



DELONG
MIDDLE SCHOOL

NEED-TO-KNOW NEWSLETTER

April 2024

DeLong Calendar

April

- 4 - First day for 4th quarter sports
- 4 - Band 7 Concert, 7pm
- 8-19 - FORWARD exam
- 15 - No School
- 15 - School Board Meeting, 7pm
- 16 - Club 3 starts
- 16 - PTO Meeting in IMC (library)
- 18 - Band 8 Concert, 7pm
- 25 - Hmong Culture Performance, 5:30pm

May

- 2 - 6th grade orchestra concert, 7pm
- 6 - School board meeting, 7pm
- 6-10th - Staff appreciation week
- 9 - 6th grade choir concert, 7pm
- 14 - 7th & 8th grade orchestra concerts, 7pm
- 16 - 6th grade band concert, 7pm
- 17 - Pep Fest, 12pm
- 20 - School board meeting, 7pm
- 23 - 7th grade choir concert, 7pm
- 27 - Memorial Day (no school)
- 30 - Knights of Excellence Ceremony, 6pm

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Si usted quiere ayuda en interpretar esta carta, por favor póngase en contacto con el asistente de educación bilingüe al 715-852-4924 y deje un mensaje con su nombre y número de teléfono.

Quick Links

[April Lunch Menu](#)

[ECASD Technology Support and Resources](#)

[DeLong Website](#)

[Connect with us on Facebook HERE](#) 



Principal's Message

Dear DeLong Families,

The snow is pretty much gone, and spring is in the air. April is a busy month at DeLong, as we are in the final stretch of the school year. During the month of April students will be participating in the FORWARD exam, and we appreciate families making sure their students get a good night's rest, eat breakfast, and have their devices charged and ready to go each morning during the days we are testing.

Spring sports and activity clubs will be starting up, these are always great opportunities for students to try new things. If they haven't signed up for a sport or club and would still like to, they are more than welcome. We will also be beginning the spring concert season.

Thanks again for all you do.

Michele Wiberg
DeLong Middle School Principal

School Announcements

State Testing in April

Students will be preparing for the annual Wisconsin Forward Exam the weeks before and after Spring Break. All students will have the opportunity to view informational videos about the test and practice using the testing platform and its tools.

Official days of testing will be April 8-19th; make-up testing will be the week of April 22-26.

Students will need to make sure they are charging their laptops at night. Please encourage your child(ren) to get plenty of rest and eat a healthy breakfast.



GAME ON
DeLong!
7:00-7:30AM
in the IMC

FRIDAY **MAY 3**
FRIDAY **MAY 10**
FRIDAY **MAY 17**

TRADITIONAL GAMES
NEW BOARD GAMES
PARTY GAMES
Or bring a game from home!

Game On, DeLong!
On **May 3, 10, and 17** the IMC will be hosting game events for students from 7:00-7:30AM before classes start. Students can play classic games -- like chess and Chinese checkers, new board games -- like Isle of Cats and Cathedral, and party games -- like Code Names and Exploding Kittens! Or bring a game from home. See your student there!

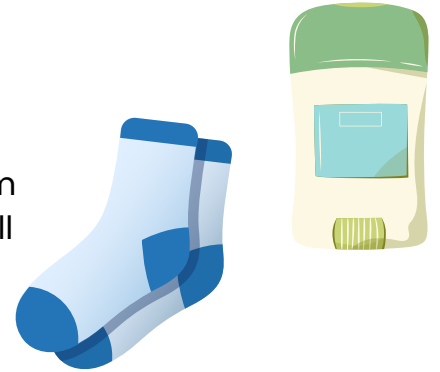
After-school clubs

After-school clubs will be starting on **Tuesday, April 16th**, and will run until Thursday, May 30th. Clubs take place after school until 4:30PM on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. There are no fees required to participate. Students will not be able to be involved in a sport offering and a club during the same quarter. The deadline to sign up is **Friday, April 12th**. Sign up using [this link](#). Watch your email for more information!

School Announcements

Sock and Deodorant Drive

DeLong will be holding a sock and deodorant drive to benefit DeLong families. We are asking for sock sizes in youth and adult sizes, and both deodorant and socks must be new. Please have your student bring in their donations to their Knight Time class from **April 22nd-26th**. The Knight Time class with the most donations will receive a pizza party!



Knight's Pantry



The Knight's Pantry is available, free of charge, to our DeLong families who could use assistance keeping cupboards stocked and stretching their grocery budget. To be included in our weekly food distribution families must complete [this linked form](#) each week by 9 a.m. on Monday, which is when the form closes. The form opens again for the next week on Thursday afternoon. Families will be able to pick up their items on Tuesday-Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Attendance Office.

