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Our Mission

The Lake Shore Central School District in partnership with our students, families and school community will cultivate engaging, diverse, and challenging educational opportunities and learning environments to promote life-long learning and achievement in preparation for high school graduation, college and careers.



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Winter Reminders and Happy Holidays!

It's hard to believe, but we are already in the middle of the Holidays. I am very pleased with the excellence I see in our classrooms, on our stages, and through our athletic contests. We had a successful week of Homecoming activities with spirit days, a parade before the football game, and a dance at the Senior High to cap things off. It's great to see everyone taking pride in our District academically, athletically, and musically!

Our Capital Construction Project has moved into its next phase, and the Board of Education is currently prioritizing items in and around our buildings that need the most attention. Thank you to everyone who filled out our survey concerning the project – it's clear to the BOE that an initiative like this is necessary to provide students with a safe and state-of-the-art learning environment.

As we approach the winter months, and the inevitable inclement weather that winter brings, I wanted to take a moment to remind parents, students, faculty, and staff that in the event of any school closings, please check with our local media outlets for information. These include:

WGRZ Channel 2 WBEN 930 AM

WIVB Channel 4/CW 23 WKBW Channel 7

Time Warner Cable News

You will also receive a message via our Blackboard Connect system if schools will be closed or afternoon/evening activities are canceled. Please also make sure that your child is prepared and properly dressed for colder temperatures, especially those who walk to and from school.

Throughout the next couple of months, our Middle and Senior High students will be engaged in a number of Winter sporting events. I encourage everyone to consult our website for our Winter sports team schedules and come out to root on our athletes.

The District calendar also has all of the dates of winter concerts and activities. I'm looking forward to spending some evenings listening to the wonderful music our talented students create, from the Elementary buildings to the Middle School and Senior High. I hope many of you will come out to enjoy these great events, too. These key dates can also be found on the last page of this edition of the Eagle Express.

We've had a successful Fall, and I look forward to continuing to build on that success as we move into 2017 and continue to build an Academic Powerhouse at Lake Shore.

Happy Holidays to everyone in the Lake Shore Central School District!

- James Przepasniak

Superintendent of Schools

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SCHOOL INFORMATION

Senior High

959 Beach Road

549-4033

Middle School

8855 Erie Road

549-4374

A.J. Schmidt
Elementary

9455 Lake Shore Road

549-2303

Highland
Elementary

6745 Erie Road

926-2460

J.T. Waugh
Elementary

100 High Street

926-2370

W.T. Hoag

Educational Center

42 Sunset Blvd.

926-2270

Transportation Services

8710 Main Street

926-2240

Plain Talk

by Carla Thompson,

Board of Education Vice President

The Lake Shore Central School District recently conducted a survey asking for input on the possibility of instituting a Capital Construction Project to update, repair, and renovate school properties.

District staff, community members, and students responded with overwhelming positive support for such a project. As a result, the District is moving forward to identify areas of need throughout the District that will provide our students with a learning environment that is safe, clean, and state-of-the-art.

As the State requires, all construction project needs are categorized by priority:

Priority 1 – needs that have reached a critical end-of-life designation, where they are broken, required to be repaired, updated, and/or renovated by State mandate.

Priority 2 – needs that will reach the level of Priority 1 in the very near future.

Priority 3 – needs that must be repaired, updated, and/or renovated but can be addressed in the next few years.

In order to keep the community advised of the progress of this project, the District will disseminate information as it becomes available. Starting in February, information with pictures and displays will be available in each District building, showing what specifically will be repaired, updated, and/or renovated in that building.

Anyone interested in this project's progress will also find updated information on the District website, the District Twitter feed, and in the Penny Saver and Dunkirk Observer.

We are truly grateful for all the support the faculty, staff and community has shown and continues to show our students. The District firmly believes that the Lake Shore students, faculty, staff, and community members deserve updated, state-of-the-art facilities.

We hope to address and provide for these needs with this Capital Construction Project.



Academy of Business and Finance Big Winners at CommDay



Pictured (l-r): Top Row - Frank Vail, TJ Kmitch, Chris Pauley, Bona Wolf, Joe Venezia, Leya Moser, Jared Allen, Max Eastman, and Darcy Paradiso.

Bottom Row - Julia Niedziela, Kalie Chiappetta, Aryn Fitzgerald, Olivia Slotman, Sierra Hambly, Mary Francis, Emily Birkemeier, Madison Scheuneman, Sara Gelster, and Natalie Cummings.

On October 21st, the Lake Shore Academy of Business and Finance Public Speaking class visited St. Bonaventure University to compete at CommDay 2016, sponsored by the Jandoli School of Communications.

The class, competing as two teams, video and web, presented their projects in front of a panel of judges

compromised of Bonaventure graduates who now work in communications fields.

This year's CommDay Theme was "Unplug for 24 hours... tell us what happens." Participants put together projects describing what happened when they put down their technology for an entire day on October 4, 2016.

The web group took first

place in the web competition and are now eligible for a renewable scholarship worth \$500 if they are admitted to the school.

The video team received "Best in Show" recognition and will be awarded a \$1,000 annual scholarship if they choose to further their education at St. Bonaventure.

"Our students worked very hard in the classroom to put together these presentations and their poise in front of the judges was very professional," commented English and Academy Public Speaking Teacher, Frank Vail. "Their dedication to excellence definitely paid off, and Lake Shore should be proud of their efforts."

Click on the links below to see the projects.

