Wauzeka-Steuben Buzz

301 E Main St. Wauzeka, WI 53826 September 2026



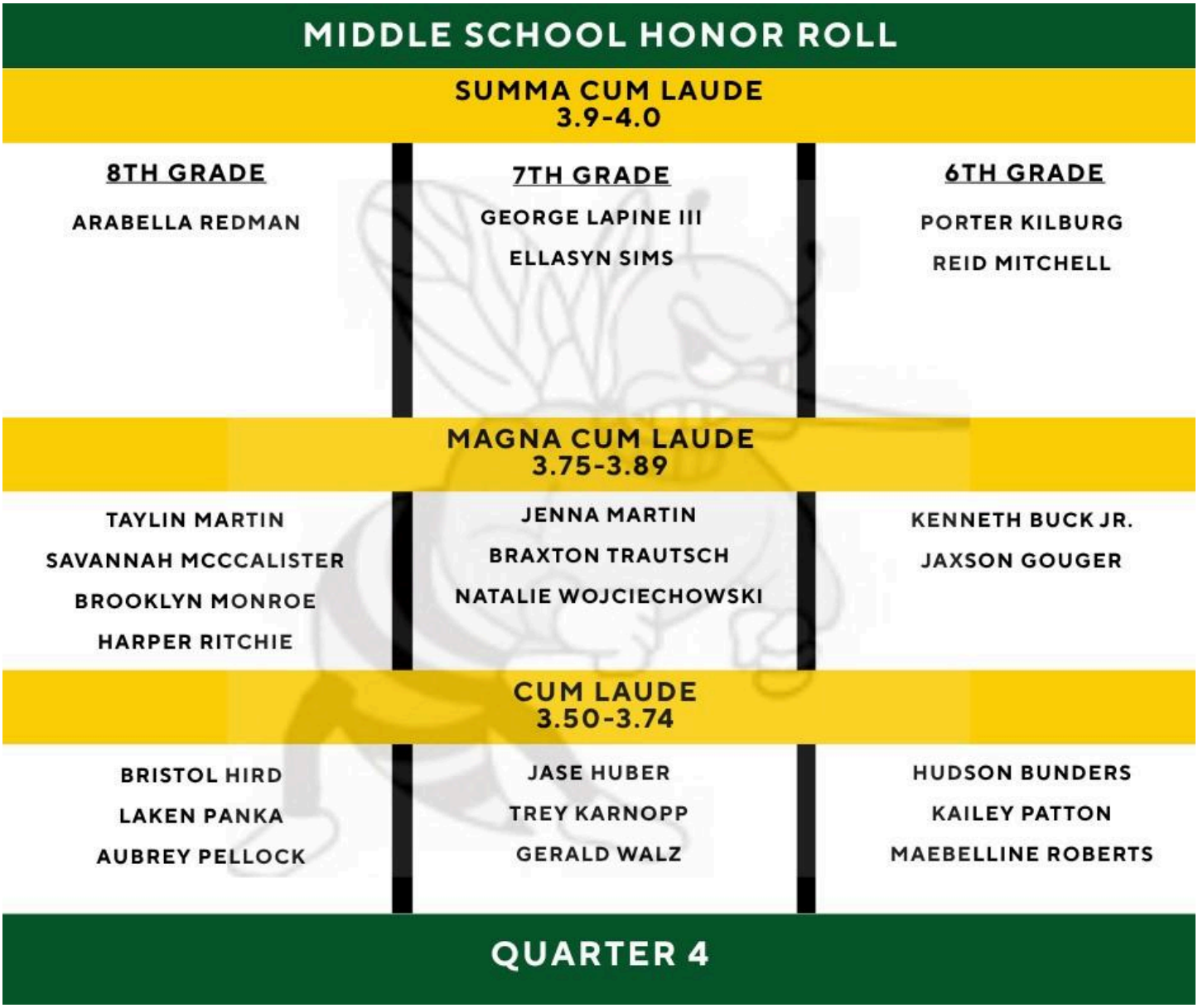
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Board of Education

