

WINTER NEWSLETTER 2025



23-24 SHS Athletes of the Year Award ⇒

Congratulations to Grace Goecke and Carter Sudhoff for their athletic accomplishments during their careers at Spencerville High School!

They were awarded their plaques at a presentation during the Varsity Boys Home game vs. Lincolnview on January 10th.

2025 Yearbook Order Form See Page 24 for more info!!

In this edition...

VFW HONORS LOCAL TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

The teachers pictured were nominated by their principals for the Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher award: **Sydney Koenig** (Elementary), **Rick Orr** (High School), and **Lori Schwartz** (Middle School). These teachers were honored at a banquet at Bowersock Brothers VFW Post 6772 in Spencerville in November. Pictured with Post Commander Jessica Wegesin.





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ELEMENTARY UPDATE

Mrs. Susan Wagner, Principal

I hope this message finds you well and refreshed after a delightful winter break! It's time to embrace the new opportunities and challenges that await us for the rest of the 2024/2025 school year.

Spencerville Elementary is excited to present our **Family Parent night on March 6 from 6-7.** More information will be sent home. Please mark your calendars now for this exciting event!

A huge shout out to Frank Jennings, local business owner of Frank's Contracting and Snow Removal, for offering to be the Grinch in our first ever Grinch vs Santa face off. Mr. Gephart was our jolly old St Nick and these two brought some magic to our students at our special assembly.





Students do go outside during the winter months. We feel it's important for them to be in the fresh air and have the opportunity to play. Please be sure that your child has a hat, gloves, scarf and boots.

There are resources that support student learning on the parent link of the elementary school website. Feel free to use those and do not hesitate to ask your child's teacher for support on how to use them if needed. We are all here as a team to ensure each child is successful.

Important dates to remember:

Family Parent Night March 6 from 6-7

ELA (English Language Arts) state test for grades 3 and 4 are April 2 and 3.

Math state test for grades 3 and 4 are April 24 and 25.

Kindergarten registration will open February 15.

Kindergarten orientation is April 3rd from 6-7.

Kindergarten Screening is May 13 and 14. Information about scheduling will be sent out later.

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Why does attendance matter?

Building Foundations: Consistent attendance is the cornerstone of a successful academic journey. Each day in the classroom builds upon the previous one, and regular attendance ensures that students can fully grasp concepts, participate in discussions, and engage in hands-on activities that lay the foundation for future learning.

Social Growth: School is not just about academics; it's a place where children develop social skills, form friendships, and learn to collaborate with others. Regular attendance allows students to build and nurture these essential relationships, contributing to their emotional and social development.

Establishing Routine: A consistent school routine helps children develop time management skills and a sense of responsibility. By attending school regularly, students learn the importance of punctuality and discipline, skills that will serve them well throughout their academic and professional lives.

Maximizing Learning Opportunities: Teachers carefully plan lessons to cover the curriculum, and each class contributes to a child's overall understanding. Missing even a day of school means missing out on valuable learning experiences. Regular attendance ensures that students make the most of the educational opportunities provided.

How can parents/guardians help?

Prioritize Attendance: Make attendance a priority in your family. Set a routine that emphasizes the importance of going to bed early, waking up on time, and being prepared for the school day.

Communicate: If your child is unable to attend school, please inform us as soon as possible. Open communication allows us to support your child's learning and address any challenges they may be facing.

Celebrate Achievements: Recognize and celebrate your child's attendance milestones. Positive reinforcement can motivate students to maintain good attendance habits. Remember, every day counts in the educational journey of our young learners. By working together, we can create an environment where every child feels supported, engaged, and ready to succeed.

Here's to a fantastic return and a successful journey ahead. May the new year bring us growth, accomplishments, and memorable shared experiences.

Mrs. Susan Wagner, Elementary Principal



HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE

Mr. Scott Gephart, Principal

I hope everyone had a nice holiday break. It is indeed remarkable how quickly time flies during the school year. It seems like yesterday we just started the school year. As we start the second semester, staying involved in your child's academic progress is crucial, and the use of tools like ProgressBook can greatly assist parents in keeping track of their child's performance. Please take advantage of this great resource.



During the next few months, Mr. Baumgartner will be meeting with students for next year's classes/schedules. Mr. Baumgartner does a fantastic job of explaining all the requirements for each grade level. If your son/daughter is a sophomore or junior and is interested in Apollo, it is important they speak with Mr. Baumgartner and register online as well. Several programs at Apollo fill up quickly. If you have any questions regarding scheduling for next year, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Baumgartner or myself.

