



New Berlin West Viking Voice

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Principal's Message

Greetings West Families,

As I write this, we are closing out the month of November and looking forward to December. As I write this we are just over a week away from the recent tragedy in Waukesha. At this time of year, we are often reflecting on our year and considering all that we have to be thankful for. Especially as we move into December and the end of the year, this is the common theme. As we heard of the tragedy it reminds us even more about the precious value of the time that we have with those who are important to us. We are doing some things as a school to show our support for Waukesha and the challenges and loss that has arisen from the actions



To this point, I would say that we have a tremendous amount to be thankful for as we continue to navigate all that we continue to face as challenges. I am often amazed as I see our

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classrooms and
much more!

students navigate a new and different world from what we, as adults, have experienced. I hope that you will join me in appreciation for our school community. While we face challenges, we continue to be successful in light of all that we face.

One of my takeaways from the events in Waukesha is a reminder that we do not always know how much time we have with each other and that things can happen in a moment that could change things drastically as they did with the people and families connected with this recent tragedy. With that understanding, we need to take advantage of all of the time we have to accomplish our goals, connect with those important to us and continue to strive to reach success. In school, this can fall in any of the areas of academics, activities, athletics and just learning and growing as a person to be supportive and helpful of others, seeking help when needed and learning to navigate the challenges that life brings us. We all have good and challenging days and need help and support to be successful. The chart at the right highlights what success really looks like versus that of which people think it looks like. It is a challenge that we must continue to strive for, even in the more difficult times. This is what we are working towards with our students, to help them to develop these skills to reach their full potential.

I am thankful for our community, our students, our families and our staff. We are what makes New Berlin West a special place for students to continue their path toward success. We appreciate all facets of this that are essential for the continue growth of our students.

We truly appreciate your engagement and efforts! Thank you again for your continued support.

*Thank you,
Michael*



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.

We Are West!



Wondering what it is like to be a student at New Berlin West Middle/High School? If you've got a minute, we invite you to take a look!



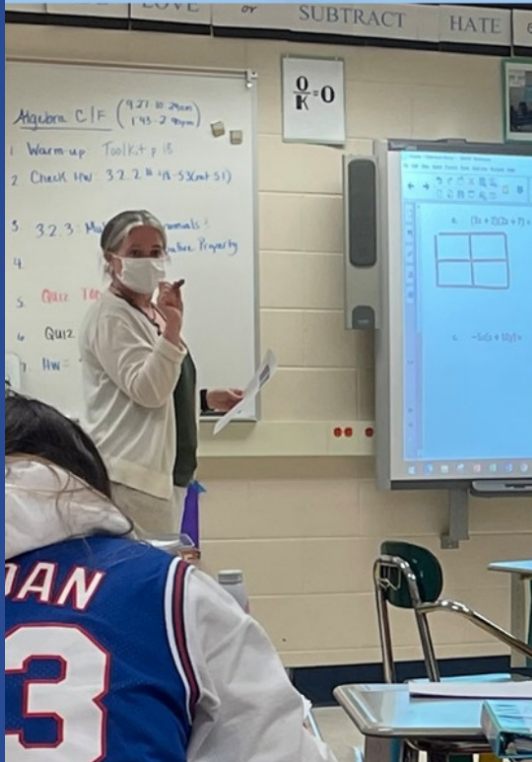
Each year AATSP-WI celebrates a Spanish/Portuguese teacher that has demonstrated excellence in the classroom, their community, and/or within the AATSP organization.

West's very own, Señorita Thompson, has been selected as the 2021 Distinguished Educator for AATSP-WI!!

Congratulations
Señorita Thompson!



OUR LADY of MERCY ACADEMY



Did you know that Ms. Cooks, one of our math teachers here at West, was inducted in the inaugural hall of fame class of her high school, Our Lady of Mercy Academy (OLMA) in Syosset, NY, last month?

Ms. Cooks was the school's first freshman to play three varsity sports: volleyball, basketball and softball. She was all-league in all three sports three times, holds a combined 16 school records - including 11 in softball alone - and was the team's and league's top basketball player the year OLMA won the only state title in school history. MariPat, also has two of her jersey numbers - 9 and 15 - retired by the school.

