

Wauzeka-Steuben Buzz

301 E Main St. Wauzeka, WI 53826

October 2025

Welcome Back to a New School Year

Dear Students, Families, and Community,

On behalf of the School District of Waubeka-Steuben, I am excited to welcome you to the start of the 2025-2026 school year! The beginning of a new school year always brings with it a special energy-a mix of excitement, anticipation, and opportunity.

As we begin this new year, we are committed to providing a safe, supportive, and engaging learning environment for every student. Our dedicated staff has been working hard to prepare classrooms, update resources, and plan meaningful learning experiences that will inspire growth and success.

This year, we look forward to building on our strong partnerships with families and the community. Together, we can ensure that every child feels valued, challenged, and supported in reaching their full potential.

Thank you for your continued trust and collaboration. Let's make this a year of learning, discovery, and achievement for all.

Best wishes for a successful and rewarding school year!

Sincerely,

Dr. Dan Olson

Interim District Administrator

New Teacher/Staff Introductions



Dr. Dan Olson - Interim District Administrator

What is your favorite part about Wauzeka so far?

My favorite part about Wauzeka so far is the welcoming environment, the positive school culture, and the caring staff. It's clear that people here truly value both education and community, which makes this a special place to be.

What are you most excited about for this school year?

I am most excited about the opportunity to contribute to the continued success of the Wauzeka-Steuben School District. I look forward to working together with staff, students, families, and community members to build on the district's strengths and create even more opportunities for our

students.

What is one fun fact about yourself?

A fun fact about me is that I recently became a grandparent. My granddaughter, Margot, is seven months old, and she brings so much joy to my family.

Ms. Collum - Special Education Teacher

What is your favorite part about Wauzeka so far?

Overall it is a great atmosphere! Everyone I have met has been very welcoming. All the staff are very helpful as I adjust to this new position and are wonderful about answering all my questions. The students are polite, respectful, and fun.

What are you most excited about for this school year?

Working with my students to promote not only their growth in academics, but as people.

What is one fun fact about yourself?

I have been to every continent except Australia.





Hannah Bunders - Office Secretary

What is your favorite part about Wauzeka so far?

So far, my favorite part about Wauzeka is how welcoming and friendly everyone has been.

What are you most excited for this school year?

I am excited to meet all the students and families.

What is one fun fact about yourself?

A fun fact about me is I love all things sports and outdoors.

Trudie Teynor - Bus Driver

What is your favorite part about Wauzeka so far?

I love the small community.

What are you most excited about this year?

Getting to know the students.

What is a fun fact about yourself?

I drove semi my whole adult life and then recently became a bus driver.



Mrs. Nelson - 4th Grade Teacher

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka so far?

My favorite thing about Wauzeka so far is the strong sense of community; it truly feels like a family where everyone supports one another.

What are you most excited about this school year?

I'm most excited to get to know my students and watch them grow throughout the school year, both academically and personally.

What is a fun fact about you?

A fun fact about me is that I played basketball at UW-Platteville!

Mrs. Beers - Special Education Teacher

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka so far?

How friendly the students and staff are. Everyone has been very welcoming and helpful which is great when you are starting a new career.

What are you most excited about this year?

I am most excited about being able to work with students of all ages. I enjoy getting to know the students in the building. I am excited to support their personal and educational growth as a teacher.

What is one fun fact about yourself?

I enjoy being outside and enjoying the fresh air. I recently took up the hobby of trap shooting.



Mrs. Noel - Music Teacher

What is your favorite part of Wauzeka so far?

I like the school spirit and friendly faces.

What are you most excited about this school year?

I am most excited to see the students learn and grow and have fun with music!

What is a fun fact about yourself?

I have played piano for this school for MANY years - so a lot of the kids already know me. Also I just got married so my name will be changing to Mrs. Noel.

Welcome

PBIS ASSEMBLY

The elementary students enjoyed a fun-filled afternoon outside celebrating the end of the school year! Various games and face painting took place. We also recognized our Serene Starfishes while enjoying popsicles.



Elementary Students of the Month



Cam (Kindergarten). Cam has worked very hard this year on growing and improving in his Kindergarten skills. He was always eager to learn and never became upset or discouraged if things were challenging. Cam has shown great perseverance in his work ethic and improving skills. Cam is a very thoughtful and polite student. Cam's had a great year of growth and personal improvement. Mrs. Cathy is so proud of all of his hard work.

