

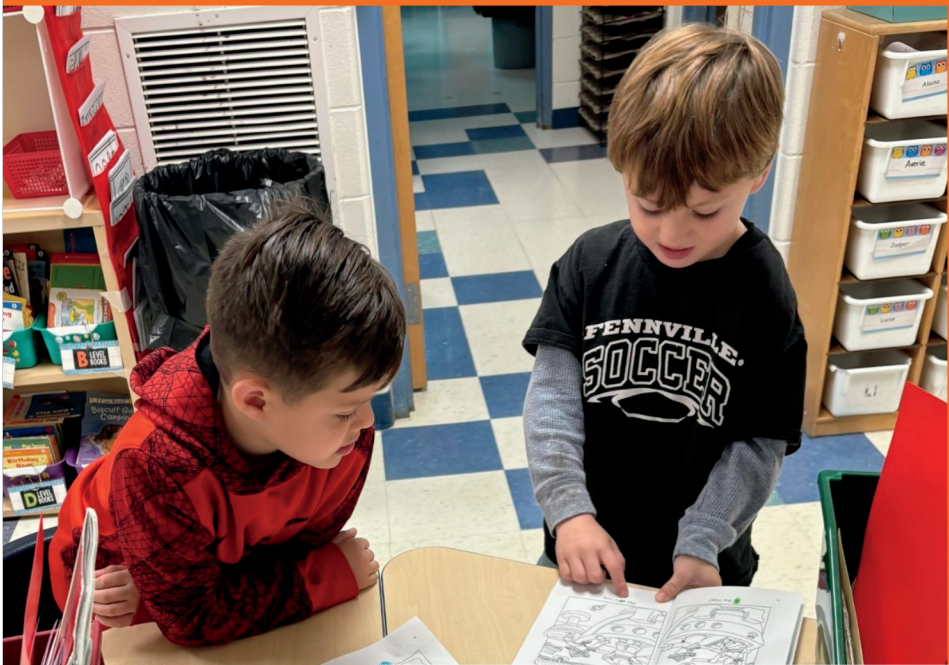
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FENNVILLE FORWARD

Cultivating educational excellence with a global perspective
in a community environment.

FEBRUARY
2024



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Central Office Hours

Monday - Friday
7:00am - 5:00pm

Elementary Hours Monday

7:45am - 2:20pm
Tuesday - Friday
7:45am - 2:45pm

MS & HS Hours Monday

7:50am - 2:25pm
Tuesday - Friday
7:50am - 2:50pm

**FROM THE DESK OF
DR. GREER**

If it truly takes a village to raise a child, then how are you uniquely equipped to encourage one or more of these students at Fennville Public Schools?

This is such a wonderful community with so many pouring into the students at Fennville Schools that I would like to thank the many volunteers that are contributing to the academic excellence and overall wellness of students. The opportunities are endless, from mentoring a student (p. 5), coaching, or refereeing a rec sport (p. 6), or volunteering for the concession stand, or joining the performing arts boosters (p. 7), or attending an event, such as “Protect Young Eyes” to learn how each of us can set boundaries around technology (p. 8).

Research shows that there exists a strong relationship between academic excellence (p. 4) and co-curricular activities such as band, choir, sports, youth group, student council, clubs, and other activities. The more students are engaged outside of the classroom, the more students tend to be engaged inside the classroom. Research also shows that one of the greatest factors to student achievement is the collective efficacy of the adults around them. In other words, the more adults believe they have a positive impact on the life of a student, the more the student tends to thrive.

How might you begin or continue to make a positive impact on the life of students by finding ways to volunteer?

One way I might not suggest is to challenge a student at a sport they enjoy to get them back involved in the sport, knowing the connection between sports and academics. Jayden gladly accepted the challenge to wrestle me and rejoin the wrestling team, even if I was sore for three days, it was totally worth getting to know this exceptional young man a bit better. When I asked Jayden about an influential person that has helped him in the past, he noted “I really like to be challenged and Coach Roth always knew how to push me and challenged me to work just a little bit harder both on and off the field.”

