



# Gull Lake Community Schools COMMUNICATOR

June 2024



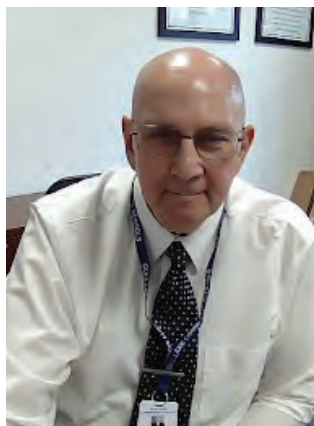
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*The Mission of Gull Lake Community Schools is to educate every child to achieve his/her full potential.*



# Superintendent Message

## Best Wishes Graduates!



On behalf of Gull Lake Community Schools, we wish all our graduates of 2024 the very best life has to offer. Our students, families, and community have once again demonstrated the power of relationships in education.

Gull Lake is truly a very special place!

Respectfully,

*Christopher L. Rundle*

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Interim Superintendent

### SUMMER CAMPS & LOCATIONS

**MINI KICKERS (AGES 4-6)** **SKILL BUILDER (AGES 7-14)**  
**TRAVEL PLAYER BIRTH YEARS (2017-2010)**  
**GOALKEEPER BASIC (AGES 8-11) - INTERMEDIATE (AGES 12-15)**  
**FLAG FOOTBALL (AGES 5-11)**

CAMP	LOCATION	DATE
MINI, SKILL, FLAG	KINGDOM SPORTS	JUNE 10-14
GOALKEEPER	KINGDOM SPORTS	JUNE 17-20
SKILL BUILDER	PLAINWELL	JUNE 17-21
SKILL BUILDER	MATTAWAN	JUNE 24-28
MINI, SKILL, FLAG	KINGDOM SPORTS	JULY 8-12
TRAVEL PLAYER	KINGDOM SPORTS	JULY 15-18
SKILL BUILDER	<b>RICHLAND TWP PARK</b>	JULY 22-26
SKILL BUILDER	KINGDOM SPORTS	JULY 29 - AUG. 2
TRAVEL PLAYER	KINGDOM SPORTS	AUGUST 5-8
GOALKEEPER	KINGDOM SPORTS	AUGUST 5-8

### SOCCER CLASSES

**MICRO KICKERS (AGES 2-3)** **MINI KICKERS (AGES 4-6)** **TECH & PLAY (AGES 7-11)**

SESSION 1	SESSION 2	SESSION 3
START DATE: AUG. 3	START DATE: SEPT. 25	START DATE: NOV. 6

### KINGDOM ACADEMY

★ BIRTH YEARS - 2017 - 2018 - 2019 ★

**PRACTICES: TUESDAY 5:15 - 6:30 PM | SEPTEMBER 3, 10, 17, 24 - OCTOBER 1, 8**  
**GAMES: SATURDAY NOON - 1:15 PM | SEPTEMBER 7, 14, 28 - OCTOBER 5, 12, 19**

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#### DREW BORDNER

Director of Curriculum & Instructional Technology  
- [dbordner@gulllakecs.org](mailto:dbordner@gulllakecs.org)

As we embark on the summer break, it's crucial to remember that the journey of continuous learning and growth doesn't pause with the end of the school year. Family members and trusted adults can foster curiosity and critical thinking in their children during these months of exploration and relaxation. One powerful method is encouraging students to engage in purposeful dialogue through thoughtful questioning and speaking purposefully.

When it comes to prompting meaningful conversations, it's helpful to consider the spectrum of questioning from good to better to best. Good questions simply elicit a response, such as "What did you do today?" While these are useful for initiating conversation, better questions delve deeper, like "What was the most interesting thing you learned today?" However, the best questions are those that inspire reflection and creativity, such as "If you could change one thing about today, what would it be, and why?" These types of inquiries encourage students to not only share their experiences but also to articulate their thoughts and feelings with purpose.

As families embark on summer activities, time in nature, or travel, I urge you to incorporate these "best" questions into your daily interactions. By doing so, we can help our students develop not only their communication skills but also their ability to think critically and express themselves effectively. Together, let's make this summer a time of meaningful growth and exploration for our children.

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Kindergarten classes took a field trip to the Kalamazoo Nature Center. Using their five senses, students explored nature's wonders and observed various reptiles. Students also met and learned about a new friend, Shelly the Turtle! It was a wonderful day of learning at the Kalamazoo Nature Center!



## Things are Buzzing at Richland!

The second graders enjoyed a special visitor at Richland Elementary. Mr. Dave Hutson came to talk to us all about bees and their life cycles! We learned a lot of interesting facts about bees, beekeeping, and how bees are needed for pollination.



Mrs. Fatima shared information about cultures and holidays celebrated by her family. Students loved learning about Ramadan and Eid Mubarak!

## The BEE Slip Challenge

The teachers and students and Richland took on a BEE Slip Challenge for the month of May to see how many they could earn for being respectful, responsible, safe, and kind! During the month of May, students earned over 7,300 BEE Slips! Students celebrated with 16 extra recess parties, 14 bubble and chalk parties, and 27 popsicle parties. Teachers were given 1,410 minutes (or 23.5 hours) of extra plan time. A big THANK YOU to our PTO for donating gift cards to hand out to top BEE slip givers!







Kellogg 2nd graders enjoyed the annual 2nd Grade Picnic sponsored by the PTO. Families came to celebrate all the students did this year. This has become one of the highlights of the year and we are sad to see the students go, but excited to watch them grow.



Thank you to our Kellogg Elementary PTO for two amazing first grade field trips this school year. We had awesome learning opportunities and made many memories at Sherman Lake and the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary.



A big thanks to the Kellogg PTO for funding a young fives spring field trip to the Binder Park Zoo!



