



Memorial High School Weekly

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Thursday, March 31st, 2022

Memorial High School Calendar

April

- 9 District Solo/Ensemble Chippewa Falls, HS
- 15 No School – Break
- 18 No School – Staff PD
- 26 9th and 10th Grade ACT Aspire
- 29/30 Musical “The Drowsy Chaperone”

May

- 1 Musical “The Drowsy Chaperone”
- 2 AP Testing Starts
- 4 Josten’s Cap and Gown distribution will be outside the library 2-4 pm
- 7 State Solo/Ensemble – UW Eau Claire
- 9 Band Pops Concert @ 7 pm
- 11 Choir Pops Concert, Owen Park Bandshell @6:30 pm.
- 14 MHS Prom
- 18 Orchestra Concert
- 21 Evening of Jazz, Owen Park Bandshell @ 7 pm.
- 27 MHS Graduation
- 30 No School – Memorial Day

Important Links

[Memorial High School Website](#)

The [Memorial High School Website](#) has answers to many of your questions. Be sure to check it out.

[Old Abe Athletic Calendar](#)

Find Out Where the Action is Every Week.
The [MHS Athletics Calendar](#) is updated with the most recent game day information.

[ECASD 21-22 School Year Calendar](#)

[ECASD 2022-23 School Year Calendar](#)

[Community Events & Resources Page](#)

[April Lunch Menu](#)



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[HERE](#)

Old Abe News and Announcements

Chamber Accepting Applications for Youth Leadership Program

The Eau Claire Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting applications from current sophomores for its Youth Leadership Eau Claire (YLEC) program. A total of 36 students from **Altoona**, **Augusta**, **Eau Claire Memorial**, **Eau Claire North**, **Eau Claire Virtual School**, **Fall Creek**, **Regis**, and **Wildlands Charter School** will be selected to participate in the program. The goal of YLEC is to enhance the knowledge and develop leadership skills in a diverse group of area high school students to empower and motivate them to become involved and committed to their community.



The YLEC program will include an overnight opening retreat July 20-21, 2022. Then, the class will meet during one school day each month from September through May (except December) to discuss community issues, explore career opportunities, and enhance their leadership skills. *All program days are excused school absences.

Tuition for the program is only \$100 and includes the overnight retreat, meals, transportation during the day and all other program costs. Scholarships are available for students needing financial assistance.

Candidates can complete the online application directly with this [link](#)- the deadline to submit an application is **April 8, 2022**. A Chamber committee will select the students; however, committee members will not be made aware of the identity of applicants.

Watch this [video](#) to see what YLEC is like!

For more information on the program, contact Casey Schumacher, Vice President of Education & Young Professionals at the Chamber, at 715-858-0614 or via email at schumacher@eauclairechamber.org.



Students - You must have a parking permit to use the school parking lots. Use designated student parking. Those who park without a permit or in the incorrect lot will be ticketed.

**10th Annual
Once Upon a Prom**



No Cash??? No Problem!!!

We have over 5000 dresses to choose from!

FREE Prom dresses, shoes, and jewelry
(all yours to keep, of course!)

Your cost : 6 hours of community service

March 31, April 1 and April 2

Banbury Place - Eau Claire, WI
Building 10
(Pull in between buildings 11 and 13 off of Galloway Street)

Sign up for a shopping appointment NOW!

www.onceuponaprom.com

Check us out on **Facebook**, too!

Summer Programs 2022

It's still cold but we are thinking about summer here in the ECASD! The 2022 Summer Program Guide will be coming to mailboxes in the next two weeks. The guide is online at www.ecasd.us/summer. Families can pick up extra guides at their school and at the Administration Building.

Learn More Here! www.ecasd.us/summer

TRANSITIONING TO POSTSECONDARY
Who and what can help my student?

Rachel Swafloski, Chippewa Valley Technical College

Delicious Pizzas & Pastas

**Draganetti's Teams up
with Memorial Baseball**

Be Part of this Tradition...
Thursday, April 7th
Hours: 4:00-9:00pm

Dine In or Take Out only!
If ordering take out call:
715-834-9234

**Please do not order on-line or for delivery
because it won't go towards our total!

Note: You must say it's for Memorial Baseball!

Let's Hit this Fundraiser "Out of the Park!"

As you and your student begin to consider postsecondary education, you may have many questions about what happens next with their IEP? Do you worry about who is there to help them access accommodations and even what accommodations are possible? There is certainly so much to think about!

For more information about these important next steps and to have your questions answered join "Transitioning to Postsecondary: Who and what can help my student."

Contact Allison Fisher, afisher@ecasd.us, for more information.

April 4th [12 – 1:30 pm](#) and [6-7:30 pm](#) via Zoom.



ALL NIGHT GRAD PARTY

We are SO excited to be celebrating the **CLASS of 2022** with the **ALL-NIGHT GRADUATION PARTY** at MHS. **We NEED your help to make this a special night a success for the seniors.**

Please visit the link below or use the QR code to see what is available on the SIGN-UP GENIUS.

