



Every Fox Needs a Den. Welcome to Yours!



A message from your principal, Dr. Travis

I hope this update finds you well.

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Next week is National School Counselor Week. Yorkville High School is blessed with an amazing group of counselors who guide and support our students each and every day. Thank you to Mrs. Pacetti, Mr. Leonard, Mrs. Nunez, Ms. Wilk, Ms. Sims, Ms. Fishbeck, and Mrs. Terrazas for all that they do in the service of our students!



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In addition to my weekly email updates, I encourage everyone to follow us on [Twitter](#) and "like" our [Facebook](#) page to learn about all the great things happening at YHS. We have so many great things happening— so don't just FOLLOW but SHARE our FOX PRIDE within our community—help us build our following!

As always, if this update raises questions, please ask. Thank you for all that you do—it does not go unnoticed or unappreciated. Have a great day! **GO FOXES!**

With **PRIDE**,
Dr. David S. Travis



Estimados padres hispanohablantes, Aquí en Yorkville High School queremos que todas nuestras familias tengan la información necesaria para apoyar y ayudar a sus hijos. Si necesita información sobre nuestros procesos, nuestra programación, o las oportunidades disponibles para sus hijos o si tiene alguna pregunta se puede comunicar con las siguientes personas en español. Sra. Noemi Terrazas – Consejera escolar de Yorkville High School @ nterrazas@y115.org or (630) 553-4380 ext 4241

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"A" Period Days		
Period	Time	Min.
0	6:31-7:18	47
1	7:25-8:53	88
3 Advisory	9:00-9:35	30
3 FLEX	9:35-10:28	
5	10:35-12:03	88
Lunch/ Access	12:08-12:33	25
Access/ Lunch	12:37-1:02	25
7	1:07-2:35	88
Total Instructional Minutes		294

"B" Period Days		
Period	Time	Min.
0	6:31-7:18	47
2	7:25-8:53	88
4	9:00-10:28	88
6	10:35-12:03	88
Lunch/ Access	12:08-12:33	25
Access/ Lunch	12:37-1:02	25
8	1:07-2:35	88
Total Instructional Minutes		352

"C" All Period Days		
Period	Time	Min.
0	6:28-7:18	47
1	7:25-8:12	47
2	8:19-9:06	47
4	9:13-10:02	49
5	10:09-10:56	47
6	11:03-11:50	47
Lunch/ Access	11:55-12:20	25
Access/ Lunch	12:24-12:49	25
7	12:54-1:41	47
8	1:48-2:35	47
Total Instructional Minutes		331

Monthly Calendar - February - March

Provided for our families is a month-at-a-glance summary.

- A Days are highlighted in "Red" - February 5, 7, 12, 14, 21, 23, 26, & 28. March 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, & 20.
- B Days are highlighted in "Gray" - February 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, & 29. March 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, & 21
- C Days are highlighted in "Green" - February 9, 16. March 1, 8, 15, & 22
- February 19 - President's Day, March 25-29 - Spring Break

Feb-24				
M	T	W	TH	F
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26	27	28	29	

Feb. Attendance: 20/114

Mar-24				
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18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

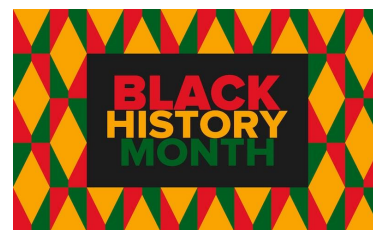
Mar. Attendance: 16/127

STAY CONNECTED



February is Black History Month!

Thursday, February 1st marked the start of the national celebration of Black History Month. Throughout the month at YHS, we will highlight different historical figures, songs, and significant contributions of Black Americans. This information will be shared through daily announcements and running presentation in the Learning Stairs.



Each year, Yorkville Educational Foundation honors Yorkville CUSD 115 educators, staff, volunteers, and community members who go above and beyond to support Y115. The Foundation's 6th annual Fostering Our Future recognition program allows us to share the stories of these extraordinary heroes and honor them at a formal awards ceremony in the spring. Learn more and submit a nomination here: yef115.org/fostering-our-future Nominations close on Sunday, February 11.

