



# MUSTANG MINUTES

**Manz Elementary**  
**1000 E. Fillmore Ave. Eau Claire, WI 54701**  
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December 2023

## Welcome to Manz Elementary!

### Important Links

[Manz Website](#)

[Manz Facebook](#)

[Breakfast and Lunch](#)

[Menu](#)

[ECASD Website](#)

[District Calendar](#)

[Community Resources](#)

### What's Happening in December?

Mon Dec 4<sup>th</sup> ..... PTA Bingo Night Planning Mtg 6pm (library)

Tues Dec 5<sup>th</sup> ..... Manz Dairy Queen Night 5-10pm (Golf Rd)

Wed Dec 6<sup>th</sup> ..... RCU School \$ense

Tues Dec 12<sup>th</sup> ..... PTA Meeting 6pm in library

Wed Dec 13<sup>th</sup> ..... RCU School \$ense

Tues Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> ..... 5<sup>th</sup> grade South Middle School Music Visit

Wed Dec 20<sup>th</sup> ..... RCU School \$ense

Thurs Dec 21<sup>st</sup> ..... Snow Tea

Fri Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> ..... All School Meeting

Winter parties

**December 25<sup>th</sup> through January 2<sup>nd</sup> ..... No School**

**Come back to school on Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**Fridays are always SCHOOL SPIRIT days! Wear red/blue and/or Manz apparel!**

### Beat Boredom over winter break!

The L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library has activities for all ages!

Click below for more specific information!

- [LE Phillips Public Library Calendar of Events](#)
- [LE Phillips Public Library Winter Break Activities](#)





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## Get ready for Royal Credit Union's *All Student Challenge*!



All Manz students have an opportunity to take part in the Royal Credit Union **All Student Challenge** to strengthen their money skills. Students will receive activity sheets in their classrooms and can return completed sheets to their teacher by **Wednesday December 13 by 9:00am** to be entered in a drawing for one of two shopping sprees at the Royal School \$ense prize table!!

Students do **NOT** need to be a member of Royal to participate in the challenge – **EVERYONE** can join in on the fun!

### **'Tis the Season for Saving!**

Remember that Royal donates \$250 to Manz for every 500 deposits made. We are off to a great start and already have 284 deposits! Your Royal School \$ense location is open on Wednesdays each week to help your child get excited about saving and helping their school. If you are already a saver, please fill out the transaction slip inside your blue pouch before you make a deposit. You can even practice counting your deposit on the back of the transaction slip!

If you want to learn how to start saving at school with Royal School \$ense, please contact Rachel Orlovsky at [rachel.orlovsky@rcu.org](mailto:rachel.orlovsky@rcu.org).

***Happy Holidays from your Royal School \$ense Team!***



*Did you know...*

*Manz Elementary was recognized at the ECASD Board Meeting on November 27<sup>th</sup> for the Identity Project that each grade completed?*

*Want to hear more about the project and why it was selected? Click [here](#) to watch the meeting (all info regarding the project is at the beginning along with a Manz family saying the Pledge of Allegiance). Start at 31:00 min 😊*

# MHS Orchestra Cookie Walk & Carnival

**December 9, 2023  
Noon to 2:30**

**Memorial High School Cafeteria**

- **FREE ADMISSION**—Everyone welcome
- **Homemade Cookies**—sold by the pound \$9.00
- **Holiday Music**-Performed by MHS Orchestra and friends
- **Kid's Crafts, Games, Instrument Petting Zoo**

## Having Small Talks to Make a Big Impact

Short, frequent conversations with your kids about preventing underage drinking and other drug use can make a big impression. This winter holiday season, talk with your kids about the risks of substance use and set expectations for them.

Visit these resources to get tips on how to starting talking:

[www.underagedrinking.samhsa.gov](http://www.underagedrinking.samhsa.gov)

[www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/small-talks](http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/small-talks)

## Why Small Conversations Make a Big Impression

- ✓ Short, frequent discussions can make a real impact on your child's decisions about alcohol.
- ✓ Talking can build an open, trusting relationship with your child.
- ✓ Many little talks are more effective than one "big talk."

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This information is provided by the Eau Claire Health Alliance - Substance Misuse Action Team, which works to prevent alcohol, tobacco, and other drug misuse. Learn more at: [echealthalliance.org](http://echealthalliance.org)



# Manz PTA News



## **Bingo Night Planning Meeting!**

Monday December 4<sup>th</sup>, 6pm in the library!

Come help give your ideas and plan the annual Bingo Night which will be held in February this year! We would love to see you there!

Contact Etta Larson, Manz PTA Vice President, if you have questions or if you cannot attend but want to be included in the communications. [etta.larson@gmail.com](mailto:etta.larson@gmail.com)



**Join the Manz PTA, this is your opportunity to help our school.** It is also a way to have a voice on PTA activities, every voice matters. Membership is \$8.00. For a copy of the PTA membership form click [HERE](#). Please complete and send the completed form along with the \$8.00 to school with your child or sign up online.

**Or use the QR code and pay online!**

The PTA currently has 30 members, and they would love more to join the group! Email [ecasdmanzpta@gmail.com](mailto:ecasdmanzpta@gmail.com) for more information.

Next Meeting: December 12th- held in the Manz library. Come at 6:00pm to meet other parents!

PTA minutes can be found on the Manz Website <https://www.ecasd.us/Manz-Elementary/About/PTA>

### **PTA Officers**

President –Curtis Deprey

Vice President – Etta Larson

Secretary –Sarah Neitzke

Treasurer –Jenn Phillips