

Spring/Summer 2026 Community Education Offerings

CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

COMMUNITY ED.



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Preschool and ECCE • Youth Programs • Adult Programs

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Welcome to Central Public Schools Community Education

OUR MISSION

Educate, Enrich, and Support all Community Members through accessible and diverse learning opportunities.

OUR VISION

Foster growth, empowerment, and unity of community members through lifelong learning.

Advisory Council

The Community Education Advisory Council serves to advise the Administration and the Board of Education about issues relating to Community Education. The Advisory Council meets four times a year.

The Council serves as a liaison between the community and the school district to evaluate Community Education needs and provide input to promote and foster new programs.

Members advise, guide, advocate, and serve as ambassadors for the development and delivery of Community Education programs and act as key communicators to connect the community to Central Public Schools.

The Advisory Council helps shape the future direction of Community Education. We are seeking new members to join our council! If you are interested, please contact Tim Schochenmaier at tschochenmaier@isd108.org.

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2025-26 MEETING SCHEDULE

Jan. 20 & March 10

7:30-8:30 a.m.

Central Elementary School Conference Room

Become a member!

We are seeking new members to join our council for 2025-2027 school years. If you are interested in serving on our council, please reach out to Tim Schochenmaier at tschochenmaier@isd108.org.



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Hello Central Community,

Welcome to the Spring/Summer 2025-26 Community Education catalog!



At Central Public Schools, learning doesn't stop when the bell rings, or when students graduate. Through our Community Education programs, we're proud to offer engaging opportunities for everyone, from infants to retirees. Whether you're enrolling your toddler in preschool, signing your child up for summer camps or sports, exploring adult enrichment classes, or joining a fitness program with friends, there's something here for you.

Our Community Ed offerings reflect the energy, creativity, and spirit of Central Public Schools. They're built on the strong support of a community that values lifelong learning, connection, and wellness. None of this would be possible without the continued partnership of our local families, businesses, and volunteers. Thank you for investing in a thriving and active community.



Timothy Schochenmaier

Superintendent, Central Public Schools





ECFE Information

What is ECFE?

Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) is a program for all Minnesota families with children between the ages of birth to kindergarten entrance. We offer weekly classes and special events designed especially for families. The program is offered through Minnesota public school districts. It is based on the idea that the family provides a child's first and most significant learning environment and parents are a child's first and most important teachers. ECFE works to strengthen families. ECFE's goal is to enhance the ability of all parents and other family members to provide the best possible environment for their child's learning and growth.

Who is it for?

ECFE is for all moms, dads, grandparents, foster parents, etc. and their children from infancy up to kindergarten. You attend this program WITH your child.

Why should I come?

Being a parent is one of the most important jobs you will ever have. Come and learn more about your child and more about you. Come meet other parents, and learn that you are not alone in this challenging, heart-filling, and sometimes frustrating job of raising children.

Did you miss the start of our ECFE classes?

If space allows, you can register online at any time, and fees will be prorated.



Is there a cost?

All fees are for adults and one child. Additional children may be registered at 50% of the regular class fee.

ECFE offers reduced tuition and sliding fee scales to qualifying families. No family will be denied an opportunity to participate because of an inability to pay.

Can I bring siblings?

Non-registered siblings are welcome to attend class, but please note, there is a separate charge for non-registered children who remain in the children's classroom during parent separation. There is no charge for infants who remain with their caregiver during parent discussion time.

What is a home visit?

Early Childhood Family Education offers one on one coaching sessions to answer your parenting questions or help you develop specific strategies to support your parenting. Contact us at 952-467-7050 for more details or to set up a live or virtual meeting. This service is free to ISD 108 families with children ages birth through 5 years.

Early Childhood Family Education Staff

Jenny Hoernemann, ECFE Teacher/Early Childhood Screening Coordinator

Carol Lagergren, Parent Educator

Andrea Goetze, Assistant Teacher/Sibling Care

ECFE Sliding Class Fees

Annual Income	Toddler	Marvelous Mix	Play and Learn	Preschool Preview	Sibling Care
Under \$40,000	Waived fee	Waived Fee	Waived Fee	\$77/session	Waived Fee
\$40,000 - \$64,999	\$41/session	\$54/session	\$35/session	\$105/session	\$21/session
\$65,000 - \$89,999	\$81/session	\$95/session	\$50/session	\$133/session	\$28/session
\$90,000 and above	\$108/session	\$122/session	\$70/session	\$161/session	\$35/session

All families are welcome, and no family will be denied an opportunity to participate because of an inability to pay. Register with a fee that is comfortable for your family and your budget. 50% off family bundle discounts will apply at checkout.

ECFE FAMILY

BUNDLE DISCOUNTS



We believe families learn best together — and we want to make joining us easy and affordable! Enroll in any ECFE class and enjoy these savings!



50% OFF ADDITIONAL REGISTRATIONS

After registering for your first ECFE class (per season), get 50% off any additional weekly ECFE class or additional family member registrations.

Discount will be automatically applied at checkout. *Discount does not apply to "Mini" classes or special events.*

75% OFF FOR PRESCHOOL FAMILIES

If you already have a child enrolled in Central Public Preschool, you'll receive a 75% discount on *all* your ECFE weekly class registrations.

Use the code **PRESCHOOL75** at checkout. Discount does not apply to special events.

ECFE Week at a Glance

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Terrific Toddlers (Ages 12 - 30 months) 8:30-9:30 a.m.	Marvelous Mix (Ages 2-5 years) 8:30-10 a.m.	Preschool Preview (Ages 2 ½ -5) 8:30-10:30 a.m. (Feb.-May)	Baby and Me (Ages birth - 12 months) 8:30-9:30 a.m.
	Marvelous Mix (Ages 2-5 years) 10-11:30 a.m.	Marvelous Mix (Ages 2-5 years) 10:15-11:45 a.m.		Play and Learn (Ages birth - 5 years) 10:15-11:15 a.m.
	Evening Edition (Ages 18 months - 5 years) 5:30-7 p.m.			ECFE On Wheels (Ages birth - 5 years) 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Early Childhood Screening

Screening is a simple, careful check of your child's physical development, thinking skills, speech and language, and social/emotional health. It is designed to ensure the healthy growth of students to be successful in any educational setting, and if needed, connect them to resources that will support their development.

It is FREE through the school district. Children should be screened between the ages of 3-5 (before kindergarten entrance). We at ECFE feel the best time to screen is from 3 years 2 months to before your child's 4th birthday.

UPCOMING SCREENING DATES:

Monday, March 2, 2026

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Monday, May 11, 2026

Monday, Aug. 17, 2026

Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2026

Visit isd108.ce.eleyo.com to register and view available screening dates and times.





Help Me Grow Connects Families to Early Intervention Services

If you have concerns about a child's development and think they might need extra help to learn and grow, don't hesitate to refer. You can refer the child through Help Me Grow for a free screening or evaluation. Services are free to eligible children ages birth-5, regardless of income or immigration status.