Jonathan (1st Grade). Jon is a very sweet and helpful student to have in class. He is always happy when he comes to school and comes with the biggest smiles. He is always so helpful when his classmates or teacher need help with anything. He always tries his best when doing anything inside and outside the classroom even when something might be difficult for him. Mrs. Knowles knows Jon will do great things in the future. Keep up the great work!



Eli (2nd Grade) Eli finished the year strong and rocked his final projects and tests! He kept doing his best even though the end of the year was nearby. He has been a great role model in the class this year and a stellar student. Ms. Rimkus loved having him in class for two years and will miss his quick wit and clever comments.

Ella (3rd Grader) Ella has a positive attitude in the classroom and is always willing to help others when it is needed. She has a great sense of humor and is kind to all she encounters. Ella is always coming to school prepared and on time with her work completed with great quality which demonstrates great responsibility. She does an excellent job taking on responsibility for her own learning by asking questions when more explanation is needed for understanding. When given time in class to work, she always makes the most of that time and gets to work without having to be redirected and works with great stamina. She always follows the PBIS expectations where she is safe, responsible, and respectful which sets a very nice example for all. She is the epitome of a great role model and is very deserving of SOTM Honors!



Coy (4th Grade) Coy is an enthusiastic learner who loves being in school! He always brings a positive attitude to the classroom and is truly committed to giving his best. With a great sense of curiosity, he eagerly embraces new challenges and takes ownership of his learning. Coy is a wonderful team player, working well with both his teacher and classmates, and he's always polite with good manners. He follows classroom rules like a pro and stays focused on his tasks. He's well deserving of Student of the Month!

Reid Mitchell (5th Grade) Reid has been a constant source of joy the entire school year. His laid back nature and calm presence not only puts others at ease but also fosters a positive learning environment for everyone. Reid is incredibly hard-working and consistently demonstrates a strong commitment to his studies. He tackles challenges with determination and never hesitates to lend a helping hand to classmates in need. Reid is kind to everyone and is someone who can be trusted and depended upon. Reid thinks for himself, makes smart choices, goes above and beyond with his work, and is overall a model student. Congratulations on this well-deserved recognition. We are proud to have you as a part of our school community! Keep up the amazing work!



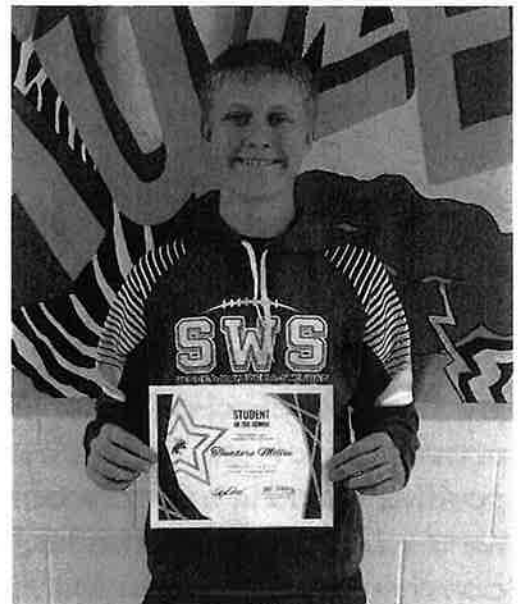
MS/HS Students of the Month

Adam Gehrke (7th Grade) Adam has been a great student in my class. He comes to class prepared and ready to learn. He completes assignments in a timely manner and always does his best. If he is unsure of something, he will ask questions.

Matthew Zinkle (8th Grade) Matthew is a fun and positive presence in class, and is respectful to both his teachers and classmates. Matthew's sense of humor makes the classroom more enjoyable, and he balances that with being a natural leader. He sets a great example for others through his actions and attitude.

Devyn Allert (9th Grade) Devyn is a tremendous addition to the classroom. She completes work on time and in good fashion and is always available to help others when they have questions.

Theodore Millin (11th Grade) In working with him throughout the school play, he consistently comes prepared and accepts critiques, both from the teachers and his peers. Theo always comes with a good attitude and is eager to learn. While maintaining a good GPA, he is also very active in extracurriculars, with sports, theater, and clubs. He is respectful to all teachers and kind and friendly to other students. He perpetually sets a good example for not only younger students, but also his peers.



