

## High School Team Snow Sculpting Competition MICHELS®

**Event Synopsis:** The Wisconsin Snow Sculpting Championship is a cornerstone of Sturgeon Spectacular each year. In 2025, we opened snow sculpting to more than just professionals, and we're looking to get more schools involved in 2026. You can form a team of 3 to 5 and apply for the High School Team Snow Sculpting Competition and YOU can sculpt a snow block at Sturgeon Spectacular. There is a maximum of 12 teams, so talk to some classmates and get a team together now.

Date/ Times: Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM – 3 PM (Lunch will be provided)

**Event Preparation:** Before the event begins, teams should have a finalized and approved design that follows the open theme and design guidelines. Open theme means your sculpture theme can be of your choosing (family-friendly content only).

**Application:** A team application must include the following: a sketch of the team design, OR a picture of a small-to-scale model of the sculpture (1 inch = 1 foot), the name of the sculpture, all team members, and a team captain. *The application deadline is Wednesday, January 21, 2026.* 

**Supplies:** Snow blocks will be provided (3x3x4).

Snow sculpting tools will be provided, but you may bring your own small hand-held tools such as chisels or trowels.

**Winning Information:** The winners of the High School Team Snow Sculpting Competition will be selected and announced the day of the event, but also recognized on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> during the Sturgeon Spectacular closing ceremony at THELMA starting at 1:30 pm.

All participants will receive an event keepsake, and the winning team will receive a \$250 art supply stipend for their school/class, specialty sweatshirts and a traveling trophy for their school.

This event takes place mostly outdoors, although an inside warming room will be available to teams. Teams should make sure they are wearing appropriate clothing to interact with snow. Removable layers, snow pants, hats, scarves, gloves, and winter boots are suggested.

## Schedule: Saturday, February 14th

**10 AM – 10:30 AM** Teams arrive and attend an introductory meeting.

**10:30 AM – 12 AM** Morning sculpting session

**12 AM – 1 PM** Teams will receive a lunch break. Lunch is provided.

**1 PM – 3 PM** Afternoon sculpting session. Tools down at 3 pm.

For guestions and more information, reach out to: Pete Wilke (Email: director@fdlfest.com / Call: 920-238-1282)