To refer a child, visit HelpMeGrowMN.org or call (866) 693-GROW (4769). Interpretation services are available for referrals by phone.



Help Me Connect

A navigator connecting expectant families, families with young children (birth – 8 years old) and those working with families to services in their local communities that support healthy child development and family well-being.

For more information visit:
HelpMeConnectMN.org

IS YOUR FAMILY INCLUDED ON THE SCHOOL DISTRICT CENSUS?



Has there been a birth in your family?
Have you recently moved into the area? Is there a new family in your neighborhood?

District 108 wants all families to know about programs and activities that are offered. Being on the School District Census ensures that you will automatically receive information about Early Childhood Screening, Preschool, and Kindergarten.

To be added or to update your census, please call the District Office at 952-467-7005.

Early Childhood Family Education Advisory Council

We are looking for individuals to join our Early Childhood Family Education Advisory Council. This group helps provide recommendations and direction to Central Schools Early Childhood Programs and meets four times per year.

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LEARN MORE**



ECFE Classes

Baby and Me

(Birth - 12 months)

Bring your bundle of joy to ECFE! Get out of the house, play with your baby in a new setting with different toys, and visit with other parents of young children. Toys, songs, finger plays and parent topics will be provided. Sibling care is available for older children, allowing you to concentrate on your little one. Come and join the fun!

Please bring a blanket for your child.

Fridays, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Feb. 6 - May 15, 2026

(No class Feb. 13, March 27, April 3, 24)

Central Elementary ECFE Classroom

No cost (please register siblings for sibling care)

Terrific Toddlers

(Ages 12 months - 30 months)

Toddlers can be adventurous, shy, independent, clingy, strong-willed, or charming. Although these descriptions seem opposite, any one toddler can be all of the above. One thing is certain: toddlers are learning by leaps and bounds! Join us for sensory experiences, simple art, music, movement, finger plays, stories, and age-appropriate activities to enjoy with your child. Each group will decide if parents and children will separate, taking the children present into account.

Tuesdays, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Feb. 3 - May 19, 2026

(No class March 24 and April 21)

Central Elementary ECFE Classroom

See sliding scale for fees

Welcome Baby Gift!

Every family in the Central Public School District with a new baby ages birth - 12 months can receive a free gift, courtesy of Central Public Schools and local community partners. One of our ECFE teachers will come to your home to drop off the gift and give you more information about parenting resources and programs that are available in our district. We would love the opportunity to get to know you and your family!



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Marvelous Mix

(Ages 2 - 5 years)

Mix it up! This class offers something for everyone. Parents and children enjoy hands-on activities like art, sensory play, and games that build preschool skills. After a fun, music-filled circle time, children have free play while parents connect and discuss parenting topics with support from a licensed ECFE teacher.

Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m.

Feb. 3 - May 19, 2026

(No class March 24 and April 21)

Wednesdays, 8:30-10 a.m.

Feb. 4 - May 20, 2026

(No class March 25 and April 22)

Wednesdays, 10:15-11:45 a.m.

Feb. 4 - May 20, 2026

(No class March 25 and April 22)

Central Elementary ECFE Classroom

See sliding scale for fees

Marvelous Mix-Evening Edition

(Ages 18 months - 5 years/prior to Kindergarten entrance)

Attention working parents- this class is for you! Let us organize the activities and clean up the mess. This class will have many of the same crafts, music, activities, and parent discussion as the daytime class, with a broader age range to better accommodate working families. Note: This is a separating class.

Tuesdays, 5:30-7 p.m.

Feb. 3 - May 19, 2026

(No class March 24 and April 21)

Central Elementary ECFE Classroom

See sliding scale for fees



Preschool Preview

(Child must be 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2026 to attend this class)

Preschool Preview helps support the transition to preschool by providing an introductory school experience. Children and parents attend the first and last classes together, first playing and working on preschool skills, and then separating to allow children to have peer interaction while parents have parent discussion time. The remainder of the session consists of child-only classes where children will experience a two hour "preschool day." Their day will include developmentally appropriate large and small group activities which introduce them to preschool skills, a snack time, and a time of free play where they have opportunities to meet other children and develop social skills.

Thursdays, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Feb. 5 - May 21, 2026

(No class March 26 and April 23)

Central Elementary ECFE Classroom

See sliding scale for fees



Play and Learn

(Ages birth -5)

Explore new toys, play spaces, and activities with your child in this fun, social class. Enjoy sensory play, art, and songs while meeting new friends. No separation or formal parent time — just quality time together and a short circle time to end each session.

Fridays, 10:15 - 11:15 a.m.

Feb. 6 - May 15, 2026

(No class Feb. 13, March 27, April 3, 24)

Central Elementary ECFE Classroom

See sliding scale for fees

ECFE on Wheels

(Birth - 5 years)

Early Childhood Family Education Staff will be providing a free ECFE experience for families, caregivers, and children from age birth to age 5 to share together. Come for circle time, songs, an art activity, and a literacy project. The last class of each season will be held at Central Elementary in the ECFE classroom.

If Central Schools have a snow day or a late start day, ECFE on Wheels will be canceled.

Fridays, 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Session 2: Feb. 6-27, 2026 (no class Feb. 13)

Session 3: March 6-20, 2026

Session 4: May 1-15, 2026

Registration required at
carverlib.libcal.com/calendar

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SIGN UP**



Special Events



Sweetheart Night

(All ages welcome with a child age 2-Kindergarten)

Grab your Valentine and get dressed in your finest for this special night. The evening will have Valentine themed activities including crafts, music, dancing, refreshments, photo opportunities, and quality time with your special little sweetheart.

Thursday, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Feb. 12, 2026

Central Elementary School

\$12/child or \$18/multiple children

Did you miss the
registration deadline for
any of our ECFE classes?

Register at any time online



Party in the Park

(All ages welcome with a child age 0-5 years)

Our year is coming to an end, and we've decided to celebrate with a party. Come join our ECFE families as we welcome spring with some outdoor activities. We'll bring the parachute, hula hoops, bean bag toss, and bubbles. Little ones might also want to try a craft, scavenger hunt, or sidewalk chalk. Let's Party! (Tables are available if you choose to bring lunch to eat at the park.)

Friday, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
May 22, 2026

NYA Legion (Pool) Park

No fee, but please register online to let us know you'll be attending

Central Public Preschool

Little Raiders

We are Central Public Preschool, home of Little Raiders. Our preschool is the only place you will find an aligned curriculum to Central Public Schools. We offer a quality preschool with professional staff who genuinely care about providing your child with an age appropriate experience full of hands-on learning and an emphasis on foundational skills for future success academically and socially. Our staff have specialized training in social/emotional development, standardized curriculum, and assessment, and we hold a four-star Parent Aware rating. We are proud of our preschool and invite you to join us for the 2026-2027 school year.