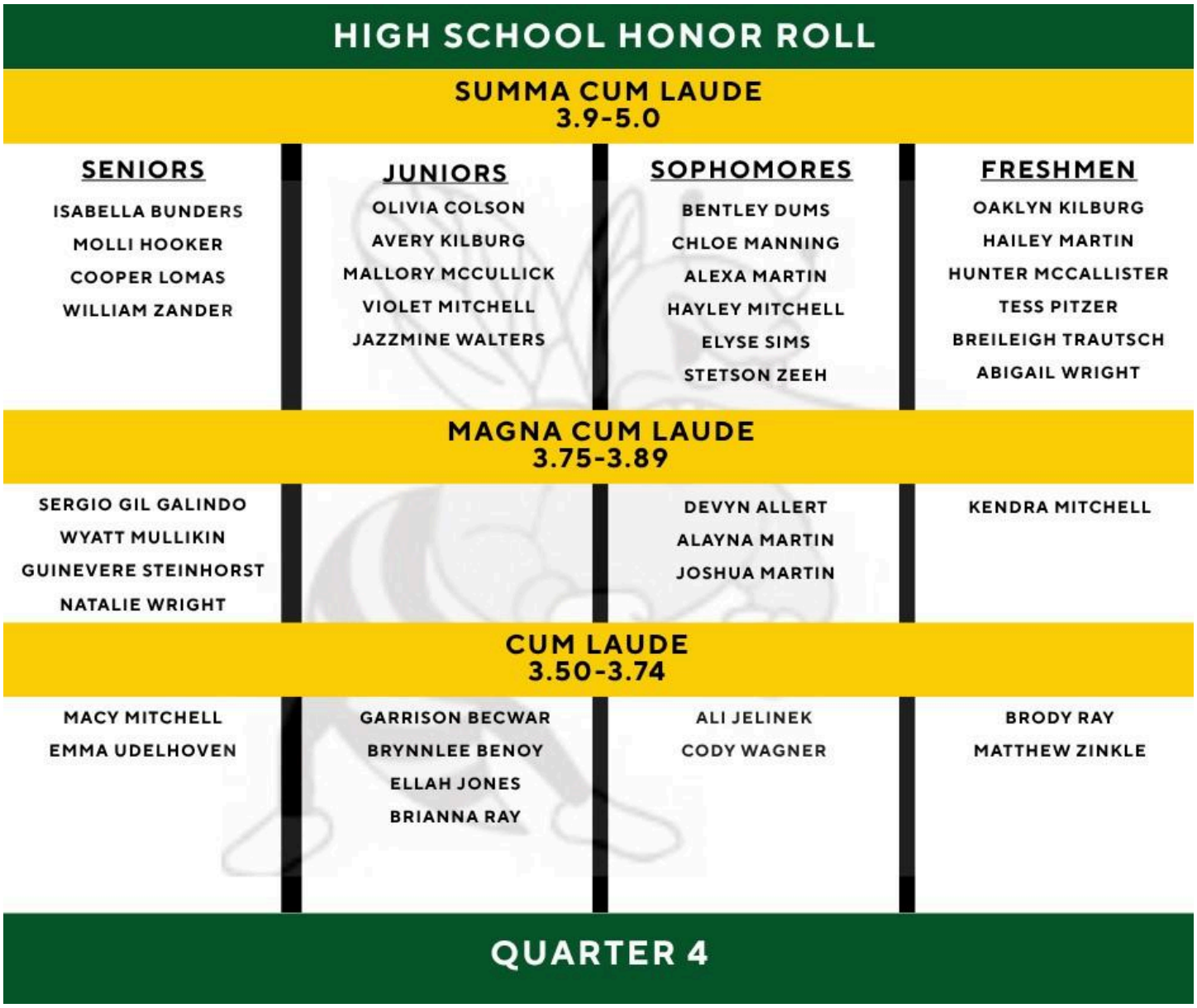
District Principal-Mrs. Tiffany Dums

Nikki Asleson-President Jessie Bird-Vice President Tom Martin-Clerk Ken Buck-Treasurer Brandon Millin-Member

Middle School 4th quarter Honor Roll



High School 4th quarter Honor Roll



College Board AP recognitions

Two of our current students have earned College Board AP recognitions for their performance across multiple AP Exams-and we're excited to have them enrolled in more AP courses this year. Congratulations to Avery and Violet!
And while they are the ones pictured here, we would like to also recognize our Class of 2026 AP Scholar, Molli Hooker, who is currently enrolled at UW-Stevens Point! We wish her the best.



FFA TRIP



Some of our FFA members had the opportunity to get out in the field this week!

