Weare Middle & Center Woods Upper Elementary NEWSLETTER

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8th Grade families should follow this link for information regarding special events for this class.

Please read the following about our upcoming assessments:

Each year, students in grades 3 through 8 participate in the New Hampshire Statewide Assessment System (NH SAS) and students in grade 11 participate in the College Board School Day SAT and NH SAS science assessment.

- NH SAS for English language arts/writing and mathematics in grades 3 through 8
- NH SAS for science in grades 5, 8, and 11
- SAT School Day with Essay in grade 11

In a typical year, state assessments are an important part of a student's core educational program, but even more so this year as we seek to learn more about the impact of the pandemic. To learn more about the state accountability testing system, including average test times and a FAQ, please visit the NH DOE website, and search for Statewide Assessment System.

We will be testing the week of May 9th. Here is a <u>link to the form</u> for the exemption.

Your admin team:

Mrs. Hilliard, Mr. Matzke & Mr. Morrill

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Don't miss your chance to order a 2021-2022 WMS/CWUES Yearbook!

The online portal for yearbook orders is now open. Yearbooks are \$30 and must be ordered online through Lifetouch's portal. Click here to reserve your copy and use this code **14317222.** Order by April 30 to reserve your copy!

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Weare School District Board Meeting

Weare School District Board Meeting: April 19, 2022, @ 6 PM in the Weare Middle School cafe. The Weare School Board District Meetings are available via live stream at https://bit.ly/SAU24LiveStream.

The public may communicate with Weare board members outside of meeting times via email at wsb.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neeting.neetin

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Superintendent Office Hours in April



Join SAU 24 Superintendent Jacqueline Coe who will be joined by John Stark Principal Gary Dempsey on APRIL 21 AT 6 PM for office hours via Zoom.

If you have a question about anything related to SAU 24 schools in the Henniker, Weare, John Stark, and Stoddard school districts, this is the perfect opportunity to ask your question, say hello, or just listen via Zoom @

https://sau24-org.zoom.us/j/82142291994?pwd=OHIrbTB2TnIrU1BZSmpTRThxWFd5U T09 Meeting ID: 821 4229 1994 Passcode: 225191 or Join by phone @ (US) +1 240-623-0475 PIN: 538 949 965#.

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7th Annual Fun Run 5K

Get Ready for the 7th Annual

Weare Fun Run 5K

Friday, May 13 at 4:00 PM

Register by May 4 to qualify for a Race T-shirt

This is a Walk/Run Event

Registration Form Attached

Click here for a registration form

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Notes from the Nurse

NH DHHS guidelines for COVID testing have not changed. This means that if your student is having any of the following symptoms (congestion, cough, sore throat, headache, body aches, fever), then a negative Covid test is necessary prior to sending them to school.

Although there are other viruses circulating around causing the common

cold and the flu, and we are seeing less positive Covid cases, DHHS has not relaxed the requirement for Covid testing. If your child is having any of these symptoms, please keep them home, do a Covid test and provide me with the results prior to them being cleared to return to school. I still have a supply of rapid tests that I am happy to share with you if you do not have tests at home. If your child tests negative, they may return to school when their symptoms are resolved or significantly improved. Please help us to keep our school community healthy!

SAU 24 Communications Survey

Superintendent Jacqueline Coe would like to invite community members and SAU 24 families to complete the survey most relevant to them in order to support SAU 24's efforts to evaluate its approach to communications. The surveys close on April 23.

Parents and/or guardians of students who currently attend district schools can find the family-oriented survey here.

Community members who do not currently have students attending an SAU 24 school can find their survey here.

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This spring, it is especially important to hear feedback from your district and community. It has been two years since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, and much has changed since that time. While communities start to recover from all of the disruptions, it is critical to understand how staff, families and communities have been impacted, and how they will move forward to plan for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year.

To access the surveys, please visit the appropriate link(s) beginning Monday, March 14, through Friday, April 29, 2022

- Families in K-12, Preschool, and Private Schools: bit.ly/nhdoefamily
- Staff in Public and Private Schools: <u>bit.ly/nhdoestaff</u>
- Community Members*: bit.ly/nhdoecommunity (* Please note that "Community Members" are those who do not have students enrolled in New Hampshire public schools.
 Those who do should complete the family surveys instead..)

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SAU 24 is Hiring!

It takes a community to keep our schools running smoothly. <u>Visit our website</u> to see our job openings. We are always looking for paraeducators and substitutes.

The Weare Bus Terminal is also looking for drivers! On-site job interviews take place every Wednesday from 10 am - 12 pm. Stop by our location for a walk-in interview and tour!