Preschool registration opens on Jan. 29, 2026. Children must be three, four, or five years old by Sept. 1, 2026, and not yet in kindergarten to attend preschool. We offer a variety of options for two, three, four, and five days a week preschool experiences. Scholarships are available to eligible families based on income and family circumstances. Transportation services are available to families on existing bus routes.

PRESCHOOL OPTIONS	MONTHLY TUITION
2 Half Days - Mixed Ages Tuesday/Thursday Mornings Recommended for young 3's	\$115
3 Half Days - Mixed Ages Monday/Wednesday/Friday Mornings Recommended for older 3's/young 4's	\$155
5 Half Days - Mixed Ages Monday-Friday Mornings Recommended for older 3's/4's	\$270
3 Full Days - Mixed Ages Monday/Wednesday/Friday Full Day Recommended for older 3s/young 4's	\$375
4 Full Days - 4's Monday-Thursday Full Day	\$515
5 Full Days - 4's Monday-Friday Full Day	\$625
5 Full Days - 3's Monday-Friday Full Day	\$625

SCHEDULE A PRIVATE TOUR

If you would like more information before the open house, or if you are unable to attend, private tours can be arranged. Tours of our facility are available by appointment. Please contact Ron Erpenbach (rerpenbach@isd108.org) to arrange a tour.

This is a good time to ask questions, see the preschool classrooms, learn more about our curriculum, positive learning practices, and the seamless transition to kindergarten, and meet the administrative team.



**Scan to
Register
Online!**

PEEK INTO PRESCHOOL

Little Raiders Open House

Thursday, Feb. 5 | 5-6 p.m.

Central Elementary School

Enter Community Education Door #2

Join us for a heart filled Open House where families can explore our classrooms, meet our wonderful teachers, and discover what makes our preschool a warm and welcoming place to learn and grow! Children can enjoy Valentine themed crafts, hands-on activities, and playful exploration while parents learn about our curriculum, programs, and enrollment options. It's the perfect way to see our school in action and feel the love that fills our halls every day!

Whether you're considering enrolling your child or just want to see what makes our preschool so special, we'd love to have you join us. Plus, there might just be a sweet treat to fill your heart waiting for you and some Valentine's Day surprises.

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

5:00 p.m. | Room 108

While parents attend the meeting, children will participate in activities with staff in Rooms 104 & 105.

Childcare is available for siblings.



Kids Company Programs

Open to all students in Preschool-
Grade 5

Summer Kids Company

Join us this summer for a fun filled, action packed program. We are open Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. - 5:30 pm. Summer fun will begin on Monday, June 8, and continue through Friday, Aug. 28.

Registration opens on Jan. 1, and we encourage you to register by Wednesday, April 1, to ensure your spot.

School Year Kids Company

Join us before and/or after school or on days when school is not in session. The school year program will begin when school starts and continue through the end of the school year. We have program options available for both preschool and Kindergarten through 5th Grade.

Registration opens Feb. 5.

Registration is available online at
isd108.ce.eleyo.com



Have a child that is turning 5 before Sept. 1, 2026?

GET READY FOR KINDERGARTEN!

WHY CENTRAL?



STEAM for ALL K-5 Students

Our newly renovated STEAM room provides hands-on learning experiences for all students.



Building Strong Readers

Our foundational approach to reading is a research-based and data-proven curriculum that works.

Kindergarten Registration Night

Thursday, Feb. 5

6–7 p.m.

Parents will attend a presentation while children have the chance to meet teachers and explore the classroom environment.

WHAT'S THE CENTRAL DIFFERENCE?

- ✓ Small class sizes
- ✓ Caring and dedicated teachers
- ✓ Enriching activities for all students, including technology, play-based learning, PE, music, and STEAM
- ✓ Incredible growth in elementary math and reading (MCA results)

SCHEDULE A TOUR!

Contact Principal Ron Erpenbach with questions or to schedule a tour:

952-467-7300 or rerpenbach@isd108.org

Learn more and register online:
isd108.org/enroll

Passing School Spirit from the Class of 2026 to the Class of 2038

During Homecoming Week we once again saw one of our favorite traditions take place!

Our senior class had the honor of passing their school spirit down to the newest members of our school community, the kindergartners. The students gathered on the football field and the kindergarten students were so excited to run across the field and meet the seniors.

Each senior was able to share a Raider pin with a kindergartner and everyone had a great time talking, connecting, and laughing together.

From their first day to their last, the seniors have embraced the spirit of supporting one another, celebrating achievements, and keeping traditions alive. In a heartfelt letter, they encouraged the kindergartners to continue this legacy, make their own memories, and wear their Raider pins with pride. From the Class of 2026 to the Class of 2038 — carry on the spirit and make us proud!

Dear Central Kindergartener,

As we prepare to graduate, we wanted to take a moment to share our excitement and pride in being part of this amazing school community. Each of us has fond memories of our time at Central, and we're eager to pass on the spirit that makes our school so special.

From our first days in kindergarten to our final days as seniors, we've learned the importance of Raider Pride. This spirit is about supporting each other, celebrating our achievements, and upholding the traditions that bring us all together. Whether it's cheering at the games, participating in activities, or helping each other in the classroom, we have all played a part in creating a vibrant school culture.

As you embark on your journey through Central Schools, we encourage you to embrace this Raider Pride. Remember, every small act contributes to the legacy of our school and keeps our traditions alive.

You are the future of Central and we can't wait to see how you will carry on our spirit! So, get ready to make your own memories, cheer for each other, and support our school community. We pass on our school spirit to you, the class of 2038! Wear your pin with pride, because we believe in you, and we know you'll do great things!

With lots of love and Raider Pride,
The Senior Class of 2026



Youth

Preschool T-Ball

(Ages 3-4)

For boys and girls ages 3-4 returning to preschool in the fall. This skills-focused program emphasizes development over competition, with practices in May and Wednesday night games from June through late July. After the first few weeks of practice, each night will include practice followed by a game.

Mid-May to late July

Register By March 31, 2026

Central Public Schools Ballfields

\$50

Preschool T-Ball

(Ages 4-5)

For boys and girls ages 4-5 entering Kindergarten in the fall. This skills-focused program emphasizes development over competition, with practices in May and Monday night games from June through late July. After the first few weeks of practice only, teams will begin each night with practice followed by a game.

Mid-May to late July

Register by March 31, 2026

Central Public Schools Ballfields

\$50

Instructional League

(Kindergarten - Grade 2)

Instructional league will be a coach pitch league for boys and girls who are currently in Kindergarten - Grade 2. For players in Kindergarten - Grade 1, games will be on Tuesday nights. For players in Grades 1-2, games will be on Thursday nights and will be at a more advanced level.

Practices will start in May, and games will be played in June through late July.

