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For families new to the district and/or with children age birth to five.

#### Board of Education

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### Tim Reeves

### A Message from the Superintendent Dear Wayland Union District Community,

Thank you for taking time to read this spring edition of our Green & White. We appreciate you taking the time to learn about all of the great news pertaining to our students and staff. Our staff strive every day to promote an environment that inspires and encourages success for all students. We also appreciate your support and reinforcement at home for these same successful traits.

Our district calendars for school years 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 have been approved and are available on our district website. These calendars hold the same dates for holiday breaks as to the other school districts in Allegan County. Please check our website for updated information on calendar information, especially school building activities and events.

Next month, we celebrate March as Reading Month. And while we promote and focus on literacy skills throughout the school year, March provides us many opportunities to encourage student reading. We encourage you to read with your children, or grandchildren, on a regular basis as well as participate in many of the literacy events sponsored by our schools.

Our construction projects are moving along as planned. Work has started on the refurbishment of the Pine Street gym entrance and bathrooms, which will bring this area up to current building codes. As soon as the snow and frost goes away, for this winter, work will start on redoing our soccer stadium. And, as soon as school is out, work will start on redoing our Middle School roofs and windows. We hope to have these projects finished before the start of the school year, 2024-2025.

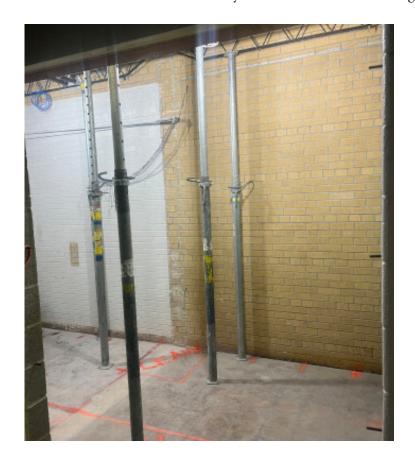
Our largest project, the new pool, is almost out of the architectural design phase and into the construction design phase. Designing and planning for a new pool is a significant project, something we are trying to move forward as well as take into account all of the important details.

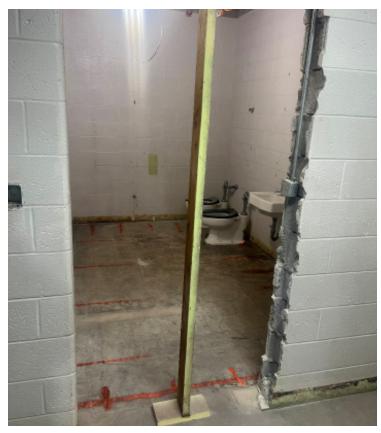
We appreciate your continued support of our schools, and are always open to your feedback. As always, you are welcome to call, email, or stop by my office anytime to share your thoughts.

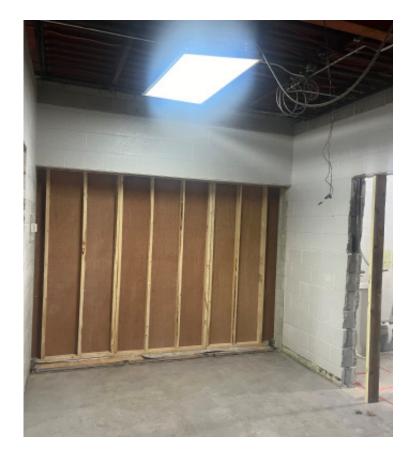
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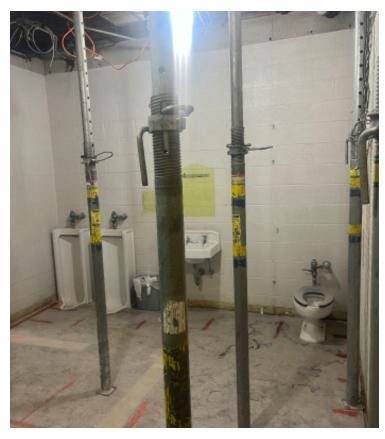
Tim Reeves, Superintendent

Bond Updates
Construction on the Pine Street Gym Bathrooms is in full swing. Check out these progress photos.









# Seeking Nominations for Outstanding People for Education Award

The Allegan County School Board Association is once again holding their annual "Outstanding People for Education Award." The purpose of the award is to recognize and honor people in education who are excelling in their field and/or are making an impact in the quality of education in Allegan County.

Examples of whom to nominate could include: a teacher, classroom aide, administrator, secretary, board member, volunteer, bus driver, custodian, support staff, social worker, therapist, consultant, community member, or anyone who supports education.

Some things to consider when nominating are people who have made a difference in the overall quality of education by demonstrating knowledge and skill in their area of responsibility, have developed new or unique programs that enhance the classroom experience, play a leadership role in education, are a true "team player" in the school setting, provides significant support for a program or service, and exhibits an attitude that promotes a positive working and learning environment.

It could also be someone who has made an impact on the quality of an individual student's educational experience by demonstrating sensitivity to the needs of individual students and provides service "above and beyond" their job description.

