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APRIL NEWSLETTER

TRANSLATIONS

Yog koj muaj lus nug los yog koj xav tham ntxiv, hu rau Vichai Chang, tus xov tooj yog 715-852-4687.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, o le gustaria hablar sobre esta informacion que se le dio, puede contactar a Armando Constante al 715-852-4687.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Open Enrollment is February 5 through April 30, 2024

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 Business Services at 715-852-3010 to find out if their preschoolaged children qualify.

How and When May Parents Apply?

The regular open enrollment application window will be February 5, 2024, through April 30, 2024, for the 2024-2025 school year. Parents may submit online applications beginning February 5, 2024, at the Wisconsin Department of Instruction website at https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment. Please call 715-852-3127 or email districtadministration@ecasd.us for more information.

Have you moved out of the district during the 2023-2024 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 2023-2024 school year. Contact the Enrollment Office at 715-852-3127 or email <u>districtadministration@ecasd.us</u> for an application.

Students Currently Attending the ECASD Through a Tuition Waiver

Students who have moved outside of the district during the 2023-2024 school year and are currently attending school under a Tuition Waiver <u>must</u> apply for open enrollment during the regular application window, February 5, 2024, through April 30, 2024, to continue attending during the 2024-2025 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 who move into the district after January 2024 and anticipate moving out of the district before the 2024-2025 school year will not be eligible for a Tuition Waiver. Students <u>must</u> 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 2024-2025 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 Enrollment Office at 715-852-3127 or email <u>districtadministration@ecasd.us</u>.

2024 ROBBINS READ-A-THON A RESOUNDING SUCCESS

Last month our students took part in a schoolwide read-a-thon in hopes of raising excitement for reading and funds for our PTO. We are so pleased to report that your students read for 130,974 minutes throughout that two-week period – in class, at home, on the bus, in the car, all over the place! They also raised an astounding \$14,704 – an amazing and generous amount that will go towards books, field trips, our school carnival, afterschool clubs and so much more. The students stepped up to take on this challenge, and we are so thankful for the generous support and encouragement from our Robbins families and community.



CHARACTER STRONG/PURPOSEFULL PEOPLE

PurposeFull People is CharacterStrong's Pre-K-5 social-emotional learning toolkit. This curriculum is a universal tool that the teachers implement during the school day. The PurposeFull People curriculum was designed by veteran teachers, school counselors, play therapists, and many other incredible voices. PurposeFull People is packed with tons of practical and easy-to-use tools that focus on developing character and social-emotional

skills in students, staff, and families.

The FAMILY component includes conversation starters, simple activities, and Family character challenges ("PurposeFull Pursuits") related to the monthly trait.

Each month we discuss and dive into a new character trait - during the month of April we will be focusing on COURAGE. Take a look and give it a try – ask your child about it!

FamilyStrong | CharacterStrong

EAU CLAIRE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

We would like to send a big thank you to the Eau Claire Public Schools Foundation. Tami Viergutz (Speech and Language Pathologist) and I, Lisa Pomazal, (Special Education Teacher) are honored to have been chosen to receive funds for our grant proposal. Through this grant, we have purchased 130 book titles and materials to adapt all 130 books for our students. Being able to purchase this many titles and being able to adapt them has been such a gift to our students. Our students have been able to read, and be read, books that are the same as their peers. This builds their understanding of the story (comprehension) via the adaptations as well as making the story interactive to raise their engagement level. We began purchasing books and materials on our own two years ago and receiving these funds has helped us continue this project by adding more stories with adaptations. We appreciate this so much and are very grateful.

2024-2025 CLASS LISTS

Robbins staff will soon begin creating class lists for next year. The staff members most familiar with your child work together to set your child up for success in an environment that best matches teaching and learning styles.

If you would like to provide additional information about your child, please fill out this Student Description Form:

https://forms.office.com/r/2jFmiZKCDR

Or use this QR code:



We ask you not to request specific teachers, and please submit forms by April 24th, 2024. Forms submitted after this date may not necessarily be used in the placement process.

BIKING TO SCHOOL

Attention all students and parents who bike to school:

Please remember to walk your bike while you are on school property -- this includes the sidewalks around the playground and parking lots. This will help keep everyone safe.

Thank you for your cooperation!

DISMISSAL PLANS

Please make all arrangements for after school with your child before sending your child to school for the day. The office can take messages in the case of an emergency, but not on a regular basis, as dismissal is an <u>extremely</u> busy time of the day. We understand that plans do change, so if your after-school arrangements are different than normal please write your child's teacher a note. If you have a dismissal schedule, please share that with your child's teacher in writing. You may place calls to teachers before 8:30 a.m. or after 3:45 p.m. Emails sent directly to teachers during the day or voice mail messages may not be read or heard until after school. For the safety of the students, please make all after school arrangements before sending your child to school.

Thank you!

PLANNING ON MOVING?

ARE YOU MOVING OR DOES SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAVE A NEW or INCOMING STUDENT FOR NEXT YEAR?

