

Sleepy Eye Community Education Fall 2021

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School day office hours are generally 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

If school is closed, activities are canceled.

If school starts late, evening activities will be held.

Web page: <http://www.sleepyeyeschools.com>

We are slowly making our way back to full programming. We are excited to once serve our community by offering programs and outings that enhance the lives of those living here! **Outside visitor protocols change. Please call the school offices on current visitor protocol.**

Watch for weekly updates on our program by reading the Community Education News in the *Sleepy Eye Herald Dispatch* and *Sleepy Eye Online*. The first and third Tuesday, a staff member provides updated information on KNUJ-SAM 107.3 at 8:30 a.m. Thank you for your continued support of our programs!

Pat Stevermer, Director

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Some topics and information included in this brochure include:

- Fall Trips
- Defensive Driving classes
- Computer Skills, GED, College Prep Classes
- Adult and Youth Enrichment Courses
- ECFE Classes and Activities
- VIP Passes

VIP Senior Citizen Athletic Pass

Sleepy Eye Community Education in partnership with School District #84 offers the VIP Pass! The VIP pass is a complimentary pass for senior citizens 60 years old+ and who reside within the Sleepy Eye School District. VIP passes allow the bearer free entry to all regularly scheduled Sleepy Eye Public School home athletic events. This pass is not valid for any tournament or post season games. Patrons may obtain a VIP pass by stopping in the Community Education Office, Room 109, 400 4th Ave SW. Individuals are required to provide their name and home address to prove they are a School District 84 resident. Passes are good year to year—no need to get a new one each year.

Defensive Driving Classes

Drivers 55 and older who complete the course qualify for a ten percent discount on their vehicle insurance premium for three years. Developed by the Minnesota Safety Council and conducted through the state, Defensive Driver teaches preventive measures to use when driving that saves lives. First time participants must take an eight-hour course, but repeat students may take a four-hour renewal course to qualify for the discount. Classes are held at the Sleepy Eye High School. Cost is \$25 per person, payable to Sleepy Eye Community Education at the time of class. Bring your driver's license. A reminder postcard will be sent the week prior to classes with the latest protocol information. Minimum class size is 15 and maximum is 25.

Classes this fall are offered on the following dates:

Monday, September 20, 1:30 p.m. or 5:30 p.m.

Monday, October 25, 1:30 p.m. or 5:30 p.m.

Monday, November 8, 1:30 p.m. or 5:30 p.m.

Need the first eight-hour class? Call for information.

Youth Driver's Ed

Classroom instruction of 30 hours is planned for winter/spring 2022 with an additional class offered at the end of May. **Behind the Wheel** instruction will begin in May and continue through the summer. Mr. Cory Haala will be the instructor. Watch the school bulletin when registration forms will become available.

Fall 2021 Babysitting List

A list has been assembled for those needing babysitters. Students on the list completed a 10 hour training course. Only children with parental permission have their names on the list. Contact the community education office if you need a copy.

Quilting

All day quilting is returning this fall. Youth ten and older through senior citizens participate in these classes. Come to the day long class to start a new pattern or finish one that has been in the tote for a few months. All quilting projects use the rotary cutter method. Patterns are available for beginners and experienced quilters. Yardage provided if needed when one registers. Scheduled classes are: Saturdays, September 25, October 30, and November 20. The class begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 4:00 p.m. Participants bring a potluck dinner. The fee for a quilt is \$12.50 but smaller projects may be made for \$6.25. Instructor is Patty Haala. Class is held in the Sleepy Eye School Cafeteria

One Day Trips

This fall, take a journey by motor coach with Sleepy Eye Community Education. Stops are made along the route to pick up participants. A minimum number is needed in order to go. Please adhere to sign-up deadlines. If you cancel after a ticket deadline, you will be responsible for the ticket price unless you find a replacement. Masks are required while on the bus.

Sidekick Theatre - Tuesday, October 26 - “Breaking Up is Hard to Do” (featuring the Songs of Neil Sedaka) - Set at a Catskills resort in 1960, this is the sweetly comic story of Lois and Marge, two friends from Brooklyn in search of good times and romance over one wild Labor Day weekend. The score showcases 18 Neil Sedaka classics, including “Where the Boys Are”, “Sweet Sixteen”, “Calendar Girl”, “Love Will Keep Us Together”, and of course, the chart-topping title song. Depart Sleepy Eye at 8:45 a.m., stop for lunch, enjoy the show and return around 5:30 p.m. Motor coach and show ticket will be \$55 per person. Sign up by Oct. 8.