[Web Group Project](#)
[Video Group Project](#)

School Closing Information

In the event of school closings or activity cancellations, please monitor WGRZ Channel 2, WIVB Channel 4, WKBW Channel 7, Time Warner Cable News, or WBEN 930 AM for information.

District Operations

If you have questions about school operations, contact the building principal or major department supervisor serving the building or area of concern.

The number to reach any school in the district is 549-2300, Monday through Friday.

Further contact information is available on our website or in our District Calendar.



Social Media Outlets

Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Twitter as additional sources of information.



Facebook

Lake Shore Central School District



Twitter

@LakeShoreCSD

@AthleticsLSC

Please do not rely on these outlets for school closing information.

District Website

www.lakeshorecsd.org

Our site features extensive information about the District.

Winter School Safety

Dressing the Part

As temperatures begin to drop, students need to think about appropriate clothing to protect them from the cold. Hats, coats, and gloves or mittens are necessary to ensure bodies are protected from extreme conditions. This is especially important on windy days in the winter months as lake breezes can have a severe effect on what looks like a bright and sunny day. Make sure students are properly prepared each day as they wait for the bus or walk to school.

Stay Informed

Staying on top of weather conditions is critical in Winter. Checking forecasts on television, radio, or the internet will help students and families prepare for the changes in weather. But

remember this is Western New York and conditions can change in the blink of an eye. Stay informed throughout the day to stay safe!

Bus Safety

All students should be on time for bus pick-up and standing in a safe spot away from the road. Parents and students alike should avoid standing or playing near piles of snow near bus stops as this may result in a slip-and-fall scenario.

Throwing Snowballs

While tempting when the first snow flies, students should be reminded that throwing snowballs can be very dangerous. Ice, rocks, and other debris can mix with the snow and cause damage to bodies, and buildings. This behavior is discouraged at school.

Lake Shore First Book Event 'A Marvel'

There were 5,300 First Books stacked up in the middle school cafeteria at Lake Shore and lines of nearly 1,000 eager children waiting to own them, read them and share them. Each student was allowed to choose five books.

"Kids were bumping into each other because their noses were in the middle of their new books," said Michele Amoia, a third-grade teacher who co-chaired the event with Shannon Muldowney, a middle school science teacher, both members of the Lake Shore Central Teachers' Association. "We had 950 kids and more than 2,000 community members."

For the students, it was a marvel.

"The look on their faces was as if the Buffalo Sabres had won the Stanley Cup," said Anthony George, president of the Lake Shore Central Teachers' Association.

About 100 teachers and teacher aides worked at the "Literacy Across Lake Shore" event, which was sponsored by the 261-member LSCTA in Erie County.



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Drinking Water

Individual Building Reports Below

It is a priority of every school district to maintain a safe and healthy learning environment for its students, and clean water is no exception. In 1986, Congress banned the use of lead solder containing greater than 0.2% lead and restricted the lead content of faucets, pipes, and other plumbing materials. Lead is unusual among drinking water contaminants in that it seldom occurs naturally in water supplies like groundwater, rivers, and lakes. New laws that went into effect in 2014 reduced the amount of lead that plumbing fixtures can contain from 8% to 1%. Brass faucets, fittings and valves – including those advertised as “lead free” – may still contribute lead to drinking water.

The Lake Shore Central School District is in compliance with New York State Public Health Laws requiring all schools and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) to test potable water outlets for lead contamination, to remediate contamination where found, and to notify parents of children and the public of test results. Levels of lead at any water outlet above 15 parts per billion (ppb) require action to remediate this issue.

As required, the Lake Shore Central School District tested all water sources in the A. J. Schmidt, Highland, & J. T. Waugh Elementary Schools, and the W. T. Hoag Educational Center for lead on September 24, 2016, and in the High School, Middle School, and Transportation Department on October 23, 2016. As provided to us under specific protocols, first draw water samples were taken after letting the water remain unmoving in the pipes over a period of 8 to 18 hours.

The Lake Shore Central School District is taking a number of steps to correct the problems noted in the results. We have shut off the water supply to those fixtures used for drinking or cooking. Any water sources used for other purposes such as washing and general cleaning have been clearly labeled with warning signs not to be used for drinking or cooking. The next step is to develop a remediation plan that will be approved and guided by the experts in the field of water remediation. Please be assured that adequate water fountains are available throughout the building for student use.

The timetable for remediation of each of the identified sources will depend on the availability of parts, installation, and the process for retesting. It is important to note that none of the sources will be put back into service and available for drinking or cooking until the sources are fully mitigated and meet New York State Department of Health Standards.

For more information about water quality and sampling for lead contact the Erie County Department of Health at 961-6800.

Copies of the water testing results will be made available in each building’s main office upon receipt. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Results by building will also be posted on our website as they are received by the District.

[A.J. Schmidt Elementary Drinking Water Sample Results](#)

[Highland Elementary Drinking Water Sample Results](#)

[J.T. Waugh Elementary Drinking Water Sample Results](#)

[W.T. Hoag Educational Center Drinking Water Sample Results](#)

Results for the Middle School, Senior High, and Transportation will be forthcoming when results are received.

School Safety Plan

If you are not familiar with our overall safety plan, it is updated annually and shared on our website.

To view the plan, simply click the following link to stay informed.

[Lake Shore Central School District Safety Plan](#)

Construction Zone

To see detailed information concerning the proposed upcoming Capital Construction Project, visit the following link.

It contains a list of suggested improvements at the buildings across the District.