We have 2 major positions that need to be filled:

Food Chairperson: This can be a shared position with 1 or 2 people. The position would coordinate the donated food from local restaurants and work closely with the Food Court on the night of the party to keep the food supplied for the students.

Themed Room Chairperson: This can be shared between 1 or 2 people. The position would oversee the themed rooms and coordinate with the volunteers for each room. The rooms include Casino, Yard Games, Food Court, and Mystic Room.

Other Volunteer Opportunities: Set up day of the party, fundraising, chaperones, donate a prize, donate a basket. See Sign- up Genius for details:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b49a5ad2ca2fe3-2022>



If you have questions, please contact Caro Johnson 715-450-5478 caro@andycaros.com

Monday April 4th is National School Librarian Day!



On National School Librarian Day, we want to express our appreciation for all our library media specialists and coordinators and instructional media clerks! Thank you for all you do to connect our students with books, academic research, and other important resources.

Audition Information for Old Abe Show Choir for 2022-23 School Year

Please contact Mrs. Krajnikconde (Mrs. K.) at akrajnikconde@ecasd.us if you have further questions.



Who? Auditions are open to all incoming 9th-12th graders who will be attending Memorial High School in the fall.

When? Dance and Singing Auditions will take place in person at Memorial High School (enter through Door 1, under the Eagle) on Monday, April 4th and Wednesday, April 6th at 6:00 p.m. in the Choir Room (down the hallway on the right). Students only need to come 1 day.

When does show choir meet? Old Able Show Choir has class every other day during 7th hour. Students have a study hall or Madrigals on the opposite days. Students do receive credit for this class. We also practice on Thursday evenings from 5:45 to 8:00 p.m. to work with our show band and costumes. It's a lot of work, but we have so much fun while doing it!

Is there a summer requirement for Old Abe Show Choir? Yes, Vocal Camp is scheduled for Aug. 22nd and 23rd from 12-4 p.m. Choreo Camp (absolutely required) is Aug. 15th through Aug. 19th all day.

What if I don't make it into Old Abe Show Choir? Don't be too hard on yourself and try again next time! In the meantime, develop your singing and dancing skills. Eagle Show Choir is open to any high schooler and is a great way to improve as a singer/dancer.



Check out this fun, family-friendly 5k run/walk that supports one of our fellow ECASD schools, Longfellow Elementary. The Jeanne Richie Memorial Puddle Jump will be held Saturday, April 23, 2022, at 9:00am at Phoenix Park. This event is the main source of funding for their after-school program and provides students with scholarships to participate in community programs. Registration is now open at: <https://runsignup.com/Race/WI/EauClaire/PuddleJump>



GET INVOLVED!



MOCK CAR CRASH

This event involves local authorities and emergency services, complete with police, ambulances, fire trucks, and the Mayo Hospital Helicopter! The purpose of this event is to spread awareness about the dangers of drinking and driving among high schoolers.

SAFE (Students Advocating For Excellence) is the student group that helps with the mock car crash. If you are interested in getting involved, reach out to Ms. Trautlein for more information!



SADD → SAFE

Students Against Destructive Decisions

Students Advocating For Excellence

What is SAFE and why the name change?

SAFE chapters are student-run groups in schools focused on peer-to-peer education. SAFE fosters a feeling of belonging and promotes student health, resiliency, leadership, and advocacy skills.

The name change from SADD to SAFE started as a way to focus on the positive by getting away from words like 'against' and 'destructive'. SAFE allows students an opportunity to advocate around issues they are passionate about and to focus on improving the lives of fellow students.

In SAFE, students can address areas like alcohol, tobacco, substance misuse, mental health, healthy relationships, driving, and more. SAFE can be an open space for students to talk to their peers about what they are struggling with and find ways on how to address these issues.

Activities

SAFE activities and activism are endless! What topics are you interested in? Mental health? Alcohol Misuse? Or how mental health can lead to substance misuse?

Here are examples of activities:

- Mock car crash
- Mental health cards
- Learning from and meeting with students from other schools
- Volunteer activities

Get Involved

If you are interested in joining SAFE, reach out to your peers or Ms. Trautlein.



FinU Classes

These engaging classes are open to high school age Members and non-members and are approximately one hour long. Using a virtual format, young adults will be able to learn about a variety of financial topics meant to help boost financial independence and foster creative financial learning. Attend one or all four! Class registration is limited, and participants cannot attend the same class more than once. Participants must receive a score of at least 75% on the posttest to receive cash incentive. Limit \$50 per person."

Registration currently open for the following dates.

April 25th @5pm: Dollars and Sense

May 2nd @5pm: Safety and Security

Mar 9th @5pm: Credit 101

Mar 16th @5pm: The Road to Success



VIRTUAL FINANCIAL EDUCATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Join any finU class during the year and receive a rolling payout of up to \$50!