2025 WAUZKA-STEUBEN HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIP	RECIPIENT	AMOUNT
Wauzeka-Steuben FBLA Scholarship	Brett Wagner	\$200
Wauzeka-Steuben FFA Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$150 each
	Parker McCullick	
Wauzeka-Steuben Hornet Council Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$150 each
	Emma Wall	
Wauzeka-Steuben NHS/American Red Cross Scholarship	Trisha Gillitzer	\$250 each
	Zoey Jelinek	
	Brooke Mitchell	
	Emma Wall	
DAR Good Citizen Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$150
Wisconsin Elks Association Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$1,500
Peoples State Bank/Lucile McCloskey-Doll Memorial Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$500
Karen Ward Memorial Scholarship	Trisha Gillitzer	\$500
Patti Harvat Memorial Scholarship	Trisha Gillitzer	\$500 each
	Zoey Jelinek	
Free & Accepted Masons, Prairie du Chien, Lodge #8 Scholarship	Zoey Jelinek	\$500
Curtis Bradley Groom Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$500 each
	Emma Wall	
Everett C. Oman Scholarship	Trisha Gillitzer	\$1,300 each
	Zoey Jelinek	
	Parker McCullick	
	Ruger Paetz	
Wauzeka Lions Club Scholarship	Parker McCullick	\$500 each
	Brooke Mitchell	
	Brett Wagner	
	Emma Wall	
Wauzeka American Legion Scholarship	Brett Wagner	\$300
Outstanding Senior Boy	Brett Wagner	Medal
Outstanding Senior Girl	Emma Wall	Medal
Wauzeka American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship	Emma Wall	\$500
Wauzeka Veterans Memorial Committee Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$500
Katherine and A.P. Zinkle Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$1,000
Crossing Rivers Health Foundation-Kevin Klean, DO, FAAOS Healthcare Professional Adversity Scholarship	Trisha Gillitzer	\$1,000
Gundersen Boscobel Area Hospital and Clinics Scholarship	Zoey Jelinek	\$1,000
Thomas & Elizabeth Atkinson Memorial Scholarship	Savannah Swatek	\$500

Community First Bank Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$500 each
	Ruger Paetz	
Be Like Blayke Memorial Scholarship	Trisha Gillitzer	\$500 each
	Brooke Mitchell	
	Savannah Swatek	
	Lexie Lathrop	\$250 each
	Kiley Manning	
	Parker McCullick	
Alma Smith Memorial Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$500
SWTC Lenz Endowment Scholarship	Haleigh Nickolai	\$2,000
SWTC Molini Family Scholarship	Haleigh Nickolai	\$250
Wauzeka Summer Rec Scholarship	Parker McCullick	\$250 each
	Brett Wagner	
Wauzeka Teacher's Association Scholarship	Savannah Swatek	\$200
Steuben Community Club Scholarship	Emma Wall	\$200
Crawford County American Legion	Brooke Mitchell	\$200
Scenic Rivers Energy Cooperative Scholarship	Trisha Gillitzer	\$1,000 each
	Elizabeth Wright	
Wauzeka-Steuben Boosters Club	Zoey Jelinek	\$200 each
	Kiley Manning	
	Parker McCullick	
	Emma Wall	
Wauzeka-Steuben Alumni Scholarship	Brett Wagner	\$2,000
Boscobel Area Sportsman's Inc. Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$1,000
Whitetails of Wisconsin Scholarship	Zoey Jelinek	\$500
Wings Over Wisconsin Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$1,000
Wisconsin Cattlemen's Association Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$1,000
Vernon County Cattlemen's Association Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$500
Grant County Cattlemen's Association Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$500
Good Will Scholarship	Elizabeth Wright	\$500
Premier Co-op Scholarship	Zoey Jelinek	\$500
New Horizons Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$500
Compeer Financial Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$1,500
Crawford County 4-H Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$250
National Honor Society Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$3,200
Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church	Brooke Mitchell	\$1,000
Georgeine McCloskey Memorial Scholarship	Brooke Mitchell	\$3,000
	Brett Wagner	\$3,000
	Emma Wall	\$2,000
	Trisha Gillitzer	\$1,000
	Kiley Manning	\$1,000