I know spring seems a long way off with the cold temperatures but it will be here before we know it. During the late winter/early spring, we will have the ACT and state testing. On some of the days, we will be running on an adjusted schedule. The testing dates will be as follows:

- ACT for juniors will be February 25^{th} all juniors will be excused from their afternoon classes following testing
- 3^{rd} 4^{th} grade ELA will be April 2^{nd} and 3^{rd}
- 5th 8th grade ELA and High School English II will be April 8th and 9th
- 3rd 4th grade Math will be April 24th and 25th
- 5^{th} 8^{th} grade Math and High School Algebra I and Geometry will be April 22^{nd} and 23^{rd}
- 5th & 8th grade Science and High School Biology, American History, and Government will be April 29th and 30th

We recognize that our students work very hard and do not want these tests to cause anxiety. We would like you to discuss the importance of the tests with your child, as they are important to our district. They allow us to analyze the effectiveness of our academic programs and make needed changes to ensure our students are getting the best education possible. For the high school classes, this is a requirement for graduation. You can help alleviate any stress your child may feel by making sure he or she gets adequate sleep the night before and proper nutrition the morning of his or her test.

I know the seniors are counting down the days until graduation. While it seems like a long way off, it will be here before we know it. Graduation will be held Sunday, May 25^{th} at 2pm in the competition gym. Just a reminder, school, athletic, and Apollo fees will need to be taken care of by May 1^{st} .

As always, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your son/daughter please feel free to contact their teachers or me at 419-647-4111 or gepharts@svbearcats.org. Thank you for allowing our staff to share in your student's success!



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR

SPENCERVILLE CLASS OF 2026 - PROM

25% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH | 5-9PM 3292 ELIDA RD, LIMA, OH, 45805

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE WRRY94Z
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For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATE

Mr. John Zerbe, Principal

Welcome back from a long Christmas break, I am happy to have all of the students back at school. As we resume our school year, let's approach the upcoming months with positivity and determination. Each day is an opportunity, so let's support one another, embrace new challenges, and make the most of the time we have. Together, we can create an environment where everyone feels valued and inspired to reach their full potential. Here are a few highlights of our school year so far:

September

The new block schedule has been a success. Our teachers are able to have direct instructional time and integrated instructional time.

FAME is continuing with more of a career focus.

PBIS leadership team met in October to begin developing school wide expectations.

October

7th/8th grade quiz bowl @UNOH.

Middle School music concert.

Red Ribbon week.

8th grade students read the story "War Horse" and followed up with a class trip to Marmon Valley where they experienced horse riding, care for a horse, and campfire readings. A big thanks to the Ed-Foundation for their support on this project.

8th grade students visited Airstream in Jackson Center to tour the facility and also be challenged on using math in the workplace.

November

The Building Leadership Team attended the Ohio Middle Level Association conference on November 7th and 8th. The keynote speaker was Weston Kieschnick who focused on student engagement. It was a great time for professional development and relationship building.

Veterans Day program.

Patriot Pen Winners: 1st Place-Anna Waldrop, 2nd Place-Maxswell Jurek, 3rd Place-Grant Layman.

VFW honored Lori Schwartz as Teacher of the Year for Middle School.

Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Quiz Bowl for 7th/8th Graders ended in a successful competition - taking 2nd place in the county! Team members were Kinsley Myers (8th), Lauren Clement (8th), Cordelia Gallimore (8th), and Layla Neace (7th).

December

Spelling Bee - Lena Whetstone (7th) Champion, Leah Riffle (5th) Runner-up 5th grade BOTVIN program wrapped up in-house.

6th/7th/8th grade successful band/choir concert.

Christmas activity day

Roselawn Manor Hygiene Drive - 1,000 hygiene items collected for the residents at Roselawn Manor and delivered before Christmas

January

5th/6th grade Quiz Bowl teams will begin county competitions at Lima Shawnee. State testing will be here soon. In April, all middle school students will take the math and ELA tests, and 5th/8th grade students will take the science test. Teachers/students have been preparing for these tests since day one.

I would also like to remind you that it is important for the home to make attendance a priority. When your child will be absent, please call Billie at 419-647-4112 with the reason. If your child has an appointment that requires them to leave early, please have all communication go through Billie. Call or send a note in so we have an exit slip ready for the teacher. If you must communicate with your child during the school day, please do not text or directly call them. We will be more than happy to deliver a message. Cell phones are not to be used by students during the school day.

