

2024-2025 Save the Dates VALEES Regional Events

Notes: High School and Area Career Center regional spring breaks are spread over two weeks this school year. With IVVC sending schools and SD308 (Kendall and DeKalb Counties) taking break March 24 - 28 and Kane County schools taking break the following week.

Event	Date	Location	Point of Contact
VALEES Budget Hearing	August 20, 2024 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	VALEES office, Sugar Grove Campus AUD 108	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu
Coordinating Council	September 10, 2024	Waubonsee Community College - Sugar Grove Campus Academic and Professional Center Room 194	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu
Steering Committee	September 12, 2024 12:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Waubonsee Community College - Sugar Grove Campus Bodie Hall Room 150	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu
Student Services	September 17, 2024 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Agenda	Waubonsee Community College - Sugar Grove Campus Bodie Hall Room 150	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu
Senior College Bootcamp SAVE THE DATE Interest Form due 5/2/24 Virtual Essay Workshop	September 20, 2024 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Waubonsee Community College Sugar Grove Campus	Sue Fowler sfowler@sd129.org Faith LaShure flashure@waubonsee.edu
Oswego High School College, Business &	September 20, 2024 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m.	Oswego High School	Alex Rodriguez arodriguez@sd308.org

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Trades Fair			
Automotive & Auto Body Repair program committee meeting Teachers	September 24, 2024 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Waubonsee Community College - Sugar Grove Campus - Akerlow 202 Agenda	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu Guy Tiberio gtiberio@waubonsee.edu Ramiro Cervantes rcervantes1@waubonsee.edu
METT: CAD/Drafting, PLTW, Construction Trades, Woods program committee meeting Teachers	September 26, 2024 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Plano HS - 704 W. Abe St. IVVC house - 2901 Ernest Dr. Sandwich Agenda	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu Randy Hines rhines@waubonsee.edu
MFG. Field Trips with VIA and GCAMP companies	October 4, 2024 Participating Companies Registration	Various companies	Josi Moran jmoran1@waubonsee.edu
Waubonsee Community College - College Night	October 7, 2024	Sugar Grove Campus	Faith LaShure flashure@waubonsee.edu Joy Sanders jsanders@waubonsee.edu
Illinois State Board of Education sponsored workshops CCPE 101 CCPE 201	October 7, 2024 CCPE 101 - 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. CCPE 201 - 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Sugar Grove Campus Bodie Hall 150	ISBE will promote and manage registration.
East Aurora High School College Fair	October 9, 2024 12:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	East Aurora High School	sbudzinski@d131.org or at 630-299-7983

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IVVC Sophomore Career Breakfast	October 10, 2024 8:15 - 10:00 a.m.	Health Science focused Sandwich High School	Christine Burgin cburgin@ivvc.net
West Aurora World Languages Career Fair	October 11, 2024 7:35 - 10:45 a.m.	West Aurora High School WL Expo Flyer WL Expo Invitation Letter bit.ly/WLExpORSVP24	Elaine Diveley elaine.diveley@sd129.org
METT: Machining & Welding program committee meeting Teachers	October 16, 2024 Agenda	West Aurora Weisner Center 1920 W. Galena Blvd. Aurora	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu
Foods, Culinary, Restaurant Management & Fashion Teachers	October 17, 2024 12 p.m. - 2 p.m. Agenda	West Aurora High School 1201 W. New York St. Aurora	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu
Batavia High School - Arts Themed - College and Career Fair	October 24, 2024	Batavia High School	Kathleen Tieri Ton kathleen.tieriton@bps101.net
Information Technology (IT) Teachers	October 24, 2024 12 p.m. - 2 p.m. Agenda	Waubonsee Community College Plano Campus	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu
Lunch and Learn - Health Science Technology	October 25, 2024	West Aurora High School	Katie Johnson kjohnson@sd129.org
Finance and Business Services (FBS)	October 30, 2024 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.	Waubonsee Community College Sugar	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.edu

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Teachers	Agenda	Grove Campus Academic and Professional Center	
November National Accounting Month	Request a CPA with VALEES & the Illinois CPA Society	Various dates and times in November at VALEES member schools	Josi Moran jmoran1@waubonsee.e du
Health Science Technology & Human and Public Services Teachers	November 4, 2024 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Agenda	Waubonsee Community College Aurora Fox Valley Campus 2060 Ogden Ave. Aurora, IL	Cassie Blickem cblickem@waubonsee.e du
IVVC Sophomore Career Breakfast	November 7, 2024 8:15 - 10:00 a.m.	Helping Careers Sandwich High School	Christine Burgin cburgin@ivvc.net
Health Care Visit Day	November 12, 2024 Two sessions 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m	Waubonsee Community College, Aurora Fox Valley Campus	Alyson Gaspar or Josi Moran agaspar@waubonsee.e du jmoran1@waubonsee.e du
Batavia High School Business Career Event	November 13, 2024 8:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Batavia Fine Arts Centre	Paige Buttels pbuttels@bps101.net
Health Care Visit Day	November 19, 2024 Two sessions 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m	Waubonsee Community College, Aurora Fox Valley Campus	Alyson Gaspar or Josi Moran agaspar@waubonsee.e du jmoran1@waubonsee.e du
Future Teacher Conference	November 21, 2024	NIU DeKalb Campus	Mary Borneman mborneman@waubonse

