

School District of West De Pere

Board Update

A Vision of Pride and Excellence

May 2024

2024 U. S. News Best High School

West De Pere High School was once again ranked as a U.S. News Best High School. The rankings are based on college readiness, college curriculum breadth, State assessment proficiency/performance, underserved student performance, and graduation rate. This is how we stack up. #1,102 of 24,386 in National Rankings #26 of 596 in Wisconsin High Schools #1 of 25 in Green Bay, WI Metro Area High Schools. WDP is in the top 5% on all levels!



At STEAM in Motion Night there was an art show, physical education stations were set up in the gym, and student volunteers led STEM activities.



College Preview Day

Many students were invited to the UW-Oshkosh for a college preview day. During this field trip

students were able to talk with admissions counselors, meet current students and alumni, and



learn about higher education. Thank you to Ms. Lopez, Mrs. Dear and Mrs. Clayton for this opportunity for our students.

HC Student Benefit

On Sunday May 5, a benefit was held for a Hemlock Creek first grader, Owen Obey, who has been diagnosed with osteosarcoma. Our community came together in a big way,

raising more than \$120,000 to help offset the medical costs for the family.



MS Artistic Retreat

Middle School students attended an artistic retreat with six area districts at the Rahr School Forest. They participated in different workshops, including



writing, papermaking, drumming and improv acting, and even hiked to Lake Michigan with the other schools.

Every 15 Minutes

The students and staff at the high school once

again took part in the "Every 15 Minutes" simulation designed to showcase the



profound and dangerous consequences of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Earth Day

In honor of Earth Day, Intermediate School students went outside to clean up any garbage

around our schoolyard. We loved seeing students taking action to keep our school and community a beautiful place!



Optimist Scholarships

The De Pere Optimist Club awarded scholarships to 3 High School students;

Ava Hoffman, Aleah Given, and Molly Piepkorn.



Dash 4 Cash

Hemlock Creek families had a great time at the

Green Bay Blizzard game and Mrs. Raschke did well in the Dash 4 Cash event! She grabbed up \$466!



Oneida Nation

Superintendent Krueger and Dr. Jason Lau met with members of the Oneida Nation to discuss

ways to increase attendance, literacy, and celebrate successes for Native American/Oneida Students.



Making a Difference

The Intermediate School Student Council, led by co-advisors Ms. Toni Smith and Mrs. Andrea Dernbach, are making a difference for their classmates' well-being! Inspired by the success

of weighted shoulder wraps (which use gentle pressure to promote relaxation and focus) in Ms.



Smith's fifth grade classroom, the council fundraised to buy the materials and made the wraps themselves. They provided every homeroom and special education classroom in grades five and six with these calming tools.

HS FFA

The High School FFA (Future Farmers of America) held its annual petting zoo. There were horses, alpacas, rabbits, and a 2 day old calf.



Wisconsin Teacher of the Year

Bethany Counard, 8th grade English/Language Arts, has been selected as one of five Wisconsin

Teachers of the Year for 2024-2025.



Intermediate School

5th graders at the Intermediate School identified ways to make their school and community better. They researched, planned, and prepared a proposal for change. The students then presented their presentations to staff and families.



WisDOT Update

As a part of the I-41 Project's environmental and design phases, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) analyzed the existing and projected noise levels along the corridor. The noise analysis was updated in a 2023 reevaluation based on design changes and updated receptor information. Nine noise barriers were found to be feasible and reasonable based on WisDOT's noise policy. (See additional sheet for more information)

Upcoming Events

- May 15- 5:00-7:00 PM- High School Fine Arts Night in the Library
- May 15- 7:00 PM- High School Choir Concert in the Auditorium
- May 16- 6:00 PM- 5th Grade Band Concert at the Intermediate School
- May 16- 7:30 PM- 6th Grade Band Concert at the Intermediate School
- May 17- 7:00 PM-High School Band Concert in the Auditorium
- May 20- 6:00 PM- Phantom Knight Charter School Graduation at St. Norbert College
- May 20- 6:30 PM- Middle School Band Concert in the High School Auditorium
- May 21- 6:00 PM- 5th Grade Spring Choir Concert in the High School Auditorium
- May 21- 7:30 PM- 6th Grade Spring Choir Concert in the High School Auditorium
- May 29- 7:00 PM- Middle School Choir Concert in the High School Auditorium
- June 2- 2:00 PM- High School Graduation
- June 4- 7:00 PM- 8th Grade Promotion at the High School
- June 5 Last day of school