Soil judging is such a great opportunity for our FFA members to learn more about the soils right here in our area, understand how they function, and discover ways we can protect and manage them for generations to come.

A huge THANK YOU to PDC FFA and all of the supporters who helped make this event possible and continue to invest in the next generation!





2026 COSTA RICA

In June, the W-S Spanish Club traveled to Costa Rica for an unforgettable adventure filled with exploration, learning, and fun!

Students toured the Doka Coffee Plantation and hiked through Poas Volcano National Park, La Paz Waterfall Gardens, and the Arenal Hanging Bridges. They explored the towns of Sarchi, La Fortuna, and Liberia while experiencing the beauty and culture of Costa Rica.

The trip was filled with exciting activities, including zip-lining through the jungle, snorkeling, a sunset catamaran tour, salsa lessons, and relaxing in the Negro River Hot Springs.

One of the highlights of the trip was the opportunity to volunteer at the Costa Rica Animal Rescue. Students got up close with several animals native to Costa Rica, including sloths, monkeys, iguanas, and toucans.

From adventure and cultural experiences to service and unforgettable memories, this trip was certainly one the students will remember for years to come.



2026 WAUZEKA-STEUBEN HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIP	RECIPIENT	AMOUNT
Wauzeka-Steuben FFA Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$150 each
	Macy Mitchell	
	William Zander	
Wauzeka-Steuben NHS/American Red Cross Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$200 each
	Molli Hooker	
	Cooper Lomas	
	Clint Mitchell	
	Macy Mitchell	
	Guinevere Steinhorst	
	Natalie Wright	
DAR Good Citizen Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$150
Community First Bank Scholarship	Emma Udelhoven	$500
Peoples State Bank/Lucile McCloskey-Doll Memorial Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$500 each
	Molli Hooker	
	Cooper Lomas	
	Macy Mitchell	
Free & Accepted Masons, Prairie du Chien, Lodge #8 Scholarship	Guinevere Steinhorst	$500
Karen Ward Memorial Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$350 each
	William Zander	
Emplify Health by Gundersen Boscobel Scholarship	Natalie Wright	$1,500
Robert E. Welsh Memorial Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$500
Katherine and A.P. Zinkle Scholarship	William Zander	$1,000
Curtis Bradley Groom Scholarship	Addison Mara	$500 each
	Macy Mitchell	
Everett C. Oman Memorial Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$1,500 each
	Molli Hooker	
	Macy Mitchell	
	Emma Udelhoven	
Wauzeka Lions Club Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$500 each
	Clint Mitchell	
	Macy Mitchell	
	Emma Udelhoven	
	Natalie Wright	
Wauzeka American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$500

Wauzeka Summer Rec Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$250 each
	William Zander	
Wisconsin Cattlemen's Association Scholarship	Macy Mitchell	$1,000
Be Like Blayke Memorial Scholarship	Theodore Millin	$500 each
	William Zander	
	Isabella Bunders	$250 each
	Molli Hooker	
	Cooper Lomas	
	Macy Mitchell	
Alma Smith Memorial Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$500 each
	Addison Mara	
Robert A. Achenbach Scholarship	Emma Udelhoven	$1,000 each
	Natalie Wright	
Thomas & Elizabeth Atkinson Memorial Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$250 each
	William Zander	
Steuben Community Club Scholarship	Macy Mitchell	$200
Crawford County American Legion	Natalie Wright	$200
Wauzeka American Legion Scholarship	Cooper Lomas	$300
Outstanding Senior Boy	Cooper Lomas	Medal
Outstanding Senior Girl	Molli Hooker	Medal
Scenic Rivers Energy Cooperative Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$1,000 each
	Macy Mitchell	
	Emma Udelhoven	
Wauzeka-Steuben Boosters Club	Isabella Bunders	$200 each
	Macy Mitchell	
	Emma Udelhoven	
	Natalie Wright	
	William Zander	
Roger and Patsy McCullick Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$500
Wauzeka-Steuben Alumni Scholarship	Cooper Lomas	$2,000
Crossing Rivers Health Foundation-Kevin Klean, DO, FAAOS Healthcare Professional Adversity Scholarship	Guinevere Steinhorst	$1,000

