

NYM Community Education Activities/Offerings Schedule Beginning November 27th, 2023

**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.

Monday, November 27th

School Board Meeting in Room #108 @ 5:30 pm
Elem. GBB Practice in SC @ 6:00 pm
3-6 Elem. BBB Practice in HS Gym @ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, November 28th

JH BBB (H) with Henning @ 4:30 pm
ECFE Class - Parent/Preschooler in Room #42/43 @ 5:30 pm
JV/V GBB (H) with Underwood @ 6:00 pm

Wednesday, November 29th

Adult VB League in HS/SC Gyms @ 7:30 pm

Thursday, November 30th

JH BBB (A) at Verndale @ 4:30 pm
JV/V GBB (H) with Park Christian @ 6:00 pm

Saturday, December 2nd

V WR Tournament (A) at Hillsboro, ND @ 9:00 am
JH BBB Tournament (A) at Bertha-Hewitt @ 9:00 am
Elem. GBB Practice in AC/SC Gyms @ 9:00 am
3-6 Elem. BBB Practice in HS Gym @ 9:00 am
MS WR Tournament (A) at Aitkin @ 9:00 am
JV/V BBB and GBB (H) with Mahnomen-Waubun @ 12:00 pm

Sunday, December 3rd

Open Gym in All Gyms @ 6:00 pm

Monday, December 4th

K-2 Holiday Music Concert in Aud. @ 1:30 and 6:00 pm
JH BBB (H) with Sebeka @ 4:30 pm
Elem. GBB Practice in SC @ 6:00 pm
3-6 Elem. BBB Practice in HS Gym @ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, December 5th

C/JV/V GBB (H) with Sebeka @ 5:00 pm

Wednesday, December 6th

Adult VB League in HS/SC Gyms @ 7:30 pm

Thursday, December 7th

3-4 Holiday Music Concert in Aud. @ 1:30 and 6:00 pm
C/JV/V BBB (H) with Sebeka @ 5:00 pm

Friday, December 8th

JH BBB (H) with Verndale @ 4:30 pm
C/JV/V GBB (A) at Wadena-Deer Creek @ 5:00 pm

Saturday, December 9th

V WR Tournament (A) at Crookston @ 9:00 am
4-H Project Day @ 9:00 am
Elem. GBB Practice in AC/SC Gyms @ 9:00 am
3-6 Elem. BBB Practice in HS Gym @ 9:00 am

Sunday, December 10th

Open Gym in All Gyms @ 6:00 pm

Monday, December 11th

5/6th Music/Band Concert in Aud. @ 1:30 and 6:00 pm
JV/V BBB (A) at Browerville-Eagle Valley @ 6:00 pm
Elem. GBB Practice in SC @ 6:00 pm
3-6 Elem. BBB Practice in HS Gym @ 6:00 pm
Bandwagon Meeting in Commons @ 6:30 pm

Tuesday, December 12th

V Hockey Practice (A) Wadena-DC @ TBD
PreK Holiday Program (Tu/Th) in Aud. @ 2:30 pm
JH BBB (A) at Menahga @ 4:30 pm
V WR (H) w/Osakis, West Central Area @ 5:00 pm
C/JV/V BBB (A) at Wadena-DC @ 5:00 pm

Wednesday, December 13th

PreK Holiday Program (M/W) in Aud. @ 2:30 pm
Adult Volleyball League in HS/SC Gyms @ 7:30 pm

Thursday, December 14th

JH BBB (H) with Battle lake @ 4:30 pm
C/JV/V GBB (H) with Menahga @ 5:00 pm



DECEMBER



NYM COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFERINGS SCHEDULE

ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

It's that time of year again for NYM Adult Volleyball League to begin! To sign up your team, please have your captain call or text Cody Geiser at (218) 371-6596, and if not available leave a message OR email at cgeiser@nymills.k12.mn.us. The closing date for sign-up will be **Monday, November 27, 2023**. Give him a call, text or email before then so he can have the schedule ready for the first night of play! The first night of league play is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 29, 2023**. The cost is \$100.00 per team and must be paid the first night of league or prior to the first night in the District Office at the NYM School. We will have an introductory meeting at 7:00 p.m. for all TEAM CAPTAINS, where we will be going through the rules, schedule, etc. League play will begin at 7:30 p.m. and runs approximately ten weeks before we get into tournament play.

