

April 13, 2026

WISE ACADEMY NEWS

FIELD TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

On April 10th, WISE families traveled to Hands on Deck Greenbay. Students worked hard on two great projects - a keepsake box and Mousetrap Race cars! They showed incredible focus, creativity, and craftsmanship as they designed, built, and tested their creations. It was a fun-filled day of hands-on learning, problem-solving, and making lasting memories together. We are so proud of our WISE students for their effort, positive attitudes, and willingness to try new things!



UPCOMING EVENTS

April

- 15th - YA Overview @ [Virtual](#)
- 16th - Brewer Game - History Day @ [Milwaukee](#)
- 22nd - Earth Day Clean-up @ [Nekoosa](#)
- 23rd - Central WI Environmental Center @ [Stevens Point](#)
- 27th - Bee Keeping @ [Ashwaubenon](#)
- 29th - Glass Art @ [Neenah](#)
- 30th - School House Rock @ [Eau Claire](#)

May

- 1st - Valley Troubadours' Anastasia @ [Neenah](#)
- 5th - Newsies Musical @ [Madison](#)
- 18th - Circus World @ [Baraboo](#)
- 29th - End of Year Celebration @ [Manitowoc](#)

[Sign up here](#)

DRUG PREVENTION COURSE

Nekoosa's Assistant Police Chief held a Drug Prevention Course for WISE families on April 7th.

Join Assistant Chief Josh Kolo from the Nekoosa Police Department as he talks about current drug trends in our area. Knowing what's actually out there helps you make smart choices and look out for your friends. This conversation is about facts—not fear—and giving you the knowledge to protect your health and your future.

[Click here to view the recording.](#)



EVERDAY PRACTICE - IT'S TAX WEEK

Looking for a way to teach students (or yourself) about taxes? The IRS has developed modules on the hows & whys of taxes. [Click here](#) to check them out.

The Hows of Taxes

Each module has a lesson plan & fact sheet to accompany.

Module 1: Payroll Taxes & Federal Income Tax Withholding

Module 2: Wage & Tip Income

Module 3: Interest Income

Module 4: Dependents

Module 5: Filing Status

Module 6: Exemptions

Module 7: Standard Deduction

Module 8: Claiming Child Tax Credit and Additional Child Tax Credit

Module 9: Tax Credit for Child and Dependent Care Expenses

Module 10: Education Credits

Module 11: Earned Income Credit

Module 12: Refund, Amount Due, and Recordkeeping

Module 13: Electronic Tax Return Preparation and Transmission

Module 14: Self-Employment Income and the Self-Employment Tax

The Whys of Taxes

There are 6 themes, each with 3-4 lessons per theme. Each theme has a slideshow to accompany it. Each lesson includes a lesson plan, worksheets, & assessments.

Theme 1: Your Role as a Taxpayer (4 lessons)

Theme 2: Taxes in U.S. History (6 lessons)

Theme 3: Fairness in Taxes (5 lessons)

Theme 4: What Is Taxed and Why (4 lessons)

Theme 5: Impact of Taxes (2 lessons)

Theme 6: Understanding the IRS (3 lessons)



IXL END-OF-YEAR WINDOW

The IXL end-of-year assessment window will be open:

April 27 - May 11



4K - 3RD LITERACY SCREENING

End-of-year literacy screening for 4K-3rd graders is happening now. Deadline is April 17th

END-OF-YEAR CELEBRATION

Our end-of-year celebration is coming quickly! Get ready for a day of farm fun with hands-on activities, friendly animals, and plenty of space to explore and play. It's the perfect place for families to connect, discover, and make lasting memories together!

[RSVP here](#)



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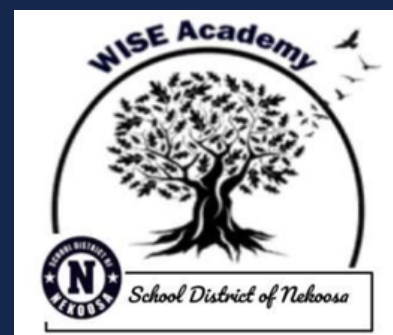
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HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Youth Apprenticeship (YA) Q&A 4/15 @ 10am Calling all 26-27 Junior/Senior Families!

WISE is hosting a 30-minute Q&A session for any 26-27 Junior/Senior family to learn more about Wisconsin's YA program for the 26-27 school year!

Eligibility

26-27 High school junior or senior
On track to graduate

Click [Here](#) for the Youth Apprenticeship (YA) Program Overview

Click [Here](#) to RSVP to Google Meet (4/15 @ 10am)

Q&A session will be recorded and linked to a later newsletter for those interested but unable to attend live

WPS TECH COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Are you a senior & a son/daughter of a Wisconsin Public Service Employee?
WPS is offering technical college scholarships to the following colleges:

- Fox Valley Technical College
- Lakeshore Technical College
- Northcentral Technical College
- Nicolet Technical College
- Mid-State Technical College
- Northeast Wisconsin Technical College



Wisconsin Public Service
Foundation

Deadline to apply is April 30th

[Click here for information](#)

BUILD YOUR RESUME

Looking for help to build a resume? Utilizing YouScience technology, students will form a resume fit for any job, scholarship, or college application they desire!

Upon booking, students will receive a login to YouScience's aptitude discovery portal and interest inventory to help drive our work together. It is asked that students complete these activities (amounting to 90 minutes or less) prior to our meeting.

Please reach out to your family's WISE teacher with questions.

[Click here to sign up](#) to meet with one of our WISE Teachers, Madison Skusevich, for a 1-on-1 resume workshop.