JERSEY'S FOR JACKSON

FRIDAY DECEMBER 3RD, PLEASE WEAR A JERSEY
TO SCHOOL TO HONOR JACKSON'S LIFE



JACKSON LOST HIS LIFE IN THE WAUKESHA CHRISTMAS PARADE ON SUNDAY, NOV. 21.

JACKSON PLAYED FOR THE WAUKESHA BLAZERS BASEBALL TEAM. HIS MOTHER IS ASKING A EVERYONE WEAR JERSEYS TO SCHOOL FRIDAY TO HONOR JACKSONS LIFE.



Counselors' Corner



MATT HUNT
A-G



KARIN HOUSTON
H-N



TAMMI FURE
O-Z

Senior Parents

College Applications, Letters of Recommendation & Scholarships

- Letter of recommendation forms can be found in student services, complete this form and give to teachers.
- Transcript release forms are available online and in student services. Students under 18 years of age must have a parent/guardian signature on this form to release their transcripts.
- Many scholarships are available at the SDNB Scholarship Website, updates will continue throughout the year. Check back often for new opportunities!
- If you have any questions regarding college applications, please be sure to refer back to your Junior Conference Action Plan from last school year.

Junior Parents

Upcoming Junior Conferences

- Starting in November and continuing into January 2022, the NBW school counselors will be meeting with every junior student and parent/guardian to discuss the student's post secondary plans. The goal is to prepare the student to successfully navigate the world of higher education and the world of work. The counselors are requesting the presence of a parent or guardian (in-person or virtually) at these meetings to help ensure a smooth and successful transition for the student. Please watch for a letter delivered via USPS mail and a calendar invite in your email inbox. Please RSVP by accepting the google meet invite. If you have any questions regarding the invitation or meeting, please contact Nicole Burke at 262-789-6424 or email nicole.burke@nbexcellence.org
- **If attending in person: Please be sure to bring your driver's license so you can receive a visitor pass. Thank you!

Veterans Day Celebration



Veterans Day 2021 -

We were able to celebrate dozens of local veterans at the West Performing Arts Center with the Pledge Of Allegiance recited by elementary and middle school students, West student musical performances and speeches, representatives from all branches of the US Armed Forces, Mayor Dave Ament and special guest Wisconsin State Senator Dale Kooyenga.

Thank you to all who made this event possible, including [Champps Brookfield](#) for their donation of a special veterans discount card good all year long and thank you to all of those who attended in person or virtually attended this years celebration!



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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/nHcfmDHTCXVNHvMA8>

Any Other Questions Please Contact:
alyssa.vollkommer@nbexcellence.org



Career Thursdays

During Flex



Upcoming Careers:

- 12.02 Ad Agency/Creative Director
- 12.09 Cosmetologist
- 12.16 Safety Systems Administrator
- 1.06 Game Designer/ UWM Professor
- 1.13 Orthodontist

Information Related to At-Home COVID-19 Tests

At-home COVID-19 test kits are useful tools to help families determine what steps to take with their child(ren) when he or she is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or has been in close contact with someone who has recently tested positive.

At-home COVID-19 tests, however, are not supervised by a health care provider and are not sent to a lab for processing. Therefore, at-home results are not accepted by the Waukesha County Public Health Department as valid results that can be used to inform official public health decisions. In the case of the School District of New Berlin, the results cannot be used to determine “return dates” for infected students, cannot be used to shorten suggested quarantine periods and cannot be used to identify 90-day periods of possible immunity.

We encourage those who choose to use at-home tests to report the results - either positive or negative - to their health care provider. They may recommend that you get another test from a healthcare provider or at a community testing site.

If you have further questions, [please consult this flyer provided by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#) or contact district nurse Pam Jesse at pam.jesse@nbexcellence.org.