	Elizabeth Wright	\$1,000
UW-Milwaukee Chancellor's Merit Scholarship	Brett Wagner	\$1,000
UW-Milwaukee Black and Gold Scholarship	Brett Wagner	\$500
UW-Platteville Bob and Lucille (Pomerene) Copas Scholarship	Savannah Swatek	\$1,000
NIACC Helen Perkins Thompson Scholarship	Emma Wall	\$1,000
NIACC Noreen H. Barkema Scholarship	Emma Wall	\$1,000
Technical Excellence Scholarship	Parker McCullick	\$2,250/year (3 years)
Academic Excellence Scholarship	Zoey Jelinek	\$2,250/year (4 years)

TRACK AND FIELD AWARDS

Congratulations to the following Track & Field athletes on receiving All-Conference Honors!

1st Team All-Conference:

Emma Udelhoven

2nd Team All-Conference:

Alayna Martin

Hayley Mitchell

Ellah Jones

Macy Mitchell

Isabella Bunders

Natalie Wright

Elizabeth Wright

Emma Wall

Honorable Mention:

Claire Wright

Stella Walz

Sportsmanship Team:

Julius Cooley

Brynnlee Benoy

SOFTBALL/BASEBALL AWARDS

Congratulations to the softball players/coaches on receiving All-Conference Honors:

1st Team All-Conference:

Emma Wall

Brianna Ray

Isabella Bunders

Kylie Manning

2nd Team All-Conference:

Claudia Walz

Sophia Walz

Honorable Mention:

Devyn Allert

Sportsmanship Team - Avery Kilburg

Pitcher of the Year - Brianna Ray

Player of the Year - Emma Wall

Coach of the Year - Dustin Smith

Congrats to the baseball players for receiving All-Conference Honors:

1st Team All-Conference:

Cooper Lomas

2nd Team All-Conference:

Brett Wagner

Honorable Mention:

Bentley Dums

Sportsmanship Team - Ruger Paetz

October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1.	2. MS/HS CC @ Kickapoo 4:00 PM MSFB vs Boscobel 5:00 PM MSVB @ Weston 6:00 PM	3. FB vs Potosi/Cassville @ Wauzeka 7:00 PM	4.
5.	6. JVFB @ Potosi/Cassville 5:00 PM MSVB vs NC 6:00 PM	7. CC @ River Ridge 4:00 PM VB vs Weston 6:00 PM Soccer @ Dodgeville 5:00 PM	8.	9. MSFB @ Westby 5:00 PM MSVB vs Boscobel 5:00 PM VB @ Weston 6:00 PM	10. FB @ River Ridge 7:00 PM	11. CC @ Riverdale 9:00 AM
12.	13. JVFB vs River Ridge @ Seneca 5:00 PM	14. MSVB @ Desoto 5:00 PM VB vs Ithaca 6:00 PM Soccer @ PDC High vs Platteville/Lancaster 5:00 PM	15.	16. CC Conference @ Desoto MSFB vs Viroqua @ Seneca 5:00 PM VB vs Kickapoo 6:00 PM Soccer @ Wis Height 5:00 PM	17. FB vs Boscobel @ Seneca 7:00 PM	18.
19.	20. JVFB @ Boscobel 5:30 PM School Board meeting	21.	22. MSBB 1st practice	23. Early Release 1:30	24. No school	25. CC Sectionals @ PDC
26.	27.	28.	29.	30.	31. Halloween	



