



# New Berlin West Viking Voice

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### Principal's Message

Greetings West Families,



This newsletter marks the end of the first semester and onset of the second semester at West. Along with the transition into the second semester, we are engaged in the 2022-2023 course signup period in the school district. With that in mind, there are a few thoughts to consider as you support your student(s) with the course signup process as they make plans for their future at New Berlin West and beyond.

Your Academic and Career Plan: What are your post-secondary plans and how can you use your school schedule to help you achieve them? What courses will help to support this plan? Do you want to take advantage of dual enrollment options (both high school and post-secondary credit) or Career and Service Based Learning Options? If so, how is your schedule supporting these opportunities as you move through your school career?

Rigor of schedule and overall grade point average: As you think about your schedule for next year, please consider that post-secondary institutions criteria for selection includes both appropriate rigor and overall grade point. As you and your student think of these items, especially in the junior and senior years, you need to consider your goals for post-secondary education and how those institutions will view your transcript in these areas.

Balance: Consider not only your course schedule and rigor, yet other things as well when you are looking at your schedule options. It is important to have a schedule that allows balance for school activities (we encourage every student to participate in at least one per year) and/or work schedules and outside responsibilities. These are important considerations as you think about your options for the upcoming school year.

As you finalize your schedule selections for the upcoming year, we encourage you to review the recommendations provided by teachers (in the comments on your student's semester report cards!) and discuss this information with your student to ensure you are part of these important decisions. Please do contact us (your student's current teacher and/or school counselor are the best contacts) if you have questions regarding the options presented. Our [school webpage](#) provides further depth of information as it relates to course selections and options.

We hope you find this information helpful and have a great second semester of the school year!

Sincerely,

Michael Fesenmaier

For Daily  
Announcements,  
Upcoming Events,  
A look inside  
classrooms and  
much more!

**MAMMA MIA!**

February 4-6

**WEST**  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
WEST THEATRE ARTS PROGRAM

[VANCOEVENTS.COM/XMI](http://VANCOEVENTS.COM/XMI)

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### Parent Feedback Sessions



Would you be interested in sharing your thoughts?

We are planning several virtual parent feedback sessions to gain your thoughts on specific items, including: engagement, test prep, getting middle schoolers involved in activities, planning for course sign-up, and more.

We would like to have between 5-8 parents at each virtual session.

If you are interested in being in one of these feedback sessions, please contact [donna.krohn@nbexcellence.org](mailto:donna.krohn@nbexcellence.org)  
Thank you for considering!

**MAMMA MIA!**  
**SPIRIT WEEK!**

1/31- island/tourist

2/1- "greek freak" day

2/2- 70s disco!

2/3- spirit wear/blue

2/4- GLITTER!!!

NBW Proud!

### Academic Decathlon Competition

#### 2022 REGIONAL AWARDS

- |                           |                                |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| REGIONAL SITE - 3RD PLACE | TOP REGIONAL HONORS COMPETITOR |
| STATEWIDE - 5TH PLACE     | Bronze - Angel Chao            |
| <b>ART</b>                | <b>MATH</b>                    |
| Bronze - Logan Underwood  | Silver - Hai-Jin Eng           |
| <b>ECONOMICS</b>          | Silver - Jackson Muth          |
| Silver - Angel Chao       | <b>MUSIC</b>                   |
| Silver - Marcus Hernandez | Silver - Angel Chao            |
| <b>INTERVIEW</b>          | Bronze - Jackson Muth          |
| Gold - Alex Johnson       | <b>SOCIAL SCI</b>              |
| <b>LITERATURE</b>         | Silver - Ben Detert            |
| Gold - Angel Chao         | Silver - Hai-Jin Eng           |
| Silver - Logan Underwood  | Silver - Marcus Hernandez      |
| Bronze - Vivian Dinh      | Bronze - Angel Chao            |
| <b>SCIENCE</b>            | Silver - Hai-Jin Eng           |



The NBW Academic Decathlon team competed in the regional competition Jan. 6-7.

They brought home two gold medals, ten silver medals and four bronze medals!



Angel Chao was recognized as the third highest scoring competitor out of 90 students and the AcDec team placed third overall!! They are now ranked fifth in the state and will compete in the State Competition at the end of February!!

Congratulations to freshman Vivian Dinh, sophomores Angel Chao and Marcus Hernandez, and seniors Ben Detert, Hai-Jin Eng, Alex Johnson, Jackson Muth, Matt Sundararajan, and Logan Underwood and coaches Nicole Thompson and Kyle Fletcher!

