



# IROQUOIS NEWS

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November/December, 2022

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Panther Parents,

Panther Prowl was a great success this year. Thank you to all of you that donated and volunteered to make this event a positive experience for our students and our school. We had an amazing amount of prizes to give away to students this year due to the generosity of our amazing community!! This year, we were able to raise just over \$26,000! These funds will go directly back to supporting our teachers and our students.

The end of first quarter is quickly approaching. Report Cards will be posted in your Parent Portal on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. We will no longer be sending home paper copies. If you do not have a Parent Portal account established or need assistance logging in, please contact the Iroquois Office. Success for your student increases with good communication between school, student and parent. If you should have questions at any time, feel free to contact teachers, counselor and/or administration through email or by phone for assistance.

*Helpful Tips for discussing report cards with your child:*

- ◆ *Praise your child for their hard work and success in a specific category. Encourage your child to continue to put forth their best effort.*
- ◆ *Discuss areas for improvement only after discussing areas of success. Make a specific plan with your child for improvement such as practicing math facts for a few extra minutes or reading non-fiction texts, etc.*

As a school community, we look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure this continues to be the best school year yet!

Sincerely,  
Chris Gardner  
Principal

### IROQUOIS MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Iroquois Middle School Community, will provide a safe, supportive, challenging environment that encourages students to reach academic potential, develop respectful behaviors, and become responsible and successful citizens.

*Please remind your student(s) to . . .*

**BE RESPECTFUL . . . TAKE OWNERSHIP . . . ACT RESPONSIBLY**



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# NEWS TO KNOW

## CALENDAR

Nov 4	End of 1st Quarter
Nov 7-14	Canned Food Drive
Nov 7-18	Gift Card Drive
Nov 8	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Nov 10	Picture Re-Take Day 8:00AM-11:00AM
Nov 17	Bagel Sale
Nov 17	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Nov 23-25	Thanksgiving Break
Nov 30-Dec 8	Toy Drive
Dec 12	Band Concert
Dec 14	Trivia Tournament
Dec 15	Donut Sale
Dec 15	Choir Concert
Dec 21	Holiday Break begins at 10:53AM Dismissal
Jan 3	Classes Resume 7:58AM
Jan 11	Half Day — Dismissal at 10:53AM
Jan 16	NO SCHOOL
Jan 20	End of 2nd Quarter; Half Day — Dismissal at 11:05AM
Jan 26	Bagel Sale
Jan 26	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Jan 26	Spelling Bee
Jan 26	Winter Activity Night from 6:00-8:00PM
Feb 8	Count Day
Feb 10	Volleyball Tournament
Feb 16	Donut Sale
Feb 17	Mid-Winter Break begins at 10:53AM Dismissal
Feb 27	Classes Resume 7:56AM
Mar 6	6th Grade Band Concert
Mar 7	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Mar 8, 9	Parent/Teacher Conferences Evening Only (5:30-8:00PM)
Mar 10	Half Day — Dismissal at 10:53AM
Mar 23	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Mar 24	Dodgeball Tournament
Mar 30	Bagel Sale
Mar 31	End of 3rd Quarter
Mar 31	Spring Break begins at 10:53AM Dismissal
Apr 10	Classes Resume 7:58AM
Apr 12	PSAT for 8th Graders / late start for 6th & 7th Graders
Apr 20	Trivia Tournament
Apr 27	Donut Sale
May 16	NO SCHOOL — Professional Development Day
May 18	Bagel Sale
May 26	NO SCHOOL — Memorial Day Holiday
May 29	NO SCHOOL — Memorial Day Holiday
Jun 1	Band Concert
Jun 12	CJ Barrymore's Field Trip for 6th & 7th Graders
Jun 14	Last Day of School - Half Day — Dismissal at 10:53AM

**CAC = Citizens Advisory Committee** — Any Iroquois parent is welcome to join our informal CAC meetings. The meetings are held in the school office conference room.

## SCHOOL HOURS

**7:58AM to 2:42PM**

**The doors open  
at 7:15AM**

## DROP-OFF & PICK-UP PROCEDURES

**THE CIRCLE DRIVE AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL IS DESIGNATED FOR BUSES ONLY BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL.**

**ALL STUDENTS SHOULD BE DROPPED OFF IN THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL AT THE DOORS NEAR THE TENNIS COURTS.**

**STUDENTS SHOULD BE PICKED UP AT THE END OF THE DAY IN THE SAME PARKING LOT AS THE MORNING DROP OFF. IF PICKING UP A STUDENT AFTER 3:00PM, PLEASE USE FRONT CIRCLE DRIVE.**

**PLEASE CONSIDER THE SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS AND FOLLOW THE PROCEDURE AND RESPECT THE SPEED LIMIT. THANK YOU!**

## MOVING??

If you move, please provide the Iroquois office with proof of your new residency. Items that are accepted are a copy of a signed lease, a copy of the warranty deed from a purchase and 2 current utility bills. Once all documentation has been received, we can change your child's address on file. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Due to over crowded buses, **students are not allowed** to ride a friend's bus home after school. The Transportation Department thanks you for your help in this matter.



