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Underwood School Newsletter

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2021 CLASS SUPPLIES

Supply lists for the upcoming school year have been posted on the school website under the parent tab. This includes preschool, elementary, and high school classes.

STUFF THE BUS APPLICATION

The Stuff the Bus program provides school supplies for students. If your children are in need of a backpack and supplies for the school year, you should complete the application in this newsletter and send it to the United Way by the due date of July 17th. No reminders will be mailed this year.

Summer recreation activities are for all summer residents!



218-826-6101 ext 108.

Please register by

July 1st as we are ordering t-shirts for all participants.

"SLEEPING BEAUTY" With Prairie Fire Theatre

The Golden Age of Hollywood comes to life in this over the top version of the classic tale. Set on a movie set in the 1930's everything that can go wrong does! It's lights out for the movie studio unless Sleeping Beauty can wake up and save the picture!

Students age 7 - 18 are needed to play the roles of Rose, Mallory, Colin, Eugene, Becki, Gwen, Julia, Anna and the rest of the Movie Stars; The Director, Producer, Cameraman, Make-Up Girl, Soundman, Dance Coach, Sheep Wrangler, Coffee Girl, Chauncy, Chancy, Chintzy, The Reporter, The Henchmen, and the Sheep.

The audition process lasts up to two hours and everyone is required to be in attendance the complete time. Auditions are on Monday, Aug 24th at 3:15. Rehearsals will be held from 3:00 - 7:00 that week.

This activity is funded in part by a grant from the Lake Region Arts Council through a Minnesota State Legislative appropriation. Tickets will be available at the door and from cast members.



Fri, August 28 at 7:00
Sat. August 29 at 1:00
Underwood School

Adults \$6.00
Students \$3.00
Veterans Free
A fun show for all!

Please attend and show support our talented kids!

Social Distance Seating!

PRESEASON ATHLETIC & MUSIC MTG 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

The sports meeting for grades 7-12 and the music meeting for grades 9-12 is on Thursday, August 13th at 7:00. If you plan on going out for any sport or fine art performance or competition next year you need to attend with a parent.

Coaches and music directors will be present to collect forms and fees and answer any of your questions. They will also have a handout available for you regarding their program's expectations and requirements.

Physical forms and other information are available on the school web site and on the bulletin board by the office. If you have not had a physical in the last three years, you need to get a physical before you can practice your sport or participate in weightlifting.

Please make this meeting a priority in your schedule whether your student is a 7th grader or a senior. It is a requirement for all athletes in 7-12 and music students in grades 9-12 and their parents. All students and parents not at the meeting will need to see Activities Director Brian Hovland before their student will be allowed to participate.

Please call the school with any questions.

REMEMBER: This meeting is for all sports and music! Fall sports start Aug. 17.

Football, Boys and Girls Cross Country, Volleyball, Boys and Girls Soccer, Boys and Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Boys and Girls Track and Field, Girls Softball, Boys Baseball, Boys and Girls Golf, Band, Choir, and Clay Target.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CREDIT

For six successful summers, the Underwood High School has helped students complete a trimester or semester of up to two given classes. Our hope is that those students who have failed a portion of a class, will take advantage of this opportunity. Classes will be four weeks long and begin on July 13th.

We have created a Credit Recovery Program for those students who need to make up a trimester class or a semester class. Students will attend from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon each day, for a total time of 36 or 56 instructional hours. Your child must be in attendance during that set time and complete all assignments to receive credit. We will have a licensed teachers supervising the program. Also the regular education teachers have created packets of assignments for the students to complete. Each student can recover credit for a maximum of two classes.

Needless to say, if your child does not participate in this program, he/she will either need to retake the course or find an alternative method to complete the course this summer. The best options available would be Twin Oaks Lifetime Learning, the Alternative Learning Center in Fergus, or an On-Line service provider, some of which will charge money for the service.

With our Credit Recovery Program being no cost to you other than transportation, this is an excellent option. Information has been sent home for those students who qualify.



Underwood School District #550 (218-826-6101) Dave Kuehn, Supt.

Arick Follingstad, Principal; Anne Stenoien, Community Ed & Buses; Brian Hovland AD & Dean of Students
School Board Members: John Wold, Kyle Sem, Ardy Johansen, Rebekah Meder, Jen Albjerg, and Mark Bring.