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## 3RD GRADE Field Trip to Charlton Park

In May, 3rd grade students at Ryan had the opportunity to travel to historic Charlton Park in Hastings, Michigan. Students participated in activities and saw what living in a 19th-century Michigan community was like.



## 4TH GRADE Field Trip to Binder Park Zoo

4th grade students had the opportunity to visit Binder Park Zoo where they explored and learned about the various animals.



## RYAN FIELD DAY:

All Ryan students had the opportunity to participate in our Ryan Field Day this year. Thank you to Tim Wester who partnered with our Ryan PTO to create a fun filled day.



## 5TH GRADE Field Trip to Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Education Center

5th grade students had the opportunity to participate in a three day, two night Sherman Lake camp experience. Students participated in archery, rock climbing, swimming, canoeing, and other outdoor activities. Thank you to Sherman Lake for a great week of camping!



# Thank you, PTO!

Thank you for the MANY activities you supported this year. You are **AMAZING!**

### RYAN MILESTONES:

Ryan Int. has been recertified as a Leader In Me Lighthouse School. Achieving Lighthouse certification is a nationwide recognition that implies we have a quality school operating system where students, staff, parents, and community members are dedicated to improving and achieving excellence in academics, leadership, and culture. Congratulations to our Ryan team, students, and families for this wonderful recognition and accomplishment!

Ryan Int. also received national recognition as a Distinguished School for our Project Lead The Way initiatives. This honor is given to a select number of elementary schools across the U.S. for providing broad access to transformative learning experiences for students through a PLTW Launch program and STEM curriculum. Congratulations to our staff and team members for receiving this honor!







## Discovery Lab

In May, 6th and 7th grade students got to learn about careers in a hands-on Discovery Lab experience through KRESA. Students here are using a simulator to practice welding skills.



## 8th GRADE Recognition

On Monday, June 3rd, we were able to celebrate our 8th grade students in a recognition ceremony at the GL Center for the Fine Arts. We are looking forward to seeing how these students learn and lead at the high school. Thank you to the GLMS staff for their support in coordinating and executing this evening event.



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## GLHS NHS Supports Roof Sit - Tips for Kids Drive

Community Healing Centers held their annual drive to support its nonprofit programs. The goal of the campaign is to prevent and treat child abuse and neglect in Kalamazoo County. Great work to the 2023/2024 NHS students who collected over \$2,966 in donations at the Shell Gas Station on Gull Rd, and thank you to community members who donated!



## 2024/2025 NHS Induction Ceremony

The 2024 NHS Induction ceremony occurred on May 20th in the GL Center for the Fine Arts. We welcomed the 2024/2025 inductees and honored the graduating seniors. Thank you to the seniors for their service and hard work, especially our graduating officers: Charlie Waldorf (President), Paul Dykstra (Secretary), Kendall Wank (Treasurer), and Ethan Carr (Historian). Rylee Fraaza will be taking over next as our incoming President. We extend a big thank you to Mrs. Joanna Donnelly Dales from the Kalamazoo Community Foundation for being our guest speaker for the evening.







With the end of the school year, we wish to share with you the projects we were able to support during the 2023-2024 school year.

- Contributed to GLMS's production of *Ever After, The Musical*
- Provided funds to the GLHS PAC to help with the royalties for their spring production of *Peter and the Star Catcher*
- Contributed to bringing in guest Spoken Word Artist Jen Strauss
- Approved funding to the GLMS music program to purchase guitar tuners

These grants totaled \$4,690.

In addition, we awarded two scholarships. The GLCS Fine Arts Foundation Scholarship was awarded to Zoe Gobble and the GLCS Robin Nott Performing Arts Company Scholarship went to Camille Markucki. Congratulations, Zoe and Camille and the entire GLHS Class of 2024.



Please consider joining us for a Meet and Greet in August and for our monthly meetings held at Ryan Int. during the school year. For dates and additional information, please follow us on Facebook @GLCSFineArtsFoundation, or send us an email at [GLCSFineArtsFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:GLCSFineArtsFoundation@gmail.com) and ask to be added to our distribution list.



The GLHS Performing Arts Company (PAC) is bringing the page to the stage with their 2024-2025 season. The line-up of family friendly productions is sure to delight audiences all year long and will include play adaptations of J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Hobbit*, Roald Dahl's *Witches*, and a musical version of Lewis Carroll's *Alice in Wonderland*.

PAC prides itself on being a student-focused theatre program where all contributions to the production are valued. Our students work on every facet of the shows: set, lights, sound, props, stage management, hair/makeup, costumes, media/publicity, and acting. We are always looking for creative, hard working students to be a part of the company onstage and off. Students interested in auditioning or working as a part of the technical crew on these productions should watch for posters and announcements in the fall and/or contact Mrs. Ouellette at [louellette@gulllakecs.org](mailto:louellette@gulllakecs.org) for more information.







## Gateway Academy Class of 2024!

Spencer Behrens  
Elijah Dennard  
Cai Fournier  
Kendal Greer  
Bradyn Jaurez

James Martinez-Sortore  
Ashton Miller  
Jahzara Simmons  
Kyle Walker  
Kamren Collins

Emily Evans  
Elizah Fuller  
Kaylee Heatherly  
Laela King  
Grady McQueen

Jack Padgett  
Kaitlyn Tipken

All students were gifted \$500 from our Gateway Godparents to be used towards their educational aspirations. In total, over \$15,000 was awarded to our graduating class. We sincerely thank our community for their continued support and investment in the lives of our students!



OTHER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ARE ON PAGE 14-15 OF THE COMMUNICATOR.



Pictured is Bradyn Juarez, the recipient of the Lambert Family Scholarship Award in the amount of \$1000.



Pictured is Ashton Miller, the recipient of the Tru2U Counseling Grant in the amount of \$500.