Power of Perception, DeLong Chapter



Power of Perception (P.O.P) is a mentoring program that is focused on creating opportunities for minority youth. Our DeLong chapter started two years ago, and we now have over 50 participants! Our chapter meets monthly. Usually these meetings take place at school, but this month on Tuesday, April 23rd from 9:45 – 1:30, Power of Perception will be taking a field trip to Legacy Hair and Beauty Supply. We will have lunch at Famous Dave's and enjoy games at Eau Claire Games and Arcade. There is no cost for this field trip. If you have any questions about P.O.P., please contact our DeLong P.O.P. chapter advisor, Susan Huston at shuston@ecasd.us.

Knight Highlights



Students made creations out of cardboard in Mrs. Brettingen's cardboard club.



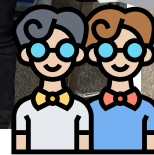
The DeLong wrestling team finished 4th out of 18 teams at the Conference Tournament. Congratulations, wrestling team!



Team I had a wonderful field trip to Phoenix Park and UWEC's Planetarium!



Twining during Spirit Week



Variety Show



BRAVO!

News from our PTO

We had so much fun at Game Knight. There were the large group games Bingo, Trivia, and Family Feud in the auditorium. The sticker prizes were a big hit! There were also smaller group board games and crafts in the IMC. We also had plenty of snacks. We loved seeing all the kids and families.

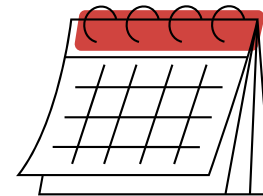


April Meeting Itinerary:

Please join us for the **April 16th** meeting or reach out to the PTO. At the next meeting we will:

- Plan Staff Appreciation week
- Work on 8th grade Graduation shirts
- Start planning next year's PTO calendar

At every meeting there is an update from Principal Michele Wiberg and from a Family Advisory Council member.



Our meetings are always the third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is **April 16th at 6 pm** in the IMC (library). You can attend virtually. Video call link:

<https://meet.google.com/gtv-kiju-drc>
Or dial: (US) +1 413-438-4170 PIN: 957 139 186#

Please contact the Executive Committee with any questions:

- Emily Sternfeld-Dunn, President: president@delongpto.com
- Tiffany Leighton-Giffey, Vice President: vicepresident@delongpto.com
- Rebecca Pick, Secretary: secretary@delongpto.com
- Julia Johnson, Treasurer: treasurer@delongpto.com

REMINDER

You can view all of our previous meeting minutes on the [DeLong PTO page](#).

Community News

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Saturday, April 27th
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Dispose of your expired or unwanted medications at a drop-off location!

Altoona Emergency Services

1904 Spooner Avenue

Eau Claire County Government Center

721 Oxford Avenue

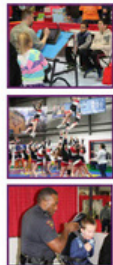
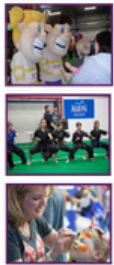
National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Unused or expired medications should never be flushed, poured down the drain, or tossed in the garbage. Safely dispose of prescription medicine, over-the-counter medications, ointments, patches, creams, non-aerosol sprays, vials, and pet medications at a Prescription Drug Take-Back event on Saturday, April 27th from 10a.m. to 2p.m.!

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: EHealthAlliance.org/News

The YMCA Sports Center presents:



Sunday, April 7, 2024
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Performance Stage
DJ Entertainment
Huge Inflatables
Program Information



Family Marketplace
Indoor Play
Face Painting
Games & Activities



\$6 Admission
Kids 2 & Under FREE (CASH ONLY)



3456 Craig Road, Eau Claire ymca-cv.org

2024 ECASD SPRING ART SHOW

FRIDAY, APRIL 19
5:30 - 7:00PM

500 MAIN STREET
EAU CLAIRE, WI

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
from opening night until Friday, May 10
between 8:30am - 4:00pm

Community News

Support North High School Football at Lucky Husky Casino Night

All proceeds benefit the HUSKY FOOTBALL CLUB



DATE: 4/20/2024
TIME: 7:00-11:00 PM



DOORS OPEN @ 6:30 PM

SPACE IS LIMITED - REGISTRATION REQUIRED

REGISTRATION BY MARCH 11TH ELIGIBLE FOR A SPECIAL PRIZE
\$30.00 PER PERSON

VENMO:

@HUSKYFOOTBALLCLUB



PAYPAL:

@HuskyFootballClub



**PRIZES - DJ - RAFFLES - LIGHT SNACKS AND FUN
WHEEL OF CHANCE - LET IT RIDE
ROULETTE - POKER - BLACKJACK - CRAPS**

Longfellow Elementary 5K

SATURDAY APRIL 20, 2024



Support fellow ECASD school Longfellow Elementary by registering for the 18th annual Jeanne Richie Memorial Puddle Jump on **Saturday, April 20, 2024** at 9:00am. This family-friendly 5k run/walk provides funding for important school initiatives like student enrichment, student scholarships, and for the 2024 race, playground funding. Register [here](#).

Find more community events for families & students [here!](#)



DeLong is De-Best!

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