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IROQUOIS NEWS

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER, 2019

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

The beginning of another school year is just around the corner. I am very pleased and excited to kick off a new school year and am eager to get started. With each new year, new opportunities and challenges arise. This year, we are excited to welcome some new faces to our building as a result of promotions. Mrs. Wright has accepted the position of principal at Clinton Valley Elementary School, filling her position will be Mr. Greg Finlayson. Mr. Swanson accepted an assistant principal position at Seneca Middle School, replacing him we have hired Mrs. Beth Corbat. I am confident that Mr. Finlayson and Mrs. Corbat will be great additions to our school community.

Our wonderful staff has been preparing for the opening of school on Tuesday, September 3, 2019. The first day of school is a partial day, first hour begins at 7:56 AM and our school day will end at 10:50 AM.

If you would like to get a jump on school supplies, a suggested list by grade level can be found in this newsletter. Teachers will also be giving a suggested supply list to your student the first day of class. Please encourage your student to bring paper and a pencil to record important information during the first day of classes.

If you are driving your child to school, the drop-off/pick-up area is in the back of the building near the tennis courts. Please be aware that the circle drive is designated for buses before and after school. With our growing student population and traffic congestion, we greatly appreciate your cooperation by following the drop-off/pick-up procedures. If bussing is offered to you, we strongly encourage your child to ride the bus.

The exterior doors near the band room entrance will be open, the interior doors will remain locked until 7:00 AM. Therefore, if a student arrives to school prior to that time, they will only be able to stand in the vestibule. Students will not be able to enter the school until the interior doors are opened at 7:00 AM. Once the doors are opened, students must proceed to the cafeteria where they will be supervised and have the opportunity to purchase breakfast.

I encourage every parent to sign up for School Messenger this fall. This can be done through Parent Portal and will enable me to email and/or text you directly whenever important information needs to be distributed. Registration will only take a few minutes and can be done from your home computer. If you have provided your e-mail address on the Emergency Data Verification form, you are automatically enrolled for e-mail messages.

I look forward to working with you this year!

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

Sep 3	First Day of School 7:56AM—Dismissal 10:50AM
Sep 10	Curriculum Night 6:30-7:45PM
Sep 19	Picture Day
Sep 26	CAC Meeting 9:00AM
Oct 2	Count Day
Oct 10	Panther Prowl
Oct 11	Free/Reduced Lunch expires for last school year
Oct 29	Picture Re-Take Day 9:00-11:00AM
Nov 1	End of 1st Quarter
Nov 1	School Halloween Dance from 6:00-8:00PM
Nov 6, 7	Parent/Teacher Conferences (afternoon and evening)
	Partial Day — Dismissal at 10:29AM
Nov 8	Partial Day — Dismissal at 10:50AM
Nov 27-29	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 20	Holiday Break begins at 10:50AM Dismissal
Jan 6	Classes Resume 7:56AM
Jan 20	NO SCHOOL - Professional Development Day
Jan 24	End of 2nd Quarter; Partial Day — Dismissal at 11:05AM
Feb 7	School Valentine's Day Dance from 6:00-8:00PM
Feb 12	Count Day
Feb 14	Mid-Winter Break begins at 10:50AM Dismissal
Feb 24	Classes Resume 7:56AM
Mar 11, 12	Parent/Teacher Conferences Evening Only (5:30-8:00PM)
Mar 13	Partial Day — Dismissal at 10:50AM
Apr 3	End of 3rd Quarter
Apr 3	Spring Break begins at 10:50AM Dismissal
Apr 13	Classes Resume 7:56AM
Apr 14	PSAT for 8th Graders / late start for 6th & 7th Graders
Apr 23	Partial Day — Dismissal at 10:50AM
May 7	Partial Day — Dismissal at 10:50AM
May 25	NO SCHOOL — Memorial Day
Jun 2	8th Grade Awards 7:00PM
Jun 15	6th & 7th Graders to CJ Barrymore's
Jun 16	Last Day of School - Partial Day — Dismissal at 11:05AM

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

SCHOOL HOURS

7:56AM to 2:44PM

Students who arrive before 7:45AM **must** report to the cafeteria.

From the Desks of the APs

Welcome back parents and students. We hope your summer was relaxing and enjoyable.