### The following students were selected as our Liz's Parkview Cafe/ Gateway Students of the Month:

All students received a \$50 gift certificate to Liz's Parkview Cafe. Thank you to Mark & Taylor for sponsoring our Student of the Month for another year!



March: Kate DeRyke



April: Sarah Gibson



May: Landen Morton



Lillian F. Alvey  
 Alex S. Andrews  
 Grace M. Anglin  
 Nicholas Arce  
 Matthew C. Armstrong  
 David Arrabal Hernandez  
 Clayton D. Austin  
 Brayden A. Babcock  
 Kailynn R. Bachman  
 Elena S. Baliff  
 Tess E. Barnebee  
 Sarah M. Beaver  
 Nevina L. Beck  
 Clarice J. Bell  
 Landon A. Bell  
 Izabel G. Bennett  
 Morgan B. Bennett  
 Landen K. Birchmeier  
 Alyssa R. Blackburn  
 Sophia E. Blanco  
 Kyra A. Boe  
 Jonah D. Boone  
 Drew R. Boucher  
 Christina T. Brigman  
 Brody E. Brooks  
 Calvin J. Brown  
 Marz Carahaly  
 Macey L. Caro

Abigail T. Carr  
 Beau M. Carr  
 Ethan S. Carr  
 Jerome J. Carter  
 Blake G. Chadwick  
 Maizie M. Clark  
 Vance L. Clark  
 Ava R. Coffinger  
 Kathleen H. Colby  
 Patrick J. Condon  
 Ryker J. Corstange  
 Benjamin I. Coville  
 Sophie L. Crawford  
 Alyssa G. Crossley  
 Naveah M. Davis  
 Julian L. Demott  
 Emma G. Dillard  
 Kaleb W. Dix  
 Ellen Dobashi Nunes  
 Ashleigh R. Dugan  
 Paul A. Dykstra Jr.  
 Maggie K. Dziedzic  
 Vann M. Ebright  
 Breanna S. Eklund  
 Ethan A. Eldred  
 Kyilei C. Eshbaugh  
 Jacob M. Estes  
 Landon B. Evans

Samuel L. Foldenauer  
 Riley P. Francis  
 Dakota P. Frederick  
 Amigrace J. Fuller  
 Josiah I. Fuller  
 Keegan L. Fulling  
 Sean K. Gay  
 Gloria L. Geer  
 Lauren M. Gilbert  
 Malannah I. Givhan  
 Kayce J. Gleesing  
 Parker A. Gleesing  
 Zoe M. Gobble  
 Makayla M. Goodrich  
 Ty M. Grant  
 Brody D. Grimes  
 Kadence K. Grove-Johnson  
 Alayre E. Gustavson  
 Matthew D. Hall  
 Seungah Han  
 Sophia R. Hanna  
 Joseph B. Hannon  
 Julian C. Harris  
 Esther G. Hedin  
 Sienna R. Heiden  
 Ambirlyn M. Heighton  
 Kaydence M. Henrickson  
 Madeline Hess

Nevaeh N. Hewitt  
 Sasha M. Hollins  
 Emily G. Holt  
 Shane C. Hopkins  
 Phoebe C. Houtkooper  
 Aidan M. Howard  
 Hannah L. Howard  
 Addison M. Hribar  
 Nathaniel J. Hubbard  
 Macy N. Hutchings  
 Jillian N. Jackson  
 Evan M. Kaiser  
 Andrew L. King  
 Samuel M. Kirkwood  
 Mikael G. Kissinger  
 Dailah L. Klipsch  
 Ethan M. Klopschinski  
 Carina Kosian  
 Landon A. Krusniak  
 Kadence T. Kula  
 Diego L. Rodelo  
 Joslyn M. Larkin  
 Reese R. Larsen  
 Olivia E. Laurens  
 Aidan J. LeBeau  
 Emma G. Lewis  
 Elias J. Likens  
 Natalie S. Lima



## 44 Distinguished Academic Scholars Celebrated

On Tuesday, May 21, 2024, the GLCS Foundation celebrated 44 Distinguished Academic Scholars and their selected honored staff members with a reception at the Gull Lake Country Club. Distinguished Academic Scholars are Gull Lake Seniors who have earned a 3.9 grade point average or higher during their high school career.



**Front Row:** Riley McCarney, Ashley Vert, Kendall Wank, Breanna Eklund, Kara Nelson, Ava Quinn, Alyssa Blackburn, Ambirlyn Heighton, Avery Smith, Grace Wolf, Abigail Carr, Macey Caro, Izabel Bennett. **Second Row:** Olivia Martin, Brenna Temple, Regan McQueen, Abigail Weber, Zoe Gobble, Mollie Murdock, Tru Muday, Addelyn Plugge, Matthew Hall, Ethan Carr, Charles Waldorf, Joseph Hannon, Sophia Hanna, Addison Hribar. **Back Row:** Kyle Vanlandegent, Jacob Estes, Samuel Foldenaur, Samuel Skrceny, Grayson Nichols, Xavier Thomas, Landon Evans, Chad Romyak, Evan Kaiser, Paul Dykstra Jr., Sherwood Tilbury, Andrew King, Kai Watts, Ethan Peterson.  
**Not pictured:** Ava Coffinger, Esther Hedin, Katie Sulka. **Photo credit:** Cindy Corstange



# HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2024

Nolan J. Loukes  
Benson M. Luma  
Luciano Macias  
Elisabeth G. Maes  
Saad S. Malik  
Garrie L. Mann III  
Jared R. Mann  
Camille H. Markucki  
Zion N. Marcano  
Olivia E. Martin  
Sofia O. Martinez  
Sophia M. Mattioli  
Gabriel H. Maurer  
Riley J. McCarney  
Cadence R. McComb  
Regan O. McQueen  
Anderson L. McVerry  
Evan R. Meinert  
Camden M. Miller  
Carl S. Miller  
Stella J. Miller  
Braden M. Minehart  
Addison L. Misner  
Allen R. Moss  
Marshal M. Moulds  
Tru L. Muday  
Evelyn Munoz  
Mollie G. Murdock