Nominations can come from anyone (students, parents, school staff and community members) and can also be kept anonymous.

Each school district in the county can select up to three recipients, which will be honored at the ACSBA Recognition Banquet in May. They will each be presented with an award created by local students.

Winners will be selected by each school district's Selection Committee that is made up of at least one administrator, one board member, one teacher, and one support staff. Final approval is granted by ACSBA. The Allegan County School's Communication Team coordinated the award.

The nomination Form can be found on our website, waylandunion.org under "District News". The nominations can be submitted to steine@waylandunion.org.

Nominations are due March 1, 2024.

### Seeking Nominations for the Alumni Hall of Fame

Wayland Union Schools is seeking input for the 2024 Alumni Hall of Fame.

Nominate a candidate for consideration by filling out the Google Form: https://forms.gle/ZWdtE9e33VT6uQ1R9. A link can also be found on our website, waylandunion.org, under "District News".

Deadline for submitting nominations is at 2:30pm on March 1, 2024.

#### Nomination Criteria:

- Nominees must be a graduate of Wayland Union High School
- Individual must have made an important contribution to Wayland Union Schools, the Wayland Union Schools Community, or society in general
- Posthumous induction is possible
- Students of Wayland Union High School may be considered for induction ten years after graduation

The Alumni Hall of Fame Ceremony will take place on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 6:30pm in the Wayland Union Fine Arts Center as part of the Scholastic Honors Night celebration.



### **BAKER ELEMENTARY**

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mar. P/T Conferences

> 07 P/T Conferences

Apr. 19 Progress Reports Posted after 4pm

on Parent Portal

May 01 Celebration of the Arts

4:30pm-6pm

31 Last Day of School Half Day

#### Intentional Movement

Baker is embracing movement as they lean into supporting our youngest Wildcats! By incorporating big, yet intentional movements along with math and literacy skills, student engagement is increasing. Games that are typically "just games" have been reimagined into opportunities that engage academic rigor with intentional movement.







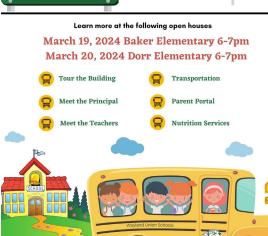


Young Fives & Kindergarten Now boarding for the 2024-25 School Year!

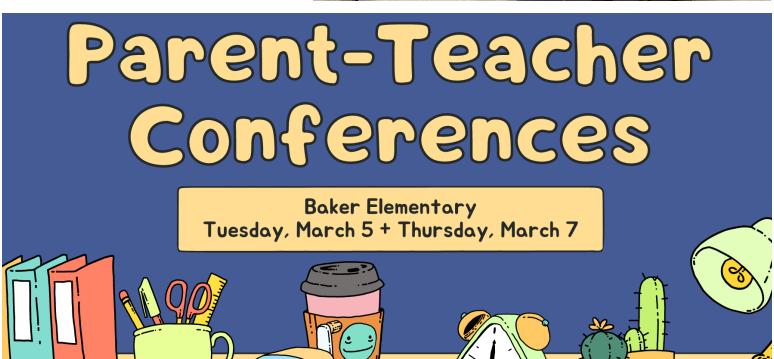
Muffins in the Morning

On February 7th, parents and students were invited to enjoy a muffin in Baker Elementary's cafeteria before school started.





Online Enrollment at waylandunion.org Wayland Union Schools, 850 E. Superior Street, Wayland MI 49348 (269) 792-2181 🚦 💟



### Blue Ribbon Ceremony

On Thursday, January 11th, Dorr Élementary hosted their Blue Ribbon Ceremony at the Fine Arts Center. Dorr and Pine Street Elementary students, staff, and community members all joined in to celebrate Dorr Elementary's achievements. Attendees were able to enjoy speeches, an award presentation, a video, and a special performance from the HS Band. A special thank you goes to State Representative Rachelle Smit for joining our celebration. Congratulations Dorr Elementary, this award is a huge honor!









### Classrooms Celebrate Being a Blue Ribbon School



















### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Feb. 27 PTO Meeting

7pm

Mar. 05 P/T Conferences

4 - 8pm

07 P/T Conferences

4 - 8pm

08 No School

08 Report Cards Published

After 4pm on Parent

Portal

11 No School

Teacher PD Day

15 Popcorn Day

16 PTO Mom/Son Dance

20 Young 5's/Kindergarten

Round Up 6 - 7pm

21 3rd Grade Music Concert

7pm

26 Dentists R Us

29 No School

Spring Break

Apr. 1-5 No School

Spring Break

19 Progress Reports Posted

After 4pm on Parent

Portal

May 27 No School

Memorial Day

31 Last Day of School

1/2 Day



### "Drive-in Movie Day"

On January 18th & 19th, students had a "Drive-In Movie Day" for "letter D" in Elsa Brown's 3 year old and 4 year old preschool programs. The students creatively handmade their own cars out of cardboard boxes at home and brought them in for our Drive-In Movie. So much fun!



