Sibley East Community Education
School District #2310

Sibley East —
Learning and succeeding together!

Fall 2025

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Serving the Communities of
Sibley East School District #2310

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Weather Cancellation:
If school should be cancelled due to bad weather, Community Education activities will also be cancelled.

Sibley East Community Education Mission Statement
The mission of Sibley East Community Education is to involve all citizens of all ages in accessible, affordable and inclusive opportunities for community involvement, learning, and recreation.

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Please make note of registration **deadlines**. While all Community Ed classes are inclusive, there are some that have maximum numbers due to safety and space.

Preschool Screening – What is that?

Early childhood screening is a screening that is required through the state of MN to enter Kindergarten. Sibley East School staff and other agencies coordinate to developmentally screen your children as well as perform hearing, vision, height, weight assessments and review immunizations. This screener will assure that your child is ready for kindergarten and that they are developmentally growing as they should be.

If you have a child that is 3, 4 or 5 and has not been screened, please call the school at 237-5521 to get them on a list to be screened. If you have any questions please call the number listed above, or contact Jen Strack at 507-237-3367.

Reviso Preescolar- ¿Que es eso?
Reviso de Temprana Edad es un reviso que es requerido a través del estado de MN para entrar al Kinder. El Condado de Sibley con las escuelas Sibley East se coordinan para revisar el desarrollo de su hijo/ a así como también su rendimiento en oír, visión, estatura, asesamientos y repasar las vacunas. Este reviso asegurara que su hijo/a este listo para kínder y que se está desarrollando como debe.

Si tiene un niño/a que tiene 3,4 o 5 años y no ha sido revisado, por favor llame a la escuela al 237-5521 para ponerlo en la lista para ser revisado. Si tiene preguntas por favor llame al número alistado anteriormente, o llame a Jen Strack al 507-237-3367

PRESCHOOL — Discovery (3 years) & PALS (4-5 years)

Sibley East offers two preschool programs, Discovery and PALS (kindergarten readiness). Discovery students attend two half-days a week throughout the school year while PALS students have a couple of options of 3 day or 5 day

All classes are taught by MN state licensed early childhood teachers. Tuition for Discovery is paid monthly and is a flat fee. Tuition for PALS is paid monthly and also a flat fee per month.

The program is affordable for anyone regardless of their income level. Scholarships are available for the preschool programs.

To qualify for PALS a child must be 4 years old by September 1, 2025. Sorry, no exceptions!!

We would strongly advise that all children be potty trained before the start of class. Optional busing is available through Sibley-East transportation for an additional cost.

If you are interested in learning more please contact Jennifer Strack by phone 507-237-3367 or by email jennifer.strack@sibleyeast.org.

All About ME & Back to School

A FREE Early Childhood Family Education session for families to celebrate the beginning of a new school year and to explore the Early Childhood Preschool classrooms while meeting and networking with other families in the community. Opportunities for families to collect resources to set your little learners up for early success!

- Free-Play & Classroom Exploration
- Circle-Time with Story
- Music & Movement
- Crafts and Skills Centers
- Snack

Monday, September 22nd
Ages: 1-5 (not yet in kindergarten)
Time: 5:00pm-6:00pm
Cost: Free, but please RSVP to ensure enough supplies are available

All About Fire Safety & Prevention

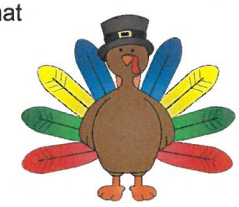
Learn about Fire Prevention as you and your little learner explore through Play, Circle-Time, Music & Movement, Projects, and "Surprise Visitors!"

Wednesdays, October 8 & 15
Ages: 1-5 (not yet in kindergarten)
Time: 5:00pm-6:00pm
Cost: $20 for the session/family

Friendsgiving

This is a Family Experience! Families with young children ages of 1-5 years are encouraged to bring their immediate family to attend our 1st ever Friendsgiving! This event is for meeting and making friends and practicing skills to "host a holiday."

- Meet and Make New Friends!
- Set the Snack Table and Decorate a Placemat
- Create a Thanksgiving Turkey Project
- Build your own snack mix bar



Mondays, November 11 & 18
Ages: 1-5 (not yet in kindergarten)
Time: 5:00pm-6:00pm
Cost: $20 for the session/family

ECFE Advisory Council—Members Needed

ECFE (Early Childhood Family Education) is seeking parents and community members to serve on our Advisory Council. To best serve the needs of the families in our community, we need your input! Consider joining the Advisory Council and help shape ECFE for the future.