FIREARM SAFETY

The DNR has modified firearms safety certification requirements on an interim basis as a result of COVID-19. Both in-person classroom and field days are postponed until further notice. Students may take their classroom training online. Students ages 14 and older may complete a virtual field day instead of the traditional in-person field day by completing the online hunter safety course. Students who are 12 and 13 years old who want to hunt this fall may take the online course and use the apprentice hunter validation. Find the links on the MN DNR website under the education and safety link.

SUMMER RECREATION BALL

A camp for girls and boys completing grades 2 -8. Learn about the basics in softball and baseball including how to hit, catch, slide, and throw the ball. Knowing your defense on plays and running bases will also be taught at camp. Learn about conditioning to help you be the best at your sport! **Please register by July 1.** No seeds on the fields this year. Coach: Madison Hoekstra, of the U of MN Morris Softball team
Dates: Mon - Thurs, July 13 - 16
Time: 9:00 - 10:15 for grades 2-3
10:30 - 11:45 for grades 4-8 Fee: \$15



T-BALL

For boys and girls in preschool through first grade. Learn the fundamentals of playing ball. **Must register by July 1.**
Coach: Casey Foertsch
Dates: Mon - Thurs, July 20-23
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 Fee: \$15

RED HAWK TICKET GIVEAWAY

We have five tickets to give away for Red Hawk home games in July and August. Call the school to get yours!

SOCCER CAMP

Learn the basic skills of soccer and how to score. This international game has lots of action for all team members. Register by 7/1.
Coach: Kindra Peterson, soccer award winner
Dates: Mon - Thurs, July 27-30
Time: 9:00 - 10:30 for K-6th grade Fee: \$15

BASKETBALL CAMP



A basketball camp for boys and girls going into grades 3 - 7. Enjoy four days filled with fundamental basketball skills and drills. Dribble, pass, shoot, score, defense, and teamwork will be emphasized. Register by July 1. Fee: \$15
Coaches: Justin Masloski and Sydney Hovland
Dates: Mon-Thurs, July 20- 23 Time: 9:00 -10:30.

YOUTH SPORTS

Summer sports activities provide an opportunity for your child to learn, grow, develop skills, see friends, and have fun. All activities will follow MN Dept. guidelines and teach kids about staying safe at play. Thanks for the donations from the Underwood Lions, City of Underwood, Eagles Aerie 2339, Lake Region Healthcare, Underwood American Legion Post 489, Farmers State Bank, VFW Post 612, Park Region Telephone, and Otter Tail Power.

Summer registrations due July 1st

T-shirts and water bottles provided for kids participating in this summer's activities.

Name _____ Grade __
Phone contact _____
Email contact _____
T-shirt size _____
Activity _____

Email registration information to astenoien@underwood.k12.mn.us or drop off at school. You can pay online on the school website under the activities link.



READING AND THE BOOKMOBILE

“DIG INTO SUMMER” with the Viking Library System. The bookmobile has had to suspend their service for now, but they will deliver books to your home. Go to www.viking.lib.mn.us to find out the details. They have free prizes for kids who are reading! Students can actually lose everything they gained during the school year if they don’t read during the summer. Here are a few ideas to keep those skills: Read the cereal boxes. Read aloud and read silently. Read before bed time. Find a cool place outside and relax with a fun book and the clouds. Always have a book in the car.

4-H SCHOOL SQUADS

The “After School Squads” for 4th – 6th graders will be able to meet again soon in Underwood with Troy Schrupp from the MN Extension Office. Watch for his email or contact him at 320-362-0558.

BABY SITTING CLINIC

This course is for boys and girls who are soon ready to babysit - usually fifth grade and older. Learn about caring for infants, and young children. You’ll learn the developmental stages, how to handle situations and emergency care. Make babysitting “fun kits”. Instructor: Tammy Nordick



Date: Thursday, Sept 24 Time: 3:15 – 6:00
Fee: \$10 Location: School Library

The **FITNESS CENTER** remains closed at this time. Our Underwood Public School Facebook page posts updates.



Underwood Community Education

Anne Stenoien, Director
218-826-6101 ext 108
astenoien@underwood.k12.mn.us

DANCE FITNESS/ ZUMBA

This fun fitness class is great for all ages and abilities and will give you a good cardio workout and strengthen muscles. Wear comfortable shoes, light weight clothing and bring a water bottle. The water fountains are closed at this time. We will follow social distancing guidelines.