### DECA Competition



NBW DECA had an outstanding day at the DECA District competition Jan. 8.

20 students earned 30 medals for tests and role plays in finance, hospitality, marketing and more! Six students automatically qualified for the state competition next month!

### Scholastic Art Competition



Congratulations to these students on their artwork that won awards in the Scholastic Art Competition: Jennalyn, Chelsea, Jade, Elise, Kaylee, Madison, and Catherine!!

Artwork will be on display at the Milwaukee Art Museum from Feb. 5th - March 20th!

## CONGRATULATIONS

*Amelia*

SHE HAS BEEN CHOSEN TO REPRESENT  
NEW BERLIN WEST AT  
THE WISCONSIN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR!



JUNE 10-12

AT CARROLL UNIVERSITY



Amelia was chosen as she  
exhibits positive leadership  
qualities in our school and  
community!

### The Norse Code



### The Norse Code

The Student News Site of New Berlin West

[Read more](#)  
[mynorsecode.com](http://mynorsecode.com)

The Norse Code is the award-winning NBW student magazine. It is fully run by students, from article topics, reporting, writing, photography, artwork, and layout/design. The most recent winter issue includes stories about:

- Students and sleep deprivation
- The importance of breakfast
- A feature on the Best Buddies club
- A look into the world of ballet
- A tour of the Elmbrook Humane Society and more!

### Highlights From The Crystal Ball Dance/ Spirit Week



### Counselors' Corner



MATT HUNT  
A-G



KARIN HOUSTON  
H-N



TAMMI FURE  
O-Z

## All students in grades 7-11, Course Selection for the 2022-23 School Year

Course requests for the 2022-2023 school year is NOW OPEN from January 24th to February 7th. The instructions can be found here [Course Request Instructions 2022-23](#)

### Seniors

West Only Scholarships!!!

- Many scholarships are available at the [SDNB Scholarship Website](#), updates will continue throughout the year. Check back often for new opportunities!
- Scholarship Information ([UW](#) & [WI Private School](#))
- Questions about applying for college? Check out... [UW Help](#)

**Check out Local and National Financial Resources** to make informed decisions about financial aid, taxes, and more.

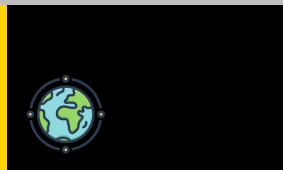
### Juniors

Practice! Practice! Practice! [ACT Preparation:](#)

- [How to Ace the ACT: 6 Top Tips for Success](#)
- [The 21 ACT Tips You Should Be Using Today](#)
- [SAT/ACT Exam Time Management](#)
- [Method Test Prep](#)
- [Varsity Tutors](#)

What would you like to do for a living? **Explore your potential**

## Opportunity to Share Your Family's Heritage



Planning is underway for our first School District of New Berlin International Heritage Festival scheduled for Saturday, May 7th at the New Berlin West Fieldhouse. We are currently looking for members of the SDNB and New Berlin communities who are interested in sharing their heritage with festival attendees through a performance or table display at the event.

Below are links to two separate forms: a performance form and a cultural table display form. We invite those interested to submit a form for consideration. Please be aware that submitting a form does not guarantee inclusion in the event, as planners will be balancing time and space constraints with a goal of providing a culturally diverse representation. Contact [Anne.Warchol@nbexcellence.org](mailto:Anne.Warchol@nbexcellence.org) with any questions.

[Performance Form](#): Deadline to submit is Friday, January 28

[Cultural Table Display Form](#): Deadline to submit is Friday, February 18



**Ryan Straus**  
NBW School Recourse Officer  
[Ryan.Straus@nbexcellence.org](mailto:Ryan.Straus@nbexcellence.org)  
262.789.6246



West Families,

Over the last few weeks, I have seen a lot of positive and uplifting behavior from our students! Students have volunteered to help others, cleaned up messes they did not cause, and include students who were not with anyone. It is very encouraging seeing this behavior within our building and within our community.

I would challenge everyone to show empathy toward others and if you see someone who may need help or who is alone at lunch, include them. This behavior can go a long way when someone is having a rough day!

When we surround ourselves with others who make positive choices, we too will begin to make positive choices. We need to associate ourselves with those we are like minded and stay out of trouble. One great way of doing this is to be a part of clubs/groups at school, sports, or other organizations outside of school who promote positive behavior. Keeping yourself busy with positive activities will help keep you out of trouble.