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EARLY CHILDHOOD REGISTRATION PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN INSCRIPCION DE PRIMERA INFANCIA PREESCOLAR Y KINDERGARTEN

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1PM - 7PM IN THE ELEMENTARY LIBRARY
MARTES 19 DE MARZO, 1:00 - 7:00PM EN LA BIBLIOTECA DE LA PRIMARIA**

Who is eligible?

Children who will be 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2024 are eligible for preschool this fall. Children who turn 5 years old by September 1, 2024 are eligible for kindergarten this fall. If your child turns 5 between September 1 & December 1, waivers are available, please inquire.

Students who are currently enrolled in a preschool program at FES will be given an enrollment packet for parents to fill out and return to the office.

What to bring?

- Birth Certificate
 - Immunization Record
 - Proof of Residency*
- *mortgage/rent paperwork or water bill



¿Quien es elegible?

Los niños que tendrán 3 o 4 años antes del 1 de septiembre de 2024 son elegibles para el preescolar este otoño. Los niños que cumplan 5 años antes del 1 de septiembre de 2024 son elegibles para Kindergarten este otoño. Si su hijo cumple 5 años entre el 1 de septiembre y el 1 de diciembre, hay exenciones disponibles, consulte con nosotros.

Los estudiantes que están inscritos en un programa preescolar en FES recibirán un paquete de inscripción para que los padres lo completen y lo devuelvan a la oficina.

¿Qué traer?

- Certificado de nacimiento
 - Cartilla de vacunación
 - Prueba de residencia*
- *Preva de Renta, o bil de agua.

Questions? julie.cossey@fennville.org 269-722-3900 ¿Preguntas?

Multiple preschool options available. Múltiples programas preescolares disponibles. Visit www.fennville.org/enroll or scan for more information. Escanear para más información o visita nuestra oficina administrativa. 269-722-3350



FHS ACADEMIC HONORS

1st Semester 2023 - 2024 School Year

CUM LAUDE: 3.25 - 3.49 GPA

Samuel Balder	Carmen Garcia	Michael Herrera	Talan Marquez	Angel Ramos
Jennifer Banda	Rylee Geister	Christopher Hopkins	Merissa Mendoza	Julissa Sanchez
Anisa Chambers	Ezmee Gonzales	Abraca Hopson	Connor Nead	Marissa Sanchez
Hayleigh Cook	MacKenzie Harris	Tristan Jenne	Jason Nyboer	Kylee Thompson
Brianna Delgado	Camila Hernandez	Zoey Johnson	Ivan Pappenheimer	Yohana Torres-
Ulysses Estrada	Obed Hernandez	Hannah Lombard	Fabiola Pineda	Martinez
				Jacob Williams

MAGNA CUM LAUDE: 3.50 - 3.89 GPA

Lily Achterhof	Marisol Diaz	Javier Gonzalez-	Ami Martinez-	Jesireth Perales	Mitchell Shippy-Thrash
Jacqueline Alvarez	Alexander Ferrari	Felipe	Hernandez	Echavarria	Jesus Solis-Sarat
Sandoval	Sebastian Galvan	Natasha Guzman	Brandon McGee	Seth Prottengeier	Chelsea Stevens
Morgan Bailey	Armando Garcia	Amaya Herrera	Cruz Medrano	Renato Recillas	Aidan Swingle
Anyah Braddock	Diana Garcia	Ramon Herrera	Isabella Michele	Quinn Rosema	Michelle Torres-
Addyson Brown	Orianna Gardner	Conley Howard	Zoe Minaker	Elia Ruiz-Izquierdo	Martinez
Kelci Bushee	Calvin Giles	Madisynn Jefferson	Cailey Mokma	Rosa Salinas Munoz	Desirae Trull
Israel DeLeon Rosas	Samantha Giles	Ethan Jenne	Braden Moore	Kiana Scholten	Ariana Velazquez-
Isabel DelaCruz	Gabe Gonzalez	Ariel Latchaw	Erick Moales	Daniela Serrano	Garcia
Zurehmi DelaCruz	Juan Gonzalez	Maggie Machado	Jose Osorio	Veda Seward	Ryleigh Wilson