Student & Staff Salute



Congratulations to the Class of 2024 Early Graduates

Hudson Ashworth, Jenna Beckett, Ava Binkowski, Sara Buss, Aisha Casas, Elea Citro, Kaitlyn Davison, Demontae Douthard, Kayla Dudek, Paige Ebner, Zariah Evans, Brandon Gonzalez, Jonathan Magana, Kassadie Manukas, Isabelle Muniz, Joanna Okunnu, Alicia Orozco, Nyleah Palacios, Aidan Phipps, Steven Rainey, Aaliyah Roberson, Chloe Saxe, Sarah Grace Taylor, Julian Tello, Mia Tinoco, Ryan Turner, Jasmine Wangerin, Domonic Warren, and Ryder Zeluff.

Not pictured: Ava Binkowski, Sara Buss, Kaitlyn Davison, Kayla Dudek, Brandon Gonzalez, Isabelle Muniz, Alicia Orozco, Aidan Phipps, Mia Tinoco, Ryan Turner, Dominic Warren and Ryder Zeluff.

To the Class of 2024 Early Graduates, you are the embodiment of all that is good about Yorkville High School. I extend my gratitude to our graduates for embracing the responsibility to raise the standard of excellence for future Foxes to emulate. As a result of your persistence and commitment to excel – a clear path of excellence was constructed for future Foxes to follow. Because of your stewardship – Yorkville High School is a better place than when you began – the positive legacy you have left will be hard to eclipse. As you leave our hallways into the world, know this, the world you enter is fraught with challenges and uncertainty. I encourage you to rise to the moment rather than letting the moment define you, to operate with purpose, and to continue on your path of excellence...because if you do – I have absolute unwavering faith that you will continue to prosper. Best of luck, FOXES!

Congratulations to the YHS Students of the 2nd Quarter!

Congratulations to the 9 Foxes who were recognized as Students of the Quarter!

- *Applied Math* ~Erica Gabrielle Ladra
- *Applied Science* ~Julian Tello
- *Art Department, World Languages, EL* ~ Chase Iddings
- *Communication Arts* ~AJ (Alexander James) Baron
- *Educational Services* ~ Asia Hamilton
- *Music* ~ Kelsey McGregor
- *Social Science* ~ Kara Kosulic
- *Student Support Services* ~ Renere Thomas (not pictured)
- *Wellness* ~ Daniel Knoll



Athletics Update



Thomas Booker Represents Yorkville at the IHSA State Finals in Boys Bowling!

Congratulations to Thomas Booker on competing at the IHSA State Finals in Bowling. Thomas competed at the state finals at St. Clair Bowl in O'Fallon on Friday, January 26th. Thomas shot a 1,189 series and was just 12 pins away from advancing to the 2nd day of the state meet. Thomas finished the season as an All-Conference bowler, Individual Regional Champion and state qualifier!

Girls Basketball Celebrates Seniors!

The Girls Basketball Team celebrated 4 seniors on Tuesday, January 30th! Congratulations to Amaya Gianneschi, Alisha Peterson, Kenzie Sweeney, and Sera Stepien! The Foxes topped the evening off by defeating Minooka by a score of 56-42!



Girls Wrestling Competes at the IHSA Regionals!

The Girls Wrestling team began the first round of the state series this past weekend as they traveled to Minooka High School for the inaugural IHSA girl wrestling regional tournament. 10 of the 12 Foxes wrestlers that were entered made it to day two of competition. Sophomore, Danielle Turner, made her finals debut but came up short to a conference rival earning her 2nd place at 100 lbs. Returning state runner-up, Yamilet Aguirre, became our school's first girls individual regional champion at 125lbs. Junior, Brooke Coy, will advance by taking 5th 135lbs. All three girls will advance to the Geneseo Sectional held on February 9th and 10th.

Cheer Competes at the IHSA Sectionals!

Congratulations to the Cheer Team on a fantastic performance at the Hinsdale South IHSA Sectional. The Foxes scored an 87.17 and placed in 6th. The Foxes were one place and .53 points away from advancing to the state meet. What a great competition season from Foxes Cheer!



