



# THE LION'S ROAR

October 6, 2023

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday, October 9- Friday, October 13 Homecoming Week

**Monday, October 9**  
8:30 a.m. Coronation in the  
gymnasium; public invited

Picture Retake Day (or if you  
missed the first picture day)

**Tuesday, October 10**  
Referendum Informational Mtg  
5:00-6:00 the Hub

**Thursday, October 12**  
ECFE Play & Learn Class 6:00

**Friday, October 13**  
2:00 Homecoming Parade  
Pepfest in City Park following  
parade

**Monday, October 16**  
7:00pm School Board Meeting

**Tuesday, October 17**  
6:00 Referendum Informational  
Meeting @ the SG Cinema

7:00 Choir Concert, Practice  
Gym

**Thursday, October 19-  
Friday, October 20**  
EM -- NO SCHOOL

[Click Here](#) to see more  
upcoming events

## OUR MISSION

*Inspiring  
students to meet challenges  
with confidence.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



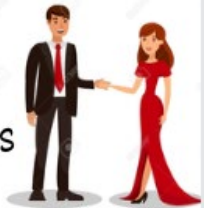
## HOMECOMING DRESS UP DAYS

OCTOBER 9-13th

### MON

*DRESS FOR SUCCESS*

DRESS UP IN YOUR NICEST CLOTHES



### TUE



*DRESS LIKE YOUR PARENTS*

PICK A PARENT AND DRESS UP LIKE THEM  
FOR THE DAY

### WED

*ANYTHING BUT A BACKPACK*

BRING ALL OF YOUR SCHOOL SUPPLIES IN  
ANYTHING, EXCEPT FOR A BACKPACK!!

### THU



*RED, WHITE, & BLUE*

PUT ON ALL OF THE RED, WHITE,  
AND BLUE THAT YOU'VE GOT

### FRI

*SPIRIT DAY!*

GO ALL OUT AND PUT ON  
ANY RED, BLACK, AND  
WHITE THAT YOU CAN FIND!





# HOMEcoming WEEK!

## October 9-13



### HOMEcoming COURT 2023

Ellie Halverson, Jaxon Strinmoen, Taylor Reindhardt, Jacob Olerud,  
Katelyn Kraus, Elijah Solum



Hailie Kittleson submitted the design for this year's Homecoming button. Pictured is Ethan Crouch, Student Council President giving Hailie a button.

*Jostens*

**ORDER**  
your **2024**  
**HIGH SCHOOL**  
**YEARBOOK NOW!**



**\$59 until**  
**Nov. 10**

Or pick up an  
order form in  
the office.

There are 2023 Yearbooks  
available in the office (\$70)

# ATHLETIC EVENTS FOR THE WEEK!

**Coronation**  
**Monday MORNING**  
**October 9 at 8:30 a.m.**  
**School Gymnasium**  
Open to the public

**PARADE**  
**FRIDAY, October 13**  
**2:00**  
**Community Pep Fest**  
at Viking Memorial Park  
following the parade

## MONDAY

Volleyball (H)  
vs Glenville-Emmons  
8th at 4:30, Varsity @ 6:00  
(note earlier time)

JH & JV Football @  
A-C/G-E;  
JH @ 4:30, JV @ 6:00

7:00 Boys Soccer  
Section Tour game  
@ High Seed

## WEDNESDAY

7:00 Boys Soccer  
Section Tour game  
7:00 Girls Soccer  
Section Tour game  
@ High Seed

## THURSDAY

Volleyball @ Lanesboro;  
4:30 8 / 4:45 C / 5:30 7 / 6:00  
JV / 7:15 V

## FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. Football  
vs Kingsland

# HOMECOMING DANCE

**NO OUTSIDE DRINKS**  
(water bottles allowed in  
lobby only)

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH**  
@ THE MAIN GYM  
AFTER THE FOOTBALL GAME  
UNTIL 11:30 PM  
DOORS LOCK AT 10:30 PM

Dance Admission  
\$3 with a button  
\$5 without a button







6th graders spent  
Monday, September 25  
at  
Winnebago Springs for  
Environmental Day





# JOSTENS PICTURE RETAKE DAY MONDAY, OCTOBER 9 8:00 - 10:00

Student photos are available on line for parents to view/order prints!  
Go to [JOSTENSPIX.COM](http://JOSTENSPIX.COM)

## SPRING GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

EVENT CODE: **FE46723**

## SPRING GROVE SECONDARY

EVENT CODE: **FE46823**

**SCHOOL  
TOURS  
SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 7  
9:00 & 11:30**

Meet in the  
school office  
(Door #1)



[This weeks  
message from  
Mr. Kjelland  
Click Here!](#)



### FRUIT SALES ARE COMING! FRUIT SALES ARE COMING!

Yearbook Staff **AND** FFA are joining forces  
and will be selling the amazing Minntex Fruit!