# NEWS TO KNOW

## IMPORTANT PROCEDURES

(Please Read and Save)

**ABSENCE REPORTING PROCEDURE** - **ALL** absences, including hospital stays and vacations, should be reported to the main office by calling the attendance line. The office will then notify the teachers. **ABSENCES** should be called in before 8:00AM to (586)723-3799. Please leave the student's name, grade level, reason for absence and length of absence on the absence line. We are required to report illnesses to the Macomb County Health Department and must be advised of any illness, especially if contagious. It is also important to call the attendance line when your child is going to be tardy.

**EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORM** - Please make sure your child's emergency information is up-to-date throughout the year with current emergency phone numbers and authorized persons for picking up your child in case of illness. If a child becomes ill during the day, we expect that child will have a way to get home.

**HOMEWORK REQUEST** - Homework requests are prepared **beginning with the second consecutive day** your student is absent. The request should be left on the Attendance Line when reporting the absence. A message will be given to all involved teachers. Homework assignments will be sent to the office for pick up between 3:00 and 3:30PM. Parents are asked to bring in their child's locker number and combination to retrieve their books and folders. For students going on vacation, make-up work should be requested no later than the day they return from vacation. Make-up work should be completed within the same number of school days as he/she was absent, unless special arrangements have been made with each teacher.

**EARLY DISMISSAL PROCEDURE** - When a child needs to leave school early, parents are to come into the office to sign the child out. Children will **only** be released to persons on their emergency form with a valid picture ID. If signing out for an appointment, when returning to school, the student needs to come into the office to sign back in and get a pass to class. Parents do not need to come back in when returning the child to school.

**STUDENT MESSAGES AND DELIVERIES** - If your child has called home because they have forgotten their lunch, money or any other item needed for the day, please bring it to the main office. Students are aware it is **their** responsibility to check for the item in the office. Lunches that are not picked up in the office are put on the stage in the cafeteria to be picked up during lunch time. When a delivery is unexpected, your child will be notified at a time when it will least disrupt the class.

**PLEASE TRY TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO HELP YOUR CHILD REMEMBER THEIR THINGS FOR THE SCHOOL DAY. IT IS DISRUPTIVE TO YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING DAY IF WE HAVE TO CALL THEM TO THE OFFICE TO PICK UP THINGS OR TO MAKE A PHONE CALL TO YOU. When delivering lunches, notebooks, money, etc., PLEASE make sure your child's name is clearly marked on the item.**

### IS YOUR STUDENT'S LOCKER GETTING JAMMED?

Please make sure that there is no contact paper or tape on the inside of the locker door. Also, any mirrors or magnets stuck to the inside of the door need to be away from the edge of the door. The mechanism that opens the locker door runs the entire length of the door. If anything is blocking it, that will cause the locker not to open.

### PLEASE DO NOT BRING THESE ITEMS TO SCHOOL . . .

- ⇒ **Perfume or cologne:** There are a couple of students that are HIGHLY allergic to these items. Please refrain from using them at school.
- ⇒ **Balloons or flowers:** Please do not deliver these items to students. There is simply no place for the student to keep them during the day. Also, balloons are not allowed on the busses.

# NEWS TO KNOW

## Attention Parent Volunteers— We Need Your Help!

If you would like to volunteer your time to help at any of the various activities at Iroquois throughout the school year, we would like your help. You will be required to complete a Volunteer Criminal Record Check form on-line. **A new form must be completed each school year.** Please contact Maureen Varcak at 586-723-3704 if you need the link. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Melissa Lancucki at [Melissacon333@yahoo.com](mailto:Melissacon333@yahoo.com) and watch the morning announcement e-mails for volunteering opportunities.



## 1st QUARTER REPORT CARDS

- \* End of 1st Quarter is Friday, November 4, 2022.
- \* Report cards posted to Parent Portal on November 11, 2022.

## KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

If you have a Kroger card, you can earn money for the education of Iroquois students. Simply log into your Kroger account on-line and select Community Rewards from the bottom of the Kroger homepage. The page will show if you currently have Community Rewards linked to an organization. If you'd like to establish that Iroquois should receive the rewards or change your current organization to Iroquois Middle School, search under our name or enter our Organization Code which is BK099. Thank you for your support.



## STUDENT ID CARDS

If your child loses their student ID card, a replacement card can be purchased for \$2.00. Please see Mrs. Varcak in the main office.



## APPROPRIATE SCHOOL FASHION

- Shorts, skirts/skorts must be below middle fingertip length when a student's arm is extended at their side.
- NO** leggings can be worn alone. You must wear a longer shirt over them.
- NO** short shirts showing under-garments or exposing the waistline while in the standing or sitting position.
- Pants **MUST** be worn at the waistline.
- NO** bandanas are allowed in school even if the girls wear them to hold their hair back (they should use regular headbands - not bandanas folded up).
- All sleeves **MUST** cover the shoulders with a full hand's width.
- NO** hats can be worn in school.
- NO** tank tops are allowed. These may be worn **ONLY IF** it is being covered at all times by an appropriate shirt.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Ripped clothing, such as jeans, should not expose under-garments and rips must be below middle finger tip length.
- NO** clothing made of see-through material.
- NO** muscle shirts.
- NO** clothing advertising tobacco, alcohol, or drugs may be worn in school.
- NO** clothing containing designs/pictures/symbols or language that are sexually suggestive, vulgar or profane are allowed in school.

*Further information about the Dress Code can be found in the Chippewa Valley Schools Student Code of Conduct*

## NSF Checks

At this time, the fee we are being charged by the bank for checks that are returned NSF is \$20.00. This is a fee that will be passed on to parents when a check is returned to us.

