



# IROQUOIS NEWS

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Panther Parents,

As the leaves change colors and the air turns crisp, we welcome you to the Fall 2024 edition of our Iroquois Newsletter. It's been an exciting start to the school year, filled with activities, achievements, and a strong sense of community.

Panther Prowl was another 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 number 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 \$40,000! These funds will go directly back to supporting our teachers and our students.

The end of the first quarter is quickly approaching. Report Cards will be uploaded to Parent Portal on November 8<sup>th</sup>. 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/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 1	End of 1st Quarter
Nov 5	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Nov 19	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Nov 22	Dodgeball Tournament
Nov 27-29	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 9	Winter Band Concert at 7:00PM
Dec 16	Winter Choir Concert at 7:00PM at Dakota
Dec 20	Holiday Break begins at 11:00AM Dismissal
Jan 2	Classes Resume 8:05AM
Jan 14	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Jan 15	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Jan 17	Spelling Bee at 12:45PM
Jan 20	NO SCHOOL — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Jan 24	End of 2nd Quarter; Half Day — Dismissal at 11:12AM
Jan 30	Group Picture Day / Winter Activity Night
Feb 4	Vision Screening for 7th Grade
Feb 12	Count Day
Feb 14	Mid-Winter Break begins at 11:00AM Dismissal
Feb 24	Classes Resume 8:05AM
Feb 28	Volleyball Tournament from 6:30-9:00PM
Mar 3	Spring NWEA Testing begins
Mar 4	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Mar 5, 6	Parent/Teacher Conferences Evening Only (5:30-8:00PM)
Mar 7	Half Day — Dismissal at 11:00AM
Mar 10	6th Grade Band Concert at 6:30PM
Mar 17-21	Spirit Week
Mar 21	Spring Break begins at 11:00AM Dismissal
Mar 31	Classes Resume 8:05AM
Apr 4	End of 3rd Quarter / Spring NWEA Testing concludes
Apr 7	M-Step Testing Window opens
Apr 9	PSAT for 8th Graders / late start for 6th & 7th Graders
Apr 18	NO SCHOOL — Good Friday
Apr 23	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
May 8	Spring Choir Concert at 7:00PM at Dakota
May 26	NO SCHOOL — Memorial Day Holiday
May 29	Spring Band Concert at 7:00PM
Jun 3	8th Grade Awards Ceremony at 6:30PM
Jun 10	6th & 7th Grades to CJ Barrymore's
Jun 11	Last Day of School - Half Day — Dismissal at 11:00AM

**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

**8:05AM to 2:49PM**

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

## DROP-OFF & PICK-UP PROCEDURES

THE CIRCLE DRIVE AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL IS DESIGNATED FOR BUSSES 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** - 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. This information can be updated in your Parent Portal or by calling the Iroquois office.

**HOMEWORK REQUEST** - If your student is absent, please have them check Schoology for homework assignments. If your student has a question regarding an assignment when they are absent, they can contact their teacher through Schoology, e-mail or by phone. 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, please 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

## APPROPRIATE SCHOOL FASHION

- Shorts, skirts/skortis 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*

### 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.



### 1st QUARTER REPORT CARDS

- \* End of 1st Quarter is Friday, November 1, 2024.
- \* Report cards posted to Parent Portal on Friday, November 8, 2024.

### 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.



### STUDENT ID CARDS

If a student loses their ID, they can get their free one from the office. After that, a replacement card will be printed for \$5.00. This fee will be put into PaySchools Central.



### 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.

### 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 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!



# NEWS TO KNOW

## CHIPPEWA VALLEY FOOD SERVICE

The Chippewa Valley Schools Food Service Department would like to welcome you to the 2024/2025 School Year. New lunch menus are available at the beginning of each month.

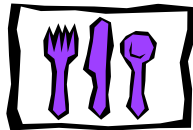
### Free and Reduced Meal Applications:

- **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 [chippewavalley.familyportal.cloud](http://chippewavalley.familyportal.cloud).

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

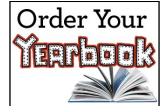
1. Send a check (payable to CV Food Service) or cash to school with your student. For complete accuracy, include your student's name in the "memo" portion of your personal check.
2. Student gives the check/cash to the cashier in the cafeteria who will open/replenish the student's account on the spot.
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 2023-2024 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: 1529625. The yearbook price will increase effective January 1, 2025.



