



Viking Weekly

Week of February 6, 2023

HIGHLIGHTS

Events This Week

- Feb. 8th - Detroit Symphony Orchestra 6th Grade field trip
- Feb. 8th - PTSA Meeting - 1:00PM
- Feb. 10th - No School
Professional Development Day

WORK PERMITS

You can obtain a work permit in the main office.

Most of our students will need the form for UNDER 16. There is a separate form for 16 & 17 years old.

Complete Section I, have the employer complete Section II, then bring it back to VH to be completed. We will need a birth certificate of the student in order to complete the work permit. Work permits are completed between the hours of 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.



INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

8th graders who applied to the International Academy

Everyone who applied before the January 29 deadline will receive an email regarding the upcoming lottery drawing. The drawing for RCS students will be held Thursday, February 9 at 3:00 PM. The email will go to the email address entered on the application, and it will contain a Zoom link to watch the drawing.

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Important Dates

- Feb. 14th - Orchestra
Pre-Festival Concert
7/8 Grade 7:00PM- AHS
- Feb. 15th - Band Pre- Festival
Concert 7 Grade 6:30PM- AHS
- Feb. 16th - Band Pre-Festival
Concert 6/8 Grade 6:30PM- AHS
- Feb. 20th- 21st - No School
Mid Winter Break

Important Links

[Van Hoosen Website](#)
[Viking Student Center](#)
[Counseling Connection](#)
[VH Media Center](#)
[VH Athletics](#)
[PTSA](#)
[Student Handbook](#)
[Key Information](#)



Viking POWER

Positive*Ownership*Well-Mannered*Excellence*Respect



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VH NEWS

Course Surveying for 2023-2024 School Year - - Current 6th and 7th Grade Students

Course surveying for next year is about to get underway! Van Hoosen counselors will be meeting with current 6th and 7th grade students in the coming weeks regarding choosing courses for the 2023-2024 school year. The 6th grade student meetings will take place on Friday, Feb. 3, and the 7th grade student meeting will take place on Monday, Feb. 6. Be watching for the colorful registration cards coming home. Please assist your child with completing the card for their course requests, review selections, sign, and have your child return the Registration Cards to their appropriate teacher by the due date listed on the cards. Parent/guardian signature is required on all registration cards.

For current 7th Grade Students only: Part of the course selection process includes having students input their course selections for 8th grade classes at home through the StudentVUE Course Request program. Students will receive instructions outlining how to input their requests when they receive their Registration Cards. Please assist your student with this process to ensure accuracy. Students who need assistance with this may see their VH counselor.

Any current 6th grade or 7th grade student who is absent for the course request presentations may pick up a registration card from their World Studies teacher or main office after Feb. 6.

Class Scheduling Process for Current 8th Grade Students - - AHS Counselor Visit

Counselors from Adams High School will be meeting with current 8th grade students to begin the process for requesting 9th grade classes on Wednesday, March 1. Students will receive high school information and course registration cards during the initial meeting and are advised to review the information with their parent when making their course selections; parent signature is required on all course registration cards. Students will be inputting their course requests online through StudentVUE as instructed by the Adams counselors.



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Homework for Absent Students

When students are absent due to illness or other reasons, they may check each class's Google Classroom for current assignments. They may also email each of their teachers to let them know they will be gone, and to make arrangements for making up any missed homework or tests. Upon request, assignments and books can be gathered in the office for a parent or sibling to pick up. Please contact your child's teacher(s) to organize this.

Chromebook Support

The tech facilitators have created a new Chromebook troubleshooting site that may help students with common fixes they can do themselves and also provides them the link to make a tech department appointments if needed.

[Troubleshooting link](#)

[Tech Department link](#)

When to Keep Sick Children Home When Schools Send Sick Children Home

Fever

If a student has/develops a fever >100.4 F, the student should stay home and/or will be sent home to rest and recover. Please return when fever free for 24 hours, without medication

Vomiting/Diarrhea

If a student vomits or has diarrhea, the student should stay home and/or will be sent home to rest and recover. Please return when vomit and/or diarrhea free for 24 hours, without medication

Covid

For Covid guidelines and other Covid related questions please visit the [Oakland County Health Department website.](#)

Media Center Volunteers Needed

If you're interested in working with Mrs. Mele and volunteering in the media center this semester, please sign up via the sign up genius links below.

The first link is for those who would like to volunteer during the three lunch periods.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4facaf2fa2fa7-media#/>



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Founders Day Awards

We're proud to announce that Van Hoosen will have four Vikings recognized with Founders Day awards at the Feb 9 ceremony at Rochester High School. Parent Emily Stow will be recognized with the council member of the year award. Van Hoosen Parent Cheryl Brunner, Science Teacher Stacy Smiler and 8th Grader Jackson Harris will be recognized with Founders Day awards as well.