Kara G. Nelson  
Steven T. Newton  
Grayson T. Nichols  
Hannah J. Noteboom  
Amari N. O'Brien  
Brady P. O'Leary  
Emma J. Pederson  
Leah G. Perkins  
Ethan R. Peterson  
Jade M. Pierce  
Madison S. Piper  
Gabriele Plano  
Teagan O. Pleasant  
Addelyn E. Plugge  
Nicholas C. Pobocik  
Wendy C. Ponce Ruiz  
Avery D. Pratt  
Tristan A. Pylant-Alfaro  
Ava K. Quinn  
Anabel Ramos  
Zachary T. Regis  
Tre F. Reiner  
Corgan T. Remeur  
Andie L. Reneau  
Aiden B. Ricca  
Broderick A. Ricca  
Anna O. Risser  
Darick L. Rivera

Laura Rodrigues Gregolin  
Chad M. Romyak  
Caiden L. Ruel  
Julian J. Ryan  
Johana Salvador Castelan  
Paige E. Schneider  
Marissa N. Scott  
Luke R. Sefton  
Mikayla A. Serpico  
Lilli M. Shahid  
Lucian N. Shoup  
Jayden M. Skaggs  
Carter L. Skinner  
Samuel A. Skrceny  
Avery L. Smith  
Beau M. Smith  
Brady S. Smith  
Jackson T. Smith  
Whitten T. Smith  
Bradley R. Spencley  
Violet F. Stewart  
Andrew B. Stuck  
Katie R. Sulka  
Joshua Sutfin  
Robert A. Tanksley  
Brendan D. Tanner  
TJ S. Taylor-Marrero  
Brenna E. Temple

Stephanie Tenorio-Lares  
Paris A. Thomas  
Zavier J. Thomas  
Sherwood M. Tilbury  
Josephine M. Trim  
Halle S. Tull  
Carter J. VanAvery  
Preston D. VandePol  
Kyle A. VanLandegent  
Logan C. Varner  
Ashley E. Vert  
Charles R. Waldorf  
Trenton E. Walterhouse  
Isaiah J. Walters  
Kendall G. Wank  
Ella K. Ware  
Lila K. Warren  
Kai W. Watts  
Abigail K. Weber  
Blake R. Wesley  
Maggie L. Westra  
Hailey F. Wiley  
Grace E. Wolf  
Sydney M. Yohey  
Cash R. Young  
Cooper T. Zervic  
Adalyn M. Zondervan

## Valedictorian PAUL A. DYKSTRA, JR.



**Parents:** Paul and Jennifer Dykstra

**Attending:** Purdue University

**Major:** Aerospace Engineering

## Salutatorian EVAN M. KAISER



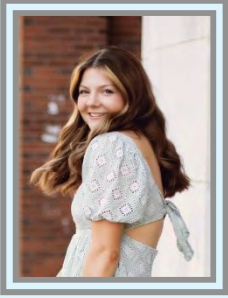
**Parents:** Michael and Tina Kaiser

**Attending:** Clemson University

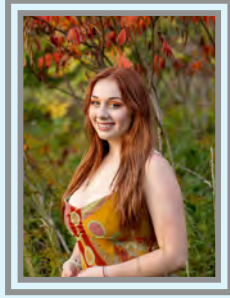
**Major:** Biomedical Engineering



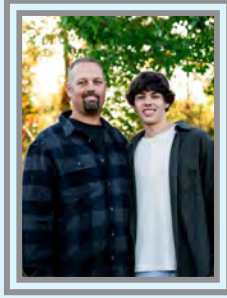
# GLCS Foundation Awards 44 Scholarships Totaling \$76,250!



**Lillian Alvey**  
*Darl Scott Golf Industry, \$4,000*



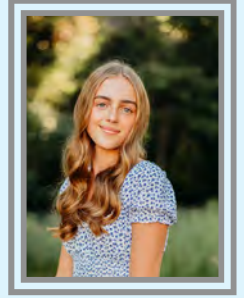
**Sarah Beaver**  
*Gull Lake Area Rotary Club, \$1,000*



**Landon Bell**  
*Zachary Wisniewski Memorial, \$500*



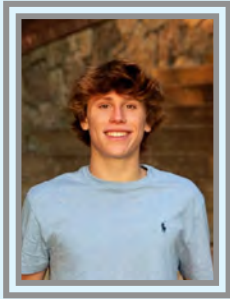
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*Michael Bailey Memorial, \$4,000*



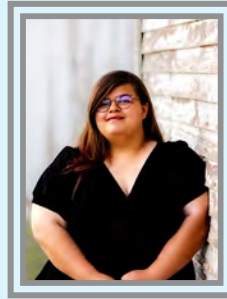
**Morgan Bennett**  
*Garside Family, \$4,000  
Ladies of the Lake, \$2,500*



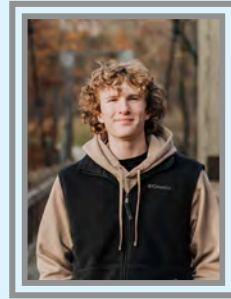
**Marz Carahaly**  
*Gull Lake Area Rotary Club, \$1,000*



**Ryker Corstange**  
*Cross Family, \$10,000*



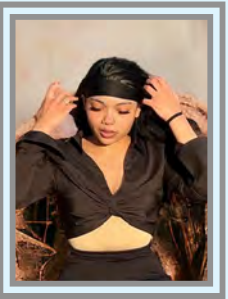
**Emma Dillard**  
*The First Responders: Sergeant Collin J. Rose Memorial, \$1,500*