Register by March 31, 2026

Central Public Schools Ballfields

\$60

Summer Ball

Grades for Summer Ball are based on the 2025-2026 school year. Parent coaches are needed for all teams. If you are able to help coach, please indicate it on your child's registration. Each player will receive a t-shirt with their name on it. When registering, please indicate your child's t-shirt size and name for the back. Teams will be emailed to parents after the deadline. Players may not switch teams or leagues after the teams are set. Once practice dates are determined, you will be notified by your child's coach. Practices will start in mid May. Games will start in June. When registering, Section A is Cologne, Section B is Hamburg, and Section C is NYA. If there are not enough players in one town, the teams will be combined. Register by March 31 to avoid a \$10 late fee.

Boys Machine Pitch

Baseball (Grades 3-4)

For boys who are currently in grades 3 and 4. Games will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays, June to mid-July. Games will be played in and against teams from neighboring communities. A second season of player pitch may also be played within the league.

*Early June to mid - July
Register by March 31, 2026*

Central Public Schools Ballfields
\$70

Boys Player Pitch Baseball

(Grades 3-4)

For boys who are currently in grades 3 and 4. Games will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays, June to mid-July. Games may be adjusted based on the number of teams in the league. Games will be played in and against teams from neighboring communities.

*Early June to mid-July
Register by March 31, 2026*

Central Public Schools Ballfields
\$80

Girls Machine Pitch

Softball

(Grades 3-4)

For girls who are currently in grades 3 and 4. Games will be on Mondays and Wednesdays from early June to mid-July. Games will be played in and against teams from neighboring communities. A second season of player pitch may also be played within the league.

*Early June to mid-July
Register by March 31, 2026*

Central Public Schools Ballfields
\$70

Young Rembrandts

Young Rembrandts is the only after-school art program that teaches drawing with a step-by-step method designed to build skills in perception, organization, and focus. Kids improve their drawing, learn art vocabulary and history, and develop patience, discipline, and attention to detail.



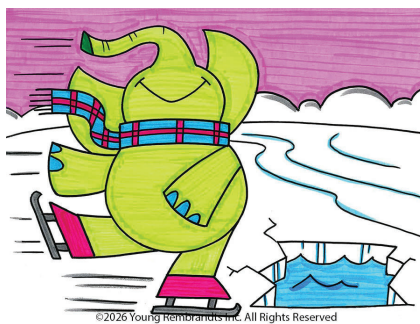
1st Session: My Winter Sketchbook

(Ages K - 5th Grade)

Our Winter Sketchbook lineup includes an energetic snowboarder scene, personality-packed penguins, a bright and cheerful winter birdhouse, and a playful llama. We'll also draw inspiration from art history with a Young Rembrandts interpretation of Grant Wood's American Gothic.

*3:05-4:05 p.m.
February 2, 9, 23, March 2, 9, 16*

Central Elementary STEAM Room
\$80 per person



2nd Session: Draw Me Into Spring

This season, Young Rembrandts artists will explore warm and cool colors while drawing a detailed house scene, discover the magic of still life, and recreate a famous masterpiece by Edward Hopper. We'll even take an imaginative trip to Japan to capture the beauty of the kimono.

*3:05-4:05 p.m.
April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11*

Central Elementary STEAM Room
\$80 per person



KKC Tae Kwon Do

Instructor: Stacy Brossard

BEGINNER

(Ages 6+)

Tae Kwon Do is the Korean Martial Art of Kick and Punch. Students of all levels will learn traditional forms, self defense, sparring, discipline and respect. Great for the whole family! Please wear loose, comfortable clothing suitable for kicking, and bring a water bottle!

6-7 p.m.

Session 1: February 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19

Session 2: April 2, 9, 16, 23, May 7

Session 3: May 14, 21, 28, June 4, 11, 18

ADVANCED

(Ages 6+)

Continue your Tae Kwon Do training! This class is for students awarded rank by KKC Tae Kwon Do - Green Belt and above. Rank in other schools/ martial arts should join the beginner class for assessment.

7-8 p.m.

Session 1: February 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19

Session 2: April 2, 9, 16, 23, May 7

Session 3: May 14, 21, 28, June 4, 11, 18

Central Elementary School Gym

\$60 per session



Party Crashers RC Car Racing

(Grades K-12)

Interested in RC Cars? Want to try racing them on a track? Then come join us for some fun as we explore what makes them work and then get to try them out. Participants will leave with a better understanding of the hobby, and get some time testing out their driving skills on a few different types of RC Cars and Trucks. Participants can bring their own RC Cars on approval.

Registration Deadline: April 30, 2026

Monday, May 4, 2026

Session 1: 6-7 p.m. (Grades K-8)

Session 2: 7:15- 8:15 p.m. (Grades 6-12)

Central Elementary Gym

\$25 per session

Spring Baseball Camp

(Grades 3-8)

Join the Varsity Coaches and players for a camp that will be working on fundamentals in the areas of fielding, baserunning and also hitting. Requirements for the camp:

- (1) Come with a great attitude, we will expect the best from you.
 - (2) Athletes should bring their gloves, bats and batting gloves.
 - (3) Athletes should wear long pants (baseball pants or sweatpants).
- Registration deadline: March 1, 2026.

Grades 3-5: 6-7:20 p.m.

Grades 6-8: 7:20-8:45 p.m.

March 3, 6, 9, 10, 12, 2026

Raider Fieldhouse

\$55

Spring Softball Camp

(Grades 3-6)

Join the Varsity coaches and players for a camp that will introduce the correct techniques of hitting, fielding, base running and pitching. They will also take the older athletes further into more advanced drills. Athletes should bring their gloves, bats and batting gloves. Players will have the option to work directly with the pitching coach for an extra fee. Registration deadline is March 1, 2026.

Grades 3-4: 5:30-7 p.m.

(extra pitching, 7-7:45 p.m.)

Grades 5-6: 7- 8:30 p.m.

(extra pitching, 5:45-6:45 p.m.)

March 2-6, 2026

Main camp at Central High School

Add-on pitching at Central Elementary School

Main camp only - \$55

Main camp plus pitching - \$75

Spring Soccer

(Age 5 - Grade 6)

Students will work on fundamentals such as passing, hitting, goalie skills, and sportsmanship on Thursdays. Games will be played on Saturday mornings in communities such as Glencoe, Waconia, Arlington. Teams require volunteer coaches. Please indicate when registering if you are willing to coach. Players will purchase and keep their soccer jerseys, which can be worn for several seasons. Additional \$20 for jersey if needed. Registration deadline is March 8, 2026.

Thursday Practices: 5:30 - 6:45 p.m.

Practice times may change due to the number of teams and coaches

Saturday Games: Times and locations to be determined

April 2 - May 16, 2026

Friendship Park & HS Turf Field, Norwood Young America

\$45 (Plus \$20 jersey fee if one is needed)

NFL Flag Football

(Grades K-4)

Grab your cleats—NFL FLAG is here!