Sales will begin in the next week or so.

Any questions? Contact [lexi.thorson@springgrove.k12.mn.us](mailto:lexi.thorson@springgrove.k12.mn.us)  
OR [karen.tisthammer@springgrove.k12.mn.us](mailto:karen.tisthammer@springgrove.k12.mn.us)





# Spring Grove High School Scorecard



**Redefining Ready** is a national initiative launched by AASA (The School Superintendents Association) to introduce new research-based metrics to assess more appropriately that students are college ready, career ready, and life ready.

**College Ready:** A student who meets all four ACT benchmarks OR meets two of the standards in the College Readiness section.

College Ready			
2023	2022	2021	2020
83.33%	78.26%	41.38%	62.07 %


Career OR College Ready			
2023	2022	2021	2020
100%	95.65%	72.41%	100%

**Career Ready:** A student who meets two of the standards in the Career Readiness section.

Career Ready			
2023	2022	2021	2020
91.67%	95.65%	72.41%	93.10%


Career AND College Ready			
2023	2022	2021	2020
75.00%	78.26%	41.38%	58.62%


## COLLEGE READINESS STANDARDS


 ACT	ACT Score: The ACT's minimum benchmark scores that predict college-level success in the four content areas - English: 18, Math: 22, Reading: 22, Science: 23. (% of those tested)			
	2023	2022	2021	2020
	16.67%	10%	40.00%	27.27%


*To be College or Career Ready, Students Need to meet all four ACT Benchmarks, OR Meet two of the requirements below.*


## CAREER READINESS STANDARDS (NEED 2)


 Attendance	Attendance Rate Freshman Year: According to the National College and Career Readiness Indicators, course attendance is 8 times more predictive of course success in freshman year than test scores. Percentage of students with 90% attendance rate.			
	2023	2022	2021	2020
	100%	100%	83.33%	96.42%


 Student Involvement in Activities: Participants in two extracurricular activities/yr were more likely than nonparticipants to aspire to higher education and complete at least a bachelor's degree.	2023	2022	2021	2020
	87.5%	82.60%	60%	75%

 Work-Based Learning: Students participating in a work-based learning experience develop a work ethic, communication skills, and the ability to work on a team.	2023	2022	2021	2020
	4.16%	8.69%	N/A	N/A

 25 Community Service Hours by Graduation: Service hours help students better understand their own competence, leading to more self-confidence and a can-do attitude that can spread to their work and academic pursuits.	2023	2022	2021	2020
	--	8.69%	N/A	7.14%

 Certification Programs: Students that earn usable industry credentials benefit them in a multitude of ways and prepare them for their future.	2023	2022	2021	2020
	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

 AP	AP Enrollment: Participation in AP (A, B, or C grade) provides an indicator of Academic Rigor and a component of college readiness.			
	2023	2022	2021	2020
	50%	65.21%	43.33%	42.85%

 College Credit	College Credit (AP, Concurrent, CLEP, PSEO): Students who earn college credit are significantly more likely to: 1. persist in college to a second semester; 2. earn higher post-secondary GPA's.			
	2023	2022	2021	2020
	60.98%	44.68%	50.94%	38.33%

## Redefining Ready Scorecard for Spring Grove Public Schools.

Redefining Ready is a national initiative that looks at metrics to see if high school graduates are college or career ready. Spring Grove's 2023 graduating class was 100% college or career ready according to national metrics. Congratulations class of 2023!



**Dual Credit:** Dual credit courses allow students to engage with rigorous content geared toward a career pathway.

2023	2022	2021	2020
60.98%	44.68%	50.94%	38.33%



The November 7 school referendum is important for our community. Starting next week there are opportunities to meet with Superintendent Rachel Ud-stuen and learn more about the needs and potential plans. Mark your calendar to attend one of the informational sessions

## COMMUNITY Informational Meetings

**Tuesday, October 10, 2023**

5:00–6:00 p.m.

Spring Grove Public Schools  
Library Media Center

**Tuesday, October 17, 2023**

6:00–7:00 p.m.

