



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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Thank you to our amazingly talented performers for helping us celebrate the holiday season at our 31st annual Madrigal performance last week. **It was wonderful to have our community join us for some holiday cheer!**

Friday, January 10th marks the end of our first semester. That means we have **10 instructional days left** before the semester concludes. With that end in mind, I encourage each family to take some time this weekend to review your student(s) academic progress and to work collaboratively with your student to create a plan to reach a successful conclusion to the semester. For those families looking to see some improved performance or just to verify how your student is doing, here are some recommended next steps you can take.

- Collaboratively review with your student their graded assignments in Canvas or through Home Access Center to ensure all assignments are complete.
- Verify with your student and their teacher(s) to determine if there are any missed retake opportunities and/or missed assignments.
- Collaborate with your student's teachers to understand the relearning process for any potential retake opportunities.
- Reach out to your student's teacher(s) to understand what steps you can take to support your student in any upcoming class work.
- Make a commitment with your student to participate in daily ACCESS or FlexBlock with their teachers.

I counsel all of our students to use the precious remaining days to take full advantage of the available resources and services to reach a successful conclusion to their semester.

Included in this update:

- December ~ January Monthly Calendar - **new item**
- Friday, December 20th ~ 1:35 pm Early Release - **new item**
- Speech team takes home 1st place - **new item**



- Boys/Girls Bowling host Teacher Appreciation Event - **new item**
- TJ Overturf bowls a perfect game! - **new item**
- Taelor Clements & Sydney McCabe - S.A.L.T. Athletes of the Month - **new item**
- 16th Annual PRISM Concerts 12/13 - 12/15 - **old item**
- Class of 2025 Grads! Online Order Update ~ deadline 12/20! - **new item**
- District 115 Parent-Student Handbook Review Committee - we need your voice! - **old item**
- Hey Juniors -ACT & SAT Prep Class is filling fast - don't delay, sign up today - **updated item**
- Still looking for a X-mas gift - Yearbooks for sale! - **new item**
- Class of 2025 - Order your Cap & Gown today! - deadline to order 12/6 - **new item**

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 and a fantastic school year! **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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YHS BELL SCHEDULE

"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
9 (Lunch/ Access)	12:08-12:33	25
10 (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
9 (Lunch/ Access)	12:08-12:33	25
10 (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
9 (Lunch/ Access)	11:55-12:20	25
10 (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 - December ~ January

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

- A Days are highlighted in "Red" - December 16, & 18; January 6, 8, 13, 15, 22, 27 & 29

- B Days are highlighted in "Gray" - December 17, & 19; January 7, 9, 14, 16, 23, 28, & 30
- C Days are highlighted in "Green" - December 20; January 10, 17, 24, & 31
- Winter Break - December 23 - 31, January 1-5, January 20

Dec-24				
M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

Dec. Attendance: 15/83

Jan-25				
M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

Jan. Attendance: 18/101

Friday, December 20th ~ Early Release Schedule

As a reminder, **student dismissal on Friday, December 20th at 1:35 PM**. I have included the 1:35 Early Dismissal bell schedule for your consideration. Students that attend morning classes at the vocational center (IVVC) will go at the regular time. Afternoon classes at the vocational center (IVVC) will be cancelled. Also, be aware the buses will depart approximately 10 minutes after the final bell. Thanks!

1:35 pm Dismissal "C" All Period Days		
Period	Time	Min.
0	6:28-7:18	47
1	7:25-8:04	39
2	8:11-8:50	39
4	8:57-9:36	39
5	9:43-10:22	39
6	10:29-11:08	39
9 (Lunch/ Access)	11:13-11:37	24
10 (Access/ Lunch)	11:41-12:05	24
7	12:10-12:49	39
8	12:56-1:35	39
Total Instructional Minutes		273

STAY CONNECTED



Student & Staff Salute

Speech Team takes 1st Place!

The YHS Speech Team competed at the Morris Invitational this past Saturday, placing 1st as a team! Individual award winners are: the team of Oliva Morton and Jayden Hill, 6th in Dramatic Duet Acting; Jayden Hill, 4th in Dramatic Interpretation; Leo Neel, 2nd in Dramatic Interpretation; Luke Brosted-Gajewski, 6th in Extemporaneous Speaking; Skyler Butts, Tournament Champion in Extemporaneous Speaking; the team of Abi Goins and Emily Hart, 6th in Humorous Duet Acting; the team of Colin Malley and Peyton Genenbacher, 3rd in Humorous Duet Acting; the team of Merrick Harzman and Paige Madej, Tournament Champion in Humorous Duet Acting; Abi Goins, Tournament Champion in Humorous Interpretation; William Rockford, 3rd in Impromptu Speaking; Skyler Butts, Tournament Champion in Impromptu Speaking; Luke Brosted-Gajewski, 5th in Informative Speaking; Emily Hart, 4th in Informative Speaking; Lexi Podzimek, 5th in Oratorical Declamation; Katie Divin, Top Novice in Original Comedy; Yasmine Ajaj, 5th in Original Comedy; Mrrick Harzman, 2nd in Original Comedy; Alec Misner, Top Novice in Original Oratory; Morgan Browning, 6th in Original Oratory, Olivia Morton, 5th in Original Oratory, Ellie Fapp, Tournament Champion in Original Oratory; Paige Madej, Tournament Champion in Poetry Reading; Teagan Fortier, Top Novice in Prose Reading; Ellie Fapp, Tournament Champion in Prose Reading; Haley Pribyl, 6th in Radio Speaking; Abigail Nameche, Top Novice in Special Occasion Speaking; and Christopher Shellhart, 3rd in Special Occasion Speaking. Go Foxes!

