

WOLF CREEK ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL

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Reminder about midterms at Wolf Creek

This week is midterms at Wolf Creek. Students should be between 35-50% in each of their classes at this point. To check grades, log in to moodle.triowolfcreek.com, select a class and click on grades on the left-hand side of the screen. Then select "Overview" from the drop-down menu on the left to see grades for all classes. If you have any questions, contact your student's Learning Manager.

Dates to Remember - Mark on your Calendar!



May 13— Boat Trip

May 31— Memorial day: no school

June 3— School Picnic

June 3— Last day to turn in work for seniors

June 10— Last day of school

June 11— Graduation

Upcoming School Board Meetings

May 11 - WC Learning Suite 4 p.m.

June 8 - WC Learning Suite 4 p.m.



Letter from the Director

As the school year comes to a close I want to take a moment to reflect on the great year we have had at Wolf Creek Online High School. We are proud of the staff and students for coming together in a time of budget crisis at the state level to ensure that all students at Wolf Creek have many opportunities available to them. It should be noted that this was accomplished even though the state of Minnesota held back payments to the school to the tune of 30% of our owed state aid. This was accomplished by having a fiscally responsible school board

and they should be thanked. A list of all school board members is listed below if you feel moved to contact them about the budget or any other concerns.

Board Members:

Jeffrey Vitali
Tom Plocher
Karen Paul
Terri Kraiter
Brenda Swanson
Sheryl Palmquist
Cassie Gaede
Kelly Legg
Sandra Flint

We are all excited to participate in the graduation ceremony on June 11th and to see our largest graduating class ever receive their cap and gowns. It is always bittersweet to see our seniors graduate as we are so proud of them, but sad to see them leave us after we have worked with some of them for years. We wish our seniors luck in their futures and hope they come back to visit us often.

Thank you for your support of Wolf Creek this year. We are excited and already planning summer session 2010 and fall 2010.

We Need Your Help

Wolf Creek does not do fundraising of any kind and attempts to offer students all the advantages of a large school within the secure confines of a small school environment.

If you can help by making a contribution to Wolf Creek your help is needed now!

Please remember that you can help Wolf Creek by contributing to our school when using your Red Card at Target. Under the Take Charge of Education Program our school code is 124207 under TRIO Wolf Creek Distance Learning

Charter School.

Unfortunately, the Subway rewards program for Subway cards is no longer active so we are no longer participating in that program.

We are currently seeking donations for an alumni scholarship to be awarded to one deserving Wolf Creek student at graduation this year. We have been working to solicit donations from a variety sources this year and if you can provide any amount of money to support our efforts we would greatly appreciate it.

Wolf Creek always welcomes donations of gift cards for class supplies, money for the alumni scholarship fund, or crock pots for focus month as we are seeing our budget cut more and more each year just like other schools across the state. If you have felt the advantages of attending Wolf Creek and have the ability to contribute it is greatly appreciated.



GRADUATION

The Wolf Creek 2010 graduation commencement ceremony will be held on Friday, June 11th, 2010 at 6:30 pm. The ceremony will be held at Lakeside School gymnasium (located at 10345 Wyoming Ave., Chisago City, MN). Each graduate who is participating in the ceremony is required to attend graduation practice on June 11th at 11:00 am at Lakeside School. After practice graduates will be given their cap, gown, and tassel; as well as treated to lunch. Graduates are to arrive early for the ceremony, please arrive by 5:45 pm dressed in your cap and gown. The class picture will be taken at 6:00. Individual pictures with Bachman Photography will begin at 5:30.



Only Wolf Creek students who have completed at least 25.00 credits by noon on June 3, 2010 are allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. Commencement is a voluntary event in which students may choose to participate. Each student in the ceremony will be required to wear a graduation cap and gown. They are considered one-time-use; therefore they may be kept by the graduate after the ceremony. (*Note: there is no charge for these*). Wolf Creek colors are royal blue, white, and silver. Graduates will earn a TRIO Wolf Creek Charter School accredited diploma. Diplomas will be granted when the student has met all graduation requirements and/or obligations. The requirements to receive a diploma are:

1. *Pass the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments or Minnesota Basic Standards Tests in reading, mathematics, and written composition as per state requirements or higher guidelines.*
2. *Complete 26.00 course credit requirements and standards in specific areas, as established by the school board.*
3. *Return all materials and pay all fines, charges, etc.*

Graduates that choose not to participate in commencement can pick up their diploma on campus on June 14th or June 28th. Students short on credits may register for summer school 2010. If you have any questions, please contact either of us at your convenience. We look forward to working with you regarding Graduation 2010!

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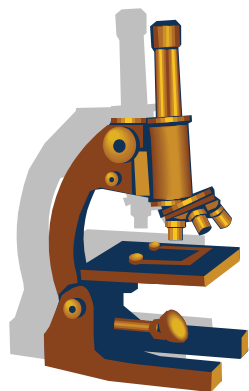
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MCA II Science Test for students who have completed 1.0 credit in Biology.

Student who have taken both Biology A & Biology B this year at Wolf Creek are required to take the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment II (MCA II) test for Science. The science test will be taking on the computer and is mandated by the state.



The MCA II/GRAD tests are high school tests in reading, written composition, mathematics, and science. The MCA II tests are based on standards adopted by the State of Minnesota and are rigorous tests that determine how well a student has mastered the standards. MCA-II's are state mandated tests that help districts measure student progress toward Minnesota's academic standards and meet the requirements of No Child Left Behind. They are also used to determine whether schools and districts have made adequate yearly progress toward all students being proficient.