## ARE YOU IN NEED OF HELP?

If you are in need of help for the holiday season, please contact Lynn Dawson at [ldawson@cvs.k12.mi.us](mailto:ldawson@cvs.k12.mi.us) or at 586-723-3750 by November 15. We are holding our Annual Gift Card Drive November 7-18 and look forward to helping our neighbors at Iroquois.

## Donate your Clothes and Shoes to Midwest Recycling

Please consider donating your clothes and shoes to the Midwest Recycling bin at our school. Iroquois Middle School will earn money for each pound of clothes and shoes donated!

Our Midwest Recycling donation bin is located by the recycle bin on the side of the building.



Thank you for your assistance.

## LOCKER DECORATION

Students may decorate lockers for birthdays only before school begins. Please remember to bring your own supplies and tape.



# NEWS TO KNOW

## Medication Administration in School

Listed below are some key points in the Chippewa Valley School District Medication Administration Policy. The purpose of the policy is to support the health needs of children during school hours and to ensure the safety of all children.

- \* **Legislation on Inhalers:** Public Act 10 allows a public or non-public school student to possess and use a metered dose inhaler of a dry powder inhaler for the relief of asthma symptoms, or before exercise to prevent the onset of asthma symptoms while at school, or on school-sponsored transportation, or at any school-sponsored activity **if** there is written approval from the student's physician or other health care provider and the student's parent/guardian for the student to possess and use the inhaler; **and** the building administrator has received a copy of the written approvals from the physician and the parent/guardian.
- \* Any student that requires an EpiPen, is diabetic or takes seizure medication, **MUST** have an action plan completed and on file with our Health Aide. Action Plan forms are available at the school.
- \* Before any medication can be administered in school, written authorization from the child's physician and parent **must** be obtained **and** be on file in the school office. Separate forms are available in the main office and on the district's website for prescription and non-prescription medications.
- \* All medication should be brought to school by the child's parent/guardian.
- \* All medication should be in the original bottle or container. Medication not in the original bottle cannot be administered.
- \* Containers should be labeled with the child's name, medication, dose, time and route of administration.
- \* Information on the use and adverse effects of any medication given in school should be provided to the school by the parent, pharmacist, or physician.
- \* Parents **must** notify school personnel if their child has conditions such as allergies, diabetes, or asthma, so that proper precautions/training may be put in place.
- \* Making sure that your children are safe and healthy is our primary concern. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the office at 723-3700.

## Showing our Iroquois Pride

Iroquois Middle School has a program in which we use Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) to help our students be successful in demonstrating their "Panther Pride" every day. It is a way to encourage positive behavior from our students on a regular basis. The program is displayed throughout the building and reinforced throughout the school day. The program consists of using our three expectations of being respectful, taking ownership and acting responsibly. The concept of PBIS helps promote a positive social learning environment and as a result, has shown to improve academic performance since students are concentrating on their learning more than acting inappropriately.

Students receive acknowledgements in the form of ROAR Tickets from staff when they are "caught doing something good". As teachers and other staff members catch a student acting responsibly, respectfully or taking ownership of their choices, they are rewarded with a ROAR Ticket which they can immediately turn in for a prize or they can save their tickets for larger prize drawing throughout the year. Students will also have the opportunity to cash in (or pool tickets with friends) to visit our Panther Pad with three of their friends during lunch. This is a recreation room that has a Foosball Table, blue tooth speaker, games and more. Students will be monitored by parent and teacher volunteers while in the Panther Pad. Our parent volunteer coordinator is always looking for help, so if you're interested in helping supervise and/or improve the Panther Pad, please contact Mr. Abraham.

By showing appreciation to these students through the use of ROAR Tickets, it is our mission to have other students follow their lead. Iroquois' PBIS program has proven to be effective through the decrease of student discipline problems since its implementation. Our students are excited to demonstrate their ability to navigate the trials and tribulations of the middle school years with kindness, empathy and an open-mind.

Having trouble with behavior? Use this model to reinforce positive behavior at home!



# NEWS TO KNOW

## CHIPPEWA VALLEY FOOD SERVICE

The Chippewa Valley Schools Food Service Department would like to welcome you to the 2022/2023 School Year. New lunch menus are available at the beginning of each month.

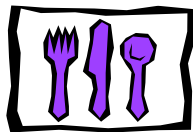
### Free and Reduced Meal Applications:

- **Complete only ONE application per family, even if your students attend school in different buildings within the district.**
- Students who were on the program at the end of last school year remained on the program through mid-October. **Everyone must submit a new application prior to that date or all benefits stopped.**
- Students who receive a pre-approved letter do NOT need to re-apply.
- Applications can be submitted electronically at [www.LunchApp.com](http://www.LunchApp.com).

### To open/replenish your student's Debit Account, follow these steps:

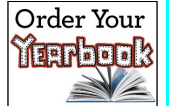
1. Send a check (payable to CV Food Service) or cash to school with your student. For complete accuracy, include your student's name in the "memo" portion of your personal check.
2. Student gives the check/cash to the cashier in the cafeteria who will open/replenish the student's account on the spot.
3. **Students are not permitted to charge lunch or any food item.**
4. Debit accounts can be replenished electronically at [chippewavalley.familyportal.cloud](http://chippewavalley.familyportal.cloud). Balances are automatically rolled over from year to year for all students.