Ames Center- Wednesday, December 8 - “Hold the Lutefisk” The Looney Lutherans have returned with tips for surviving the holidays, exercise tips and preparations to keep those New Year’s resolutions. We would depart Sleepy Eye at 8:45 am, stop for lunch on your own and return around 5:30 pm. Motor coach and show ticket is \$50 per person. Sign up by November 15.

Coming May 4, 2022- “Footloose” at Chanhassen Dinner Theater. Watch for details!

Red Cross Bloodmobile comes to Sleepy Eye

Tuesday, November 16

8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Sleepy Eye High School Gymnasium



GED/Diploma/College Prep classes are offered by appointment on Tuesdays, 4:30-7:30 pm. Call 507-779-5827 for details.

ESL classes are being offered as a Distance Only course Tuesday through Thursday evenings 6-8 pm or in person at the Lincoln Community Center in Mankato, Monday through Thursday 8:00 am-2:00 pm. Call 507-345-5222 for more information.
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Early Childhood Family Education

Since parents are the first and most important teachers for their children, all families are welcome in the ECFE program. No one will be denied participation due to inability to pay. Scholarships are available. Classes are held in the ECFE rooms (#318-320) in the Sleepy Eye Elementary School. Fall term begins the week of September 7 with offerings for all ages of preschoolers. The child's age as of September 1, 2021 should be used to determine which class to enroll. The teachers take into consideration children's developmental levels when planning activities for each class. Complete class information and additional offerings are available in the ECFE newsletter and on the school website www.sleepyeyeschools.com.

Classes

Babies (birth to walking) on Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. – Meet with other parents and discuss topics related to parenting babies. Classes held on September 25, October 16 and November 13. FREE.

Toddlers (walkers to runners) on Mondays, 6:00-7:15 p.m. beginning Monday, September 13 for nine sessions. Fee is \$27. Have fun learning with your toddler through play and parent-child activity time. Parent discussion held in the same space. Babies already walking are invited to join.

Two Year Olds on Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 p.m. beginning September 7 for nine sessions. Fee is \$36. Come for ideas, motivation and support to stay ahead of your curious, active child. Parent(s) separate from the children for discussion time.

Mixed Ages (3-5 years) on Thursdays, 4:30-6:00 p.m. or 6:00-7:30 p.m. beginning September 9 for nine sessions. Fee is \$36. Play is your child's work and the classroom offers many types of play activities.

Special Family Events

Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat - Saturday, October 30, 3-5 p.m. - Sleepy Eye School parking lot. Trunk or Treat, holiday themed activities--come join the fun.

Mommy and Me Cooking - Friday, November 5, 5-6 p.m. - Sleepy Eye School Cafeteria - Bake cookies and enjoy a simple supper of pasta. \$2 per child/\$5 per family or donate one food shelf item per person.

Open Gyms - Sleepy Eye School Elementary gym - Saturday, November 13, 3:30-5 p.m. or Saturday, December 11, 10:30 am-12 noon. Let the kids run, jump, climb, play ball and so much more in a gym! \$2 per child/\$5 per family or donate one food shelf item per person.

Holiday Cookie Decorating - Thursday, December 9, 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Sleepy Eye School Cafeteria. \$2 per child/\$5 per family or donate one food shelf item per person.



Area Preschool Opportunities

School Readiness is available for four year olds and meets 146 days during the school year due to a Voluntary Pre-K grant which was awarded to Sleepy Eye School for the 2021-2022 school year.

Discovery Time preschool includes three year olds and is scheduled for 78 days during the school year.

Other preschools are available at Grace Lutheran Church, St. Mary's Catholic School and Tri Valley Head Start.

Early Childhood Screening

Tuesday, October 5 with appointments beginning at 8:30 a.m. Open to any child three and a half to six. Call 507-794-7873 for an appointment.

United Way Brown County Area

Many initiatives are offered through our Brown County Area United Way. One of the long standing programs has been the **Youth Activities Scholarship Program**. Young people ages 4-18 whose family income is insufficient to meet the activity and equipment fees, are eligible.

The **Dolly Parton Imagination Library** is open to all preschool children in Brown County. This program delivers one book a month to those who register through United Way. Reading regularly to children at a very young age has proven to help children be ready for school. Call the United Way at (507)354-6512 to register a child.