DNR SNOWMOBILE SAFETY TRAINING

Co-sponsored by the Ottertrail Riders Club, this course covers operating procedures, machine maintenance, rules and regulations, accident prevention, outdoor survival, environmental awareness and code of ethics. Both a written test and a riding performance test must be passed. Minnesota law states all residents born after December 31, 1976, must have a safety certificate to operate a snowmobile anywhere in the state.

Please sign up for the Riding Performance Course by Friday, December 15th in the District Office in person to pick up the DNR form or call (218) 385-4201. The workbook and quizzes are to be completed online at snowmobilecourse.com. These materials need to be completed before the Riding Performance Course date below. Follow the instructions online, taking all quizzes, etc. Come to class and bring the Student Registration-Parental Release and Self-Certification Form, the form that shows you passed the course and warm clothes with a helmet. You will receive further instruction that day.

A lunch will be served. If you have any questions or concerns, please give Jesse a call. Also if you have any special requests such as a student needing the test read to them, please inform the District Office when signing up or feel free to call Jesse and let him know. He is more than happy to help with that.

WHO: Ages 11-15 (certificate becomes valid at age 12)
WHEN: Saturday, December 16th, 2023
from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (or when finished)
55901-473rd Street, New York Mills, MN 56567
WHERE: 55901-473rd Street, New York Mills, MN 56567
COST: \$29.95 to be paid online following completion of class
CLASS LIMIT: 25 students (hurry and sign up, space is limited, don't miss it)
INSTRUCTOR: Jesse Kytta, please call if any questions, (218) 639-3683

OPEN GYM

Open Gym is sponsored by Community Education and NYM Booster Club. There will be a \$1 fee for every participant each night including all who come in to walk the hallways on Sunday night during Open Gym. The fee will be used to staff Open Gym and pay for facility and equipment maintenance.

WHO: 7-12th grade students and adults in our school district and if an elementary student wants to participate, he/she must be accompanied by an adult.
WHEN: Runs from November 12 through March 24 on most Sunday nights from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION

School is back in session, and we are so excited for ECFE classes to start soon. We have many fun classes planned for your family. We welcome back Sam Lachowitz as our Children's Teacher, and Mari Willie, our Parent Educator. All classes will be in Room 42 in the elementary (Pre-K classroom). Sign up for classes on Facebook or by calling (218) 385-1172. Please contact me with any questions. I'd be happy to visit with you!

Kendra Geiser, Early Childhood Coordinator/Teacher
kgeiser@nymills.k12.mn.us or (218) 385-1172

Please join our group on Facebook "New York Mills ECFE"!

Parent & Preschooler

This class is designed for parents and their 2-5 year old child. Class will consist of some parent-child activities & circle time, and then parents will separate from the children for discussion.

Dates: Tuesdays October 3, 10, 17, 24 & November 7, 14, 21, & 28

Time: 5:30-7:00 pm

Supper with Santa

More info will be coming about our annual holiday event, Supper with Santa, on Tuesday, December 19th. Watch Facebook for more information.

JUST FOR KIX

Sign up for DANCE! Looking for NEW dancers ages 3 years to 6th grade. Join all the FUN that Just for Kix offers! We take registrations ANYTIME throughout the season. Classes are held at the NYM School Auditorium Foyer – come try your first class with no obligation. Start with eager anticipation and end with happy memories!

AGES/DATES/TIMES: K-6th Grade on Thursdays from 6:15-7:15 p.m.

