

Activities/ Community Education Director, Crystal Lamont

WEM School Board Report

September 2026

Activities

- The 2026-2027 Fall Activities are off and running
 - Football has 48 V/JV and 33 Junior High players
 - Volleyball has 33 F/JV/C players and 27 Junior High players
 - Cross Country has 5 WEM boys and 4 WEM girls participating
 - Cheerleading has 7 participants
 - The pep band is scheduled to play at 4 home football games and 4 home volleyball games.
- The new Bound program has been running fairly smoothly after the initial roll out. Families are starting to get used to it and I think it will be a positive change for our school and the conference.
- Part of our Bound agreement is to do cashless ticketing. There have been a few complaints, but overall it's going well. It gets people in the event quickly and our workers like not having to handle the cash. Passes are run through the Bound app. We did still do printed passes for senior citizens who requested them and elementary students who don't have a phone.
- Homecoming is Sept 28-Oct 3rd. The Homecoming Volleyball match is Tuesday, September 29th versus Belle Plaine. The Cross Country will host their annual Pie run at Prairie Ridge Golf Course on Thursday, October 1st. The football Homecoming game is Friday, October 2nd versus Maple River.

Community Education

- We have three classes of Preschool offered. Our 4 day/full day for 4-5 year olds is full at 20 students. Our 4 day/half day for 4-5 year olds has 15 students, and our 3 day/half day for 3-4 year olds has 14 students.
- We have 27 students registered for SACC. We started wrap-around care for preschool students this year. Preschool students can come before school if they have class in the morning/all day and can come after school if they have class in the afternoon/all day. We also offer Friday care for our preschool students and we currently have four students participating in this option. We have it staffed by SACC coordinator, Jennifer Holicky and preschool paraprofessional, Vicki Gregor so it isn't any additional cost to the district.
- Youth Volleyball started. We have a 5th & 6th grade program that practices twice a week and plays in a traveling league with other communities. We also have a 3rd & 4th grade program that practices twice a week and plays some modified volleyball games on Saturdays in a league at the Faribault Rec Center.
- Youth 1st-4th grade Flag Football got started despite the Saturday rain out. Practices/Intramural games are on Saturdays and they will end with a Monday Night Under the Lights event on Monday, October 12th.
- Youth 5th & 6th grade tackle football practices at WEM and plays in a traveling league. WEM hosted on Sept. 12th.