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## Celebrating 2026 National FFA Week



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Hosted by Lauri Porter 920-992-1079 (business land line) or  
cheflauri@yahoo.com for any questions

## National FFA Week



### JOIN US

### for a Facility Planning Community Workshop

Come to a Facility Planning Community Workshop to **share your feedback** on which facility projects you think the district should prioritize. The same information will be shared in both sessions.

**Wednesday, March 4  
6:00-7:30 p.m.**

Lenz Auditorium  
120 Oak Street

**Tuesday, March 17  
6:00-7:30 p.m.**

Lenz Auditorium  
120 Oak Street

We're also hosting a **Meet & Greet** with Amber Denure, who was recently selected as the next Superintendent of the Pardeeville Area School District, from 5:30-6 p.m. on both nights.

### COME FOR THE MEET + GREET, STAY FOR THE WORKSHOPS!

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## DARYL ROGERS MAGIC



Magician Daryl Rogers performs in the classic style of the masters from the golden age of magic. For over 20 years he has been studying, practicing and performing magic as a professional magician.

Lenz Auditorium at Pardeeville High  
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March 6, 2026

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### 2025-2026 Winter Sports Schedules

**Girls Basketball - JV2/JV/Varsity**  
 Feb. 19 @ Cambria-Friesland 5:45 7:15  
 Week of Feb. 23rd Regionals TBD

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**Boys Basketball - JV2/JV/Varsity**  
 Feb. 19 @ Oakfield 5:45 7:15  
 Feb. 23 @ Belleville 5:45 7:15

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**Wrestling**  
 Feb. 21 Team Sectionals TBD TBD  
 Feb. 26-28 Individual State- @ Kohl Center TBD

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**High School Curling**  
 Feb. 20-21 Junior Doubles State Tourn. @ Pardeeville  
 Feb. 27-28 State Tournament @ Wausau

**ALL LEAGUE GAMES START AT 3:45 PM**

**Please thank these area businesses for helping provide the Pardeeville Winter Sports Schedules!**

### This Week in History

**1929:**  
Grand Teton National Park is established.

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**1827:**  
First Mardi Gras celebrated in New Orleans.

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**1936:**  
Shirley Temple receives \$50,000 per film.

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**1960:**  
U.S. Olympic hockey team beats Soviet Union.

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**1953:**  
Chemical structure of DNA discovered.

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**1878:**  
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**Ingredients:**

16 oz package of little smokies (or small cooked sausages)  
 15 slices bacon, each cut into 3 smaller sections  
 3/4 cup light br. sugar, packed  
 1/2 tsp cayenne pepper  
 pinch of black pepper (optional)

**Directions:**

Prepare a large baking sheet with a rim with a layer of aluminum foil, lightly coated with non-stick cooking spray. Set aside. Preheat oven to 350 F degrees. Pat sausages dry with a paper towel and wrap each with a piece of cut bacon. Secure with a toothpick.

Add brown sugar, cayenne, and black pepper to a large ziploc bag. Use a spoon to combine the sugar with seasonings. Add several sausages, seal bag and shake gently to coat. Repeat with all remaining sausages. Line sausages on prepared baking sheet and bake 30 -35 minutes, until bacon browns. For extra crispness, broil for a couple of minutes after baking.



**FALL RIVER & RIO SCHOOLS**

**2025/2026 WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULES**

	<b>Rio Girls Basketball - Varsity &amp; JV</b>		
Feb. 20	@ Fall River		7:15/5:45
	<b>Rio Boys Basketball - Varsity &amp; JV</b>		
Feb. 20	@ Fall River		5:45/7:15
Feb. 23	vs. Waterloo		5:45/7:15
	<b>Fall River Girls Basketball - Varsity &amp; JV</b>		
Feb. 20	vs. Rio		7:15/5:45
Feb. 21	@ Lourdes Academy		/2:45
Feb. 24	Regional TBD		TBD
	<b>Fall River Boys Basketball - Varsity &amp; JV</b>		
Feb. 23	@ Columbus		6:00/7:30
Feb. 26	@ Albany		6:00/7:15
Mar. 3	Regional TBD		TBD
	<b>Wrestling - Varsity</b>		
Feb. 26	State @ Kohl Center		TBD

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**Oreo Pancakes**

**Ingredients:**

- 1 cup all purpose flour
- 1/4 cup dark unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 6 tbsp granulated white sugar
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 large egg
- 3 tbsp melted butter
- 6 oreos finely crushed

**For the cream:**

- 2 cups cold heavy cream
- 1/4 cup granulated white sugar
- 2 oreos finely crushed
- \*chocolate syrup for drizzling

**Directions:**

In a large bowl, add flour, cocoa powder, baking powder, baking soda, salt and sugar. Whisk together. add in egg, buttermilk and butter. Whisk shortly until batter comes together, but a few lumps remain. Gently stir in crushed Oreos. Let batter sit a few minutes to thicken.

Grease your skillet and bring to medium heat. Measure out 1/4 cup of batter. Pour batter into middle of skillet, using a spatula to help scrape out batter from measuring cup as it will be quite thick.

Cook pancake until bubbles begin to break the surface, then flip to other side and cook until pancake is done. Repeat with remaining batter. You should have enough batter for about 10 pancakes.

To make cream, pour heavy cream and sugar into a large mixing bowl of a stand mixer. Mix on high speed with a wire whisk until cream becomes stiff peaks. Spread or pipe cream on top of one of the pancakes.

Sprinkle some crushed Oreos over cream. Gently place a pancake on top. Repeat with cream, crushed Oreos and pancakes.

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