58 Carding Mill Road, Weare 603-529-4744

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PUP Default Plans

WMS/CWUES Pickup Patrol Default Plans

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Upcoming Dates - full calendar can be found here

April 18 & 19 - Challenge Day has been postponed

April 25-29 - No School, Spring Break

May 13 - Weare Fun Run 5k

May 27 - Early Release, dismiss @ 11:30

May 30 - No School, Memorial Day

June 21 - Last day of school as of 4.8.22

Weare Public Library

Parenting Group

At the Weare Library Monday, April 18 at 7:00

Are you raising an adolescent age 10 to 19? Stop by to discuss challenges that you're facing, learn from other parents, and share advice of your own.

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament II

At the Weare Library Wednesday, April 20 at 6:00

Fight for prizes and glory in this double-elimination tournament! Open to all ages and skill levels. Sign-up at: https://www.wearepubliclibrary.com/smash

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Community News

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TACKLE: Grades 4/5/6 & 7/8

FLAG: Grades K-3

Where: Bolton Field, Rt 114 Weare

When: Practice Starts mid August for tackle and early

September for Flag and goes through October

Practices: Tackle 4/5/6 & 7/8-2-3X week, games on

Saturdays; Flag -2 X week, games on Sunday AM

Cost: \$ 175 (Tackle) \$50 (Flag)

Registration: WWW.JSGFCA.ORG open now—7/29









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JRGENERALSFOOTBALL@GMAIL.COM



GAINS IN THE EDUCATION OF MATH AND SCIENCE (GEMS) IS LOOKING FOR A RESOURCE TEACHER FOR SUMMER 2022

Spend the week leading a virtual STEM camp for 7th and 8th grade students where they will explore weather, climate and the environment through a series of athome experiments and projects. The camp is FREE for students. Resource Teachers receive a stipend.

YOU WILL LEAD STUDENTS AS THEY:

- Build an automated weather station (AWS)
- · Create energy through wind and solar power
- Study microbial fuel cells
- Learn about water quality
- Participate in an underground treasure hunt using ground-penetrating radar (GPR)

YOU CAN INSPIRE THE NEXT GENERATION OF STEM LEADERS THROUGH GEMS!

Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory (CRREL) Hanover, NH June 27 - July 1, 2022 09:00 am to 4:00 pm (EST)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 15, 2022

Resource Teachers receive a stipend. For more information or to register, visit the website:

https://www.usaeop.com/program/hanover-nh/



QUESTIONS?

Contact the CRREL GEMS Coordinator Charlene.M.Brown@usace.army.mil 603-646-4137

Exploring Weather, Climate, and the Environment

GEMS Camp 2022



Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory (CRREL) June 27 - July 1, 2021 09:00 am to 4:00 pm

The GEMS Camp is a science-based, hands-on approach to discovery. Although this series will be delivered virtually, be prepared to dip into a stream to collect specimens for research, and in building your own automated weather station, wind turbine, solar photovoltaic systems and microbial fuel cells at home. All materials you need will be shipped to you.

Building an Automated Weather Station (AWS)

Students will build their own AWS kit and program it simply to collect and store data.

Energy through wind and solar power

Students will build a mini-wind turbine to generate power, and use that power to run equipment and to collect and store data. Students will also discover the use of solar power and how the sun's rays are the planet's most plentiful source of energy.

Microbial Fuel Cells

Soil is a great habitat for living organisms. Some of these organisms are so small that you can't see them. Students will learn how power and energy comes from the use of these soil organisms, how that power is measured, and how water and other elements affect that power.

Learning about water quality

Leaves in stream beds are an important source of organic matter and a great habitat for aquatic insects. Students will collect samples from stream beds and discover the amount and variety of insects, and the insects Intolerance of pollution. This helps to measure the quality of the water in which these insects thrive.

An underground treasure hunt using GPR

Ground-penetrating Radar (GPR) is a non-destructive geophysical technique used to image the subsurface of the ground. Students will explore the hidden treasures under the ground and learn how the GPR is used to detect utilities, geologic contacts, voids, and even archeologic sites.

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For the second year in a row, the New Hampshire Department of Education is partnering with New Hampshire camps and school-age summer programs across the state to offer students the unique opportunity to move beyond COVID-19 and be a kid again. Students of all ages, backgrounds and abilities benefit from exposure to short-term summer enrichment programs, including in the areas of challenge, friend-making, positivity, and emotional safety. These are all things that New Hampshire camps and school-age programs do best.

Camp fee eligibility

Eligible students and corresponding youth recreation camp fees include:

\$650 eligible: Students with a disability

\$500 eligible: Students from families earning less than 250% of the federal poverty level \$350 eligible: Students from families earning less than 400% of the federal poverty level

*Participating composing



LETS SING TOGETHER **AGAIN!**

ACCEPTING **NEW SINGERS!**

JOIN A CHOIR

AUDITION



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SATURDAY MORNING





GMYC BELIEVES



TO AUDITION AND SIGN UP, AND FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT

GRAND MONADNOCK YOUTH CHOIRS.ORG

OR CALL ESTHER AT 603-499-3505





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