To sign up to serve on the Council, please contact Jen Strack at 507-237-3367 or email jennifer.strack@sibleyeast.org.

Creative Cookie Club

The Cookie Club will meet to make a season themed cookies. All supplies are included and no baking experience is needed.
Participants should bring a cake pan to bring their creations home. Adults and children are welcome to attend!
Dates: Tuesday, October 28th (Peanut butter Witch Hats and Spiders), Tuesday, November 25 (Turkey Sugar Cookies)
Time: 4:00pm-5:00pm
Ages: All are welcome!
Cost: $30/participant
Min:5/Max:10

Messy Art

Join the hands on fun of Messy Art! During this class, the participant will create their own works of art that they will bring home with them. This is a great opportunity for your child to unleash their inner artist and use some new skills. Art will be geared towards Thanksgiving and Christmas pieces. Dress for a mess!
Monday, November 10
Gaylord Campus Commons
Time: 3:30-5:00pm
Ages: Kdgn and up
Cost: $5/child
Min: 5, Max: 15

Home Alone101

Boys and Girls: 3rd grade and up
Instructor: Kirsten Dean

This class will cover the basics of staying home alone and coming and going from home safely. Topics include appliance safety, responsibilities, house rules, first aid and more are discussed. There will be time allowed for questions and answers from the attendees. You will feel confident and educated to stay at home after attending this class. There will be take home materials for all in class.

Monday, November 3rd (no-school day)
Gaylord Campus
Time: 1:30pm-3:30pm
Cost: $40
Min: 6 Max: 15

Babysitter Training

Boys & Girls, ages 10 and up
Instructor: Kirsten Dean

Babysitting, often the first job for a young person, is a chance to earn money and develop a sense of responsibility. This course will cover appropriate games and activities, telephone common sense, basic first aid, good decision-making skills and much more. Minimum of five needed to hold class. Each student will need to bring a pencil, sack lunch and a doll to class.
Monday, Nov 3rd (no-school day)
Gaylord Campus
Time: 9:30-1:00pm
Cost: $55
Min: 5 Max: 15

Little Scientists

Join the hands on fun of Messy Art! During this class, the participant will create their own works of art that they will bring home with them. This is a great opportunity for your child to unleash their inner artist and use some new skills.
Dress for a mess!
Monday, December 8
Gaylord Campus Commons
Time: 3:30-5:00pm
Ages: Kdgn and up
Cost: $5/child
Min: 5, Max: 15

Greeting Cards

This card class will be fun for all ages! We will be making season specific cards—Halloween, Fall, Thanksgiving and Christmas. The participant will be bringing home a stack of homemade cards.
Monday, October 6
Gaylord Campus Commons
Time: 3:30-5:00pm
Ages: Kdgn and up
Cost: $5/child
Min: 5, Max: 15

Fall Volleyball League

Sibley East will be forming teams to participate in a Fall Volleyball League for 5th & 6th graders.
Cost per player: $50.00
The dates of league play are on Saturdays: Sept 6, Sept 13, Sept 20 and Sept 27.
The end of the season tournament will be on October 4th.

The first practice will be: Mon, Aug 25, 6:00-7:30 pm in Arlington.

We will need volunteers! If you are interested in coaching, please indicate it on the registration form.
**All volunteer coaches must be backgrounded by the District prior to coaching. Reach out to Community Education with any questions (507) 237-3367 or email jennifer.strack@sibelyeast.org

Flag Football

Join your friends from a fundamental focused flag football game. Participants will learn the basics of football from high school players and coaches, while having some fun! Participants will be grouped by age/grades.

Mondays, Sept 8th-Oct 6th
Time: 6:00-7:00pm
Arlington Football Practice Field
Grades: Kdgn –4th grade
Cost: $15/participant
Registration deadline: Sept 5th

Youth Cross Country

Sign your child(ren) up for the Sibley East Youth CC Program! We will work on endurance running principles including proper warm up, workout, and cool down routines. Participants will receive a t-shirt and are invited to run in some kid races that are part of our High School Cross Country schedule (you must provide transportation)!