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 flyer.pdf](#)

[Read more](#)



Ryan Straus
NBW School Recourse Officer
Ryan.Straus@nbexcellence.org
262.789.6246



West Families,

It is important for us to do our part in keeping ourselves and others safe. One way of doing this is **reporting when we hear or see something that we know can be harmful to ourselves or others**. These reports may vary from drug complaints, threat toward others, or threat of self harm. When making a report, it is important to **only report accurate information!**

When talking about **reporting information, we have more than one option**. One program that has been around for a while is **Crime Stoppers**. Crime Stoppers allows for someone to make a report by text or online. You can remain anonymous while providing information! Also, based on what the information provided leads up to, Crime Stops does officer cash rewards.

Another program is **Speak Up, Speak Out**. This program is run by the state of Wisconsin. It is very similar to Crime Stops, where someone is able to report a type by phone (call/text), through an app on the phone, and also online. The information provided is then vetted to determine the level of information and if police involvement is imminent. The information may be directed to the appropriate school to further investigate.

Another option is through **Securly Tipline**, students can submit anonymous tips through an app, text, email or phone message. Students can submit tips for any concerns that they feel need to be shared, including bullying, self-harm, and other forms of violence.

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

Class Of 2022 Graduation Reminders

Cap & Gown Order Deadline: Friday, November 26th

Order Online At [Jostens.com](https://www.jostens.com)

Reminder - If you haven't already - please remember to send in your graduate's childhood photo for use in the special slideshow shown during commencement.

Please contact Donna.Krohn@nbexcellence.org with any questions.

Here is a link to the latest graduation letter below-

Graduation Letter





New Berlin West Grad 2022 (2).pdf

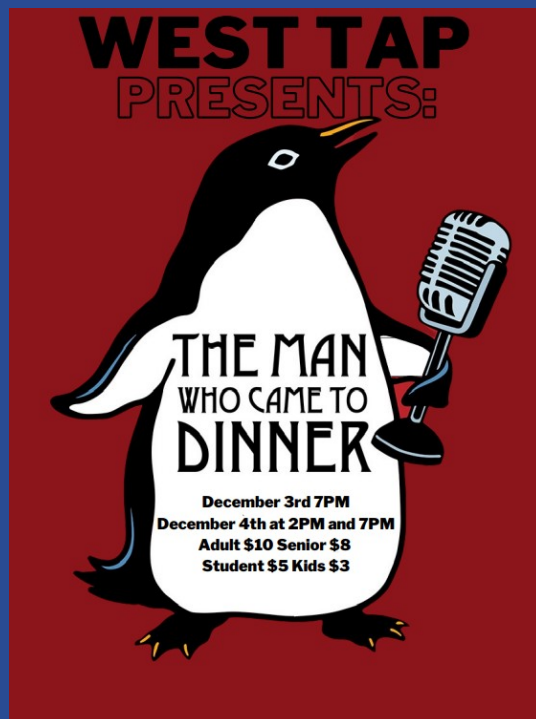
Graduation Prep Time Class of 2022- New Berlin West

[Read more](#)

drive.google.com

Upcoming Theatre Productions & Musicals

The Man Who Came to Dinner!



West Theatre Arts Program presents *The Man Who Came to Dinner*, a classic farce.

When:

December 3rd at 7:00pm

December 4th at 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Ticket Prices:

Adults \$10 Senior \$8

Students \$5 Kids \$3

Tickets Link:

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

Questions? Email:

blair.kath@nbexcellence.org

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 Link:

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



Questions?

Email:

katherine.sarner@nbexcellence.org

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
Thank you for considering!

Free Programs for Parents



Parents United

When our daughter with special needs graduated from high school, her special needs and her need to

Parents United

The mission of the group is to present timely and informative information, in a neutral forum, for parents and professionals who work with children. The lectures and presentations offered each school year provide essential links, knowledge and networking to the entire community for the ultimate benefit of our students.

Next Upcoming Program: Tuesday,
December 7th 9:00-11:30am
Stress and Anxiety In Youth

Click on the link to the left to discover many more upcoming programs.

grow with education did not. Parents United continues to help our daughter by providing us continuing parental education.

[Read more](http://parentsunitedwi.org)
parentsunitedwi.org

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!