BREAKFAST

HORNET CAFE

OCTOBER
2025

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Sausage Gravy
w/biscuit

PBJ

Pretzel Bites
w/cheese
Muffins

Breakfast Pizza

French Toast
w/sausage patty

Bacon, Egg, Cheese
On Croissant

Omelet
w/potato spuds

Pretzel
w/cheese

French Toast
w/bacon

Pancake Wrap
w/syrup

Choice of
Muffins or Strudel
w/hash brown

Breakfast
Pizza

**No
School**

Sausage Gravy
w/biscuit

Yogurt
Parfaits

Combo Bar

Scramble eggs
w/hash browns

Tricky Treat
Long John



This Institution is an equal opportunity provider

Menu is subject to change

Variety of milk and juice offered daily

Lunch 2025

HORNET CAFE

OCTOBER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BBQ Rib Patty 6 w/bun Potato Wedges Banana	 Taco Bar 7 Mexican Rice Applesauce	Chili Dog 1 Baked Beans Chips Peaches	Popcorn chicken 2 Cheesy Potatoes Wg Roll Apple slices	Nachos 3 Tater tots Fruit choice
Orange Chicken 13 Stir Fry Veggies Rice Applesauce	Meatballs w/ gravy 14 Mashed Potatoes Orange Slice	Corn Dog 8 Buttered Noodles Peaches	Hornet Bowl 9 Mashed Potatoes Gravy, Corn Strawberries	School made 10 Mac & Cheese Bread Stick Applesauce Cup
Mac & Cheese 20 Hash brown Baked Beans	Chicken Spaghetti 21 Breadstick Green Beans	Pizza Burgers 22 Glazed Carrots Baked Beans Pears	French Toast 23 Sausage Links Cinnamon Roll Apple Slices	No School 24
Spaghetti 27 w/meat sauce Breadstick Corn	Crispy or Grilled 28 Chicken Patty w/bun Choice of toppings Fries Peaches	Chili Cheese Hot Dog 29 w/bun Hash brown	Taco Bar 30 Mexican Rice Applesauce	SCARY SPAGHETTI 31 GHOULISH BREAD STICK SPOOKY TREAT

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Hog Roast & Live Auction

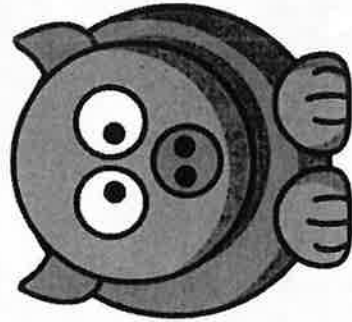
Fundraiser

Saturday, October 18, 2025

Doors open at 3 pm

Live Auction starts at 7 pm

Hosted by Booster Club



Raffles

Basket Raffles: 50/50 raffle,
and other various raffles
available throughout the
evening.

Hog Roast

Serving 4pm - 6pm

\$10

Delivery available within
Wauzeka.

Please call Staci at 608-790-2473
by Thursday, October 16, 2025 for
delivery pre-orders.

Live Auction

Starts at 7 pm



Hornet House Productions

The W-S Hornet House Presents:

