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Walden III Staff Roster

Middle School

Alex Mandli	Art
Annette Terselic	Special Ed
Betty Brooks	Math
Cindy Herzberg	History, Language Arts
Damon Jackson	Spanish
Janet Berard	History, Language Arts
Eileen Welch	Librarian
Jeanne Valasek	Math, Language Arts
Jenny Jackson	Math, Social Studies
Linda Borths	Family & Consumer Education
Kate Potter-Barrow	English, History
Michelle Stauder	Language Arts
Pam Veenstra	Science
Sam Firtko	Phy. Education
Sue Sorensen	Science
Vanessa Marciniak	Music

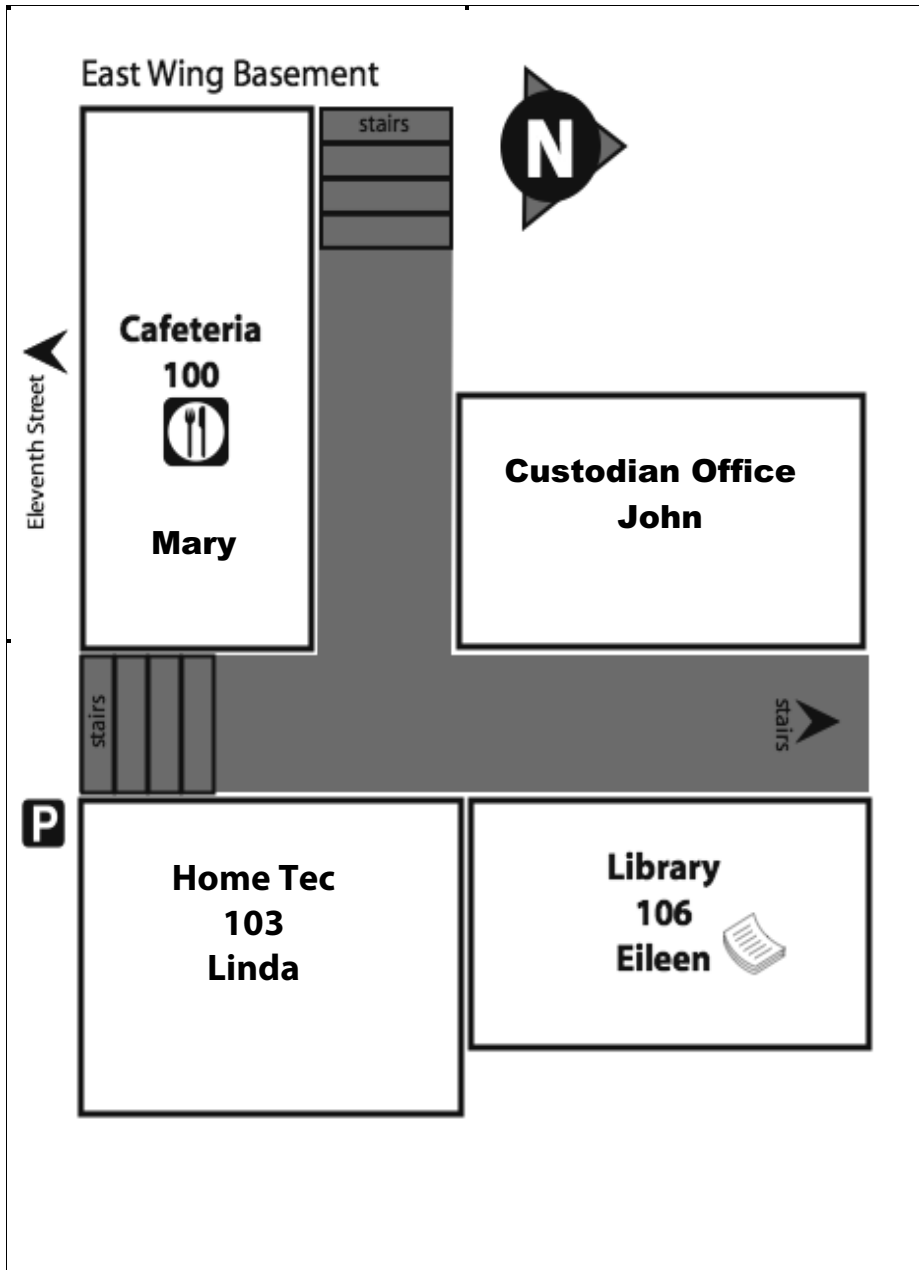
High School

Brian Torner	Science
Chris Semrad	American Government, World Geography
Damon Jackson	Spanish
Jeff Kosmala	Art
Joe Clazmer	Math
Joseph Kane	English, Year Book
Linda Borths	Family & Consumer Education
Julie Fornary	Special Ed
Lisa Rogers	French, R.O.P.E.
Michael Seyller	English
Sandy Hunt	Phy. Education, Health
Stephanie Brooks	Math
Steve Platt	Science
Suzette Salo	Social Worker
Tom Feeney	Social Studies, R.O.P.E.
Tom Kohl	Social Studies
Tom Rutkowski	English, R.O.P.E.
Vanessa Marciniak	Music

Betty Brooks, Middle School Coordinator

Chris Semrad, High School Coordinator

To view staff photos, go to www.waldeniii.org/ptsa/about_walden.html



Contact Information

Walden III Middle and High School
 1012 Center St.
 Racine, WI 53403
 (232) 664-6250
 The Walden office is open from 6:30 am until 3:00 pm.