## YEARBOOK COVER

We would like to thank the wonderful entries for the 2024/2025 Yearbook Cover Contest. We are excited to announce that Kaylani Scott will have her drawing featured on the front cover of our yearbook and Rana Ozdemir will have her drawing featured on the back cover of the yearbook. Congratulations to both Kaylani and Rana. 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 sometime in March.

### Chippewa Valley High School

Chippewa Valley High School will be hosting an 8th Grade Parent Orientation Meeting to help educate parents on the scheduling process. The meeting is scheduled for **Monday, February 10, 2025 from 6:00-8:00PM** in the Chippewa Valley High School Auditorium (just inside Entrance A). This meeting is for parents/guardians only.

### Dakota High School

The Dakota High School will be hosting an 8th Grade Parent Orientation Meeting to help educate parents on the scheduling process. The meeting is scheduled for **Monday, February 10, 2025 at 6:00PM**.



## 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:** Delaney O'Neill  
**Vice President:** Liam Zabkowski  
**Treasurer:** Mya Fohey  
**Secretary:** Karley Novak  
**Historian:** Matthew Majchrzak

### Student Council Meeting Dates

November 8	March 7
December 6	April 11
January 17	May 9
February 14	

Meetings are held from 7:20-7:45AM in the Media Center

### Student Council Members

**6th Grade:** Charlotte Andrews, Vincenza Balsamo, Angelina Barno, Bryson Billings, Nala Bogojewski, Averie Bongiorno, Claire Cameron, Cayla Cicchini, Zoey Delos Santos, Catherine Garrisi, Evan Hasse, Sofia Heick, Morgan Jankowski, Brooklyn Kello, Liam Landoski, Thomas Majchrzak, Konstantina Mansoor, Stephen Oliver, Gionni Russo, Elsie Schwark, Sydney Spiewak, Paige Villerot

**7th Grade:** Giovanna Balsamo, Alison Blazejewski, Kendall Bradley, Austin Cooper, Tudor Cristea, Ellie Goddard, Landon Harper, Emmanuel Kasotakis, Mikayla Maurer, Sophia Miller, Elena Mitchell, Allison Nowakowski, Eleanor Soderberg, Ella Stout, Obong Umana

**8th Grade:** Madison Barrett, Samantha Boisvert, Charlotte Campbell, Aaron Cooney, Gavin Cooney, Malaya Delossantos, Avneet Deo, Andrei Eguia, Chloe Farley, Alexa Kello, Belma Keeranovic, Gabrielle LaRue, Daniella Lucaj, Jack Noe, Hailey Ross, Kaylani Scott, Sara Shaooka, Annabella Shyti, Brooklyn Silage, Riley Smith, Ryan Spiewak, Alexia Stan

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Charity Dodgeball Tournament:** Friday, November 22 from 6:30-9:00PM. Information for team sign-ups will be available shortly.

**Donut Sale:** December 12 from 7:45-8:00AM. Donuts are \$2.00 each

**Holiday Spirit Week:** December 16 -20

**Winter Activity Night:** Thursday, January 30 from 6:00-8:00PM. Watch for enrollment through PaySchools Central after the holidays.

**Charity Volleyball Tournament:** Friday, February 28 from 6:30-9:00PM

**Spirit Week:** March 17-21

### HALLOWEEN ACTIVITY NIGHT

On Thursday, October 24, Student Council hosted the Halloween Activity Night. A great time was had by all!!