If you have further questions regarding the Free and Reduced Lunch Program or the Debit Card Program, call the Food Service Hotline at 586-723-2294.



## THE TIME TO ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK IS NOW!

The end of the school year may seem far away, but it is time to place your yearbook order. The 2022-2023 yearbook will include many new, fun and exciting features. Yearbook prices start at \$15 and can be customized for an additional cost. Visit: <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com> to order. Our yearbook ID code is: 1529623. The yearbook price will increase to \$20 effective January 1, 2023.



## YEARBOOK COVER

We would like to thank the nearly 40 talented Panthers that entered our 2022-2023 Yearbook Cover Contest. We are excited to announce that Olivia Wood will have her drawing featured on the front cover of our yearbook and Corey Cojocar will have her drawing featured on the back cover of the yearbook. Congrats to both Olivia and Corey. An honorable mention also goes out to Sofia Gonzalez and Makayla Molnar who will have their drawings featured inside the yearbook. Thank you again everyone who entered!



## HIGH SCHOOL 9TH GRADE SCHEDULING INFORMATION

Counselors from Chippewa Valley and Dakota will come to Iroquois to help students input their scheduling information for high school on **Tuesday, March 21. Please make every effort for your student to attend school this date.**

### Chippewa Valley High School

Chippewa Valley High School will be hosting an 8th Grade Parent Meeting to help educate parents on the scheduling process. The meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 6:00PM** in the Chippewa Valley High School Auditorium (just inside Entrance A). This meeting is for **parents/guardians** only. Parents are then encouraged to attend the **Chippewa Valley High School Curriculum Fair from 6:30-8:00PM**. This is an opportunity to visit with departmental representatives to learn about their programs and see what CVHS has to offer for course selections.

### Dakota High School

The Dakota High School 8th Grade Parent Meeting and Curriculum Fair has not been scheduled at that date. More information will be provided once a date is released.

## Attention 8th Grade Parents:

Throughout the school year, your student will be taking a series of assessments for placement into high school courses. These tests will evaluate their skills in reading comprehension, algebra readiness and other mathematical concepts. It is **ESSENTIAL** that parents reinforce the importance of these assessments to their students. Each student must try their personal best so that they can be appropriately placed into high school courses for their freshman year.

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

### Student Council Officers

**President:** Franco DiNello  
**Vice President:** Bryce Mahar  
**Treasurer:** Anthony Mansoor  
**Secretary:** Layla Gendernelle  
**Historian:** Harper Merida

### Student Council Meeting Dates

November 2	March 1
December 7	April 10
January 4	May 3
February 1	June 7

Meetings are held from 7:15-7:45AM in the Media Center

### Sponsor

**Shannon Lafrate:** slafrate@cvs.k12.mi.us

### STUDENT COUNCIL SALES

**BAGEL SALES:** Nov 17, Jan 26, Mar 30, May 18  
**DONUT SALES:** Dec 15, Feb 16, Apr 27  
**ALL ITEMS ARE \$2**

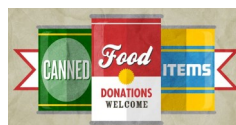
### Student Council Members

**6th Grade:** Samantha Boisvert, Kaylie Brunson, Charlotte Campbell, Kayla Castle, William Cavender, Gavin Cooney, Aaron Cooney, Kaitlyn Davis, Malaya Delossantos, Avneet Deo, Kenzi Dougherty, Andrei Eguia, Chloe Farley, Kamiah Hughes, Gabrielle LaRue, Matthew Majchrzak, Anthony Meraja, Charles Miller, Jack Noe, Delaney O'Neill, Hailey Ross, Kinley Scalici, Kaylani Scott, Annabella Shyti, Taylor Schmidt, Stefani Spasovski, Ryan Spiewack, Evelyn Wiegand, Peyton Witkowski, Liam Zabkowski

**7th Grade:** Ina Batayola, Olivia Boron, Samuel Cooper, Emma Griessel, Eva Jankowsky, Lourdes Kanno, Anderson Little, Anthony McCarthy, Gabriella Mercier, Aliya Mroue, Alivia Nimo, Tyler Pardon, Natalie Patterson, Sahej Randhawa, Gabrelle Savoy, David Sibley, Julia Smolinski

**8th Grade:** Adeline Brown, Cara Brown, Isabella Cavender, Riley Chu, Amalia Cristea, Alyssa Fudge, Alexandria Johnson, Nadia Lo Iacono, Julianna Marshall, Cullen Messing, Juliette Sharka, Isabella Shehu

### CANNED FOOD/GIFT CARD DRIVE



Student Council is sponsoring a Canned Food Drive from November 1-14 and a Gift Card Drive November 7-18 to help the Iroquois families

and families in the community that need assistance for the Thanksgiving season. Canned Goods should be given to their homeroom teacher as the homeroom that collects the most will win cider and donuts. Gift cards should be in \$5 or \$10 increments and can be purchased from Kroger, Meijer, Target, Walmart or similar stores. Students that donate \$10 in gift cards will be entered into a drawing to win cider and donuts for their lunch table. The Student Council appreciates your support in helping families in our community.



### Restaurant of the Month

Present a flyer at the Chipotle at 13488 23 Mile Road on November 16 and Iroquois will receive 33% of sales.



### CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

From November 30—December 8, Student Council is sponsoring a Christmas Toy Drive to benefit Children's Hospital of Michigan's SNOWPILE event. Each year, SNOWPILE allows parents of hospitalized patients to "shop" for presents for their child and his or her siblings at the holidays. Thanks to many generous corporate and individual donors, these parents can experience unexpected holiday joy without having to leave their sick child's bedside. More information, including the SNOWPILE wish list, will be available on our Student Council page on the Iroquois' website as the event gets closer.



### TRIVIA TOURNAMENT

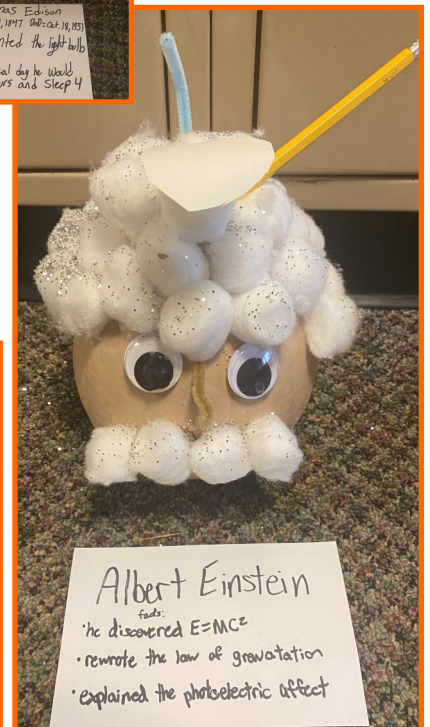
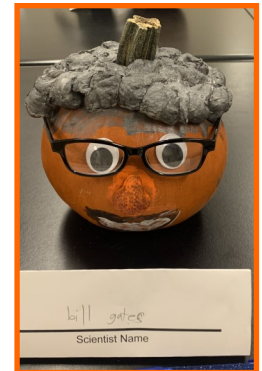
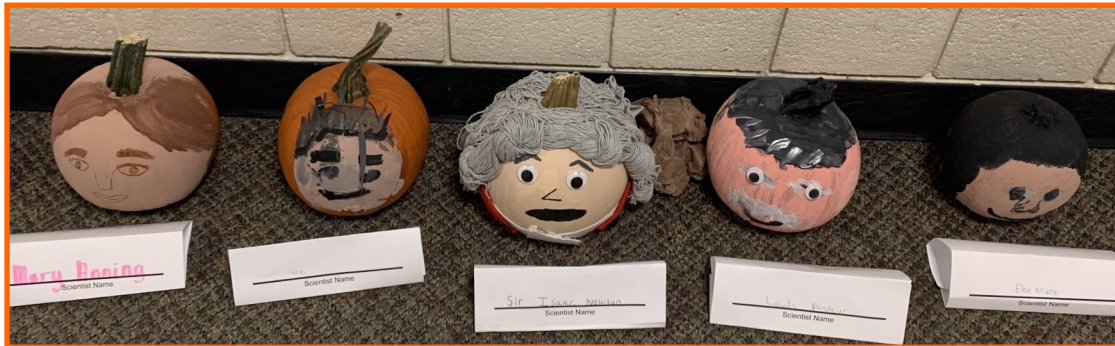
On Wednesday, December 14, Student Council will be hosting a Trivia Tournament from 6:00-9:00PM. Registration will be through PaySchools Central. Watch the morning announcements for details on how to register your team of 4 players. The entrance fee is \$10.00 per person. Winners will receive a holiday gift basket and their team's name on a school trophy.



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## 6TH GRADE PUMPKIN CONTEST

6th Grade Science classes decorated pumpkins in the likeness of famous scientists. The winners were Katelyn Aude (Jane Goodall), William Cavender (Jose Manuel Rodriguez Delgado), Giovanni Mazzi (Claudius Ptolemy), Emberly Nelson (Albert Einstein), Brooklyn Silage (Thomas Edison) and Georgia Vanker (Ada Lovelace). Below are pictures of other famous scientist pumpkins.





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## PANTHER PROWL

We would like to take the opportunity to thank the students and parents for supporting Iroquois' Panther Prowl. On October 17, 2022, students and staff participated in the Panther Prowl and because of everyone's generosity, we were able to raise over \$25,000! Staff will have the opportunity to apply for funds that will directly impact students. Prowl monies have been used for assemblies, flexible seating in classrooms, Science Alive presentations, classroom magazine subscriptions, frames for student artwork and much more!

***Our Grand Prize winners donated \$200 or more and will have their name displayed on our Iroquois Top Donor banner to be hung in our school! Thank you to the following students:***

Madison Barrett	Landon Doeblar	Madysen Lucas	Noah Stotz
Ella Bench	Francesco Farnese	Anthony Mansoor	Alejandro Velasco
Samantha Brandt	Alyssa Fudge	Harper Merida	Annabelle Weiss
Kylie Brunson	Jozef Ivezaj	Liam Pallitto	Jylian Yurgo
Connor Cameron	Lourdes Kanno	Andrew Rabine	
Lorenzo Ciranni	Johnathon Kearns	Kenya Rambus	
Russell Clark	William Klinger	Evan Reisner	
Casey Cojocar	Addison Knoll	Sofia Reo	
Corey Cojocar	Emma Lancucki	Addyson Russo	
Conner Cole	Gabrielle Lancucki	Andrew Scott	
Adrianna Costa	Jacob Lefever	Nathaniel Smith	

Also, Rosemary Tharrett, Iroquois Paraeducator and her husband donated a \$500 Best Buy Gift Card which was raffled to students that donated. Congratulations to William Klinger for winning that awesome prize! And, a special thank you for Rose and her husband for the donation! We also raffled off Apple AirPods that went to Alejandro Velasco and a WiFi Projector that went to Julia Smolinski.

