



WOLF CREEK ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Happy New Year from all of us at Wolf Creek. We hope you've had a great start to 2023. Just think, in just two short months we will have the first day of spring on March 20th.

Talking about spring brings up testing season and graduation. We kick-off with the ACT exam for college-bound juniors on April 4, MCA testing for grades 10 and 11 begins on April 11, FastBridge for grades 9 and 10 begins on May 9, and Graduation 2023 will be held on June 9th. More details will be sent out to each eligible student as it becomes available.

The end of quarter 2 marks the halfway point in the school year already. Please review the enclosed report card closely. Our goal is to have students earn 6.5 credits or more each year, to ultimately earn 26 credits to be on track for graduation at the end of their senior year. Any class with a grade of F or W does not earn credit and can delay graduation. Contact your students' Learning Manager with any questions.

As always, we are here to support and champion your student. Please let us know if you have questions or concerns.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3: Jan. 24 - Mar. 30
No School: Jan. 23
No School: Feb. 20
Mid Term: Feb. 23
No School: Mar. 6 - 10
Graduation: Jun. 9

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

Annual Meeting/School Board Elections
February 7th 4:15 pm
March 14th 4:15 pm

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - CONFERENCE NIGHT IS COMING

Contact your Learning Manager today to set up a face-to-face or virtual appointment to check in on your student's progress.

Conference night is Tuesday, January 31, 2023
3:00 - 6:00 pm

We encourage all students and parents to come to Wolf Creek to tour our campus, meet our wonderful staff, update student forms, check-in on student progress, develop or modify your students graduation plan, and find out more about all of the incredible resources we have to offer to students and families here at Wolf Creek!

We can't wait to see you!



Weather Related School Closings

If weather forces campus or school to close, the following notifications will be made to notify families:

- Wolf Creek will be listed under school closings on television channels 4, 5, 9, and 11
- Check our website and Facebook for weather notifications
- Parents will also be notified via email of weather-related or other emergencies

Coursework is Available 24/7

This is a reminder that campus closure days are considered school work days. Students are expected to be working.

Wolf Creek staff are available via text, email, and other means for help and support!

Important Mental Health Resources

Many mental health counselors are offering both in person and telehealth appointments.

Lakes Center for Youth and Families
651-464-3685

Family Based Therapy Associates
651-257-2733

Canvas Health
651-777-5222

Bridges and Pathways
651-982-4792

NATIONAL SUICIDE AND CRISIS LIFELINE

Call 988
or text HOME to 741741

WOLF CREEK MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR



Tasha Barnes

Tasha Barnes is a licensed marriage and family therapist who provides mental health counseling to students at Wolf Creek. Tasha believes in helping students with their academic success by addressing mental health concerns in a supportive environment. Tasha also maintains a caseload with Family Based Therapy Associates in Chisago City, where she sees individuals, couples, and families who have a wide range of presenting concerns.

Tasha is available on campus various hours Tuesdays and Thursdays and is also available via Telehealth. Contact Tasha Barnes at 651-213-2028 or nbarnes@fbtacounseling.com.



FOOD DRIVE FOR FAMILY PATHWAYS

The Wolf Creek Council is conducting a food drive to help support our local food shelter. We are graciously accepting non-perishable food donations on campus now through Conference Night on January 31st! We are thankful for any support you can provide.

They are specifically in need of the following items:

- Salt, Pepper, Flour, Sugar
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Ramen Noodles
- Canned Goods
- Peanut Butter
- Kids Cereals
- Snacks
- Money



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

November



Hailey Herzog is a senior at Wolf Creek. She came to Wolf Creek last year wanting to get away from high school drama and open her schedule to take PSEO. She is taking 5 PSEO courses (12 credits) fall semester and is doing well in all of them. She is consistently on track every week and puts her full effort into each assignment. Since her time at Wolf Creek, she has earned straight A's! She advocates for herself when needed and comes to campus when she can to touch base with her Learning Manager and teachers.