I can be reached at 419-647-4112 x 3102 or email zerbejohn@svbearcats.org.

Sincerely,

John Zerbe

Principal, Spencerville Middle School







Spencerville Local Schools recognized our 2025 Board Members during the January meeting in honor of School Board Recognition Month. Each board member received a small token of our appreciation and were thanked for the countless hours spent working and planning for our staff, students, school, and community.

Left to Right: Spencer Clum, Ryan McMichael, President Clarke Prichard, Vice President Liz Klaus, Nate Pohlman



Saturday 2/22/2025 or Sunday 2/23/2025 Spencerville VFW, 130 S Broadway, Spencerville, OH

Saturday Doors open at 6pm, Dinner & MUSIC at 6:30 Sunday doors open at 4pm, Dinner & MUSIC at 4:30

\$20 Per Person

Includes door prizes, raffles, 50/50, Silent and Live Auctions and Much More!

Saturday night there is a cash bar available. Sunday night is an alcohol free night.

Hosted by Spencerville Band Boosters.

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Please make checks payable to: Spencerville Band Boosters Orders may be dropped off in the Spencerville Band Room. Orders may be mailed to: Spencerville Band Boosters, P.O. Box 23 Spencerville Band Boosters	erville, OH 45887

Please have ticket orders placed by February 3rd, 2025. TICKET ORDERS WILL BE FILLED IN THE ORDER THAT THEY ARE RECEIVED.

Spencerville Elementary Named One of Two "Distinguished" Ohio Schools

The Spencerville Local School District is proud to announce that Spencerville Elementary School has been named a National Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) "Distinguished" School by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce.

Spencerville Elementary is one of just two schools in Ohio that are being nationally recognized for exceptional student achievement. The National ESEA Distinguished Schools Program publicly recognizes qualifying federally funded schools for the outstanding academic achievements of their students. It highlights the efforts of schools across the country that are making significant improvements for their students.

This prestigious recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our students, staff, and community. As part of this honor, members of the elementary leadership team will attend the National ESEA Conference in Austin, Texas, this February. This event will gather over 3,000 educators from across the country, featuring more than 100 inspiring sessions led by renowned speakers. It's a wonderful chance for our team to learn, connect, and bring fresh ideas back to our school.

In addition, the elementary staff will also attend and present at the Ohio Association of Administrators of State & Federal Education Programs (OAASFEP) Spring Conference this April, in Columbus, ensuring that we continue to share our success story and learn from others in the field.

Congratulations to Spencerville Elementary Principal Susie Wagner and her amazing staff for receiving this prestigious award. We are extremely proud of your ongoing hard work and commitment to our students and school community!



100 Years in the Making

This year is the 100th Anniversary of the first volume of the Spencerville High School Yearbook, "Echoes"

The yearbook staff would like to feature multi-generation families of Bearcats in this year's book. If your current Spencerville High School student comes from a line of 3 or more generations (student, parent, grandparent+) of Spencerville graduates, we would love to possibly include the family in a special section of the yearbook. If you are willing to share this information, please scan the QR code to the right or CLICK HERE to fill out the names and graduation years for your family, or email Mrs. Gratz, Yearbook Advisor, at gratza@svbearcats.com





Spencerville Schools was pleased to host a wonderful community breakfast for our Senior Citizens prepared by our hard-working cafeteria staff on Tuesday, December 3rd. The event was well attended and everyone who joined us had the opportunity to win some beautiful Christmas decorations to take home and they were entertained by the talented High School Varsity Singers under the direction of Mrs. Amanda Beining. Thank you to who all joined us and we hope to see everyone again at our next Breakfast Event.

Thank you so much to the
Spencerville community for
supporting our Kindergarten
Giving Tree. We raised over \$500
for the Spencerville Food
Pantry. The season really is about
giving and we appreciate you so
much! Thank you!!!

Thank you Spencerville community and Mrs Lyon's class for your very generous gift!!





Coach Sensabaugh - 300 Career Wins December 14, 2024

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY - May 7, 2025

ATTN: Spencerville Community Members

Please remember to contact Greg Ekis by email at ekisg@svbearcats.org or by phone at (419) 647-4111 x3241 to sign up for the high school's day of service that will be held on May 7th (weather permitting). There is no job too small for the high school students to undertake and all students will be supervised by an adult during the activity.