[Construction Zone](#)





Paul Gradl - Class of 1998

Paul Gradl is a Senior Propulsion Engineer at NASA Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama. He is also a proud father, husband, author, volunteer and entrepreneur. Paul's work has advanced manufacturing techniques and optical measurement technologies, evolved new liquid rocket engines, and supported shuttle launches to the International Space Station (ISS). He is currently working on the NASA mission to Mars. A 1998 graduate of Lake Shore Central, Paul knew in high school his focus would be engineering, and he pursued that path with technical classes and community college courses while attending Lake Shore. During his "free time" he worked in the family landscape business developing his entrepreneurial side. Following high school, Paul attended Gannon University and completed a Bachelor degree in Mechanical

Engineering. He went on to complete an MBA while working as an engineer on locomotives for General Electric Transportation Systems in Erie, PA. 2004, Paul joined NASA following the Shuttle Columbia tragedy and directed a debris impact testing team that led NASA's Return to Flight efforts on the Space Shuttle Main Engines. His team helped develop flight rationale to ensure future shuttle missions would be safer. He supported all 22 shuttle missions through the end of the program.

In parallel, Paul completed a Masters in Engineering from the University of Alabama Huntsville in 2007. Mr. Gradl went on to provide engineering expertise for NASA's new rocket engine development program, J-2X, which was the agency's new upper stage engine for an Earth departure launch vehicle. Paul led several technical teams in the development and advancement of new technology including rocket engine nozzles and combustion chambers, handheld laser welding, advanced coatings, structured light scanning and dynamic image correlation for advanced manufacturing and testing.

Paul's contributions to the NASA mission have earned multiple awards and recognition. In 2011 and 2012, he was awarded NASA Exceptional Achievement Medals, one of NASA's highest honors. It is awarded to an individual in the Federal service for a significant, specific accomplishment or substantial improvement in operations and technology which contributes to NASA's mission. Other notable recognition includes Space Flight Honoree, Ares Program "Made It Happen" Award, a NASA Certificate of Appreciation, a NASA Special Service Award, NASA Technology Transfer Award, the Marshall Space Flight Center Research and Technology Award and the NASA Engineering Directorate Partnership Award. Mr. Gradl received the Young Alumni Award from Gannon University in 2011 for his accomplishments and has been a guest lecturer at international conferences and national universities.

In 2010, Paul was awarded the 2010 Eugene L. Grant Award by The Engineering Economist Journal, which is the Engineering Economy Division of the American Society of Engineering Education. He has also received a U.S. patent in his field for an innovative laser processing technique for repairs on critical rocket hardware.

Mr. Gradl resides in Huntsville, Alabama with his wife Leah and their children, Dax and Tess. He considers his family his greatest accomplishment. Paul stays active playing ice hockey and frequently coached youth teams prior to having kids. (He hopes to coach Dax on the ice soon.) Paul intertwines his technical passion with music and business as an accomplished disc jockey. He finds time to DJ 20+ events per year, including regional and national performances, most notably in Las Vegas and Atlanta. He has been involved in the local startup community with his weekend inventions and won a local "Shark Tank" style competition.



Students in the News!

Highlights from local television

Please click on the images below to see coverage of Lake Shore Students that were recently featured on local television news casts.



A Marvel, con't.

"It was such an amazing event. It exceeded all of our wildest expectations," said George. "We're lucky to have Ms. Amoia and Ms. Muldowney. I've organized large-scale events, but nothing this large. The skillset these teachers have was on full display. It went off flawlessly. They expanded what they do in the classroom every day."

The smell of barbecuing chicken wafted across the entrance to the school. Chicken dinners were sold by teachers to raise money for scholarships that the LSCTA awards to high school seniors. The dinners quickly sold out.

"We give out two \$3,000 scholarships a year. We might be able to increase that for a third scholarship now, in part because of the success of the chicken barbeque," said George. He said he met parents who he'd never met at open house or for school events. Entire families came to the book night. It might have been hard to tell who was more pumped up about the event: kids or teachers.

"We are super excited," said Amoia when she was prepping for the book night. It was through her work as a NYSUT Political Action Committee coordinator for her region that Amoia heard about the community outreach available through First Book. Her fellow PAC coordinator, Cheryl Hughes from Kenmore-Tonawanda, inspired her to try a book give-away after her own local's successful event.

At Lake Shore, youngsters and teens were given "Literacy Passports" made by students and teachers in the art department. Five books equaled five stamps, enabling the youngsters and teens to drop their passport into a drawing. A raffle was held for five door prizes: five book shelves handmade from repurposed barn board by Lockport TA member and physical education teacher Danielle Hagen.

Five families from each of the district's five schools went home with new bookcases.

The road to get these books to this western New York community was lined with unions. The American Federation of Teachers is a partner with First Book, a nonprofit that gets donated books into the hands of students in need. NYSUT, an AFT affiliate, has been working for more than three years to help local unions with Title I schools to sign up for First Book. This year, NYSUT and First Book have provided nearly \$3 million worth of books to students in New York schools.

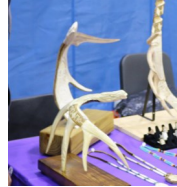
Many schools have held First Book events this fall.

Before the big book night out in Lake Shore, there was other behind-the-scenes action happening. Many teachers worked on "sorting night" to prepare the books for the give-away. The books had arrived stacked in snug plastic wrappings on wooden pallets.

"I had members who rarely ever come out who came out for this event. It's about the kids and literacy," Amoia said. "It was such a fun member engagement night."