### Sponsor

**Kelly Paul:** [kpaul@cvs.k12.mi.us](mailto:kpaul@cvs.k12.mi.us)

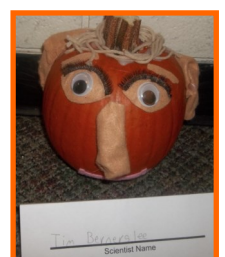
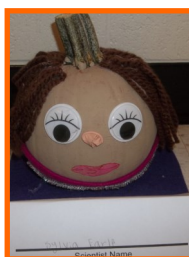
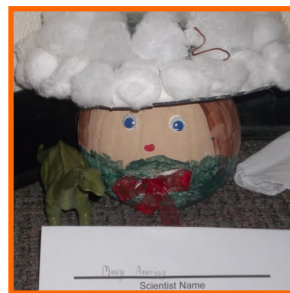
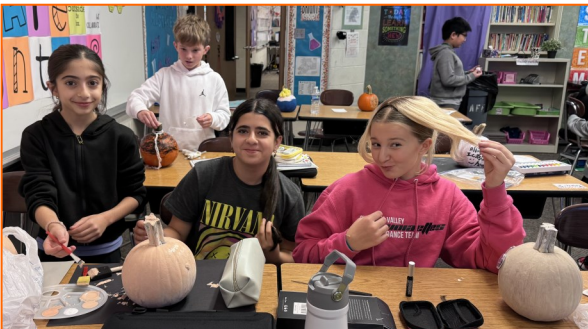
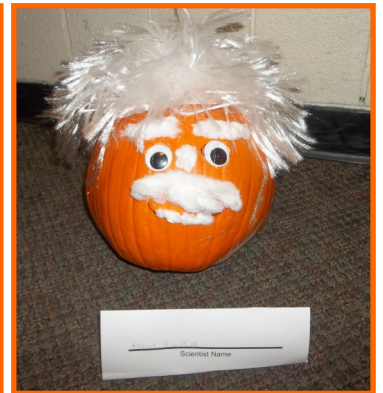
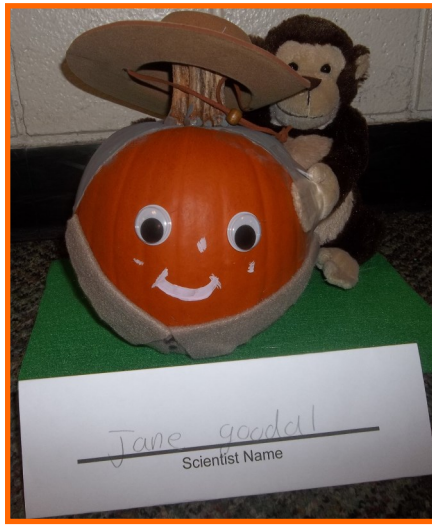




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## 6TH GRADE PUMPKIN CONTEST

6th Grade Science classes decorated pumpkins in the likeness of famous scientists. The winner from Mrs. Gerding's class for Most Realistic was Madison Harding (Maria Mitchell) and for Most Creative was Jackson McKinnon (Galileo). From Mrs. Harper's class, the winner for Most Unique was Cayla Cicchini (Jane Goodall) and Most Realistic was Mahir Livadic (Albert Einstein). Below are pictures of the winners and other famous scientist pumpkins.





# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## PANTHER PROWL

We would like to take the opportunity to thank the students and parents for supporting Iroquois' Panther Prowl. On October 3, 2024, students and staff participated in the Panther Prowl and because of everyone's generosity, we were able to raise over \$40,000! Staff will have the opportunity to apply for funds that will directly impact students. Prowl monies have been used for assemblies, Science Alive presentations, classroom magazine subscriptions, Social Studies event days and much more!

***Our Top Donors donated \$300 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:***

Charlotte Aude	Miles Jones	Vito Oddo	Camden Shumaker
Addison Bajis	Lucy Kearns	Arijeta Palaj	Nathaniel Smith
Abigail Borton	Leonidas Konja	Marina Putrus	Emma Stan
Ethan Brown	Lucas Lauzon	Alexander Rabine	Noah Stotz
Claire Cameron	Jacob Lee	Andrew Rabine	Payton Thomas
Parker Chu	Maksym Lieblang	Colin Radloff	Georgia Vanker
Conner Cole	Jackson Lucas	Logan Rotunda	William Vergin
Bethany Daulo	Evan Luxon	Natalia Rubino	Lillian Vij
Andrei Eguia	Konstantina Mansoor	Gionni Russo	Brady Waugh
Jacob Harder	Giavanna Masching	Eloise Scott	Alissa Yi
Mason Hedges	Mark McCahill	Olivia Scott	Jylian Yurgo
Zachary Hren	Sophia Miller	Sarah Sheats	
Morgan Jankowski	Allison Nowakowski	Mason Shock	

Also, Rosemary Tharrett, Iroquois Paraeducator and her husband donated a \$500 Gift Card which was raffled among all students who donated. A special thank you for Rose and her husband for the donation! We also raffled off Apple AirPods and an Apple Watch. Congratulations to Mrs. Hansen's, Mrs. Kordalski's and Mrs. Anderson's homeroom classes for raising the most money for each grade. They were rewarded with a Chick-Fil-A breakfast.