Supervised students will provide free labor to complete any jobs that have been requested by local individuals and/or groups. Anyone interested in having students assist with lawn care, landscaping, indoor or outdoor spring clean-up, spring maintenance, painting/staining, etc. should contact Mr. Ekis to be added to the job list. Perhaps you may not be in need of assistance, but know someone that could benefit from the day's activity such as a neighbor, friend, family member, parishioner, etc. Consider providing that individuals name, address and work to be done in order to add him/her to the list of jobs.

No job is too small to be considered!

As a community member, please consider contacting Mr. Ekis with any issues you feel could be managed by the students during the scheduled work day. As a staff, we feel it is our responsibility to provide a foundation upon which students can **build a sense of service and responsibility to their community** that will continue throughout their lifetime.

WE ARE BEARS



Spencerville is once again participating in the Ohio YMCA's Youth & Government (YAG) Program. This initiative offers young people hands-on experience in the American democratic process by providing practical training in the theory and operations of Ohio state government. Teens in the program learn about the legislative process, how to research and draft bills, and how elections work. Their efforts culminate in attending the state conference, where they serve as delegates and debate their bills on the legislative floor. Some participants have even had their bills passed into law!

The YAG program aims to nurture life skills and character traits that empower teens to become engaged, responsible

adults. All activities are designed with the following goals:

- Providing leadership training and preparing youth to contribute to a democratic society
- Sparking interest in and understanding of U.S. and state government functions
- Offering opportunities for civic engagement and promoting awareness of key social issues
- Building self-confidence, encouraging self-expression, and fostering tolerance for diverse perspectives

Promoting ethical decision-making in public policy development

If you'd like to support the program, follow us on social media to learn about fundraisers and stay updated on our group's progress toward this year's conference. You can find us on Facebook at **Spencerville YMCA Youth & Government** and on Instagram at **spencervillebcatyag**.

If you know a student in grades 9-12 who may be interested in joining, encourage them to speak with Ms. Brenneman. We've already begun meeting, but it's not too late to get involved!



The Junior Class of Spencerville High School is excited to reveal our 2025 Junior and Senior Prom Theme:



Saturday, April 26, 2025

Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Center Lima, OH

If you are a junior class parent who would be interested in making a donation towards a successful prom, please email ekisk@svbearcats.org.

The Spencerville third and fourth grade classes both displayed Christmas trees at the Allen County Museum's Christmas Tree Festival. It was a great opportunity to have the students be able to take part in a community event at the museum. Both grades made ornaments pertaining to their areas of study in class. Third grade made ornaments reflecting a pioneer Christmas, while the fourth grade concentrated on Ohio history with a Christmas in Ohio theme. Students were given a bonus opportunity if they visited their class's tree and took their picture by it. We plan to make this a yearly tradition with the third and fourth grade students. We would like to thank the school for the donation of the Christmas trees to decorate and the

P.T.O. for their donation toward the supplies for making ornaments.

Rebekah Stemen, 3rd Grade Teacher



Our Story Starts Here

Middle School Spelling Bee - Wednesday, December 11th



Participants

Congratulations to our 24/25 Spelling Bee Winners!

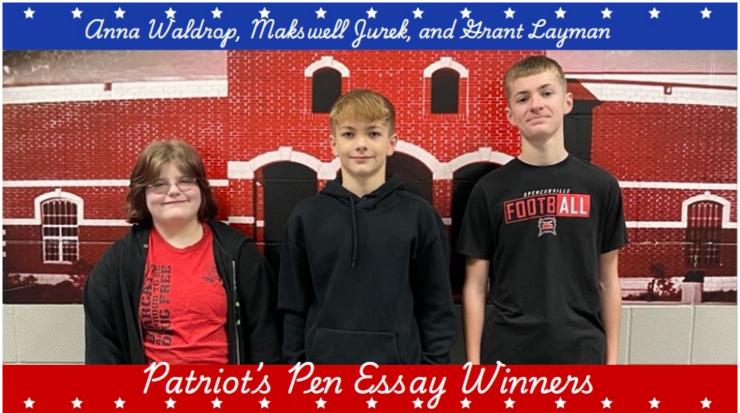
Champion: Lena Whetstone

Runner-up: Leah Riffle

Looking Ahead....

Wednesday, January 29th - 2-hour delay (Teacher In-service)
Monday, February 17th - No School (President's Day)
Friday, March 28th - End of the 3rd Quarter
Wednesday, April 16th - 1-hour Early Dismissal
Thursday, April 17th - No School
Friday, April 18th - No School
Monday, April 21st - No School
Saturday, April 12th - K-12 Art Show (10a-4p)
Sunday, May 25th - Graduation - Class of 2025 - Main Gym





Each year, nearly 68,800 students in sixth through eighth grades enter the VFW's **Patriot's Pen** youth essay contest for a chance to win their share of nearly \$1 million in state and national awards. Each first place state winner receives a minimum of \$500 at the national level, and the national first place winner wins \$5,000!