1st Class:	2nd Class:	3rd Class:	4th Class:
\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20
Total: \$50			

Available Classes:

- **Dollars And Sense**
Learn about checking and savings accounts, the difference between debit and credit cards, how to write a check, differentiating between needs and wants, and the credit union difference.
- **Credit 101**
Learn what information is on a credit report and how to request yours, who looks at your credit report and why, and what habits you can practice to help build your credit.
- **The Road To Success**
This class will give you a general overview of lots of college and career readiness skills including choosing a college, applications and essays, financial aid and scholarships, and interview skills.
- **Safety And Security**
Thieves and scammers are getting smarter every day and their tactics are constantly evolving. We'll give you some tips, tricks, and important knowledge to keep your information safe and your risk low.



Scan the QR code or visit rcu.org/finU to sign up! These engaging classes are approximately one hour long and open to high school age Members and non-members.



For full details and disclosures, please visit rcu.org/finU.

800-341-9911

SEPTA

Special Education PTA

septaec@gmail.com



IEP Team Decision Making ***Understanding the process and product***

Kelsey Tichey, Special Education Program Administrator

In-Person: Northwoods Elementary - 3600 Northwoods Ln

April 7th | 7-8:30PM
In-Person &
via Zoom



Mission Statement:

- SEPTA collaborates with parents, teachers, staff, and administration to advocate for each and every student. Everyone benefits when we work together!
- SEPTA is all EARS **E**ducation **A**dvocacy **R**esources **S**upport For all individuals with visible and invisible needs. You do not need to have a child receiving special education services to be a member of SEPTA.

For assistance in another language/Si Ud. necesita ayuda, por favor llame Ud. a la escuela de su hijo/a Yog koj xav tau neeg pab txhais cov lus nov, thov hu xov tooj rau call 715-852-3555.

Next meeting - May 5th - Prairie Ridge Early Learning Center

Memorial High School's Food Pantry is in Room 1218 (In Student Services).

All Memorial students and family are invited to order food from the Food Pantry via [this online form](#) or the QR code. (Paper Copies are available in Student Services and in the attendance office) Food may be picked up on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 2 to 3:30 pm. (Other times can be arranged as needed).

Goals of the Food Pantry

1. Support basic needs for learning and growth
2. Increase student engagement and connections
3. Improve Attendance
4. Reduce barriers to effective learning
5. Build relationships with community partners to support our Memorial Students and Families.



Open Enrollment Begins February 7

What is Public School Open Enrollment?

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows students and families who don't live in our district to open enroll into the Eau Claire Area School District.

Who May Participate?

Wisconsin residents in grades K-12 may apply to participate in open enrollment. Students in pre-kindergarten may participate in limited circumstances; parents should call the Executive Director of Administration's Office at 715-852-3003 to find out if their preschool-aged children qualify.

How and When May Parents Apply?

The regular open enrollment application window will be February 7, 2022, through April 29, 2022, for the 2022-2023 school year. Parents may submit online applications starting on February 7, 2022, at the Wisconsin Department of Instruction website at <https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment>. Please call 715-852-3003 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us for more information.

Have you moved out of the district during the 2021-2022 school year?

If so, you must apply for a Tuition Waiver to continue attending the Eau Claire Area School District for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. Contact the Executive Director of Administration's Office at 715-852-3003 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us for an application.

Students Currently Attending the ECASD Through a Tuition Waiver

Students who have moved outside of the district during the 2021-2022 school year and are currently attending school under a Tuition Waiver must apply for open enrollment during the regular application window, February 7, 2022, through April 29, 2022, to continue attending during the 2022-2023 school year.

Current Open Enrollment Students

Students currently attending the Eau Claire Area School District under the open enrollment law do not need to reapply.

Other Information

Students that move into the district after January 2022 and anticipate moving out of the district before the 2022-2023 school year will not be eligible for a Tuition Waiver. Students must apply for open enrollment during either the regular open enrollment or alternative open enrollment period to be eligible to attend the Eau Claire Area School District during the 2022-2023 school year.

School Placement

By completing an open enrollment application, you are applying to attend the Eau Claire Area School District. You have the opportunity to indicate which school your child would prefer to attend; however, the district will determine placement based on space availability.

Questions?

If you have any questions about open enrollment or the application process, please contact the Executive Director of Administration's Office at 715-852-3003 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us.

Memorial Highlights

Thanks to a generous grant, The Family and Consumer Science Department and the Special Education Department were able to collaborate and learn about the growth of greens and how to use fresh produce.



Forensics News

Forensics travelled to Waupaca on Saturday, March 19th for their Forensics Tournament.

Congratulations to Lauren Tracy and Mielle Rundall for their 2nd place finish in Group Interpretation and Crow Gillett for being a finalist in Prose.

#OldAbeProud



It's a GREAT day to be an Old Abe!