Date: Mondays, starting July 13th
Time: 5:45 – 6:45 in the big gym
Fee: \$5/class or \$15 for the month
Instructors: Missy Hoen and Missy Hexum

PAINTING CLASS

For all ages. Paint a “summer” theme on a canvas with acrylic paint. We will provide the supplies for painting and a t-shirt for any kids. Register by July 1st. Instructor: Tamra Sirek

Date: Thursday, August 13
Time: 10:00 – 11:30 Fee: \$20

THANKS!

We have been fortunate to receive a grant from the West Central Initiative for Covid-19 safety needs, a Midwest Dairy grant for portable coolers, bags for distributing meals from Service Food, health items from OT Co., and face masks from area sewing ladies. Also thanks to J Barry for the use of a 4 person hand sanitation stand by our main door.

You can pay on-line for any community education activity. On the school web page www.underwood.k12.mn.us go to “Activities and Athletics” then to “Community Ed” then to “Pay Community Ed Fee”

DRIVER EDUCATION

Students who are 14-16 years old will want to enroll in the classroom portion of Driver Education in August. This is the only time of the year that it is held. Students are required by the state to have thirty hours of classroom education before they can get their permit. This dates for this year's class are Monday – Friday, **August 17th through Aug. 28th.**

Classes will be held in the air conditioned music rooms from 12:30 noon to 3:30. We will be following state guidelines for social distancing and safety. Students must be on time for class. Parents should plan to attend their class on the last session to benefit on requirements for student driving time. It will be held at 1:30 and we will discuss laws, teaching responsibilities, insurance, and other teen driving information. **Students must register by Aug 5th.**

Instructor: Mrs. Nelson

Thanks to quilters at Glende Nilson for making masks for our drivers ed students!



BEHIND THE WHEEL TRAINING

Mr. Hendrickson is scheduling students for behind the wheel training for driver education. Please contact him to schedule your student.

(rhendrickson@underwood.k12.mn.us)

Remember students must have their permit to drive. The DMV office in Fergus is closed at this time and tests can be taken in Detroit Lakes. Be sure to have all of the required ID documents for the DMV. The information is in the manual and on-line.

We are following the state's guidelines for behind the wheel social distancing. See the drivers ed tab on the school website for more information.

EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENINGS FOR 3 & 4 YR. OLDS

We are waiting to hear if we can have August dates available for the Early childhood screenings for children three and four years old. This is a free service for families and is required before entering kindergarten. We will contact those on our preschool lists first.

Screening is a brief, simple procedure used to identify potential health or developmental problems in young children who may need a health assessment, diagnostic assessment or educational evaluation. At the screening a trained early learning teacher will check vision, hearing, height, weight, immunizations, large and small muscles, thinking, language and communication skills, and social and emotional development. Screenings take about 45 minutes and are held at Underwood School.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

We are accepting registrations for our three year old preschool classes for fall. They meet one day a week – Tuesday or



Wednesday and must be three by September 1, 2020 and potty trained. There are reduced rates and scholarships so that everyone can afford to send their children to preschool.

SUMMER SPLASH AGES 3 – 7

Join via Facebook with Otter Tail County ECI on Mondays & Wednesdays, July 6 – Aug 14. With "Summer Splash" kids ages 3 – 7 can explore backyard birds, water, nighttime, ponds with activities provided. Supplies available at no cost.



Stuff the Bus Application

Due Date: July 17, 2020



Guardian Information	Parent/Guardian
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Complete Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Cell/Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Child Information	Child #1	Child #2
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Complete Name _____

Grade 2020/2021 _____

Child's School & District # _____

Male or Female _____

Child Information	Child #3	Child #4
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Complete Name _____

Grade 2020/2021 _____

Child's School & District # _____

Male or Female _____

Applications must be received at the United Way office by July 17, 2020. We cannot guarantee full supplies for applications received after July 17, 2020. If you have additional children, please use another form.

Please circle which location in which you would like to pick up your children's school supplies:

Fergus Falls - United Way of Otter Tail & Wadena Counties **Pelican Rapids - Viking Elementary** **New York Mills - NYM Human Services Office** **Battle Lake - B.L. School** **Perham - Calvary Lutheran Church** **Parkers Prairie - Parkers Prairie Elementary** **Underwood - Underwood School**

Henning - Henning School

PLEASE RETURN THIS APPLICATION BY July 17, 2020 TO:

United Way of Otter Tail & Wadena Counties, 120 East Washington Avenue, Fergus Falls, MN 56537

If you have questions, please call

United Way at (218) 736-5147.