Emily Stow

Emily served on the Delta Kelly PTA executive board for five years – three of those years as president. Emily was on the Adams High PTSA executive board for two years and she served for two years as secretary on the PTA council board. She has also been the chair of the Founders Day committee for the council for four years and has been involved with various initiatives and activities through the PTSA here at Van Hoosen too.

Stacy Smiler

Mrs Smiler's kindness, passion and joy are evident in all she does for the students at VH. She is always willing to step up to support PTSA projects and this year she is volunteering her time after school to lead Van Hoosen's Green Club with excellence.

Cheryl Brunner

Cheryl Brunner has served on the PTSA's executive board at VH for four years now in a couple different roles and does so with all her heart. She has excellent discernment and can be trusted to provide sound guidance. Van Hoosen is a better place because of her generosity with her time and talents.

Jackson Harris

Jackson leads by example at Van Hoosen. He serves both his school community and the surrounding area with thoughtfulness and without hesitation. He is always willing to give a helping hand. He truly is a Super Student!

Congratulations to all our award winners!

PAC News

An IEP training will be held at West Middle School on March 14. This training is being developed in collaboration with the Michigan Alliance for Families and Rochester Community Schools. This program gives parents a chance to have all their IEP questions answered and is ideal for families who have, or may be getting, an IEP.

The Sparkle Awards will be held on April 26 at Adams High School. Please nominate anyone who has been a huge presence in the life of a child who receives special education services.

ESSER Funds are now available to students with a 504 or IEP. Learning supports are ongoing and it's never too early to plan for summer camp. Camps, tutoring and more can be reimbursed through this funding. Questions? Email kgelardi@rcs.mi.k12.us

PAC meetings are public. IEP and 504 parents are encouraged to attend as well as interested staff. Our next meeting is February 28 and will be held virtually. Link will be posted on our website and on facebook.



The 8th grade party committee is collecting baby photo of all 8th graders.

Photos will be displayed in the VHMS hallways.

Please submit [students baby picture here.](#)



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8th Grade Field Trip



THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023

DOWNTOWN DETROIT EXPEDITION

ACADEMIC EXPEDITIONS AND VAN HOOSEN MIDDLE SCHOOL ARE JOINING TOGETHER IN THE CREATION OF A UNIQUE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE IN THE LARGEST CITY IN MICHIGAN!

Highlights:

- How well do you know the history of Detroit, the largest city in Michigan? Enjoy a **cruise** on Diamond Jack's River Tour and see some of Detroit's most iconic landmarks by a unique view from the U.S. and Canada Detroit River shoreline.
- Experience a tour of **Ford Field**, Home of the Detroit Lions! Have your cameras ready during this unique behind-the-scenes tour.
- Your visit won't be complete without a visit to **Comerica Park**, a special place for Tigers Fans and the city of Detroit. Cheer on the Tigers and enjoy lunch at one of the many vendors at the stadium.

Your Academic Expeditions trip includes:

- Deluxe motor coach transportation with driver and all transfers for the day
- Lunch Stipend for up to \$15
- Custom designed itinerary
- Full-time professional Academic Expeditions tour educator
- Entrance fees to all program sites and day/evening activities
- Customized Trip T-shirt

*Price per person based on a group of 35+ travelers per coach.

\$15 Non-Refundable Deposit required upon registration. Remaining balance due in installments on 12/15/22 & 2/15/23.

SCAN QR CODE WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE



For Trip Information and Registration Portal:
Go to www.academicexpeditions.com and click on "GO TO MY TRIP"
Enter your Tour Code: **VanHoosenTigers2023**

If you should have any questions about the trip program, please do not hesitate to contact:

Ms. Jones (Group Leader): mjones@rochester.k12.mi.us / **Ms. Papak (Group Leader):** SPapak@rochester.k12.mi.us

For questions regarding registration, payment, and insurance:

Katie Johnson (Finance Team, Academic Expeditions) 917-626-4742

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Mark your calendars for the RCS School Safety Summit, scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 8, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Rochester High School Performing Arts Center, 1361 Walton Blvd. in Rochester Hills.

The idea of a safety summit developed as a result of respectful conversation with district families who wanted to learn more about what we are doing to keep our students and staff safe in our schools.

In collaboration with our community partners, the safety summit will provide community members with one-stop access to district safety information, resources, processes and best practices. An authorized collection area will be on site for families to safely dispose of unused or expired medications.

Our safety partners are also planning to provide access to free Detera drug disposal kits, Fentanyl testing strips, CPR face shields and Narcan, along with training on how to recognize signs of an opioid overdose and how to administer the opioid antagonist. Other resources will be offered to reinforce safety at home.



ROCHESTER
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

PRIDE IN EXCELLENCE

SCHOOL SAFETY SUMMIT

FEB. 8, 2023
6:30-8 P.M.