Who? Grades 2-6 students.
When? Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:30 (9/10, 9/17, 9/24 & 10/1)
Where? We will meet in the high school commons and walk to the track together. Participants can be picked up at the track at 4:30.
Cost? $25

Race Opportunities? 9/18 @ GSL High School; 9/30 @ Ney Nature Center (Henderson); 10/7 @ Jordan High School

*Times and other details will be provided closer to the date of the meets.

Youth Wrestling

Beginners—grades prek-2nd grade
Sibley East Youth Wrestling is geared towards skills and technique of the sport of wrestling. The coaches are volunteer parents and other community members.

Advanced—grades 2 and up with some wrestling skills
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If you are interested in volunteer coaching, please contact Jen Strack, Community Education Director —jennifer.strack@sibleyeast.org or call 507- 964-8235.

Dates: Mondays & Thursdays
November 24th-February 19th
(no practice 11/27, 12/25, 12/29, Jan 1, Jan 19 & Feb 16th)
Time: Beginners 6:00-6:45pm
Advanced 7:00-8:00pm
Location: Arlington Wrestling Room (enter south side of building)
Cost: $50/participant
Additional dates will be added for those wishing to compete in the post-season. Dates and times will be communicated by the coach. Volunteer parent coaches/helpers will be needed. Please consider helping out in the room.

Youth Basketball League Teams

Grades 3, 4, 5 &6 Boys and Girls

Sibley East youth boys and girls teams will be entered into the Waconia League for weekend league games. Games are set-up and based on skill level. This is a great opportunity for participants to develop skills and learn the game. Games are local and recreational in nature. All teams will engage in real live play with equal play time for the players.
*We will need volunteer parents to coach the teams.

Cost: $90 (includes a jersey uniform)
Registrations are due by **Oct 4th** to form teams to submit to the league. Late registrations will be taken, if there is room on the team. If there is not enough players at a certain level, there will be no team formed.
Game schedule/tournament scheduled will be available in early October after we know number of teams.

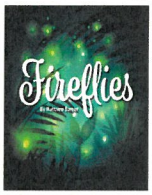
Trips/Tours

***All tours/trips are on a first come first serve basis. No refunds will be given to no shows or cancellations. Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to departure time.**

Stillwater Fall Colors Boat Cruise

Wednesday, October 8th
Arlington 8:15am-4:15pm Gaylord 8:00am-4:30pm
Cost: $100/pp

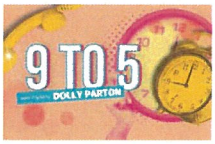
Once again, I've booked this annual fall favorite! Last year we had 153 folks along. Many join us each year. It's that good! Hope is eternal, and we'll hope for beautiful fall colors! It is so relaxing and also a reminder that our seasons are changing. I am so impressed with the included deli buffet lunch. You can build your own sandwich with all sorts of ingredients and add warm entree' selections and dessert.



Fireflies

Wednesday, October 22nd
Arlington 9:30am-4:45pm Gaylord 9:15am-5:00pm
Cost: $106/pp

We're headed to the **Ives Auditorium** in Bloomington where we'll begin with an included lunch of creamy chicken breast with roasted red potatoes, glazed carrots, coleslaw, dinner rolls, assorted desserts, coffee or hot tea. (Special dietary meals available by request ahead of time.) Then we'll head to the theatre for **Fireflies**! Retired schoolteacher Eleanor Bannister lives a quiet life alone in tiny Groverdell, Texas, set in her routines and secure in her position as the town's most respected woman - until a hole in her roof draws the attention of Able Brown, a smooth -talking drifter intent on renovating Eleanor's house, and possibly her life. Can the unexpected sparks of late-life romance be trusted, or is there truth in the gossip that Able isn't all that he seems to be? Either way, the whole town is talking.



Great Theatre Presents 9 to 5

Thursday, October 30
Arlington 9:00am –5:30pm—Gaylord 8:45am- 5:45pm
$111/pp

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the **Coyote Moon Grille** and then head for the **St. Cloud Paramount Theatre** for **Great Theatre Presents 9 to 5.** In the corporate world of the late 1970s, Violet, Judy, and Doralee are fed up with their arrogant, misogynistic boss. When a wild turn of events gives them the chance to take matters into their own hands, they set out to change the office - and their lives - for the better. With music and lyrics by Dolly Parton, 9 to 5 is a laugh-out-loud story of empowerment and unlikely friendship. Full of catchy songs, hilarious antics, and a message about challenging the status quo, this high-energy show celebrates perseverance, camaraderie, and standing up for what's right.

