



# EASP January/February 2024 Newsletter

Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Center

**Dear Eagle After School Program Families,**

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2024! I'm excited to share some wonderful news and updates from the Eagle After School Program.

### **Upcoming EASP Family Fun Night at the Mauston Community Pool:**

Mark your calendars! Join us for the EASP Family Fun Night at the Mauston Community Pool on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5:00pm-6:30pm. All Eagle After School Program students and their families are invited to attend. More details will be provided as the event approaches – we can't wait to see you there!

### **Special Guests:**

Did you know that we frequently have special guests from the community visit students at EASP? Here are a few of the guests we have welcomed so far and some that we're looking forward to:

- Ms. Carissa from the Hatch Public Library visits us weekly and comes ready to share a great book and activity with the students.
- Ms. Sharon from UW Extension shares her knowledge with students on healthy food and lifestyle choices.
- Visits from Juneau County 4-H are always exciting! In December they helped students make snuffle mats to donate to the Carl W Nelson Animal Shelter. We're looking forward to hatching eggs with them this spring!
- The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade EASP students have had special guest readers from different school staff members that they might not typically see each day. It has been a wonderful way to foster a love for reading!
- Ms. Jacqui is our Farm to School Coordinator for the School District of Mauston. The activities that Ms. Jacqui leads are unique learning opportunities. Students have roasted broccoli that was grown at Mauston High School greenhouse, made cranberry jam from cranberries that were grown locally, and recently planted beet seeds that they will later harvest and make beet pancakes with.
- In February, we're looking forward to a visit from Ms. Heather and Ms. Abby from the Buckhorn State Park as they present a nature activity.

Do you know of a business or organization that would like to visit the students at EASP? Reach out to me with your ideas!

### **Early Release and Inclement Weather Closure:**

In the event of an early release or school closure due to inclement weather, the Eagle After School Program will be closed. Please make alternative arrangements in the event there is a closure.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to call or email.

Sincerely,

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### **EASP February Closure Dates:**

- February 9
- February 15
- February 20

### **ATTENDANCE ANNOUNCEMENT!**

Eagle After School Program is funded through a grant. The grant requires regular attendance to guarantee program funding. Please plan on attending 3 or more days a week.

### **NO PHONES PLEASE!**

Student cell phones should stay in their backpacks until pick-up. Please talk to your child about this expectation.