Walden Attendance Line

Please call (262) 664-6259 **before 9:00 am** to report absences.
 The answering machine is on 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.

Key Contacts

Principal:

Bob Holzem.....664-6250
Bob.holzem@racine.k12.wi.us

High School coordinator:

Chris Semrad.....664-6250
Chris.semrad@racine.k12.wi.us

Counselor:

Katie McCauley.....664-6252
 Leave a detailed message on her
 phone or a note in her office mailbox.

Middle School Coordinator:

Betty Brooks.....664-6250
Betty.brooks@racine.k12.wi.us

Walden Staff

Contact your student's teacher by leaving a message at the Walden office. You can also call during the teacher's planning hour.

Office Staff

If you have a question call Terry or Cathy664-6250

Racine Unified School District office.....635-5600

Racine Unified Transportation office.....631-7138

Walden website info: <http://www.waldeniii.org>

Stay up to date with Walden news! To receive the weekly email newsletter called the **NOW** (News of Walden), send an email to Now@Waldeniii.org and ask to be added to the NOW list. You can also sign up on the Walden homepage at www.waldeniii.org.

The **PTSA President** is Lisa Scott Ptacek, (262) 681-2414.

WALDEN III

In the Process of Discovery

The Walden Philosophy

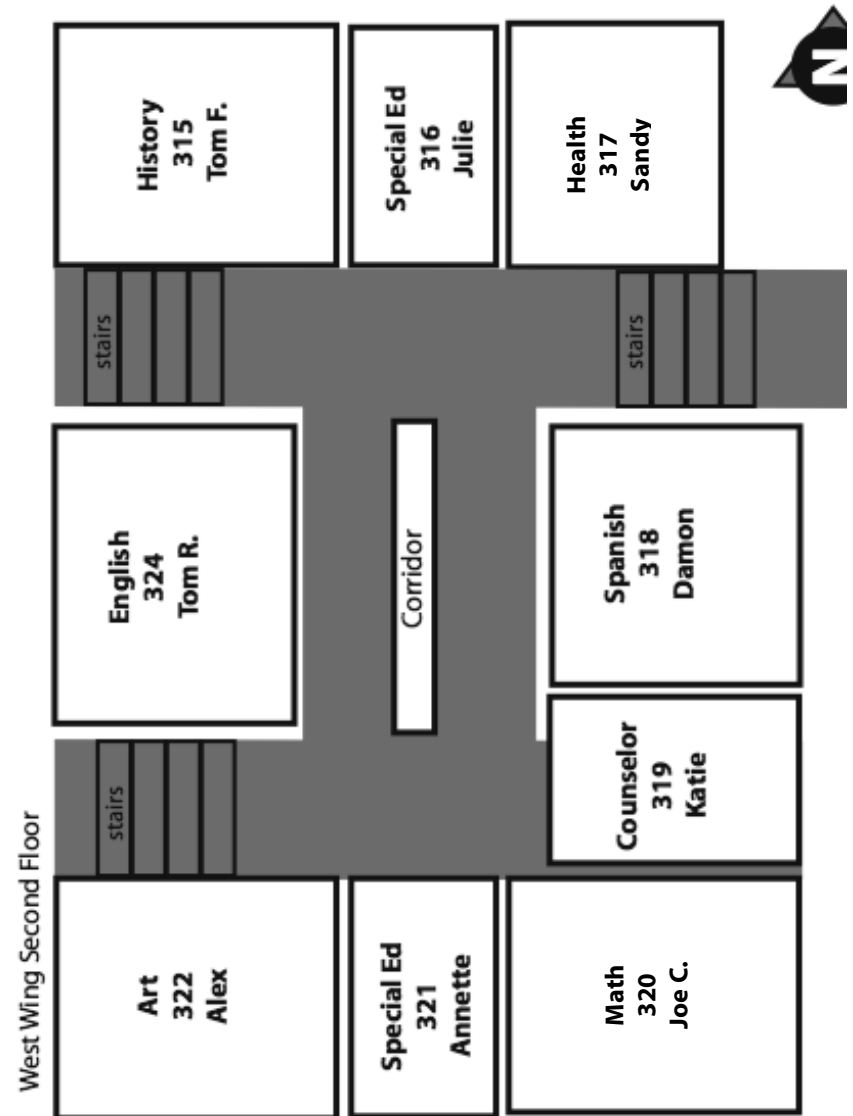
Walden III is founded on the belief that students should be a part of the decisions which affect them at school. Walden III students demonstrate high levels of responsibility, self-direction, initiative, and cooperation. Each student is expected to contribute toward making Walden III a more friendly, positive learning environment. The Walden III campus is open, meaning there is freedom for students to move about the school and the neighborhood. With an open campus, all school rules apply no matter where the student is. Each student is a representative of Walden.

Walden III's commitment to non-violence is a tradition that has been an integral part of its philosophy since the school's inception in 1972. Students are expected to solve problems amicably. The school's "No Fight" policy means that no one may use physical violence against another. Any student violating this segment, or any other segment of the Racine Unified School District Code of Student Responsibilities and Rights, Section IV, Student Responsibility, may be removed from Walden III to return to his/her home school, and suspension and expulsion procedures may also result due to the seriousness of the infraction.