- Article Submitted by Liza Frenette—NYSUT

Celebrating Native American History Month



Senior High School

Ms. Julie Hoerner - Principal

Student Mural Showcased at Conference and Erie Canal Site

Melanie Gates (Class of 2016) and Olivia White (Class of 2017) were selected to participate in the 10th Annual Global Mural Conference held in Rochester, NY this past September.

The mural was featured during the 2016 Global Mural Conference in a temporary display and will now be permanently installed on a building along the Erie Canal as part of the Erie Canal Heritage Mural Expo. Melanie and Olivia hope it expands an awareness of Native American art, culture, laws, and sovereignty, especially in Western New York.



November Stunners

The Freshman Academy is proud to announce its Stunning Students for the month of November.

These students were selected by their Academy teachers for displaying the six "Cs" of the Academy: compassion, character, consistency, cooperation, critical thinking, and capability.



November's Stunning Students are Simon Fendinger, Jenna Kowal, Faith Mikolajczyk, Elizabeth Nau, Nehemiah Riley, and Peter Steigert.

Freshman Class Celebrates First Homecoming



The Lake Shore Class of 2020 celebrated its first official Homecoming at Lake Shore High School.

The majority of the freshmen students participated in the hall decorating, the Powder Puff game, the car-smash, our theme days, the pep-assembly, riding the freshman float in the parade and dressing to impress at their first Homecoming Dance.

First Quarter Senior High Honor & Merit Rolls

Ninth Grade Honor Roll

Sierra Alioto, Gillian Barclay, Sarah Bovo, Domenica Cala, Nicholas Chiappetta, Noelani Cornfield, Paige Cornwall, Jacob DeAngelis, Zoe Dillinger, Carlene Dils, Samantha Dils, Jenna DiMartino, Hanna Donovan, Samantha Donovan, Zachary Evans, Simon Fendinger, Grace Flickinger, Lauren Franey, Caroline Gaskin, Emily Gordon, Gretchen Hazard, Brianna Hein, Paige Holla, Gavin Ingraio, Summer Irrgang, Riley John, Jadyn Jones, Jaclyn Kauzala, Colden Keller, Jenna Kowal, Jordan Kranz, Justine Kranz, Mary Kromer, Kirsten Lehnen, Amanda Leitten, Toni Liles, Jewell Littlejohn, Baylee Locke, Nicole Logan, Yanenowi Logan, Kylee Mackiewicz, Ashley Maiorana, Jessica Marinaro, Julian Martinez, Eliese Maybee, Faith Mikolajczyk, Stephanie Mruk, Maela Murtha, Elizabeth Nau, Michael Nowak, Colin O'Neill, Danielle Paradiso, Makayla Pielecha, David Pignone, Jacob Pregitzer, Bryan Rechin, Daniel Slotman, Brandon Sobaszek, Katrena Steffan, Peter Steigert, Dayna Sterner, Nathaniel Styles, Emily Thomas, Matthew Thomas, Colden Vogl, Kacie Waliszewski, Ian Wilde, Logan Wray, Alexandria Zuidema.

Ninth Grade Merit Roll

Jacey Addison, Ryan Allerton, Kristina Alvira, Thomas Baron, Tylanie Benton, Cassandra Bingenheimer, Shianna Bish, Tyler Buckland, Nicholas Carlson, Tashawni Cornfield, Aidan Fitzgerald, Sydney Fox, Rosetta George, McKenzy Gonzales, Michael Gualtieri, Noah Hart, Tyler Hassell, Hailey Haynes, Hannah Kelly, Spencer Kwilos, Nathan Len, Alyssa McMurray, Jeffrey Nolan, Kaylee Phillips, Berten Quider, Nehemiah Riley, Nathan Roth, Aria Schuman, Tyler Smith, Sophie Snyder, Cameron Stacey, Jessica Taylor, Madeline Tempski, Victoria Trombley, Benjamin Vail, Julie Vail, Jocelynn Wagner, Joseph Wasielewski, Eric West, Alyla White, Talynn Whitney.

Tenth Grade Honor Roll

Jared Addison, Olivia Alvira, Jason Ashton, Natalie Bailey, Grace Barker, Devin Bauer, Zachary Biel, Claire Birkemeier, Joshua Buchanan, Caitlin Burbige, Zachary Carr, Remington Chapman, Kaitlin Chiavetta, Matthew Chudy, Olivia Costa, Ajay Cybulski, Mason Dale, Ryan DeLair, Trinity Delvalle, Hannah Duderwick, Karleigh Easton, Laura Esposito, Shyanne Failey, Cyrus Farner, Noelle Gierszewski, Sara Gilhooly, Jacob Guarino, Trey Harris, Leah Elizabeth Hoy, Maggie Jimerson, Ashley Klepp, Mekenna Kollatz, Nathaniel Lockwood, Alexander Martin, Jason Martin, Peyton Martin, Mitchell McGarrity, Kelsey Merecki, Slade Merk, Elissa Norton, Allysyn O'Connor, Kayley Omlor, Kaylee Peacock, Alyssa Perkins, Jack Perry, Rebecca Perry, Travis Pilski, Adalia Plain, Shaughn Ramsden, Savannah Richmond, McKynzie Ringer, Katherine Roland, Elizabeth Rose, Jessica Sawynsky, Sydnea Schiedel, Autumn Schunk, Paige Smith, Emily Stolarski, Alexandria Szewczyk, Gabriel Tallchief, Aidan Van Slycke, Jay-Lee Willis-Kosnik, Cole Wishman, Lauren Wood, Dylan Zolnowski.