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Lunch and Learn - Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources	December 6, 2024	West Aurora High School	Katie Johnson kjohnson@sd129.org
Coordinating Council	December 10, 2024 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Waubonsee Community College Sugar Grove Campus	
Graphics Bootcamp	December 6, 2024 NEEDS CONFIRMATION	SD308	
Steering Committee	December 12, 2024 All-Day	All-day business and industry visits	
Student Services	December 17, 2024 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	TBD	
Coordinating Council	February 4, 2025	Waubonsee Community College Sugar Grove Campus	
Health Care Visit Days	February 4, 2025 Hold a Morning Spot for February for Adult Ed per Alyson. Check with Alyson on which date. Two sessions 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Waubonsee Community College Aurora Fox Valley Campus	Alyson Gaspar or Josi Moran agaspar@waubonsee.edu jmoran1@waubonsee.edu
Early Childhood	February 7, 2025	TBD - on	Linda O'Connell-Knuth

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Education Visit Day		enrollment size	loconnell-knuth@waubonsee.edu Josi Moran jmoran1@waubonsee.edu
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Batavia High School Medical Career Event	8:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Batavia Fine Arts Centre	Paige Buttels pbuttels@bps101.net
CTE conference for regional secondary and post-secondary educators - Building Partnerships for America's Future	February 28, 2025	Waubonsee Community College Sugar Grove Campus	Cassie Blickem Alyson Gaspar
College, Career and Wellness Fair	February 28, 2025 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	West Aurora High School	Sue Fowler Katie Johnson
STEAM Night	February 28, 2025 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.	Oswego High School	Pam Phelps pphelps@sd308.org 2024 flier
Kaneland High School Career Fair	March 5, 2025	Kaneland High School	Kate Ozarka 51156@kaneland.org
Educators Rising annual conference	March 6, 2024	ISU Bone Student Center	Christy Schweitzer, christine.schweitzer@ieane.org

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Illinois Design Educators Association (IDEA) Competition	March 7, 2024 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Waubonsee Community College Auditorium	Randy Hines rhines@waubonsee.edu
Automotive & CTE Open House & Signing Day	March 13, 2025	Waubonsee Community College Akerlow Hall	Guy Tiberio Tyler Friendland
VALEES Regional Cook-Off	March 14, 2025	Joliet Junior College -	VALEES office staff
VALEES Graphic Student of the Year and Team-Based Challenge	March 18, 2025	Waubonsee Community College	VALEES office staff
Spring break for IVVC sending schools and Oswego SD 308	March 24 - 28, 2025		
Spring break for Kane County schools	March 31 - April 4, 2025		
Apprenticeship Expo	Tentative April 10, 2025	Painters District Council 30	
FVCC Fire Science Jamboree	April 11, 2025 7:30 am to 3pm	FVCC Fire Science Training site- closed to the public	Vida Martin 84536@kaneland.org
Student Services	April 15, 2025 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	TBD	
FVCC EMT, Health Occupations and Law Enforcement Jamboree & Industry Fair	April 17, 2025 8am to 2pm	FVCC KMAC building 1N137 Meredith Road, Maple Park	Vida Martin 84536@kaneland.org
Spark! Career Exploration IVVC sending school	April 29, 2025	Plano YMCA	Josi Moran jmoran1@waubonsee.edu

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9th graders			
Coordinating Council	May 6, 2025	Waubonsee Community College Sugar Grove Campus	
Steering Committee	May 8, 2025 12:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.		
FVCC Auto Tech, Electrical, Welding and Computer Tech Jamboree and Industry Fair	May 9, 2025 8am to 2pm	FVCC KMAC building 1N137 Meredith Road, Maple Park	Vida Martin 84536@kaneland.org
Weisner Center mock interviews	May 15, 2025	West Aurora SD129 Weisner Center	Josi Moran jmoran1@waubonsee.edu
Aviation Visit Days	???? Tentative - Toni Ford	Revv Aviation - potential site of Waubonsee aviation maintenance program summer 2025	Toni Ford
Illinois Design Educators Association (IDEA) Regional Competition		Sugar Grove Campus	Randy Hines rhines@waubonsee.edu Brandy Monthe bmonthe@waubonsee.edu
Welding Challenge		TBD	
College and Trades Fair		Oswego High School	Joe Franta jfranta@sd308.org Betty Augustine eaugustine@sd308.org