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2025-2026Winter Sports Schedules

Girls Basketball - JV2/JV/Varsity

Dec. 15	@ Berlin	5:30	7:00
Dec. 16	vs. Wisconsin Heights	5:45	7:15
Dec. 18	@ Rio	5:45	7:15

Boys Basketball - JV2/JV/Varsity

Dec. 15	vs. Markesan	4:15	5:45	7:15
Dec. 16	vs. Wayland Academy	5:45		
Dec. 19	vs. Randolph	5:45	7:15	

Wrestling

Dec. 19	Deerfield Varsity Invite	5:00 PM
Dec. 29	UW Whitewater Invite	9:15 AM

High School Curling

Dec. 16	vs. Portage - Girls Home / Boys Away
Jan. 6	vs. Monona Grove - Boys (Varsity) Home

ALL LEAGUE GAMES START AT 3:45 PM

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1773:  
Boston  
Tea Party.

1914:  
Germans  
bombard English  
ports of  
Hartlepool and  
Scarborough.

1903:  
First Airplane  
Flies.

1892:  
First issue of  
“Vogue” is  
published.

1963:  
Clean Air Act  
becomes law.

1991:  
Boris Yeltsin  
announces the  
Soviet Union will  
cease to exist by  
New Year’s Eve.

FALL RIVER & RIO  
SCHOOLS

2025/2026 WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULES

Rio Girls Basketball - Varsity & JV

Dec. 18	vs. Pardeeville	5:45/7:15
Dec. 19	@ Hilbert	/6:30
Jan. 8	@ Cambria-Friesland	5:45/7:15

Rio Boys Basketball - Varsity & JV

Dec. 15	@ Randolph	5:45/7:15
Dec. 19	vs. Montello	5:45/7:15
Dec. 29	@ Johnson Creek	5:45/7:15
Jan. 3	@ Albany	1:00/2:30

Fall River Girls Basketball - Varsity & JV

Dec. 18	vs. Montello	5:45/7:15
Dec. 29	Tournament @ Omro	/5:00

Fall River Boys Basketball - Varsity & JV

Dec. 15	@ Green Lake/Princeton (Princeton)	5:45/7:15
Dec. 19	vs. Markesan	5:45/7:15
Jan. 6	@ Montello	5:45/7:15

Wrestling - Varsity

Dec. 15	Dual @ Fall River	7:00 PM
Jan. 6	Quad @ Rio	6:00 PM

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½ teaspoon vanilla extract  
green gel food coloring  
¼ cup powdered sugar  
3 tablespoons cornstarch  
red heart-shaped sprinkles (or regular red sprinkles)

**Directions:**  
Preheat the oven to 375°F. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper and set aside.  
  
Use a mixer to mix together the cake mix, butter, and eggs until well combined.  
  
Add in the peppermint (or mint) and vanilla extracts and enough green food coloring to achieve desired color.  
  
Mix on low just until combined. The batter will be thick and sticky.  
  
In a small bowl, whisk together the powdered sugar and cornstarch.  
  
Scoop the dough with a cookie scoop and roll the balls in the powdered sugar mix to coat. Place 1 inch apart on the prepared baking sheet.  
  
Bake for 10 to 12 minutes, or until the edges are set and the top of the cookies appear dry.  
  
Remove the cookies from the oven and immediately place a heart-shaped sprinkle on each cookie, gently pressing it down so it sticks to the cookie.  
  
Cool cookies on the baking sheet for 5 minutes before moving to a wire rack to cool completely.

## THE ROYAL ROOTS OF TODAY'S CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

### The Christmas Tree

It all started with Queen Victoria and her German-born husband Prince Albert, who were instrumental in bringing German Christmas traditions to Britain, such as the Christmas tree.

Until then, most people in Britain thought the idea of having a tree inside the house was a little strange. A branch of a tree, or holly, or mistletoe was common, but the Christmas tree as decoration wasn't truly accepted until an engraving published in 1848 in the Illustrated London News depicting the Royal Family celebrating Christmas at Windsor that the tradition was adopted widely. Soon every home in Britain had a tree decorated with candles, sweets, fruit, homemade decorations and small gifts.

### Christmas Cards

The notion of sending Christmas cards also originated during this period. Thanks to the industrialization happening at the time and the widespread use of the printing press, items such as cards and books became less expensive to make. When postage costs lowered in 1840, this led to the real boom in buying and mailing Christmas cards.

### Christmas Feast

While the Victorian Royal Family may have been the impetus behind the public's adopting Christmas trees and cards, when it came to the Christmas feast, there was a lot of variety on the Royal menu. Roast beef, turkey, mince pies, soups and plum pudding for dessert. But the majority of people in Victorian England weren't wealthy, so in order to have a festive bird on the family dinner table, some would join a goose club so they could pay in installments throughout the year.

### Melding American and European Traditions

The idea of Father Christmas is one that predates the Victorian era and was part of English folklore; a figure of merry-making just for adults. In the middle of Queen Victoria's reign, however, American and European traditions came together to create the idea of Father Christmas or Santa Claus, as we now know him, as the bringer of gifts to children.

And all the other traditions of Christmas trees, Christmas cards, the Christmas feast and gift-giving were celebrated in England as well as across the pond in America.

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