Partners of Crossing Rivers Health Scholarship	Isabella Bunders	$1,000
NFO Agriculture Scholarship	William Zander	$500
Wings Over Wisconsin Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$1,000
Good Will Scholarship	Theodore Millin	$500
Clayton County Pheasants Forever Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$500
New Horizons Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$500 each
	Clint Mitchell	
Premier Co-op Scholarship	Macy Mitchell	$500 each
	Emma Udelhoven	
Georgeine McCloskey Memorial Scholarship	Cooper Lomas	$5,000
	Molli Hooker	$3,000
	Isabella Bunders	$1,000
	Theodore Millin	$500
	Guinevere Steinhorst	$500
UW-Platteville Bob and Lucille (Pomerening) Copas Scholarship	Theodore Millin	$2,000
Technical Excellence Scholarship	Macy Mitchell	$2,250/year (3 years)
Academic Excellence Scholarship	Molli Hooker	$2,250/year (4 years)



Friend of Education Recognition

The School District of Wauzeka-Steuben is pleased to recognize Luann McCarthy as the recipient of the 2026 Friend of Education Award.

Luann dedicated many years to our district as a paraprofessional, where she made a lasting impact on countless students through her compassion, creativity, and unwavering commitment to education. Even in retirement, Luann continues to generously give her time, talents, and resources to support our students, staff, and community. She is known to many as Auntie Lu.

During her years in the classroom, Luann brought learning to life in unique and memorable ways. She created themed treats inspired by novels students were reading, helping to spark excitement and deepen engagement with literature. Each year, she also designed beautiful chalk murals for first grade students, creating a welcoming and joyful environment for our youngest learners. Her creativity extended to the high school as well, where she crafted crowns for dance royalty-an effort she continues to this day, maintaining a cherished tradition for our students.

Since retiring, Luann has remained deeply involved in the school community. One of her most beloved contributions is visiting the elementary school dressed as the Cat in the Hat, where she reads to students and sends them off with small gifts-an experience that leaves a lasting impression and fosters a love of reading. She continues to support student activities such as Hornet House Productions by donating her time, supplies, and treats, and in the past styling hair for student actors when needed. Luann's generosity extends beyond the classroom. She volunteers her time to walk students to and from the community daycare, ensuring their safety and well-being.

Additionally, she is an active participant in community events, offering her time and energy during Labor Day and Memorial Day activities. Luann McCarthy exemplifies what it means to be a Friend of Education. Her continued dedication, creativity, and kindness enrich the lives of students and strengthen the bond between school and community. Her impact is both meaningful and enduring, making her exceptionally deserving of this recognition.

Thank you for everything, Luann!



Student of the Year Recognition

Cooper Lomas was selected as student of the year. This process begins with nominations by teachers within our district. A list is then compiled of the nominees, and the staff then votes on who they think best fits within the following criteria.

Leadership - A student who takes an active role in co-curricular activities within our district, whether athletic or non athletic.

Involvement - a student who goes above and beyond the normal school day.

A student who is a pleasure to have in class.

A student who is a good role model for our younger students.

This is what staff had to say about Cooper:

This year's High School Student of the Year exemplifies excellence in every aspect of school life. Through a strong dedication to academics, involvement in athletics, and a commitment to personal growth, this student has consistently demonstrated what it means to lead by example. Their hard work, determination, and positive attitude have earned the respect of both peers and staff members alike. Whether in the classroom, on the court, on the field, or throughout the school community, they represent integrity, perseverance, and kindness. As a role model for younger students, they inspire others to work hard, stay involved, and strive to be their very best each day.

There is no better model of what it means to be a fully engaged student than this student has been. First of all, they are one of the top academic students in their class. Taking multiple AP courses on top of their normal case load is more than impressive, considering all of the other things they are involved in. They are a member, a captain, and a leader of three sports teams. They are involved in multiple clubs that require members to have good character and dedication. While doing all of these things, this student puts everything they have into them; you NEVER question their work ethic. This student is involved with giving back to his community and the younger students and has helped with camps, tournaments, and other school functions, where they have connected with the next generation of Hornets. They all look up to this student, and they have been a great example for them to look up to. This student is very respectful to students in the District, teammates on the field and court, teachers, and coaches. Whenever I needed something done, I knew I could count on this student more than any student in recent memory.

Congratulations to Cooper for this recognition!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SENIOR ATHLETES!

The Senior Athlete award is earned by current senior athletes, considered to be the most outstanding and accomplished athlete in their class. Each year, every coach is given the opportunity to share their insight when it comes to nominating and voting to choose our award winners.

