



# The mosinee link

A LINK BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND ITS CITIZENS

## WI Visual Arts Classic

Nine Mosinee High School art students truly shined at the **Wisconsin Visual Arts Classic Regional Competition** held at UW-Stevens Point on March 7. These talented artists competed alongside over 100 participants from 9 different schools.

The following students earned awards:

**Amelia Alvarez** - Honorable Mention Long Term and 2nd for On-site in Drawing

**Owen Busse** - 3rd Long Term and 3rd for On-site in Painting

**Ayranna Crowell** - 2nd Long Term and 2nd for On-site in Art History

**Crystalina Gagas** - Honorable Mention Long Term and 3rd for On-site in Drawing

**Sophia Hodgson** - 2nd Long Term and 2nd for On-site in Art History

**Aaliyah Redmond** - 2nd for On-site in Ceramics

**Emma Stack** - Honorable Mention Long Term and Honorable Mention for On-site in Drawing



Two students will compete in the State competition in Madison on April 4th:

**Addison Peterson** - 1st Long Term and 2nd for On-site in Ceramics

**Genevieve Thompson** - 1st Long Term and 1st for On-site in Photography

*Pictured above: Sophomore Genevieve Thompson shoots her photo to submit to the On-site Photography competition.*

## Superintendent's Message



**Greg Doverspike**  
Superintendent of Schools

With winter finally behind us, we now embrace the warmer temperatures of spring and all of the wonderful activities offered in the coming months like spring sports, prom, and graduation. It is also the time for spring elections, including school board elections. Before introducing the individuals running for the vacant seats, I would like to take a moment to recognize the three members who are stepping down.

Kelli Zebro, Kevin Hermening, and Peter Hansen have graciously served on the school board for many years. Serving on the board is not always glamorous, but it is a true public service. These individuals have dedicated their time to help the district run smoothly, and for that – and so much more – they deserve our heartfelt thanks for all they have done and the lives they have impacted.

With three members leaving, we have three open seats in the April 1st election. Running for the Area #5 – Village of Kronenwetter and Towns of Guenther and Reid seat vacated by Peter Hansen are Randy Schulz and Derek Nest. Calandra Zebro is running for the Area #3 – Town of Mosinee seat vacated by Kevin Hermening, and Dave Bauer is running for the at-large seat vacated by Kelli Zebro. We sincerely thank these individuals for their willingness to give back to the community by stepping up to run for the school board.

The building project is progressing through the design phase. We are approaching the date when we will release the project for bids – the next step in bringing this vision to life. Over the next couple of months, we will also be working on organizing a groundbreaking ceremony. Once we finalize the date, we will announce it publicly and encourage the community to join us for this momentous occasion.

As always, if you have any questions about the building project or any other matters, please reach out to me or any of the other administrators. You can contact me by phone: 715-693-2530, ext. 6103 or by email: [gdoverspike@mosineeschools.org](mailto:gdoverspike@mosineeschools.org).

## District Develops Local Report Cards to Share Data

The development of a local report card is a key instrument in strengthening Mosinee School District's continuous improvement efforts. The indicators selected to measure are all backed by research to indicate students being college, career and life ready. The current format of the state report card lacks these indicators and produces the data far too late for actionable improvement efforts. The district is excited to use these report cards to not only improve student outcomes but also successfully communicate these outcomes to the community as a way to increase transparency. Below is a brief overview from each building, and the local report cards in their entirety can be found on the district website at: <https://www.mosineeschools.org/district/school-report-cards.cfm>

### Mosinee High School

Areas of strength include high academic achievement, strong work-based learning experiences, and access to many college courses to save families money in their preparations for the future. Numerous students participate in Youth Apprenticeship, and many are involved in the various extracurricular activities offered. MHS looks to use this data to increase the number of students who take advantage of these opportunities.

### Mosinee Middle School

Attendance, behavior, and academic performance play a pivotal role in predicting whether students will graduate on time and pursue post-secondary opportunities. The percentage of students attending school regularly (with less than 10% absenteeism) in grades 4-8 has been on the rise. In the past few years, the percentage of students with less than half a day of suspension has fluctuated slightly, and the percentage of students achieving a 3.0 GPA or higher in grades 6-8 has remained relatively consistent. Mosinee Middle School has also made significant strides in students' performance on the Forward Exam, particularly in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics.