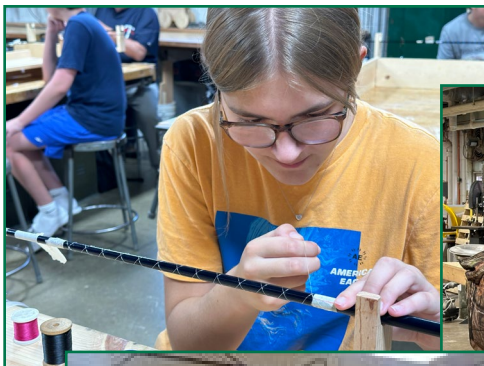
Spring Grove Movie Theater

Early voting is now open as well!

If you are by the school,  
stop in to the District Office  
(enter through Door 1)  
between  
8 a.m. and 4 p.m. and VOTE.



Through the BCC, students had the chance to see first hand, what kind of career opportunities are available at Flex Craft in Houston and Sno Pac in Caledonia.



Students in  
Mrs. Tisthammer's class  
are making fishing poles!!





LAST WEEK'S  
**PBIS**  
*"Got Caught  
Doing  
Good"*  
AWARDS  
WENT TO THESE  
FINE STUDENTS!



Brecken Buckland, Hudson Meinertz,  
Mason St. Mary, Cater Espelien, Claire Sherburne

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*"Got Caught  
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Henry Kessler, Cullen Conner, Jaxtyn Brumm,  
Lucy Bergrud, Lillian Bjerke



# Elementary Classes Visited the Fire Station



1st grade girls with their dads that did the Fire Station field trip for us.  
Josh and Hayven Meyer and Leah and Jeremy Myhre



# FREE CLASS!

LACING, TRACING, AND ERASING: FINE  
MOTOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT IN EARLY  
CHILDHOOD

THIS HIGH QUALITY TRAINING TAUGHT  
BY SHARYL KALA IS AVAILABLE AT NO  
COST TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS  
AND CHILDCARE PROVIDERS IN  
HOUSTON COUNTY

MONDAY NOV. 6TH

6:30 - 8:30PM  
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

FOUR SEASONS  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
900 N KINGSTON ST,  
CARMONA, MN 55921



Houston County  
Core Childcare Team

Early  
Childhood  
Educators  
and Child  
Care  
Providers....

## FIRST AID & CPR TRAINING

Get free first-time  
Certification in Pediatric  
First Aid & CPR

**Space is limited to 10  
people, register today!**

Online option requires  
completion of online content  
prior to test-out. For both  
online and in-person options,  
please contact

**Cassie Buehler**  
**507-895-2083 or**

[lacfiretraining@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov](mailto:lacfiretraining@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov)

**Saturday, October 21**

8am Online test-out  
9am In-person class begins

**La Crescent Fire Department**  
**336 South 1st Street**  
**La Crescent, MN 55947**

*Training includes:*

- Learn about Emergency Situations
- Basic Life Supports
- Getting Started with CPR
- Getting Started with First Aid
- Real-life Demonstration

Provided by



**Houston County**  
Core Childcare Team



# SPRING GROVE FRIENDS & Alumni

Join us for our **2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Annual

During Spring Grove's Ull Da Fest!

# BASH

## OCTOBER 6-7, 2023

### Friday, October 6

**4:00 - 8:00 Friends & Alumni Get Together**

**@ the Chamber on Main**

Gather & visit with friends & alumni -- Refreshments & Fun



### Saturday, October 7

**10:00 The Legacy of  
Almore Mathsen**

**@ Spring Grove school gymnasium**

**Meet & Greet - Program - Sing-A-Long**

*Mr. Mathsen was more than music!*



SGF&A will be selling \$10 raffle tickets through Saturday, October 6.....

3 chances to win \$100! Monies raised will be divided between Scholar Dollars, SG Athletic Boosters, SG Music Boosters, SG Schools.

Visit Spring Grove Friends & Alumni website [www.sgminalumni.com](http://www.sgminalumni.com)

You can support your favorite Spring Grove group even more!



# Alumni! Community! All ages welcome

Rag tag

## OLE'S UFF DA BAND!



### FRIDAY, OCT. 6 | 7:15

The Wind is going to be a little "frightful" tonight, so the Viking Ship is not going to be "sailing" to the barn....instead, anyone interested in playing in Ole's RagTag Uff Da Band, meet at the barn stage at 7:15, for a quick rehearsal ...to be ready to be the opening act of the Barn Dance

## Download music here to practice at home!

Or pick up your copies at school or Giants!



1. "Tequila"



2. "When the Saints..."



# OLD-TIME BARN DANCE!

Featuring

**BOB BOVEE &  
POP WAGNER  
BAND**

**\*Maritza\***

+ Ole's Rag Tag  
Uff Da Band!



