

# Wolf Creek Online High School Newsletter



From the Director:

As we wind down the 2019-2020 school year we want to thank you for trusting us with your child's education. This year we all faced different challenges together and we all had to adapt to new ways of doing things. I want to take a moment to let you know how much we appreciate everyone's diligence in continuing to make education a priority for our students during these especially challenging times.

Wolf Creek has been in an excellent position during this time to move to required distance learning as we have been a leader in offering a hybrid model of education for almost 20 years. We have licensed teachers with years of online teaching experience. Our curriculum is designed to be delivered in a virtual environment.

We want to remind you, as a small charter school, we need your help in spreading the word on how Wolf Creek has helped you and your family.

Listed below are ways you can assist us:

- Consider writing a letter to the editor of your local newspaper to tell others what a great place Wolf Creek is and about your experiences here.
- We have yard signs to advertise Wolf Creek. If you live on a busy street and are willing to take one until late August, please let us know.
- Go to our Facebook page and write a review of the school.
- Donate any amount to the Wolf Creek Alumni Scholarship to show your appreciation and to help students attend post secondary education.

We are looking for a few more students for full time enrollment for fall, so please help us spread the news of all the good things happening at Wolf Creek!

Sincerely,
Tracy Quarnstrom, Director
Director



### 2020 Summer School begins on June 9

Summer term is the shortest term in the school year; therefore, students only take one course. There are a variety of classes to choose from. If you have not signed up yet, summer is a great time to keep the momentum going and catch up on credits. Summer term runs from June 9th to July 7th. Campus will have open lab on Tuesdays from 8 am to 12 pm. Campus will look a little different as we ease back into staff and students on campus. See details on the next page...

#### **Dates to Remember**

**Summer School term:** 

June 9—July 7

2020-21 School Year Begins:

September 8

**School Board Meetings** 

Meetings start at 4:15 pm

June 9

July 14

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### Campus will be open for Summer School

Exciting news! Wolf Creek will be following guidance from the Minnesota Department of Health and the Minnesota Department of Education and will open campus to staff and students for summer school!

We are committed to following all safety guidelines put out by the state, so campus will look a little different for the coming months. Here are changes you will see on campus to ensure the safety of our students, staff and visitors:

- There will be markers and signs around campus to ensure a 6 foot distance at all times.
- We will spread staff and students out to limit the number of people in one space at a time.
- Campus will be sanitized regularly and we have sanitizer, soap, wipes, gloves, and masks available for those in need.
- We will ask that staff and students stay home if they are not feeling well.
- We will monitor student temperatures as they enter the building.



#### **Testimonials of Wolf Creek Students**

Please consider telling others about Wolf Creek. We are looking for more students to enroll this fall and we know that our best marketing efforts come from YOU, our students and families. We ask that you spread the word to others about the good things happening at Wolf Creek and all the positive things you've experienced. If you know someone looking for options to get their diploma, we might just be the best option for them. We are also asking current students to write a short summary as to why you love Wolf Creek and what it has meant to you. Send your summary and a

picture of the student if possible, to Tracy at tquarnstrom@wolfcreekhs.org. We would like to use the pictures and brief summary on our Facebook page and other social media posts to let others know "the best kept secret" around. Many students and families are not aware of Wolf Creek Online High School. We appreciate your help in letting them know. Thank you!

#### CONGRATULATIONS to our STUDENTS of the MONTH

Wolf Creek Learning Managers select two outstanding students monthly who are achieving their personal goals.





MELISSA MAGNUSON— Melissa has been with us for three years and it has been quite a journey. This journey has led to a strong, independent learner who advocates for herself and does not give up! Melissa regularly communicates with her Learning Manager and teachers. She always makes us laugh with her dry sense of humor. We are thankful everyday that Melissa found Wolf Creek and that we found her!



NAKAYLA THOR — Nakayla started at Wolf Creek halfway through Term 2 of this year. Even though adjusting to an online setting takes time, she jumped right in. Nakayla is a kind, hardworking student who communicates well with her Learning Manager and teachers. She pushes herself to do the best she can in her classes and stays on track. Overall, she is an awesome, deserving student.

**APRIL** 



**DENNIS SCHLEMMER**— Dennis has been at Wolf Creek for 2 years. In that time, Dennis has become self-determined and a proficient online learner. This year Dennis is determined to graduate. He has taken a full course load each term while working as an auto mechanic. Dennis keeps up with his assignments each week. Even during the turbulent month of March Dennis continued working. We are very proud of you!



JARID GLYNN — Jarid is a graduating senior. He is conscientious and very hard working. Jarid utilized lab time effectively and has transitioned to lab being closed and doing all of his online learning at home very well. Jarid is one of our frontline heroes during this COVID-19 pandemic. He works at Parmly Nursing Home in the food services department and plans to continue working there after graduation.

