

iroquois News

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November/December, 2021

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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. This year, we were able to raise just over \$25,000! 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 sent home with students on November 12th. 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, counselors and administration through email or by phone for assistance.

Thanksgiving will be here before we know it! Thanksgiving is an opportunity to reflect upon what we are thankful for. I am extremely thankful to work here at Iroquois Middle School with a great staff, wonderful students and a supportive community.

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.



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Please remind your student(s) to . . . BE RESPECTFUL . . . TAKE OWNERSHIP . . . ACT RESPONSIBLY

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

Nov 2	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Nov 5	End of 1st Quarter
Nov 11	Bagel Sale
Nov 12	Picture Re-Take Day 8:00AM-12:00PM
Nov 24-26	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 1-12	NWEA Winter Window
Dec 9	Donut Sale
Dec 13	Holiday Band Concert 7:00PM
Dec 16	Holiday Choir Concert 7:00PM
Dec 17	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Dec 20-22	Holiday Spirit Week
Dec 22	Holiday Break begins at end of school day
Jan 4	Classes Resume 7:58AM
Jan 12	Half Day — Dismissal at 10:53AM
Jan 13	Donut Sale
Jan 15	Band Solo & Ensemble for 7th and 8th grades NO SCHOOL
Jan 17 Jan 19	
Jan 27	Spelling Bee 9:00-11:00AM
Jan 28	Bagel Sale End of 2nd Quarter; Half Day — Dismissal at 10:53AM
Feb 9	Count Day
Feb 10	Donut Sale
Feb 11	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Feb 16/17	Pre-Festival Concert
Feb 18	Mid-Winter Break begins at 10:53AM Dismissal
Feb 28	Classes Resume 7:56AM
Mar 1-25	NWEA Spring Window
Mar 3/4/5	Band Festival for 7th and 8th grades
Mar 8	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Mar 9, 10	Parent/Teacher Conferences Evening Only (5:30-8:00PM)
Mar 10	Bagel Sale
Mar 11	Half Day — Dismissal at 10:53AM
Mar 14	6th Grade Band Concert
Mar 22	8th Grade High School Class Scheduling
Mar 24	Donut Sale
Mar 25	Dodgeball Tournament 6:00-8:30PM
Apr 1	End of 3rd Quarter
Apr 1	Spring Break begins at 10:53AM Dismissal
Apr 11	Classes Resume 7:58AM
Apr 11- May 6	M-Step Window for 8th grade
Apr 13	PSAT for 8th Graders / late start for 6th & 7th Graders
Apr 14	Bagel Sale
Apr 15	NO SCHOOL — Good Friday
Apr 21	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Apr 25-May 20	M-Step Window for 6th and 7th grades
May 10	NO SCHOOL — Professional Development Day
May 12	Donut Sale
May 26	Bagel Sale
May 30	NO SCHOOL — Memorial Day
Jun 6	Band Concert at 7:00PM
Jun 7	8th Grade Awards
Jun 13	CJ Barrymore's Field Trip for 6th and 7th Graders
Jun 14	Half Day — Dismissal at 10:53AM
Jun 15	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.

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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 <u>BUSSES ONLY</u> 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** <u>are not allowed</u> to ride a friend's bus home after school. The Transportation Department thanks you for your help in this matter.



IMPORTANT PROCEDURES

(Please Read and Save)

<u>ABSENCE REPORTING PROCEDURE</u> - <u>ALL</u> 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.

<u>EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORM</u> - 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.

<u>HOMEWORK REQUEST</u> - Homework requests are prepared **beginning with the second** <u>consecutive</u> 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.

<u>STUDENT MESSAGES AND DELIVERIES</u> - 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 <u>their</u> 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., <u>PLEASE</u> 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 ...

- \Rightarrow **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.

Attention Parent Volunteers— We Need Your Help!