PICTURE DAY

Picture day will be Thursday, September 19. Please be sure to dress your best! Retakes will be the morning of October 29.

PANTHER PROWL FUNDRAISER

Our annual fundraiser will be held Thursday, October 10th. The Prowl is the only school-wide fundraiser for Iroquois. Proceeds from this event help fund field trips, activities, equipment, guest speakers, and more. Other fundraising events held at school will benefit outside charities, but only the Prowl directly benefits the students of Iroquois. We are always looking for volunteers to help coordinate and work this event.

QUICK TIPS FOR FOLLOWING SCHOOL RULES

- Upon arrival to school, students should safely pack away their backpacks and purses in their lockers. These items are not allowed to be carried during the day.
- Cell phones are prohibited during school hours and must be stored in lockers.
- Classes begin promptly at 7:56AM, but students are expected to arrive to school earlier in preparation for their day. We recommend all students to ride a bus if it is available to them. Students being dropped off should arrive to school with enough time to get organized for class.
- Please be mindful of our district's dress code policy as you shop for new school clothes. Our dress code can be found in the student code of conduct on the Chippewa Valley webpage. A code of conduct will be distributed at Panther Day or will be sent home with each student on the first day of school. Here is an abbreviated list of prohibited clothing and items. Please see the Code of Conduct for more details.
  - * No skirts or shorts that do not extend past the student's fingertips.
  - * No garments that do not cover the shoulders (the "three finger rule" is a myth).
  - * No hats or hoods are permitted during the school day.

ATTENDANCE AND TARDIES

Good attendance is strongly linked to academic success. Adversely, students who miss school frequently or arrive late to school and classes earn much lower grades then their peers. Iroquois Middle School strongly enforces the district's attendance policies. Students with high numbers of absences from school will be referred to the Macomb County Truancy Department who will meet with family members to investigate the reasons for poor attendance.

Tardiness to class is also strongly enforced. Adequate time is given between classes for students to gather materials, use the restroom, or get a drink. Excessive tardies to class will result in students being assigned detentions or suspensions and may prevent students from being allowed to attend extra-curricular events.

AFTER SCHOOL EVENTS

Iroquois encourages students to attend after school events as spectators. Enthusiastic spectators help to build school spirit and encourage students who are participating in the events. However, attendance as spectators at these events will be limited to students who fit the following criteria:

Good school behavior
Good attendance
Low or no tardies to classes
Adequate academic achievement (grades)

In addition, students are not allowed to leave and return to school property before or during an event. This includes walking to 7-Eleven.

PARKING LOT POLICY

First and foremost, we recommend that all students take their assigned bus to school. If students must be driven, all students MUST be dropped off and picked up at the rear of the building (near tennis courts). Students should exit cars at the curb. Please do not allow your student to walk through the parking lot or across the drive lines during arrival or dismissal. This creates unsafe situations for students and drivers. Thank you for your cooperation.

We wish everyone a happy, healthy and successful school year.

We look forward to a year of fun and success!
Mr. Abraham and Mr. Finlayson

NEWS TO KNOW

Medication Administration in School

We feel this is a good opportunity to reinforce some of the 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. Key points to remember are:

* 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 for prescription and non-prescription medications.
* **All medication should be brought to school by the child's parent/guardian. Students cannot bring medication to school.**
* 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.
* 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 our Health Aide at 586-723-3778.

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. Please encourage your child to leave a message as to why they are calling if you are not available to answer their call. The office staff is not always aware of why a student is calling home and we are not able to interrupt classrooms during class time. Students are aware it is their responsibility to pick up the item from the office, so please remind them to check 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, it will be forwarded to your child at a time when it may least disrupt class time. Items dropped off for after-school athletics will be placed in an athletic bin in the front office and will be available for pick up at lunch time and after school.

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 CONTACT YOU. If you must deliver lunches, notebooks, money, etc., PLEASE make sure your child's name and grade are clearly marked on the item. This helps to ensure proper delivery of items.

Due to 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. Also, please be reminded that ALL requests for alternate bus stops, exceptions or special arrangements must be renewed **EACH** year with the Pupil Transportation Department. Please complete and submit an Alternative Bus Stop Request Form if you require transportation to and/or from a location other than that which you would be assigned based on your home address. All requests from last year have been deleted from the database. Transportation forms can be found at the Iroquois office or at:

http://www.chippewavalleyschools.org/our-district/departments/transportation/requestforms

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. **A new form must be completed each school year**. 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).

