

NYM Community Education Activities/Offerings Schedule Beginning May 17th, 2024

**We would like to extend our highest gratitude to the New York Mills VFW Post #3289
for their tremendous support of our school activities!!**

The times and dates listed here are always subject to change according to the weather, illness and other unforeseen circumstances. For complete information about Community Education offerings and NYM School District activities, check the ISD #553 website @ www.nymills.k12.mn.us, the school Facebook page, the bulletin board by the District Office, call the school at (218) 385-4203/(218) 385-4201 or call the automated phone system @ (218) 385-2553, push #5 and then #4 for Community Education updates. Unless otherwise noted, call (218) 385-4203 for more information or to register for offerings. NYM Community Education is always looking for individuals to propose and teach/facilitate classes. If you have an expertise or interest in a topic that you could share with others, please contact us!

NYM COMMUNITY EDUCATION ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Please check the school website www.nymills.k12.mn.us or Facebook page for updates regarding activities or meetings that are scheduled.

Friday, May 17th

JH Baseball (H) with Wadena-DC @ 3:50 pm
JH Softball Tournament (H) with TBD @ 4:00 pm
JV/V Baseball (H) with Wadena-DC @ 7:15 pm

Saturday, May 18th

JV Softball Tournament (A) at Twin Valley @ 11:45 am

Monday, May 20th

ECSE Extended School Year in Room #41 @ 8:15 am
Acting & Improv Class in Aud. @ 10:12 am
V Baseball (A) at Verndale @ 4:30 pm
JV Baseball (A) at Bertha-Hewitt @ 4:30 pm
JH Baseball (H) with BHV @ 4:30 pm
School Board Meeting in Room #108 @ 5:30 pm
BIO Girls in Room #217 @ 6:00 pm
7-12 Choir Concert in Aud. @ 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 21st

ECSE Extended School Year in Room #41 @ 8:15 am
Acting & Improv Class in Aud. @ 10:12 am
JH B&G Track and Field (A) at Sebeka @ 4:00 pm
JH/JV Baseball (A) at Pine River-Backus @ 5:00 pm
V Softball Subsectional @ TBD @ 5:00 pm
4-H Children's Garden Planting Day @ 5:00-7:00 pm

Wednesday, May 22nd

ECSE Extended School Year in Room #41 @ 8:15 am
Acting & Improv Class in Aud. @ 10:12 am
7th Grade Orientation in Aud. @ 1:00 pm
Art in Your Park @ The Barn @ 1:00 pm

Thursday, May 23rd

V Baseball Subsectional @ TBD
V Softball Subsectional @ Browerville @ TBD
Elementary Spelling Bee in Aud. @ 9:00 am
V B&G Track and Field (A) at Long Prairie-Grey Eagle @ 2:00 pm

Friday, May 24th

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – Early Out
Graduation Ceremony in SC Gym @ 7:30 pm

Tuesday, May 28th

V Baseball Subsectional @ TBD
V Softball Sectionals (A) at Morris Area @ TBD
SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM BEGINS
SUMMER CHILDCARE PROGRAM BEGINS
4-H Children's Garden @ 9:30 am

Wednesday, May 29th

EOY Staff Breakfast in Commons @ 9:00 am

Thursday, May 30th

V Softball Sectionals (A) at Morris Area @ TBD
V Baseball Tournament @ TBD
V B&G Track and Field (A) at Pillager @ 10:00 am

Friday, May 31st

Art In Your Park (A) NYM Central Park @ 1:00 pm

Monday, June 3rd

V Baseball Sectionals (A) at Pierz @ TBD
Verti-Max Training in SC Gym @ 6:00 am
SUMMER ACTIVITIES BEGIN
T-Ball @ 9:00 am
Baseball/Softball Practice @ 9:00 am
Rec Games @ 10:30 am

Tuesday, June 4th

V Baseball Sectionals (A) at Pierz @ TBD
Baseball/Softball Practice @ 9:00 am

Wednesday, June 5th

Verti-Max Training in SC Gym @ 6:00 am
T-Ball @ 9:00 am
Baseball/Softball Practice @ 9:00 am
Rec Games @ 10:30 am
Volleyball Summer League in SC Gym @ 5:00 pm

Thursday, June 6th

V Baseball Sectionals (A) at Pierz @ TBD
Verti-Max Training in SC Gym @ 6:00 am
Volleyball Practice in SC Gym @ 6:30 am
Baseball/Softball Games (H) with Wadena-DC I @ 9:00 am