If you are available during the day and 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 Criminal Record Check form with a copy your driver's license. <u>A new form must be completed</u> <u>each school year</u>. Volunteers are needed at all times of the day from 8:00AM to 9:00PM for different events. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Michelle Puma at 586-242-5612 (smpuma@comcast.net) or

Teri Yearkey at 586-215-9920 (tyearkey13@gmail.com).



1st QUARTER REPORT CARDS

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- * End of 1st Quarter is Friday, November 5, 2021.
- * Report cards will be sent home on Friday, November 12, 2021.

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.

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- •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 Idawson@cvs.k12.mi.us or at 586-723-3750 by November 15. We are holding our Annual Gift Card Drive in November 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.



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, <u>MUST</u> 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 <u>must</u> 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 responsible, 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!



NEW/ TO KNOW

CHIPPEWA VALLEY FOOD SERVICE

The Chippewa Valley Schools Food Service Department would like to welcome you to the 2021/2022 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 October 15, 2021. 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.

To open/replenish your student's <u>Debit Account</u>, 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 www.sendmoneytoschool.com. 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.



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.

<u>THE TIME TO ORDER YOUR</u> <u>YEARBOOK IS NOW!</u>

The end of the school year may seem far away, but it is time to place your yearbook order. The 2021-2022 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: **1529622.** The yearbook price will increase to \$20 effective January 1, 2022.



YEARBOOK COVER

Thank you to the talented students for their time and effort in entering our 2021-2022 Yearbook Cover Contest. We received many wonderful entries! Congratulations to Julia Tussey whose artwork will be featured on the front cover of the yearbook and

Corey Cojocar whose artwork will be featured on the back cover of the yearbook. Our runners-up were Cassandra Metcalfe and Ina Batayola. Great job ladies!



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 22. 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 16, 2022 at 6:30PM in the <u>Chippewa Valley High</u> <u>School Auditorium</u> (just inside Entrance A). This meeting is for <u>parents/guardians</u> only. Parents are then encouraged to attend the Chippewa Valley High School Curriculum Fair from 7:30-9:00PM. 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.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT STODENT COONCIL NEWS

Student Council Officers

President: Liam Dougherty Vice President: Franco DiNello Secretary: Cade Mahar Historian: Megan Hamann

Student Council Meeting Dates

November 5 December 3 January 7 February 4

March 4 March 18 April 22 May 6

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

STUDENT COUNCIL SALES

BAGEL SALES: Nov 11, Jan 27, Mar 10, Apr 14, May 26 DONUT SALES: Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 24, May 12 ALL ITEMS ARE \$1

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

Student Council Members

6th Grade: Ina Batayola, Samuel Cooper, Ayden Dedenbach, Layla Gendernelle, Lydia Gordon, Emma Griessel, Eva Jankowsky, Anderson Little, Bryce Mahar, Gabriella Mercier, Harper Merida, Nino Moore, Aliya Mroue, Alivia Nimo, Tyler Pardon, Natalie Patterson, Gabrelle Savoy, David Sibley, Mya Zelenak

7th Grade: Adeline Brown, Cara Brown, Amalia Cristea, Nadia Lo Iacono, Anthony Mansoor, Cullen Messing, Julianna Marshall

8th Grade: Lauren Abbott, Chloe Benedict, Leah Bongiorno, Addison Cooper, Jasleen Deo, Catherine DeVuyst, Lily Foreman, Kimora Hansbrough, Andrew Kulhavi, Sophia Lafrate, Aidan Ledbetter, Emily Mossington, Giselle Nahhas, Emily Nastic, Isabella Nuculaj, Helena Okruta, Isabella Plumaj, Alana Puma, Breanna Savoy, Madeline Scherer, Megan Smith

GIFT CARD DRIVE

Student Council is sponsoring a Gift Card Drive from Monday, November 1 through Monday, November 15, Gift cards should be in \$5 or \$10 increments and can be purchased from Kroger, Meijer, Target, Walmart or similar stores. The homeroom that collects the most money in aift cards will win donuts and cider for their classroom. Please give your gift cards to your homeroom teacher. The Student

Council appreciates your support in helping families in our community.