Sausage, Beer, Pizza Buffet & Lights Tour

Thursday, December 4th

Arlington 12:20pm - 8:00pm—Gaylord 12:30pm—7:45pm

$84/pp

It's time once again for an annual favorite tour! This tour has it all… one of the best meat markets in the state, the historic Schell's Brewery, a Pizza Ranch buffet, and a very popular light display… all in one tour… and just in time as we prepare for Christmas celebrations! We'll begin with casual shopping at **Schmidt's Meat Market** in Nicollet. (I really suggest that you bring coolers or insulated bags with your name clearly marked on them.) After you've had time to buy those Christmas party treats, we'll head to **Schell's Brewery** in New Ulm for a tour and tasting of their fine products. Not a beer drinker? They also make 1919 root beer. They've added a Bier Halle where we'll relax briefly, shop and visit before we head to the **Pizza Ranch** for an included late afternoon pizza buffet. (They're even opening their buffet early just for us.) We'll end our day with the beautiful **Kiwanis Holiday Lights** in Mankato.

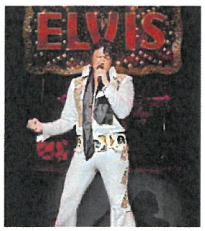
Willie and Family Live

Thursday, February 12th

Arlington 9:00am—5:30pm—Gaylord 8:45am—5:45pm

$116/pp

Looking for some holiday spirit? We're headed for the **Ives Auditorium** in Bloomington where we'll begin with an included lunch of Holiday Roast Chicken, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Bean Almondine, Winter Salad, Dinner Rolls, Assorted Dessert, Coffee, Hot Tea. (Special dietary meals available by request ahead of time.) Then we'll celebrate the most wonderful time of the year with Sidekick Theatre's heartwarming, funny holiday show. Combining some of the Twin Cities best vocalists with a dynamic band headed up by Brian Pierce, this spirited holiday show brings a modern vitality to holiday favorites from the past and present day and promises to leave you feeling merry and bright!



Elvis in Concert

Thursday, February 19th

Arlington 9:00am—5:30pm—Gaylord 8:45am—5:45pm

$109/pp

We'll begin with an included buffet lunch at the **Coyote Moon Grille** and then head for the **St. Cloud Paramount Theatre** for **Elvis in Concert.** Step into the world of Rock 'n' Roll royalty as Anthony Shore's Elvis Tribute Show brings Elvis Presley's legendary performance to life. Accompanied by a talented 10-14 piece band that includes a string and horn section, this show promises a thrilling homage to the King of Rock 'n' Roll, offering an unforgettable afternoon of nostalgia while capturing the essence of Elvis's legendary performances.

DRIVER'S SAFETY CLASS

Instructor: S. Soeffker

Senior Driver Improvement Class are for those individuals looking to renew and improve their driving skills and/or qualify for a discount on their auto insurance premium (according to Minnesota law) if you are 55 and older.
A class is needed every 3 years, and is 4 hours in length.
Minimum of 10 participants in order to host classes.

Monday, September 8th
5:30pm-9:30am
Gaylord Elem Campus
Cost: $24/person

Monday, November 10th
5:30pm-9:30pm
Gaylord Elem Campus
Cost: $24/person

Monday, December 22nd
5:30pm-9:30pm
Gaylord Elem Campus
Cost: $24/person

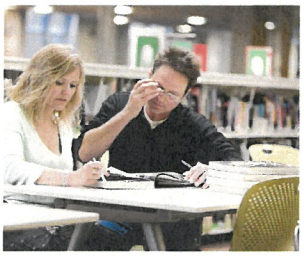
PRECISION DRIVING CENTER OF MINNESOTA
A DIVISION OF ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY

To register for any of the above classes, call Minnesota Highway and Safety Research Center at 1-888-234-1294 or visit www.driverdiscountprogram.com!

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

Sibley East
Adult Basic Education
2024 -2025

Classes are available in Gaylord!
Call 507-665-4626 for more information and to register.