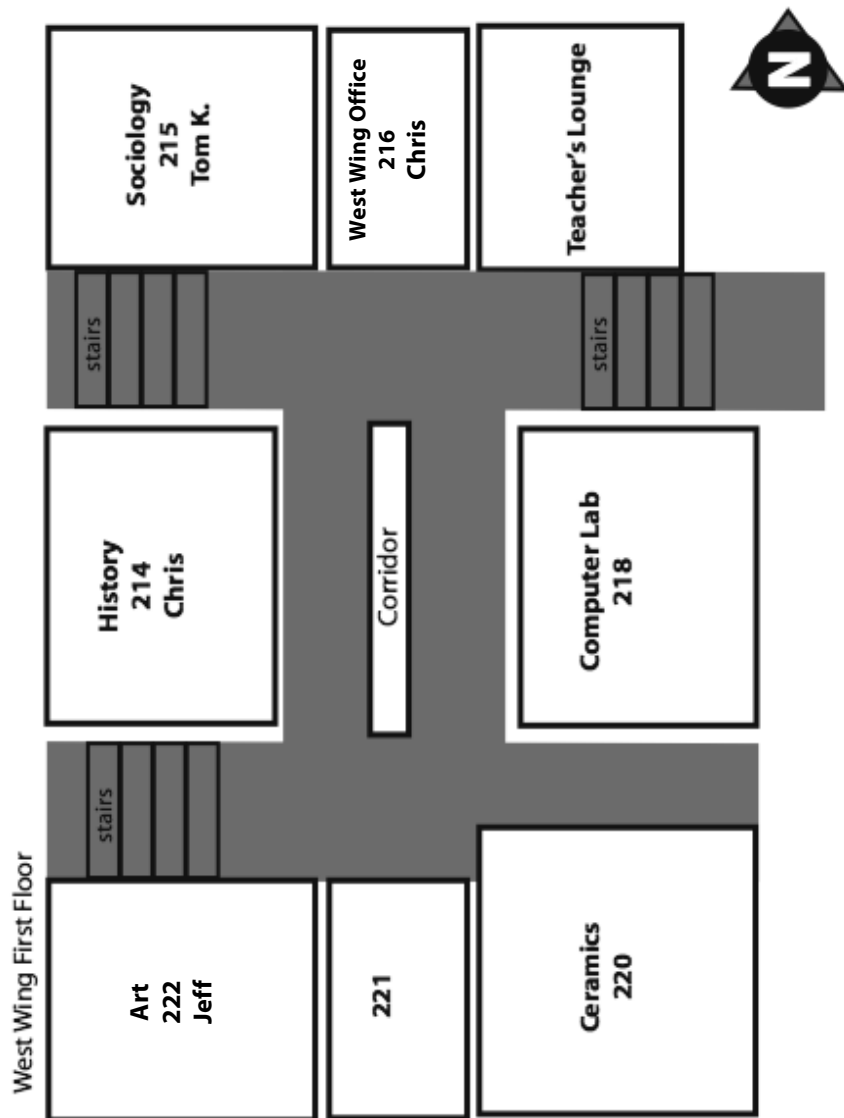
In addition any student who demonstrates repeated infractions over the course of a quarter, including truancy, tardiness, or academic failure, may lose the privilege of remaining a Walden Student.

Walden III has a strictly enforced **NO DRUGS/NO ALCOHOL** policy. Students possessing or under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be returned to their home school. The police may also be involved. The administration and staff at Walden III may determine that the student can reapply at a later date

West Wing – 2nd Floor



West Wing – 1st Floor



Walden Mission Statement

Walden's mission is to:

- Be student-centered and staff driven
- Add educational value to each student's life
- Use individualized student performance assessment
- Find ways to motivate each student
- Hold ourselves to the expectations of the Coalition of Essential Schools (Walden was one of the original twelve members, formed in 1986)
- Have personal relationships with students and their parents/guardians
- Create a family atmosphere
- Maintain full enrollment
- Set local, state, and national benchmarks for success

Walden Core Values

We hold deep beliefs about *our* uncommon school.

Our primary purpose is to help young people become excited, effective lifelong learners.

We must provide alternative forms of education, making success more accessible to all students.

We must create an environment where scholarship is continually validated, where striving for excellence is acclaimed by all, and mutual respect is the order of every day.

Structure is something carried within and for which each individual is responsible.

School should be based more on research than traditional practices.

Practical Information & Rules

Absence/Truancy/Tardiness Rules

Absence:

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify the school in the event of illness, absence, or tardiness **on a daily basis**. Please call **664-6259 before 9:00 am**, and the answering machine will take your call. The answering machine is on 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.

NOTE: Unverified absences are considered TRUANCIES and will be recorded on your child's permanent record.

Tardiness:

Students arriving after 7:15 a.m. are required to sign in at the office.

Approved Absence:

The Principal or designee has the authority to approve a legal excuse for the following reasons:

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|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Religious holidays | Family vacations |
| Personal illness | Medical appointment |
| Court appearance | Family emergency |
| Act of God | Not immunized |
| Special events /Education value | |
| Approved school activities | |

State law and RUSD policy state that a student may miss no more than 10 days/year for illness, funerals, vacation, and appointments.