NYM COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFERINGS SCHEDULE

CPR/AED/1ST AID/EMR/EMT COURSE SCHEDULE

HEARTSAVER CPR, AED AND 1ST AID

5/22/24, 7/24/24, 9/25/24, 11/27/24

BLS PROVIDER CPR

6/26/24, 8/28/24, 10/23/24, 12/18/24

COSTS: Heart Saver CPR/AED & 1st Aid \$ 86
BLS Provider CPR \$ 77

WHERE: Perham Area EMS Training Room
525 West Main, Perham, MN 56573

REGISTRATION: **Classes are post board certified**
Register for a class by call/text 218.298.2482 or email lakescountryedu@gmail.com

CONTACT: Barb Felt at Lakes Country Emergency Education and Consulting

ON-GOING WALKING

For those who would like to get exercise by walking through the 2329 feet of hallways in NYM School. (This is FREE except during Sunday night at Open Gym times when there will be a \$1 fee.)

WHO: Open to all

WHEN: School days from 6:30-8:00 a.m. and 4:00-8:00 p.m.

NEW YORK MILLS FOOD SHELF

The New York Mills Food Shelf is available to anyone in need in the New York Mills School District. Food Shelf is located at 400 S. Walker Avenue, New York Mills. Donations of food and money are always welcome. For more information, contact Connie at (218) 385-3669. In addition to being open 9:00 am to 12 noon, the food shelf is adding hours from June 2023 through January 2024 as a pilot project and will also be open 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm on the same days. The additional hours will be evaluated in February 2024 at the food shelf annual meeting so it is unknown if the evening hours will continue.

May 20, 2024, 9-12

July 29, 2024, 9-12

June 24, 2024, 9-12

Aug. 26, 2024, 9-12

EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENINGS ~ 'ECS'

As of January 2014, the Early Childhood Screenings will be conducted by the Lakes Country Service Coop. The Community Education office will be doing the scheduling and the screenings will be completed at the New York Mills School. This screening is required by the school for entrance into PreKindergarten and required by Minnesota Statute 121A.17 for entrance into Kindergarten unless an Exemption form is filled out. It is an opportunity for you to review your child's growth and development and to follow up on any health or learning concerns. The Early Childhood Screening is a FREE screening and includes a developmental assessment, vision and hearing test, height and weight measurements, immunization and health history review and a parent visit. It is NOT an examination to determine readiness for school. Its purpose is to identify conditions that might interfere with your child's ability to learn and to assist parents in developing strategies to help their child succeed. Please call Deb in the Community Education office to schedule an appointment at (218) 385-4203. Please leave a message if there is no answer and she will get back to you as soon as an appointment is available.

NYM PUBLIC LIBRARY

COFFEE TALKS: COUNTRY SCHOOLS OF OTTER TAIL COUNTY

Find out about the early days of education in Otter Tail County, and bring your own memories to share on Wednesday, May 22nd at 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the NYM Public Library. Free and open to the community.

GREETINGS FROM FINLAND: WHAT IS LIFE LIKE IN FINLAND?

While visiting MN from Haapajarvi, Finland, teachers Annika and Markku Makela will give us insight into what everyday life is like in Finland including: beautiful places, education system, annual holidays and customs. Join us on Tuesday, June 18th at 10:30 a.m. at the NYM Public Library. Free and open to all but pre-registration is encouraged. Call 2180385-2436 or go to www.nympubliclibrary.org.

SCHOOL-AGED CHILD CARE

If you need before and/or after school child care on a regular or drop-in basis, we have **before** and/or **after** school child care available at the school.

WHO: PreKindergarten through sixth grade

WHE: During school days, childcare hours in the morning are 6:30-8:10 am, and after school is 3:00-5:30 pm.

REGISTER: To register, email childcare@nymills.k12.mn.us or call (218) 385-4209 or (218) 385-4203 (Comm. Ed. Office).

ADULT BASIC ED/ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Adult Basic Education is for anyone 17 years old and older who does not have a high school credential, is preparing for college, or is learning English. Individualized instruction is available for GED, Adult Diploma, Accuplacer Prep, computer literacy, and reading, writing, speaking and understanding English.

DATES/TIMES: One-hour appointments are available on Tuesdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m. throughout the school year 2023-2024.

WHERE: New York Mills Public Library Meeting Room

COST: Class time is free. There is a fee for GED tests.

CLASS LIMIT: None at this time

WHO CAN TAKE: Anyone who is 17 or older and who does not have a high school credential, needs to prep for college, lacks computer skills, and/or is learning English as a second language.