SUMMA CUM LAUDE: 3.90 - 3.99 GPA

Atticus Boeve	Ava Ellis	Daymien Logsdon	Kallie Wyman
Jocelynn Davoren	Aubrie Hammer	Carly Mokma	

BLACKHAWK SCHOLAR 4.00+ GPA

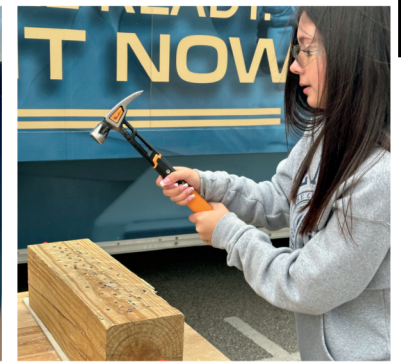
Ximena Aguilar	Ava Geister	Ana Mariano-Chavez	Lila Rosema
Josylin Andrade	Candy Gonzalez Galindo	Nidia Martinez	Isabelle Sliter
Reid Bloom	Dasaly Herrera	Emma Neighbors	Alexandra Solis-Sarat
Autumn Brandl	Yasid Izquierdo	Vivian Rasmussen	Gabbreilla VanStaalduinen
Mercedes Camberos	Cheyenne King	Paloma Reyes	Benjamin Waters
Seth Ciokiewicz	Natalia Laskowski	Zsi Zsi Rios	Natalie Wyman

CONGRATULATIONS BLACKHAWKS!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES!



In November we welcomed the newest inductees into the Fennville Chapter of the National Honor Society. These students met the criteria for the 4 pillars of the NHS - Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. We are proud of these students' accomplishments and dedication to provide service and leadership to our school and community!



133 FHS Students had the opportunity to learn about carpentry and millwright professions through hands on stations, competitions, virtual reality, augmented reality, and testimonials from the wonderful apprentices and journeymen who came to share their knowledge, advice, and skills with us today. Learn more about careers in the trades and opportunities at www.schoolstotools.org

BE A MENTOR AT FPS

Fennville Public Schools is looking for strong community members to serve as mentors to our students. Our mentors will create a supportive atmosphere where students can build meaningful relationships with a connected adult. Mentors provide guidance, support, encouragement, and friendship through 30 minutes of games, activities, and conversation.

Fennville Fire Chief & School Board Member, Paul Hapke, engages with one of his two Elementary Mentees over a game of Sorry. Paul is also a Mentor in the Middle School.

Are you interested in being a mentor? Contact us!
rebekah.hapke@fennville.org (FES)
allison.cox@fennville.org (FMS)



To recognize and inspire excellence at Fennville Public Schools, the Distinguished Alumni program honors truly outstanding graduates of Fennville High School. To be eligible for recognition as a Distinguished Alumnus, a graduate will have demonstrated true excellence in an achievement, a series of achievements, or over a career. Recognition as a Distinguished Alumnus is the highest honor Fennville Public Schools bestows upon a graduate. More information and nomination forms are available on the District website as well as in the Central Office. Nominations must be received before March 31st to be considered in this year's selection process.

BLACKHAWK ATHLETICS



Nidia Martinez
committed!

Congratulations Nidia, who signed her letter of intent to continue her athletic career as a member of the Cross Country team at Hope College!



Check out the
athletic schedules at
fennvilleathletics.org
f @fennvilleathletics



Youth Baseball & Softball Registration ends 3/24

Fennville Community Rec is the foundation of our athletic teams! Youth sports teaches teamwork, communication and the value of cooperation in a fun environment.

- Baseball - Boys
 - Minor 1 (1st/2nd Grade) Coach Pitch
 - Minor 2 (3rd/4th Grade) Player Pitch
 - Majors (5th/6th Grade) Player Pitch
- Softball - Girls
 - Minor 1 (1st/2nd Grade) Coach Pitch
 - Minor 2 (3rd/4th Grade) Machine/Player Pitch
 - Majors (5th/6th Grade) Player Pitch
- T-Ball - CoEd 5 & 6 years



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Community Rec is always looking for volunteers to head or assistant coach our youth sports teams.

community ATHLETIC CENTER calendar of events and court availability

Scan or visit fennville.org/communityrec and check out our new calendar of events, drop in sessions and court availability!