### Mosinee Elementary School

Attendance remains a key factor in student success, with over 93% of K-3 students maintaining a 90% or higher attendance rate in 2023-24. Self-regulation skills have improved, with 75.8% of students demonstrating strong focus and behavior. Third-grade literacy and math readiness continue to grow, with more students meeting or exceeding benchmarks on state and local assessments. Additionally, our professional learning communities and staff leadership teams ensure continuous improvement in teaching and learning. Beyond academics, students engage in service-learning projects, music performances, and hands-on science opportunities, enriching their educational experience.

## Wrestler and Storm Hockey Compete in State Tournaments

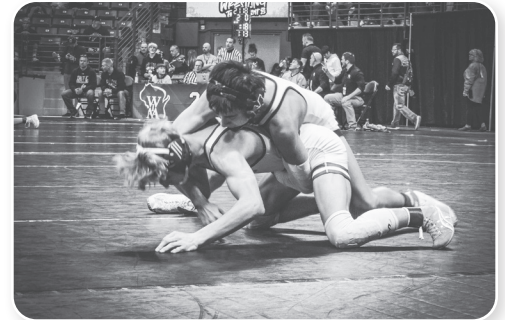
### Kory Resheske's Road to State: A Season of Determination

The Mosinee High School Wrestling program had plenty to celebrate this season, with six wrestlers advancing to Sectionals. Among them, **Kory Resheske** made an unforgettable run, showcasing grit, perseverance, and an undeniable work ethic.

Kory's journey to State began with a dominant performance at Regionals, where he claimed the 113-pound championship, standing atop the podium with his first Regional title. The momentum carried into Sectionals, where he fought through a tough bracket to finish third, earning his first-ever trip to the WIAA State Tournament.

At the Kohl Center in Madison, Kory represented Mosinee with pride. As the No. 9 seed, he faced the No. 8 seed from Coleman in the opening round Thursday night. Despite a hard-fought battle, he came up short. Undeterred, Kory returned to the mat on Friday, determined to leave it all on the line. He started strong, scoring first in his match, but ultimately fell, bringing his remarkable season to a close.

Kory became Mosinee's first State Qualifier since 2021, a testament to his dedication and drive. While his run at State ended sooner than hoped, his achievements will inspire future Mosinee wrestlers for years to come. Congratulations, Kory, on an outstanding season!



### Central Wisconsin Storm

The Central Wisconsin Storm showcased their resilience and talent during the 2025 WIAA Girls State Hockey Tournament at Bob Suter's Legacy20 Arena in Middleton, Wisconsin. Entering the tournament as the No. 2 seed, the Storm faced formidable opponents en route to the championship game.

In the semifinals, the Storm clashed with the Eau Claire North Co-op Stars. Despite an early goal from the Stars, CWS responded swiftly with goals from Emma Brandt and Isabelle Janke, taking a 2-1 lead. The Stars rallied to tie the game, forcing overtime. Just 1:20 into the extra period, Mara Meverdan tipped in the game-winning goal, assisted by Sophie Bohlin, propelling the Storm to a 3-2 victory. Notably, the Storm set a new state tournament record with 60 shots on goal in this match.

The WIAA State championship game featured a rematch between the Storm and the top-seeded Bay Area Ice Bears. The Ice Bears showcased their dominance, securing an 8-0 victory to claim the State title. This result marked the end of a commendable season for the Storm, who finished with a 23-6 record.

*Pictured above top: Senior Kory Resheske during a match at the 2025 WIAA State Individual Wrestling Tournament.*

*Pictured above bottom: CW Storm celebrates their semifinal win at the State tournament.*



