



WOLF CREEK ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! We are grateful to have you as part of the Wolf Creek family. As a small school, we strive to make positive connections and we work hard to help every student reach their potential and earn their diploma. We are happy that you call Wolf Creek your school!

While we face new challenges this school year, Wolf Creek is proud to have 20 years experience as a leader in online learning. We have licensed teachers with years of online teaching experience. Our curriculum is designed to be delivered in a virtual environment. Our learning manager and hybrid model are what set us apart from other online schools and allows us the opportunity to really get to know our students and families, as well as, to tailor learning to individual student's needs. We are here for you. If you need anything, please let your Learning Manager know.

We are looking for a few more students for full time enrollment for fall, so please help us spread the news of all the great things happening at Wolf Creek! If you have any concerns please feel free to contact me anytime.

Sincerely,
Tracy Quarstrom
Director

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2: Nov. 10 - Jan. 22
No School: Nov. 25 - 27
Mid Term: Dec. 11
No School: Dec. 22 - Jan. 1

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

November 10th 4:15 pm
December 8th 4:15 pm
January 12th 4:15 pm

WEATHER RELATED SCHOOL CLOSINGS

If the weather forces campus to close, there will be notifications on Channels 4, 5, 9, and 11. You may also call the main campus number 651-213-2095. In the event we have to close campus, a message will be left at that number and a notice will be sent out to families as quickly as possible. We are fortunate to have our curriculum available 24/7 online. Safety is the most important thing during a winter storm. Remember, for your safety please dress appropriately for the inclement weather.



FREE LUNCHES AVAILABLE

All children 18 years of age and under, regardless of income are eligible for FREE lunches through the end of the 2020-21 school year. We offer two lunch options.

On Campus:

Students can order that day's hot lunch on campus with the front desk staff member by 9:30 am. Please call 651-213-2095 if you will not be on campus to order by 9:30 am.

Curbside Pick-up:

Students 18 years and under can pick up meals for the week at the following locations:

Lakeside Elementary

Tuesdays - call below to schedule time

Call 651-213-2053 for info



Chisago Lakes High School

Mondays from 9:00 - 11:00 am

Taylor Falls Elementary

Mondays from 9:10 - 10:10 am

Call 651-213-2506 for info



Virtual Campus Events - JOIN US!

Wolf Creek prides ourselves in offering a variety of fun and informative events, speakers, and interactive sessions on campus in years past. Because of the current COVID-19 situation and to keep all students and staff members as safe as possible, we have been and will continue to offer as many virtual sessions as possible.

Students enrolled in Community Awareness courses are able to earn credit for attending some of these virtual sessions. Be sure to check with your Learning Manager to find out how to get credit for attending.

Cameras can be on or off. You are not required to speak. You may interact via chat if you prefer. These are informational events for YOU! Please join us!

Watch the Wolf Creek Campus Calendar for events at <https://www.triowolfcreek.com/calendar/wolf-creek-campus-calendar/>

MEET OUR COUNSELORS



Erin McCullough



Tasha Barnes

Erin McCullough is Wolf Creek's part-time licensed school counselor. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Psychology and a Master of Education in School Counseling. Erin's role at Wolf Creek is to support students academically, socially, and emotionally, as well as to help students and families plan for life after high school. This includes college and career planning, mental health counseling, and strategizing to support students at Wolf Creek.

Erin is on campus Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 am - 3:30 pm and is available virtually Wednesdays 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. If you have any questions or would like to schedule an appointment with Erin, please contact her at 651-213-2032 or emccullough@wolfcreekhs.org.



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

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.

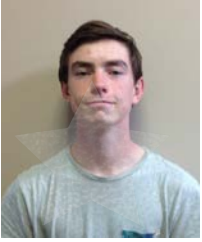


CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

September



Ashley Lichey is a sophomore this year and started at Wolf Creek mid-year last year. It took a while to get into the rhythm of hybrid learning and to navigate some technical items, but now Ashley is really on a roll! She has followed every weekly to-do list from her Learning Manager and is on track or a little ahead in all of her classes. Ashley is a fun, creative spirit who loves music. We hope Wolf Creek is a place where she feels celebrated and we are glad to have her here!



