

Woodland School Weekly Updates

4/27- 5/1

Quote of the Week

"Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is best." -BobTalbert

Woodland Family Updates

April 27, 2026

Families,

As we head into the final weeks of the 2025–2026 school year, there is a great deal of activity across campus. Students in grades 3–8 are currently completing state testing, with plans to wrap up remaining assessments this week and provide make-up opportunities through the first week of May.

With warmer weather arriving, it has been wonderful to see students enjoying our outdoor spaces again.

Our Primary electives are in full swing this spring, offering students a wide range of engaging opportunities. We are grateful for the enthusiasm of our parents and teachers who help make these experiences possible. Thank you to those parents who have stepped up to help teach primary electives. Our students love this. Take a look at a few of the photos I captured last week from primary electives. All of our primary students are absolutely enjoying the primary elective Friday classes.)



1. Earth Day Campus Clean-Up – Make up day- May 1st, 2:15-4:00

We invite all families and staff to join us after school on Friday, May 1st, to help prepare our campus for spring. We will be spreading mulch on the playground and tidying up various areas, including the hillside near the pond. If you are able, please bring garden rakes, wheelbarrows, tarps, or backpack blowers. Even an hour of help makes a big difference! Stay afterward to enjoy a snack and connect with our community.

2. All School Dance- TBD-

Family Council and the school will work on figuring out a new date that works for all parties. At this time, we don't have a makeup date for the all-school dance, due to the change of plans for

campus clean up. Count of mother nature to dampen things up. I will share the updated news, just as soon as I know something.

3. SVSU Charter Newsletter:

The April 2026 newsletter from Saginaw Valley State University (The Charter Collaborative) has been shared. [April Newsletter](#) We encourage you to take a look for additional updates and resources.

4. Woodland School job opportunities: [WOODLAND SCHOOL Career Opportunities](#)

Woodland School is currently seeking a full-time middle school math teacher. If you or someone you know is certified, we encourage you to apply. Benefits include a 401(k) match, health and vision coverage, and paid time off.

5. 30th Woodland School Anniversary Celebration-May 16, 11:00 AM–2:00 PM

Woodland School is excited to share that we will have 3 different food trucks, including tacos, BBQ, and a spin on old-fashioned and silly sodas. Join us for a walk down memory lane, participate in games including football and capture the flag, enjoy arts and crafts, or just come out and enjoy all the festivities on campus. Desserts and so much more for the entire family to enjoy.

Charter School Week Updates: May 11-15- Student Dress Down Schedule

M: Monochromatic Monday

T: School Spirit Day/School Picture

W: Wacky Hair Day

TH: Tacky Thursday

F: Favorite Sports Team Day

➔ Travel Abroad with Woodland School Travel Club

Woodland's Travel Club is planning its next adventure! Past trips have included London, Paris, and Italy—and now we're looking ahead to **Greece** for a 7–9-day experience.

The tour will be organized by a local travel agent in partnership with the **Globus Family of Brands**. Interested? Please complete the survey linked below. Once preferred dates are determined, we'll host an informational meeting with full details.

Please note: This trip will be organized by a different tour company than in previous years (see attached flyer).

✖ Not Returning to Woodland?

If your family has decided not to return next school year, please notify:

Amy Miller – amiller@woodlandschooltc.org

Rich Watson – rwatson@woodlandschooltc.org

While we're always sad to see families move on, we understand that life brings changes. If you'd like to discuss your decision or schedule an exit conversation with Mr. Watson, please call 231-947-7474 ext. 102.

8th Graders headed to TCAPS HS test out Day:

TCAPS provides high school students the opportunity to test out of required courses they have not taken in high school. To earn credit for the required course, a student must achieve a minimum score of C+ (78%) or higher on the assessment. Per state guidelines, test-out credits will be recorded as "CR" (credit) on the student's transcript and will not be factored into their grade point average.