# Career Spark: Ignite Your Future

## A Day of Career Exploration for MHS Students

On Tuesday, March 11, Mosinee High School participated in **Career Spark: Ignite Your Future Day**. While the Junior class took the ACT and the seniors worked on their career portfolios, the freshmen and sophomores toured **Northcentral Technical College (NTC)** in the morning, learning about the many different curricular areas such as culinary arts, engineering, communications, law enforcement, manufacturing, cosmetology, psychology, media, esports, and more. NTC did a great job of engaging the students with fun, interactive activities such as getting their nails done by the cosmetology students and trying some delicious desserts from the culinary students. MHS students were then bussed back to the high school for lunch, followed by an afternoon of various career exploration sessions. The session speakers were from multiple businesses around the area, and they shared their experiences with how to choose a career, prepare for a career, and what they do day-to-day at their jobs. The following were speakers who donated their time and expertise for this exciting career exploration:

### **AG/Natural Resources**

**Swiderski Equipment Inc.**

Presenter: *Kassidy Zernicke*

### **Rolling Paws Pet Care**

Presenter: *Dr. Sandra Pumper*

### **Architecture & Construction**

**Findorff**

Presenter: *Ethan Buechel*

### **PGA Inc.**

Presenter: *Rob Geurink*

### **Audio, Visual, Technology & Communications**

**WAOW - Wake Up Wisconsin**

Presenters: *Sadie Fisher,*  
*MHS Staff Member Gina Struble*

### **Business Management & Administration**

**Courtesy Corporation -**

**McDonald's**

Presenter: *Hannah Witte*

### **AROW Global Corp.**

Presenter: *Dan Koshik*

### **Education & Training**

**Junior Achievement of**

**Northcentral Wisconsin**

Presenter: *Michelle Klein*

### **Finance**

**Boyd Insurance**

**& Financial Solutions LLC**

Presenter: *Natalie Boyd*

### **Intercity State Bank**

Presenter: *Kate Tischendorf*

### **Government & Public Administration**

**City of Mosinee**

Presenter: *Jeff Gates*

### **Health Sciences**

**LINK Healthcare**

Presenter: *Mark Wozniak, PA-C*

### **Hospitality & Tourism**

**Wausau Museum of**

**Contemporary Art**

Presenter: *Heather Becker*

### **Information Technology**

**Marathon County**

Presenter: *Gerry Klein*

### **Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security**

**Mosinee Police Department**

Presenter: *Officer Krause*

### **Military Branch Panel**

Presenters: *USAF SSgt Alex Miller,*

*USMC SSgt Blakeslee Ballard*

### **Manufacturing**

**WI Manufacturing Network**

Presenter: *Tait Strand*

### **STEM**

**Greenheck**

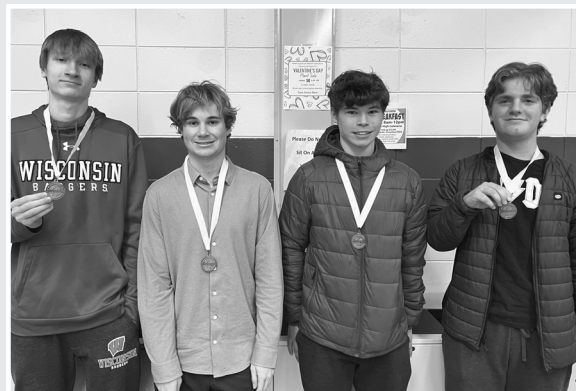
Presenter: *Tyson Sargent*

### **Transportation, Distribution & Logistics**

**Central Wisconsin Airport**

Presenter: *Mark Cihlar*

## MHS Science Olympiads Qualify for State



On February 15, the Mosinee High School Science Olympiad team traveled to Medford to compete at the Regional competition. **Logan Neufeld** and **Christoffer Martin** medaled in Code Analysis, which required them to analyze computer code to determine the output. **Evan Colden** and **Waylon Barber** medaled in Chemistry Lab, which required them to do an acid/base titration and solve equilibrium problems. The team qualified for the Science Olympiad State Competition which will be April 5th at UW-Stout.

*Pictured above (l to r): Christoffer Martin, Logan Neufeld, Waylon Barber, and Evan Colden with the medals they earned at Regionals.*

## MES Celebrates Read Across America

Staff and students at Mosinee Elementary School participated in Read Across America Day – a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually around March 2nd, which is Dr. Seuss' birthday. The staff and students celebrated by dressing in red and blue, wearing crazy socks, dressing up as twins, and wearing hats.