NEWS TO KNOW

PARENTS:
Just a reminder, your parent portal user identification and password rollover from school year to school year.

HIGH SCHOLARSHIP AND PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

To qualify for the annual **High Scholastic Award** at the end of the school year, a student must achieve a 3.50 grade point average or higher for the first three marking periods of the current school year. This is available to all 6th, 7th and 8th graders.

To be awarded the **Presidential Academic Achievement Award,** an 8th grader must have achieved a grade point average of 3.50 or higher in each of the first 11 quarters of middle school.

To be awarded the **Panther Award,** an 8th grader must have achieved a 3.95 grade point average or higher for the first 11 quarters of middle school.

Please keep in mind that grade point averages are not rounded up. For example, a GPA of 3.49 is not rounded up to a 3.50. This process follows the same protocol followed by high schools and colleges.

APPROPRIATE SCHOOL FASHION

- Shorts, skirts/skorts must be below middle fingertip length when a student's arm is extended at their side.
- **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, but 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 *Chippewa Valley Secondary Schools Student Code of Conduct.*

BOOKCOVERS

Please do not use sticky book covers on textbooks.

PICTURE DAY

Picture Day:
Thursday, September 19
8:15AM to 2:30PM

Picture Re-Take Day:
Tuesday, October 29
9:00AM to 11:00AM

PLEASE NOTE:
Yearbooks are a separate purchase from school pictures.

TIME TO ORDER YEARBOOKS

The end of the school year may seem far away, but it is time to place your yearbook order. The 2019-2020 yearbook will include many new fun and exciting features. You will not want to miss out on this opportunity. If you are interested in ordering a yearbook, please visit: https://ybpay.lifetouch.com. Our School's access code is: 1529620.

Yearbooks are pre-order only. There will not be yearbooks for sale when they arrive at school.

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 arrive to school late.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION - Please make sure your child's Emergency Data Verification Sheet 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 need to have a working telephone number to reach someone.

HOMEWORK REQUEST - Homework requests are prepared **beginning with the second consecutive day** your student is absent. The request should be called into the office before **9:00AM.** A message will be given to all involved teachers. Homework assignments will be sent to the office for pick up between 2:50PM 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 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 should come into the office to sign the child out. Children will **only** be released to persons on their emergency card with a valid picture ID. If the student returns to school, the student should come into the office to sign back in and get a pass to return to class. Parents do not need to come back in when returning the child to school.

ATTENTION PARENTS

Below is a list of information you can expect to receive from us before the start of school this fall.

- Transportation/Bus Schedules will be posted directly into Parent Portal the week before school begins. You can also find this information on the district website and on the Chippewa Valley Cable Channel 20.
- Newsletters can be accessed on our website at www.chippewavalleyschools.org/schools/middle-schools/iroquois/
- The first day of school is Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 7:56AM. Dismissal will be at 10:50AM.

NSF Checks

At this time, the fee we are being charged by Comerica 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.

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.

NEWS TO KNOW

The generic lists below are suggested supply lists. Each individual teacher may request specific additional items for their class. These items will be communicated to the students during the first week of school.

SUGGESTED SUPPLY LIST FOR 6th GRADE

- Metric ruler
- 2-3 glue sticks
- Scissors
- Colored pencils
- 1-2 packs of #2 pencils
- 3-4 highlighters (pink, yellow, green)
- 3 folders
- 3 packages of lined loose leaf paper (wide-ruled)
- Erasers
- Sticky Notes
- Skinny dry erase markers
- 1 pack of blue or black pens
- 1 pack of red pens or pencils
- 2 spiral notebooks
- Graph paper spiral notebook
- Pen/pencil case
- 2 - 1 1/2" 3-ring binders
- 1" binder with dividers
- Fine line marker (ex. Sharpie Ultra Fine Point)
- Gallon freezer/storage bags
- Scientific calculator TI34 or TI84 (TI84 can be used in high school)

  Calculator is optional
- Homeroom class donations: boxes of tissues, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes

SUGGESTED SUPPLY LIST FOR 7th GRADE

- Several #2 pencils
- Several checking pens (red, green or purple)
- Colored Pencils
- Lined paper or notebooks
- Dry Erase Markers
- Folder or 3-ring Binder
- Crayons
- Sticky Notes
- Glue Sticks
- Basic Calculator
- 3-4 Highlighters-Multiple Colors
- Homeroom class donations: boxes of tissues, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes

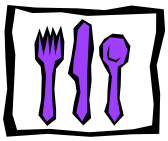
****Trapper Keepers are not recommended as some teachers require a binder which will not fit into the Trapper Keeper.**

SUGGESTED SUPPLY LIST FOR 8th GRADE

- 4 spiral notebooks
- 4 dry erase markers
- 4 pocket folders
- 4—1.5" inch binders
- 4—5-pack of dividers
- Blue, black and red ink pens
- #2 pencils
- Highlighters (pink, blue, yellow and green)
- Homeroom class donations: boxes of tissues, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes
- Colored pencils
- Scientific calculator TI 34 or TI 84 (TI 84 can be used in high school)
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Glue Sticks
- 2 packages of lined 3x5 index cards
- Jumbo textbook cover

NEWS TO KNOW

Free and Reduced Meal Applications:
*Applications (they are yellow in color for this school year) are available in the school's main office.
*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 the 2018/2019 school year will remain on the program through **Friday, October 11, 2019**. Carryover students who wish to remain on the program after **October 11th**, MUST submit a new application prior to that date or all meal benefits will be stopped.
*Students who receive a pre-approved letter in the mail do NOT need to submit an application.
*Applications can be submitted electronically via the Internet at www.lunchapp.com. **This is the preferred method.**
*Comcast is offering discounted internet services for families with at least one child receiving free school meals. Participants in the Internet Essentials Program will enjoy no price increases, activation or equipment rental fees. In addition to the internet services, families can purchase a low-cost computer from Comcast and receive free internet training. For more information, call 1-855-846-8376 or visit www.internetessentials.com.
*If you have further questions regarding the Free and Reduced Lunch Program or the Debit Card Program, call the Food Service information line at 586-723-2294. Thank you for your continuing support and we wish everyone a very successful school year!



CHIPPEWA VALLEY FOOD SERVICE

The Chippewa Valley Schools Food Service Department would like to welcome you to the 2019/2020 School Year. Lunch menus are available at www.chippewavalleyschools.org. Prices are as follows:

Student Lunch—$3.00
Lunch Plus—$4.50
Regular Breakfast—$1.55
Reduced Lunch—$0.40
Milk for all—$0.60
Reduced Breakfast—$.30

How to open/replenish an account:

- Online debit deposit: www.SendMoneyToSchool.com (need student ID number)
- Send check (payable to CV Food Service) to school for your student to give to the cashier in the cafeteria – account activated/deposit applied!
- **NOTE**: If ID card is lost or stolen, it must be reported to cafeteria cashier immediately. Food Service is not responsible for fraudulent usages. Replacement cards are available in the front office for $2.00.

Yes, it's that simple! If you need further assistance, please feel free to contact the Food Service Department Hotline at 723-2994. Balances are automatically rolled over from year to year for all students (except High School Seniors).

LUNCH MENU FOR THE WEEK OF 9/3/19

9/3 No lunch—Dismissal at 10:50AM
9/4 The Boat w/Chicken Poppers
9/5 Hot N' Spicy Chicken
9/6 2 for 1 Hot Dogs

SPECIAL LUNCHES

Please keep in mind that if you bring lunch for your student, you are not permitted to bring lunch for the entire lunch table. Also, if you are bringing your student a special birthday lunch, please refrain from bringing flowers and/or balloons with the lunch. They cannot be in the cafeteria, it is hard to fit them in the lockers and they are not allowed on the bus. Therefore, those items end up remaining in the office until the end of the day.

Just a friendly reminder . . .