The test-out opportunities will be offered to high school students:

- Wednesday, May 6, 2026: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (West Senior High School)
- Saturday, May 9, 2026: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Central High School)

High school students must declare their intent to test out by completing [the online HS Test Out Application](#) on or before the deadline on Friday, April 17, 2026. For more information, visit www.tcaps.net/testout.

Thank you for your continued support as we finish the school year strong!

Best regards,

Rich Watson, Ed.S

Director of Woodland School



Woodland School is turning 30!

Woodland School (formerly Traverse Bay Community School) is turning 30! We want YOU to help us celebrate!

Join us May 16, 2026 from 11am-2pm for the celebration!

To help us gauge the amount of food, dessert, and other activities we need to prepare for, please RSVP below.

Current students, former students, and all friends and family are invited!

Thanks for your support!

[Sign in to Google](#) to save your progress. [Learn more](#)

* Indicates required question



Name (optional)



Woodland Travel Club Greece (3).pdf

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Upcoming Important Dates

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Campus Clean Up May 1st @ 2:15 (all are welcome)

Kindergarten visit day, May 8th 2:30-3:30

Primary Village Updates

[Mrs. Mary and Mrs. Kelsey](#)

[Mrs. Melissa](#)

[Mrs. Milne Google Classroom:](#)

Middle Village Updates

[Middle Village Weekly Updates](#)

Upper Village Updates

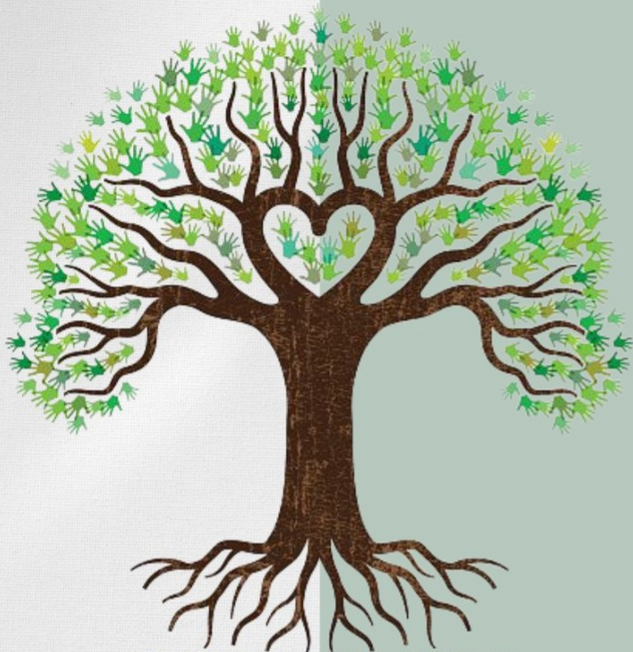
See the links below for the Upper Village Updates.

[Mrs. Ziegler ELA 6-8 updates:](#)

[Upper Village Weekly Updates:](#)

Counselor's Corner

[Mrs. Wheeler Updates:](#)



BACK TO YOUR ROOTS



SAVE THE DATE!

**JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION OF
30 YEARS!**

WHEN:

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2026

WHERE:

**WOODLAND SCHOOL
(FORMERLY TBCS)**

COME AND CELEBRATE!

OPEN HOUSE 11AM-2PM

JOIN US FOR FOOD, FUN AND FESTIVITIES!

6-8th Grade Pizza Friday Fundraiser

[📄 Pizza Fridays order form link:](#)

Payment Options

You may choose from the following:

- **Weekly** – Pay one week at a time (**cash only**).
- **Ten-Week Blocks** – Pay in advance for the following sessions:
 - September 19 – January 16
 - January 23 – April 24
- **Five-Week Block** – Pay in advance for:
 - May 1 – June 5
- **Full Year** – Pay for all 25 weeks at once.

⚡ Please note: **Weekly payments must be made in cash.** For multi-week or full-year payments, you may use **cash or check**.

Interested in Volunteering?

This program is made possible by our amazing volunteers! If you'd like to help, please sign up with the [volunteer link](#).

Instructional Staff Contacts

<https://www.woodlandschooltc.org/instructional-staff>

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