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# Introducing the graduating Class of 2020

Violet Rose Anderson (Chisago City)

Asya Lee Arends (Isanti)

Clara Ann Ball (White Bear Lake)

Rylie Taylor Baxley (Andover)

Kyle James Berdahl (Cambridge)

Jessica Ludmila Bies (Stacy)

Nathaniel D.R. Bohnen (Forest Lake)

Tryniti Jayde Bollin (Chisago City)

Nicole Elizabeth Borden (Lindstrom)

Alexis Ann Bostic (Forest Lake)

Damian J. Bronson (Stacy)

Alyssa Lee Dickinson (Lino Lakes)

Gary Alan Dixon (St. Paul)

Gavin Micheal Donahue (Lino Lakes)

Blake Gerrit Erickson (Stacy)

Tanner James Faltisek (Forest Lake)

Tony Lee Ford (Wyoming)

Jarid Timothy Schaar Glynn (Taylors Falls)

Brandon Scott Good (Stillwater)

Jacob Ross Grundhofer (Stacy)

Jake Joseph Guzik (Lindstrom)

Alyshia Carmela Hanser (Chisago City)

Gideon James Harrington (Harris)

Bren Hertaus (Forest Lake)

Alexandra Grace Hervig (Scandia)

Ryan Joseph Hoffman (Stacy)

Samuel P. Hunt (Brooklyn Park)

Brooklinn Leigh Huss (Hugo)

Nicole Ann Jensen (Hugo)

MacKenzie Lynn Karas (Wyoming)

Collin David Kepner (Isanti)

\*Alyssa F. LaCroix (Pine City)

Kaylee Jean Linda (Stacy)

Alleshia Lynn Makarenko (Hugo)

Keegan Joy Miller (Wyoming)

Kayla Ann Misenor (Forest Lake)

Isabelle Lea Mitchell (Shafer)

Drew Moody (Stacy)

Anna Marie Nelson (Stillwater)

Austin Michael Noha (East Bethel)

Jared T. Nuebel (Wyoming)

Alexis Alane Peterson (Palisade)

**Emily Hanna Pogue (Wyoming)** 

Owen Shawn Patrick Quinn (Stacy)

Dustin Tyler Rakowiecki (Rush City)

Nathan D. Reiter (Forest Lake)

Hailey Nicole Riggs (Forest Lake)

Jennifer Lynn Romanowicz (North Branch)

Amber Marie Romleski (Chisago City)

Dennis Allen Schlemmer Jr. (Stillwater)

**Brittney Scott (Wyoming)** 

**Brandon Scott Simon (Stacy)** 

Maria Grace Sperry (Pine City)

Rianna Marie Stromberg (Circle Pines)

Haleigh Marie Taylor (Scandia)

Nathan Thomas Vanderslice (Forest Lake)

Edwin Vazquez (Chisago City)

Trevor Charles Vobr (Lindstrom)

Amanda Marie Wallin (Brooklyn Center)

Alexia Lynn Watson (Forest Lake)

Hailey McKenna Wilbur (North Branch)

Jaden Laurence Williams (East Bethel)

Peter Joseph Wilson (Forest Lake)

Jakob Ardo Wrobel (Albertville)

\* Silver Cord: Honors G.P.A 3.5-4.0



## TRIO WOLF CREEK DISTANCE LEARNING CHARTER SCHOOL #4095

VIRTUAL COMMENCEMENT 2020

O roupp m engratulations **Processional** "Pomp & Circumstance March" arranged by London Symphony Orchestra

> Welcome and Introduction Tracy Quarnstrom

Solo-Keegan Miller "Whenever You Remember" Carrie Underwood

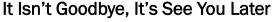
Scholarship Recipients Awarded to: Wolf Creek Alumni-Brandon Good and MacKenzie Karas Chisago Lakes Lions-Kaylee Linda WOW Compassion—Alexis Peterson

> **Presentation of Diplomas** Tracy Quarnstrom and Brenda Swanson

Presentation of the Class of 2020 Tracy Quarnstrom

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Congratulations to Martha Airhart on her years of dedicated service to education in the Chisago Lakes area. Martha has been an invaluable asset to Wolf Creek; all students, staff, and board members will sincerely miss her as she retires. Martha was one of the first leaders in online learning and has contributed much to the online learning field including being a founding member of the MN Online Learning Alliance, which brought together online learning programs throughout the state. She helped blaze a trail for the online learning program within Chisago Lakes Schools which later chartered and became Wolf Creek Online High School. Martha has led the charge on innovative methods of differentiating curriculum to fit student needs at Wolf Creek. She has a passion for student relationships and works hard as an advocate to ensure equitable educational offerings for all students. Wolf Creek would like to wish Martha the best on her future adventures!



Wolf Creek would like to thank our AmeriCorps Promise Fellow, Jolene Lauderbaugh, for an amazing 4 years of service. It is extremely rare for a Promise Fellow to serve 4 years. We have been blessed by all that Jolene has brought to Wolf Creek to support staff and students. From supporting student success to problem-solving creative solutions to support students in need, Jolene has been a valuable addition to our team! While her time in service with AmeriCorps is ending, we look forward to the wonderful ways Jolene will continue to serve at Wolf Creek!