



Wisconsin Association  
of School Nurses

January 2024 Newsletter

# Don't forget to renew your membership!

## District 1 Social Gathering

Save the date for our social gathering on January 25th

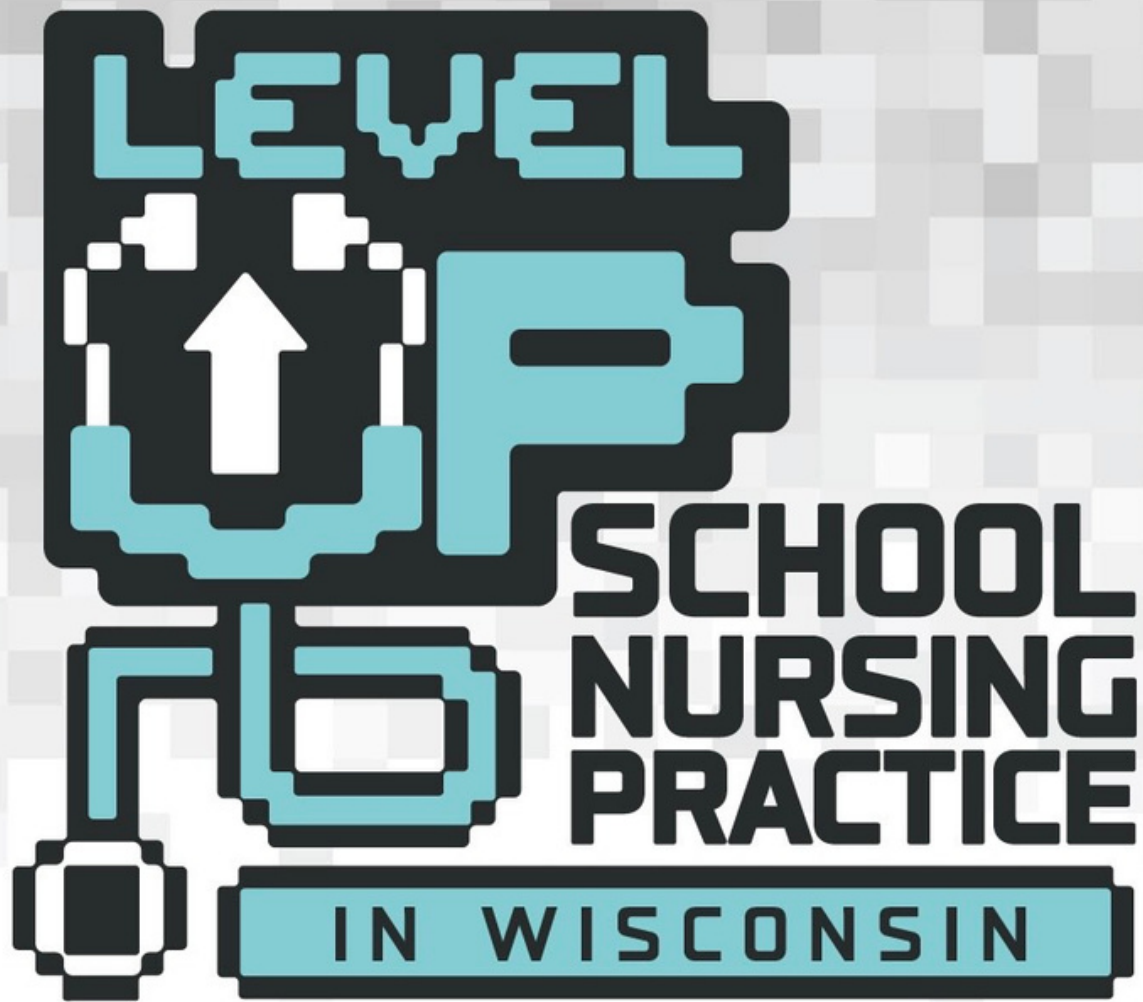
Where: Lion's Tail Brewing Co  
8520 W. North Ave, Wauwatosa

You can order food from Sendik's or carry in your own  
food if you wish!

Time: 530pm-9pm

## Resources to Share?

If you have resources to share, pass the information along to our [WASN executive assistant](#) and we can post the information on our website.



Save  
THE Date

**2024 WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION  
OF SCHOOL NURSES SPRING CONFERENCE**

Monday, April 29 – Wednesday, May 1, 2024  
Monona Terrace, MADISON, WI

# WASN Logos

Please Review and Vote for the logo you think should represent the WI Association of School Nurses!

## Why are we updating the logo?

We received feedback that our current logo (option 3 on the form) is outdated, lacks inclusion, and does not represent school nursing.

The Board of Directors took that feedback and vetted the following logos for membership to vote on.

## YOUR VOTE MATTERS!

Click on this [link](#) to review the logos and cast your vote.