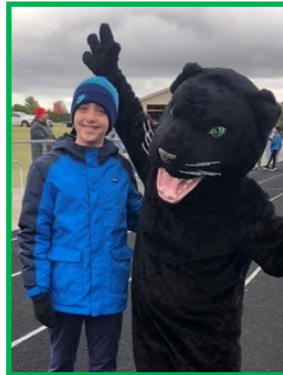
A big thank you goes out to our community and parent sponsors. Also, thank you to all of the parent volunteers who donated their time to prepare for and work the event. We couldn't do this without you!



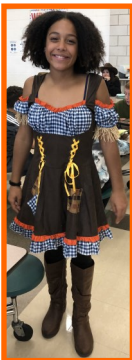
**THANK YOU AGAIN FOR MAKING THIS YEAR'S PANTHER PROWL SO SUCCESSFUL!!**

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The Student Council held a Costume Contest for Halloween. Congratulations to Joud Salem (8th), Matthew Cort (7th) and Landon Radatz(6th) for winning the contest from their respective grades. We'd also like to share some other fabulous costumes.



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## Congratulations to our 2022-2023 National Junior Honor Society Members

The students listed below applied for membership to NJHS. They were selected based upon their applications, GPA and teacher recommendations.

Marbena Adam	Alyssa Fudge	Nadia Lo Iacono	Alexander Petras
Mila Bogojevski	Tyler Gardner	Maydsen Lucas	Nathan Porter
Braden Bonacci	Lorenzo Garrisi	Gianna Mangone	Brandon Puszc
Adeline Brown	Cameron Grabinski	Anthony Mansoor	Alivia Reardon
Cara Brown	Jason Hasaj	Andrew Marciniok	Ethan Samyn
Abigail Cartwright	Preston Hooper	Julianna Marshall	Juliette Sarka
Isabella Cavender	Stacy Hoti	Lilly McEvoy	Amanda Sawden
Riley Chu	Veronica Hower	Michael Merkler	Seanna Shearer
Russell Clark	Tyler Ishmael	Cullen Messing	Isabella Shehu
Casey Cojocar	Jozef Ivezaj	Makayla Molnar	Savannah Silage
Corey Cojocar	Alexandria Johnson	Peyton Morgan	Amelia Sitarski
Amalia Cristea	Brooke Kotas	Bryce Morrison	Abbie Smith
Benjamin Crowley	Sophia Kuna	Hannah Mustazza	Hayden Smith
Franco DiNello	Sydney Lane	Nicole Nehra	Sophia Steen
Alan Dok	Margaret Latra	Francis Nguyen	Noah Weller
Morgan Fecteau	Luke Ledford	Carly Nowakowski	Kelsey Yonkowski
Madison Foley	Andrea Lin	Lucas Parks	

### Meeting Dates

November 10  
December 8  
January 19  
March 9  
April 13  
May 11

All meetings at 7:15AM  
in the Media Center

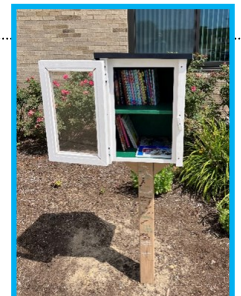
### Community Service Hours

#### Due Dates

January 20  
March 31  
May 19

The Iroquois National Junior Honor Society members are off to a great start this year living up to the NJHS motto of "Service Over Self." In addition to their own self-selected community service hours, many members have been assisting at various PTO and PEN events at some of the elementary schools in Chippewa Valley. Keep an eye out for their smiling faces throughout our community!

You may have also noticed a new addition to the front of our building at Iroquois – our very own "Little Free Library." Be sure to check out this "take a book, return a book" free book exchange! Anyone may take a book or bring a book to share. Check back often, as the books change as participation grows. Thank you to our 2021-2022 NJHS members for making this special program available for our community!



### 6th Graders "Eye Dissection"



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

This program is designed to let our students know that their “positive” behavior is appreciated and noticed. This award is not given for academic achievement, but rather in recognition of the student’s good citizenship, effort, manners, dependability and positive attitudes. Each month, every staff member selects one student from his/her classes to be Student of the Month. These students will be given a special token of appreciation and a certificate.