### STEEBY ELEMENTARY

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Feb. 29 Literacy Night 6pm

Mar. 04 P/T Conferences

06 P/T Conferences

08 No School 11 No School

Teacher PD Day

18 WEPA Meeting

6:30pm

19 3rd Grade Music Concert

7pm

29 No School

Spring Break

Apr. 1-5 No School

Spring Break

15 WEPA Meeting

6:30pm

19 Progress Reports Posted

After 4pm on Parent

Portal

May 08 1/2 Mile Run

20 WEPA Meeting

6:30pm

24 Field Day

27 No School

Memorial Day

31 Last Day of School

1/2 Day

### Coding and Computer Science

Wade Mattis, Teacher Technology Consultant, is bringing a cool opportunity to K-5 students by introducing coding lessons. He discussed how this coding is called Camel Coding, a little different than the block coding students are used to. Mr. Mattis wants to ignite curiosity and broaden students' coding skills.



Mrs. Kupres' second grade class took advantage of this opportunity and welcomed Mr. Mattis into their classroom to lead these engaging and exciting lessons.

### Level 2 Crew at Steeby



In an inclusive elementary classroom, the implementation of peer-to-peer interactions proves transformative for students with disabilities. This approach fosters a supportive learning environment where students collaboratively engage in academic and social activities. Peers act as mentors, offering assistance and encouragement, promoting a sense of belonging. Through shared experiences, communication skills are honed, and

empathy blossoms. Classroom tasks become collaborative endeavors, breaking down barriers and enhancing comprehension. The peer-to-peer model not only nurtures academic growth but also cultivates friendships, fostering a positive atmosphere. Embracing diversity, this approach ensures that every student, regardless of ability, actively participates, creating a harmonious and enriching educational experience.

### Keyboards for iPads



In Mrs. Tiers' second-grade class, an exciting journey into the world of typing has begun. Thanks to a grant awarded to Mrs. Tiers earlier this year by the Wayland Union Education Foundation, the classroom is now equipped with brand-new keyboards that students can easily attach to their iPads. This addition to the classroom has allowed these young learners to dive more deeply into the realm of digital literacy.

With the additional purchase of iPad stands, students have the flexibility of using the iPad both as a portable learning device and a device that can be more stationary for tasks like keyboarding, when required, without sacrificing the features of the iPad that traditional laptops and keyboard don't offer. This innovative approach not only keeps the young minds engaged but also introduces them to valuable skills in an increasingly digital world.

Under Mrs. Tiers' guidance, the second graders are gradually honing their typing skills. The curriculum focuses on the systematic teaching of proper typing form and keystrokes, providing ample opportunities for practice. The ultimate goal? To type their final persuasive writing paper using Google Docs!

This integration of technology not only enhances the students' academic experience but also prepares them for the future. As the young learners embrace the art of typing, Mrs. Tiers ensures that each keystroke brings them one step closer to becoming proficient digital communicators.

#### Culture Fair

Earlier this year, 4th grade students spent several weeks discussing immigration and movement within the United States. Along with the movement of people to new areas their cultues, traditions, and celebrations followed. To honor the multitude of cultures in the U.S., students in Mrs. Boyce's 4th grade class held a Culture Fair as part of their new Studies Weekly Curriculum. Students had a chance to research a culture of their choice and present in a way that was interesting to them, which included the option to bring in food.



Miles Kemp: Tres Leches Cake, Latin America



Addi Garcia: Sketch of Quinceanera Dress, Mexico



Easton DeKoning: Spinach Tarts, Greece

### Wayland Christmas Parade

Pine Street Student Council participated in the Wayland Christmas parade. The float the students designed and put together won second place and \$75!



### Spelling Bee

Pine Street held their annual spelling bee on January 31st. The Spelling Bee Champion was 4th grader, Emmet Katje, and Runner Up was 5th grader, Izaak Taylor. The top four spellers from the bee will compete in the Allegan County Spelling Bee on February 27th. Those students are; Amara Sheffer,



Anthony Winters, Emmet Katje and Izaak Taylor. Congratulations to all spellers!

### Learning to Play the Keyboard

In fourth grade music class, Mrs. Oostdyk has been teaching students the basics of playing the keyboard using a piano app on the iPads. This process helps with learning to read music on the treble clef staff.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Feb. 27 5th Grade Concert

Mar. 04 P/T Conferences

06 P/T Conferences

13 Literacy Night

08 No School

11 No School

Teacher PD Day

25 5th Grade Music Fittings and

Cats Concert

26 5th Grade Visit to MS

29 No School

Spring Break

Apr. 1-5 No School

Spring Break

19 Progress Reports Posted

After 4pm on Parent

Portal

May 10 Mile Run

27 No School

Memorial Day

28 4th Grade Awards Assembly

29 5th Grade Awards Assembly

30 Field Day

31 Last Day of School

Half Day





### MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Feb. 22 7th-12th Orchestra Concert

7pm

Mar. 08 No School

11 No School

Teacher PD Day

15 WUMS Drama Play

7pm

27 Talent Show

29 No School

Spring Break

1-5 No School Apr.