Dance Team Competes at the IHSA Sectionals!

Congratulations to the Dance Team on an outstanding performance at the Fieldcrest IHSA Sectional. The Foxes scored a 78.47 and placed 8th. This was the first time the Foxes have competed in the largest 3A division and were less than 3 points away from advancing. Congratulations to the Dance Team on a great IHSA competition season!

Girls Bowling Competes in the SPC Tournament!

Congratulations to the girls bowling team for their 7th place finish at last weekend's SPC Conference Tournament. Haylie Sloinker finished 20th in conference and Emma Taft was named All Conference with an 8th place finish.

Boys Swim & Dive Win Home Invite!

Congratulations to the IMSA/Yorkville Boys Swim and Dive team on placing 1st in the home invite on Saturday, January 27th! The Foxes scored 341 points to win the invitational! Carson Converse took 1st in the 200 Yard IM and the 100 yard backstroke, Mattson Uhlenhopp placed 2nd in the 50 yard freestyle and the 100 yard freestyle. Quinn Kauffold placed 1st in the 500 yard freestyle. Uhlenhopp, Kauffold, Tim Campbell, and Converse finished the meet with a 1st place finish in the 400 yard freestyle. The swim team competes again this Saturday in the SPC Conference meet at Oswego East High School!

Spring Sport Registration is Open!

Students interested in participating in a spring sport are required to register on the athletic website and have an updated physical on file with the Athletic Department. Spring sports include: baseball, softball, boys / girls track and field, boys volleyball, boys tennis, and girls soccer. Please email Jen Dickson at jdickson@y115.org with any questions regarding registration.



Activities Update

Winter Play a Success!

Congratulations to the cast and crew on a fantastic performance of Tartuffe!



Student-Council

The Student Council is helping students join in some Valentine's Day fun!

Students are invited to purchase a carnation for \$1 (cash only) to be delivered to the student(s) of their choice during Advisory on February 14th! Carnations will be sold during Flex Block on February 5th and 12th in the Athletic Lobby and February 7th in the YHSA Main Office!



Speech Team Hosts Tournament!

The YHS Speech Team hosted the Yorkville End of Season Invitational this past Saturday. Individual Award Winners are: the team of Leonidas Neel and Shadan Rediger, 4th in Dramatic Duet Acting, Lily Smogor, Tournament Champion in Extemporaneous Speaking, the team of Regan Iorfida and Tessa Williams, 5th in Humorous Duet Acting, the team of

Nola Tellone and Paige Madej, 2nd in Humorous Duet Acting, Isaac Iga, Tournament Champion in Humorous Interpretation, Cam Duran, 3rd in Impromptu Speaking, Skyler Butts, 2nd in Impromptu Speaking, Lily Smogor, Tournament Champion in Impromptu Speaking, Emily Hart, 4th in Informative Speaking, Merrick Harzman, 6th in Original Comedy, Ellie Fapp, 3rd in Original Oratory, Paige Madej, Tournament Champion in Poetry Reading, Reese Nelson, 5th in Special Occasion Speaking, Luke Brosted-Gajewski, 5th in Special Occasion Speaking, and Emma Sygnator, 4th in Special Occasion Speaking. The Foxes head to the IHSA Regional Tournament in Dekalb this Saturday. Go Foxes!

Kindness Week at YHS: February 12th-16th

The National Honors Society (NHS) is promoting Kindness Week at YHS. All students are encouraged to participate in the daily events to promote being kind to ourselves, school, friends, community and to others!

YHS KINDNESS WEEK

MONDAY 2/12

**KINDNESS TO SELF:
SELF-CARE ACTIVITIES DURING FLEX**

PAJAMA DAY



**CRAZY
SOCK DAY**



TUESDAY 2/13

**KINDNESS TO OUR SCHOOL:
CAMPUS CLEAN-UP**

WEDNESDAY 2/14

**KINDNESS TO FRIENDS:
VALENTINE'S DAY CARDS**

**RED &
PINK DAY**

**COLLEGE &
CAREER DAY**



THURSDAY 2/15

**KINDNESS TO COMMUNITY:
DONATE TO KENDALL COUNTY FOOD PANTRY**

FRIDAY 2/16

**KINDNESS TO OTHERS:
THANK YOU CARDS TO YHS STAFF**

**DRESS LIKE YOUR
FAVORITE TEACHER
OR COACH**



Upcoming Events

Hey FOXES ~ Bring your appetite!