**Paul Dykstra, Jr.**  
*Robert W. Smith Vocational/Trades/Engineering, \$1,000*



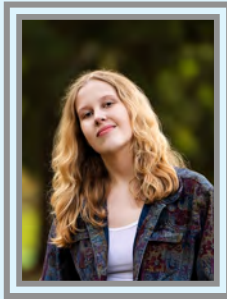
**Maggie Dziedzic**  
*Pelletier, \$1,000*



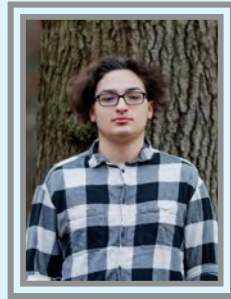
**Emily Evans**  
*Beth Palmatier Memorial Gateway, \$1,000*



**Zoe Gobble**  
*Marsha S. Tucker, \$1,000*



**Esther Hedin**  
*Kathy Kollig Foundation Nursing, \$2,000*



**Bradyn Juarez**  
*Gull Lake Education Association Pathway, \$500  
Richland/Gull Lake Area Lions Club Kay Maxson Memorial, \$1,000*



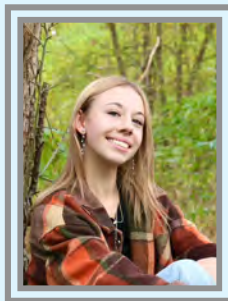
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*Jason Morse Memorial, \$1,000*





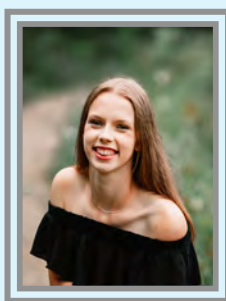
**Laela King**

*Blair Holden Memorial  
Gateway, \$1,000*



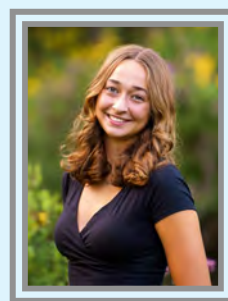
**Natalie Lima**

*Gull Lake Area Rotary  
Club Skilled Trades,  
\$1,000*



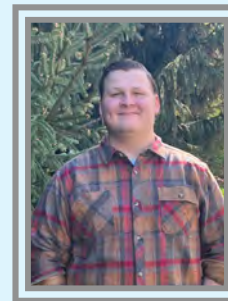
**Camille Markucki**

*Laurie Makin Cartwright  
Memorial, \$3,000*



**Riley McCarney**

*Gull Lake Education  
Association  
Pekkarinen, \$500  
Jack Weber Memorial,  
\$500*



**Grady McQueen**

*Gull Lake Area Rotary  
Club Skilled  
Trades, \$1,000  
Beth Palmatier Memorial  
Gateway, \$1,000*



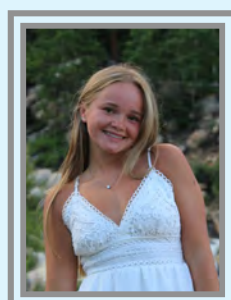
**Anderson McVerry**

*Parker Hannifin  
Engineering, \$1,000*



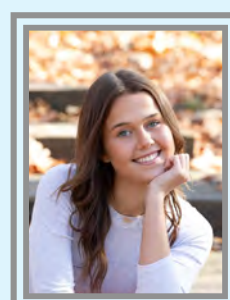
**Braden Minehart**

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\$1,000  
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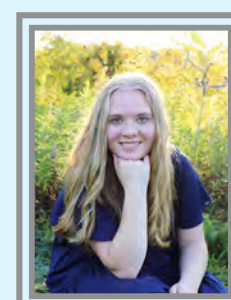
**Addison Misner**

*Marsha S. Tucker,  
\$1,000*



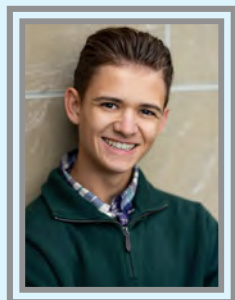
**Mollie Murdock**

*Garside Family,  
\$2,500  
Ladies of the Lake,  
\$2,500*



**Leah Perkins**

*Saylor Scott  
Memorial, \$1,000*



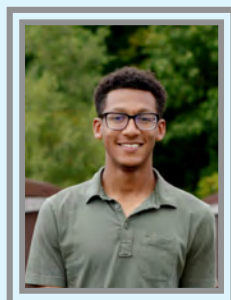
**Ethan Peterson**

*Parker Hannifin  
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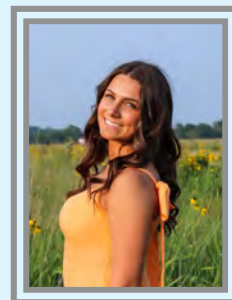
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Garside Family, \$2,500  
Gull Lake Education  
Association, \$500*



**Xavier Thomas**

*Fry Family, \$1,500*



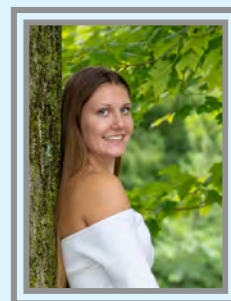
**Josephine Trim**

*Jill Adamski Memorial,  
\$2,500*



**Kyle VanLandegent**

*Gull Lake Area  
Community  
Volunteers, \$1,000  
Pelletier, \$1,000*



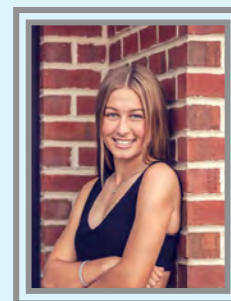
**Ashley Vert**

*Olin Family, \$2,000*



**Isaiah Walters**

*Marsha S. Tucker,  
\$1,000*



**Kendall Wank**

*Gull Lake Area  
Community  
Volunteers, \$1,000  
Kellogg Elementary  
School, \$1,000*





## STUDENT CELEBRATIONS

Gull Lake celebrates the Early College Students at Kellogg and Kalamazoo Valley Community College. The GLEC program is a great way for students to earn college credits during high school while under the advisory and guidance of our Early College counselor and teachers.