There are many benefits to having parents and school staff involved in children's literacy activities both during the early years, as well as the primary and secondary years of schooling. MES is thrilled to promote reading through fun activities like these!



*Pictured above (l to r): Magnolia Davis, Gabriella Alwin, and Hank Davison dress up as twins during Read Across America Week.*

MHS staff, administration, and students would like to send a big thank you to ALL of the volunteers from NTC and the various local businesses for making this Career Spark Day a huge success!

## MHS Celebrates National FFA Week

National FFA Week was February 17th-24th and across the country students participated in activities and shared the FFA's story. Mosinee FFA students celebrated by participating in a wide variety of activities at school, thanking the people that support the members, and educating people about the FFA's rich history and legacy. FFA members dressed up and participated in activities during ELT all week such as: Business Thank You Card Creation, Kiss-A-Critter, Flannels for Root Beer Floats, and FFA Ag Olympics. Thank you to **Mr. Doverspike, Mr. Jensen, Mrs. Kedrowski, Mrs. Hoppe-Meyer, and Mr. Fitzgerald** for participating in Kiss-A-Critter and smooching the cute chickens, and thank you to the community for the constant support of the largest youth leadership organization in the United States. National FFA week was a huge success!



*Pictured above: Mr. Jensen and Mrs. Yirkovsky team up to compete in the Ag Olympics wheelbarrow race.*

## Support the CTE Plant and Garden Sale

Come support the Mosinee High School Career and Technical Education Programs! Join us for the first annual **CTE Plant and Garden Sale** at the MHS greenhouse:

**Saturday, May 3rd • 8:00am - 6:00pm**

**Sunday, May 4th • 10:00am - 4:00pm**

Shop a wide variety of flowers, hanging baskets, flowerpots, garden decor, and more! All proceeds will benefit the following student organizations: Mosinee Manufacturing, SkillsUSA, Visual Arts Classic, and the Mosinee FFA.

## UW-Eau Claire Symphony Band Performs at MHS

On Thursday, March 6, the **UW-Eau Claire Symphony Band** visited the Creske Auditorium for a performance and workshop with the Mosinee High School band students. The Symphony Band is one of two auditioned Concert Bands at the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire.



The ensemble consists of mostly music majors and minors, but there are also a few students in the ensemble who are not currently working towards their music degree. The ensemble is led and directed by **Dr. Phillip Ostrander**, who – in addition to directing the symphony band – also is the trombone professor at UWEC.

The band's visit to Mosinee included a short performance of repertoire for their upcoming concert in Eau Claire. This was followed by the college students working side by side with the MHS band students to help them prepare for their concert in May.

*Pictured above: The UW-Eau Claire Symphony Band performs for MHS band students in the Creske Center Auditorium.*

## SkillsUSA Regional Competition

After competing at the district level in December, members of Mosinee's SkillsUSA chapter continued honing their skills at the Regional competition in February. The competition was held at Northcentral Technical College and students were able to compete in a variety of categories such as automotive service technology, woodworking, team engineering, and welding.



Results from the Regional competition were:

**Aubrey Brzezinski** – Weld Sculpture – 1st Place; Job Interview – 3rd Place

**Dakota Duberstein** – Weld Sculpture – 2nd Place

**Kodiak Suchon** – Diesel Tech – 2nd Place

**Zander Deininger** – Diesel Tech – 3rd Place

The 52nd Annual SkillsUSA State Leadership and Skills Conference will be held at the Alliant Energy Center & Madison Area Technical College in early April. Good luck to the ten Mosinee students who will be competing at State!

*Pictured above left (l to r): Aubrey Brzezinski and Dakota Duberstein placed at Regionals.*

*Pictured above right (l to r): Zander Deininger and Kodiak Suchon placed at Regionals.*

# Open Enrollment Dates

**February 3 - April 30, 2025**

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has announced the dates for public school Open Enrollment for the 2025-26 school year. Children in 4K to grade 12 may apply to attend a nonresident school district under the open enrollment program. However, a child may transfer to a nonresident school district for early childhood education or 4K only if the child's resident school district offers the same type of program and only if the child is eligible for that program in the resident school district. The regular open enrollment application period for the 2025-26 school year begins on **February 3, 2025, and ends at 4:00pm on April 30, 2025. Late applications will not be accepted.** Parents may apply online at: <https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment>. For more information: Toll-free: 888-245-2732; Email: [openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov](mailto:openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov). You may also call Carrie Kunding at the Mosinee School District with questions: 715-693-2530.