Our female senior athlete was described as someone who was a great competitor in every sport she went out for as a multisport athlete. She is a team leader on and off the court or field. Her personal accolades as an All-Conference player in multiple sports demonstrate how much of an impact she has made over the last few years. Her exceptional work ethic and commitment level is something to admire. She has great team spirit and the ability to better those around her. She is also able to rise up and perform under pressure in key moments. Her presence will truly be missed.
The class of 2026 female senior athlete of the year is Isabella Bunders.

Our male senior athlete is someone who has been a member of many different athletic teams over his career as a multisport athlete. He has been a key contributor for all the teams, earning All-Conference in multiple sports. His performances and successes are a reflection of his dedication and time commitment to those teams as well as himself. On top of that, he was one of the best leaders as a member of those teams as well as in our school. His ability to never fear the big moment, or to be the one we looked to to try and make the big-time play, is something we will miss.
The class of 2026 male senior athlete of the year is Cooper Lomas.

Congratulations, Cooper and Isabella!



Wauzeka-Steuben School District was recently recognized by WI Reads as a top Standout School!

WI Reads is a nonprofit organization that supports and advocates for effective and evidence-based instructional methods that result in proficient readers. They completed a deep dive into the 2024-25 data on Wisconsin's performance on the Forward ELA-R and the Aimsweb screeners. After their data-based analyses, they found our district outperformed most others in our state in terms of reading achievement at the elementary level when controlling for student demographics.

Congratulations to our outstanding teachers, support staff, and administrators for this amazing success in teaching our children to read!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT ON RECEVIINH



EMMA UDELHOVEN PUNCHES HER TICKETS TO STATE!!!

Congratulations to Emma Udelhoven for her trip to State at La Crosse in the Pole Vault. We are so proud of you, Emma!!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE BASEBALL PLAYERS FOR EARNING ALL-CONFERENCE RECOGNITION!

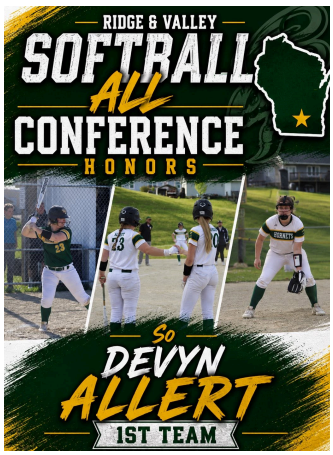
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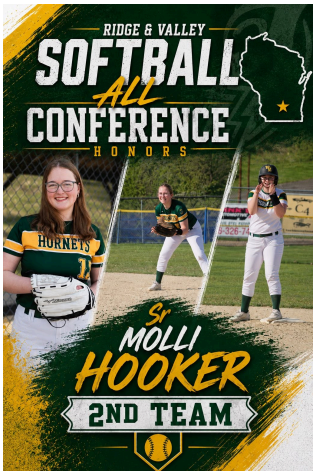
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SOFTBALL PLAYERS FOR EARNING ALL-CONFERENCE!