## Updates?

Watch the [WASN News](#) section of the website for any updates.

Have news that you would like others to know about? Let the [WASN executive assistant](#) know and it will be posted in this area of the website.

## Looking for information?

If you are a member of WASN, you can post a question on our [discussion board](#). Just sign in with your WASN account and get started.

# Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Special Interest Group (SIG) Interest Meeting

Submitted by: Char Kizior, BSN, RN, NCSN

Gentle reminder: The DEI Special interest Group Interest Meeting is Thursday, January 25, 2024. It is not too late to register.

Dr. Cynthia Samuel, PhD, RN will be hosting the interest meeting. I worked with Dr. Cynthia on the NASN DEI Taskforce. If we can get more members to attend these interest group meetings and attend an in-person meeting at NASN2024 in Chicago we will be well on our way of becoming an official SIG and have a safe space for school nurses to discuss their issues with DEI in their practice.

**Happy New Year School Nurses!!**

**Wishing you and yours a most wonderful 2024 filled with abundant joy, happiness, and good health. Thank you for keeping the enthusiasm and conversations going about possibly having a NASN DEI SIG (National Association of School Nurses Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Special Interest Group) in NASN. We are making impact, and our voices are being heard. Here's another opportunity to participate in a DEI SIG INTEREST MEETING! The Zoom information is below. You must register to attend the meeting, so copy and paste the link below in a separate browser, and complete the necessary information. A confirmation email will be sent to you once you register. Bring your ideas, questions, concerns, and for those who don't mind, please share your DEI experiences. For almost 2 years, we've had several great virtual interest meetings, and the provocative discussions speak strongly to the need for a NASN DEI SIG. We had an engaging Focus Group Meeting this past summer at Conference in Orlando, Florida, and look forward to having another Focus Group Meeting at Conference this summer in Chicago. Those of you who have been there from the beginning, your continued dedicated support is much appreciated. Establishing a DEI SIG in NASN is a process, but we're motivated for the mission! I look forward to seeing you soon!**

**Warmest regards,  
Dr. Cynthia Samuel**

Hello,

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: Jan 25, 2024 05:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0ude-vpzlrHteHx9H8evRaPVan\\_tG5p69v](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0ude-vpzlrHteHx9H8evRaPVan_tG5p69v)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

# Board of Directors Positions

We are looking for *you* to fill these positions. Duties start 7/1/24. Know someone that would fit? Suggest their name be put on the April ballot. For more information contact: WASN executive assistant or the person currently holding the position.

The following positions will be open starting July 1, 2024 and we are looking for people to put on the ballot for the April elections:

**President Elect**  
**Nominations Chair**  
**Membership Chair**  
**District 3 Director**  
**District 9 Director**  
**District 11 and 12 Director**

The following positions are up for re-election:

**Treasurer - Bonnie Baranczyk**  
**District 1 Director - Tammy Mamayek; District 2 Director - Sue Richards**  
**District 4 Director - Jenna Euler; District 5 Director - Andrea Taylor**  
**District 6 Director - Amy Braeger**

**School Nurse of the Year 2024  
Nominations Currently Being  
Accepted**

**Submissions for School Nurse of the Year for 2024 are being accepted. Use this [link](#) to submit your nomination.**

**School Nurse Administrator of the  
Year 2024 Nominations Now Being  
Accepted**

**Submissions for School Nurse Administrator of the Year for 2024 are being accepted. Use this [link](#) to submit your nomination.**

# National Association for School Nurses

submitted by: Char Kizior, BSN, RN, NCSN NCSN Liaison for Wisconsin

Are you thinking of taking the test to become a Nationally Certified School Nurse? The National Board for the Certification of School Nurses (NBCSN) is your first step in getting started on your journey: <https://www.nbcsn.org/>

Information on exam preparation:  
<https://www.nbcsn.org/ncsn/the-exam/exam-prep/>

## Testing Dates for 2024

Spring Testing Window: March 1-April 2, 2024

Registration Window: November 20, 2023-February 1, 2024

Summer Testing Window: July 8-August 11, 2024

Registration Window: April 3-June 7, 2024

Fall Testing Window: October 24-November 24, 2024

Registration Window: August 12-September 24, 2024

The National Association of School Nurses has a Special Interest Group available in School Nurse Net/ Communities: National Certification Exam Candidates offering support and exam study groups.

# WASN wants you to become involved with our organization

We are looking for people to join and get involved in WASN. If interested in being part of the strategic planning, bylaws and operations, membership, marketing, scholarship, nominations and/or conference planning committees, complete this [form](#) and your contact information will be forwarded to the committee chairperson.

What WASN district am I a part of?

Click on this [link](#) and search by your school district. The CESA that your district belongs to is the WASN district that your school district is part of.