This fun, fundamentals-focused program brings co-ed flag football to boys and girls in grades K–4.

Teams will be formed based on registration numbers. Once teams are set, practice and game schedules will be announced. Parent volunteer coaches are needed—please indicate your interest when registering.

Each player receives an NFL team jersey and flag belt.

Who: Students in Kindergarten–4th grade (2025–26 school year)

Registration Deadline: March 20, 2026

Tuesdays, 6–7 p.m.

April 14–May 19, 2026

(This will be the only session offered this year)

Central High School Football Field

\$60 per player

Intro to Strength and Conditioning

(Entering grades 1–6)

Instructor: Madison Genz - Central Strength & Conditioning Coach

The Introduction to Strength & Conditioning Program helps 1st–6th grade students build foundational movement skills in a fun, safe, and age-appropriate way. Students learn basic strength, agility, coordination, and healthy exercise habits—without heavy weights—while gaining confidence and supporting long-term athletic development. Activities are engaging, game-based, and designed so all students feel successful.

10:30–11:15 a.m.

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays

June 1–July 31, 2026

Central Elementary School

\$140

Active Recovery

(Entering Grades 7–12)

This class is designed to help participants recharge through gentle movement, mobility work, and light activity. Each session focuses on stretching, improving flexibility, and getting the body moving in a low-pressure, enjoyable way. Rather than a traditional workout, this course emphasizes feeling good, loosening up tight muscles, and boosting overall wellness. Participants will also take part in simple, fun games and activities that promote coordination, balance, and active play without high intensity. It's the perfect option for anyone looking to stay active, recover between tougher training days, or simply enjoy some relaxed movement.

Wednesdays: June 3–July 29, 2026

Session 1: 7–8 a.m.

Session 2: 8–9 a.m.

Central High School Stadium

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Central Summer Lifting Program

Nekton Sports Performance is excited to return to Central High School! Along with Central strength coach Madison Genz, Nekton will bring certified strength and performance coaches to lead a comprehensive, high-level training experience for student-athletes. Over the past few years, we've worked closely with the football program to elevate strength, speed, and performance — and this year, we're expanding our impact to all athletes.

Our structured summer program develops well-rounded, resilient athletes through intentional strength training, speed and power development, education, and a brain-based approach. Rooted in our mission to build elite athletes and strong individuals, we aim to empower every student to grow socially, spiritually, and athletically.

Sessions include time in the weight room and on the track/field, and each athlete receives a t-shirt.

*Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays:
June 1 - July 2, July 13-31, 2026
10-12 grade boys: 7-8:20 a.m.
7-12th grade girls: 8:30-9:50 a.m.
7-9th grade boys: 10-11:20 a.m.*

Central HS Weight Room and Track
\$240 per person

Raiders Track and Field Camp

(Entering grades 1-6)

Join our Varsity Track and Field coaches and athletes to learn all the aspects of Track and Field, including training for events, rules of the sport, and competitive strategies. Athletes will work on distance events, jumping events, throwing events, hurdles, sprints, and relays. Registration deadline is June 5, 2026.

*10-11:30 a.m.
June 8-11, 2026*

Central High School Stadium
\$70

Summer Basketball Camp with Coach Degler

(Entering grades K-6)

Learn basketball skills that will be taught by Head Coach Mr. Degler and the high school girls basketball coaches and players. Each day will consist of stations to work on ball handling, shooting, rebounding, 1-on-1 and team defense, offensive attack, give and go, screens, and more. We will finish with controlled 3-on-3 or 4-on-4 games to implement these skills and emphasize basketball fundamentals! Registration deadline is June 5th, 2026.

*Mondays and Wednesdays:
June 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, and July 1, 13, 15, 20, 22
Boys and Girls entering K-2nd Grade:
10-11 a.m.
Boys and Girls entering 3rd-6th Grade:
10:30-11:45 a.m.*

Raider Fieldhouse
\$80

Raiders Cross Country Running Club

(Entering grades 3-6)

This is a great opportunity for youth who would like to develop their running skills. Join the Cross Country Varsity Coaches this summer to learn proper stretching, running form, and develop more endurance. The session will end with a cross-country meet. A T-shirt and snacks will be provided.

*Tuesdays and Thursdays,
June 16 - July 2, 2026
9-10:30 a.m.*

Central High School Track (meet at HS Fishbowl)
\$45



Raiders Soccer Camp

(Boys & Girls entering Grades 5-12)

Raiders Varsity Soccer Coach Joseph Perez and staff are offering a soccer camp to players entering grades 5th - 12th. Players contemplating participating in soccer in the fall are encouraged to attend. Soccer fundamentals and team play will be stressed during the week. Players will work on team offense and defense while building their individual skills. All participants will receive a Dri-Fit shirt.

*Monday-Friday, July 27-31, 2026
8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.*

Central High School Turf Field
\$160

Summer Raiders Volleyball Camps

(Entering grades K-12)

Volleyball camp is designed to introduce the basic skills of volleyball for the novice and challenge the skills of the experienced players. Camp will be run by Central High School coaching staff and players.

July 27-29, 2026

*Entering Grades K-5:
8:30-9:45 a.m.
\$36*

*Entering Grades 6-8:
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
\$72*

*Entering Grades 9-12
1-4 p.m.
\$108*

Central High School Gyms

Cardboard Camp

(Entering grades 4-7)

We'll build imaginative projects inspired by nature, Greek and Roman mythology, and Viking legends—all using the power of cardboard. Campers learn hands-on building skills as they cut, shape, join, and engineer sturdy creations ranging from mythological creatures and Viking shields to nature-inspired sculptures and habitats. Blending storytelling with design, students collaborate on challenges and pursue their own creative ideas, leaving camp with unique projects, stronger maker skills, and the excitement of transforming stories into tangible works of art.

June 15-18, 2026
8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Central HS STEAM Room

\$120 per person

Theater Camp

(Entering grades 4-9)

Step into the spotlight as you explore acting, storytelling, character creation, and the magic of live performance. Through fun improvisation games, movement activities, and scene work, students build confidence, collaboration skills, and stage presence while discovering their unique creative voices. Campers work together to develop characters, craft short scenes, and bring imaginative stories to life, culminating in a lively showcase for friends and family. Whether they're brand-new to theater or seasoned performers, students leave camp with stronger acting skills, new friendships, and the joy of performing on stage.

8:30-11:30 a.m.
June 22-25, 2026

Central HS Auditorium

\$72

Musical Theater Camp

(Entering grades 4-9)

Enter the exciting world of singing, dancing, and acting!. Through daily vocal warm-ups, choreography sessions, and character-building activities, students grow in confidence and performance skills while exploring scenes and songs from kid-friendly musicals. Campers collaborate to rehearse group numbers, develop expressive characters, and understand how music, movement, and drama create a complete theatrical experience. The camp culminates in a high-energy showcase for families, leaving students with newfound stage presence, teamwork skills, and the exhilaration of bringing musical theater to life.

