

iroquois News

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Panther Parents,

As the days grow shorter and the air turns crisp, we're reminded that fall is truly here and the first quarter is quickly coming to a close. Report cards will be electronically posted to your Parent Portal on Friday, November 14th.

A little conversation can go a long way in helping your child feel supported and motivated. Here are a few helpful tips:

- *Celebrate Success: Praise your child for their hard work and success in a specific category. Encourage your child to continue to put forth their best effort.
- *Focus on Growth: 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.

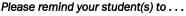
Remember, student success thrives on strong communication between home and school. If you should have questions at any time during the school year, feel free to contact teachers, counselors and administration through email or by phone.

Panther Prowl was another successful event for our school community. Thank you to all of you that donated and volunteered your time to make this event a positive experience for our students. This year, with the help of all of you, we were able to raise just over \$40,000! These funds will go directly back to supporting our students and teachers.

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.



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



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CALENDAR

Nov 3	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Nov 4	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Nov 7	End of 1st Quarter
Nov 10	NJHS Food Drive Begins
Nov 11	6th & 7th Grade to Tuck Everlasting
Nov 14	Dodgeball Tournament from 6:30-9:00PM
Nov 26-28	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 8	Band Concert at 7:00PM
Dec 11	Donut Sale
Dec 15	Winter NWEA Testing begins
Dec 18	Choir Concert at 7:00PM at Dakota
Dec 19	Holiday Break begins at 11:00AM Dismissal
Jan 5	Classes Resume 8:05AM
Jan 13	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Jan 15	Donut Sale
Jan 16	Spelling Bee
Jan 19	NO SCHOOL — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Jan 23	End of 2nd Quarter; Half Day — Dismissal at 11:12AM
Jan 28	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Jan 29	Winter Activity Night from 6:00-8:00PM
Feb 5	Group Picture Day
Feb 11	Count Day
Feb 13	Mid-Winter Break begins at 11:00AM Dismissal
Feb 23	Classes Resume 8:05AM
Feb 27	Volleyball Tournament from 6:30-9:00PM
Mar 3, 5	Spring NWEA Testing
Mar 10	CAC Meeting at 9:00AM
Mar 11, 12	Parent/Teacher Conferences Evening Only (5:30-8:00PM)
Mar 13	Half Day — Dismissal at 11:00AM
Mar 16	6th Grade Band Concert at 7:00PM
Mar 23	Spirit Week begins
Mar 27	Spring Break begins at 11:00AM Dismissal
Apr 6	Classes Resume 8:05AM , M-Step Window opens
Apr 7, 8	5th Grade Student Orientations
Apr 9	5th Grade Parent Orientation at 6:30PM
Apr 10	End of 3rd Quarter
Apr 14	PSAT for 8th Graders / late start for 6th & 7th Graders
Apr 23	NO SCHOOL—Professional Development Day
Apr 30	Donut Sale
May 21	Choir Concert at 7:00PM at Dakota
May 25	NO SCHOOL — Memorial Day Holiday Band Concert at 7:00PM
May 28	Student Council to Dave & Buster's / 8th Grade Choir Banquet
May 29 Jun 4	8th Grade Awards Banquet
Jun 4 Jun 9	6th & 7th Grade to CJ Barrymore's
Jun 10	8th Grade to Urban Air
Jun 10 Jun 11	Last Day of School - Half Day — Dismissal at 11:00AM
Juli II	Last Day of School - Hall Day — Distillssal 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 <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 are not allowed** 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)

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.

<u>HOMEWORK REQUEST</u> - 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 <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 . . .

- ⇒ **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.



ADDRODRIATE

SCHOOL FASHION

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

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

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 7, 2025.
- Report cards posted to Parent Portal on Friday, November 14, 2025.

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.



STUDENT ID CARDS

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





! 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 <u>must</u> be obtained <u>and</u> 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!



CHIPPEWA VALLEY FOOD SERVICE

The Chippewa Valley Schools Food Service Department would like to welcome you to the 2025/2026 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 chippewavallev.familyportal.cloud.

To open/replenish your student's <u>Debit Account</u>, follow these steps:

- 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. 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.

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 2025/2026 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: 1529626. The yearbook price will increase effective January 1, 2026.