Zach Girard came to Wolf Creek last year and has shown so much growth in that time! He consistently came to campus in Term 1 and it showed in his progress! He passed all of his classes. He has also shown a greater connection to students and staff on campus. He asks for help when needed and enjoys sharing his stories about hunting, fishing and his farm animals. Keep up the great work, Zach!



December



Paige Dvorachek is new this year at Wolf Creek as an 11th grader. She consistently stays on track in all classes and maintains an updated to-do list for herself. Paige's organization, time management, self-discipline, and willingness to ask questions all contribute to her success at Wolf Creek. We all enjoy having Paige on campus every Tuesday and Thursday where she brightens the day with her smile, friendliness, and great sense of humor.



Torri Soderbeck is a 10th-grade student who is new at Wolf Creek this year. So far this school year, she has been killing it. Torri is great about responding to communications and she does so promptly every time. Her progress is at the high end of the expected range every week. She just has a great attitude in general and is overall a respectful student. We are proud of you, Torri!

HOMELESS LIAISON NOTICE



Tracy Quarnstrom serves as the homeless coordinator for Wolf Creek. Any student who does not have a fixed, regular, adequate place to stay each night is considered "homeless" under federal guidelines. If you or your child is experiencing homelessness, please know that Wolf Creek has resources for providing transportation to school and other needed supplies.

Contact our Wolf Creek Director, Tracy Quarnstrom, at tquarnstrom@wolfcreekhs.org or 651-213-2017.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS AND ANNUAL MEETING

The Wolf Creek Annual School Board election and the annual meeting have been set for February 7th, 2023 at 4:15 pm. Ballots will be canvassed at this time. From now through February 3rd we are asking all families to cast their vote for school board representatives. School board candidate biographies can be found at triowolfcreek.com, click "About", then "Board Members and Information".

Please vote today! Your ballot is available in the Wolf Creek Weekly News - check your email inbox!

We are only allowed to accept one vote per family. If you would like to request a paper ballot, stop into campus or contact Heather Johnson at hjohnson@wolfcreekhs.org. Thank you for your participation!

ATTENTION PARENTS & GUARDIANS

The Wolf Creek School Board is in need of a Parent Representative

For more information, please contact Tracy Quarnstrom at tquarnstrom@wolfcreekhs.org

SCHOLARSHIPS

Did you know over \$100 million in scholarships go unawarded in the United States every year? Scholarships are a great opportunity to make college more affordable and to graduate college with less debt. Unlike student loans, scholarships do not need to be paid back. It is FREE money! Each scholarship has its own criteria students need to meet in order to be considered. There are many great resources to find scholarships online. You may also find scholarships from your employer, your parent or guardian's employer, and the college you are planning on attending. It is good to apply to multiple scholarships so you have more options.

Our director, Tracy Quarnstrom, is available to all students to help gather information and apply for scholarships. Go to www.triowolfcreek.com and click on Counselor Corner for more career and college details. Here are some great scholarships currently available:

Minnesota Masonic Charities - Deadline: 2/15/23

This charity provides multiple scholarships each year with different requirements for each. Visit <https://mnmasoniccharities.org/scholarships/student-scholarships/> for more information and to apply.

ISL Midwest Senior Scholarship - Deadline: 4/28/23

This scholarship is open to students who are legal U.S. residents, high school seniors, and residents of Minnesota. High school seniors must be planning to attend, physically or virtually, an eligible college this fall. There is no financial need, minimum grade point average or class rank requirements. For more information or to apply, please visit <https://www.iowastudentloan.org/scholarships/isl-midwest-senior-scholarship.aspx>

Wolf Creek Scholarship:

Wolf Creek High School seniors who graduate by the end of the 2022-2023 school year who plan to pursue post-secondary education and have earned a 2.0 or higher grade point average are encouraged to apply. This universal application may be used for other applicable scholarships. Scholarships are awarded during the graduation ceremony. Information on applying will be sent to all 2023 graduates this spring.