

# Important Information for Students & Parents

## Guidance Notes

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

January 26, 2024

Please don't forget that we have School-Based Mental Health Therapy available to us here in Lena. Never hesitate to contact us for information!!

We also have information from Triple P (Positive Parenting Program). You can find the fliers on our website under "Parent Resources"

**NWTC** will be having holding some Career Fairs and an Engineering Open House. Please see attached for details.

**UW-MILWAUKEE** has a new program for high school students interested in learning more about college and UWM! Students will live and learn like a college student. Please see attached for details.

WISCONSIN FAMILY CONNECTIONS CENTER: Please see attached fliers to learn more about opportunities for families.



February  $5^{th} - 8^{th}$ : Students and Staff can wear a hat by donating \$1.00 per day. The funds will be donated to a local family. Thank you

February 9th: No School – Teacher In-service







City of Oconto Falls Beach: Seasonal Lifeguard / Swim Instructor



#### **ATTENTION SENIORS!!!!**

Make sure to check Ms. Meisner's google classroom to find helpful tips and important information!!

#### STUDENTS!!!

Make sure you are checking your school email for information from your teachers, guidance office and administration!!

NWTC has a number of events happening throughout the year, here is the link to upcoming events. https://www.nwtc.edu/high-school-students/upcoming-events-for-high-school-students.

#### POST-SECONDARY / SCHOLARSHIP INFO

Financial Aid: The FAFSA window opens up December 2023 (this year). The 2022 taxes for both the parent(s) and student is needed when filling the FAFSA out. It is strongly recommended to have the FAFSA completed as early as possible as the monies are granted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Many colleges have set a "priority date" for Financial Aid, meaning that if you have not applied for Financial Aid by the date they specify, you may not get Financial Aid. Here are a few websites to refer to:

www.mheso.state.mn.us/calculator/initialform.cfm www.finaid.org / www.studentaid.ed.gov / www.nasfaa.org / www.ed.gov/pubs/collegecosts

www.fafsa.ed.gov (federal aid application)

https://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu - Amazing resource for the UW-College System Information

THE LARIAT FUTURE INNOVATORS FOUNDATION STEM SCHOLARSHIP: OPENS in January 2024 and DEADLINE is June 15, 2024

STUDENT SCHOLRSHIPS.org: The December Newsletter - This comes in the form of a newsletter and can be downloaded from <a href="https://studentscholarships.org/newletters">https://studentscholarships.org/newletters</a>
DEADLINES range from 01/04/24 to 05/01/24

ROBERT H. DICKINSON MEMORIAL SCHOLRSHIP: Awarded by the Machickanee Players - DEADLINE is 03/01/24

WISCONSIN SOCIETY for CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE SCHOLRSHIP: DEADLINE is 03/31/24

TIM WITT CHEVROLET SCHOLARSHIPS: This works a little differently than other scholarships, with this one after each quarter the H.S. senior bring their Report Cards into Tim Witt Chevrolet in Crivitz. Students receive 1 entry for every "A" that is on their report card. The more "A's" the better your odds! In late June, Tim Witt Chevrolet will host a BBZ for all participating students and their families. He will then draw four winners for a \$1,000 scholarship.

THE WISCONSIN SECURITY ASSOCIATION (WISA) SCHOLARSHIPS: This scholarship is for those who have a parent that is on active-duty with a fire department or police department. Please see attached for the requirements. This is an on-line scholarship. DEADLINE IS 03/01/24.

**THOMAS H. LUTSEY WASEDA FARMS SCHOLARSHIPS:** This scholarship has a value of \$10,000. Yep, I typed it correctly!! This is an on-line scholarship so please visit scholarship.wasedafarms.com for more information. **DEADLINE IS 03/31/24**.

**WISCONSIN TOWNS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP:** This scholarship has a value of \$7,000. This is an essay on the topic of "What strategies can be implemented by town officials in collaboration with citizens to maintain civility in local government?" Must plan to enroll in Wisconsin public, private college or a university. Essays must be postmarked by... **DEADLINE IS 05/24/24**.

Please know if you need anything, do not hesitate to contact the guidance office!!

Shelly Meisner, Counselor, at 920-829-5244 ext.1003 / meisnerm@lenak12.org or

Debi Heimke, secretary, afternoons at 920-829-5244 ext. 1013 / heimked@lenak12.org















p·s· Dear Mother Nature, are you okay?

You seem to be a little moody lately·

Hope you feel better soon!