- **Any cologne or perfume, spray or otherwise, is strictly prohibited in school. We have students that are allergic to these fragrances, so your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.**
- **Locker decorating can be done prior to school, only between 7:30-7:50AM. Please keep in mind that no tape can be placed near the edges of the locker door. Also, students must bring all supplies with them to school as the office will not provide supplies.**
- **When bringing items to personalize your locker, please do not use any tape or contact paper on the inside of the locker. This causes the lockers to jam and also leaves the custodians with a difficult time cleaning the lockers in the summer. Also keep in mind, placing anything near the edges of the locker door will also cause the locker to jam.**

NEWS TO KNOW

PAYSCHOOLS CENTRAL

Iroquois has switched over to PaySchools Central; therefore, your account with the old PaySchools from the beginning of last school year will no longer be valid. If you have not done so already, y ou can access the PaySchools Central web link from our Chippewa Valley Schools website and follow the directions for setting up an account. Once your account is created you will need to link your student (s) to your account. You will need your child's Student ID number which can be found in Parent Portal, on their Student ID card or you can call the office for assistance. Set your new account up today!

Listed below are some tips for using PaySchools Central:

1. You must register for a new PaySchools Central account. Your "old" PaySchools user id and password will not work.
2. Use Google Chrome. PaySchools Central does not work with Internet Explorer.
3. PaySchools Central accepts Credit/Debit Cards and Checks (ACH).
4. When linking your student (s) to your account replace apostrophes with a space. Example: O'Leary will become O Leary. This works for both first names and last names.
5. Assigned fees are things that your student may owe - lost library books, un-returned sports equipment, damaged school property, etc. All other fees will be "Optional". You will want to make most your purchases from this "Optional" tab.

There is a parent guide, which is posted on the Chippewa Valley Schools website to assist you. This is a step-by-step guide to help you create an account and purchase an item. You can find this PDF document on the Chippewa Valley Schools district website under "For Parents" tab and then PaySchools Central.

Bowling Club Starts Soon!

Bowling Club is open to all Iroquois students! Students will be transported one way to Imperial Lanes (located next to English Gardens on Garfield south of Hall Road) and bowl 2 games. **Parent pick-up is at Imperial Lanes at 4:30PM.** It is not a competitive group. We bowl for fun!

Our Bowling Club dates are:
October 3, 10, 17, 24
November 14, 21

Information packets will be available in the office or on the Iroquois website early this month. Please submit forms directly to Ms. Clark or Ms. Mahoney. There are a limited number of spots.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Clark at rclark@cvs.k12.mi.us or Ms. Mahoney at tmahoney@cvs.k12.mi.us.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Student Council Officers

President: Marcus Bosca
Vice President: Maeve McSherry
Secretary: Andrew Mossington
Treasurer: Faith Maloney
Historian: Meredith Martin

Sponsor

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

Watch future newsletters and the Student Council website for activities.

fundraisers

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

If you have a Kroger card you swipe when shopping at Kroger, you can earn money for the education of Iroquois students. Your Kroger card number needs to be registered. If you e-mail Mrs. Varcak at mvarcak@cvs.k12.mi.us the number on the back of your Kroger card and your e-mail address, she can register it for you. You will then get an e-mail from Kroger asking you to complete the activation process by clicking your e-mail message. That's all that is required.

Thank you for donating your points to our Iroquois students.

Recycling to Support Our Schools and Save the Environment!!

Parents: We need your help!

Please bring your newspapers and magazines to our green and yellow recycling dumpster (located in the back parking lot by the tennis courts) to help support our school!

Proceeds benefit our science programs.

Donate your Clothes and Shoes to Planet Aid

Please consider donating your clothes and shoes to the yellow Planet Aid bin at our school. Iroquois Middle School will earn $.05 for each pound of clothes and shoes donated!

Our yellow Planet Aid donation box is located by the recycle bin on the side of the building. All donations are tax deductible. Visit http://www.planetaid.org to request a tax receipt for donations to our box.

SAVE YOUR EMPTY CARTRIDGES

"Cartridges for Kids" is a program designed to make recycling benefit our school by receiving cash for empty inkjet, laser, fax, copier cartridges, cell phones, video games (please include case), video game consoles (include all accessories), laptops (include all accessories), PDAs/Palm Pilots (include all accessories) IPODs (include all accessories), PDAs/Palm Pilots (include all accessories) and digital cameras. The money received will be used directly for student programs. So, save those "empties" and old cell phones from your work or home and bring them into the school office anytime. This is an on-going event. Thank you for your support.