Spring Break

10 8th Grade PSAT

15 M-STEP Testing

16 M-STEP Testing

17 M-STEP Testing

267th Grade Field Trip

29 8th Grade HS Tour

(1st half of Alphabet)

30 8th Grade HS Tour

(2nd half of Alphabet)

May 14 6th-12th Band Concert

6:30pm 15 6th-12th Orchestra Concert

6:30pm

16 WUMS Choir Concert

7pm

17 8th Grade Banquet

6pm

20 8th Grade Tech Center Visit

27 No School

Memorial Day

29 8th Grade Awards

6:30pm

30 8th Grade Field Trip

31 Last Day of School

Half Day

### No Tech Fridays

6th grade PRIDE students in Mr & Mrs Hoogewind's classes enjoyed socializing and playing games during no tech Friday!



### Spelling Bee



The Wayland Union Middle School Spelling Bee went 13 rounds and resulted in Audra Nielson being the school's Spelling Bee Champion. The winning word was "insufferable." Ariel White came in second place, Lena P. in third, and Brayden Miner in fourth. All four students will be moving on to the Allegan Country Spelling Bee which will be held February 27 at the Otsego Middle School Auditorium. Jackson White is the runner-up and will fill in if any of the other contestants cannot make it.

### **WUEF Innovation Grant**

Mrs. Mattis and Mrs. Burrows were awarded \$1,143 from the Wayland Union Education Foundation's Innovation Grant for the purchase of Wired Keyboards and Lightning Keyboard Adapters for their 6th-grade ELA classrooms at WUMS. They were able to purchase 80 keyboards and 80 lightning adapters to connect the keyboards to student iPads.





The students have enjoyed using the keyboards to type their CommonLit unit essays and Claim-Evidence-Reasoning paragraphs. Their teachers believe their typing skills and writing production will continue to improve throughout the year with the use of these keyboards.

### MSVMA State Honors Choir

On January 25th, two Wayland Middle School Students performed in the Michigan Schools Vocal Music Association State Honors Choir at DeVos Hall in Grand Rapids. Ariel White (Left, 8th Grade) and Elaina Thomas (Right, 6th Grade) sang in this delightful concert.



### 6th Grade "Informance" Concert for Band, Orchestra, and Choir







Kynlee's Kreations

Kynlee Boomsma, a Junior at the high school, was hired by the district to bake 36 dozen cookies for our staff! Kynlee is the owner of Kynlee's Kreations, and after our Administration Office tried her cookies, they knew we had to hire her! A cookie delivery the last week before break has been a delicious tradition to show our amazing staff some appreciation as we enter the holiday season. THANK YOU KYNLEE for providing our staff with a sweet treat!



#### "26 Pebbles"

On January 26th and 27th, Wayland Union Theatriks presented the play "26 Pebbles." This show was described by the students as being about hope, recovery, and strength. "26 Pebbles" is about the aftermath of the devestating events that took place in the small town of Newtown, Connecticut in December 2012. Students found this play to be challenging as it made them tap into their emotions and focused on the reactions of real people effected by the devestation.

"26 Pebbles, love, hope, together"







### E. Coli Genetic Engineering

Brittany Storey, a biology teacher at the high school, received grant money from the Wayland Union Education Foundation to purchase equipment that would allow her students to genetically engineer E. Coli bacteria. Students in Storey's AP Biology class had the opportunity to use the technology for the first time in the beginning of February. Students worked together in groups to attempt to genetically engineer E. Coli so that it would glow in the dark using genes from jellyfish. Four out of six groups had success on the first attempt! Thank you Wayland Union Education Foundation for your continued support in growing our students' education.







### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Feb. 28 Improv Anonymous!

6pm

29 7th-12th Grade Orchestra Concert

7pm

Mar. 06 MSBOA Band Festival

08 No School

11 No School

Teacher PD Day

22 Murder Mystery Dinner

6pm

29 No School

Spring Break

Apr. 1-5 No School

Spring Break

11 WorkKeys Test for Juniors

16 Scholastic Honors Night

6:30pm

19 Prom 7:30pm

22 P/T Conferences

25 Wayland Theatriks Presents "The

Witch's Princess" 3pm

26 Wayland Theatriks Presents "The

Witch's Princess" 7pm

27 Wayland Theatriks Presents "The

Witch's Princess" 3pm & 7pm

May 02 9th-12th Choir Concert 6:30pm

09 Dance Showcase

7pm

14 6th-12th Band Concert

6:30pm

15 6th-12th Orchestra Concert

6:30pm

16 CCA Awards Night

5:30pm

17 Senior's Last Day

21 Senior Award Night

6:30pm

22 Farewell Assembly

1:45pm

23 Graduation Practice

9am

23 Class of 2024 Graduation

7pm

27 No School

Memorial Day

29 FUTURES

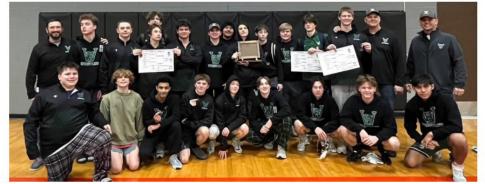
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31 Last Day of School