If you have moved, it is important that you update your address immediately. If the new address is not in the Robbins attendance area, you must complete enrollment for your new neighborhood school. Please contact the ECASD Enrollment Office with questions regarding boundaries. If you wish to remain at your current school, you may complete an Alternate School Request form (found on the website or by asking the school secretary). This request is subject to approval and may be denied.

- Enrollment applications can be submitted via your Skyward Family Access Account. If you do not know how to log in to your account, please contact the Enrollment Office.
- Enrollment is NOT complete until you visit the Enrollment Office at 500 Main Street. You must bring proof of residency for your new address.

New families can start the enrollment process by visiting <u>www.ecasd.us/enrollment</u> and completing the enrollment application. After submission, they must visit the ECASD Enrollment Office at 500 Main Street to show proof of residency, immunization records and birth certificate.

Enrollment Office Information

(715) 852-3063

enrollment@ecasd.us

School Year: Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Summer: Monday - Thursday, 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

RCU School \$ense Team is "Wild About Saving!"

April is National Credit Union Youth Month!

April is **Credit Union Youth Month**, a month-long initiative that helps teach and encourage kids to develop good financial habits.

With a youth saving account at Royal Credit Union, young Members can make weekly deposits and watch their savings grow with compound interest! Learning this good habit at a young age will start them on the path to financial well-being. We're excited to announce a fun contest to encourage saving and reward your dedication.

The Challenge: The teacher with the most Super savers on **April 24th** will win a **\$100 check for their classroom!** This is a great opportunity to celebrate your student's financial responsibility. The competition is friendly, but the rewards are real! The winner will be announced the week of **April 29-May 3**.



The next **Double Stamp Day** will be on **April 17**. This is the last chance this school year for students to earn TWO stamps on their stamp card instead of the usual one.

Remember Robbins Royal Credit Union School \$ense is open Wednesdays during lunch to help your child develop good saving habits.

Want to learn more? Scan this QR code to learn ways to teach children healthy financial habits at home!

If you have any questions about the program, please contact: <u>Mariah.Wheeler@rcu.org</u>

2024-2025 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Now Enrolling for Kindergarten!

The Eau Claire Area School District welcomes all children turning **5 years old** on or before September 1, 2024 to enroll in Kindergarten. (**NOTE:** Students already enrolled in the EC4T program do not need to reapply.)

Step 1:

Visit our website — www.ecasd.us

- □ Click on Enrollment
- □ Complete an Online Application

Step 2:

Visit the Enrollment Office anytime to provide:

- □ Proof of address
- □ Proof of your child's age

Please note that the enrollment process is not complete until steps 1 and 2 are complete. If you are unable to access the application or have difficulties submitting it, please contact the Enrollment Office at (715) 852-3063 or visit **500 Main St. 54701 Downtown, Eau Claire**

Enrollment Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

5TH GRADE SOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL FAMILY NIGHT

April 9th at 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm

Where: South Middle School Auditorium

There will be an informational presentation on the South Middle School vision and mission, how a typical school day looks, highlights on extracurricular offerings and more! Students do not have to attend; this presentation is geared toward adults, but students are welcome. If you cannot attend on April 9th, there will be another session right before school begins in the fall.

ELEMENTARY STUDENT CELL PHONE POLICY

Students are to leave all personal items at home which may be a distraction to the learning environment. At Robbins, cell phones and watches must be kept off and in backpacks throughout the school day. They are not to be used during school hours.

SICK CHILD GUIDELINES

If a child exhibits any of the following symptoms at school, a parent/guardian/emergency contact will be notified to come and pick up the student:

- Fever-Temperature of 100.4 F or more
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Persistent coughing
- Draining or spreading rash

Please keep your child home if he/she currently has or has had any of these symptoms in the last 24 hours.

SPED FAMILY ENGAGEMENT NEWSLETTER

Check out the ECASD Special Education Family Engagement Newsletter! Here's the link: <u>https://www.smore.com/n/vquzt-family-engagement-newsletter</u>

2023-24 BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS

Breakfast and lunch menus can be found here:

https://www.ecasd.us/District/Departments/Food-and-Nutrition/Breakfast-and-Lunch-Menus

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

https://www.ecasd.us/District/About/Events

ECASD AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Please click on the link below to view many community resources available to families within the ECASD.

https://www.ecasd.us/District/About/Community-Events

COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Eau Claire Area School District offers a Community Events section on its web site.

Families and students may go to <u>Community Events</u> to view flyers for upcoming events in our community that apply to school-age students and families. Click on the link below to learn more.

https://www.ecasd.us/District/About/Community-Events/Community-Event-Flyers-(1)

MONTHLY EVENTS:

April 9th:PTO Meeting at 4:15 in the libraryApril 15th:No School – Professional Development Day

Nondiscrimination Clause

The Eau Claire Area School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability.





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: <u>ECHealthAlliance.org/News</u>