Congratulations to our local winners Ann Waldrop, Makswell Jurek and Grant Layman.



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Exploring the Airstream Experience: A Field Trip to RememberPam Shumate

I wanted to take a moment to share my excitement and reflections on our recent field trip to Airstream in Jackson Center, Ohio, which took place in October. The experience was both fun and educational for our students.

During the trip, we participated in four engaging sessions:

Production Floor Tour: Students had the opportunity to tour the production floor and witness firsthand how Airstream campers are made. This was a guided tour with full explanation at each step of the process.

Measurement Activity: This session not only helped develop essential skills but also provided Airstream with insights into potential future workers. Many students embraced mistakes as valuable learning opportunities during this activity. Upon finishing the measuring activity on paper, students were instructed on using a drill, and the activity was performed with wood.

Heritage Center Exploration: We explored the Heritage Center and learned about the rich history of Airstream campers. Students connected with the past and uncovered fascinating facts about these iconic vehicles.

3-D Modeling Session: A design engineer guided us through a 3-D modeling session, offering insight into the design process for new campers. Students had the chance to ask questions and deepen their understanding of what it means to be a designer.

Overall, the field trip significantly enriched our students' learning experiences and opened their eyes to various career paths. I appreciate everyone's support in making this trip a success!

Engaging Students Through Garden Design

Pam Shumate and Rachel Munshower

This past fall, our 8th grade students had the opportunity to participate in an exciting activity: Garden Design. This initiative was designed to enhance learning, foster teamwork, and ignite creativity among our students.

In November, students gathered to engage in Garden Design. The objective of this activity was to create a functional and aesthetically pleasing garden layout. Students gathered information through measuring the available space, conducting internet research, and discussing scale drawings. They had the flexibility to work in teams or independently, allowing for diverse ideas and approaches. Students also looked at complain planting to be able to utilize the space of their design to grow the most produce.

Design Analysis and Voting

Once the designs were completed, they were analyzed based on a rubric that evaluated creativity, functionality, and presentation. The top 8 designs were then organized in the office for a voting process. After a day of enthusiastic voting, the winning design was chosen.

Congratulations to our Winners!

We are thrilled to announce that the winners of the Garden Design Challenge are **Shelby Solomon (left) and Willough Huebner (right)**! Their innovative design stood out among the entries and truly captured the spirit of the challenge.

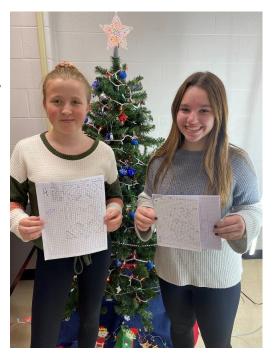
Learning Outcomes

Through this activity, students were able to:

Develop critical thinking skills by analyzing the space and determining the best design elements.

Enhance communication and collaboration by discussing ideas and sharing responsibilities within their teams.

Apply knowledge of design principles and environmental science in a practical setting.



Conclusion

The response from students was overwhelmingly positive. Many great ideas and designs were created by students. We are very excited to put this design into action this spring outside of the Middle School Wing. Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to making this event memorable!



Established in 1947, the **Voice of Democracy** audio-essay program provides high school students with the unique opportunity to express themselves in regards to a democratic and patriotic-themed recorded essay. Each year, nearly 25,000 ninth through 12th grade students from across the country enter to win their share of more than \$1 million in educational scholarships and incentives awarded through the program.

Congratulations to our local winners (L to R):

1st - Alex Ross, 2nd - Beau Kyler, 3rd - Gavin Schwartz



PTO NEWS

Field Trips: The K-4 students were able to go on fall field trips this year.

Kindergarten: Crossway Farms 1st grade: Allen County Museum 2nd grade: OSU Children's Theater 3rd grade: Johnny Appleseed Park

4th grade: Johnston Farm

We are looking forward to being able to offer and fund the Spring Field Trips coming up as well.

<u>Fall Scholastic Book Fair</u>: We had a very successful Book Fair this fall. Our total sales were a little over \$7,000 which gave us approximately \$3,500 in Scholastic Dollars. This will be used to purchase books and items for the classrooms as well as new books for the library. Thank you to all those who purchased books, either in person or on-line. Wow! The support is greatly appreciated!