YEARBOOK COVER

We would like to thank the wonderful entries for the 2025/2026 Yearbook Cover Contest. We are excited to announce that Kristen Steinhebel and Raelyn Wilson will have their drawings featured on the front and back cover of our yearbooks. Isabella Yates and Aubrey Kleinow will have their artwork featured in the yearbook as well. Congratulations to all of them. Mrs. Brunson and Mrs. O'Neill would like to extend their heartfelt appreciation to everyone who participated. Your creativity and effort made this year's selection truly special.

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

Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 6:00PM in the <u>Chippewa Valley High School Auditorium</u> (just inside Entrance A). This meeting is for <u>parents/guardians</u> 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 **Thursday**, **February 26**, **2025 at 6:00PM**. This meeting is for <u>parents/guardians</u> only.





STODENT COUNCIL NEWS

Student Council Officers

President: Karley Novak
Vice President: Allison Nowakowski
Treasurer: Catherine Garrisi
Secretary: Morgan Jankowski
Historian: Alison Blazejewski

Student Council Meeting Dates

November 7 March 6 January 16 April 10 February 13 May 1

Meetings are held from 7:30-7:50AM in the Media Center

Student Council Members

6th Grade: Alexa Atienza, Brooke Beaubien, Giovanni Boisvert, Addison Brunson, Becka Cavender, Lincoln Cavender, Audriana Dalou, Livia Dougherty, Alexandria Gaston, Kohen Goddard, Reagan Harper, Cassidy Hodge-Washington, Lilah Lagua, McKenzie Lavender, Ethan Long, Hadley Lynch, Makenzie Meyerand, Allison Murphy, Mary Rosi Noore, Uhana Noore, Leila O'Halloran, Vincent Orsetto, Sophia Pitcher, Caitlyn Robles, Emma Westerby

7th Grade: Vincenza Balsamo, Angelina Barno, Averie Bongiorno, Claire Cameron, Cayla Cicchini, Zoey Delos Santos, Evan Hasse, Sofia Heick, Claire Hennings, Anabella Koendarfer, Thomas Majchrzak, Alex Marquette, Stephen Oliver, Elsie Schwark, Tae'lor Sexton, Jacob Sowter, Sydney Spiewak, Kristen Steinhebel, Paige Villerot

8th Grade: Giovanna Balsamo, Abigail Borton, Tudor Cristea, Gabriel Edwards, Mya Fohey, Aeriella Goddard, Tristan Grainger, Avallyn Guy, Landon Harper, Emmanuel Kasotakis, Nicoletta Manousakakis, Consuelo Martinez-Ontiveros, Mikayla Maurer, Sophia Miller, Elaina Mitchell, Eleanor Soderberg, Gianna Sowter, Ella Stout, Obong Umana

UPCOMING EVENTS

Restaurant Day: November 7 at Playa Bowls on 23 Mile Road (see flyer at back of newsletter)

Donut Sale: November 13 and December 11 from 7:45-8:00AM. Donuts are \$2.00 each

Charity Dodgeball Tournament: Friday, November 14 from 6:30-9:00PM. Teams of 8 students can register. Registration and payment closes on November 11; payment due in PaySchools Central.

Holiday Spirit Week: December 15 -219

Winter Activity Night: Thursday, January 29 from 6:00-8:00PM. Watch for enrollment through PaySchools Central after the holidays.

Charity Volleyball Tournament: Friday, February 27 from 6:30-9:00PM

Spirit Week: March 23-29



Sponsors

Brittany Brunson: bbrunson@cvs.k12.mi.us

Kelly Paul: kpaul@cvs.k12.mi.us



6TH GRADE PUMPKIN CONTEST

6th Grade Science classes decorated pumpkins in the likeness of famous scientists. The winners from Mrs. Gerding's class for were Reagan Harper (Scientist Cross), Caleb Pisarski (Scientist Cowell), Bethany Sheppard (Steve Irwin) and Gregory Watson (Nikola Tesla). From Mrs. Harper's class the winners were Wyatt Bowles (Clyde Tombaugh), Audriana Dalou (Marie Curie), Danielle Daoud (Dmitri Mendeleev) and Carlos Qarana (Bill Nye). Below are pictures of the winners and other famous scientist pumpkins.