Registration forms and additional information is available on all of these activities at www.unitedwaybrowncountyarea.org

Day of Caring - Fall date to be determined

The Day of Caring is an annual celebration of community volunteers giving “One Day to Help One Another.” Recruit family, friends, neighbors and coworkers to make up a team. Teams may range in size from two to over twenty-two! It may be possible to do projects on Friday so indicate that on your participation form.

Volunteers provide “helping hands” for services that people, for diverse reasons, cannot do. Some non-professional service projects include: small painting projects, raking leaves, washing windows, cleaning gutters, moving boxes or furniture, yard work, housework, and much more. Sign up for the 23rd annual **Day of Caring** organized by the United Way of the Brown County area. If you are in need of a helper for the morning or want to register a team, call 507-354-6512 or visit on the web [UnitedWayBrown CountyArea.org](http://UnitedWayBrownCountyArea.org)



LIFE-WORK PLANNING CENTER: The mission of **LIFE-WORK PLANNING CENTER** is to increase the self-sufficiency of women and their families.

- Pre-Employment for women and a Minnesota Displaced Homemaker Program. They serve women in transition, including Displaced homemakers; Non-Displaced Homemakers; Latina Women and Youth, and Women transitioning from Welfare to Work.
- Provides a supportive environment where one can gain pre-employment skills and define what is important to them.
- Services include Workshops, One-to-One Peer Counseling, Computer tutoring, Resources & Referrals and Advocacy.
- Service individuals in Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, LeSueur, Martin, Nicollet, Sibley, Waseca and Watonwan Counties.
- Is sponsored in part by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, area United Ways, and individual contribution.

Fall classes include **Strength, Balance and Self-Respect** for 6 weeks. Topics included are Confidence, Stress Management, Assertive Communication, Boundaries, Decision Making and Goal Setting. This workshop begins on Tuesday, September 14. Classes are held at the New Ulm CareerForce Center, 1618 South Broadway from 10 am-12 noon

Job Search will be offered for 3 weeks. It covers the following topics: Personality Styles and Interests, Resume Writing and Job Search and Interview Skills. This workshop begins on Tuesday, October 26 at the New Ulm CareerForce Center, 1618 South Broadway from 12:30-2:30 p.m

Area Theater and Music Events/Classes

Sleepy Eye High School presents



Frozen JR. is based on the 2018 Broadway musical, and brings Elsa, Anna, and the magical land of Arendelle to life, onstage. The show features all of the memorable songs from the animated film, with music and lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez, plus five new songs written for the Broadway production. A story of true love and acceptance between sisters, *Frozen JR.* expands upon the emotional relationship and journey between Princesses Anna and Elsa. When faced with danger, the two discover their hidden potential and the powerful bond of sisterhood. With a cast of beloved characters and loaded with magic, adventure, and plenty of humor, *Frozen JR.* is sure to thaw even the coldest heart! Production dates are slated for early November.

St. Mary's High School presents



Based on the beloved holiday film, this hilarious fish-out-of-water comedy follows Buddy the Elf in his quest to find his true identity. Buddy, a young orphan, mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and is transported to the North Pole. The would-be elf is raised, unaware that he is actually a human until his enormous size and poor toy-making abilities cause him to face the truth. With Santa's permission, Buddy embarks on a journey to New York City to find his birth father and discover his true identity. Faced with the harsh realities that his father is on the naughty list and his half-brother doesn't even believe in Santa, Buddy is determined to win over his new family and help New York remember the true meaning of Christmas. Mid November dates for this holiday themed production.

YELLOW DOOR MUSIC STUDIO

Toddler Music Class (2-4 year olds) 30-minute class that offers singing, story time, movement, basic music concepts and music exploration. Parents are welcome to participate. December through February. Cost covers the entire session.

Mondays 5:30- 6 p.m. \$150

Mommy and Me Music Class (9 months-2 years) 30-minute class that offers singing movement and music exploration. December through February. Cost covers the entire session.

Tuesdays 2- 2:30 p.m. OR Thursdays 5:30-6pm \$115

Taught by a licensed K-12 Music Educator, Kristina Marti

Email the studio at: theyellowdoormusicstudio@gmail.com register.

Advisory Boards

Community Education and ECFE Advisory Boards depend on community members to meet about five times during the year to offer suggestions about programming and plan budgets. If you are interested in serving, please call for more information.

Registration Form

Return to: Sleepy Eye Community Education

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Address _____

City/Zipcode _____

Email _____

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