One great option for **New Berlin high school students is Midnight Basketball on Friday nights** (posters are hanging up around school)! Continue to make positive choices and positive change will happen!

Officer Ryan Straus  
School Resource Officer  
New Berlin West Middle/High School  
262-789-6246



## BE PREPARED



full tank of gas



ice scraper/snow brush



sand/shovel



jumper cables



flashlight



first aid kit  
*don't forget your medications*



cellphone charger



boots, gloves  
blankets, warm clothes



water/snacks

# FOR WINTER DRIVING

Because you never know when you will encounter winter weather or emergency road closures

- **Safety First** – Avoid driving when roads are treacherous!
- **Clear it Before You Go** – Remove ice and snow from windows, lights and mirrors
- **Go Slow in Ice and Snow** – Relax and take it easy
- **Stay Focused** – Distractions can wait
- **You Cruise, You Lose** – Avoid cruise control in winter conditions
- **Keep Your Distance** – Stay 200 feet behind snowplows – Stop safely



Call 511 or visit [511wi.gov](http://511wi.gov) for real-time traveler information, including winter road conditions



**DRIVE SAFELY**

## Upcoming Theatre Productions & Musicals

### Mamma Mia!

West TAP presents ABBA's Mamma Mia!

A mother. A daughter. Three possible dads. And a trip down the aisle you'll never forget!

On the eve of her wedding, a daughter's quest to discover the identity of her father brings three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago.

The story-telling magic of ABBA's timeless songs, explosive dance numbers, and a smash-hit finale will have you dancing in the aisles!

#### When:

February 4th at 7:00pm  
February 5th at 7:00pm  
February 6th at 2:00pm

#### Ticket Prices:

Adult: \$14 Senior: \$12  
Student: \$10 Kids: \$8

Tickets can only be purchased online prior to event

#### Tickets Link:

<https://www.vancoevents.com/XMI>

# MAMMA MIA!

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WEST THEATRE ARTS PROGRAM

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Questions?

Email: [katherine.sarner@nbexcellence.org](mailto:katherine.sarner@nbexcellence.org)

### CASTING CALL

Calling ALL NBW High School Students to  
**OPEN AUDITIONS**

# 12 ANGRY JURORS



A play in Three Acts by Sherman L. Sargent  
adapted from the television show by Reginald Rose  
Presented by West Theatre Arts Program Friday, April 1 and Saturday, April 2  
**Wednesday, February 9 and Thursday, February 10**  
4:00-6:30pm in the West Performing Arts Center

Pick one night to attend of Cold Script Reading. Check out Script in Idea Center

Calling all High School students-  
Casting Call!

Open Auditions for 12 Angry Jurors  
2/9 and 2/10 in the PAC.

Questions?

Email: [blair.kath@nbexcellence.org](mailto:blair.kath@nbexcellence.org)



## Career Thursdays

Are you interested in sharing your career experiences with students?



New Berlin West middle/High School is seeking community members to share their career experiences with students!

Help us highlight different career experiences for our students during a weekly flex time meeting. Speakers will be asked to sign up to speak to students during one Thursday flex session (10:30AM - 11:15AM).

Please fill out the google doc below or scan the QR code above and New Berlin West will contact you to schedule you for an available Thursday Flex Session.

<https://forms.gle/nHofmDHTCXVNHvMA8>

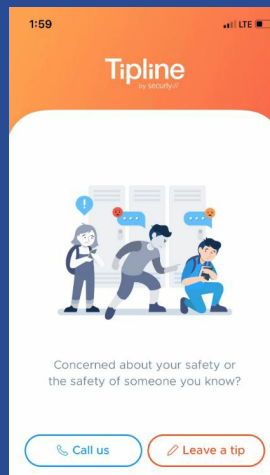
Any Other Questions Please Contact:  
[alyssa.vollkommer@nbexcellence.org](mailto:alyssa.vollkommer@nbexcellence.org)

### Securly Tipline: Important School Safety Tool

The SDNB is proud to partner with Securly to offer Tipline, an anonymous tip-reporting system designed to give students another voice in our "See Something, Say Something" efforts.

All tips, whether submitted via phone, text, online or the app, go to the Securly 24 team, highly trained specialists with backgrounds in psychology, sociology and working / volunteering with children. The Securly 24 team determines the validity and risk level of all tips, and, based on the assessment, time of day, etc., the team determines whom to alert about the tip. "Extreme Risk" alerts, for example, are directed directly to the New Berlin Police Department via 911; low-risk alerts result in an email to the building administrators.