On Monday February 5th during lunch at the Academy our

wonderful food service vendor Whitsons' is bringing some trendy food to your very own café! Check out the Pop-up Shop in the café Monday! Whitsons will be featuring their Sabrosos Tacos special recipes for lunch Taco Jammin' Pork and the Classic Taco, prepared by Whitsons' very own Chef Tony!



SIMPLY ROOTED
in food & family

Don't worry upperclassmen, Chef Tony and Whitson's Pop-up Shop will be at the main campus on Friday, February 9th.

Bring your appetites!

YHS Music Spring performances are underway

Thursday, February 1st - YHS Symphony Orchestra & Philharmonic Orchestra Performance - All Day - Illinois State University Orchestra Festival

Saturday, February 10th - **YHS Wind Symphony Performance at 8:00 AM & YHS Symphonic Band Performance at 11:30 AM** - Batavia High School Band Festival at Batavia Fine Arts Center

Tuesday, February 20th - **SPC Band Festival** - All Day - Select YHS Band Students perform at Oswego East High School



Notes to Note

5Essentials Parent Survey

As a parent, you have an opportunity to share your thoughts on the important elements of school effectiveness in a survey about your child's school called the [Illinois 5Essentials Survey](#). The 15-minute survey gathers data related to five indicators that can predict important student outcomes, including improved attendance and larger test score gains.



The Parent Survey Supplement is now open and will close on March 29, 2024 . *Each school needs at least 20% of parents to participate, so please complete the survey today!*

To take the survey, please visit <https://survey.5-essentials.org/Illinois/> and select the parent survey to begin. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact Brent Edwards at jbedwards@y115.org. Thank you for your participation and helping to provide key insights for improvement at your child's school. Please find more information at [Yorkville 5Essentials Parent Survey](#)

Attention 9th grade!

Dental forms are due by May 15th!

The State of Illinois requires all 9th grade students to have proof of a dental exam.

Dental exam forms are due by May 15, 2024 to the school. If your student has had a recent dental exam (after 11/15/2022 to present), please call your dental office and have the dental form faxed to YHSA at 630-553-4592. Forms can also be emailed to aanderson@y115.org.

Questions please contact the building nurse at YHSA at 630-553-4385.

SMILE Illinois Mobile Dentist Program

The Smile Illinois mobile dentist program will be at Yorkville High School Academy on Monday, April 15th. Please complete [this form](#) if you are interested in your student taking advantage of this FREE program!

All 9th-grade students are required by the Illinois State Board of Education to have a dental exam on file in the nurses' office by May 15, 2024. This is a great opportunity to get your student's dental exam completed at no cost to you! If you have any questions, please contact Bryn Martinek, the health services coordinator at 630.553.4380 ext. 6267.

Seniors - The FAFSA is a Graduation Requirement! Don't Delay ~ Complete it Today!

Senior Families: **Completing the FAFSA or the FAFSA waiver is an Illinois state high school graduation requirement--in order to graduate, you MUST complete it!** The FAFSA is the *free application for federal student aid*, that must be completed to qualify for federal grants, state grants, and institutional scholarships provided by colleges and universities. Remember, grant money is obtained by completing the FAFSA on a first come, first served basis! The FAFSA application is open now!

*all students must complete the FAFSA or the Waiver by May 1, 2024, as required by the state of Illinois for graduation.

[Click here](#) for the link to complete the FAFSA

[Click here](#) to complete the FAFSA Waiver - scroll to the bottom, and click 'FAFSA Non-Participation Form'

Please [click here](#) to access the presentation and materials from the FAFSA Night on 10/25/2023.

If you have any questions, or need assistance completing the FAFSA, please feel free to contact a representative below.

Madeline Haymond (she/her)

Region 2 Coordinator - ISACorps

Illinois Student Assistance Commission

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HAVE YOU

COMPLETED

THE FAFSA?

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