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## 4K Registration for the 2025-26 School Year

Children who turn four on or before September 1, 2025 are eligible to register for 4K for the 2025-26 school year. To learn more about Mosinee's 4K program and to complete the registration process, visit the district's 4K webpage at <https://www.mosineeschools.org/schools/4yok/>. The page offers a program overview and detailed step-by-step instructions for registration.

If you have questions or need assistance, please call the elementary school at 715-693-2810.

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## 2025-26 Kindergarten Registration

Mosinee Elementary School is excited to welcome the incoming kindergarten students for the 2025-26 school year! Students currently enrolled in 4K within the Mosinee School District will be automatically registered for five-year-old kindergarten at MES. In early August, families will receive an email with back-to-school details, and teacher assignments will be available in Skyward Family Access.

If your child will not be attending Mosinee Elementary School next year or you have any questions about this process, please call us at 715-693-2810 as soon as possible.

For families new to the district, kindergarten registration can be completed online through the Mosinee School District website: <https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wsedumosineeewi/skyenroll.w>

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## Junior Prom 2025 "A Night in Paris"

**April 12, 2025 • 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm**  
ROTHSCHILD PAVILION

**Grand March: 7:30 pm, Open to the public**

Photographer: Leigh Captures

*(Information on ordering photos will be shared with students via email.)*

## Mosinee Board of Education Notes

At the March 18, 2025 regular Board of Education meeting, the Board approved the following:

- minutes from the regular Board of Education meeting on February 18, 2025
- extended field trip
- policy changes
- job descriptions
- AP® science materials
- NextPath Education
- February's monthly voucher list and treasurer's report
- resignation and retirements
- Act 20 updates

The Board received a presentation from:

- Cristy Heldt on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the Technology Department

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 6:00 pm at the District Educational Service Center. The public is invited to attend.

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## PTO Notes

Highlights from the March PTO meeting:

- The PTO approved the budget for 2024-25/2025-26.
- The PTO will be offering Spring mini grants to staff.
- The PTO will give out three scholarships to high school seniors graduating in 2025.

The next PTO meeting is Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5:30 pm in the Creske Library.

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## Care Solace

The Mosinee School District has partnered with **Care Solace**, a service that quickly and confidentially connects individuals to available mental health and substance use providers. The service offers multilingual support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, regardless of insurance coverage. There is also a self-serve website to find providers and services on your own. Care Solace is provided to Mosinee students, staff, families and community members at no cost.

Call: 888-515-0595 or visit: [caresolace.com/mosinee](https://caresolace.com/mosinee)

*Please note: Care Solace is not an emergency response service or mental health service provider. In the event of a life threatening emergency, call 9-1-1 or the National Suicide Hotline 9-8-8.*



The Mosinee School District shall not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, handicap or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or any other characteristic protected by state or federal law in the educational programs or activities which it operates or in employment practices. All inquiries or complaints regarding discrimination under Title II, Title IX, Section 504 or other state or federal law shall be directed to Greg Doverspike, Superintendent of Schools, Mosinee School District, 146001 State Highway 153, Mosinee, WI 54455 at 715-693-2530.

## April Calendar of Events

April 18 **NO SCHOOL** - Good Friday

**MOSINEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

- 11 Kindergarten Concert - Creske Auditorium ..... 1:30pm
- 14 PTO Meeting - Creske Library ..... 5:30pm

**MOSINEE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

- 4 4th Grade Concert - Creske Auditorium ..... 2:00pm
- 21 Evening of Jazz Concert - Creske Auditorium ..... 7:00pm