To be excused for an extended absence because of vacation, etc., students must obtain a special form from the office to be signed by all teachers and by Bob Holzem or Chris Semrad. This must be completed in advance, or the absence may be considered unexcused.

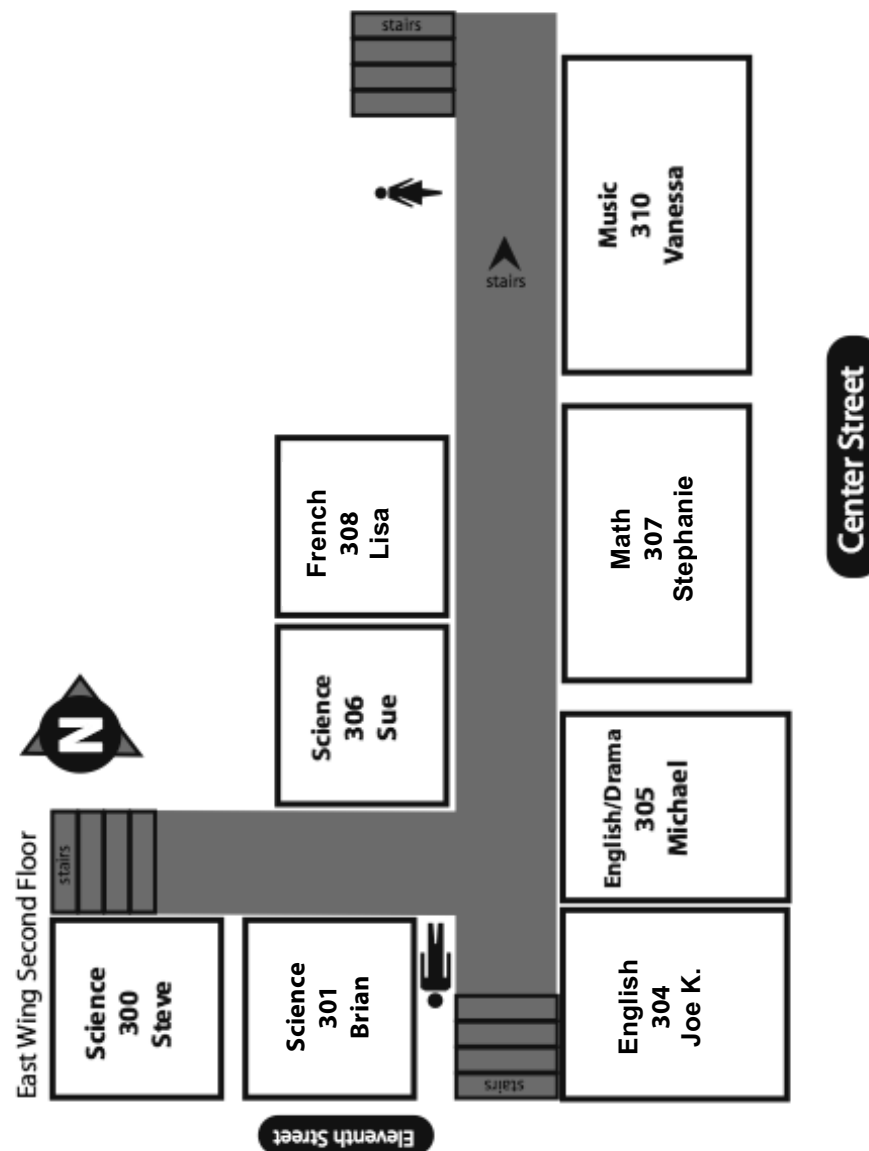
Inclement Weather Warnings

In the event of a snowstorm or other emergency condition, Walden follows RUSD policy for emergency closing procedures. The decision to close the schools will be made as early as possible, usually by 6:15 am. It is possible that we could have a delayed start (usually 2 hours) or early release. WRJN (1400 AM station), TV, and other media will broadcast conditions and closings as needed.

