



FACULTY COLLEGE 2026
Co-Creating Healthy Learning Ecosystems
May 26-29, The Osthoff Resort at Elkhart Lake

SCHEDULE *(subject to change)*

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

3 pm to 5 pm	2026-27 Wisconsin Teaching Fellows & Scholars – Palm Room D Co-Directors Sarah Riforgiate UW-Milwaukee & Georjeanna Wilson-Doenges UW-Green Bay. <i>Meeting for WTFS only.</i>
4 pm to 6 pm	The Osthoff Resort check-in – Osthoff Lobby Faculty College registration – Palm Ballroom – <i>Laura Richards</i>
6 pm to 7:30 pm	Welcome Dinner – Palm Ballroom – Welcome – <i>Fay Akindes</i> , OPID Director, UWSA Getting Started – <i>Valerie Barske</i> UW-Stevens Point & <i>Heather Pelzel</i> UW-Whitewater
After-dinner socializing	The Elk Room (optional)

Wednesday, May 27, 2026 – Wear your university colors for our photo shoot at noon

8 am to 8:45 am	Breakfast – Palm Ballroom
8:45 to 9	Mindful Moment – <i>Valerie Barske</i> UW-Stevens Point Welcome – <i>Wayne Weber</i> Associate VP, Academic Affairs, UWSA
9 to 10:30	Workshop <i>Bryan Dewsbury</i> Florida International University & <i>Mays Imad</i> Connecticut College
10:30 to 10:45	Coffee/tea break
10:45 to Noon	Workshop (continued)
Noon to 1	Group Photo – UWSA photographer <i>Robbie Kosmeder</i> Followed by Lunch
1 to 4	Personal Retreat – reflective writing, reading, walking, etc.
3 to 4	<i>Discussion leaders meet with Bryan and Mays</i> – <i>Villa Gottfried Parlor</i>
4:15 to 5:45	Discussion – WTFS, University Teams
6 to 7	Dinner – Palm Ballroom

8:30 to 10:30 Firepit near Elkhart Lake (optional)
Games & puzzles – The Elk Room (optional)

Thursday, May 28, 2026

8 am to 8:45 am Breakfast - Ballroom
9 to 10:30 **Workshop**
10:30 to 10:45 Coffee/tea break
10:45 am to Noon **Workshop** (continued)
Noon to 1 Lunch
1 to 4 **Personal Retreat** – reflective writing, reading, walking, etc.
3 to 4 *Discussion leaders meet with Bryan & Mays – Villa Gottfried Parlor*
4:15 to 5:45 **Discussion Groups** – WTFS, University Teams
6 to 7 Dinner – Palm Ballroom
8:30 to 10:30 Firepit near Elkhart Lake (optional)
Games & puzzles – The Elk Room (optional)

Friday, May 29, 2026

8 to 8:45 **Breakfast** and Swag drop-off (optional) – Palm Ballroom
9 to 9:30 **Closing Thoughts** – *Bryan Dewsbury & Mays Imad*
9:30 to 11:15 **Guided Reflection & Goal-Setting**
Co-facilitated by Valerie Barske & Heather Pelzel
11:15 **Closing Comments** – *Fay Akindes* OPID/UWSA
11:25 Mindful Moment – *Heather Pelzel* UW-Whitewater
11:30 am **Farewell** / Swag Swap - *Villa Gottfried Parlor*

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