Boys / Girls Bowling Host Teacher Appreciation



Bowling Tournament

The YHS Boys and Girls Bowling teams hosted the annual teacher appreciation bowling tournament on Friday, December 6th. Each bowler invited a staff member of their choice to recognize and then partner up in an alternate shot bowling tournament. Thank you bowlers for showing appreciation for the Y115 staff in a fun and memorable way!

TJ Overturf bowls a perfect 300 game!

Congratulations to YHS bowler, TJ Overturf, on rolling a perfect 300 game on Wednesday, December 11th! The 300 game was the first in YHS boys bowling history and helped the Foxes to an important series win over Minooka 3035-2989. Overturf led the Foxes with a 653 series, Alex Wilson contributed a 633 series, Jarod Arms a 631 and Finn Keane a 596.



Student-Athletes of the Month Recognized!

The Student-Athlete Leadership Team (SALT) team nominated and voted on a peer for student-athlete of the month. The criteria voted on is:

S - Success: the athlete experienced success on or off the playing field/courts/mats/track/etc.

A - Attitude: the athlete displays a positive attitude on and off the playing fields

L - Leadership: the athlete is a leader among his or her peers

T - Teammate: the athlete is a teammate you would want to have

Congratulations to the November Student-Athletes of the Month Taelor Clements and Sydney McCabe!



Upcoming Events

YM
Yorkville High School
Presents
Prism 2024
Friday Dec 13 - 7:30pm
Sunday Dec 15 - 1:00pm | 3:30pm | 6:00pm

Yorkville Music's 16th Annual Prism Concert

Friday, December 13: 7:30 PM

Sunday, December 15: 1 PM / 3:30 PM / 6 PM

General ticket sales begin Friday 11/29 at 9:00am at yorkvillemusic.org

This is Yorkville Music's 16th Annual Prism Concert. We are excited to announce that we are performing at our Auditorium at Yorkville Middle School for this year's concerts. For those of you that are new to the prism concert concept, we hope that you will find the experience to be very fulfilling. During the performance, just as light fills a prism and refracts in many different directions, so too will our sounds of the season, and the talent of our 500+ Yorkville High School student musicians in filling the auditorium.

We hope to see you there to enjoy Yorkville High School Music Department's gift to you as you begin your holiday season!

Notes to Note

Class of 2025 Grads! Online Order UPDATE!

Thank you to the families that reached out regarding the issues in attempting to order Cap & Gown for graduation! Herff Jones' website and phone lines were a bit overloaded this last week. In an effort to allow families time to get their orders in because of these issues, the deadline to order their Cap & Gown and Senior Swag has been extended! **The deadline to order has been EXTENDED until Friday, December 20, 2024.** Any orders received after December 20th will incur late fees. **Order Now at www.HerffJonesIL.com OR Call Herff Jones at 815-756-4743.** Herff Jones Office hours are Monday - Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions please reach out to the graduation coordinator, Mrs. Steben at msteben@y115.org.



YHS Families, We Need Your Voices! District 115 Parent-Student Handbook Review Committee

Each year, YHS families come together to review the Parent-Student Handbook that is implemented in all District 115 schools. We invite you to join the YHS Deans on Wednesday, December 18th from 4-5 pm via Google Meets to review the District 115 Parent-Student Handbook. The goal of our meeting will be to review each section of the handbook to collect your feedback and suggestions for revisions. These suggestions and revisions will be compiled with all other families to make appropriate changes to the 2025-2026 Parent-Student Handbook. If you want to join the review committee, please complete THIS Google Form by 3 pm on Tuesday, December 17th.

While we know that many families would like to join us, schedules may not allow time to do so! If you cannot join the meeting but would like to share your feedback with the YHS Deans, please use this Google Form to share feedback regarding the District 115 Parent-Student Handbook. We will keep this Google Form open and accepting responses until Friday, December 20th at 1 pm.

You can access the District 115 [Parent-Student Handbook here](#) on the District 115 website.



Exciting Opportunity for ACT or SAT Test Prep for Juniors is coming soon!

We are thrilled to announce an incredible opportunity for our junior students to prepare for the Spring State ACT or the National SAT! In partnership with ExcelEdge, we offer a comprehensive test preparation program to equip students with the strategies and skills to perform their best, build confidence, and enhance readiness for college entrance exams.

ExcelEdge is known for its proven methods and personalized

support, helping students confidently approach college entrance exams. The program will focus on:

- Test-taking strategies
- Review of key components likely to be tested in English, Reading, Math and Science
- Practice with ACT-style questions & format and review previously learned SAT indicators

Registration Details

For information and registration, click [HERE](#) to sign up. The registration deadline is January 6th, so don't miss this opportunity!

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Jeannine Pacetti at jpacetti@y115.org. We encourage all juniors to take advantage of this valuable resource as they prepare for this milestone.

If you need financial assistance to participate in this program, please do not hesitate to complete this [form](#). Yorkville High School and the Yorkville Education Foundation are committed to ensuring that everyone has an opportunity to achieve success.

Still looking for that perfect Christmas gift? Why not give a lifetime of memories and purchase your student a YHS YEARBOOK!

Books can be purchased through www.yearbookforever.com. Be sure to search "Yorkville", and we are listed as Yorkville Community High School. **Books are currently priced at \$70, but you can save \$5 on your order with the code HOLIDAYCHEER.** Don't delay! Order your yearbook TODAY!

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