Box Tops for Education

The Media Center is asking families to participate in saving General Mills Box Tops for Education logos. All you need to do is clip the Box Top logos from participating General Mills products and send them to the school media center with your student. Our school will get 10 cents for each Box Top we collect! All funds raised by the collection will go to purchase additional resources for the media center. For more information, please visit http://boxtops4education.com. Also, we would like to thank Maria Jordan who is our Box Tops for Education Chairperson. She is doing a great job at this very time-consuming project. She would appreciate any help from anyone that has some spare time.

WE RECYCLE BATTERIES

Our Green Team recycles batteries. There is a collection bin located in the Media Center. Please bring in your old batteries to help in our recycling efforts and to support our school.

Iroquois Athletics

ATTENTION: Any 7th and 8th grade student wishing to play sports at Iroquois Middle School during the 2019-2020 school year must have an updated physical, dated April 15, 2019 or later, on file with the school. The physical must be completed on an MHSAA form by a doctor. This is a rule implemented by the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). This is especially important for the students wishing to play the fall sports (7th and 8th Grade Football and Girls' 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball). The physical form can be found on our website under the Athletics tab.

IROQUOIS 2019 FOOTBALL

Tuesday, August 27th (3:00-4:30PM) :
8th Grade —ALL PAPERWORK DUE (Current Physical, Payment Receipt, Athletic Code of Conduct and Transportation Form). Football Equipment will be distributed.
Wednesday, August 28th (3:00-4:30PM) :
7th Grade make-ups—ALL PAPERWORK DUE (Current Physical, Payment Receipt, Athletic Code of Conduct and Transportation Form). Football Equipment will be distributed.
Thursday, August 29th (12:00-1:00PM) :
IMPACT Testing for any 8th grader who did not play a sport last year and ALL 7th graders
First Day of Practice
Wednesday, September 4th (3:00-5:00PM)
- Helmets, Shorts (formed mouth guard, athletic cup, cleats)
- Make-Up IMPACT Testing for any 8th grader who did not play a sport last year and ALL 7th graders

Practice Schedule is located on School Website

8th Grade Head Coach: Mr. Daniels (sdaniels@cvs.k12.mi.us)
8th Grade Assistant Coach: Mr. Cicchini (ccicchini@cvs.k12.mi.us)
7th Grade Head Coach: Mr. Vitale (jvitale@cvs.k12.mi.us)
7th Grade Assistant Coach: Mr. Drogosh (tdrogosh@hotmail.com)

IROQUOIS 2019 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

7th and 8th grade girls volleyball try-outs will be:
Wednesday, September 4, 2019 (2:50-4:45PM)
Thursday, September 5, 2019 (2:50-4:45PM)
Friday, September 6, 2019 (2:50-4:45PM)

All athletes **must** have an athletic physical on file, dated after April 15, 2019 in order to participate in try-outs. Please check the Iroquois Athletic Website for any change in information or to retrieve any Athletic form, go to our website at:
www.chippewavalleyschools.org/schools/middle-schools/iroquois/

7th Grade Coach: TBD
8th Grade Coach: Mrs. George
(hgeorge@cvs.k12.mi.us)

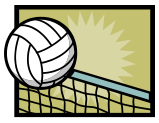
2019 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

7th Grade games will begin at 3:30PM and 8th Grade games begin at approximately 4:45PM.

Sep 17	7th Grade scrimmage	Home (at 4PM)
	8th Grade scrimmage At Algonquin	Away (at 4PM)
Sep 24	Malow Jr. High	Away
Oct 1	Shelby Jr. High	Home
Oct 8	Powell	Away
Oct 15	Wyandot	Away
Oct 23	L'anse Creuse East	Home
Oct 29	Seneca	Home—7th
	Seneca	Dakota—8th

(Game at Dakota: 8th Grade 6:00PM)

2019 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE



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Sep 26	Away vs. Romeo
Sep 30	Away vs. Powell
Oct 3	Home vs. Wyandot
Oct 7	Home vs. Seneca
Oct 10	Away vs. Algonquin
Oct 14	Home vs. Fraser
Oct 17	Home vs. L'anse Creuse East
Oct 21	Away vs. Anchor Bay North
Oct 24	Home vs. L'anse Creuse Central
Oct 28	Away vs. Wyandot
Oct 29	Away vs. Seneca
Oct 30	Home vs. Algonquin