**MOSINEE HIGH SCHOOL**

- 1 B & G Track - Invitational (A - Ripon) ..... 3:40pm
- 3 B & G Track - Conf. Meet (A - Northland Pines) ..... 4:30pm
- Baseball - Crandon (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Lakeland Union (H) ..... 5:00pm
- 4 Softball - Invitational (A - Greenheck Field House) ..... 3:00pm
- Baseball - Ashwaubenon (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Three Lakes (H) ..... 5:00pm
- 5 B & G Track - Indoor State (A - UW-Whitewater) ..... TBD
- 8 Golf - Invitational (A - Lake Wisconsin CC) ..... 9:00am
- Baseball - Medford (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Medford (A) ..... 5:00pm
- 10 Softball - Tomahawk (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Wausau East (A) ..... 6:00pm
- 11 Boys Track - Invitational (A - Wausau West) ..... TBD
- Softball - Kaukauna (A) ..... 4:30pm
- Baseball - Tomahawk (A) ..... 5:00pm
- 12 Junior Prom - Rothschild Pavilion ..... 7:00pm-11:00pm
- Grand March (Open to the Public) ..... 7:30pm
- 14 Baseball - Antigo (H) ..... 5:00pm
- 15 Softball - Antigo (A) ..... 5:00pm
- 16 Golf - Invitational (A - Lake Ripley CC) ..... 1:00pm
- 17 Baseball - Northland Pines (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Northland Pines (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Rhinelander (A) ..... 7:00pm
- 19 Soccer - Washburn (A) ..... 1:00pm
- Evening of Elegance  
 Reception Social - Creske Center Lobby ..... 4:00pm  
 Dinner - High School Cafeteria ..... 5:00pm
- 21 Baseball - Wittenberg-Birmahwood (A) ..... 4:30pm
- Softball - Marshfield (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Evening of Jazz Concert - Creske Auditorium ..... 7:00pm
- 22 Golf - Invitational (A - Wild Rock GC) ..... 9:00am
- Baseball - Rhinelander (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Rhinelander (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Crandon (H) ..... 6:00pm
- 23 Golf - Invitational (A - Wild Rock GC) ..... 9:00am
- 24 Golf - Invitational (A - Black River GC) ..... 12:00pm
- Soccer - Lakeland Union (H) ..... 7:00pm
- 25 Baseball - Wausau West (A) ..... 5:00pm
- Softball - Pacelli (Athletic Park - Wausau) ..... 7:00pm
- 26 Baseball - Marshfield (A) ..... 11:00am
- 28 Golf - Invitational (A - Shamrock Heights) ..... 11:00am
- 29 B & G Track - Meet (A - Wausau East) ..... 4:15pm
- Softball - Lakeland Union (A) ..... 4:30pm
- Baseball - Lakeland Union (H) ..... 5:00pm
- Soccer - Medford (A) ..... 7:00pm

For a complete list of activities and events, visit [mosineeschools.org](http://mosineeschools.org).



## Community Outreach Classes

To register, contact: Michelle Pozorski at [mpozorski@mosineeschools.org](mailto:mpozorski@mosineeschools.org)

CLASS	BEGINS	DAY	TIME	SESSIONS	LOC.
Zumba	4-5	Sat	9am-10am	1	MES Gym
Adult Golf Lessons	4-8	Tues	5:30-6:30	5	Indianhead Golf
Beginners Spinning	4-10	Thur	6:00-8:00	2	Creske Library
Strength Training for 50+	4-15	Tues	3:30-4:30	6	Fitness Center
Acrylic Painting - Spring Theme	4-15	Tues	5:30-7:30	1	MHS Cafeteria
Strength Training for 50+	4-17	Thur	3:30-4:30	6	Fitness Center
Cooking with Lavender	4-17	Thur	6:00-8:00	1	MHS 404
Ahlstrom Paper Mill Tour	4-24	Thur	2:00-4:00	1	Ahlstrom Mill
Zumba	4-26	Sat	9am-10am	1	MES Gym

Evening  
of  
*Elegance*

Mosinee High School Student Senate will be hosting the annual Evening of Elegance dinner on **Saturday, April 19, 2025 at 4:00pm**. Reception social will be hosted in the Creske Center Lobby followed by musical entertainment by the MHS Band and Choir. Dinner will be at 5:00pm in the high school cafeteria. This event is **FREE** to any Mosinee Community member who is 65 years of age and older.

To RSVP please contact Katie Guthman:  
[kguthman@mosineeschools.org](mailto:kguthman@mosineeschools.org) | 715-693-2550 ext. 3617

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