# February Triple P Parenting Seminars

In-Person
Feb. 8th, 15th, 22nd OR

@ 10:00am

- Via Zoom Feb. 14th, 21st, 28th @ 5:30pm
- Learn practical parenting strategies
- · Gain confidence in your parenting
- Strengthen your parent/child relationship
- Seminars are 3-part and FREE
- Childcare available for in-person



Scan QR codes to register or contact:

920-661-7125 Brittney@fcrnew.org Family & Childcare Resources 201 W. Walnut Street Suite 100 Green Bay, WI 54303













## SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S SELF-ESTEEM WORKSHOP

**FEBRUARY 12TH** 5:30PM VIA ZOOM





- WHY SELF-ESTEEM IS IMPORTANT
- ENCOURAGING HEALTHY SELF-ESTEEM
- STRATEGIES TO MANAGE **NEGATIVE SELF-TALK**

REGISTER





Karla@fcrnew.org 920-391-5818

201 W. Walnut Street Suite 100 Green Bay, WI 54303

# **PROTECTIVE FACTORS**

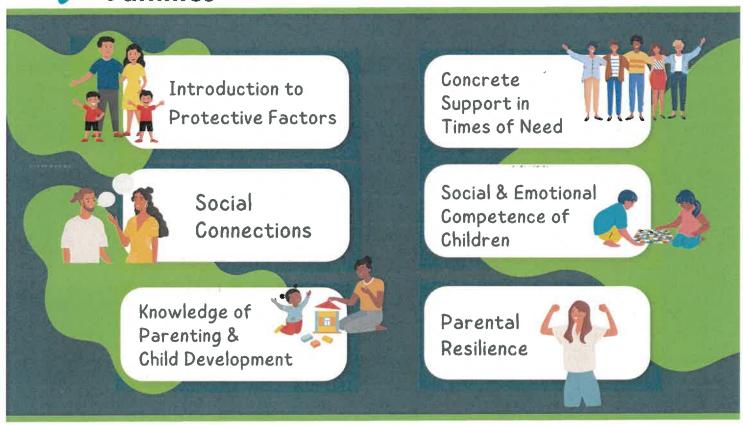
Learn specific actions to strengthen families in a casual and interactive environment. Perfect for early childhood educators, social workers, healthcare professionals & more. Earn continuing education credits!







February 14th, 21st, 28th & March 6th 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm



Held at 201 W. Walnut St., Green Bay Questions? Contact Karla: 920-391-5818 Cost: \$20 per participant -- Snacks included!





# TOILET







#### All attendees will be entered into a drawing to win a free potty training starter kit!

#### FEBRUARY 21ST 5:30PM

Join our in-person workshop all about potty training! A Certified Triple P professional will lead a discussion on: the signs of readiness, how to prevent and respond to accidents, and helpful strategies for successful toilet training experiences.

FAMILY & CHILDCARE RESOURCES OF N.E.W. 201 W. WALNUT STREET SUITE 100 GREEN BAY, WI 54303





#### REGISTER TODAY!

CALL: 920-391-5819 EMAIL: KELLY@FCRNEW.ORG ONLINE: FCRNEW.ORG Win a certificate to the Children's Museum for March 13th!



# Being A Parent Workshop

February 28th 10:30-12:00

Connect with Other Parents and Learn Strategies to Support their Growth and Strengthen Your Confidence.



REGISTER

**Brittney** 920-661-7125 Brittney@fcrnew.org









# There are some exciting events coming up on NWTC's Green Bay Campus!

Help us spread the word by sharing with High School Students and Families

#### **Career Fairs**

If you know of seniors who are on-the-fence about plans after high school, need to continue exploring, or are looking for a summer job, please let them know they are invited to attend our job fairs!

- Health Sciences Career Fair February 19, 2024, 11am-1pm
- College of Business Career Fair February 20, 2024, 11am-2pm
- Trades, Energy & Engineering Career Fair February 27, 2024, 10am-1pm

#### **Engineering Open House**

- Tuesday, February 20, 2024, 4:00-7:00pm
- Interested in science, math, engineering and/or technology? Come learn about NWTC's Engineering related programs. Talk to instructors, current students and employers.
- Registration not required, just stop in!

View Event Page | Add to Google Calendar | Add to O365 Calendar | Flyer

#### Hello,

The University of Wisconsin Milwaukee has developed a new program for High School Students interested in learning more about college and UWM! This program will allow students to live and learn like a college student. Students will live in the residence halls, eat on campus, attend college simulation courses, and take part in on-campus events. Below is a detailed description of what we are offering this coming Summer 2024.

#### Rising Freshman and Sophomores

- -Notetaking Techniques
- -Study Habit builder
- -Engaging with teachers and peers
- -Major Exploration
- -Types of Secondary Degrees Workshop

#### Rising Juniors

- -ACT Readiness
- -Test Taking Skill Building
- -College Resume Building

#### **Rising Seniors**

- -What is APA
- -How to read a research paper
- -How to Prepare for the College Classroom
- -College Resume Building
- -College Essay Activity

Each student will also have the opportunity to stay in Sandburg Residence Halls and participate in social activities around campus!