Kalamazoo Valley  
Community College



Kellogg Community  
College



## Congratulations!

Elise Ackley	Abigail Dudash	Laura Holeman	Luthando Manzini	Jamie Spencer
Jadyn Adams	Braeden Easterday	Jacob Holt	Colin Martinez	Brady Stoner
Amin Allishaw	Reygen Fleming	Keaton Jacobs	Caleb Mason	Marie Straub
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Anthony Baptiste	Andrew Gowan	Katie Kauffman	Catherine Mollison	Mackenzie Thornton
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Danielle Bono	Alicia Gumper	Emma Kerr	Lindsay Pawlak	Kelsie Vought
Daniel Collins	Glenn Hedin	Cameron Konenkamp	Kelsey Presley	Sawyer Whitfield
Ashland Coyer	Aleah Heffron	Jordyn Kuhn	Katie Roelof	Garrett Whitley
Oz Danger	Faith Hibma	Kofi Ladd-Oliver	Danny Shultz	Lena Williams
Isaac DeVisser	Donald Himelrick	Kaeden Lee	Ben Slager	Grace Wolf
				Landon Wyman



# Gull Lake Virtual Partnership CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATES!

Grace Anglin  
Matthew Armstrong  
Clayton Austin  
Elena Baliff  
Tess Barnebee  
Abigail Carr  
Blake Chadwick  
Alyssa Crossley  
Dakota Frederick

Amigrace Fuller  
Lauren Gilbert  
Malannah Givhan  
Kadence Grove-Johnson  
Matthew Hall  
Ambirlyn Heighton  
Nevaeh Hewitt  
Reese Larsen  
Elias Likens  
Olivia Martin

Sophia Mattioli  
Gabriel Maurer  
Stella Miller  
Amari O'Brien  
Emma Pederson  
Wendy Ponce Ruiz  
Anabel Ramos  
Luke Sefton  
Mikayla Serpico  
Brady Smith

Katie Sulka  
Robert Tanksley  
Preston VandePol  
Trenton Walterhouse  
Hailey Wiley  
Grace Wolf  
Cash Young  
Adalyn Zondervan



## ABOUT US

We are a K-12 school community offering meaningful and personalized learning opportunities for students to grow and thrive as they continue to discover their own unique talents.

Our courses offer students the chance to strengthen their skills and abilities as they move along their educational pathways.



### Established in 2011

- ★ Over 1300 students enrolled in GLVP
- ★ Course success rate: 93%
- ★ Graduation rate: 89%
- ★ Staff Members: 50
- ★ Community Partners: 86
- ★ Field trips per year: 36
- ★ 62% of our high school students earn college credits while enrolled with GLVP in Grades 9-12.

In our most recent parent survey,

- ★ 100% of parents report the culture of GLVP is positive, friendly, and respectful.
- ★ 97% of parents are satisfied with the quality of our virtual courses.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE  
24

Zoom Open House  
for New Families

10AM-11AM



AUGUST  
8

Zoom Open House  
for New Families

6PM-7:30PM



**Creating personalized pathways  
to spark the passion of lifelong  
learning in students.**





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JOIN US FOR SUMMER  
EVENTS AT KBS!



**WILD WEDNESDAYS!**  
FOR KIDS 8 & UNDER AND THEIR FAMILIES  
**JUNE 19 & 26 | JULY 10, 17 & 24**  
10 A.M. TO NOON  
AT THE KELLOGG BIRD SANCTUARY

**SEDGE IDENTIFICATION CLASS** ●  
**JUNE 21-22** 8:30 A.M. - 5 P.M.

**KBS K-12 PARTNERSHIP SUMMER INSTITUTE** ●  
**JUNE 25-27** 8:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.  
JOIN US FOR A 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FROM 5 TO 7 P.M. ON JUNE 25

**NATURAL SHORELINE WORKSHOP** ●  
**JULY 11** 10:30 A.M. - 3 P.M.  
10 A.M. - NOON

**GOOD NEIGHBORS ART EXHIBIT** ●  
FEATURING TREVOR GRABILL, KBS LTER 2023 ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE  
**JULY 19** 5 - 9 P.M.

**FISHING FOR EAGLES** ●  
**JULY 20** 9:30 - 11 A.M.

**FIELD BOTANY COURSE BEGINS** ●  
**JULY 31** 6 TO 8 P.M.

**BLENDING ART AND SCIENCE COURSE BEGINS** ●  
**AUG. 3** 9:30 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.

**LAKESIDE CONCERT** ●  
**AUG. 18** 3 - 5 P.M.  
FREE TOURS OF THE MANOR HOUSE WILL BE OFFERED FROM NOON TO 3 P.M.

**HUMMINGBIRD BANDING** ●  
**AUG. 27** 6:30 - 8:30 P.M.

**DESSERT WITH DISCUSSION** ●  
**SEPT. 25** 7 - 8:30 P.M.


**BIRDS & COFFEE ONLINE CHATS**  
10 - 11 A.M.  
JULY 10 • AUG. 14 • SEPT. 11

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## TECH TALK

### Dear Gull Lake Community Schools families:

Starting on **August 12th**, Gull Lake Community schools will grant you access to GoGuardian Parent, a mobile app that helps parents/guardians be aware of their children's activity on school-issued devices and provides additional controls during out-of-school hours. GoGuardian Parent is a companion to the classroom management and internet filtering tools that your child's school uses for devices issued to students. With this app, we hope to encourage more open and honest conversations between parents and children that will result in safer practices and responsible browsing habits.