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



# Thank You

Iroquois Middle School would like to thank the businesses who generously donated prizes to the Panther Prowl.

7-11

Applebee's

Boston's

Bubba's 33

Buffalo Wild Wings

Carter's Cantina

Chippewa Valley High School

CJ Barrymore's

Cold Stone Creamery

Coney Grill

Cove Beauty Bar

Culver's

Dairy Queen

Dakota High School

Detroit Wing Company

Dime Store Restaurant

Elementz Hair Salon

Envy Nails

Hungry Howie's Pizza

Imperial Lanes

Jersey Mike's

Jet's Pizza

Jimmy John's Field

Juan Miguel's

Lash Lounge

Lifetime Fitness

Little Caesars

MOD Pizza

Mr. C's Car Wash

Nonna's Italian Kitchen

Noodles & Company

Nothing Bundt Cakes

Pink Box Beauty Bar

Premier Pet Supply

Pure Glo Salon

Qdoba

Red Robin

Salsaritas

Scoop & Twist

Sidecar Slider Bar

Sky Zone

Subway

Tap & Barrel Restaurant

Tim Hortons

The Pantry

Top Flight

Top Golf

Twisted Rooster

Tubby's

Urban Air Adventure Park

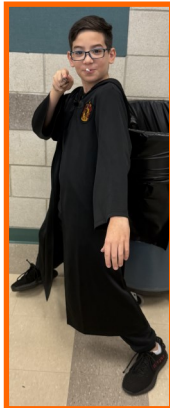
Wing Snob

*Thank you to the Iroquois teachers and staff, the Panther Prowl volunteers who worked to secure donations, sort prizes, and help during the event, and all of the Iroquois families who donated gift cards, bottled water, and candy.*

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!

The Student Council held a Costume Contest for Halloween. Congratulations to Dominic Kassab (8th), Brayden Gough (7th) and Maeve Alexander (6th) for winning the contest from their respective grades. We'd also like to share some other fabulous costumes from our students.





# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## Congratulations to our 2024-2025 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.

Brianna Alderson	Avneet Deo	Charles Latra	Hailey Ross
Azaan Ashraf	Lauren DeVuyst	Matthew Majchrzak	E'Layah Samuel
Caroline Baaki	Gianna Difatta	Makenzie Mangeno	Peyton Serwa
Trevor Bayer	Jonathan Donnenwerth	Madison Mangeno	Noah Shifflett
Ella Bench	Isabela Dos Santos Penha	Maci Mangone	Annabella Shyti
Madison Bing	Kenzi Dougherty	Giovanni Mazza	Brooklyn Silage
Samantha Boisvert	Andrei Eguia	Kayla McKinnon	Olivia Smith
Kaylie Brunson	Abigail Endres	Anthony Meraja	Syeda Soha
Charlotte Campbell	Chloe Farley	Christian Michaels	Stefani Spasovski
Olivia Campbell	Cara Fecteau	Charles Miller	Ryan Spiewak
William Cavender	Graziella Garrisi	Marisa Minello	Alexia Stan
Julia Chau	Valentina Garrisi	London Moses	Payton Thomas
Ashton Conklin	Ella Goike	Jack Noe	Claire Villerot
Aaron Cooney	Manasvi Hatmode	Ava O'Leary	Evelyn Wiegand
Gavin Cooney	Cullen Jones	Delaney O'Neill	Ian Wills
Kaitlyn Davis	Kade Jucewicz	Giorgio Passalacqua	Peyton Witkowski
Mariana Dawood	Aya Karalic	Andrew Rabine	Trenton Yang
Malaya Delossantos	Alexa Kello	Tabitha Rascon	Liam Zabkowski