6TH GRADE EYE DISSECTION

Late last month, the 6th graders dissected pig eyes as part of their Science curriculum. Below are pictures of their adventure.





6TH GRADE PUMPKIN CONTEST

6th Grade Science classes decorated pumpkins in the likeness of famous scientists. The winners were Milena Sinjari (Elizabeth Blackwell pumpkin) and Madelyn Gough (Galileo pumpkin), Below are pictures of other famous scientist and the 6th graders that represented them.

















STUDENT SPOTLIGHT PANTHER PROWL

We would like to take the opportunity to thank the students and parents for supporting Iroquois' Panther Prowl. On October 14, 2021, 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:

Regep Aleksi Alexia Barrett Zachary Blazejewski Samantha Brandt Alexander Brown Giuliana Cipriano Russell Clark Jennessa Davis Landon Doebler James Eckstein Alyssa Fudge Emma Griessel Johnathon Kearns William Klinger Brooke Kotas Madysen Lucas Adrianna Lutsch Isabella Markowski Harper Merida Zayden Mullins Nevaeh Nalou-Valverde Isabella Nuculaj Haylee Osgood Kaycie Osterman Liam Pallitto Colin Pomeroy Emily Pomeroy Tyler Rogers Jaxyn Rollins Addison Ryan Hannah Sawdon Madeline Scherer Noah Shea Peyton Simone Spencer Sunde Julia Tussey Alejandro Velasco Lucas Vergin Alexandra Waugh Annabelle Weiss Olivia Wood Chloe Woutkiewicz Matthew Woznica

Also, Rosemary Tharrett, Iroquois Lunch Monitor and her husband donated a \$500 Best Buy Gift Card which was raffled to students that donated. Congratulations to Francesco Farnese for winning that awesome prize! And, a special thank you for Rose and her husband for the donation!

A big thank you goes out to our community and parent sponsors. Also, thanks 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!!

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT PANTHER PROWL



The Student Council held a Costume Contest for Halloween. Congratulations to Giorgio Selitaj (8th), Alexander Petras (7th) and Dima Shabaa (6th) for winning the contest from their respective grades. We'd also like to share some other fabulous costumes.



Congratulations to our 2021-2022 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.

Morgan Alderson Isaac Bierlein Alyssa Boron Ashlyn Boudia Ethan Campbell Ashley Collett Kaidyn Conlin Austin Denomme **Cooper Dolot** Liam Dougherty Alfonzo Carlos Eguia Gianna Esposito Allison Fecteau Haley Fohey Lily Foreman Julian Garlinghouse

Colin Gebby Kimora Hansbrough **Emily Hinson** Allie Kleinow Sophia Lafrate Zachary Lambert Alexa Lopez-Gonzalez Adrianna Lutsch Cade Mahar Megan Manson Lorenzo Martino Jenna Merandi Emily Mossington **Giselle Nahhas** Helena Okruta Haleigh Packett

Shiv Patel Aleksandar Premcevic Eastinn Puffpaff Alana Puma Jacob Rouseau Braden Schulte Saranna Shamasha Jason Sholtz Julia Sinishtaj Megan Smith Daniel Stevenson Peyton Syska Benjamin Thoel Alexandra Waugh Nathan Yearkey

Meeting Dates November 11 January 20 March 24 May 19 All meetings at 7:15AM in the Media Center Community Service Hours <u>Due Dates</u> January 28 April 1

May 20

The Iroquois National Junior Honor Society members are living up to the NHS motto of "Service Over Self". In addition to their own self-selected community service hours, many members have the opportunity to volunteer at a variety of events including tutoring, sporting events or helping a teacher.