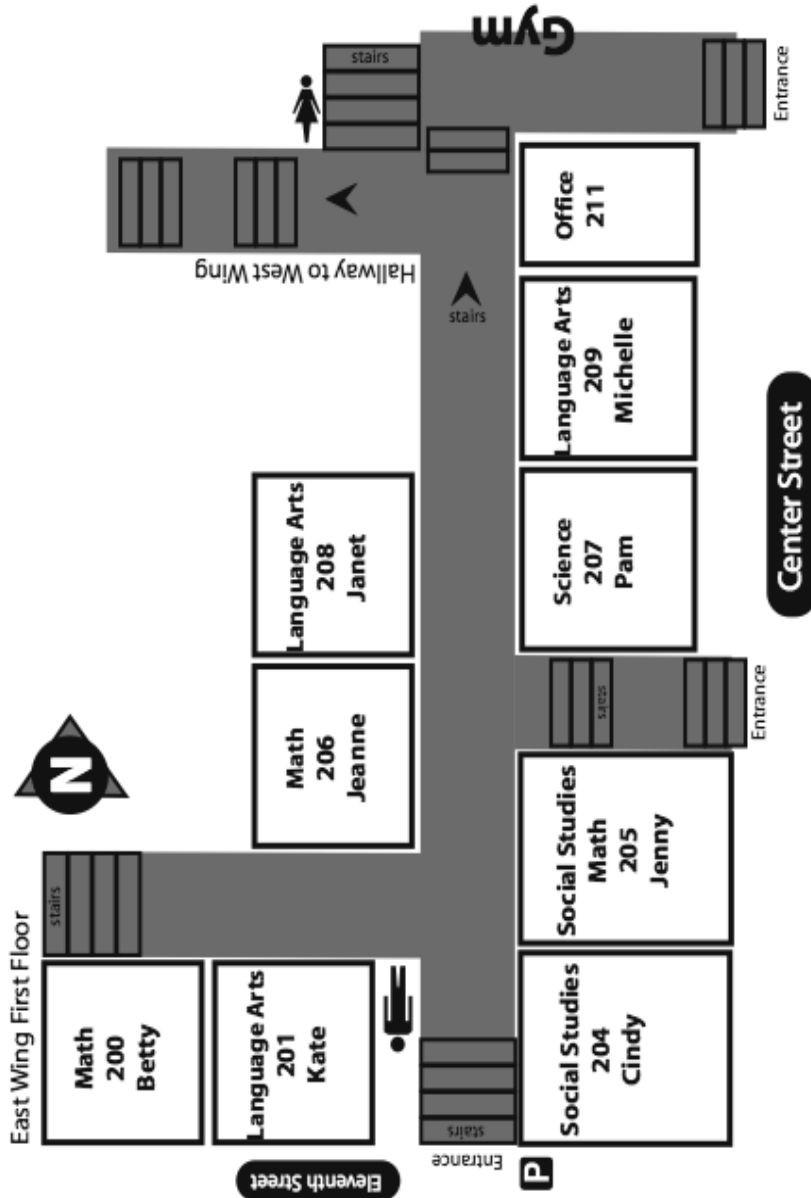
You can sign up to receive email notices for closing and emergency announcements on the RUSD website at www2.racine.k12.wi.us

Make sure your student knows how to contact you and where to go in case of early release.

East Wing – 2nd Floor



East Wing – 1st Floor



Parking & Drop-off Guidelines

Please keep our drop-off areas safe for students and staff, and

- Drop off on the **OPPOSITE** side of Center St. from the school, or park on 10th or 11th Streets *east* of Center St.
- **DO NOT STOP** in the bus zones at any time.
- **DO NOT ENTER** either the north (staff) or south parking lots.
- **DO NOT ENTER** school driveways.
- **DO NOT BLOCK** the driveways while dropping off your student

Student Parking

The parking availability is extremely limited at Walden III.

Students may park on the south parking lot during the winter months or along side streets. **NO STUDENT PARKING IS ALLOWED IN THE NORTH LOT OR IN THE SCHOOL BUS ZONES.** There is a bike rack available for students riding bicycles. Bring a lock.

School Bus

If you have any questions about your child's bus route, contact the Racine Unified School Transportation Office at 631-7138.

Visitors

After 7:30 am all doors will be locked except for the Main entrance at 10th and Center St. All guests must sign in at the office and show an ID.

Phone Calls

Your child may phone home from the office.

Students will not be called from class to receive a phone call unless an emergency exists. You may call the office and leave a message, which will be posted on the main hall message board outside the office. Please instruct your child to check this board for messages.

Cell phones may not be used inside the building. If a cell phone is seen, it will be taken from the student and held in the office until a parent picks it up. Electronics of any kind are not allowed in Middle School.

Planners

All Middle School students are required to purchase a Walden Student Planner from their homegroup teacher (also available to HS students). Planners should be brought to class each day and will be checked by teachers. As parents you will be able to see what your child has for homework on a daily basis. The cost of the planner is \$3.00.

Fees

Book Rental

Book Rental is due by **OCTOBER 15** and costs **\$12.00 per semester, or \$24.00 for a full year*** if paid *before* October 15. Second semester Book Rental is due by **March 15**. *There will be a \$5.00 late fee charged each semester that book rental is overdue.*

Make checks out to Walden and write “Book rent” in the memo line. Remit to your homegroup teacher or directly to the office. Note: If past fees have not been paid a student will not be eligible for senior activities.

Musical Instrument Rental

\$30.00* per semester

Athletic User Fees

Middle School: \$10.00* per sport. Remit payment to Walden III.

High school: \$60.00* per sport. Maximum of \$180.00 per family

For activities not available at Walden, high school students may participate at their home school. Fees are payable to the student’s home school.

Computer Lab Fee

\$2.00 per year. Remit to your homegroup teacher.

Lunchroom Information

The lunchroom is open to all students daily from 11:15 am – 12:00 pm. Monthly menus can be obtained from your homegroup teacher, from the office, or online at www2.racine.k12.wi.us - click on Lunch menus.

Prices are:

Middle & high school students:	\$2.00
Reduced price (apply in office)	\$.40
Milk per carton	\$.35
Adults	\$2.75

Ala Carte items are also available.

You may be eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch.

Forms are available in the office.

**Fees are waived for families that qualify for Free/Reduced Lunch.*

The School Store, located on the 2nd floor, sells food and snacks during Homegroup. Prices: \$.50-\$1.50 for items such as a breakfast biscuit with sausage, egg, and cheese, OJ, pretzels, Bagel Bites, Hot Pockets, etc.