This program will be held June 23<sup>rd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> with June 28<sup>th</sup> serving as a parent and student information session. We have 14 scholarships available to students who qualify for free or reduced lunch in the city of Milwaukee. If your student does not qualify, a fee for the program is required. If you are interested in more information, please contact me at <a href="https://hvskroch@uwm.edu">hvskroch@uwm.edu</a> or 414-251-6185. Registration for this program will open January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Hannah Skroch-Program Manager-Planning For the Future

INTRODUCING...

# June 23rd-28th, 2024

#### A WEEK-LONG COLLEGE READINESS PROGRAM FOR 9TH TO 12TH-GRADE STUDENTS

Students will spend a week at UWM living and learning like a college student. Students will spend the week in the residence halls learning what it is like to live independently and have the opportunity to participate in fun activities throughout the week much like a traditional college student. During the day students will attend college lectures to better understand how to take college level notes, participate in discussions, and read college level readings, as well as participating in college application workshops. By the time students have completed Panther Prep they will have a portfolio to take with them to complete the college application process at home.



**TRIO & Pre-College Programs** Planning for the Future



Email: hvskroch@uwm.edu Phone: 414-251-6185

**PLACE** 

**STAMP** HERE

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE TRIO/PRE-COLLEGE PROGRAMS UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE

P.O. BOX 413 MILWAUKEE, WI 53201-9816

#### PROGRAM COST

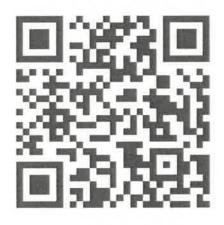
Payment for families is due two weeks before the session begins. Total payment for Panther Prep is \$800.00. Payment includes activities listed to the right of this section.

DPI Scholarships are available for families who qualify for Free/Reduced lunch. Families must live in the Milwaukee area. The DPI Scholarship covers the entire cost of Panther Prep.

The Panther Prep Payment Plan will allow families to complete four total payments of \$200. Payment will begin May 1st and End on June 23rd.

#### PANTHER PREP INCLUDES...

Late Night Dinner June 23rd Breakfast-Lunch-Dinner Brunch for Families June 28th **Night Time Events Comedy Sports Show** College Professors Professional Staffing 24/7 **Entire Dorm Stay** 



Learn More here



**TRIO & Pre-College Programs** 

Planning for the Future



Email: hvskroch@uwm.edu

Payment Plan: four payments of \$200

Phone: 414-251-6185

www.iwm/planningfortheficient JNIVERSITY of WISCONSIN

Full Payment: \$800 ayment Options

OPI Scholarship: For Families that Qualify The DPI Scholarship will cover the full cost for Free/Reduced Lunch in Milwaukee

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WOULD LIKE FOR

Panther Prep

Address

City

State

Zip

Parents Name

I would like to receive emails about

upcoming PFF programs

I would like to receive phone calls about upcoming PFF programs Thank you! A PFF Advisor will contact



#### Greetings....

I am excited to introduce the Wisconsin Family Connections Center.

The program is designed to provide services and support to individuals, families and caregivers with post or present involvement

- \* Foster Care
- \* Adoption
- \* Reunification
- \* Kinship Care
- \* Guardianship

The program offers a variety of opportunities for families and we encourage you to share our information with individuals who may benefit from our services.

One key aspect of the Wisconsin Family Connections Center is our short-term case management program - GIFTS (Giving Incredible Families Tools for Success). This voluntary program offers ongoing support while addressing goals and working on specific concerns for any post-adoptive, post-guardianship, and/or reunified family residing in Wisconsin.

We are excited about the program and hope you will help share our information. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to reach out to us.

Thank you,

Melissa Bowe

Wisconsin Family Connections Center

mbowe@cclse.org



Providing services and support to individuals, families & caregivers with past or present involvement in:

FOSTER CARE ADOPTION REUNIFICATION KINSHIP CARE GUARDIANSHIP



- Trainings
- Support groups
- Family events
- Conferences
- Information and referrals
- Case management

Use the QR code to visit our website and learn more about our services!







#### **ONGOING VIRTUAL SUPPORT GROUPS**

Date and times of groups are subject to change. Check the calendar of events on the WiFCC website for the most accurate schedule. Registration is required to attend.



#### **COFFEE TALK**

A relaxed chat with other Wisconsin adoptive, foster, kinship, and/or guardianship parents to connect and feel supported. This group meets on the first Friday of the month at 10:00 AM.

#### **BIRTH PARENT SUPPORT**



Open to any birth parents who have had a child placed for adoption, no matter what type of adoption or agency involved. This group meets on the second Tuesday of odd months at 6:30 PM.