**Congratulations to our Students of the Month for September, 2022:**

**6th Grade:** Caroline Baaki, William Cavender, Parker Chu, Grayson Conley, Gavin Cooney, Daniella Lucaj, Riley Moses, Andrew Rabine, Tasnia Rahman, Hailey Ross, Christiano Shamoon, Brynleigh Warne, Dominic Zoli

**7th Grade:** Ryan Aleardi, Vito Anulewicz, Kayden Black, Artem Darmogray, Francesco Farnese, Benjamin Hallendy, Ralesha Mansor, Chase Minello, Zachary Sawa, Max Senopole, Alejandro Velasco

**8th Grade:** Joseph Balthazor, Riley Chu, Adriana Costa, Sophia Kuna, Gabrielle Lancucki, Amanda Meyerhoff, Nicole Nehra, Venicia Shallal



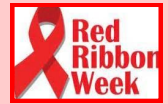
## RED RIBBON MONTH

Last month during Red Ribbon Week, students were asked to sign contracts stating that they had a discussion with their parents about the danger of using drugs. Of those contracts that were submitted, student’s names were drawn for prizes. The winners of the prizes were:

**6th Grade:** Riley Kelly, Faith Kue, Brielle Nielson, Delaney O’Neill, Landon Radatz, Kinley Scalia

**7th Grade:** Damilola Abejide, Violet Anderson, Benjamin Hallendy, Kara Shrum, Kane Yates

**8th Grade:** Benjamin Crowley, Alexander Gobeia, Avery Houghton, Owen McMurray, Lucas Parks, Kelsey Yonkowski



Congratulations to all the Iroquois students for their participation and commitment to remain drug free!

## Spectator Rules for Iroquois Athletic Contests

### Iroquois Athletic Event

*SPORTSMANSHIP EXPECTATIONS...*

**Be RESPECTFUL. Be RESPONSIBLE. Be SAFE.**

- Students must receive an eligibility stamp or bracelet to attend all after-school events. Eligibility is based upon behavior, attendance and academics.
- Enter the gym no earlier than 3:00PM. 7th Grade games begin at 3:30PM and 8th grade games begin at approximately 4:45PM.
- Please arrange (**in advance**) a ride home from the games. You should only leave the building once your ride has arrived. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade games end at approximately 4:40PM. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade games end at approximately 6:00PM. You should not be in the building after 6:00PM.
- Students must stay in designated student sections during the game.
- Students **will not** be able to go to their lockers during or after the games.
- Spectators should enter through the Athletic Entrance and will use the bathrooms outside the of the gym. Locker Rooms are for the athletes and coaches only.
- We do allow food and drink in the stands; however, you must throw empty cans, bottles, wrappers and bags in the garbage cans located at the ends of the bleachers. **Students are not allowed to leave school and go to 7-Eleven.** Those students who do this will not be allowed to re-enter.
- Stand and show respect during the National Anthem.
- Students will cheer and support teams in a positive and sportsman-like manner.
- All rules in the Code of Conduct are in effect at games. Students are responsible for their behavior.

**Be a part of the SPORTSMANSHIP TEAM!**



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## Boys Basketball Schedule 2022-2023

Date	Opponent	Location
12/1	ABS	Away
12/8	LCE	Home
12/12	Fraser	Away
12/14	LCC	Home
12/15	ABN	Away
1/5	Romeo 2	Home
1/9	LCN	Away
1/12	Romeo 1	Home
1/17	LCS	Home
1/18	Seneca	Home
1/19	Wyandot	Away
1/23	Algonquin	Away

Game Times—7th Grade @ 3:30PM  
8th Grade @ 4:45PM (approximately)



## 7th & 8th GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL TRY-OUTS

### 7th Grade Iroquois Boys Basketball

#### Try-Out Dates and Times:

Friday, November 4th 3:00-4:30PM  
Monday, November 7th 3:00-4:30PM  
Wednesday, November 9th 3:00-4:30PM (Cut Day)  
Jeremy Thoel, 7th Grade Basketball Coach (586-723-3755)  
[jthoel02@cvs.k12.mi.us](mailto:jthoel02@cvs.k12.mi.us)

### 8th Grade Iroquois Boys Basketball

#### Try-Out Dates and Times:

Friday, November 4th 4:30-6:00PM  
Monday, November 7th 4:30-6:00PM  
Wednesday, November 9th 4:30-6:00PM (Cut Day)  
Jeff Vitale, 7th Grade Basketball Coach (586-723-3807)  
[jvitale@cvs.k12.mi.us](mailto:jvitale@cvs.k12.mi.us)



Any players trying out for a team **must** have the following items:

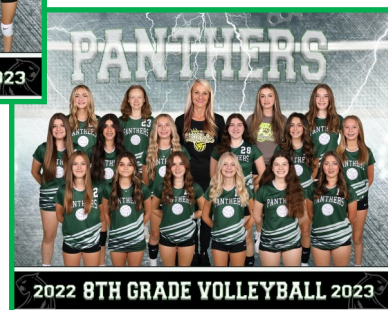
1. A **current** athletic physical dated after **April 15, 2022** (unless they played football or volleyball for Iroquois this season).
2. Please wear gym shorts, t-shirt, basketball shoes or tennis shoes. It is helpful if the t-shirt has their last name on the back for identification.

TRYOUTS ARE **CLOSED** TO ALL SPECTATORS.  
PLEASE WAIT FOR YOUR CHILD OUTSIDE OF THE GYM. THANK YOU!