Parents and students can download the Securly Tipline app in the Apple App Store or in Google Play (app store for Android phones). You can also submit tips on the web at [www.securly.com/tip](http://www.securly.com/tip), by phone at 1-833-300STOP or email at [tipline@securly.com](mailto:tipline@securly.com).



Tipline is another tool offered by Securly to enhance the safety of our students, staff and schools. It works hand-in-hand with Securly's cloud-based content-filtering that helps keep students safe on their school-issued devices.

### Does Your Child Need Extra Help?

**Homework Club-**  
New Berlin West High School is continuing its voluntary tutoring program for 7, 8, 9th graders run by National Honors Society (NHS) members who are Juniors/Seniors.

This program, called Homework Club, was set up to provide tutoring to any student who is struggling in a class or whose teacher believes they need some extra help. NHS volunteers will make sure students are up to date with homework, are ready for tests!

M-Th each week in the Library from 2:45-4 p.m. Transportation will not be provided for students.

*This program will be headed by NHS member- **Alex White***

# Homework Club!

tuesdays & thursdays

2:45-4!  
in the library!!!



sign up to attend here or use the QR code: <https://tinyurl.com/ur42jca>



**Sign Up Here**

## Education Foundation Teams with Kendra Scott

The Education Foundation of New Berlin invites you to "Shop for Good" for Valentine's Day or any occasion at Kendra Scott! Use the code GIVEBACK - BFZZK on Feb. 3 or Feb. 4 in-store (237 High St., Brookfield) or online ([kendrascott.com](http://kendrascott.com)) and 20 percent of sales will be donated to the EFNB to support its important work for the School District of New Berlin.



shop for good online or in-store!

February 3rd - February 4th

Enter code:

**GIVEBACK - BFZZK**

In your cart or at checkout on [kendrascott.com](http://kendrascott.com), or mention it at checkout in-store, and 20% of your purchase will benefit

**Education Foundation of New Berlin**

*Not combinable with other offers.*

*Kendra Scott*

### HELP US RAISE AWARENESS ON SOCIAL ANXIETY



FOR INQUIRIES, EMAIL US AT [SOCIALANXIETYAWARENESS2022@GMAIL.COM](mailto:socialanxietyawareness2022@gmail.com)



- 1 Follow our socials: insta @socialanxietyawareness2022 and tiktok @socialanxietyawareness22 to stay updated!
- 2 Attend our events! Head to our social media for more info
- 3 Do your own research! Head to the Mayo Clinic website, search social anxiety and read about symptoms, treatments, and more!

IF YOU ARE SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS SUFFERING FROM SOCIAL ANXIETY MAKE SURE TO TELL SOMEONE

Have you ever felt extremely uncomfortable in a social situation? Maybe you began sweating or your heartbeat went up. Many people experience the same thing. To be specific, did you know that around 9.1% of adolescents in the U.S. suffer from social anxiety disorder?

Symptoms for social anxiety include the fear of being judged or humiliated, intense fear of interacting with strangers, and physical symptoms such as tense muscles, nausea, and blushing in social settings. Symptoms may change over time based on changes in daily life or stress levels.

If you experience this or know somebody that does, get help early! Avoiding social situations may help in the short-term, but not in the long-term. Seek a professional for psychotherapy or medication, join a support group, and avoid unhealthy substance abuse.

Help us bring more attention to social anxiety

(Grace Fan and Sirinika Pattaswamy- HOSA-)

## Information Related to At-Home COVID-19 Tests





COVID-19 symptoms, you may need to get another COVID-19 test from a health care provider or at a community testing site.

**At-home COVID-19 tests are not supervised by a health care provider and are not sent to a lab for processing. This is why at-home tests cannot be used to inform any official public health decisions.**

- A negative at-home test result **will not be accepted as a way to shorten quarantine.**
- A positive at-home test result **will not be referenced to identify a 90-day period of possible immunity** which would make you exempt from quarantine if you had close contact with someone with COVID-19.
- At-home tests **cannot be used to enter or return to the U.S. when traveling from an international location.**

#### What do my at-home COVID-19 test results mean?

If your test results are positive and reported to public health, you may receive information from a contact tracer about how to monitor your illness and how to prevent spreading COVID-19 to others.