Tenth Grade Merit Roll

Tabitha Allen, Lawrence Baron Jr., Abigail Beamish, Linzie Buck, Eveline Butlak, Adam Carlson, Margaret Chudy, Rachael Conklin, Jonathan DeGroat, Jade DiFrancesco, Brett Donaldson, Alexander Donovan, Kori Dunshie, Beau Garvey, Branden Hutchinson, Erica Kennedy, Taylor Lawn, Bianca Mancini, Ashley Matuszak, Maxfield John Michalec, Nicolle Myers, Celina Park, Ethan Persinger, Brandon Pudlewski, Johnathan Rivera, Aries Rodriguez-Rafter, Beretta Santana, Luciano Sciarrino, Bethany Sierant, Angelina Sinclair, Delilah Swinarski, Alexis Thompson, Brianna Wesser, Destiny Weyand, Olivia Wiktor, Austin Wyant.

First Quarter Senior High Honor & Merit Rolls

Eleventh Grade Honor Roll

Julianna Abbatoy, Mackenzie Alvira, Caleb Arlington, Courtney Balcerzak, Kyle Ballard, Savannah Battaglia, August Becker, Owen Bitnun, Erin Bluff, Brandon Britton, Lindsey Broginski, Ralph Browning Jr., Brooke Browning, Adam Brzozowiec, Ashley Buchanan, Ryan Cervola, Tyler Codd, Brienne' Costello, Jade Cozzo, Shannon Curran, Eric D'Innocenzo, Jillian DeMaria, Nicholas DiBerardino, Madelyne DiMartino, Samantha Dubois, Jessica Dunlap, Ethan Dybowski, Samantha Emhof, Natalie Fix, Kendall Flak, Brian Freebern, Aaron Freeman, Julia Fuhrman, Dyllon Gartley, Tori George, Robert Gifford, Dakota Glashauser, Errika Gonzalez, Zachary Guziec, Anna Ippolito, David Ippolito, Jalyn Jimerson, Madison Justinger, Reagan Kaylor, Mellennia Keyes, Ryan Kostusiak, Emily Kromer, Jackson Kwilos, Arielle LaBruno, Kyle Latimore, Emily Leitten, Olivia Luce, Kylie Mallory, Kari Maund, Molly McCabe, Alexis McMurray, Matthew Memmo, Hannah Metty, Madelyn Miller, Jessica Mogavero, Sara Mruk, Samantha Nelson, Justin Noker, Becket Panfil, Olivia Pericak, Sara Ricotta, Mathea Riley, Tyler Rohde, Madison Roncone, Morgan Ryerse, Ivy Santana, Kaylea Schiedel, Alexander Silfies, Ashley Siragusa, Matthew Timm, Ryan Utle, Audriyanna Vail, Eliza Vail, Noah Wesser, Paige West, Alexis Wiens, Jonathan Wilson, Robert Wolf, Victoria Zuidema.

Eleventh Grade Merit Roll

Destiny Anderson, James Blonar, Brianna Browning, Jay Brueckl, Kenneth Byrd III, Madilyn Cordova, Tyler Dalton, Daniel Fosdick, Madison Fox, Ryan Franco, Nathaniel Gerwitz, Noah Gerwitz, Gerald Gillis, Cassidy Harenza, Wesley Jackson, Olivier Kittinger, Autumn Kotar, Alyssa Maiorana, Sabrina Maniscalco, Katharine Matthews, Cody May, Kelliann McNeal, Sean Nicander, Austin Niedermeier, Alix Novack, Joseph Novak, Victoria Paluch, Zachary Pirog, Hailey Russell, Frank Schuman IV, Emily Sierant, Arielle Smith, Hunter Stockman, Maya Thompson, Bryce Toth, Sarah Trimm, Emily Valle, Nicholas Vanscoter, Derise Waterman, Jocelyn Zolnowski.

Twelfth Grade Honor Roll

Courtney Adams, Jared Allen, Danielle Bachert, Rachael Bilek, Sabrina Blaszc, Natalie Cummings, Adam D'Innocenzo, Jonathan DeMaria, Alyssa Diamond, Collin Eastman, Jasmine Ellis, Audrey Feldmann, Selena Fendinger, Aryn Fitzgerald, Mackenzie Fox, Mary Francis, Alyssa Gardner, Benjamin Garvey, Skylar General, Davis Glashauser, Kendra Guenot, Brandon Guzman, Sierra Hambly, Alexander Headley, Steven Heimburg Jr., Margaret Hellert, Justin Holland, Erica Holscher, Cami Jones, Josephine Klaczyk, Kaitlyn Kleese, Thomas Kmitch, Sophia Koenig, Christian Kortum, Christopher Kostusiak, Leah Kruger, Samantha Kruger, Connor Kwilos, Zachary Len, Sarena Lowry, Alicia Majkut, Samantha Mascio, Andrew McDonagh, Brenden McGarrity, Sebastian Morrissey, Julia Niedziela, Aidan North, Lauren O'Neill, Darcy Paradiso, Audrey Parks, Christopher Pauley, Madeline Penn, Tyler Peterson, Faith Pruchnicki, Angel Richardson, Andrew Rinn, Casey Rosinski, Devon Rovnak, Mitchell Rushok, Shayla Scanlan, Madison Scheuneman, Jordan Scholl, Abigail Sciarrino, Eric Senior, Molly Skalski, Olivia Slotman, Madison Stevens, Bailey Strade, Michael Trimper, Jacqueline Uncapher, Joseph Venezia III, Kobie White, Olivia White, Brave Williams, Talia Wright.