*calendar subject to last minute changes, feel free to call ahead

HOURS

- Monday - Thursday: 6am - 11am & 3pm - 9pm
- Friday: 6am - 11am
- Saturday: 8am - 1pm
- Sunday: 1pm - 4pm

269-722-3800

fennville.org/communityrec

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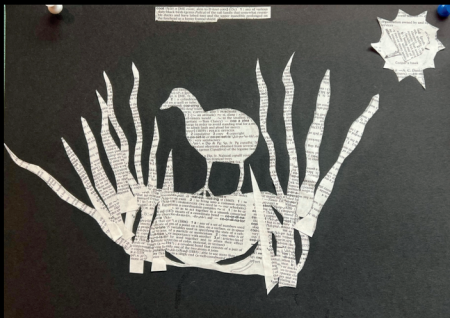


On December 2nd, nine FHS Choir Students traveled to WMU for the MSVMA Region B Competition. Jason Nyboer, Jennifer Banda, Erick Morales, Seth Ciokiewicz, Ramon Herrera, and Eileen Perez went on as members of the MSVMA State Choir on January 27th.

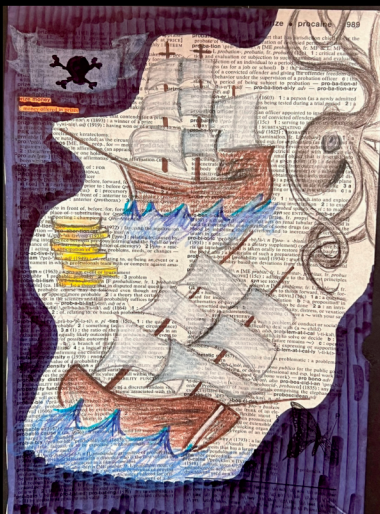


BLACKHAWK ARTISTS

The High School Art Department features a variety of different art classes for our students to tap into their creative sides.



Drawing students got creative using dictionary pages to create drawings and cutouts.



Ceramics students created working bobble heads using a spring mechanism. After firing they were painted with acrylic paint to be able to add details to these fun creations.





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Meeting Schedule

3rd Monday of each month at 7:00pm
Central Office Board Room

The public is invited to attend all Board of Education meetings. All regular meetings are held in the Central Office Board Room located at 5 Memorial Drive, Fennville. All Special Meetings and Work Sessions will be scheduled as necessary. Upon request to the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodations for a person with disabilities to participate in these meetings.

Fennville High School Alumni Association

25th & 50th

Anniversary Celebration!
May 17, 2024

**CLASS OF
1999 & 1974**

Update your contact information!
<https://forms.office.com/r/stZLk0QDq8>
or email
alicia.rodriquez@fennville.org
fennville.org/community



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Protect Young Eyes

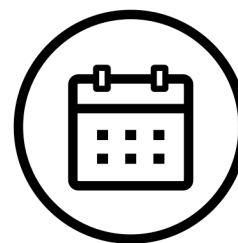
How to Create a Tech-Ready Home

Parent Presentation 3/5 6-7:30pm HS Auditorium

Although it's not possible to create an internet-safe home, it is possible to create one that is internet safer. After well over a thousand presentations to parents, grandparents, and caregivers just like you, and countless conversations, PYE has observed what it takes to have kids learn to use technology well.

The desired outcome of this presentation includes a deep understanding of why multiple layers of protection are necessary, awareness of the tools that support your digital goals, and how to use practical solutions so that your family is prepared, balanced, and protected online.

protectyouneyes.com



- **3/5 Protect Young Eyes Parent Presentation**
- **3/14 FES Family Reading Night**
- **3/19 Kindergarten Registration**
- **4/1 - 4/5 Spring Break - No School**
- **5/9 FHS Honors Night**
- **5/23 Fennville High School Graduation**
- **5/27 No School**
- **5/30 Fennville Alternative HS Graduation**
- **6/5 Half Day of School**
- **6/6 Half Day of School - Summer Break Begins**

The full district calendar can be found at fennville.org/calendar