REGISTER: Online anytime www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/perham-mn

QUESTIONS: Program Director, Heidi Swenson, (218) 766-1464

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).

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

HEARTSAVER CPR, AED AND 1ST AID

1/24/24, 3/27/24, 5/22/24, 7/24/24, 9/25/24, 11/27/24

BLS PROVIDER CPR

12/27/23, 2/28/24, 4/24/24, 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

55+ DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (2023-2024)

This Driver Improvement Program is put on by the Minnesota Highway Safety Research Center through St. Cloud State University. You can check out their website at www.mnsafetycenter.org. It is an awareness-level driver safety program that is primarily intended for the 55+ age population. However, many/most of the concepts and information provided may be applicable to drivers of all ages. These courses will give participants a better understanding of vehicle and traffic safety, new technology, physical changes and increased driving risks as we age, changes to laws and the decisions drivers can make to be safer on our roadways. The presenter will provide you with information in both lecture and video format that can be discussed with other class participants.

This program is an approved Accident Prevention course by the MN Department of Public Safety. Participants who complete this course every 3 years are eligible for a 10% discount on their personal automobile insurance premium.

4-Hour Refresher Courses

WHO: Anyone, especially 55 and over, who has completed an 8 hr. class and are looking to maintain the discount.

WHEN: Saturday, March 23rd from 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

WHERE: Room #108 High School Media Center @ NYM Public School, enter the door by the eagle and look for the sign that will tell you where to go

COST: \$24 per participant payable at class with check made out to: MHSRC/DIP

SIGN UP: In District Office or call (218) 385-4201

CLASS LIMIT: 12 - 30 people

INSTRUCTOR: To Be Determined

8-Hour Initial Course

WHO: Anyone, especially 55 and over

WHEN: Saturdays, April 13th from 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

~AND~ April 20th from 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

WHERE: Room #108 High School Media Center @ NYM Public School, enter the door by the eagle and look for the sign that will tell you where to go

COST: \$28 per participant payable at class with check made out to: MHSRC/DIP

SIGN UP: In District Office or call (218) 385-4201

CLASS LIMIT: 12 - 30 people

INSTRUCTOR: To Be Determined

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.

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.

Dec. 18, 2023, 9-12, 4:30-6:30	Apr. 29, 2024, 9-12
Jan. 29, 2024, 9-12-4:30-6:30	May 20, 2024, 9-12
Feb. 26, 2024, 9-12	June 24, 2024, 9-12
Mar. 25, 2024, 9-12	July 29, 2024, 9-12
	Aug. 26, 2024, 9-12

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, lhmann@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

2023/2024 YOUTH BALLET AT THE CULTURAL CENTER

Youth Ballet Classes Return! Fall & Spring 10-Week Sessions! We are excited to once again offer Youth Ballet through a partnership with instructor, Leona Cichy, at the New York Mills Regional Cultural Center on Wednesday afternoons for youth starting in Pre-K (age 4) and now through 6th grade! Students will learn basic ballet techniques in a fun and encouraging class environment. New in 2023, a third age group has been added. Classes will be offered on Wednesdays in the upstairs dance studio at the Cultural Center (accessible only by stairs).

Times / Age Groups / Fees:

4:00-4:30 p.m. – Ages 4-6 (PreK-Kdg), \$80 per session, includes costume fee
4:30-5:15 p.m. – Ages 6-9 (1st-3rd Gr), \$120 per session, includes costume fee
5:15-6:00 p.m. – Ages 9-12 (4th-6th Gr), \$120 per session, includes costume fee

Dates – Fall & Spring Sessions: Both a Fall Session and Spring Session will be held; each is 10 weeks and will culminate in a short recital (details TBD). Classes held on Wednesday afternoons, on the following dates:

Fall Session: Wednesdays, September 13 – November 29, 2023 (NO CLASS 10/11 or 11/8)

Spring Session: Wednesdays, February 21 – May 1, 2024 (NO CLASS 3/6)

Registration & Payment: Limited spots to ensure small class sizes; 12 students per class/age group. Full session payment is required to guarantee your spot. To register and pay online go to: <https://www.kulcher.org> or contact the Cultural Center by emailing Cheryl Bannes at cheryl@kulcher.org or by calling 218-385-3339, or mail a check to Cultural Center, PO Box 246, NYM, MN 56567.