Snacks ranging in price from \$.25-\$1.00 can be purchased in Sue Thompson-Sorenson’s room between classes.

R.O.P.E.

The **Rite of Passage Experience (R.O.P.E.)** is a performance assessment program unique to Walden III. In order to graduate from Walden, all seniors are required to demonstrate mastery in eleven areas of human knowledge and skills in both written work and in oral presentations.

R.O.P.E. is a yearlong process designed to evaluate a student’s readiness for graduation and life after high school. Through R.O.P.E., each student goes through deep personal reflection and self-evaluation, not only of his or her academic skills, but also of themselves as persons.

During the first semester of the senior year, seniors are required to enroll in R.O.P.E. class, which is designed to assist in the preparation of R.O.P.E. materials and presentations. All R.O.P.E. components are evaluated by the student’s R.O.P.E. committee, which consists of the student’s Homegroup teacher, a staff partner, a Walden junior, and an outside adult. The committee guides the student through R.O.P.E., and evaluates the student’s performance. Each student receives a R.O.P.E. handbook with guidelines on all the areas of R.O.P.E.

R.O.P.E consists of three main parts.

1. Written portfolio

The written portfolio consists of writing assignments, essays, and papers completed in earlier classes or in the R.O.P.E. class itself. Areas include English, Geography, Human Relations, Math, Reading, Science, and Fine Arts. The portfolio includes a résumé, a self-reflective autobiography, letter of recommendation, an annotated bibliography, and other writing assignments.

2. Senior Thesis

Students write an original thesis paper on a topic of their choice under the supervision of the R.O.P.E. instructor and a thesis advisor. Correct citation, a complete bibliography, and effective writing are important parts of the senior thesis.

3. Oral Presentations

Students present a series of ten oral presentations covering English, Fine Arts, Geography, Human Relations, Math, Personal Proficiency, Reading Competency, Science, U.S. Government, and U.S. History to their R.O.P.E. committee. Students who successfully complete requirements for Academic Decathlon are exempt from all but four of the presentations.

All Walden graduates must complete R.O.P.E.; but in doing so, they develop important skills that prove to themselves and to others that they are prepared to move beyond high school.

Special Traditions at Walden

6th Grade Picnic: 6th graders enjoy an after-school picnic at the beach with fellow 6th graders and middle school staff as a traditional welcome to Walden. Students walk to the beach, and each contributes a dish to pass.

Bong Bike Trip: Each fall, Middle School students bike 30+ miles to Bong State Recreation Area for an overnight camping trip. This is a first quarter elective class, and your child must sign up during the first days of school. Parent chaperones are welcome!

Make A Difference Day: The entire school takes part in a variety of outdoor clean-up and environmental projects focusing on the Walden neighborhood. This is one of the unique ways that Walden gives back to the community.

Harvest Food Drive: Walden is one of the biggest contributors in the county to the Racine Food Bank, second only to the Postal carriers' collection. Families donate food every day for 10 days with a different theme each day. Homegroups compete against each other for the most donations to determine their place in line for the Thanksgiving Feast.

Thanksgiving Feast: This is Walden's oldest tradition, begun in its first year in the McMynn building. Students all contribute a dish to pass.

Penny Wars: This is a weeklong competition between Homegroups to raise money for charity. Points are given for penny donations, and deducted for coins or paper money contributed. That doesn't deter students from raising all that they can. But sometimes those larger dominations end up in someone *else's* collection jar....

Springing Walden: This is an end-of-the-year celebration and feast. After a shortened class schedule, all students meet in the gym for a Town Meeting where the recipients of Walden's yearlong fundraising efforts are announced. Everybody contributes a small fee and a dish to pass.

High School Canoe Trip: High School teacher Tom Feeney leads his class on a 3-day canoe trip in May.

Dances: A dance is held every month; some are for either high school or middle school, and some are for everybody. They will be announced each month in the WOW and NOW, and chaperones are always needed!

Town Meetings are all-school assemblies called by staff or students for the purpose of discussing concerns or any other pertinent issues that impact the school community.

Music Department at Walden

Walden offers Band and Orchestra beginning in 6th grade, and Jazz Band in high school. Students will sign up for these classes on the first days of school, and must have some prior experience with an instrument. There is a minimum of four performances/year, and all members must purchase a shirt from Vanessa to wear in all performances.

September	Open House	Jazz Band only
December	Cocoa Concert	All bands
December	Festival of Trees	Orchestra and Jazz Band
May	Ice Cream Social	All bands

6th graders will not have any elective class choices if they choose to be in both Band and Orchestra.

Walden has a choir for 7th and 8th graders, and this will count as one elective course.

Walden Clubs & Student Organizations

Your child can participate in many student organizations and after-school activities at both the middle and high school levels.

See the **Student Activity Guide**, available in the office or through the PTSA, for complete details.

Leadership and Mediation: Walden offers Student Government, Peer Mentoring, Model United Nations in the middle and high school levels.

Academic Clubs: There is a wide range of academic clubs offered at Walden. Some offer competition with other schools, such as US Academic Decathlon and CALC (Cultural Awareness and Leadership Council). Others focus on personal enrichment, such as English Fest or Battle of the Books.