If your test results are negative or are not reported to public health, you



#### Home Test- Information

[Read more](#)  
drive.google.com

### Care Solace Now Available to All Families

If you or a family member are looking for help with mental health or substance use, Care Solace can help you quickly find treatment options matched to your needs regardless of the

circumstance. Care Solace is a complimentary and confidential service provided to students, staff, and their families by the School District of New Berlin. Care Solace's team is available 24/7/365 and can support you in any language.



If you would like to use Care Solace to help you find a provider:

- Call 888-515-0595 available 24/7/365
- Visit [www.caresolace.com/newberlin](http://www.caresolace.com/newberlin) and either search on your own OR click "Book Appointment" for assistance by video chat, email, or phone.

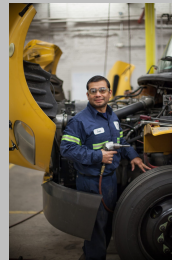
Information on individual treatment providers was gathered by Care Solace based on criteria such as geographic proximity, whether the provider accepts the authorized user's insurance, and whether the provider is accepting new patients. The school district does not recommend, endorse, promote, or refer to any of the individual treatment providers.

### Durham Hiring Bus Drivers

Durham Transportation Services is still looking for bus drivers for this school year. Durham provides required training and helps drivers obtain required licensing. Durham offers its drivers:

- Competitive starting wage of \$20.65 per hour;
- Free CDL training and paid company training;
- Split shifts and 20 hours a week minimum, with additional hours available;
- Medical, dental, vision, and 401k with company match;
- No nights or weekends required;
- Take Your Children / Grandchildren to Work ride-along policy

You must be 21 or older to apply, possess a clean, valid driver's license, and pass a physical and drug screening. Call (262) 784-7278 for more information.



#### Durham School Services

Durham provides safe and reliable transportation to students across the United States, transporting more than 1,000,000\* students daily. With our expertise and nationwide resources, you will no longer have to worry about: new bus capital, routing ...

[Read more](#)  
[www.durhamschoolservices.com](http://www.durhamschoolservices.com)

### SDNB and EDUStaff Looking for Substitute Teachers

# OUR DISTRICT NEEDS YOU!

## ARE YOU LOOKING FOR...?

- Opportunities to Support Your Community
- The Ability to Choose Your Schedule
- Extra Income
- Variety in Your Role

### SUBSTITUTE TEACHER REQUIREMENTS

- Hold a valid and current Wisconsin Teaching License  
- OR -
- Obtain a Substitute Permit from the State Department of Public Instruction with completion of an Associate's or Bachelor's degree and a Edustaff Short Term Substitute Training Program
- Complete a Conduct and Competency Review Form
- Complete and submit a negative TB test or TB Risk Assessment Form

### PARAPROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Have a high school diploma
- Complete and submit a negative TB test or TB Risk Assessment Form
- For a SPED Aide
  - Must have a high school diploma AND obtain the WI SPED Aide License.

## JOIN OUR TEAM!

Apply today at [www.edustaff.org](http://www.edustaff.org)

- Classroom Training
- Employee Support



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## New Berlin West Strategic Goals 2021-22


**Goal #1:  
Literacy Academic Goal**  
Continuously increase student literacy performance to ensure all students are prepared for success, careers, and future opportunities.

**Goal #2:  
School Environment**  
Foster an environment where every student feels safe and supported, where all learners are encouraged with positive interactions from teachers and students so that they can be comfortable and successful in their learning environment. Help staff to engage with students and encourage them to report incidents of insensitive dialog.

**Goal #3:  
CCR Experiences**  
We will increase student exposure to and communication of CSBL-related experiences and information related to careers of interest while building community engagement as a means to expose students to those experiences and opportunities.

## Viking Athletics Upcoming Events

Click Below to view all upcoming Sports Events



**New Berlin West High School**  
Just another SportsHub Sites site  
[Read more  
nbwvikings.net](http://nbwvikings.net)



### VIKE NIGHTS

- Free student admission for those wearing blue & gold
- January 27 - T-Shirt Giveaway (while supplies last)
- *Wear your blue & gold Viking Night apparel*
- Half-Court Competitions & Student Raffles
- Collect Vike Night tickets for entry into raffles

1/7 - Girls Basketball v. Pius XI  
1/12 Swim v. Whitnall  
1/19 Wrestling v. Pewaukee  
2/8 Boys Basketball v. Pius XI



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[www.nbexcellence.org/schools/west/](http://www.nbexcellence.org/schools/west/)