June 22-25, 2026
12-3 p.m.

Central HS Auditorium

\$72

Child and Babysitter Safety

(Ages 11+)

Participants will learn the skills needed to be safe, prepared, and responsible babysitters, including supervision, behavior guidance, feeding and diapering, safety, first aid, and emergency response. Hands-on practice is included with all supplies provided. This Health and Safety Institute course, approved by the American Academy of Pediatrics, includes certification and a downloadable handbook.

Instructor Bethany Butler, M.Ed., has over 25 years of experience and is an ASHI-certified babysitting safety instructor.

Monday, Feb. 16, 2026
8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Thursday, June 4, 2026
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2026
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Central Elementary STEAM Room

\$55 - Registration deadline is one week before each class



Home Alone Safety Class

(Ages 9-12)

Participants will learn how to be safe at home while alone. Topics include: basic first aid, fire safety, kitchen safety, internet safety, small and large emergencies, stranger danger, and more. Participants will be provided with a handout to discuss with parents and guardians.

*Thursday, June 4, 2026
1-2:45 p.m.*

*Tuesday, August 4, 2026
1-2:45 p.m.*

Central Elementary STEAM Room

\$26 - Registration deadline is one week before each class

Firearms Safety

(Ages 11+)

Gun training classes will be offered to anyone interested, who is at least 11 years old on the first day of class. One parent must be present on the first day of class to fill out paperwork. The Friday class will include the field experience. The field day will be held at a to-be-determined location. Registration deadline is Friday, August 7.

*Sunday, Aug. 9, 2026
(Parent must attend)
1-7 p.m.*

*Monday, Aug. 10, 2026
5:30-8:30 p.m.*

*Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2026
5:30-8:30 p.m.*

*Thursday, Aug. 13, 2026
(Field Day weather permitting)
4-8 p.m.*

Roy Clay Building

**Norwood Young America
(Field Day location TBD)**

\$25

Carver County Parks

Beginner Cross Country Ski Lesson

(Ages 8+)

Learn how to glide across the snow in this basic lesson for all ability levels! Our instructors provide an interactive ski lesson covering equipment and the basic how-to. Once trained, master your skills by striding the groomed trails of a beautiful regional park. Open to adults and children ages 8 and up. Participants under the age of 12 should register with a participating adult. This program is offered in partnership with Carver County Parks.

*Saturday, Jan. 31, 2026
10:30 am-12 p.m. or 12:30-2 p.m.*

Baylor Regional Park

\$21

Winter Adventure Camp

(Ages 8-13)

If your child misses being outdoors in the winter, this camp is their outdoor escape! Participants will enjoy a full day of great winter recreation activities like snowshoeing, kicksledding, shelter building, geocaching & group games in this unique winter day camp. Instructors with the Carver County Parks Department will teach outdoor activities covering how-to, safety and equipment terminology. Specific activities dependent on the weather. All equipment is provided. This program is offered in partnership with Carver County Parks.

*9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 13, 2026*

Baylor Regional Park

\$49

Sap to Syrup Guided Tour

(All ages)

Step into the sugarbush and experience the wonder of maple syrup season at Baylor Regional Park! This guided walking tour through the park's maple forest offers a hands-on look at the entire syrup-making process—from tapping trees to boiling sap into syrup. Along the way, you'll learn the rich history and science behind this beloved northern tradition. And yes—everyone goes home with a sweet sample of the final product! Perfect for families, nature lovers, and anyone curious about how maple syrup makes it from tree to table. Participants 12 and under must be registered with a registered adult.

*5:30-7 p.m.
Monday, March 16, 2026*

Baylor Regional Park

\$12

Baylor Adventure Camp

(Ages 8-13)

Get outside and connect with other kids at our Baylor Adventure Camp! This camp will provide opportunities to try outdoor recreation activities such as archery, geocaching, slacklining, outdoor cooking, and more! Additionally, UofM Extension 4H will be providing STEM based activities each day. This camp is focused on the outdoors, experiential adventure learning, and all-around summer FUN!

Packing and check in details will be emailed out before camp. In the case of storms, unhealthy air quality, or extreme heat, the camp schedule may be altered.

*9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
July 14-16, 2026*

Baylor Regional Park

\$159



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What's provided:

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- All supplies to decorate your cookie set
- Box to take your cookies home

6-8 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 5

Winter Cookies

(check online for future class dates)

Central Public Elementary School - STEAM Room

\$65 per person



Stress Free Sourdough Class

Come join us for a fun and stress free sourdough workshop at Central Elementary School. During class, you will roll up your sleeves and discover the magic of sourdough! Whether you're a total beginner or a curious home baker, you'll learn how to care for your starter, master the fermentation process, and bake with confidence.

You will leave class with dough to bake at home and a well established, 105 year old starter!

6:30-8:30 p.m.

(please arrive 10 minutes before class)

Thursday, Feb. 19

(check online for future class dates)

**Central Public School
STEAM Room #255**

\$45 per class

**\$15 per class for supplies
(bring money to pay the instructor
the night of class)**



Romantic Date Night Dancing

Cozy up and reconnect on the dance floor! This feel-good class is all about simple, romantic moves you can use anywhere—from wedding dance floors to kitchen slow dances. You and your partner will be turning, twirling, and gliding together in no time—and wondering why you didn't try this sooner. Perfect for date night, this class keeps things light, fun, and flirty. No fancy footwork required—just two people ready to laugh, move, and maybe fall in love all over again.

7-9 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 6, 2026

**La Academia School Gym
1800 N Chestnut St., #1492, Chaska**

\$36 per couple

Swing Dancing

One night. One dance. And a whole lot of laughter. This isn't about perfect footwork—it's about having fun together! Whether you're total beginners or just looking to brush up with some fresh moves, this one-night class will have you spinning, looping, and maybe even showing off a little. Learn easy, romantic steps like the "Arch" and the "Loop" that'll take you from awkward sidesteppers to confident dance floor darlings. No spotlight, no pressure—just a feel-good night with music, movement, and each other.

*Couples only please.

7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

**La Academia School Gym
1800 N Chestnut St., #1492, Chaska**

\$36 per couple

Easy Line Dances for All Occasions

Step into the party and onto the dance floor! In this high-energy class, you'll learn some of the most popular party line dances—Electric Slide, Cha Cha Slide, and the Cupid Shuffle—all in one fun-filled evening. Whether you're prepping for a wedding, reunion, or just want to move to the music, this class is for you. No partner needed—just bring your best foot forward and get ready to slide, shuffle, and cha-cha your way to a great time!