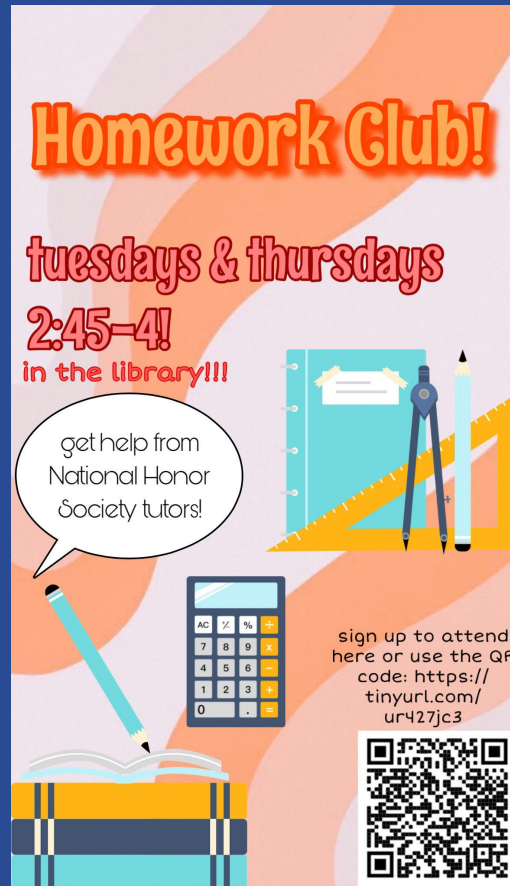
M-Th each week in the Library from 2:45 -4:00 pm.

Transportation will not be provided for students.

This program will be headed by NHS member- Alex White

aw6982@stu.nbexcellence.org

Feel free to email us with any questions!



Homework Club!

tuesdays & thursdays
2:45-4!
in the library!!!

get help from National Honor Society tutors!

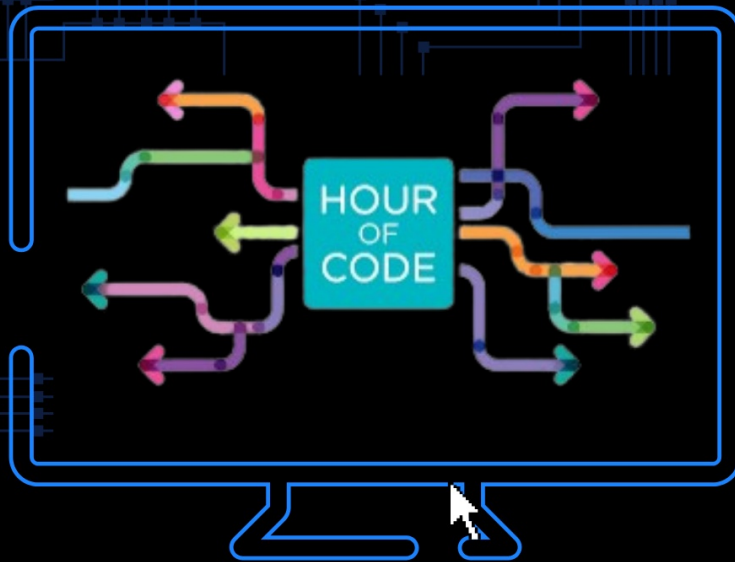
sign up to attend here or use the QR code: <https://tinyurl.com/ur427jc3>

The poster features illustrations of a pencil, a calculator, a ruler, a compass, and a stack of books.



[Sign Up Here](#)

Hour Of Code Week



MS STUDENTS WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE GREATER #MKEHOUROFCODE 12/6-10!

The School District Of New Berlin is proud to participate in the Greater #MKEHourofCode during Hour of Code Week, December 6-10. New Berlin West is proud to join in on the fun!

Computers are changing every industry on the planet and are in, or impacting, almost every profession that exists!

Here is a filterable site for hour of code where students can try activities that connect to various content areas: <https://hourofcode.com/us/learn>

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

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

- Classroom Training
- Employee Support



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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

HIGH SCHOOL
SOFTBALL SIGN UP

11/19 DURING
HS FLEX
RM 149

CONTACT COACH MINIK
IF YOU ARE
UNABLE TO ATTEND



HIGH SCHOOL
GIRLS SOCCER
PRE-SEASON
MEETING

11-23-21

7:00AM
IN RM 200

GIRLS SOCCER MEETING



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