### Meeting Dates

November 14  
December 12  
January 16  
March 13  
April 10  
May 15

All meetings at 7:20AM  
in the Media Center

### Community Service Hours

#### Due Dates

January 24  
April 4  
May 19

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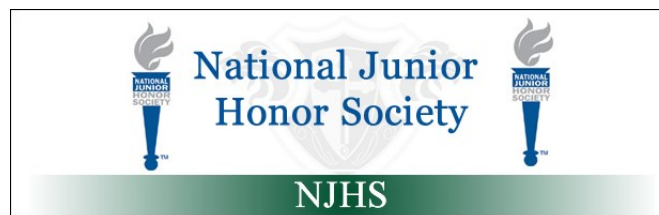
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# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## 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, 2024:**

**6th Grade:** Rana Amer, Cayla Cicchini, Emrah Kapic, Ameer Khashola, Aiden Mroue, Maddox Muragin, Matthew Sibley, Kristen Steinbhebel

**7th Grade:** Melani Gjorovski, Aeriella Goddard, Tristan Grainger, MacKenzie Hower, Connor Kasto, Alyson Kenna, Leonidas Konja, Vincent Merandi, Anastasia Romanchuck, Eleanor Soderberg, Benton Staskowski, Corbin Thomason, Lillian Tussey

**8th Grade:** Ella Bench, Grayson Conley, Sofia Cracchiolo, Kaitlyn Davis, Fabion Feri, Drew Foley, Landon Houghtaling, Anthony Meraja Christine Mondragon, Delaney O’Neill, Riley Smith, Jason Thibodeau

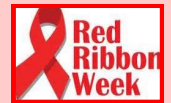


## RED RIBBON MONTH

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 a Barnes & Noble gift card. The winners were:

Danielle Fecteau, Owen McTaggart, Dylan Seiba, Sara Shaooka, Hayden Simms, Alyssandria Sinadinovski

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 that do 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 2024-2025

Date	Opponent	Location
12/2	Romeo Red	Home
12/5	Romeo White	Home
12/9	ABN	Away
12/12	Fraser	Home
12/16	LCE	Away
12/18	LCC	Home
12/19	LCS	Away
1/7	New Haven	Away
1/9	LCN	Home
1/13	Wyandot	Away
1/14	Algonquin	Away
1/16	Seneca	Home

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:

Wednesday, November 6 3:00-4:30PM

Thursday, November 7 3:00-4:30PM

Friday, November 8 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:

Wednesday, November 6 4:30-6:00PM

Thursday, November 7 4:30-6:00PM

Friday, November 8 4:00-5:30PM (Cut Day)

Jeff Vitale, 7th Grade Basketball Coach (586-723-3807)

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

1. A **current** athletic physical dated after **April 15, 2024** (unless they played football 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 SCHOOL.

## VOLLEYBALL

The 7th grade girls volleyball team had a fun and successful season with a record of 11-1. The girls fought hard each game and gave their best effort. They played with a positive attitude and extreme dedication. Each girl improved throughout the season in serving, setting, passing and hitting. Their love for volleyball came through in each and every game. Congratulations on a successful season girls! Let's go Panthers!!

- Coach Corbin



The 2024 8th Grade Volleyball team was an exceptional group, characterized by their sportsmanship, dedication, and positivity. They consistently put in the effort to perform at their best, supporting each other and playing collaboratively. Their hard work and determination led to continual improvement throughout the season, culminating in a successful 7-5 record. Congratulations to the team on an outstanding season!

- Coach George



## FOOTBALL

The 7th grade football team finished the 2024 season with a 3-3 record. The season started out great with the team winning their first 3 games. They fought hard in their final 3 games, but fell just short. We look forward to what these boys can do in the future as they have a ton of potential. Keep working hard and big things are on the horizon!!!

- Coach Thoel



The 8th grade football team finished the season with a 1-5 record. The season started out in grand fashion with a 30-0 win over L'anse Creuse Central. The team would not win another game, but battled hard every game. The team going forward has a lot of potential and have yet to even scratch the surface of that. Keep working hard and we wish you the best in your high school football journey! Remember, you're always a PANTHER!!

— Coach Vitale