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Algonquin Middle School—19150 Briarwood Lane, Clinton Twp., 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 Groesbeck). 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-52801 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 he 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 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 Twenty-One Mile Road, Macomb, MI

L'anse Creuse Central-38000 Reimold, Harrison Twp., 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 Twp., 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 2nd light veer to the right. Shook changes into Jefferson. The school will be on the west side, ¼ mile past the 2nd 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 Middle School-22505 26 Mile Road, Ray, MI: North on Romeo Plank Road. Turn left onto 25 Mile Rd; turn right back onto Romeo Plank Ro. Turn right on 26 Mile Road. The school is on the north side of 26 Mile Road.

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-33466 Garfield, Fraser, MI: It's 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 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 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 Twp., MI: School is located on the east side of Garfield, between 17 and 18 Mile Roads.

Iroquois Middle School Activities 2019-2020

Information, sign-ups, and permission slips for the following clubs will be made available to students throughout the year. Activities may require participation fees. For immediate questions, contact the sponsor listed for each club.

Student Council — **All Year** — **All Grades**
Develop leadership skills by organizing school-wide events and fundraisers. Members are elected by their peers. *Sponsor: Mrs. Lafrate*

Science Olympiad — **All Year** — **All Grades**
A science-orientated competition team which competes against other schools in county and state tournaments. *Sponsor: TBD*

Homework Club — **Dec.–May** — **Eligible Students Only**
Extra help on homework or lessons after school. *Sponsor: TBD*

Panther Chess Club — **Nov.–Mar.** — **All Grades**
Learn and play chess with peers after school. *Sponsors: Mr. O'Neil & Mr. Lerchenfeldt*

Ski Club — **Jan.–Mar.** — **All Grades**
During the winter months, students take evening trips to Pine Knob ski resort. Transportation is provided. *Sponsor: Mrs. Jiggens*

Weight Training Club — **Oct.–Mar.** — **All Grades**
Students can train in the Iroquois MS weight room and learn proper technique and training methods. *Sponsors: Mr. Swanson, Mr. Cicchini & Mr. Lerchenfeldt*

Bowling Club — **Oct.–Nov.** — **All Grades**
Students may sign up for a 6-week bowling league at Imperial Lanes. The league includes transportation, prizes and awards. *Sponsors: Mrs. Mahoney & Mrs. Clark*

National Jr. Honor Society — **All Year** — **8th Grade Only**
Members will gain knowledge of leadership through service opportunities. Membership requirements include 3.5 GPA and good citizenship. *Sponsors: Mrs. Grubb/Ms. Giacomantonio*

Woodshop Club — **3rd Quarter** — **All Grades**
Creating and building wood projects. *Sponsor: Mr. Thoel*

Composting Club — **Fall and Spring** — **All Grades**
Environment-conscience students can help reduce the garbage in landfills, and discover new ways to make trash, grass and leaves into something useable. *Sponsor: Mrs. Bacon*

Iroquois Green Team — **Nov.–Apr.** — **All Grades**
Students can participate in activities to improve our environment through initiatives within our school. Sponsor: *TBD*

Women's & Men's Choir — **All Year** — **7th & 8th Grades**
These audition groups meet after school to give choir students additional singing experiences. *Sponsor: Ms. Schulz*

Baking Club — **Fall and Winter** — **All Grades**
Seasonally themed baking class. YUM! *Sponsor: Mrs. Dawson*

Lego Robotics Club — **Dec.-Mar.** — **All Grades**
Program and play with Legos! *Sponsor: TBD*

Intramural Basketball/Volleyball — **Sep-Oct / Nov-Jan** — **All Grades**
Teams are open to all players. This is a development league that will have playoffs. *Sponsor: Mr. Vitale*

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Chippewa Valley Schools

Breakfast Program

Attention Parents & Students!

This is just a friendly reminder that breakfast is served daily at your child's school! We offer a wide variety of choices that are whole grain & hearty! Our goal is to improve student success by providing a nutritious meal at the start of their day!

For breakfast times, please contact your individual school buildings as times may vary.

Breakfast Prices:

Full Pay: $1.55

Reduced: $0.30

Milk: $0.60

Available to ALL students daily!

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