#### What is GoGuardian Parent?

GoGuardian Parent was created to help provide additional educational support to administrators and teachers by allowing parents to see what sites and documents their children are browsing and providing parents with additional internet controls at home. The app gives parents a bird's eye view of their child's apps and websites, with this perspective, parents can be made aware of what types of browsing behavior schools are seeing from students so they can all work together to encourage more effective internet browsing habits at home and at school.

#### What's the intention of the app?

By providing insight and control over student browsing activity, we aim to empower parents to participate more actively in their children's online learning. We aim to create a greater sense of transparency with student browsing to help bring about a greater sense of accountability on the parents', students', and Gull Lake's part. We also believe that transparency and insight will increase the likelihood of productive student browsing habits on a more consistent basis.

#### What is included in this app:

- Top 5 summary of student browsing (apps, extensions, documents, and websites visited)
- Teacher interventions
- 30-day view of websites, videos, documents, apps, and extensions
- Ability to block websites on school-issued devices during out-of-school hours
- Ability to pause internet access on school-issued devices during out-of-school hours, either on-demand or at a scheduled time



# STAFF Spotlight

Our dedicated teachers provide the high quality instruction for which Gull Lake is known. The GLCS Instructional Coaches are a team of instructional leaders who support the educators at GLCS. Our mission involves providing authentic, job-embedded professional learning for every teacher so that all school stakeholders can reach their fullest potential. We are honored to be supported by the **Gull Lake Community Schools Foundation** who generously partner with coaches to provide Lunch, Learn & Launch 4-6 times throughout the year. Teachers opt to attend trainings during their lunch period in exchange for a lovely meal and time to connect with colleagues. We have also received funding for our New Teacher Academy, and have been able to purchase professional books for educators. We recognize how fortunate we are to have the support of the GLCS Foundation!

## GLCS Instructional Coaching Team

Catherine Curtis (Ryan Intermediate)

Gail Goebel (Gull Lake High School)

Pam Gernaat (Richland & Kellogg Elementary)

Betsy Springer (Gull Lake Virtual Partnership)

Krystal Hawkins (Gull Lake Middle School)



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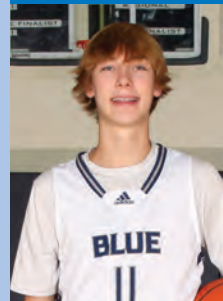
Gull Lake's Athletic Director Karyn Furlong, CAA, received the Region 5 Athletic Director of the Year Award for the 2023-2024 school year from the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (MIAAA).



## 2024 Senior Athletic Award Winners

Each year at our Senior Honors Program we recognize three male and three female athletes with prestigious awards. This year we presented the following awards:

### Sue Foster Leadership Award Recipients



Kai Watts



Maddie Piper

### Scholar Athlete of the Year Award Recipients



Evan Kaiser

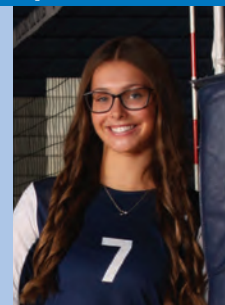


Kendall Wank

### Athlete of the Year Award Recipients



Ryker Corstange



Breanna Eklund

## Get Prepared for the 2024-2025 School Year

The 2024-25 school year will be here before we know it! Make sure you have your student ready to participate in athletics. All students entering grades 6-12 next school year are required to have a valid sports physical, one that is done on or after April 15, 2024, on file with our athletic office.

Not able to get to the doctor to get your sports physical for next year? No worries! **Ascension Borgess of Richland will have a team on hand here at Gull Lake High School on Thursday, August 8 from 2:00 - 6:00 pm to conduct sports physicals for all our students.** The cost is \$30, and if you do not have a parent present then you must have all consent forms previously signed. You may find the sports physical form on our website.

### GLHS SPORTS

All High School Sports begin Monday, August 12. Please contact the coach listed for specific tryout/practice times and summer training, or refer to our website.

**Football:** Jalon Simpson, [jsimpson@gulllakecs.org](mailto:jsimpson@gulllakecs.org)

**Cross Country:** Robin Blackburn, [rrblackburn7@gmail.com](mailto:rrblackburn7@gmail.com)  
Ken Fouts, [ken.fouts@icloud.com](mailto:ken.fouts@icloud.com)

**Boys Soccer:** Please contact the Athletic Office or Karyn Furlong at [kfurlong@gulllakecs.org](mailto:kfurlong@gulllakecs.org)

**Boys Tennis:** Roger Cornelius, [rogercornelius@aol.com](mailto:rogercornelius@aol.com)

**Girls Volleyball:** Eric Belz, [ebelz@gulllakecs.org](mailto:ebelz@gulllakecs.org)

**Girls Golf:** T.R. Walters, [twalters@gulllakecs.org](mailto:twalters@gulllakecs.org)

### GLMS SPORTS

#### Girls Volleyball

Tryout Dates: August 26, 27, 28  
(must attend all three dates)  
Coaches: 7th - Laurie Klok, [lklok@gulllakecs.org](mailto:lklok@gulllakecs.org) and  
8th - Katie Dolfman, [katie@mei.net](mailto:katie@mei.net)

#### Boys/Girls Cross Country

First Practice: Monday, August 26, 3:00 - 4:45  
Coach: Brendan Howard, [bhoward@gulllakecs.org](mailto:bhoward@gulllakecs.org)

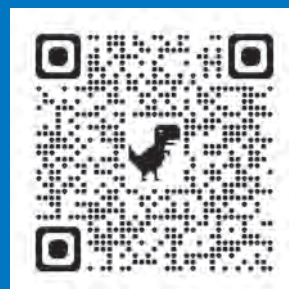
#### Football - 7th and 8th grade

First Practice: Monday, August 26  
Coaches: Brad Hall, [bhall@gulllakecs.org](mailto:bhall@gulllakecs.org) or  
Josh Cunningham, [jcunningham@gulllakecs.org](mailto:jcunningham@gulllakecs.org)

#### Sideline Cheerleading - 6th - 8th grade

First Practice: Tuesday, August 1  
Coach: Tessa Muday, [coachtessamuday@gmail.com](mailto:coachtessamuday@gmail.com)

To view complete details of all middle school fall sports please scan the QR code below:





## NEW ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM!

Gull Lake Athletics is rolling out a new online registration system. Starting in the 2024-25 school year, all parents and students must set up their online accounts through **Final Forms** (<https://gulllakecs-mi.finalforms.com/>). Parents need to set up the account before adding their students. Please select ALL the sports you are interested in participating in next school year. Once signed up you will begin to receive information regarding each sport along with other important athletic information.