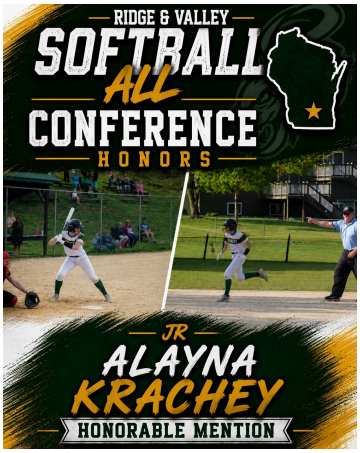








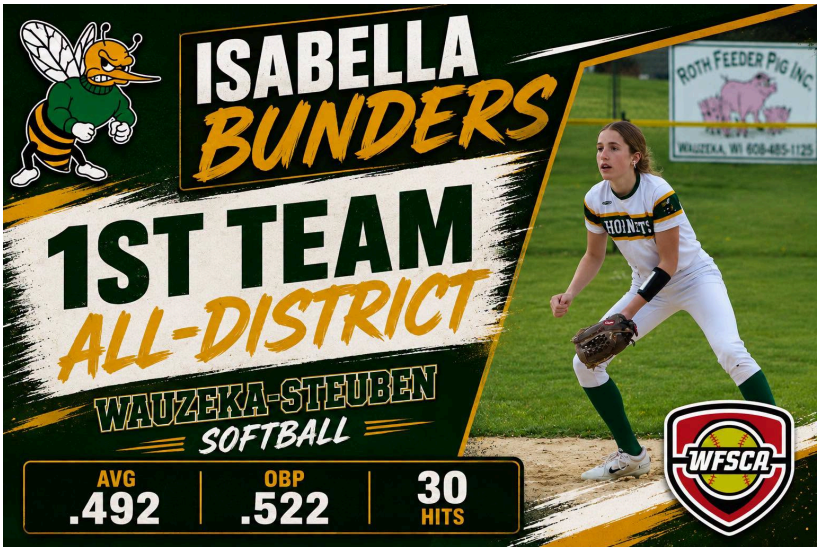








CONGRATULATIONS TO ISABELLA BUNDERS FOR EARNING 1ST TEAM ALL-DISTRICT HONORS!



WELCOME, NEW STAFF!



Mr. Depies is our new MS/HS teacher this year. Here is a little about Mr. Depies to help you get to know him.

"Hello! I'm Logan Depies, the new Wauzeka-Steuben High School Social Studies teacher. I look forward to meeting many of you and getting involved with your community.

When I'm not teaching I enjoy reading and researching history. I also love spending time outside fishing, as well as weightlifting, training martial arts, and thrifting."



Ms. White is our new MS/HS Science teacher. Here is a little about Ms. White to help you get to know her!

"Hi everyone! I'm Skylar White, and I'm excited to be joining the school as a new science teacher this year!

A little about me: I love staying active, spending time outdoors, and hanging out with my Golden Retriever puppy. I also enjoy working out, hiking, and watching/playing sports. I'm looking forward to getting to know my students and helping make science fun, hands-on, and full of curiosity.

I can't wait for a great school year. See you all soon!"



Brianna Esser is a new Paraprofessional. Here is a little about Brianna to get to know her!

"Hello! My name is Brianna Esser and I live in Boscobel with my boyfriend and two children. We have 2 dogs, a cat, and a hamster. In my free time I enjoy fishing, shopping, and playing outside with my kids. I am excited to join the team and meet all the amazing kids!"



Savanna Cauffman is a new Paraprofessional. Here is a little about Savanna to get to know her!

"Hi! My name is Savanna Cauffman. I am super excited to join Wauzeka as a paraprofessional this year!

A little about me: I love spending time outside and enjoy sports. My husband and I have two kiddos that keep us busy! I am looking forward to a great school year! "

Wauzeka-Steuben Book Fair

October 13-20, 2026
In the Hornet Library

Oct. 13 & 14
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Oct. 15- Early Release Day
Open- 2:00 pm – 6:30 pm
(Parent Teacher Conferences 4-7pm)

Oct. 19 & 20
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Crawford County Fair

FFA members were well represented at the Crawford County Fair this past weekend. We are proud of all Wauzeka-Steuben Students with their projects and animals! Congratulations to all!





Wauzeka Steuben 2026-2027 School Year **Notes from** the SCHOOL Nurse

Parent or Guardian of Wauzeka-Steuben Students,

Immunizations (also called vaccines or shots) are one of the most important ways to protect children from diseases. Immunizations are especially important for school-aged children because children in school are regularly in close contact with others who may be able to spread these diseases. Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and others, like the Academy of Pediatrics supports and follows the same immunization schedule as below.

For the upcoming school year, all students will need the following immunizations or an appropriate waiver.

Kindergarten-6th grades

4 doses of polio
4 doses of DTaP/DT/Td
3 doses of hepatitis B
2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) or history of disease documented by a qualified heath care professional
2 doses of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)

7th grade

All the previously required vaccines, plus:

1 dose of Tdap
1 MenACWY-containing vaccine

12th grade

All the previously required vaccines, plus a booster dose of a MenACYW-containing vaccine. Those students who have not received their first dose by age 16 should only receive one dose.

- All student's immunization records are available at the Wisconsin Immunization Registry (WIR) and are assessed throughout the year to check for compliance. A mandated state report is filed by the end of October.
- A Waiver Form (found on the school's web site or from school nurse) can be signed by parent/guardian for any vaccine(s); this is a form stating for a medical, personal conviction or religious reason that you choose to NOT have your child immunized. Unless this form is signed for the above immunizations required and your child is not up to date your child is considered out of compliance.