Performing Arts: There are both class electives and after-school clubs for students interested in the performing arts.

Environmental Issues and Sustainable Living: Walden Green School is open to students and their families that have an interest in improving our environmental impact on the earth.

Sports at Walden

There are no organized sports at Walden at the high school level. High school students may participate in their home school sports programs.

Middle school offers competition with other RUSD schools in Boys & Girls Basketball, Cross-country, Track, and Volleyball.

Karate Club and Ski Club are open to all Walden students and their families. Please join us!

Walden III PTSA

Welcome to Walden! The Walden PTSA fosters collaboration among parents, teachers, and students to create the best academic and learning environment for our children. The PTSA works to build parent involvement and to establish good communication between the home and school. The Walden PTSA provides opportunities to get involved in your child's education, connect with other Walden families, and support our teachers and their academic efforts. Become an active part of the Walden family by joining the PTSA.

How does the Walden PTSA benefit your child?

The PTSA has sponsored:

- Annual funding for major school projects
- \$1500.00 donation to the Green School Solar Panel Project
- Guest artists and authors
- Matching funds to purchase a new school piano
- School supply pantry
- Walden PTA Council scholarship winners
- Walden eighth-grade ROAR award winners
- Field trips made possible with PTSA funds and parent chaperones

How does the Walden PTSA benefit you as a parent?

The PTSA provides our parents with:

- Information about planning for college
- The NOW, a weekly email newsletter with current school news
- Walden Activity Guide listing clubs and sports at Walden
- Parent orientation and handbook
- Commencement reception
- An opportunity to interact with our principal at PTSA meetings

How does the Walden PTSA benefit our teachers?

The PTSA supports our staff by providing:

- Study materials for the Academic Decathlon team
- Start up fee for new elective class
- Class supplies such as lap whiteboards and special text books
- Four teacher appreciation luncheons during conference times
- New freezer, coolers, DVD player, and cash box
- Support of music program through dessert sales and raffles
- Sewing machine repairs

Delayed Start – Dine out! The Walden PTSA coordinates a restaurant fundraiser with each Delayed Start date throughout the school year. Each featured restaurant will donate a percentage of their sales when you turn in your voucher from Walden.

Sept. 18 – Domino's: 11am-midnight Jan. 14 – Domino's
Oct. 16 – Infusino's Family Night March 12 – Kewpees: 3-6:00
Nov. 13 – Noodles & Co. May 7 – Shilling's

Tie Dye T-shirts. Show your support for Walden and wear a Walden Tie Dye T-shirt. Available for \$15.00 each ONLINE ONLY at: www.racineonline.com/walden. Deliveries are made weekly to the students' Homegroup.

Dinner by Design Mention Walden when you purchase a regular package and Walden will receive a percentage back.

Just Sign Up

Just sign up Walden as your designated charity at the following retailers, and Walden will earn a percentage of your purchases:

Pick N' Save - Designate Walden (account #910560) as your charity for the Pick n Save WE CARE program at the store service counter. Every time you shop at Pick n Save and use your Advantage Plus Savers Card, Walden will receive a cash rebate.

Target will donate 1% of your Target purchases and ½ % of Target Visa purchases made elsewhere using your Target Visa card, to Walden. Enroll at www.target.com/tcoe or call 1-800-316-6142 and designate Walden as your school.

Office Depot –Mention Walden *every time* you shop at Office Depot, and they will donate 5% of your purchases to Walden.

Verizon - If you use Verizon as your long distance telephone provider, Walden can receive 5% of your monthly long distance spending. Call 1-877-XCREDIT or register online at www.verizon.com/extracredit.

PTSA Fundraising

With our stepped up efforts at fund raising, the PTSA has been able to provide additional materials and events for our students. Our goal is to **Keep it Simple!** while trying to find easy ways for families to contribute.

Market Day is *the* major fundraiser for **school clubs** at Walden. All profits are split between the sponsoring school club and the Walden PTSA. Market Day is a selection of quality foods that go from the freezer to the oven to provide quick, delicious meals for your family. Order forms are available in the office or online at marketday.com. Pickup is always the third Tuesday of the month from 4:00-5:00 in the cafeteria.

Scrip is money in the form of gift cards or certificates. You receive full value for each Scrip purchase, and the *retailer* donates 1-20% to Walden. Use Scrip *everyday* for groceries, gas, gift cards, or restaurants. Pick up an order form from the office or online at www.racineonline.com/walden, and return it to the office by noon on Fridays. You can also order online at www.shopwithscrip.com. Orders are delivered during Homegroup the following Friday. ***Scrip is the fundraiser that costs you nothing!***

Box Tops For Education Clip the Box Tops for Education labels from General Mills products and turn them in to earn **FREE MONEY** for our school. **THIS IS EASY!** Simply clip the Box Top label including the expiration date from Betty Crocker, Kleenex, Ziploc products, and more, and turn them in downstairs in the Home Tech room. See boxtopsforeducation.com for a complete list of eligible products.

Campbell's Labels Remove the labels from Campbell's and Pepperidge Farm products, and *the lids* from V8, V-8 Splash, Prego, and Campbell's Ready to Serve Soups. Turn them in to the box downstairs in the Home Tech room. Walden can redeem the labels for merchandise for our school needs. See labelsforeducation.com a complete list of eligible products.