<u>Teacher Conference Meals</u>: The PTO sponsored a Taco Bar for the teachers along with a variety of donated snacks to get them through conferences. Thank you parents and the community for your continued support.

<u>National Reading Month</u> (March 2025): We will have fun exciting things for the students to get excited about reading. We are still working out the final details. Be sure to watch for updates. We're excited to carry on this tradition. -

<u>Spring Scholastic Book Fair</u>: We will have a Spring Scholastic Book Fair on Saturday, April 12, 2025 during the Art Show.

<u>Laps for Learning</u> (May 2022): This is our yearly (and only) fundraiser. We have started planning this event. Our students look forward to this event and the PTO loves all the fun events and activities we plan throughout the year come to life.

Spencerville-Jennings PTO is a great group of parents and teachers working together to provide extra activities and incentives to benefit the K-4 students and teachers. We are a non-profit organization and we rely on the support of donations from parents, teachers, and community members.

COME JOIN US & BE A PART OF PTO!!!!

The PTO meetings are scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 4pm at the school (room 202). Meeting dates are subject to change due to schedules and timing of activities. Meeting reminders will be posted on the PTO Facebook page each month.

Help support the PTO all year long with Box Tops & Kroger Community Rewards!

- Box Tops: download the app, add Spencerville Jennings as your school, scan your receipts
- Kroger Rewards: visit www.krogercommunityrewards.com, sign into your account, link your Kroger Plus Card to our organization (Spencerville-Jennings PTO, Inc, Org#: XB857)

We thank everyone for their continued support! If you would like to be a part of the PTO or have suggestions, please reach out to us.

PTO Facebook page: Spencerville-Jennings PTO

PTO Email: SpencervillePTO@yahoo.com

Spencerville School District Webpage: Departments, PTO





The second graders had the opportunity to learn about many different health topics such as stress, nutrition, hygiene, safety of all types, and the benefits of sleep.

The high school students had created brochures and posters, and invited the students to participate in hands-on activities.



YEARBOOK NEWS







There are a limited number of extra copies of the 2024 HIGH SCHOOL (\$55) or 2024 K-8 (\$25) yearbooks available for purchase on a first-come-first-serve basis. If you are interested, pick up an order form from Mrs. Gratz in the high school art room (104) or email gratza@svbearcats.org

2025 Yearbooks

There are two different 2024-2025 Yearbooks available this year.

K-8 Yearbook

Price: \$25

The deadline has passed for paper/check order forms. (12/20/24)

Online ordering is open through FEB. 28th

CLICK HERE to order online, or go to jostensyearbooks.com and search "Spencerville Middle School" or "Spencerville Elementary School"

High School Yearbook

Price: \$50

Paper order forms can be picked up on the bulletin board outside the HS Art room (104).

The deadline to turn in paper order forms is

APRIL 25th.

Online ordering is open through JUNE 6th

after APRIL 25th, the price increases to \$55.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to order online or go to jostensyearbooks.com and search "Spencerville High School"



BUY YOUR YEARBOOK

Questions? Contact Mrs. Gratz, Yearbook Advisor by email gratza@svbearcats.org

2025 Spencerville Local Schools Board of Education Information

The Spencerville Local School District Board of Education met for an organizational meeting on January 14, 2025.

The following appointments were approved for CY 2025:

Board President - Clarke Prichard

Vice President - Liz Klaus

Apollo Board Representative - Spencer Clum (3-year term)

Athletic Council Representatives - Clarke Prichard and Nate Pohlman

Buildings and Grounds Committee - Clarke Prichard and Spencer Clum

Curriculum/CIP Committee - Liz Klaus and Nate Pohlman

Finance/Audit Committee - Nate Pohlman and Ryan McMichael

Legislative Liaison - Spencer Clum

Education Foundation Trustees - Liz Klaus and Spencer Clum

Student Achievement Liaison - Ryan McMichael

Technology Committee - Nate Pohlman and Ryan McMichael

Personnel Committee - Liz Klaus and Ryan McMichael

The board established the third Tuesday of each month in the board office at 600 School Street, Spencerville, Ohio with a start time of 7:00 p.m. for all regular board meetings in 2025. There are *exceptions to that rule as listed below. (Meeting dates and times are subject to change.)