#### **ADULT ADOPTEES**



Connect with other adult adoptees from around Wisconsin. This group meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

#### WAITING TO ADOPT



A welcoming space to discuss adoption-related questions, stressors, and needs with fellow pre-adoptive families. This group meets on the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM.

#### FOSTER PARENT SUPPORT



This group is designed to offer support to Wisconsin foster parents focused on various topics each month. This group meets monthly. Visit the calendar for details on time.

#### **OPEN MIC TEEN SUPPORT**



Designed for teens in foster, adoptive, kinship, and/or guardianship families to socially connect and discuss topics related to family dynamics. This group meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

#### TRAUMA INFORMED PARENTING



Designed for Wisconsin foster, adoptive, kinship, and guardianship caregivers with a high level of need due to complex trauma histories. This group meets on the third Monday of each month at noon.

### KINNECT RELATIVE CAREGIVERS OF CHILDREN



Designed for grandparents, uncles/aunts, siblings, or other relatives acting as the primary caregiver for children. This group meets on the last Thursday of every month at 11:00 AM.



# GIFTS CASE MANAGEMENT INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS



#### What is GIFTS?

Through the Wisconsin Family Connections Center, a short-term case management program (GIFTS – Giving Incredible Families Tools for Success) is available to those who meet the eligibility requirements. The GIFTS Program is designed for caregivers with adoption or out-of-home care experience (this includes reunified, post-adoptive, or post-guardianship families) who are identified as having a high need for services. Families may self-refer or be referred by a community service member.

#### What should attendees expect?

Join the Wisconsin Family Connections Center for an information session on GIFTS case management program. This session will provide an overview of the program, outline eligibility requirements, and provide insight into services that could be offered. Please note this will be an informational session and not a specific case consult, but there will opportunity for Q&A. Sessions will be facilitated by GIFTS Case Managers.

#### When are the sessions?

Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 12:00pm Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 8:00pm Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 8:00am

Please note: This is not a series.



**GIFTSINFORMATION.EVENTBRITE.COM** 



# GIFTS

Giving Incredible Families Tools For Success

# CASE MANAGEMENT

Through the Wisconsin Family Connections Center, this short - term case management program (GIFTS – Giving Incredible Families Tools for Success) is designed for caregivers with adoption or out-of-home care experience who are identified as having a high need for services.

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Any post-adoptive, post-guardianship, and/or reunified family residing in Wisconsin
- Participation is voluntary and caregivers must be willing to engage in the program
- GIFTS is not intended for families who wish to have the child removed from their care
- GIFTS is supportive and educational and will not take the place of counseling services

#### WHAT IS CASE MANAGEMENT?

Voluntary, short-term case management services include but are not limited to:

- · Ongoing support with an assigned case manager via phone, online, or in-person
- Family needs assessments and parent/caregiver stress assessments
- · Plans to work on specific concerns
- Individualized parent/caregiver coaching
- · Referrals based on the identified needs of the family

#### HOW DO I GET STARTED?

#### USE THE QR CODE TO REQUEST A FREE GIFTS CONSULTATION

- MINFO@WIFAMILYCONNECTIONSCENTER.ORG
- 1-800-762-8063
- WIFAMILYCONNECTIONSCENTER.ORG



## 2024 Wisconsin Towns Association Scholarship Essay Requirements

- 1. Entrants must prepare an essay addressing the 2024 WTA Scholarship program topic: What strategies can be implemented by town officials in collaboration with citizens to maintain civility in local government?
- 2. The typed (not handwritten) essay should be between 500 and 1,000 words and double spaced.
- 3. Essays must include a bibliographic listing of sources used.
- 4. The completed essay should be postmarked no later than May 24, 2024, and mailed to the address at the bottom of the Background Information sheet.

#### **Scholarship Information**

Your thoughts – combined with your writing skills and creativity – can put you in line to receive one of seven scholarships.

Rural Mutual Insurance Company, Wisconsin Towns Association, and Scott Construction, Inc. are again offering the following scholarships to winners of an essay contest. Scholarships will be awarded on the following basis:

- Two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to the students with the highest-ranking essay score from a town or village insured by Rural Mutual Insurance Company as of May 1, 2024.
- Five (5) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to the top five additional students with the highest-ranking essay scores.

#### **Additional Information:**

- All applicants must graduate from a Wisconsin public or private high school in 2024 and plan to attend a Wisconsin public or private college or university in 2024.
- Essays will be judged independently on originality and subject matter in relation to the topic. The essays must also contain correct spelling, grammar, and punctuation.
- Judging will be completed by August 9, 2024.
- Recipients will be announced by August 23, 2024. Proof of enrollment in a Wisconsin public or private college is required to receive a scholarship.