Students who are required to take the Science MCA will be notified via US mail and e-mail.

Summer Session 2010



If you have not spoken with your Learning Manager about summer session, today is the day. Some classes have a minimum or maximum number of students required, so you must contact your Learning Manager today.

Summer Session dates: June 29-August 3

Campus will be open all Tuesdays during this time from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Students will be allowed to enroll in one full credit (or two classes) for summer session 2010.

Summer Session 2010 Dates:

- First day of Summer Term 2010: June 29th (New student orientation June 28th)
- Last day of Summer Term 2010: August 3rd (All work due at 9 a.m.)
- Campus will be open for students on the following Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.:
June 29 and July 6, 13, 20, 27

Classes Offered:

Artist Intensive	Careers	Foods
Child Development	Creative Writing	Health I
Current World Issues	Sociology	Health II
Digital Photography	MN Mammals	
Diverse Perspectives	Personal Fitness	
Intro to Studio Art	Physical Education	
Literary Explorations	Music Appreciation A	
Marriage and the Family		

(Core classes are by arrangement only)

If you have any questions about the summer session admissions, please contact either of us at your convenience.

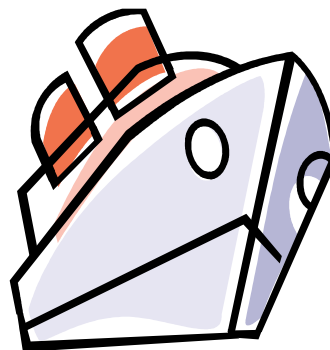
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Wolf Creek Online High School 1st Annual Boat Cruise May 13th at 3:30 p.m.



Meet at the boat in Taylors Falls by 3:15 pm
Or get a ride from Wolf Creek Campus at 3:00
Lab will be open until 3 pm

**Boxed lunch included with the trip
Prizes from Wolf Creek and fun will abound
Don't miss it!**

Cost:

Students with 25 incentive points will go for free
Students without incentive points will pay \$5 for the trip
(Payment required to Tracy Quarnstrom by 10 am May 13th)

Permission Slip are required and available in the weekly TWC Student News

Take Charge of Education



For those interested in Targets "Take Charge of Education" program. Here is how it works: when parents, teachers, and other school supporters use their Target REDcards, Target donates up to 1% of their purchase to their designated eligible K-12 school.

To participate, all you need is a REDcard and to enroll in the program at www.Target.com/tcoe or by calling 1-800-316-6142. When you enroll pick TRIO Wolf Creek Online High School #4095 as the designated school. And you're ready to go!

Wolf Creek Online High School Announces Students of the Month for March.

Staff members have named Tiffany Bathurst and Destiny Loger as Students of the Month for March based on their commitment to exceptional schoolwork during Term 3. These students will receive a certificate for their achievement and be commemorated on our Student of the Month plaque. Students are recognized each month for their dedication to academics and for pursuing their online education with perseverance at Wolf Creek.

Tiffany Bathurst has shown great success during the 09-10 school year. Cassie Gaede, Tiffany's Learning Manager nominated Tiffany because of her dedication to excellent schoolwork. "Where do I begin talking about the success that we have seen from Tiffany this school year? Each week, she has above average success overall in her classes. She self-advocates for herself, ensuring that she is doing the best possible work she can," comments Cassie. Tiffany was recently accepted for the Wolf Creek Scholarship for the Certified Nursing Assistant program and is looking forward to her future in health care after graduation next year. She is a great example of our motto of being an independent learner!

Destiny Loger, a sophomore at Wolf Creek, has also excelled in her classes this year. She started at Wolf Creek during her freshman year. Destiny is very dedicated to her education. She is on track to graduate early. Destiny delves into her coursework each week. Sandy Flint, Destiny's Learning Manager describes Destiny, "She communicates regularly with me. Destiny enjoys communicating with teachers and other students to explore her coursework in depth. I really enjoy working with Destiny!" Congratulations Destiny, you deserve this honor.



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Wolf Creek Online High School Announces Students of the Month for April.

Staff members have named Dustin Elm and Victoria Westman as Students of the Month for April based on their commitment to exceptional schoolwork during the beginning of Term 4. These students will receive a certificate for their achievement and be commemorated on our Student of the Month plaque. Students are recognized each month for their dedication to academics and for pursuing their online education with perseverance at Wolf Creek.

Dustin Elm is a senior due to graduate in June. Dustin has a very heavy course load this term, but is taking his classes very seriously. He is excelling in his science course, and overcoming any barriers and distractions to success. Becki Olseen, Dustin's Learning Manager describes him as "A man on a mission. He has graduation in his sights and his working so hard to get there." Dustin is a new father, and his new role in life has added to his motivation. He is really stepping up for his new daughter, and for himself. Dustin is respectful, optimistic and determined, and a great asset to Wolf Creek!

Victoria Westman has shown great dedication during the 09-10 school year. "I have worked with Victoria Westman for three years now and it has been my pleasure to see her grow as a student during that time," comments Victoria's Learning Manager, Emily Stull. When she first began at Wolf Creek, Victoria always worked from a distance and had trouble completing her work on time. Now, she attends the Wolf Creek campus regularly and is already on track or ahead in all of her classes this term. In her time outside of school, Victoria also works as a junior high speech judge and is a copious writer. Victoria plans on graduating next winter and has finally decided that she would like to go to school for photography. Way to go, Victoria!

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