If there are questions about your child's immunization status please contact the school nurse, please leave a message if needed.

Michelle L Breuer RN, BSN
Wauzeka-Steuben School Nurse


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LOOKING FOR VENDORS
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Hornet Breakfast Cafe

October 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Hornet Sandwich	2 Cinnamon Roll
5 Breakfast Pizza	6 Cinnamon French Toast	7 Combo Bar	8 Scrambles Eggs w/bacon	9 Waffles w/sausage links
12 Sausage Gravy w/biscuit	13 French Toast w/sausage patty	14 Pretzel Bites w/cheese Muffins	15 Yogurt Parfaits	16 No School
19 Pancake Wrap w/syrup	20 Scramble eggs w/hash browns	21 Pancakes w/sausage links	22 Morning Stacker Hashbrown, Ham Cheese	23 Pancakes w/ Sausage Links
26 Sausage Gravy w/biscuit	27 Hornet Sandwich	28 Breakfast Potatoes Scrambled Eggs	29 Breakfast Pizza	30 Spooky Long johns

Hornet lunch Cafe

October 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Chili Dog Baked Beans Chips Peaches	2 Pizza Dippers Marinara sauce Pineapple, Cookie
5 BBQ Rib Patty w/bun Potato Wedges Banana	6 Meatballs w/gravy Mashed Potatoes Orange Slice	7 Beef Patty/bun Buttered Noodles Peaches	8 Build your own Cheeseburger Tater tots Green Beans Pineapple	9 Nachos Tater tots Fruit choice
12 Crispy or Grilled Chicken Patty w/bun Choice of toppings Fries Peaches	13 French Toast Sausage Links Cinnamon Roll Apple Slices	14 BBQ chicken w/bun Hashbrown Pears	15 Meatballs w/gravy Mashed Potatoes Orange Slice	16 No School
19 Choice of Pizza Corn Chips Cinnamon Apples	20 Orange Chicken Stir fry veggies Rice Pears	21 French Toast Sausage Links Cinnamon Roll Apple Slices	22 Chicken Gravy Over Mashed Potatoes Roll Orange slices	23 Pizza Dippers Marinara Sauce Pineapple, Cookie
26 Hornet Chicken Bowl Applesauce	27 Spaghetti Breadstick Corn	28 Baked Potato Ba Choice of: Toppings Peaches	29 Scalloped Potato w/ham, Roll Buttery Corn	30 Bat Burger w/bun Zoombie Fries Treat..

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Menu is subject to change

District News & Information

301 E Main St. Wauzeka. WI 53826 September 2026

School District of Wauzeka-Steuben, in accordance with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 and other Federal and State regulations, hereby declares that it is committed to the principle of equal education and employment opportunity and, accordingly, does not discriminate as to sex, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability. Any inquiries or complaints alleging non-compliance with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 or other Federal and State civil rights or nondiscrimination regulations shall be referred to District Administrator Dr. Dan Olson at the School District of Wauzeka-Steuben, 301 E. Main St., Wauzeka, WI 53826, (e-mail) olsondan@wauzeka.k12.wi.us (call) 608-875-5311 ext. 214 and/or Jamie Nutter, Title IX Coordinator of the School District of Wauzeka-Steuben, at Cooperative Educational Service Agency #3, 1300 Industrial Drive, Fennimore, WI 53809, (call) 1-608-822-2148 (e-mail) jnutter@cesa3.org.

Note: All career and technical education opportunities will be offered on a nondiscriminatory basis (without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, etc.) All students in qualifying grades are eligible for enrollment. For further information please contact District Principal Tiffany Dums (608)875-5311 ext. 211 or dumstiff@wauzeka.k12.wi.us.

Wauzeka Angels Fitness Center

Monthly Rates

$10 per adult W-S School District/Non District Resident plus $10 for key fob

Annual Membership Rate

$100 per adult W-S School District/Non District Resident plus $10 for key fob

*Rates are to cover maintenance and supervision expenses.



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Or drop off any information in the district office.
Next Submission Date: **October 16th**

Wauzeka, WI 53826

The Wauzeka-Steuben School District is utilizing a community-wide Resource Officer. Officer Alex Udelhoffen of the Crawford County Sheriff's Department will be available to the District during regular District hours. In case of an emergency, please call ***911****.*

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