Twelfth Grade Merit Roll

McKayla Allen, Rania Anderson, Lauren Atti, Adam Ballard, Emily Birkemeier, Joshua Blust, Rebecca Boergers, Adam Buczkowski, Adam Burkhart, Jacob Butterfield, Kayla Canfield, Logan Chmura, Alexander Conrad, Fallen Costantino, Erika DeAngelis, Collin DeMert, Paige Errington, Nathan Fisher, Alyssa Fitzgerald, Melinda Gates, Alexa Haberer, Lawrence Jenkins, Nathan Kollatz, Alexandria Lamarre, Austin Lederhouse, Carissa Littlejohn, Melinda McEvoy, Katelyn McMillan, Kiersten McNamara, Shelby Merecki, Aaron Montroy, Leya Moser, Jillian Naab, Matthew Notarnicola, Erik Rechin, Brandon Reynolds, Shaerod Rodgers, Hannah Rushok, Richard Rutter, Kevin Schanbacher, Mariah Scritchfield, Christina Stoessel, Matthew Terrano, Ashlyn Joanne Weaver, Darien Webb, Raeann White, Christa Williams, Megan Zubricky.

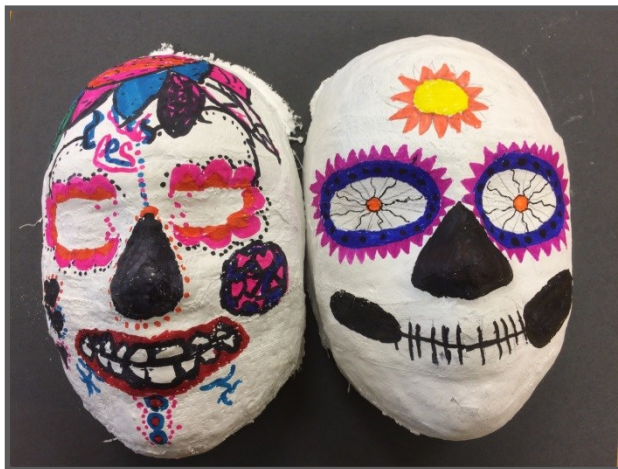
Middle School

Mr. Erich Reidell - Principal

Art Club News

The Middle School Art Club has been busy completing projects after school.

Their first project was a Keith Haring Inspired Mural, that is nearing completion and almost ready to hang. The most recent project was 3-D Sugar Skulls using plaster. The students are finishing up their designs and they will be on display in the lobby display case.



Summer Reading Ice Cream Social

Last June, all Middle School students were invited to participate in a Summer Reading Challenge.

They were asked to read one book over the summer and complete a short book review for our new webpage, "LSMS Eagle Book Reviews." This web page is a place for our students, staff, faculty, and community members to share book recommendations.

25 students participated this year and as a thank you for their contribution, they were invited to an after school ice cream social and given a gift card to Barnes and Noble, courtesy of our Middle School Booster Club. Please check out the reviews at <https://padlet.com/kjones78/sbnkxiatxhq>.



First Quarter Middle School Honor & Merit Rolls

Sixth Grade Honor Roll

Jeremy Ackley, Jared Ames, Magdalen Barclay, Joshua Briggs, Abby Browning, Howard Butlak, Anthony Cadin, Alexander Cervola, Cassandra Chiappetta, Simon Connors, Giana Corsaro, Angelina Cosenza, Emma Coventry, Nicholas Densmore, Kate DiMartino, Christina Duffy, Tyler Ellis, Samuel Eschberger, Riley Fleming, Paityn Flickinger, Dallas Garlow, Sophia Genovese, Nathan Guarino, Sheridan Henry, Dahlia Hoch, Emelia Howell, Caitlin Jurain, Alexandria Kennedy, Johannah Krull, Ava Lawn, Erin Lehnen, George Littlejohn III, Erin McGarrity, Ryan McNamara, Joshua Merritt, Noah Mruk, Corsignana Nardello, Talon Newton, Trinnity Palmer, Adam Pericak, Tyler Pfalzgraf, Tyler Pruchnicki, Isabella Rhoney, Analiese Rivera, Bryce Roberts, Austin Russell, Drew Russell, Ashton Sallaz, Randal Shank, Ella Skalski, Teresa Smaldino, Jayla Stafford, Mia Valentine, Jayden Wardlaw, Lucas Wiens, Maxwell Zielonka.

Sixth Grade Merit Roll

Landen Bean, Nicholas Brogan, Hunter Byrd, Jasmine Carter, Gavin Clifton, Bryce Coyle, Ashton Curry, Alex Deer Jr., Jacob DeRouche, Andrew Dillon, Peyton Donlin, Jayden Drenning, Savannah Duffy, Anthony Ford, Shane Friend, Corey Gavin, Sarah Geary, Lily Golden, Kaden Herr, Jared Hollmer, Andrew Hughson Jr., Dylan Kelly, Paige Kencel, Emma Knpfer, Makenna Lee, Lane Longboat, Vincent Marszalek, Taylor Mazzu, Malorie McComber, Gabrielle McNeal, Rebecca Morinello, Keira Norton, Riley Persinger, Autumn Pruchnicki, Samantha Sargent, Ryan Shafer, Carter Sterner, Nathan Stolarski, Aiden Styles, Jonathan Szewczyk, Sydney Wilson, Xavier Wilson.