February 18, 2025

March 18, 2025

April 15, 2025

May 20, 2025

*June 26, 2025

*July 15, 2025

*August 12, 2025 (starts at 6:00 p.m. beginning with a tour of the K-12 building)

September 16, 2025

October 21, 2025

November 18, 2025

December 16, 2025

Board members may be contacted via email as follows:

Spencer Clum - clums@svbearcats.org

Liz Klaus - klausl@svbearcats.org

Nate Pohlman - pohlmann@svbearcats.org

Clarke Prichard - prichardc@svbearcats.org

Ryan McMichael - mcmichaelryan@svbearcats.org

Official Newspaper: The Journal News, Spencerville, OH (weekly)

Records Retention Designee: Jennifer Sudhoff, Treasurer - sudhoff;@svbearcats.org

Superintendent: Brian Woods - woodsb@svbearcats.org

SPENCERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 2025 SPRING SCHEDULE

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Friday	3/28	at Kalida	Away	5:00 PM	Friday	3/28	at Kalida	Away	5:00 PM
Saturday	3/29	at Marion Local	Away	12:00 PM	Saturday	3/29	at Marion Local	Away	12:00 PM
Monday	3/31	at Van Wert	Away	5:00 PM	Monday	3/31	at Wapak	Away	5:00 PM
Tuesday	4/1	Parkway	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/1	Anna	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	4/3	at Minster	Away	5:00 PM	Thursday	4/3	at Ottoville	Away	5:00 PM
Friday	4/4	at St. Marys	Away	5:00 PM	Friday	4/4	at St. Marys	Away	5:30 PM
Tuesday	4/8	St. Johns	Home	5:00 PM	Saturday	4/5	at Celina	Away	11:00 AM
Thursday	4/10	Ada	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/8	Arlington	Home	5:00 PM
Friday	4/11	USV	Home	5:00 PM	Thursday	4/10	Ada	Home	5:00 PM
Saturday	4/12	Elida (DH)	Home	11AM/1PM	Friday	4/11	USV	Home	5:00 PM
Monday	4/14	at Jefferson	Away	5:00 PM	Saturday	4/12	Elida (DH)	Home	11AM/1PM
Thursday	4/17	at Crestview	Away	5:00 PM	Monday	4/14	at Jefferson	Away	5:00 PM
Monday	4/21	LCC	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/15	Lima Sr	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	4/24	at Lincolnview	Away	5:00 PM	Thursday	4/17	at Crestview	Away	5:00 PM
Monday	4/28	Newton	Home	5:00 PM	Monday	4/21	LCC	Home	5:00 PM
Tuesday	4/29	at Botkins	Away	4:30 PM	Tuesday	4/22	Houston	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	5/1	Columbus Grove	Home	5:00 PM	Thursday	4/24	at Lincolnview	Away	5:00 PM
Friday	5/2	Ottoville	Home	5:00 PM	Monday	4/28	Shawnee	Home	5:00 PM
Monday	5/5	at Bluffton	Away	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/29	at Botkins	Away	4:30 PM
,		at Waynesfield-			,			,	
Tuesday	5/6	Goshen	Away	5:00 PM	Thursday	5/1	Grove	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	5/8	Allen East	Home	5:00 PM	Monday	5/5	at Bluffton at Waynesfield-	Away	5:00 PM
Friday	5/9	Hardin Northern	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	5/6	Goshen	Away	5:00 PM
Tuesday	5/13	Perry	Home	5:00 PM	Thursday	5/8	Allen East	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	5/15	at Ft. Jennings	Away	5:00 PM	Friday	5/9	Hardin Northern	Home	5:00 PM
Friday	5/16	Temple	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	5/13	Perry	Home	5:00 PM
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JV BOYS BASE	BALL				Tuesday	4/1	at Celina at Waynesfield-	Away	4:30 PM
Tuesday	4/1	at Parkway	Away	5:00 PM	Saturday	4/5	Goshen	Away	11:00AM
Thursday	4/3	Minster	Home	5:00 PM	Thursday	4/10	Bearcat Relays	Home	4:15 PM
							at Ft. Loramie		
Friday	4/4	St. Marys	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/15	Dual	Away	4:30 PM
Tuesday	4/15	Crestview	Home	5:00 PM	Saturday	4/19	at Minster Invite	Away	9:00 AM
							at Waynesfield-		
Tuesday	4/22	at Jefferson	Away	5:00 PM	Friday	4/25	Goshen	Away	5:00 PM
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Saturday	4/26	at Elida (DH)	Away	11:00/1:00	Tuesday	4/29	Waynesfield	Home	4:15 PM
Thursday	5/1	at Kalida	Away	5:00 PM	Friday	5/2	at St. Marys invite at Lincolnview	Away	4:30 PM
JV SOFTBALL					Monday	5/5	(Tri-meet)	Away	4:30 PM
Thursday	3/20	at Van Wert (scr)	Λικιον	5:00 PM	Saturday	5/10	at Ada Invite	Away	9:00 AM
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							at Grove (NWC		
Saturday	3/29	Marion Local	Away	2:00 PM	Wednesday	5/14	Championship)	Away	4:30 PM
							at Grove (NWC		
Monday	3/31	Wapakoneta	Home	5:00 PM	Friday	5/16	Championship)	Away	4:30 PM
Tuesday	4/1	at Jefferson	Away	5:00 PM	Wednesday	5/21	District Meet	Home	4:15 PM
Friday	4/4	St. Marys	Home	5:00 PM	Friday	5/23	District Meet	Home	4:15 PM
Tuesday	4/8	at Anna	Away	5:00 PM					
Friday	4/11	at Houston	Away	5:00 PM					
Monday	4/14	Bluffton	Home	5:00 PM					
Thursday	4/24	Celina	Home	5:00 PM					
Friday	4/25	at Crestview	Away	5:00 PM					
Monday	4/28	at Shawnee	Away	5:00 PM					
Tuesday	4/29	Houston	Home	5:00 PM					
Friday	5/2	Jefferson	Home	5:00 PM					
Thursday	5/8	at New Knoxville	Away	5:00 PM	* all schedules	s subiec	t to change		1/22/2025
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SPENCERVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL 2025 SPRING SCHEDULE