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, 2021:**

<u>6th Grade</u>. Colin Ala, Aiden Blundy, Paige Briley, Connor Cameron, Madilyn Gough, Isabelle Londo, Kacper Przydzial, Sofia Reo, Rivira Shangi, Angela Tocco, Alejandro Velasco, Matthew Woznica, Ava Zvanciuk

7<u>th Grade</u>: Nathan Borton, Amalia Cristea, Tyler Gardner, Bianca Kerhoni, Makenzie Maeder, Carly Nowakowski, Alexander Petras, Alivia Reardon, Amanda Sawden

8th Grade: Zaki Almukhtar, Reese Carter, Derick Conrad, Aidan Ledbetter, Brian Noe, Helena Okruta, Tra Von Palmer, Joey Powell, Giovanni Rappette, Mariano Rivera, Braden Schulte, Ashley Yelda

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:

<u>6th Grade</u>: Malana Adams, Sloan Ala, Petrit Anadoli, Romin Boisvert, Emilio Graish, Emma Griessel, Noah Kasky, Vincent Litsair, Bryce Mahar, Christian McCreary, Nino Moore, Aliya Mroue, Natalie Patterson, Odalys Ramirez-Guerrero, Kaylee Townsend <u>7th Grade</u>: Gabrielle Lancucki, Logan Rewitzer

<u>8th Grade</u>: Mia Blanks, Leah Bongiorno, Ashlyn Boudia, Addison Burger, Andrew Fecteau, Allie Kleinow, Bryce Kleinow, Candace Staley, Emerson Zsigo

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 7th grade game ends approximately 4:40PM. The 8th grade game ends approximately 5:50PM. You should not be in the building after 6:00PM.
- Students must stay in designated student sections during the game.
- Students <u>will not</u> 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!**



JDENT SPOTLIGHT

Boys Basketball Schedule 2021-2022

	<u>2021-2022</u>	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	Location
12/2	LCN	Away
12/6	ABN	Home
12/9	Romeo	Home
12/13	Wyandot	Away
12/16	Algonquin	Away
1/4	Seneca	Home
1/6	Romeo	Away
1/13	LCC	Home
1/18	LCS	Away
1/20	Algonquin	Home
1/24	Seneca	Away
1/26	Wyandot	Home
Game Times-	7th Grade @ 3:30PM	

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

VOLLEYBALL

This year was a special year because I coached both the 7^{th} and 8^{th} grade volleyball teams. I am so proud of all 30 girls. They worked hard and fought through every game. I am amazed at how much they improved. The 7th grade team ended the season with an 8-4 record. The 8th arade team started out with a few tough losses, but really stepped it up mid-season and pulled out some impressive wins. They ended their season with a 5-7 record. All in all, it was an amazing season and I truly enjoyed coaching this great group of girls!

~ Mrs. George

FOOTBALL

Our 7th grade football team has had a great year as they have a 3-1 record right now with one



game left to play. They play on November 2 against Shelby Jr. High. The team has showed tremendous improvement from the opening game loss to Romeo as they followed that up with wins against Algonquin, Wyandot and Seneca.

Our 8th grade football team has had a great year as they have a 4-1 record right now with one game left to play. They play on November 1 against Anchor Bay North. The team started the season with wins against

Romeo, Algonquin, Wyandot, and Shelby Jr. high before dropping a tough game to Seneca. They have improved greatly on last year's 1-2 record.

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

7th Grade Iroquois Boys Basketball **Try-Out Dates and Times:**

Monday, November 8th 3:00-4:30PM Tuesday, November 9th 3:00-4:30PM Wednesday, November 10th 3:00-4:30PM (Cut Day) Jeremy Thoel, 7th Grade Basketball Coach (586-723-3755) ithoel02@cvs.k12.mi.us

8th Grade Iroquois Boys Basketball **Try-Out Dates and Times:** Monday, November 8th 4:30-6:00PM

Tuesday, November 9th 4:30-6:00PM

Wednesday, November 10th 4:30-6:00PM (Cut Day) Jeff Vitale, 7th Grade Basketball Coach (586-723-3807) jvitale@cvs.k12.mi.us

Any players trying out for a team **must** have the following items: A current athletic physical dated after April 15, 2021 (unless

they played football or volleyball for Iroquois this season). Please wear gym shorts, t-shirt, basketball shoes or tennis shoes. 2. 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!