We also collect **Kemps Milk Caps**.

Barnes & Noble Book Fair Do your Christmas shopping at Barnes & Noble on Dec 12, from 9:00 am to 11:00 pm using your Walden voucher, and Walden will earn between 15-25% of sales. Free gift-wrap is available. Remember to tell your friends and family!

Meetings

Walden PTSA meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month from 6:30-8:00 pm in the teachers' lounge in the west wing (enter from the breezeway on the north side parking lot).

The WOW (Word of Walden) Newsletter

The WOW is Walden's monthly newsletter for in-depth school information. It will no longer be mailed to your household unless requested (please contact the office). You can read it online monthly at www.waldeniii.org.

The NOW and Website

The NOW is our award-winning weekly email newsletter that highlights current school news in brief. To receive the NOW each week, send an email to NOW@waldeniii.org, or visit the Walden website at www.waldeniii.org and sign up on the homepage.

Student Activity Guide

Each year the PTSA publishes the Walden III Activity Guide, a useful reference for all the clubs, sports, and after-school activities available at Walden. Pick up your copy at the September Open House at the PTSA table. They are also available in the office.

Parent Handbook

The Walden PTSA offers a Parent Handbook, designed particularly for parents new to Walden. If you have questions or suggestions for improved information, please contact Lisa Scott Ptacek, 681-2414.

Membership

Become a part of the Walden community, and make a difference by joining the PTSA. Dues for 2008-2009 are \$6.00 per person. Join at the Open House in September or at any PTSA meeting. Membership is not required to attend meetings.

2008-09 PTSA Officers

President:	Lisa Scott Ptacek	681-2414
	lisascottptacek@aol.com	
Vice-President:	Jane Finkenbine	681-1962
	jfinkenbine@yahoo.com	
Secretary:	Rebecca Kaufman	554-8302
	rebecca@whitenova.com	
Treasurer:	Kim Forsman	886-1215
	kforsman@wi.rr.com	

2008-2009 Walden Calendar

September

- 2 First day of school
- 8 New Parent Night 6:00-7:00 pm
- 16 PTSA meeting 6:30 pm
- 14 Delayed Start – Dine Out at Domino’s 11:00 am - midnight
- 25 Open House 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

October

- 8-9 Bong Bike Trip
- 16 Delayed Start – Dine Out at Infusino’s
- 21 PTSA meeting 6:30 pm
- 30-31 No Classes – Teacher’s Convention**

November

- 13 Delayed Start – Dine Out at Noodles & Co.
- 17-26 Harvest Food Drive
- 20 PTSA meeting 6:30 pm
- 26 Thanksgiving Feast
- 27-28 *Thanksgiving Recess*

December

- 12 Barnes & Noble Book Sale 9:00 am – 11:00 pm
- Dec. 22—January 4 *Holiday Recess* (school resumes Jan. 3)**

January

- 15 Delayed Start – Dine Out at Domino’s 11:00 am - midnight
- 20 PTSA meeting 6:30 pm
- 26 **Records Day – no school**

February

- 17 PTSA meeting 6:30 pm

March

- 12 Delayed Start – Dine Out at Kewpee’s 3:00-6:00 pm
- 17 PTSA meeting 6:30 pm

April

- 10-19 ***Spring Recess* (school resumes April 20)**
- 15 PTSA meeting 6:00 pm, PTSA College Night 6:30

May

- 7 Delayed Start – Dine Out Domino’s
- 20 PTSA meeting 6:30 pm
- 22 Springing Walden
- 29 R.O.P.E. Presentation

June

- 5 Graduation 6:00 pm
- 10 Last Day of School

Conferences

Conferences are held 4 times a year at the completion of each quarter.

Conferences allow your Homegroup teacher to share information about your child’s daily work, schedules, test scores and goal setting for academic or behavior improvement. **Your participation in these conferences is critical** for your child’s success at Walden. If you have limited time available to meet, you may contact your child’s homegroup teacher by calling the Walden office (664-6250) and leaving a message. **Students and parents are required to attend conferences at Walden.**

2008-09 Quarter Dates

- 1st: September 2 – November 7 = 47 days
- 2nd: November 10 – January 23 = 43 days
- 3rd: January 27 – March 27 = 44 days
- 4th: March 30 – June 10 = 46 days

Conference Dates

- November 6-7
- January 22-23
- March 26-27
- June 9-10

Regular Class Schedule			
1 st Hour	7:15	-	8:05
2 nd Hour	8:10	-	8:59
Homegroup	9:03	-	9:23
3 rd Hour	9:27	-	10:16
4 th Hour	10:21	-	11:10
Lunch	11:14	-	11:44
5 th Hour	11:48	-	12:37
6 th Hour	12:42	-	1:31
7 th Hour	1:36	-	2:25

Homegroups

Homegroups meet daily after 2nd period. Homegroup teachers use this time to share school announcements, check attendance, and provide personal counseling. Students generally remain with the same Homegroup teacher during the middle or high school years.

Periodically, Homegroups may share in an historic ritual know as Homegroup breakfast/lunch. With your permission, your child will attend outings to various restaurants in the community.

Strong relationships can develop between students and staff in the Homegroup. At graduation, the Homegroup teacher presents the diploma and parting words to each of their students.