Seventh Grade Honor Roll

Solomon Bayer, Dylan Carlson, Kelly Cian, Parker Cornwall, Abigal Coventry, Aiyana Crouse, Abigail David, Elizabeth Degenaaars, Alicyn Dimpfl, Myah DiOrio, Angelina Edgar, Nathan Eschberger, Brittney Freebern, Collin Gajkowski, Travis Gamache, Hailey Garrison, Eryn Gawlak, Raeann Grasso, Tyler Griffin, Jeffrey Gunning, Hayden Haynes II, Samantha Heppel, Emily Jamalkowski, Fantasy Jimerson-Kenjockety, Joiise John, Kathryn Justinger, Kasey Kada, Mitchell Kiefer, Michael Kirkpatrick, Hailey Kliszak, Marcus Kowalski, Alison Lecceardone, Kiara Leone, Molly Majewski, Natalie Marsh, Ryan Martin, Matthew Masse, Peyton Maxon, Madeline Maybee, Tristan McMahon, Lacie McMurray, Tyler Mitchell, Shatan Mohawk, Bethany Montroy, Aiden Morrissey, Brianna Morrissey, Amber O'Neil, Amber Ode, Joseph Pasinski, Robert Pfalzgraf, Evan Rudewicz, David Santos-LaRosa, Taylor Sawyer, Tyler Schott, Emma Scott, Anna Sheehan, Paige Silagy, Connor Smith, Emily Stoll, Casey Taylor, Nina Wholf, Caitlin Zolnowski.

Seventh Grade Merit Roll

Olivia Andrews, Emily Baron, Jada Capitano-Brant, Nathan Damiani, Elizha Fleming, Jesse Gryczkowski, Jillian Guziec, Eric Hutchinson, Lily Janik, Kaitlynn Kielar, Cayden Martinez, Parker McSkimming, Andrew Mikolajczyk, Teihgin Murtha, Barbara Niesen, Dylan Novack, Marcus Richmond, Donte Salatka, Nicholas Sawynsky, Rachel Schaner, Damien Serwinowski, Emma Silagy, Aubrey Snyder, Melissa Sperduti, Chase Sullivan, Brandon Szalkowski, Aiden Thomas, Allison West, Ava Williams.

Congratulations!

First Quarter Middle School Honor & Merit Rolls

Eight Grade Honor Roll

Autumn Adams, Jacob Alvira, Gracie Augustyniak, Breanna Bartz, Alexander Bauer, Cassidy Bertino, Brianna Beutler, Kyle Biel, Chloe Budziszewski, Samantha Carbone, Alyssa Chaplin, Robert Close, Janel Cosenza, Dylan Cybulski, Sierra Danieu, Grace DeGroat, Heather DeLair, Angelia DePasquale, Alexandria Dillemoth, Kyle Duderwick, Gabriella Dynas, Angela Edmond, Sierra Fox, Cole Fuller, Owen Glose, Thomas Gunning, Kaylee Guzman, Kendal Haberer, Abbey Hanes, Nathan Hazard, Matthew Holland, Shane Hussar, Ella Jimerson, Luke Joslyn, Julie Ann Ketcher, Megan Kowalski, Emma Kushner, Melody Lagattuta, Nathan Langdon, Madelynn Lockwood, Jacob Logan, Devon Logel, Jason Lowry, Brianna MacPeek, Julia Marinaro, Jenna Martin, Julian Martin, Jane Mason, Bernard McClendon, Donald Mogavero, Haley Murray, Rebecca Myers, Lindsay Nau, Brian Nephew Jr., Kaliana Palmer, Madison Pawlicki, Evan Prizel, Emma Rinn, Gabriella Rodriguez, Ella Rosborough, Molly Saccomando, Lainey Scanlan, Marisa Scarpine, Layla Seneca, Ariana Silfies, Elysia Sireika, Robert Smith Jr., Elizabeth Sreniawski, Lillianna Stender, Riley Sullivan, Jeffrey Szarzanowicz Jr., Devonni Tallchief, Gavin Toth, Marie Vail, Andrew Vassallo, Chloe Willis, Olivia Winder.

Eight Grade Merit Roll

Jazelle Abdulla, Zoe Blasak, Gianni Dalton, Zachary Easton, Kailey Ellis, Jacob Eschberger, Shanyce Gonzales, Bailey Herlan, Hannah Hughson, Kia Johnson, James Kendall Jr., Anna Kennedy, James Kist, Haley Long, Aaliyah Lyle, Kayleigh McComber, Jake McNamara, Austin Michels, Joseph Miteff, Nicholas Richmond, Jessica Rinehart, Cody Scheuneman, Morgan Scheuneman, Adam Scott Jr., Jaelyn Seneca, Jamison Solecki, Caleb Stacey, Evan Szarowicz, Mahlik Thompson, Andrew Walter.



*Great
Job!*

Highland Elementary School

Mr. Christopher Walsh - Principal

Annual Turkey Trot a Success

Highland Elementary held its 4th Annual Turkey Trot on Thursday, November 10, 2016. It was a gorgeous day, sunny and just right for a good run. A large crowd of family and friends enjoyed watching the event and cheering on the runners. The race results are as follows.