**\$10 in advance,  
\$12 at barn  
\$5 student price**



**Fri. 10/6 7:30pm**

**@ Ye Olde Gray Barn, Hwy. 44**

**Free parking on site!**

7:30-10:30pm • 2nd Annual Old-Time Barn Dance with Bob Bovee, Pop Wagner, Maritza and more!  
Presented by Giants of the Earth Heritage Center; Experience eclectic Eastern European music with Maritza, and then learn how to square dance with Bob Bovee, Pop Wagner, and professional caller Rina Rossi as you dance the night away!

Bring your lawn chairs, some cash for beverages and late-night snacks, and dancing shoes. Tickets available at Giants of the Earth Heritage Center & Red's Liquor Store for \$10 until 10/5 or \$12 at the barn door. Student tickets for 18 and under or with valid college ID are \$5.





# UFF DA FEST is Next Weekend!

Friday, October 6-Sunday, October 8

Check out all of the events: <https://www.uffdafest.com/>

## Scarecrow Contest

Check out all the fun scarecrows around town.

Winners announced Saturday.

## Gnome Contest SEPT 25-OCT 7

Sponsored by Merchants Bank and Giants of the Earth Heritage Center.

Purchase (\$30) a handcrafted paintable gnome

Return decorated gnome to either location by Friday, Oct. 6, 5:00 p.m. to be entered in a contest to win.

Vote for your favorite gnome during Uffda Fest!

One grand prize \$100 Chamber bucks.



## ATHLETIC BOOSTER PORK BURGERS

**Saturday, October 7**

11:00am til gone  
Pork Burgers & Pork Chops in the Park, Sponsored by Spring Grove Athletic Boosters

## School Tours Saturday, October 7

9:00 and 11:30

Meet at the school office/Door #1

## Chalk Art Contest

**OCT 7; 7am-2pm**

sponsored by Top Dog & West Main Boutique. Artwork must be completed by 2:00 p.m., Judging takes place at 4:00 p.m. ; Register for your spot and pick up chalk at Top Dog click here for more details Prizes awarded!

## Bean Bag Tourney OCT 7: 3pm

Boards set up on Maple Drive; pre-register your team at Lions Pub \$30/team; 100% Payout.

## .10k Run OCT 7, 2pm

Be a part of it OR be a specatator! Starts at the Americn Legion and ends at RFD



Uff Da Fest

# HOT DISH CONTEST

11:30 A.M. - 1:00PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

AT GIANTS OF THE EARTH HERITAGE CENTER

## ENTER A HOT DISH!

Sign up/register your hotdish by noon, Saturday, October 7  
Bring your hot dish to Giants between 9 and 11:15 Sunday, October 8

**Winners will be decided by Peoples Choice**

"license fee"  
to be a judge!  
**Free Will  
DONATION**

## BE A JUDGE!

Come and taste & cast your votes!

**CHAMPION HOTDISH** will win **HALF** of the proceeds  
that are paid in on Sunday, October 8 from all of the judges! More judges, more money to win!  
**There also will be fantastic prizes given to 2nd and 3rd place hotdishes!**

## REGISTER your HOTDISH!

Register your hotdish by noon Saturday, October 7.

It's Free to enter a hot dish!

Register by going to this link:

<https://forms.gle/4KKNz92RrEGcRVgz8>

Or stop at Giants and fill out a registration form.

Open to  
All Ages!!



Sponsored by Sons of Norway Valheim Lodge



# Annual Apple Pie Sale

1 pie \$15 / 3 pies \$40

7437

Ready to  
Bake or Freeze!  
Homemade  
Pies



ordering is  
easy as pie!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

#PIES \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

ENCLOSURE

Pick up at Spring Grove School Cafeteria

**9:30-11:30am • Saturday, October 7**

Scholar Dollars has sold their limit of pies!

IF you did order, please make sure you remember to pick up your pies (and pay for them) on

Saturday, October 7 in the school cafeteria between 9:30 and 11:30

*Thank you for your support!!!*

# UFF DA! FOOD!!

**Saturday, October 7**

**11:00 – 1:00 (or until gone)**

at Giants of the Earth Heritage Center  
163 W.Main Street, Spring Grove

**Uff Da Food will include:**

Lefse | Rommegrot

Rommegrot Bars | Heart Waffles

Pickles on a Stick | Coffee

...and there may be other items...

*Take and go, or sit for a bit!*

**FREE WILL DONATION**

Sons of Norway, Valheim Lodge