2021 8TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL 2022

DIRECTIONS TO AWAY GAMES

<u>Algonquin Middle School–19150 Briarwood Lane. Clinton Township. Ml</u>: 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.

<u>Anchor Bay North Middle School—52805 Ashley, New Baltimore, MI</u>: 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.

<u>Anchor Bay South Middle School–48650 Sugarbush. New Baltimore. MI</u>: Take I-94 North to Exit 241 (21 Mile Road.) Go East on 21 Mile Road to Sugarbush. Go North on Sugarbush to 2nd 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.

<u>L'anse Creuse Central—38000 Reimold, Harrison Township, MI</u>: 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.

<u>L'anse Creuse North–46201 Fairchild, Macomb, MI</u>: 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.

<u>L'anse Creuse South–34641 Jefferson, Harrison Township, MI</u>: 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 2nd light veer to the right. Shook changes into Jefferson. The school will be on the West side, ¹/₄ mile past the 2nd light.

<u>Mt. Clemens Jr. High–161 Cass Avenue, Mt. Clemens, Ml</u>: Approximately 1 mile East of Groesbeck. Go to the light and turn right into parking lot.

<u>New Haven Endeavour School (New Haven) - 22505 26-Mile Road, Ray, MI 48096</u> 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.

<u>Powell Middle School—62100 Jewell. Washington. MI</u>: 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.

<u>Richards Jr. High–33500 Garfield, Fraser, MI</u>: 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.

<u>Romeo–297 Prospect, Romeo, MI</u>: Van Dyke North – Turn left on 32 Mile Road past the center of town and take the 4th 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.**

<u>Seneca Middle School–47200 Heydenreich, Macomb, MI</u>: 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.

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2021 / 2022 IN-PERSON CHALLENGE INFORMATION

ESCAPE ESCAPE TENULA	TECHNICAL - A perilous situation! A daring escape! And 2 amazing devices that will overcome hazards! All of this awaits your team in this season's Technical Challenge	TRUENT TALES TALES ALAL	FINE ARTS - All is not what it seemstricks and illusions abound in this season's Fine Arts Challenge! Your team will tell a tale of a trickster overcoming a tricky situation.
MINIT MINIT	ENGINEERING - Let's get rolling! Your team will create a structure that can roll down a ramp before holding as much weight as possible. This season's Engineering Challenge will be your chance to show how a legend is made.	HIL US	SERVICE LEARNING - Dive into the world of science fiction as you flash forward to the future to show the impact of the amazing project your team designed to meet a community need. What does the future hold in this season's Service Learning Challenge?
	SCIENTIFIC - Get ready to think small! In this season's Scientific Challenge, your team will dive into a microworld where characters will encounter a mysterious object. What mysteries will be revealed?	FEGTIVAL FREATVAL	IMPROVE - It's time to celebrate! Your team will explore festivals and tell a story in two acts. What will happen on the road to adventure? Find out in this season's Improvisational Challenge!
HONSTER HANNERS HANNERS	EARLY LEARNERS – K-2 PROGRAM - You are cordially invited to join us for this season's Rising Stars Challenge! Your team will practice using good manners and tell a story about a family of monsters moving into a new home.	i join us for this ing into a new h	season's Rising Stars Challenge! Your team will practice using ome.

2021 / 2022 VIRTUAL CHALLENGE INFORMATION



1 CHALLENGE. 1 DEADLINE. 1 NEW ADVENTURE.

We want to ensure that ALL students are able to participate in DI during the 2021-22 school year, so we've created a brand new way to challenge creative minds around the world!

Six Weeks to Solve! Registered teams will receive the Challenge on October 1. Then, they will have just under 6 weeks to solve one awesome new Challenge that's flexible enough for any learning environment – virtual, in-person or hybrid. Top the Digital Charts! Just like at Global Finals, teams will be scored and ranked. Winners will be announced in December. There will also be a virtual showcase for all the teams' hard work!