### Start Your Registration



### View the Parent Playbook for help



## SAVE THE DATE!

The GL Area Community Volunteers are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Richland Art Fair on Saturday, July 20th at Gull Meadow Farms. Admission and parking are free! Stroll through over 100 booths from local and out-of-state artists who will be selling their paintings, pottery, jewelry, stained glass, woodcrafts, watercolors, metalwork, and so much more. Purchase something unique for yourself or stock up on gifts for the holidays. Proceeds from the Richland Art Fair help the GLACVs provide many programs and services to those in need in the GL community. If you are interested in obtaining more detailed information about our non-profit organization, visit our website at [GLACV.org](http://GLACV.org).

## Richland Art Fair

**Saturday, July 20, 2024**

**9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Gull Meadow Farms**

**8544 Gull Rd**

**Richland Michigan**

more info [www.GLACV.org](http://www.GLACV.org)



## Congratulations to our Scholarship Winners!

Congratulations to our GLACV 2024 scholarship winners, **KYLE VANLANDEGENT** and **KENDALL WANK**. Both of these seniors have demonstrated exemplary volunteerism and were awarded scholarships at the recent Senior Honors Night. Congratulations to both of you as you continue your college education, and thank you for making our community a better place!

# GULL LAKE SPORTS BOOSTERS

## 36TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

### SPONSORSHIPS

**GOLD SPONSOR \$1500** Foursome in the golf outing, 2 tee signs, social media shoutout, four GL golf shirts, business logo/ad featured on the Gull Lake Sports Boosters and Gull Lake Athletic websites for one year, and one 30-second radio commercial per home event on "Game Time" radio station for the 24-25 school year (minimum 60 events).

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**BRONZE SPONSOR \$750** Foursome in the golf outing, tee sign, social media shoutout, business logo/ad featured on the Gull Lake Sports Boosters and Gull Lake Athletic websites for one year.

**BLUE SPONSOR \$200** Tee sign at golf outing.

### GOLF REGISTRATION

**\$100/PLAYER FOR 18 HOLES WITH CART, COFFEE & DONUTS, BOX LUNCH, AND BEER. REGISTER AS AN INDIVIDUAL GOLFER OR REGISTER YOUR WHOLE TEAM!**

## AUGUST 5, 2024

**9:00AM REGISTRATION**

**10:00AM SHOTGUN START**

Questions? Contact Karyn Furlong at [kfurlong@gulllakecs.org](mailto:kfurlong@gulllakecs.org)

**GULL LAKE VIEW GOLF CLUB (EAST AND WEST)**  
**7417 NORTH 38TH STREET**  
**AUGUSTA, MI**

REGISTER ONLINE VIA CREDIT CARD

[GLSPORTSBOOSTERS.ORG](http://GLSPORTSBOOSTERS.ORG)

**RESERVE YOUR TEAM'S SPOT TODAY!**



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## BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

Parents and all other community members are encouraged to attend school board meetings on a regular basis. Meetings are held on the third Monday of every month at the Thomas M. Ryan Intermediate School Media Center at 7:00 pm, unless otherwise indicated. Upon request to the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a person with disabilities to be able to participate in the meetings. Official minutes of each school board meeting are available for public inspection at the Superintendent's office, 10100 East D Avenue, Richland, MI 49083, or may be accessed on the school website: [www.gulllakecs.org](http://www.gulllakecs.org).

**MEETING DATES**  
July 15, 2024  
August 19, 2024  
September 16, 2024

## NOTICE

GULL LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

## THREE SEATS OPEN FOR ELECTION



Three 6-year terms will be filled at the November 5, 2024 General Election. Interested community members seeking these positions must submit a Nominating Petition containing at least 40 supporting signatures of registered voters in the Gull Lake Community Schools District or a \$100 filing fee.

Petitions must be returned to the Richland Township offices by Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

**NOTE: To be eligible to cast a ballot you must be a registered voter.**

## MEET UP and EAT UP

### Free Breakfast and Lunch this Summer!

The FREE meals served at Meet Up and Eat Up follow USDA nutrition guidelines, and the benefits are endless! The nutritious meals served at the sites can provide a balanced diet to children and help fuel them over the summer to start the next school year off strong. We encourage fun, physical activity, games, and reading books. Meet Up and Eat Up is a great way to make friends, eat nutritious meals, prepare for the school year, and of course, HAVE FUN!

Free meals will be made available to children 18 years of age and under or persons up to age 26 who are enrolled in an educational program for the mentally or physically disabled that is recognized by a State or local public educational agency. The meals will be provided without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.

Adult meals will also be available for purchase - \$3 for breakfast and \$6 for lunch using cash only.

### WHERE

Kellogg Elementary  
9594 N. 40th Street  
Richland, MI 49083

### WHEN

June 16, 2024  
through  
Aug. 16, 2024  
Monday through Friday

### TIME

Breakfast:  
8:15am - 9:15am  
Lunch:  
11:15am - 12:30pm

**Call (269) 548-3550 for more information.**