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Fitness Center Hours
Monday-Friday
Open – General Public 5:00am – 8:00am
Closed to General Public 8:00am –4:00pm
Open – General Public 4:00pm – 5:00am
Saturday & Sunday
Open – 24 hours
Holidays
Open – 24 Hours

Fitness Center Rules

No one under 7th grade is permitted in the Fitness Center
All athletic teams/participants must have a coach supervisor
Dry shoes are required
Please wipe off the equipment, rack all weights and return equipment to proper place when finished
Restroom facilities may or may not be available for use
The fitness center is under 24 hour video monitoring

Memberships are available for residents 18 years and better. Call Community Education for rates, questions and liability waivers or go online at https://www.sibleyeast.org/page/7536.
$120/year membership fee, $60/year membership fee for additional household members.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION DISCOUNT PROGRAMS

If you have insurance coverage with UCare or SCHA, there may be an opportunity to utilize their discount programs. The qualifying classes can be discussed by calling Sibley East Community Education at 507-237-3367 or emailing Jennifer Strack, Community Education Director at jennifer.strack@sibleyeast.org.
Some exclusions and limitations apply for this offer.

SOUTH COUNTRY HEALTH ALLIANCE
Bringing Wellness Home

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Open Gym

Community Education Supervised Gym Times
November 2, 2025 – March 29, 2026

Admission: $1/time or purchase a season pass
$10/student, $15/adult, or $25/family
Passes can be purchased at the Community Education office beginning in Octoberor at the door.

Gaylord Schedule

Wednesdays—Open Basketball
(November 5—January 28 only)
6:00 - 8:00 PM
(no open gym on November 26th, December 24th, 31st)
Children must be accompanied by an adult

Arlington Schedule

Sundays—Open Basketball
1:00 - 4:00 PM
Children must be accompanied by an adult

Rules and Regulations
Participants caught roughhousing, loitering, using abusive language or inappropriately using equipment will be reprimanded as follows:
1st Offense: warning by supervisor
2nd Offense: ejected for one week
3rd Offense: ejected for remainder of year

Reminder:
Dunking is not permissible—if a backboard is broken, district policy will take effect. Use good sportsmanship and common sense.
Please be respectful of others and the facility.
NO kickball or football games will be allowed during open gym night.

Clean - non-street shoes - are needed to be on the gym floors!
If school is cancelled due to inclement weather, open gym is also cancelled!

Registration Information

Payment
All registration payments must be received at the time of registration to ensure sufficient enrollment. **Registrations are not final until payment is received.**

No Confirmation
Assume the class will be held at the time and place indicated unless you are notified otherwise.

Refunds
A full refund will be made only if you withdraw prior to the deadline date or if the class or trip is canceled due to insufficient enrollment - no exceptions.

Cancellation
District #2310 reserves the right to cancel offerings due to insufficient enrollment.

Trip Policy
All trips are limited to the number of seats on a reserved bus and/or tickets purchased for an event. Registration is made on a first come-first serve basis. **Payment MUST be made at time of registration.** There will be no refunds for cancellation after the registration deadline. You may find a replacement or call the Community Education office to see if there is a waiting list.

Boarding the Bus
Gaylord: Board at the City Parking lot, just west of Jerry's Home Quality Foods.

Arlington: Board at the west parking lot to the Arlington Community Center.

Green Isle: Park on the north side of the parking lot at UFC.

Weather Cancellation
If school should be cancelled due to inclement weather, Community Education classes will also be cancelled. Activities will be rescheduled if possible.

WAYS TO REGISTER

1. Online
Visit our school website @ sibleyeast.org and select the Community Services tab. You will have to create an account (first time users) and you can select and register for any course or pay online.

2. Mail
Mail the registration form along with the fee to either address:

Sibley East Community Education
P.O. Box 356
Gaylord, MN 55334

Make your check payable to Sibley East Community Education

3. In Person

Main Offices
Arlington and Gaylord:
Monday - Friday
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

- ***Please note that telephone, fax, and email registrations are not accepted.***

Registration Information

Clip and send to Sibley East Community Education

P.O. Box 356, Gaylord, MN 55334

Make checks payable to *Sibley East Community Education*

Registrant's Name _____
If youth, parent name _____
If youth, age _____ Teacher _____
Address _____ City _____ State ___
Phone _____ Email _____
Activity/Trip Location/ Pick-up Date/Time Fee
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REGISTER NOW! CLASSES FILL UP QUICKLY!

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