Half Day



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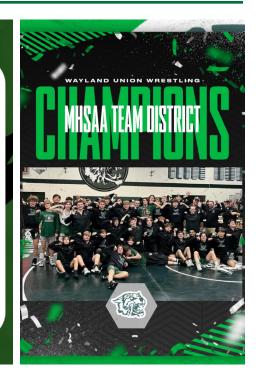
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Fine	Arts	Spring Events	
Feb.	28	Improv Anonymous	6pm
	29	9th-12th Choir Festival	7pm
Mar.	15	MS Drama Play	7pm
	19	Steeby 3rd Grade Concert	7pm
	21	Dorr 3rd Grade Concert	7pm
	22	Murder Mystery Dinner	6pm
Apr.	16	Scholastic Honors Night/	•
•		Alumni Hall of Fame	6:30pm
	25	Wayland Theatriks Presents	•
		"The Witch's Princess"	3pm
	26	Wayland Theatriks Presents	•
		"The Witch's Princess"	7pm
	27	Wayland Theatriks Presents	•
		"The Witch's Princess"	3pm
	27	Wayland Theatriks Presents	•
		"The Witch's Princess"	7pm
May	02	WUHS Choir Concert	6:30pm

Dance Showcase

6th-12th Band Concert

**WUMS Choir Concert** 

8th Grade Banquet

8th Grade Awards

Senior Awards

6th-12th Orchestra Concert

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### Board of Education Meetings

\*All meetings take place at 850 E. Superior St. Wayland, unless noted\*

Feb.	26	BOE Work Session	6pm
Mar.	11 25	BOE Regular Meeting BOE Work Session	6pm 6pm
Apr.	08	BOE Regular Meeting Dorr Elementary	6pm
	22	BOE Work Session	6pm
May	13 20	BOE Regular Meeting BOE Work Session	6pm 6pm

### MS Spring Home Sporting Events

Apr. 15 Track 4pm						
Apr.	15	Track	4pm			
	16	Tennis	4pm			
	22	Track	4pm			
	23	Tennis	4pm			
	29	Track	4pm			
	30	Tennis	4pm			
May	07	Tennis	4pm			
	14	Tennis	4pm			
	15	Track	4pm			

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Mar.	25	Baseball	4:15pm	Mar.	25	Girls Soccer	6pm
Apr.	09	Baseball	4pm	Apr.	11	Baseball	4pm
•	09	Baseball	6pm		12	Track	4pm
	10	Girls Tennis	4pm		16	Track	4pm
	15	Boys Golf	3:30pm		17	Girls Tennis	4pm
	15	Girls Tennis	4pm		17	Girls Soccer	6:45pm
	16	Baseball	4pm		18	Baseball	4pm
	16	Softball	4:15pm		18	Girls Soccer	6:45pm
	16	Baseball	6pm		20	Baseball	10am
	16	Softball	6:15pm		20	Baseball	11:30am
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	30	Baseball	4pm	TVI ay	01	Girls Soccer	6:45pm
	30	Softball	4:15pm	6	02	Baseball	4pm
	30	Softball	6:15pm	6660 -00	04	Baseball	10am
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	02	Softball	6:15pm		07	Softball	4:15pm
	04	Girls Soccer	5pm		07	Baseball	6pm
	06	Boys Golf	3:30pm		07	Baseball	6:15pm
	07	Girls Soccer	5pm		08	Girls Tennis	4pm
	09	Baseball	4pm		10	Girls Soccer	11:45am
	10	Girls Soccer	5pm		10	Softball	4:15pm
	11	Girls Soccer	10am		10	Softball	6:15pm
	11	Softball	10am		13	Softball	4:15pm
	11	Baseball	4pm		13	Softball	6:15pm
	13	Boys Golf	3:30pm		13	Girls Soccer	6:45pm
	12	Girls Soccer	5pm		15	Girls Soccer	6:45pm
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	17	Softball	4:15pm	畫	22	Baseball	4pm
	17	Softball	6:15pm		22	Girls Soccer	TBA
	20	Boys Golf	3:30pm		28	Girls Soccer	5pm
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					30	Girls Soccer	6pm
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Camp	Gender	Location	Grade(s)	Dates	Time	Cost
Baseball	Boys	HS Baseball Field	3rd-6th	June 4th-6th	9am-11am	\$40
Basketball	Girls	HS Main/AUX Gym	1st-3rd	June 10th-13th	8am-9:30am	\$40
	Girls	HS Main/AUX Gym	4th-6th	June 10th-13th	9:45am-11:30am	\$40
	Girls	HS Main/AUX Gym	7th-12th	June 10th-13th	11:45am-1:45pm	\$40
	Boys	HS Main/Aux Gym	4th-6th	June 17th-20th	10am-11:45am	\$40
	Boys	HS Main/AUX Gym	1st-3rd	June 17th-20th	8am-9:30am	\$40
	Boys	HS Main/AUX Gym	7th-12th	June 17th-20th	12:15pm-2:15pm	\$40
Cheer	Girls	HS Stadium	K-5th	July 27th	10am-2pm	\$40
	Girls	HS Stadium	6th-8th	August 24th	9am-3pm	\$40
Cross Country	Boys/Girls	44th Parallel/ Sleeping Bear Dunes	9th-12th	June 10th-14th	Overnight Camp	\$360 *Contact Coach Antel
Football	Boys/Girls	HS Stadium	9th-12th	Every Tue. in June and July	8am-9:45am	\$60
	Boys/Girls	HS Stadium	Freshman/New Player Camp	June 9th June 10th	8am-9:45am 9:45am-11:30am	*Fee included in Team Camp
	Boys/Girls	HS Stadium	3rd-5th	June 11th-12th	10:30am- 12:15pm	\$30
	Boys/Girls	HS Stadium	K-2nd	June 13th	10:30am-12pm	\$20
	Boys/Girls	HS Stadium	6th-8th	July 30th-31st	6pm-8:30pm	\$45
Soccer	Boys/Girls	HS Stadium	1st-5th	June 24th-27th	8am-10am	\$50
	Boys/Girls	HS Stadium	6th-8th	June 24th-27th	10:30am- 12:30pm	\$50
Softball	Girls	Moline Softball Fields	4th-6th	July 15th-18th	9am-11am	\$40
	Girls	Moline Softball Fields	7th-9th	July 15th-18th	11:30am-1:30pm	\$40
Tennis	Boys/Girls	HS Tennis Courts	6th-8th	June 10th-14th	4:30pm-6pm	\$75
	Boys	HS Tennis Courts	9th-12th	June 17th-21st	4:30pm-6:30pm	\$75
Volleyball	Girls	HS Main Gym	4th-6th	June 17th-20th	5pm-6:30pm	\$40
	Girls	HS Main Gym	7th-12th	June 17th-20th	7pm-8:30pm	\$40