AT ROCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL
1361 WALTON BLVD., ROCHESTER HILLS

- Enjoy one-stop access to district safety information, resources, processes and best practices.
- Learn from community partners and experts about the proactive strategies that support school safety, critical incident prevention and response.
- Consider the inclusive approach to school safety and wellness, including physical, emotional and mental health needs.
- Bring unused or expired medications to our authorized collection area for safe disposal.



Rochester Community Schools invites families and community members to partner with us for safety.

This free summit will provide resources and tools to bridge comprehensive home and school safety.



Safe-Ed. s.l.c.

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OK2SAY
Stop the Silence. Help End the Violence.



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CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM

Rochester/Auburn Hills
COMMUNITY COALITION

Common Ground
helping people move from crisis to hope

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DANCE WITH THE ROCHESTER ADAMS VARSITY + JV DANCE TEAMS

Rochester Adams Dance Clinic

The ADT Dance Clinic will be held at Rochester Adams High School for students in 1st - 8th grade.

CLINIC DATE: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH 2023
5:30 - 7:30 PM (Check-in 5:00 - 5:30 PM)

The ADT Dance Clinic will be held at Rochester Adams High School in the Cafeteria, located near the Athletic Entrance. At the clinic, dancers will be served pizza and water. The dancers will be taught the Rochester Adams Fight song, and a 30 second routine by the Varsity Dance Team!
This will be performed at:

The Rochester Adams Basketball Game Halftime on March 2nd, 2023

CLINIC FEE: \$70 (INCLUDES: PIZZA, WATER, T-SHIRT, GAME ENTRY & HALFTIME PERFORMANCE)

CLINIC FORM CAN BE SENT TO ADAMSHSDANCETEAM@GMAIL.COM (COACH BRIANNA)

MAIL CHECKS AND FORMS TO:
CHECKS PAYABLE TO ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
C/O ADAMS VARSITY DANCE TEAM: 3200 W.Tienken Rd, Rochester Hills, MI 48306

TO GUARANTEE A T-SHIRT FOR THE CLINIC/PERFORMANCE , PLEASE BE SURE TO REGISTER BY FEBRUARY 16TH, 2023

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT COACH BRIANNA + JOSEE AT ADAMSHSDANCETEAM@GMAIL.COM

NAME: _____ DANCERS GRADE: _____

SCHOOL: _____ EMAIL: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

ALLERGIES/OTHER CONCERNS:

T-SHIRT SIZE CHILD: XS ___ S ___ M ___ L ___

T-SHIRT SIZE ADULT: XS ___ S ___ M ___ L ___



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Book Club 2023



The Last Mapmaker

In a fantasy adventure, Christina explores a young woman's struggle to unburden herself of the past & chart her own destiny in a world of secrets. As assistant to Mangkon's most celebrated mapmaker, Sai plays the part of a well-bred young lady with a glittering future. In reality, her father is a conman— in a kingdom where the status of one's ancestors dictates their social position, the truth could ruin her. Sai seizes the chance to join an expedition to chart the southern seas, but she isn't the only one aboard with secrets.

- ▶ March 9, 2023
- ▶ March 16, 2023
- ▶ April 6, 2023
- ▶ April 13, 2023
- ▶ Time: 2.30-3.30 pm



Location:
Van Hoosen Media Center

\$15.00
Per student

[Click Here To Register Here](#)

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Rochester Hills Public Library -

[Please click here for the Winter 22-23 Teen Newsletter.](#)

Tuesday, January 24th 2023, 3-6pm

TEACHER PREVIEW BOOK SALE

As an educator working or living in the Rochester Hills Public library's service area, you are eligible for early access at the library's seasonal book sales to purchase gently used materials for your classroom or school library. Please show your educator ID to enter the preview sale. The sale takes place at Rochester Hills Public Library on the second floor near the teen video games collection.

**PUBLIC BOOK SALE CONTINUES UNTIL
SUNDAY, JANUARY 29TH 2023.**



Middle School



The Ice House
by Monica Sherwood

As a worldwide, extreme freeze continues, Louisa's family, neighbors, friendships, and schoolwork are all affected, leading her to build a house of ice in the yard to escape.



The Sea in Winter
by Christine Day

After an injury sidelines her dreams of becoming a ballet star, Maisie is not excited for her blended family's midwinter road trip along the coast, near the Makah community where her mother grew up.



The School between Winter and Fairyland
by Heather M. Fawcett

The twelve-year-old beastkeeper at Inglenook School for Magicians a young magician and together uncover the dark truth that lies at the heart of Inglenook.



The Barren Grounds
by David Robertson

Two up-rooted Cree children find themselves in a dreamlike adventure in which they embark on a dangerous mission to find food in frozen, barren grounds.



The Tiltersmith
by Amy Herrick

The arrival of Superintendent Tiltersmith threatens to upset the balance of nature unless four intrepid classmates can free the Lady of Spring and bring an end to winter in Brooklyn.



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