## VOLLEYBALL

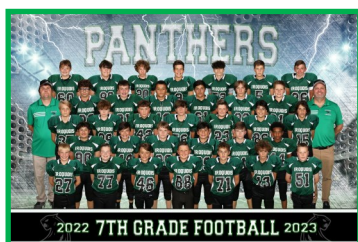
I had the pleasure of coaching the 7th grade volleyball team this year with a group of girls who displayed good sportsmanship, kindness, and above all, determination throughout this season. They always had great attitudes, played as a team and encouraged each other. I am so grateful to have coached these girls and witnessed their growth. The girls ended their season with a record of 8-4. I can't wait to see what these girls accomplish next year! ~ Coach Kailyn

I had the privilege of coaching this team last year as 7th graders and then again this year. This was such a strong and powerful 8th grade team. Every day, these girls worked hard and were dedicated to do their very best. They improved every step of the way to a very successful season. They always played as a team and never gave up. We ended our season with an impressive 11 - 1 record and finished in 1st place in our league. Congratulations girls on an incredible season. I am so proud of you! ~ Mrs. George



## FOOTBALL

The 7th grade football team showed their amazing talent and depth throughout the course of the 2022 season as they posted an impressive 5-1 record. The team started out the season with an impressive win on a 2-point conversion stand and ended the season with a dominating win over Seneca. This team has much promise as they head into 8th grade. Congrats on a fantastic season!!!



The 8th grade football team got off to a tough start losing a close game to Anchor Bay North and a good Romeo team. They quickly turned it around with big wins against Bemis and Shelby on the road. The Malow game ended in a tie, but was a hard-fought game to the end. The team ended the season with a convincing 20-6 win over Seneca at Dakota HS. The boys showed great improvement throughout the season and really hit their stride as the season went on. Excited to see what they can do in high school!!!! Great season 8th grade!! Remember, you're always a Panther!!



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## DIRECTIONS TO AWAY GAMES

Algonquin Middle School—19150 Briarwood Lane, Clinton Township, MI: From Metro Parkway (16 Mile Road) turn right onto Charter Oaks (Charter Oaks is located off Metro Parkway on the North side of the street – between Moravian and Grosebeck.) Turn left on the first street which is Briarwood. School is located behind the houses on the right-hand side.

Anchor Bay North Middle School—52805 Ashley, New Baltimore, MI: Take Romeo Plank to 23 Mile Road and take it past Jefferson into downtown New Baltimore (23 Mile will become Green Street in New Baltimore.) Turn left at Washington. The school will be on the right. Turn in the far driveway past the school, follow the service drive past the buses and you should see the back of the gym.

Anchor Bay South Middle School—48650 Sugarbush, New Baltimore, MI: Take I-94 North to Exit 241 (21 Mile Road.) Go East on 21 Mile Road to Sugarbush. Go North on Sugarbush to 2<sup>nd</sup> stop sign (approx. 2 miles) and turn right (East.) Continue until you see the school on right-hand side.

Chippewa Valley High School-18300 Nineteen Mile Road, Clinton Twp., MI.

Dakota High School—21051 21 Mile Road, Macomb, MI.

L'anse Creuse Central—38000 Reimold, Harrison Township, MI: Take Cass Road East (Cass turns into Crocker in Mt. Clemens.) Immediately after I-94 expressway but before 16 Mile, turn left on Reimold.

L'anse Creuse East—30300 Hickey, Chesterfield, MI: Go North on Gratiot past 24 Mile Road. Turn right on Hickey Road. The entrance will be on your right.

L'anse Creuse North—46201 Fairchild, Macomb, MI: Take Hall Road East to Fairchild (Fairchild is the next main street after North Avenue.) Go North on Fairchild. The school is right after the railroad tracks. OR, take 21 Mile Road East and turn right onto Fairchild; the school will be before the railroad tracks.

L'anse Creuse South—34641 Jefferson, Harrison Township, MI: Take 16 Mile Road East to Harper and turn right. Take Harper to Shook Road and turn left. Go over the expressway and after the 2<sup>nd</sup> light veer to the right. Shook changes into Jefferson. The school will be on the West side, ¼ mile past the 2<sup>nd</sup> light.

Mt. Clemens Jr. High—161 Cass Avenue, Mt. Clemens, MI: Approximately 1 mile East of Groesbeck. Go to the light and turn right into parking lot.

New Haven Endeavour School (New Haven) – 22505 26-Mile Road, Ray, MI 48096

North on Romeo Plank Rd. Turn LEFT onto 25 Mile Rd. Turn RIGHT back onto Romeo Plank Rd. Turn RIGHT on 26 Mile Rd. Endeavour School is on the north side of 26 Mile Rd.

Powell Middle School—62100 Jewell, Washington, MI: Take Van Dyke expressway North to 28 Mile Road and turn right. The first stop sign you come to is Jewell Road; turn left on Jewell. Look on the right-hand side for the school.

Richards Jr. High—33500 Garfield, Fraser, MI: On Garfield, approximately 1/3 of a mile South of 15 Mile Road on the East side of the street. Richards is on the South side of Fraser High School.

Romeo—297 Prospect, Romeo, MI: Van Dyke North – Turn left on 32 Mile Road past the center of town and take the 4<sup>th</sup> street on the right (Chandler Street.) Go one block. Parking lot is on the right. Gym is at the North end of the school. **\*ROMEO TRACK MEETS AND FOOTBALL GAMES ARE ALWAYS HELD AT POWELL MIDDLE SCHOOL.**

Seneca Middle School—47200 Heydenreich, Macomb, MI: Seneca is located at the corner of 21 Mile Road and Heydenreich.

Wyandot Middle School— 39490 Garfield, Clinton Township, MI: School is located on the East side of Garfield, between 17 and 18 Mile Roads.