PANTHER PROWI

We would like to take the opportunity to thank the students and parents for supporting Iroquois' Panther Prowl. On October 10, 2025, 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:

Ela Abdurahmanovic Audrina Farnese Hiram Alnur Dvlan Fee Noah Archibald Leonidas Konja Addison Bajis Julian Gojcaj Ivie Bokano Jacob Lee Brooklyn Boone Avery Grabinski Jacob Harder Abigail Borton Ethan Brown Jacque Hare

Claire Cameron Cassidy Hodge-Washington

Noah Cardella Zachary Hren
Amelia Chalkey Alayna Ivezaj
Henry Corbat Morgan Jankowski
Keegan Doebler Emrah Kapic
Jeffrey Elgert Lucy Kearns

Emmalyn Kerr
Benjamin Kyewski
Marissa Lafata
Aidan Laskowski
Jackson Lucas
Konstantina Mansoor
Riella Manzanares
Mark McCahill
Sophia Miller
Arianna Mongogna
Allison Nowakowski
Sullivan O'Shea
Colin Radloff
Logan Rotunda

Natalia Rubino Gionni Russo Easton Ryan Derek Scott **Eloise Scott** Olivia Scott Sarah Sheats Ashley Smith **Emily Smith** Layla Smith Troy Tuscany Nicholas VanVallis Liam Wagoner **Emilio Walter** Samantha Wolschleger Gabriella Yurgo



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 a Nintendo Switch and Apple AirPods. Congratulations to Mrs. Corbat's, Mrs. Brunson's and Mr. Cicchini's homeroom classes for raising the most money for each grade. They were rewarded with a Chick-Fil-A breakfast.















THANK YOU FOR MAKING PANTHER PROWL SO SUCCESSFUL!!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!

The Student Council held a Costume Contest for Halloween. Congratulations to Kenzie Yates (8th), Brooklyn Boone (7th) and Joseph Plumaj (6th) for winning the contest from their respective grades. We'd also like to share some other fabulous costumes from our students.

























Congratulations to our 2025-2026 **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.

Noah Archibald Dominik Arini Melania Atovski Addison Bajis Giovanna Balsamo Avery Biliti Alison Blazejewski Abigail Borton **Daniel Bradford** Zoe Calkins Sophie Castone Gabriella Catanese **Tudor Cristea** Milania Danielak Sophia Dessert Sofia DiPalma Jackson Eckstein Mya Fohey

Melani Gjorovski Aeriella Goddard **Dawson Gonzales** Brayden Gough Avery Grabinski Avallyn Guy Nadya Guzman-Sparrow Isabella Hanna Landon Harper Patrick Hasai Domenik Hoti Lyla Houghton MacKenzie Hower Levi Judkins Emmanuel Kasotakis Clara Leideker Max Lovalvo Nicoletta Manousakakis

Grayson Martin Mikayla Maurer Mark McCahill Ameli Meraja Elaina Mitchell Landon Morrison Karley Novak Allison Nowakowski Sai Nihal Pampana Keianna Panganiban Rosalia Passalacqua Robert Ujka **Zachary Pierce** Ava Pitcher Maliha Rahman Morgan Rajnert Sean Reeves Logan Rotunda Avery Ruszala

Ally Ruszala Ava Shearer Leo Sikkelee Alyssandra Sinadinoski Eleanor Soderberg Emma Stan Amani Starks Ella Stout Liliana Thoel Jason Ujka Obong Umana Mia Walden Isabella Yates

Kenzie Yates

Meeting Dates

November 13 January 22 March 19 May 7

All meetings at 7:20AM in the Media Center

Community **Service Hours Due Dates**

> January 23 April 10 May 20

OFFICERS

President: Gabriel Edwards Vice President: Tristan Grainger **Secretary**: Kourtney Therese Acabo

SPONSORS

Susan Grubb: 586-723-3814 / sgrubb@cvs.k12.mi.us Jill O'Neill: 586-723-3824 / joneill@cvs.k12.mi.us



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, 2025:

6th Grade: Ela Abdurahmanovic, Giovanni Boisvert, Anna Kolb, Lilah Lagua, Ethan Long, Catherine McGrath, Mariana Miti, Noelle Mozariwskyj, Danella Naisan, Emily Smith, Madison Trudeau

<u>7th Grade</u>: De'Angelo Brown, Apollo Chamberlain, Jacob Green, Mahir Livadic, Ibrahim Marenah, Lukasz Okruta, Eloise Scott, Lillian Vij, Kenley Wilber

8th Grade: Sophie Castone, Austin Cooper, Avallyn Guy, Benjamin Hefel, Ramiro Hernandez, Dreux Krauseneck, Rozmany Mangos, Fallyn Many, Anthony Olko, File Stout, I

Rozmary Marqos, Fallyn Marx, Anthony Olko, Ella Stout, Kenzie Yates



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:

Addison Brunson, Jacob Hanna, Miles Jones, Ethan Long, Allison Murphy, Morgan Nowicki

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 games end at approximately 4:40PM. The 8th 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 <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 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!