Registration for these classes opens on March 1, 2024. To register, visit wayland.revtrak.net.

# **COMMUNITY EDUCATION**

#### Sanchin Ryu Karate (Youth (4 - 17 yrs.) & Adults)

Looking to increase flexibility, relieve stress and increase overall wellness? Learn an effective, peace-seeking approach to karate. People of all ages and backgrounds have the opportunity to experience the benefits of martial art study in a positive, non-competitive, family friendly environment.

#### Mondays at Dorr Elementary Gym

Spring Session: March 25 – May 20, 2024

No class on April 1 due to Spring Break

#### Tuesdays at Steeby Elementary Gym

Spring Session: March 26 – May 21, 2024

No class on April 2 due to Spring Break

**Time:** Youth/Families 6pm-7pm or Adult/Teen 7pm-8pm **Instructor:** Sanchin Systems; www.sanchinsystems.com

Fee: \$45 youth/individual or \$85 family

#### Learn How to 3D Print (Ages 9+)

Learn how to design a solid object using TINKERCAD and then design your own small object (chess pawn, keychain, minifigures, etc.) that we will 3D print for you. Since 3D printing takes some time, you will have to pick up your object on a different day in the future. One hour program

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2024

**Time:** 6:30 – 7:30pm

**Location:** Steeby Elementary Cafeteria 435 E. Superior St, Wayland

**Fee:** \$20.00

### Intro to Electronics Using MINECRAFT VR (Ages 10-18)

Be INSIDE the MINDCRAFT video game and learn basic electronic concepts in addition to fun, advanced things to do inside MINECRAFT.

Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024

**Time:** 10:30 – 11:30am

Location: Amped Virtual Reality

2923 28th St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Fee: \$20.00

#### **EXPLORE SPACE with Virtual Reality** (Ages 9+)

Use the best Virtual Reality programs to explore space in a fun way! You can re-live mankind's greatest journey to the moon (Apollo 11), go for a spacewalk, or control the arm on the International Space Station. At the end of the class, you can battle Space Pirates, too, for a little fun. One hour program.

**Date:** Saturday, May 11, 2024 **Time:** 11:45am – 12:45pm

Location: Amped Virtual Reality

2923 28th St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Fee: \$20.00

#### Build a Robot (& take it home) (Ages 6-9 (5 w/adult))

Enjoy building your own robot, decorating it, and playing with it while you learn about how robots work! Take the robot home with you. It would be a great opportunity to build with parent or grandparent.

**Robot:** Drummer robot

Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024

**Time:** 6:00 – 7:30pm

**Location:** Steeby Elementary Cafeteria 435 E Superior St., Wayland

**Fee:** \$23.00

#### Babysitter Training (Ages 11+)

This training will help participants to develop leadership skills, learn how to develop a babysitting business, keep themselves and others safe and help children behave. Find answers to common babysitting questions like sibling squabbling and meal time tips. The course also covers American Heart Association CPR, diaper duties, bedtime tips and much more. Each participant will receive a completion certificate through Heartbeat LLC.

