- update of board policies
- 2022-23 compensation for salaried, support staff, and administrative staff
- additional school psychologist, cross categorical teacher, and STEAM positions, and maintaining the second Early Childhood/4K teacher position for the 2022-23 school year
- January's monthly voucher list and treasurer's report, 2022-23 CESA Shared Services contract, and replacing two aged light duty garden tractors with one commercial unit
- an extended field trip for DECA to Atlanta, GA in April 2022

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the District Educational Service Center. The public is invited to attend.

## PTO Notes

Highlights from the February PTO meeting:

- The PTO is hosting an Ice Cream Social and Movie Event on May 13 for students in grades 4K-5 and their families.
- The PTO held a Photography Fun Facebook Challenge in February. Participants had the chance to win gift certificates from Gorski's, Casa Mezcal, Charlie's Hardware, and Lietz's.
- The PTO "Brightened the Day" by providing snacks for teachers during inservice on Friday, February 25.

The next PTO meeting is Monday, March 14, 2022 at 6:00 pm, in the Mosinee High School IMC.

## Junior Achievement Volunteers Needed

Junior Achievement's mission is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in the global marketplace. Mosinee Elementary School is looking for Junior Achievement volunteers to run courses in over 20 classrooms this spring. Volunteers can be parents, college students or retirees with experience in a variety of areas like business, insurance, or healthcare.

Interested in volunteering? Sign up at: [engage.ja.org](http://engage.ja.org). Use "Marathon County" and "Mosinee" as search filters. For questions or more information, please contact: Sue Wurzer ([swurzer@javis.org](mailto:swurzer@javis.org)) or Ann Viegut ([aviegut@javis.org](mailto:aviegut@javis.org)).

# March Calendar of Events

March 21 - 25 **NO SCHOOL** - Spring Break

## MOSINEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- 3 Developmental Screening ..... 1:00pm-7:00pm
- 4 Kindergarten Concert - Creske Auditorium..... 1:30pm
- 14 PTO Meeting - HS IMC..... 6:00pm-6:45pm
- 18 End of 3rd Quarter - **EARLY RELEASE**..... 12:40pm

## MOSINEE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- 1 7th Gr. GBB B - Wis. Rapids (H - ES Gym)..... 4:00pm
- 8th Gr. GBB B - Wis. Rapids (H - Creske Gym)..... 4:00pm
- 7th Gr. GBB A - Wis. Rapids (H - ES Gym)..... 5:00pm
- 8th Gr. GBB A - Wis. Rapids (H - Creske Gym)..... 5:00pm
- 14 7th Gr. & HS Band Concert - Creske Auditorium... 7:00pm
- 18 End of 3rd Quarter - **EARLY RELEASE**..... 12:49pm

## MOSINEE HIGH SCHOOL

- 1 BBB - Regionals (TBD) ..... TBD
- 3 GBB - Sectionals (TBD)..... 7:00pm
- 3-4 BBB - Regionals (TBD)..... TBD
- 3-5 Hockey - State Tournament (A - Madison)
- 5 GBB - Sectionals (A - Hayward)..... 7:00pm
- 8 ACT Test ..... 7:55am-3:15pm
- 10 BBB - Sectionals (TBD)..... TBD
- 10-12 GBB - State Tournament (A - Green Bay)
- 12 BBB - Sectionals (TBD)..... TBD
- 14 7th Gr. & HS Band Concert - Creske Auditorium... 7:00pm
- 11 Parent-Teacher Conferences ..... 4:00pm-8:00pm
- 17-19 BBB - State Tournament (A - Madison)
- 18 Parent-Teacher Conferences ..... 4:00pm-8:00pm
- 18 End of 3rd Quarter - **EARLY RELEASE**..... 12:49pm
- 29 Soccer - Scrimmage (A - Amherst)..... 4:30pm

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

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# MMS Fishing Club Ice Fishing Outing

This February, members of the Mosinee Middle School Fishing Club went on their first annual Ice Fishing Expedition to Half Moon Lake. Thirty-five students attended the three hour fishing trip after school. They fished hard and had several bites and tip-ups, but only Mr. Fochs, an 8th grade math teacher, caught a fish. The club would like to thank all of the staff, parents, and grandparents that helped make this trip possible.



Pictured right: MMS Fishing Club members got to experience ice fishing on Half Moon Lake.

# MES Celebrates Kindness Week



Students at Mosinee Elementary School celebrated Kindness Week February 7th-11th. Each class was challenged to do 100 acts of kindness. Students wrote their initials inside a heart on a poster each time they completed a kind act. Teachers and students also discussed the importance of being the "I" in kind, and

took turns taking pictures in front of the "KIND" bulletin board. At the end of the week, the children celebrated all of their acts of kindness by enjoying juice and popcorn.

Pictured above: Second grader Maci Wanish is the "I" in the "KIND" bulletin board.

# Summer School Opportunities

The Mosinee School District is once again providing fun and engaging learning opportunities in the upcoming summer school program. Two sessions will be offered: **Session 1: June 13-30** and **Session 2: July 11-28**. (Classes will not be in session the week of July 4th.) Classes are Monday-Thursday, 7:50 am - 12 noon, unless otherwise noted.

Students entering kindergarten this fall will register for *Kickoff to Kindergarten* while 1st graders will register for *Fun in First Grade*.

Students entering grades 2-5 will have three elective classes per day, per session, including an academic enhancement period, while grades 6-12 are allowed four electives.

Some class offerings include, but are not limited to: free swim lessons, art, outdoor adventures, weightlifting, reading, math, science, history, hunters/boaters/ATV/snowmobile safety and more! An informational packet including a full class listing with descriptions will be sent home in early April, and online registration will open on April 27th at 6:00pm in Skyward.

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