6-7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

**La Academia School Gym
1800 N Chestnut St., #1492, Chaska**

\$12 per person

Couples Dance Workshop

Think you've got two left feet—or know someone who does? This lighthearted, one-night class is made just for you! Whether you're prepping for a wedding, a party, or just want to feel confident on the dance floor, this class will get you moving.

Designed for absolute beginners, you and your partner will learn simple steps, fun patterns, and easy turns that will have you dancing together in no time. No pressure, just plenty of laughs, good music, and a great way to connect.

7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

**La Academia School Gym
1800 N Chestnut St., #1492, Chaska**

\$36 per couple

Bob Ross Painting Class

(Ages 13+)

Enjoy this relaxed and fun approach to creating your own 20x16 landscape oil painting. Learn to use all the equipment provided as you learn to paint mountains, trees, lakes, rivers, bushes, and sunsets. All levels are welcome.

5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 7, 2026
"Peaks of Majesty"



Tuesday, June 23, 2026
"Evening at Sunset"



Central Elementary School - STEAM Room

\$70 per person per session

Community Club Tours

How Deep Is Your Love

We're headed to the Ives Auditorium in Bloomington, where we'll begin with an included lunch of meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, green bean almondine, winter salad (apple-pear salad), dinner rolls, assorted desserts, coffee or hot tea. (Special dietary meals available by request ahead of time.) Then we'll head to the theatre for How Deep Is Your Love. In celebration of Valentine's Day, Sidekick Theatre presents a new concert from Brian Pierce, which is a journey through three decades of timeless love songs featuring hits from Elvis Presley, the Righteous Brothers, the Temptations, the Bee Gees, the Carpenters, the Eagles, Billy Joel, and more. Showcasing your favorite Sidekick musicians and vocalists performing such songs as "Unchained Melody", "My Girl", "Best of My Love", "How Sweet It Is (To Be Loved By You)", "Every Breath You Take", and of course "How Deep Is Your Love".

The bus will pick up in the front Central HS parking lot. Please arrive by 10 a.m.

10:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 13, 2026

Ives Auditorium - Bloomington, MN

\$110



The Grass Roots

We'll start with a buffet lunch at Coyote Moon Grille, then head to the St. Cloud Paramount Theatre for a performance by The Grass Roots. Formed in 1965 by Rob Grill and produced by hitmaker Steve Barri, the band charted 29 singles, including 13 gold records, two gold albums, and one platinum album. One of only nine bands in rock history with more Billboard Hot 100 hits than The Beatles, The Grass Roots have been a Classic Rock favorite for nearly 50 years, with Top 40 hits like Let's Live for Today, Midnight Confessions, Sooner or Later, and Temptation Eyes.

The bus will pick up in the front Central HS parking lot. Please arrive by 9 a.m.

9:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 12, 2026

St Cloud Paramount Theatre

\$110

Stillwater Fall Colors Boat Cruise

Hope is eternal as we look forward to beautiful fall colors on this relaxing seasonal favorite. Enjoy an included deli buffet lunch with build-your-own sandwiches, warm entrées, and dessert.

The bus will pick up in front of Central High School. Please arrive by 8:45 a.m.

9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2026

Stillwater, MN

\$105

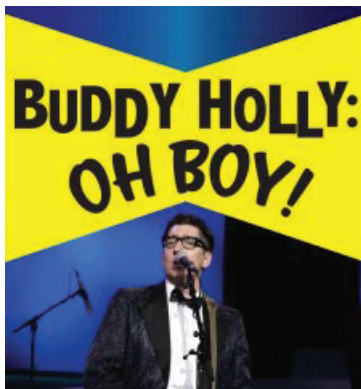
Buddy Holly: OH BOY!

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the Coyote Moon Grille and then head for the St. Cloud Paramount Theatre for Buddy Holly: OH BOY!, a reminiscing of Buddy Holly's 1959 WINTER DANCE PARTY Tour. A Stellar Tribute to the music of American rock and roll icon Buddy Holly, including music of Buddy's co-stars, Frankie Sardo, Dion & the Belmonts, The Big Bopper, and Ritchie Valens. Endorsed by Sonny Curtis and Jerry Allison of The Crickets! Music direction by Gary Rue.

The bus will pick up in the front Central HS parking lot. Please arrive by 9 a.m.

9:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, August 11, 2026

St. Cloud Paramount Theatre
\$106



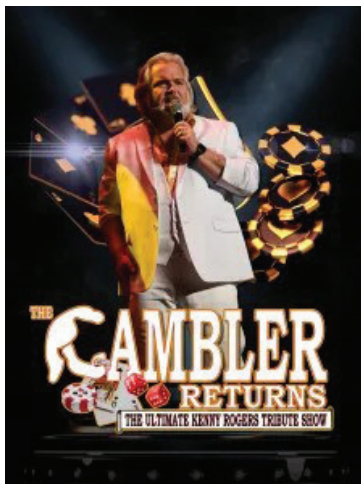
The Gambler Returns: The Ultimate Kenny Rogers Tribute

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the Coyote Moon Grille and then head for the St. Cloud Paramount Theatre for The Gambler Returns: The Ultimate Kenny Rogers Tribute. Join us as award winning country recording artist Alan Turner recreates the magic of a night with Kenny in the Ultimate Kenny Rogers Tribute Show, The Gambler Returns. This full band top production show will take you on a musical journey through the career of an American Icon and Legend that sold over 120 million albums worldwide and racked up some 24 No.1 hits, including "The Gambler," "Lady," "Islands In The Stream," "Lucille," "She Believes In Me" and so many more.

The bus will pick up in the front Central HS parking lot. Please arrive by 9 a.m.

9:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, August 27, 2026

St. Cloud Paramount Theatre
\$110



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ADULTS



Reaching New Heights Together

Raiders Show Strong Growth in 2025 MCA Scores

Central Public Schools got some great news from the 2025 MCA Test results and data with strong growth and achievement in many grade levels and areas! Elementary, middle, and high school grades all had something to be proud of, not only with actual scores, but in the strong growth shown over the previous year.

At Central Elementary some of the highlights included:

- 68.4% of students met or exceeded standards in math — a jump of nearly 10 percentage points from last year
- 27.8% of students exceeded standards in math which is a high achievement especially considering that historically, this number is around 20%
- Reading proficiency rose a total of 13.6 percentage points over 2024
- 19.3% of students exceeded standards in reading nearly double of the usual number of around 10%



These results are due to the hard work taking place in and out of the classroom including extensive professional development for teachers, updates to curriculum, and finding ways to personalize instruction and increase overall rigor. Central Public Schools improved in both math and reading while several neighboring districts declined.

“We’ve all been excited about what is happening at Central for a while and when you know you are implementing good things it would be nice if we could see that immediately in the results but it takes time,” said Curriculum Leader Andrea Kolstad. “There has been so much work being done so it’s fun to celebrate some success on these tests, especially when you look at it from a growth standpoint. We are trending in the right direction and it is a way to reinforce that this work is impactful.”