**Date:** Saturday, April 20, 2024 **Time:** 10:00am – 2:00pm

Location: WUS Transportation Building 851 Wildcat Drive, Wayland Fee: \$55 Pre-registration Required

#### Boater Safety (Ages 12+)

Boater Safety is offered for persons age 12 and older and is taught by the Allegan County Sheriff's Department/ Marine Division. The course will cover the safe operation of personal watercraft, age requirements of operators of different types of watercraft, equipment and registration requirements for various types of watercraft, personal flotation devices, and rules for boaters.

Boater Safety Certificates are required for:

- Children age 12-15 who wish to operate a motorboat in Michigan
- Anyone born after 12/31/78 who wish to operate a personal watercraft
- Or any adult who will be supervising a child age 12 or 13 in the operation of a personal watercraft

**Date:** Tuesday, April 30th and Wednesday, May 1st (must attend both classes)

**Time:** 5:30 - 8:30pm

Location: WUS Transportation Building,

851 Wildcat Drive, Wayland

Fee: \$10.00 Pre-registration Required



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#### **ORV Safety & Certification**

Off-road Vehicle Safety is offered for persons age 11 and older and is taught by the Allegan County Sheriff's Department. The purpose of this course is to educate and develop safe, knowledgeable & responsible ORV owners & operators. Topics covered include riding techniques, protective equipment, and understanding terrain & trail operation, laws & regulations, causes and prevention of crashes, environmental concerns, and reporting responsibility. ORV Safety Certificates are required for 16 year old & younger riding on public or private land in Michigan.

**Date:** Saturday, April 13, 2024 **Time:** 9:00am – 5:00pm

**Location:** WUS Transportation Building, 851 Wildcat Drive, Wayland

Fee: \$10.00 Pre-registration Required

#### Dog Obedience (Ages 6 months+)

Would you like a dog that you can be proud to take out in public? This class will help you teach your dog many basic commands including sit, down, stay, come, walking on a loose leash, plus many more commands. No dog is too old to learn new things. Bring treats to the class to help motivate your dog to listen to you and to learn. About the instructor: Jan McLean has been teaching dog obedience classes for over 25 years. She also trains and competes with her own dogs in obedience, rally, agility and musical freestyle and is very active in animal assisted therapy.

**Dates:** Mondays; April 8 – May 13, 2024 (Rain dates if needed: May 20)

**Time:** 6:00 – 7:00pm

**Location:** Steeby Elementary 435 E. Superior St. Wayland Class is outside, behind back of building, use back parking lot.

**Fee:** \$90.00, 6 weeks

# American Red Cross Adult & Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED Full Blended Course

This course will prepare you to recognize and care for a variety of first aid, breathing, and cardiac emergencies involving adults, children, and infants.

**4-5 hours:** Online portion (to be completed independently) **3 hours:** Instructor-led classroom; In-person skill session

**Date:** April 23, 2024 **Time:** 4:30 – 7:30pm

**Location:** Steeby Elementary Room #144 435 E. Superior St. Wayland

Fee: \$90.00

#### Community Indoor Hall Walking

Get fit and walk indoors this winter at Wayland Union Middle School! There will be no hall walking when school is not in session; this includes holiday breaks and snow days.

Dates: Mon - Fri, Now through April 28, 2023

**Time:** 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Location: Wayland Union Middle School

\* Use the new wing entrance; Door #9, Bus Loop parking

lot\*

#### Yoga - Mixed Level (Ages 18+)

Mixed Level Introduces breathing exercise, meditation and physical postures and is based on a unique style of Hatha Yoga. The focus is on developing concentration and awareness, as well as stretching and strengthening. Great for beginners or those with some yoga experience. You must be able to get up and down off the mat and handle some weight bearing on hands. Bring your own mat and yoga block.

**Dates:** Wednesdays; March 20 - May 15, 2024 No class April 3 due to WUS Spring Break

**Times:** 6pm - 7:15pm

**Location:** Baker Elementary Gym 507 W. Sycamore St., Wayland

Fee: \$80 / 8 weeks

#### Adult POUND (Ages 18+)

POUND is the world's first cardio jam session inspired by the infectious, energizing and sweat-dripped fun of playing the drums. Using Ripstix, lightly weighted drumsticks engineered specifically for exercising, POUND transforms drumming into an incredibly effective way of working out. Designed for all fitness levels, POUND provides the perfect atmosphere for letting loose, getting energized, toning up and rocking out!

Dates: Thursdays; April 11 - May 23, 2024

No class May 9

**Time:** 6pm – 6:45pm

Location: Baker Elementary Gym

507 W Sycamore St., Wayland (use back side door)

Fee: 45 min class / 6 weeks / \$30

**REGISTRATION:** All registrations can be done online at wayland.revtrak.net using a debit or credit card. You may also register by phone; by mail using check; or in person.