Donald McLafferty is a senior who is new to Wolf Creek this year and chose to enroll with us due to the current COVID-19 situation. He works 100% from home, has stayed on top of his coursework, and is on-track to graduate this year. Donald is quick to respond to teachers and also asks questions if he doesn't understand something. Donald is off to a great start at Wolf Creek and we look forward to seeing him at graduation in June. Keep up the great work, Donald!



October



Justin Conn is a sophomore this year and is new to Wolf Creek. Justin is a hardworking student that puts forth his full and best effort when completing school work. Justin is always prompt with checking his feedback and making necessary changes to ensure that his work meets expectations. He also pushes himself to achieve the best grades possible. Justin keeps himself on track each week and regularly communicates with his Learning Manager. Justin is doing great! Congratulations, Justin!



Shunshee Lee is new this year to Wolf Creek. Shunshee is on track every week and consistently communicates with her Learning Manager every school day. She works entirely at a distance, but she is showing that Wolf Creek is the place for her. Shunshee recently adjusted her schedule to participate in PSEO next year! Shunshee was already on track but she made adjustments so she can also earn college credit. Shunshee is a rockstar!

STAY UP TO DATE

As a Wolf Creek student, parent, or supporter we want you to have the information you need. Listed below are ways to receive information from Wolf Creek:

- **Friday Moodle Student Progress Updates** - Weekly updates via email on course completion rates, attendance, and other information.
- **Email** - Students have a school Gmail account they need to check daily for updates.
- **The Wolf Creek Website** (www.triowolfcreek.com) - Find our staff directory, school calendar, various updates throughout the year, and more.
- **Wolf Creek Weekly News** - Receive weekly email updates and announcements every Monday when you share your email with us. Sign up on our website or reach out to your Learning Manager.
- **Quarterly Mail** - End of term report cards and quarterly newsletters are sent out to keep families informed.
- **Facebook** - Like our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/WolfCreekOnlineHighSchool).
- **Instagram** - www.instagram.com/wolfcreekhs/



OCTOBER WAS COLLEGE KNOWLEDGE MONTH

Wolf Creek is excited and proud to be a registered College Knowledge Month site again this year! Wolf Creek participates in the statewide effort by providing information to students and families on participating Minnesota Colleges, as well as encouraging a culture of college and career readiness throughout the year by planning college visits and presentations (virtually this year) on application, scholarship, and FAFSA information.

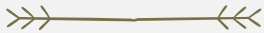
For more information on upcoming college and career readiness events at Wolf Creek, please visit our site at www.triowolfcreek.com/current-students/twc-news.

PSEO: POST-SECONDARY ENROLLMENT OPTIONS

PSEO is a program that allows high performing, college ready students in grades 10-12 to earn both high school and college credit while still in high school, through enrollment in and successful completion of college-level courses at eligible participating postsecondary institutions. PSEO courses are offered both online and on the campus of the college. Seniors and Juniors can take PSEO courses on a full or part-time basis; Sophomores can take one career/technical PSEO course. There is no charge for tuition, books, or fees for required items. There are eligibility requirements to meet. Students must notify their school by May 30th if they want to participate in fall and by December 1st if they want to participate in spring. Contact your Learning Manager or the Dean of Students, Brenda Swanson at bswanson@wolfcreekhs.org if you are interested in PSEO.

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FUTURE TEMPORARY CAMPUS CLOSURE DUE TO COVID-19

With rising COVID-19 case counts in our local counties we believe it is necessary for Wolf Creek to close campus to student use and offer only distance learning in the near future. **Due to low case counts with our staff and students we are prepared to keep campus open each Tuesday and Thursday through November 19th.**

Important Points to Remember:

- Wolf Creek campus is not currently closed; campus will remain open to students Tuesdays and Thursdays until November 19th.
- Campus will be closed for student use beginning November 20, 2020 through January 8, 2021.
- Families will receive communication prior to January 11th to see if a return is feasible or if additional changes to our campus schedule need to be made.
- Staff will be on campus each Tuesday during the campus closure for student needs.
- We are ready to support all of our students and families in any learning model as experts in distance learning for over twenty years.

Know that we are committed to ensuring that all needs are being met whether campus is open for student use or not. At this time we need the support of all Wolf Creek families to engage in the online interventions, reach out for help and assistance when needed, and encourage your students to remain safe in our community.