JH BOYS BAS	EBALL				JH GIRLS SO	OFTBALL			
Monday	3/31	Columbus Grove	Home	5:00 PM	Monday	3/31	Columbus Grove	Home	5:00 PM
Tuesday	4/1	at Lincolnview	Away	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/1	at Lincolnview	Away	5:00 PN
Monday	4/7	at Bath (Cairo 7th)	Away	5:00 PM	Thursday	4/3	at Shawnee	Away	5:00 PN
Thursday	4/10	Bath (8th)	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/8	LCC	Home	5:00 PN
Friday	4/11	at St. Marys (8th)	Away	5:00 PM	Friday	4/11	Crestview (7th)	Home	5:00 PN
Monday	4/14	at Elida	Away	5:00 PM	Saturday	4/12	Celina (7th)	Home	11:00 AN
Tuesday	4/15	Temple	Home	5:00 PM	Saturday	4/12	Celina (8th)	Home	1:00 PN
		Waynesfield-							
Friday	4/18	Goshen	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/15	Ada	Home	5:00 PN
Tuesday	4/22	Wapak	Home	5:00 PM	Monday	4/21	Bath	Home	5:00 PM
Tuesday	4/29	St. Marys (7th)	Home	5:00 PM	Tuesday	4/22	Wapak	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	5/1	at Perry	Away	5:00 PM	Thursday	5/1	at Perry	Away	5:00 PN
Friday	5/2	at Crestview	Away	5:00 PM					
Friday	5/9	St Johns (7th)	Home	5:00 PM					
JH TRACK & I	FIELD								
Monday	3/31	at Shawnee	Away	4:30 PM					
Friday	4/4	St. Johns	Home	4:15 PM					
Monday	4/21	Wapak	Home	4:30 PM					
Friday	4/25	at Ottoville	Away	4:00 PM					
Monday	4/28	at Marion invite	Away	4:15 PM					
Thursday	5/1	Bearcat Invite	Home	4:15 PM					
Monday	5/5	at St. Marys	Away	4:30 PM					
Thursday	5/8	NWC Track	Home	4:30 PM	* all schedul	es subjec	t to change		1/22/202



the 2025/2026 School Year will begin Monday, February 3rd and run through Friday, March 21st.

Check in at the Main Office: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on any scheduled school day, no appointment necessary.

Your student does not need to be present for registration.

Screening appointments for May 13th and 14th will be made at this time.

Required for registration:

■ Parent Completion of Final Forms

FINALFORMS Link on www.SpencervilleBearcats.com,

■ State-Issued Birth Certificate

■ Social Security Card

■ Immunization Information

□ Custody papers (if applicable)

■Parent/Guardian's Valid Drivers License or State ID

■2 proofs of residence (deed, lease, utility bill, etc.)

Your student must turn 5 <u>on or before</u> August 1st, 2025 to be eligible for kindergarten.

Kindergarten Orientation will be held April 3rd at 6pm.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Tracy Clark – K-4 Secretary (419) 647-4113 ext. 3100

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