Middle school grades also saw some great growth including consistent upward momentum in mathematical understanding and a nearly nine point increase in reading which shows strong literacy gains. At the high school level students are performing 10.6 points higher than the state average in math and 16.6 points higher in reading. Central High School also had the biggest jump in growth of any of our neighboring districts with 11.8 points of growth over 2024!

“These results really are something to be excited about because it shows what can happen when a community invests in its schools and believes in the mission and vision of the district,” said Superintendent Tim Schochenmaier. “It can be tempting to look at these results only in terms of how the percentages compare to 100% but the real story is in the growth year to year.


Changing little things in the classroom and providing more support for our staff is having an impact on student outcomes and that is what it is all about.”

At the September 2025 Board meeting, Kolstad shared a slide that really speaks volumes about the importance of recognizing that community investment truly does translate to return on investment. The big takeaways were:




UNIVERSAL IMPROVEMENT

All three levels — elementary, middle, and high school — showed gains in both math and reading proficiency in 2025




READING RENAISSANCE

Dramatic reading score increases: +13.6 points (elementary), +8.7 points (middle), and +11.8 points (high school)



MATH MOMENTUM

District-wide math improvements, with notable double-digit growth at Central Elementary leading the charge



STATE EXCELLENCE

CPS outperformed Minnesota’s state averages in both math and reading across multiple grade levels

The work will continue with the curriculum review cycle plans for the 2025-26 school year of adopting and purchasing math resources for K-12 to be implemented in 2027–28. The district is focusing efforts on training and standards alignment, ensuring educators are prepared for the transition ahead while also implementing Creative Curriculum and TS Gold for PreK programs, completing year two of LETRS training, and more!



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February 4 th	8:30 am	308 N Faxon Rd
March 18 th	8:30 am	Norwood Young America
April 29 th	8:30 am	*Park in Visitor Area



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Tentative Opening Date for the West Carver Community Pool is May 30, 2026!!

The City of NYA is *splashing* into spring with exciting progress on the West Carver Community Pool House renovation! This project is transforming the facility into a more efficient, welcoming, and enjoyable space for all of our swimmers!

Visitors will soon enjoy a smoother, more intuitive traffic flow through the shower and changing areas—no more bottlenecks, just easy breezy movement. The building is also getting a full glow-up with a fresh new entrance, updated flooring, roofing, siding, and completely renovated bathroom facilities designed for comfort and accessibility.

And yes... we're *extra* excited about the brand-new concession stand! Perfect for grabbing a snack or a cool drink between cannonballs and lap swims.

Altogether, these upgrades are giving the pool house a brighter, more vibrant vibe—setting the stage for a fun, memorable, and sunshine-filled summer swimming season.

Grand opening date TBD... stay tuned!

If you are looking for a fun and rewarding job in the sun?
Apply to be a WCCP Lifeguard! Send an email to: cityclerk@cityofnya.com
You must be 15 years old to apply.

Stop by the summer of 2026 to see the newly renovated pool house!



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3. Stroke Development
4. Stroke Improvement
5. Stroke Refinement
6. Swimming & Skill Proficiency

P. Puddle Jumpers (ages 2-4)

****Parent required to participate in the pool with their child.**

Visit the American Red Cross Swimming Course Descriptions to determine the appropriate level of lessons based on your students abilities. Students must complete one level and get their certificate (or demonstrate level requirements) before entering the next level.

Download the American Red Cross Swim App as it helps keep track of the levels students have completed along with videos so they practice their skills outside of class.

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July 16- Jolly Ramblers

July 23- Just Dave and
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Band

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For weather related cancelations check
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Open to all students in Preschool-Grade 5

Join us this summer for a fun filled, action packed program. We are open Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. - 5:30 pm. Summer fun will begin on Monday, June 8, and continue through Friday, Aug. 28.

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Community Ed Central Public Schools

PO Box 367

Norwood Young America, MN 55368



IN PERSON

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Enter through the Community Ed entrance.

Central Elementary School is located at 655 7th Street SW, Norwood Young America, MN 55368

★ Important Information

Confirmation

You will receive an email confirmation when you register online and you may receive additional emails from the instructor, Community Education staff or coach.

Email Notifications and Announcements

Fill out your email and cell phone number on your online user profile so we can send a confirmation, instructor or weather cancellation message. We will never give your information to any other agency, it is strictly for the use by ISD 108 Community Education.

Sign Up Today!

Many classes fill quickly. If classes have insufficient enrollments, the class will be canceled, so please sign up early.

Cancellations

You will be notified via email or phone using the information provided on your User Profile. Please make sure your profile information is current. Community Education reserves the right to cancel any activity, and will make every effort to contact participants via email or phone.

Refund Policy

Refunds will not be given for cancellations after the registration deadline or less than five working days before the class starts if no deadline was given for the class. Refunds will not be issued for missed classes. A \$5 processing fee will be withheld from all refunds.

Photos in Classes

ISD 108 Community Education periodically takes pictures of participants in classes and during sponsored activities for use in promotional materials. If you do not wish to have your, or your children's picture taken or published you must fill out the Photo Opt-out form.



Inclement Weather

If Central Public Schools are closed for the day, or close early, Community Education programs will be canceled and may be rescheduled. Information about Community Education will be included in announcements from the school district.

Reduced Fees

Please let us know if you are in need of financial assistance. Every effort will be made to reduce the cost of the class.

Accessibility

Community Education is accessible to all individuals. To better serve you, please let us know if you require assistance and we will make every effort to accommodate you.

UCare Minnesota Members

UCare members' class allowance has changed. Please check with your plan to verify the Community Education class allowance. If you have questions, please call UCare customer service.

Highlighting the *Making the Connections* Summer School Program

by Kyle Evenski, 4th grade teacher

We all know that summer is a time of fun and relaxation for students. However, for two weeks in June and another two weeks in July, around 175 students walked back through the doors at Central Elementary for the Making Connections Summer School program.

Each day started with students utilizing the playgrounds and green space before walking in and enjoying a breakfast if they desired. From there, students who just completed grades K-5 would work through various reading, math, writing, and social emotional learning activities.

Thanks to a partnership with the Carver County Norwood Young America Library, each week various groups of students would have a chance to head there and participate in activities such making clouds and robotics, or simply learning what the library has to offer.

Students also had a chance to be creative within our STEAM room once a week. Before heading home, students also had a chance to receive lunch, ensuring that they were going to head home with a full stomach. A great four weeks with WONDERFUL students here at Central Elementary!



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Committed to Small Class Sizes

Our teachers provide individualized instruction and make lasting connections with students.



A Great Start.

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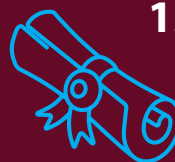
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