

## Indian Pride

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#### Minooka Intermediate School Newsletter

## Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968) was a Baptist minister and social activist who played a key role in the American civil rights movement from the mid-1950s until his assassination in 1968. Inspired by advocates of nonviolence such as Mahatma Gandhi, King sought equality for African Americans, the economically disadvantaged and victims of injustice through peaceful protest. He was the driving force behind watershed events such as the Montgomery Bus Boycott and the March on Washington, which helped bring about such landmark legislation as the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964 and is remembered each year on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a U.S. federal holiday since 1986.

Every year, federal facilities, schools, and banks across the country observe the third Monday in January as a holiday in memory of the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. It took 15 years, millions upon millions of signatures, and the committed efforts of many dedicated people to turn King's birthday into a national holiday.

Along the way, those who sought a formal national observance of Dr. King's contribution to American life were told that what they sought was unprecedented, impossible, too costly, or too radical. In hindsight, it is tempting to conclude that simple racial bias was one of the major reasons some American lawmakers waited a decade and a half to set aside a day of remembrance for the greatest civil rights leader of them all. In recent years, the focus of the King holiday was broadened to include an emphasis on service to the community. This turn of events would certainly have met with agreement from the man whose memory of the day celebrates; as King was fond of saying, "Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve." This increasingly popular theme for the day is captured in the slogan:

"Remember! Celebrate! Act! A day on, not a day off."

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#### January Events

1/17/20- 5 Hour Day: Dismissal around 12:30 PM 1/20/20– Martin Luther King Jr. Day: No School 1/23/20– Portillo's Fundraiser 5:00-8:00 PM

#### February Events

2/6/20–5th Grade Band Concert 5:30 PM 2/14/20–5 Hour Day: Dismissal around 12:30 PM 2/17/20– President's Day: No School 2/20/20– Family Learning Night 2/27/20-5 Hour Day: Dismissal around 12:30 PM

2/28/20- Teacher Institute Day:

No School

The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically.

Intelligence plus characterthat is the goal of true education.



## PRIDE ARROW WINNERS



January 13th-17th

## 5th Grade Winners

MaryAnn Bonnes

Lena Conroy

Jayden Hamning

Brayden Martin

Giselle Perez-Salgado

6th Grade Winners

Blake Burnett

Rionah Denato

Noa Johnson



Congratulations to our staff who were nominated for "Staff Celebrations!" Fabulous job!

Mrs. Ludwig



Mrs. McCleary





\*Note: This flyer is valid in the drive-thru but you must show the flyer to the FIRST order taker in the drive-thru line

Bring in this flyer or show it on your smartphone and 20% of the proceeds will benefit

## MINOOKA 5-8 PTO

January 23, 2020 5:00pm - 8:00pm

at the Portillo's located at:

1155 Brook Forest Avenue Shorewood, IL 60431

## We look forward to seeing you there!



# Illinois **5**Essentials survey

## Organizing Schools for Improvement

Minooka Intermediate School values your input about our school. In order to celebrate the successes and review our areas for improvement, we are asking that you please complete the 5Essentials Survey for parents. The survey is open until February 14th, 2020. In order to review the results, we need at least 20% of our parents to complete it.

None of the information you provide will be directly connected to you or your child. The results of the survey will eventually be shared with Mrs. Pekol and Superintendent Dr. Monn in March.

If you have children in multiple Minooka schools, you will need to complete a survey for each building.

Thank you in advance for your participation and input on the 5Essentials Survey for Minooka Intermediate School.

Link to survey: <a href="http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/">http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/</a> (Our school is in Grundy County)

There will also be a student survey that will be administered. It asks students about their experiences in school, giving school leaders critical student input to help develop school improvement plans. This survey is completely confidential. Teachers or administrators will never see individual responses to survey questions and will only receive aggregated information, such as the total percentage of students who agree homework assignments help them learn the course material. Please, check your email for a letter from MIS Administration and how to access the copy of the questions asked to students.

## MIS SPORTS PAGE!

\*Note: Sporting events are subject to change and weather cancellations. For an up to date sports schedule visit: min201.org/departments/athletics



## Upcoming Sporting Events:

### 6th Girls Volleyball

1/23/20, 4:30 PM @ Home (MJHS) vs. Channahon

1/27/20, 4:30 PM @ Home (MIS) vs. Homer

1/28/20, 4:30 PM @ Home (MIS) vs. Wilmington

1/29/20, 4:30 PM @ Home (MIS) vs. Sandwich

1/30/20, 4:30 PM @ Home (MJHS) vs. Coal City

#### Wrestling

1/21/20, 4:30 PM @ Home vs. Wilmington/Seneca/Richland

1/23/20, 4:30 PM @ Home vs. Eisenhower/Morris Grade School

1/28/20, 4:30 PM @ Coal City vs. Manteno/Coal City

1/30/20, 4:30 PM @ Home vs. Channahon/Ottawa/Hickory Creek

## Awards Night

Awards will only be given to athletes that are present at the ceremony. March 18th at 6:30 PM at MJHS 6th Grade Girls Volleyball awards.