DEADLINE/REGISTRATION INFO: You may register any time throughout the school year the first time you come to class.

INSTRUCTOR INFO: Leah Hamann, Adult Basic Education Instructor, lhamann@detlakes.k12.mn.us is my email address and (218) 844-5760 is the number for Detroit Lakes ABE. Contact either one to set up appointments or for any questions.

CULTURAL CENTER

CELEBRATING CULTURES MAY 22 @ NYM SCULPTURE PARK

PRESENTED BY NYM REGIONAL CULTURAL CENTER AND NIJII RADIO

The New York Mills Regional Cultural Center is pleased to present *Celebrating Cultures*, a family-friendly community art and cultural exchange event at the New York Mills Sculpture Park / Barn just off Highway 10 in NYM from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, 2024. Celebrating Cultures is co-presented by the Cultural Center and Nijii Radio. This year is our 4th annual cultural exchange event and we are thrilled to be working together again this year. This event is free to attend, will include both free activities and products available for purchase, and is open to ALL! We are seeking additional cultural partners to make this a true cross-cultural exchange event; all cultures are welcome! Do you have stories, traditions, artistic practices, or cultural food to share? All those interested in positive, family-friendly, cross-cultural sharing are welcome. We also encourage artists, makers, and culture bearers to sell their handmade products. Call 218-385-3339 or email info@kulcher.org to sign up. There is no cost. At this year's event, we will continue our focus on family-friendly community art activities, demonstrations, and performances. Currently planned performances include Buffalo River Dance Troupe (Ojibwe dancing, drumming, and storytelling), Scottish Bagpipes by Ian Durkin, Taste of Colombia (traditional Colombian dance), Finnish music by Kip Peltoniemi, and Chinese dance by CHORD: Chinese Heritage Of Recreation and Dance. Currently planned Indigenous Artists and Makers include birch bark crafts with Audrey Dahl; beading demonstration with Tracey Mason; and a lacross demonstration. Activities/demonstrations include Brazilian culture with Lorena Roses; Finland in a Suitcase with Adam & Amy Tervola Hultberg; First Nations Collaborators' culture, traditions and art with Bon Mott of Melbourne, Australia; Katy Olson & Lindsey Scherloum with participatory art project "Invitation to Wholeness: Lakes Country, Planet Earth;" Scribbletastic Fun-O-Matic Command Post with Artist Brad Wegscheid; the History Museum of East Otter Tail County with information about how to research your family tree; Kasha & Bonnie with Polish culture and treats; and art activities for all ages by the Cultural Center. Food and drinks will be available for sale by Native Harvest and Taste of Colombia; other food trucks have been invited and are welcome to join this community event! Visit kulcher.org/celebrating-cultures-2024/ to learn more and for the most updated list of partners and activities. Please note, in the event of inclement weather, we plan to move this event to Wednesday, May 29. Updates will be shared on kulcher.org and our social media pages. This activity is made possible in part by the voters of Minnesota through grants from Lakes Region Arts Council and the Minnesota State Arts Board, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage fund. Visit kulcher.org or call the Cultural Center at 218-385-3339 with any questions.

NATIONAL FREEDOM OF SPEECH DEBATE

31ST ANNUAL GREAT AMERICAN THINK-OFF

The New York Mills Regional Cultural Center announces four finalists from the essay contest portion of the 31st Annual Great American Think-Off. Across the country, colleges and universities are grappling with the subject of our 2024 Think-Off question, **'Is freedom of speech worth the cost?'** The public is invited to attend the live debate in New York Mills, MN on Saturday, June 8 @ 7pm, to witness these four armchair philosophers engage in lively civil discourse. All audience members are invited to cast their vote for who they think makes the best argument, to eventually choose the debate winner, who will earn the title of America's Greatest Thinker for 2024. The finalists will be available to meet the public at the Great American Think-Off Kick-Off event the evening of Friday, June 7 at the New York Mills Regional Cultural Center during a Philosophers & Artists Reception from 6-8 p.m. This reception is free to attend and open to all. Refreshments and a cash bar will be available. Tickets to attend the live debate are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door; students are just \$5. The debate is held in the NYM Public School Auditorium. A reception honoring the finalists is held at the Cultural Center immediately following the debate and is open to all. Debate tickets are available online here: <https://kulcher.networkforgood.com/events/69148-2024-great-american-think-off-debate> To get a better sense of the Think-Off, find details, historical information, and a list of the past 30 years of questions and winners on the event website: www.think-off.org. For more information, call the Cultural Center at (218) 385-3339 or visit kulcher.org.