JDENT SPOTLIGHT

Boys Basketball Schedule 2025-2026

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	Location
12/1	Anchor Bay Red	Home
12/4	Romeo Red	Away
12/8	Romeo White	Away
12/11	LCC	Home
12/15	Anchor Bay White	Away
12/17	LCE	Away
12/18	LCN	Home
1/6	LCS	Away
1/7	Seneca	Dakota
1/8	Fraser	Home
1/12	Algonquin	Home
1/14	Wyandot	Away

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



7th & 8th GRADE **BOYS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS**

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

Wednesday, November 5 at 3:00-4:30PM Thursday, November 6 at 3:00-4:30PM Friday, November 7 at 3:00-4:30PM (Cut Day) Jeremy Thoel, 7th Grade Basketball Coach (586-723-3755)

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8th Grade Iroquois Boys Basketball **Try-Out Dates and Times:**

Monday, November 3 at 3:00-4:30PM Wednesday, November 5 at 4:30-6:00PM Thursday, November 6 at 4:30-6:00PM (Cut Day) Jeff Vitale, 7th Grade Basketball Coach (586-723-3807) ivitale@cvs.k12.mi.us

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

- A **current** athletic physical dated after **April 15, 2025** (unless they played football for Iroquois this season).
- 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 Volleyball team had a fantastic season filled with growth, teamwork, and determination. From the first serve to the final match, the players showed steady improvement in their skills and confidence. The season brought a good mix of wins and losses, but what stood out most was the team's resilience; they never gave up and supported each other every step of the way. By the end of the season, their hard work truly paid off, as they were playing their best volleyball yet. The coaches are so proud of the team's progress, sportsmanship, and positive attitude. It was a great year of learning, competing and growing together both on and off the court! - Coach Bri Genord

The 8th grade volleyball team had an unforgettable season, finishing with a perfect 12-0 record, the first undefeated volleyball team at Iroquois in almost 20 years! These girls showed incredible teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship throughout the season, earning hard-fought wins against tough opponents. Their season concluded with an outstanding performance at the District Quad, taking down a 9-0 Seneca team before defeating Wyandot and Algonquin to complete their historic run. Coach Hollie George shared. "This is such a special group of athletes. Their effort, heart, and teamwork made this accomplishment possible. I couldn't be prouder to have coached them." Congratulations to the 8th grade volleyball team on an incredible season and a record that will be remembered for years to come!





FOOTBALL

This year's 7th grade football team finished with a historic 6-0 undefeated season. Their physicality was a huge part on their success. They were a great team to coach and were a fun team to watch as they lit up the scoreboard every game. They scored 200 points while only giving up 28 on the season. I can't wait to see what they do next year!!!

- Coach Thoel







The 8th grade football team had a tremendous season as the team jumped out of the gates with three straight wins by very decisive margins. A roadblock came into play in the middle of the season when the Panthers traveled to Malow. There they experienced their only setback. The team returned home for a big win against Anchor Bay, which set up the showdown with Seneca. It wasn't much of a showdown as the Panthers dominated the game from start to finish in the team's greatest highlight of the season. This team showed great heart, hustle, and character all season long. Coach Vitale and Daniels are extremely proud of all of you. We can't wait to see what you can do in high school!!! Great season 8th grade!! Remember, you're always a Panther!! — Coach Vitale



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November 10-17



Clinton Township Kiwanis Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our school is partnering with the Clinton Township Kiwanis this year to help them with the 300 Thanksgiving food baskets they deliver to Macomb County Families on November 22, 2025

Items most needed are canned vegetables, soup, canned fruit, canned meats, canned pasta, macaroni and cheese, stuffing, cereal and boxed desserts. Items need to be non-perishable and not expired.

Please have your child bring the items to school by Monday, November 17, 2025

