

Feb. 29

2024



VES Spotlight

Reminder - we DO have school
Friday, March 1!



Students can access their headrush login from
our website! Have them show you what they
are working on!



Check out the resources page on our website!
<https://www.voyageursschool.org/student-family-resources/>

We continue to emphasize that we have fewer days in school so
STUDENTS need to make them count. Attendance, showing up as
best they can, and being productive, are important. Being
present in school will promote success in school. Thanks for your
active participation in your students' success in school.



Please call (218)444-3130 or email
attendance@voyageursschool.org if your student will be gone
from school for any reason. Lunch count needs to be
submitted by 8:40 am if your student plans to eat hot lunch.
Thanks!

Upcoming Events

- Mar. 1 ~ Friday school
- Mar. 1 ~ 2024-25 Enrollment Lottery
- Mar. 8 ~ NO SCHOOL ~ Staff Day
- Mar. 14 ~ CONFERENCES!
- Mar. 15 ~ NO SCHOOL
- Mar. 21 ~ Board nominations due
- Mar. 29 ~ NO SCHOOL ~ Staff Day
- Apr. 4 ~ End of Block 4

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Board Nominations Needed

Please contact Kathy Skinner for more information.
According to MN law, minimum requirements are 1
parent, 1 community member, and 1 teacher. The
board typically meets once per month for 1.5 hours.
Board members are not paid, and it is a two-year
term, running from July 1, 2024-June 30, 2026. This
is a great way to support your school community
and your students!

Block 4 Conferences

Teacher conferences are scheduled for Wednesday,
Mar. 13 from 3:30-8 PM, and Mar. 14 from 8 AM - 4
PM. Your student's advisor will be reaching out to
you in the next week to get a time set up for you
to discuss your student's progress for the year, and
what needs to be done to have a successful finish to
the school year. If you would like to call in to
schedule a time that works for you and your family,
you can call Shar at the front desk, (218)444-3130.
We look forward to seeing you and having good
conversations.

MAAP Stars Legislative Day at the Capitol

On Wednesday, February 21, Voyageurs' MAAP
Stars attended Legislative Day at the State Capitol in
St. Paul. We started our day in a large meet kickoff,
led by the MAAP Stars Officers, including our own
ShayLynn Ostlund. Then our Voyageurs group of
Shay, Waase Fisherman, Caleb Needham and Lu
Graves met with Representative Patricia Mueller. We
then got to meet with Representative Matthew
Grossell, who is from Clearbrook, MN. And finally
we met with Senator Steve Green, who informed us
that he is a member of White Earth. We had some
great conversations about charter schools and
Voyageurs and what they mean to us as well as
some of our concerns and needs. After our morning
meetings, we ate lunch in the basement of the
Capitol and then we had the opportunity to take a
tour! Very cool & exciting day for our MAAP Stars
Crew.



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Welcome Steve Chesney,
Special Ed. Para



My name is Steve. I have 2 kids that go to school here. We have a yellow lab named Marley. We also have 3 cats, Harper, Sylvester, and Mr. Fits. I enjoy spending time with my family and anything outdoors. Our most recent family outing was going to see the Bob Marley movie and a shopping spree. I enjoy all sports. My favorite musicians are Rob Thomas and U2. My favorite movie is The Breakfast Club and my favorite TV show is Friends. I am very excited to be a part of the Voyageurs Community.

Congrats - Random Prizes for
being in school!

Sylus Wind and Linda St. John won some VES swag on Tuesday this week, just for being in school! Names were drawn randomly from the students that were in school that day, and they were the lucky winners of a great pair of socks!



E-Sports State Tourney

During Feb 22-24, four students from Voyageurs Expeditionary School traveled to Grand Forks to compete in the state E-sports tournament. This is the second year that Voyageurs has participated in E-sports and has also made it to state. Pictured are a couple of students who participated in Fortnite and Rocket League. A couple of the games were offered at a competitive level. Next year, Voyageurs looks to expand the E-sports program.



HS Update
Austin's and
Brett's Advisory



At the midpoint of the school year, We wanted to take a moment to reflect on the school year. We also want to thank you for your help in getting your students to school every day. We know waking teenagers up can be challenging! Parent-teacher conferences are just a couple of weeks away, providing an excellent opportunity for us to connect, discuss your child's progress, and set the course for the remainder of the academic year. By working together, we can help each other make the best of your child's education!

In other exciting news, our E-sports team recently made waves by competing at the state level. A special shout-out to our advisee, Sean. The passion and dedication displayed by our students were awesome! While the outcome may not have been what we hoped for, the experience has been invaluable. We thank them for representing our school with pride. Your continued support in fostering a positive and inclusive environment for our students is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your ongoing help in making this school year a success. We look forward to meeting with you during the upcoming conferences.
Brett and Austin

MS Update Kari's
Advisory



Greetings from the Bugaboos

Where has the year gone? It's hard to believe we are 3 weeks into the 4th grading block! We had the 100th day of school earlier this week so we are on the downhill slide from here. Grading block 4 is all about short stories in English classes. We are learning about plot structure, point of view and irony. Students enjoy reading short stories that have a twist at the end. They are very excited to go tubing tomorrow and the weather looks beautiful.