Kindergarten Girls	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Emma Rose	2:19:85	Kindergarten Boys	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Rocco Adamo	2:07:59
First Grade Girls	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Alanna Blackshire	1:58:62	First Grade Boys	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Evan Lamoreaux	1:51:19
Second Grade Girls	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Tia Styles	1:50:46	Second Grade Boys	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Nathan Skibinski	1:38:04
Third Grade Girls	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Kelsey Dynas	1:42:27	Third Grade Boys	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Jake Buczynski	1:33:24
Fourth Grade Girls	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Daiya Kowalski	1:37:63	Fourth Grade Boys	1 Lap=1/4 Mile	Nate Smith	1:33:61
Fifth Grade Girls & Boys		2 Laps= 1/2 Mile	Lily Rhode	4:24:20	Luke Hopkins	3:48:00	
Fifth Grade Girls & Boys		4 Laps = 1 Mile					
Girls 1st Place		Ava Pericak	7:44				
Girls 2nd Place		Dakota Kubisty	8:06				
Girls 3rd Place		Ava Buczynski	9:20				
Boys 1st Place		Justin Mogavero	7:53				
Boys 2nd Place		Cameron Witryk	8:16				
Boys 3rd Place		Matthew Dudziak	8:36				

The 5th Graders participated in a One Miler Race. To show the 5th graders what is involved in signing up for a race, those interested in running the One-Miler were asked to complete a registration form. Registration forms were due the morning of the race. Students reported to the gym for registration and picked up their race packet. The "registration fee" was a canned good that will be donated to our local food bank. Thank you, parents, for your support and understanding in this learning experience.

Thank you to all the parent volunteers for their assistance in the Turkey Trot. We cannot have a successful Turkey Trot without them. Every heat winner received his or her finish line tape to take home along with a medal. Fifth Grade One Milers received an engraved medal or trophy. The Highland PTG deserves a huge round of applause for their continued support, donations of water and event supplies.



A.J. Schmidt Elementary School

Mrs. Jill Clark - Principal

Acts of Kindness

Fifth-grade students at A.J. Schmidt Elementary have been on a mission to spread random acts of kindness.

Inspired to do just that, fifth-grader Allana decided to recruit her classmates to give to Sisterhood Wellness Center, Inc. Located in Derby, NY, the Sisterhood Wellness Center is a program designed by survivors of breast cancer to bring other survivors together to relax and heal in a serene environment. They recently held a retreat for a group of about 20 women with the help of Mrs. Galenda, Mrs. Brumagin, and Mr. Ruffino. The fifth-grade team came together to create magnets and painted rocks with inspirational words and images.

The gifts were then given to the women attending the retreat at the end of their weekend stay. It was a simple but powerful way to spread kindness in our community.



MakerSpace is a Big Deal!

MakerSpace continues to be a huge part of A. J. Schmidt Elementary School! Our students are engaged, excited, and pushing themselves to think “outside the box.”

According to Edutopia.org: MakerSpaces, STEAM labs and fab labs are popping up in schools across the country. MakerSpaces provide hands-on, creative ways to encourage students to design, experiment, build, and invent as they deeply engage in science, engineering, and tinkering.

A MakerSpace is not solely a science lab, woodshop, computer lab or art room, but it may contain elements found in all of these familiar spaces. Therefore, it must be designed to accommodate a wide range of activities, tools, and materials. Diversity and cross-pollination of activities are critical to the design, making and exploration process, and they are what set Makerspaces and STEAM labs apart from single-use spaces.

We are so fortunate to have such awesome teachers using MakerSpace in their classrooms. Generation Z, our present students, are children who are tech-savvy, hands-on, and diverse learners.

Keep watching for news updates from AJS!

Follow us on TWITTER!
@AJSchmidtLS -
#AJSgetsoutofthe box!



J.T. Waugh Elementary School

Mrs. Paula Eastman - Principal

Red Ribbon Week Hoops

The J. T. Waugh Elementary teachers and Principal Paula Eastman took on the Town of Evans Police Department in a competitive basketball game to celebrate Red Ribbon Week. One of the school's goals during Red Ribbon Week is to send a message to students and parents that remaining drug free is important and easy to do when lives are filled with healthy activities. Prior to the game the J.T. Waugh Parent-Teacher Group held a chicken barbecue and approximately 100 students and parents attended the event. This is the seventh year in a row that the Town of Evans Police Officers have supported this event and it was a fun night for all.



Smiles at Annual Turkey Trot





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Fall/Winter District Events

December	6	Highland Holiday Shop Board of Education Work Session, 6:30 p.m. J.T. Waugh Holiday Concert, 7:00 p.m.
	7	Highland Holiday Shop A.J. Schmidt Holiday Concert, 7:00 p.m.
	8	Middle School Grade 8 Concert, 7:00 p.m.
	12-16	J.T. Waugh Holiday Store
	12	Senior High Holiday Concert I, 7:00 p.m.
	13	Highland Holiday Concert, 7:00 p.m.
	14	Middle School Grade 7 Concert, 7:00 p.m.
	16	Middle School Snowflake Dance, 7-9:00 p.m.
	19	Senior High Holiday Concert II, 7:00 p.m.
	20	Middle School Grade 6 Concert, 7:00 p.m. Board of Education Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
	23	Holiday Recess Begins
January	3	School Resumes
	16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School
	17	Board of Education Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
	20	End of Marking Period, Grades 6-12
	24-27	Regents Exams Regular Attendance for All High School Students
February	1	Red Cross Blood Drive, Senior High Gym, 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
	7	Board of Education Work Session, 6:30 p.m.
	9-11	Senior High Musical and Art Show, 7:00 p.m.
	10	Middle School Valentine's Day Dance, 6-8:00 p.m.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