Footloose

the
musical

YOUTH EDITION

Admission

\$5.00

4 & Under

FREE

November

Thursday 6

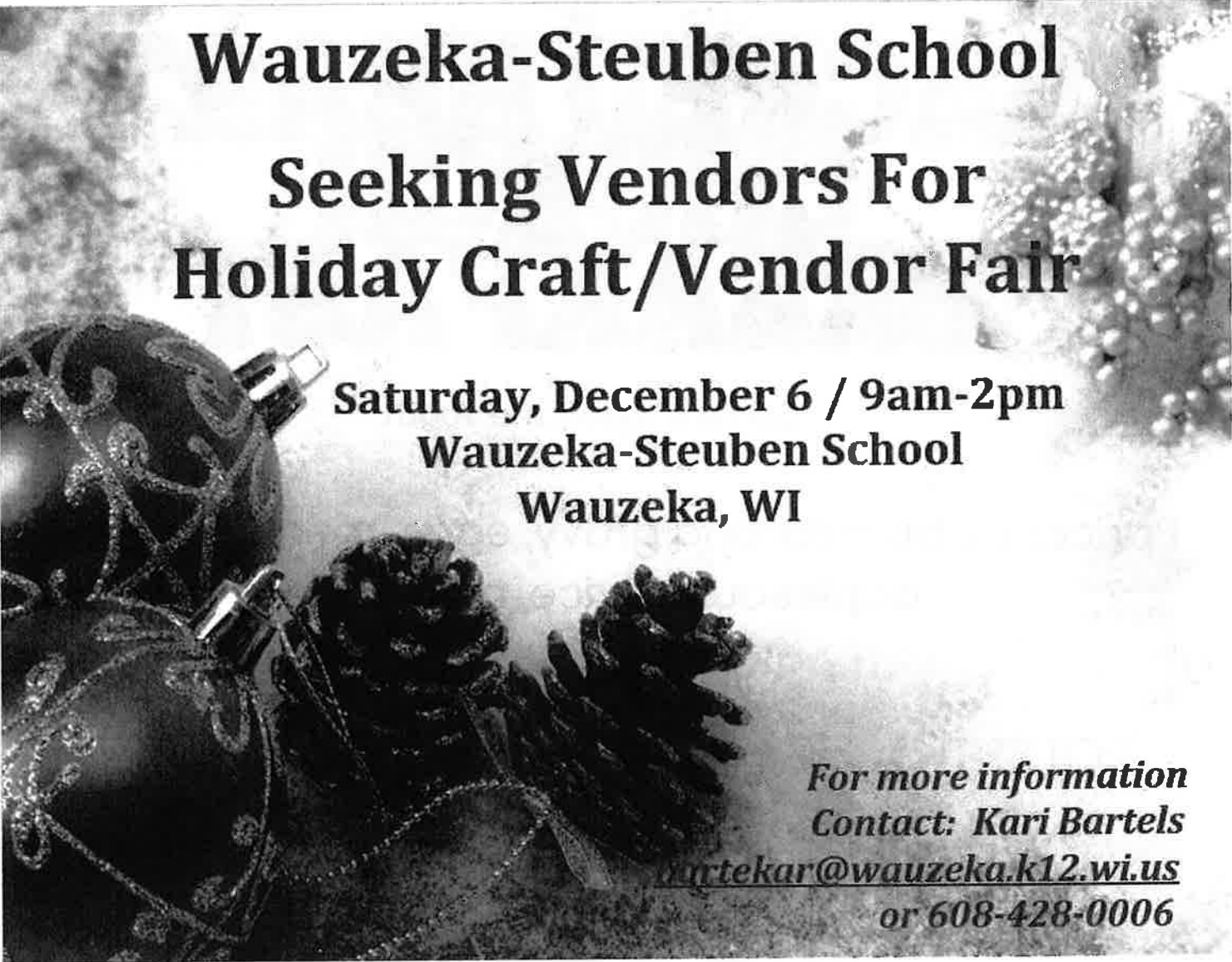
Friday 7

Saturday 8

7:00 pm Doll Gym

CONCORD
THEATRICALS

Tickets go on sale in the District Office Monday, Oct. 13th



Wauzeka-Steuben School Seeking Vendors For Holiday Craft/Vendor Fair

**Saturday, December 6 / 9am-2pm
Wauzeka-Steuben School
Wauzeka, WI**

*For more information
Contact: Kari Bartels
bartekar@wauzeka.k12.wi.us
or 608-428-0006*

SACRED HEART CHURCH BREAKFAST

Come support the youth.

Pancakes, biscuits and gravy, eggs, meat, sweet rolls,
applesauce, juice, milk, coffee

QUILT
RAFFLE



BASKET
RAFFLES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

7:30 - 10:30 A.M.

SACRED HEART CHURCH HALL, WAUZEKA

District News & Information

301 E Main St. Wauzeka WI 53826

October 2025

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

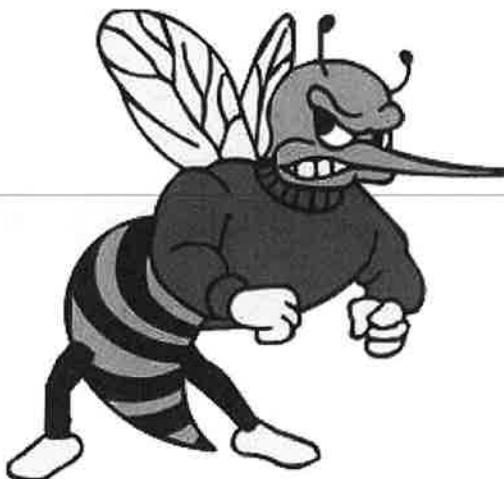
Monthly Rates

\$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.



Substitutes Needed

State law has recently changed allowing more flexibility on the requirements people need to be a substitute teacher or support staff. If you are interested in being a substitute please contact District Administrator Dr. Dan Olson via email: olsondan@wauzeka.k12.wi.us or by phone (608)875-5311 ext. 214.

Substitutes needed:

- Food Service
- Bus Drivers
- Para professionals



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Wauzeka-Steuben Buzz

Send community events that you would like to be
included in the newspaper to:

Alissa Mullikin at mulliali@wauzeka.k12.wi.us
Or drop off any information in the district office.
Next Submission Date: **October 15th**

Steuben, WI 54657

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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