ARTS LEARNING WORKSHOPS: CREATE, EXPLORE, LEARN & GROW

The New York Mills Regional Cultural Center is pleased to present a full schedule of workshops from September 2023 through December 2023. Workshops take place at the Cultural Center, in the main floor Gallery space (unless noted otherwise), and are open to ages 16+ (unless noted otherwise). We ask that you please pre-register so that we can plan adequately; call 218-385-3339 to sign up or go to the Cultural Center website: <https://www.kulcher.org/fall-2023-workshops-the-cultural-center/> where you can find links to register online for individual classes.

2023 Fall Workshop Schedule:

- Wednesday, December 6: Coffee and Cardamom (1:00-4:00 p.m. @ NYM Senior Center)
- Thursday, December 7: Pour Painting with Cheryl Bannes (5:30-7:30 p.m.)

2023 WINTER FUNDRAISER

All are invited to our annual Winter Fundraiser at the City Hall Ballroom during the Community Christmas Tree Festival on Wednesday, November 29th, 2023 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. The evening will begin with a Youth Ballet Recital at 6:00 p.m. and will continue as an Open House style fundraiser event with unique MN-made gifts available for purchase, a hot cocoa bar, whiskey tasting, and more! This event is free to attend and open to the public. Come to support the Cultural Center's work, get some holiday shopping done, enjoy a cup of hot cocoa, and connect with your neighbors and friends! All funds raised support the Center's year-round programs (180+ events per year!) and YOUR creative community!

Fundraiser held at the NYM City Hall Ballroom during the week-long annual Christmas Tree Festival (hosted by the New York Mills Civic & Commerce Association), so you'll have a chance to view all the community displays while you're there too (many of which are available to bid on, with proceeds benefiting NYM Santa Anonymous).

We hope you'll join us for a night of CONNECTIONS & conversation, hot cocoa SIPPING, whiskey TASTING, buying HOLIDAY GIFTS, getting all the details on ONLINE (silent) AUCTION, plenty of HOLIDAY CHEER & more!

Call us with questions at 218-385-3339. All of our events are always open to the public. ALL are welcome! Hope to see you on November 29th!

FALL CONCERT SERIES

Our Fall Concert Series continues with The Eclectics bluegrass trio on Friday, December 8th, 2023, in the Cultural Center's listening-room-style gallery space. Doors open at 7:00 and music begins @ 7:30 P.M. Co-Presented by NYM Friends of the Library & NYM Regional Cultural Center, the Eclectics are a bluegrass-based trio, playing old favorites, surprising bluegrass (covers of older pop and country), and original music. The Eclectics are made up of **Phil Nusbaum** on banjo and vocals; **Nick Martin** on fiddle and vocals; and **John Bergquist** on bass. The trio plays a great variety of song types. The focus is instrumental music, though they sing some good old songs, too. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door (\$2 discount for members), and \$5 for students. Cash bar and light refreshments available. All are welcome!

LONGEST NIGHT MUSIC FESTIVAL

Our annual winter solstice celebration of local musicians is a local favorite! Concert will be held on Thursday, December 21st, 2023, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Lineup of local/regional musicians TBD. This event is free to attend and open to all! Free-will donations to support local live music are accepted at the event or by clicking the donate button below. To get an idea of what to expect, check out our 2020 Virtual Longest Night Concert, a collection of performances of local/regional musicians presented virtually due to the COVID global health pandemic: [2020 Longest Night Virtual Concert](#). If you are a local musician interested in performing, please email betsy@kulcher.org or call 218-385-3339.