Our office is located at Wayland Union Middle School, new wing, 701 Wildcat Drive, Wayland, MI 49348. Office Phone: (269) 792-9153

**Wayland Community Education Refund Policy:** Classes canceled by Wayland Union Community Education due to lack of enrollment will be fully refunded. You may receive a refund up to two days prior to the first day of class minus a \$10 processing fee. No refunds will be granted after that time.



Wayland Leisure Life is an organization for adults 55 and over.

Comedy Lunch Theatre with Improv.Anonymous March 13 | 11:00AM-1:30PM | \$15/pp | Lumber Yard Event Center | 710 W. Maple St., Wayland | RSVP/Pay by March 6

Lunch and laughter is the best medicine and especially so with Wayland's own Improv team!

Pizza & Bingo

March 27 | 11:30AM-1:30PM| \$5 per person | Wayland Union Transportation Building | 851 Wildcat Dr. | RSVP/Pay by March 20

Kalamazoo Air Zoo with Lunch at Traveler's Cove April 9 | 10:00AM - 2:30PM | \$28/pp | Lunch is self-pay | Depart/Return Wayland Transportation Building | 851

Wildcat Dr. | *RSVP/Pay by March 27* MISSION: Imagination, Exploration, and Discovery, this event is sure to be an exciting one!

Pizza & Bingo

April 24 | 11:30AM - 1:30PM | \$5 per person | Wayland Union Transportation Building | 851 Wildcat Dr. | RSVP/Pay by April 17

# Historic Site Tours: Hackley & Hume Houses, Fire Barn and Scolnik House

May 9 | 10:00AM - 4:00PM | \$50/pp | Depart/Return Wayland Union Transportation Building | 851 Wildcat Dr. | RSVP/Pay by April 24

| RSVP/Pay by April 24
This all inclusive tour includes some of the most important historic sites in Michigan. Includes transportation, tours, and lunch and gratuity at Capone's Speakeasy

Pizza & Bingo

May 22 | 11:30AM - 1:30PM | \$5 per person | Wayland Union Transportation Building | 851 Wildcat Dr. | RSVP/Pay by May 15

Summertime Celebration Potluck

June 12 | 11:30AM - 3:00PM | Wayland City Park | Bring a dish to pass | Drinks/Place Settings Provided | RSVP by May 29

Pizza & Bingo

June 26 | 11:30AM - 1:30PM | \$5 per person | Wayland Union Transportation Building | 851 Wildcat Dr. | RSVP/Pay by June 19

# RSVP to Lisa @ 616/890-4428 or waylandleisurelife@gmail.com

Make checks payable to Wayland Leisure Life.
Mail checks to 816 Geneva Dr., Wayland 49348
\*All events are non-refundable after RSVP date\*

And be sure to follow us on Facebook at Wayland Leisure Life!

# Important Dates

#### March

- 01 End of 2nd Trimester
- Start of 3rd Trimester 04
- 08 No School
- No School Teacher PD Day 11
- 29 Apr 5 No School Spring Break

### April

School Resumes 08

### May

- Graduation for Class of 2024 23
- No School Memorial Day 27
- Last Day of School 1/2 Day 31

Dates and times may change, check website for the most updated schedule

# Half Day Schedule

High School 7:35am-10:35am Middle School 7:45am-10:45am Pine Street 7:30am-10:30am Steeby Elementary 8:45am-11:45am Dorr Elementary 8:50am-11:50am Baker Elementary 9am-12pm

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# Preschool Enrollment for 24-25 School Year

Wayland Union Schools Preschool is now taking registrations for three and four year old tuition preschool students for the 2024-2025 school year. Enrollment is on a first-come, first-serve basis. If you are interested, please complete the pre-admission form located on the district website. Discounted rates are offered for families living in the WUS district thanks to the Gun Lake Casino revenue.



The district will offer both three and four year old programs at Baker and Dorr Elementary Schools in our tuition programs.

Students need to turn 3 by September 1, 2024 or 4 by September 30, 2024 and be toilet trained. Extended day options will be available for four year olds and half day options for three year olds.

A new, online admission and billing system called Brightwheel will be used to make it easier for parents to enroll, upload documents, make monthly payments, and receive communications from teachers.

You may qualify for free preschool through Great Start Readiness Preschool or Head Start. To fill out an application for these programs and to see if you qualify, go to hmgallegan.org.

For more details, please visit our website and find the pre-admission link on the homepage or go to "Departments>Early Childhood>Preschools" to learn more. Questions can be directed to Laurie Zywiczynski, Director of Early Childhood, at lauriez@waylandunion.org.

# **Now Enrolling for Preschool 2024** - **2025**

### 3 & 4 year old Programs Available!

WUS is now accepting applications for tuition preschool for three and four year olds. Extended Day programs for 4's and Half Day programs for 3's. Fill out the pre-admission form using the QR code below or visit waylandunion.org to get started!



More info at waylandunion.org

