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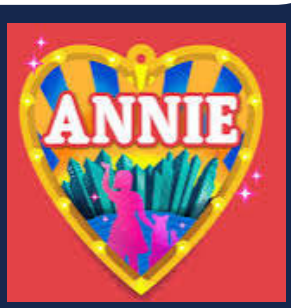
WISE ACADEMY NEWS

FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

On October 27th, WISE families traveled to the Overture Center for the Arts in Madison to enjoy the Annie musical! Students experienced the magic of live theater while enjoying this beloved story filled with music, laughter, and the reminder that brighter days are always ahead.

Experiences like these give students the opportunity to explore the performing arts, appreciate the creativity and talent behind a live production, and make meaningful connections beyond the classroom. What a wonderful day of learning, entertainment, and memories with WISE!







Check out their list of upcoming performances - looks like a great lineup! WISE will be offering trips for *The Lightning Thief* and *Charlotte's Web!* Stay tuned for sign-ups!

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

2nd, 9th, 16th - Native American Studies @ Virtual (experience 12/4)

5th - Old World Wisconsin @ Eagle 9:45 - 1:00 **CLOSED**

6th - Tree Tech @ Marshfield 8:30 - 11:30 **High school students only**

10th - CVTC Career Tour @ Eau Claire 9:15 - 12:15 **High school students**

16th - All Stars Urban Circus @ Appleton 12:30 **CLOSED**

17th - H.H. Bennett Studio @ Wisconsin Dells

20th - MSTC Discovery Day @ Stevens Point **4th - 8th grade**

December

1st - WI Herd Basketball @ Oshkosh 11:30 **RSVP by Nov. 1st**

5th - Nutcracker Ballet @ Wausau 1:30 **RSVP by Nov. 1st**

15th - Christmas Carol @ Madison 10:00 **CLOSED**

16th - Nutcracker Ballet @ Oshkosh 1:00 **RSVP by Dec. 1st**

May

14th - Year End Celebration @ Dells

Sign up here

WORD GAME

Looking for a fun word game?

Wordsmith begins with the first & last words revealed. You then have to guess the missing words after it that will make a 2 word phrase or another word. You get 5 lives. Submit guesses by pressing enter. If you get stuck, try working backwards! Try it with your kids to see who can get it first. Here's an example:

B	A	L	L	
P	A	R	K	
B	E	N	C	H
P	R	E	S	S
	B	O	X	

Did you know that word games are good for your health? They reinforce spelling & keep your mental dictionary accessible. It also exercises your logical reasoning & working memory. This all helps build neural pathways & stimulate neuroplasticity.



Click here to try Wordsmith today!

BOOK IT! REMINDER

PK - 6th gr students who read 30 minutes each day of the month are eligible to earn a free personal pan pizza from Pizza Hut!

Be sure you are filling out your October forms and getting them into mandy_tuttle@nekoosa.k12.wi.us by the 5th of November!

For those interested in the BOOK IT! Reading Program, click here for more information.

INTERNET REIMBURSEMENT

Just a reminder that WISE will reimburse up to $450 per family through family expenditures to subsidize the cost of remote learning.

You need to have 3 months of internet bills. Complete the google form & upload pictures of the bills by Dec. 11th.

Click here for more info & for a link to the form.

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WISE Year at a Glance

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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

CAREER EXPLORATION - TECH COLLEGE EVENTS

Mid-State - Tree Tech Days



Explore Aboriculture from the Ground Up: Students will get an inside look at arboriculture while exploring connections to forestry, conservation, skilled trades, environmental science, and other outdoor careers. The skills to climb higher are built here.

Friday, November 6th *from 8:30 am-2:45pm at Wisconsin Rapids campus.*
For high school ***juniors & seniors only, must be 16 or older.***
Click here for info & to register

NTC Showcase - Diesel & CDL Day

Ready to fuel your future? High school students are invited to Diesel and CDL Day, a hands-on introduction to two powerhouse career paths in diesel mechanics and transportation.

- Explore our Diesel Technician labs
- Learn about CDL training and career options
- Meet instructors and industry pros
- Discover how NTC can help you launch a high-demand, high-pay career

Whether you're interested in engines or driving big rigs, this is your chance to see where these careers can take you—no experience required!

November 11th *from 9:30 am - 12 pm in Wausau. For high school students only.*

Fox Valley Tech College - Nursing Program Info Session

This Nursing Information Session is designed to provide you with information about admission requirements for the nursing programs, class time information, prerequisites, and much more. For students interested in CNA, Licensed Practical Nursing, LPN to ADN Pathway program or Nursing Associate Degree.

Tuesday, November 10th *from 1-3 pm*
Located at the Appleton Main Campus

Job Shadow Opportunity - Faith Technologies Incorporated

Skilled Trades Job Shadow - Explore career opportunities in construction, manufacturing and technical fields.

Click here for more information on Faith Technologies Incorporated & to secure your spot for job shadowing.

Wednesday, November 11th from 8 am -3 pm
Little Chute, WI

Mid-State - Tech-Con 2.1

Located at MSTC in Stevens Point, students are invited to join in activities on website hacking, VR, AI, lock picking, soldering, programming, retro computing, cipher cracking, and MORE! Join WISE for this exciting day exploring all things computer science and IT! No experience necessary - if your student is interested in computer science and IT-related fields, this event is perfect for you!

Friday, November 13th *from 9am - 2pm. For high school students only.*

Email your teacher for info on how to register for these events! RSVPs Required

NOVEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

Durable skills are the essential skills that help us succeed in school, work, and everyday life. They include skills like communication, critical thinking, collaboration, adaptability, and problem-solving. Unlike skills tied to one specific job or subject, durable skills can be used anywhere, anytime, and throughout life.
At WISE, we focus on giving students real-world opportunities to practice, strengthen, and apply these skills through learning, activities, field trips, and everyday experiences.

Durable Skill of the Month:

CRITICAL THINKING

Critical Thinking is the ability to ask questions, analyze information, consider different perspectives, and make thoughtful decisions. For WISE students, this might look like **solving a challenging problem, evaluating information, exploring new ideas, or figuring out how to approach a task when there isn't just one right answer**. Through everyday learning and real-world experiences, students build confidence in their ability to think independently and make informed choices.



HOME CONNECTIONS:

Critical Thinking can be practiced every day! Encourage your student to **ask questions, solve puzzles, compare options, discuss different perspectives, and explain their reasoning**. Younger learners can predict what happens next in a story, while older students can evaluate online information or weigh pros and cons before making a decision. By staying curious and learning from mistakes, students strengthen this valuable lifelong skill!

WISE celebrates **Native American Heritage Month!**

Starting November 2nd, WISE is celebrating Native American Heritage Month by offering a series of virtual courses to learn more about Native American heritage through the following topics: food sovereignty, prominent figures, indigenous roots past & present, medicinal herbs & foraging, symbolism in the arts, and Native folklore & legends! On December 4th, the instructor invites studetns to the Nekoosa HoChunk Community Building for a day filled with hands-on activites, crafts, and a traditional meal.

On November 17, WISE is traveling to the H.H. Bennet Studio and Museum in Wisconsin Dells! Students will partake in a program that highlights topics such as community, inventions, technological change, and Ho-Chunk identity - a perfect connection to Native American Heritage Month!

Sign up for these opportunities on Wise Extras **HERE**