



# Frankfort-Schuyler CENTRAL SCHOOL

**Mission Statement:** Our purpose is to provide a positive learning environment in which students and staff will have the opportunity to experience success and become lifelong learners.

Budget Newsletter

May 2024



## EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION



COMMUNITY AND  
COLLABORATION



STUDENT  
ACHIEVEMENT



FISCAL  
RESPONSIBILITY



PEOPLE AND  
CULTURE

CHARACTER: PRIDE, RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, TRUST AND CITIZENSHIP

## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

**Dear Frankfort-Schuyler Families and Community,**

I am honored and humbled to serve as the Superintendent of Schools at Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District. I continue to be proud of the accomplishments of our students and staff. The collaboration exhibited throughout our school buildings is tremendous and has lead us to great achievements.

As we navigate another budget season, I must also mention the commitment our Board demonstrates during the budget planning process. Each Board member has been actively involved in the development of the budget, asking thoughtful questions and reviewing all aspects of our expenditures as well as anticipated revenues. This work would also not be possible without the wisdom and guidance of our Assistant Superintendent, the District Administrative Team, and the numerous hours of lobbying we participated in in Albany. As a result of the extensive planning, advocating, analysis and future projections, the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District is committed to providing our families and community with the necessary budget information to make an informed decision on Tuesday, May 21, 2024.

Our proposed budget balances the needs of both the taxpayers of the Frankfort-Schuyler school community and our students, through the development of a fiscally responsible budget designed to provide our students with the best diversified educational program. The proposed 2024-2025 school budget includes an increase in spending of 3.5% for

the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District. The total budget of \$24,049,619 includes a tax increase of \$421,820. This will result in a 4.98% tax increase for Frankfort-Schuyler homeowners.

This fiscal plan upholds the goals of the Frankfort-Schuyler CSD Strategic Plan and maintains desirable class sizes, continues the implementation of our regular instructional program, maintains current transportation services, maintains our student support programs, and maintains our two full day pre-K classes. This budget also continues to support our After School Exploratory Enrichment Program, and maintains the current interscholastic athletic and co-curricular programs. In order to be prepared for potential future reductions in federal and state aid, we are attempting to appropriate well-planned reserves to sustain our programs and serve the needs of our students and staff, while still considering the District's fiscal future.

Please take the time to read our newsletter before going to vote on May 21. You may also wish to review our budget presentation, which can be accessed on our website. Your consideration of the 2024-25 school budget is greatly appreciated.

With Frankfort-Schuyler Pride,

*Joseph M. Palmer*

**Superintendent of Schools**

**BUDGET HEARING** | May 7, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m. *High School Library*

**BUDGET & ELECTION VOTE** | May 21, 2024 from 12:00 – 8:00 p.m. *High School Old Gymnasium*

# General Fund Appropriations

I. BOARD OF EDUCATION	2023-24	2024-25
This section includes the expenses of the Board of Education, the salary of the District Clerk, as well as the cost of supplies, materials, postage, and annual vote in the district.	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Budget</b>
1010 Board of Education .....	\$14,202	\$16,500
1040 District Clerk .....	\$17,250	\$20,000
1060 District Meetings .....	\$2,500	\$3,000
<b>Total Board of Education.....</b>	<b>\$33,952</b>	<b>\$39,500</b>
II. CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION		
Salaries, supplies, and materials for the Superintendent and the Superintendent's secretary.		
1240 Superintendent, Superintendent Secretary, Supplies .....	\$208,000	\$217,000
<b>Total Central Administration .....</b>	<b>\$208,000</b>	<b>\$217,000</b>
III. FINANCE		
Included are salaries, supplies, and materials that relate to the fiscal operations of the school district.		
1310 Business Administration .....	\$325,493	\$350,638
1320 Auditing .....	\$27,000	\$29,000
1325 Treasurer .....	\$3,100	\$4,100
1330 Tax Collector.....	\$10,500	\$11,500
1345 Purchasing.....	\$4,000	\$4,700
1380 Fiscal Agent Fees .....	\$6,000	\$6,500
<b>Total Finance.....</b>	<b>\$376,093</b>	<b>\$406,438</b>
IV. STAFF		
1420 Legal .....	\$55,000	\$55,000
1430 Personnel.....	\$57,744	\$62,000
1460 Records Management .....	\$3,937	\$4,300
1480 Public Information.....	\$50,178	\$54,500
<b>Total Staff .....</b>	<b>\$166,859</b>	<b>\$175,800</b>
V. CENTRAL SERVICES		
Includes all expenses associated with the maintenance of the district's buildings and grounds including custodial and maintenance salaries, utilities, service contracts, cleaning and all other supplies.		
1620 Operations of Plant .....	\$1,026,363	\$1,128,425
1621 Maintenance .....	\$603,715	\$662,500
1670 Central Printing & Mailing .....	\$91,500	\$117,000
<b>Total Central Services.....</b>	<b>\$1,721,578</b>	<b>\$1,907,925</b>
VI. SPECIAL ITEMS		
Included are insurance premiums, potential property tax refunds, and BOCES administrative charges.		
1910 Unallocated Insurance.....	\$118,450	\$124,950
1920 School Association Dues.....	\$5,000	\$5,000
1964 Refund of Property Taxes.....	\$3,500	\$4,000
1981 BOCES Administrative Charge .....	\$1,771,440	\$1,521,000
<b>Total Special Items.....</b>	<b>\$1,898,390</b>	<b>\$1,654,950</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>\$4,404,872</b>	<b>\$4,401,613</b>

**Instruction**

I. ADMINISTRATION & CURR IMPROVEMENT	2023-2024	2024-2025
Includes salaries, supplies and materials necessary for development/supervision of instructional programs.	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Budget</b>
2010 Curriculum Development and Support.....	\$63,370	\$68,000
2020 Supervision - Regular School.....	\$475,114	\$494,350
2060 Research, Planning, Evaluation .....	\$2,500	\$3,000
2070 In-Service Training - Instruction .....	\$14,724	\$22,000
<b>Total Administration &amp; Curr Improvement.....</b>	<b>\$555,708</b>	<b>\$587,350</b>
II. TEACHING - REGULAR SCHOOL		
This category includes salaries, textbooks, BOCES Services and all supplies for the educational programs.		
2110 Teaching - Regular School.....	\$4,767,411	\$4,836,900
<b>Total Teaching - Regular School .....</b>	<b>\$4,767,411</b>	<b>\$4,836,900</b>

# General Fund Appropriations

III. SPECIAL APPORTIONMENT PROGRAMS		2023-24	2024-25
		Budget	Budget
Cost of Instruction and Services for Students with Disabilities, Tuition for Occupational Education Programs and all expenses for Teaching Special Schools.			
2250	Programs for Students with Disabilities.....	\$3,513,719	\$3,452,270
2259	English Language Learners .....	\$118,500	\$174,500
2280	Occupational Education.....	\$602,640	\$661,000
2330	Teaching Special Schools.....	\$57,150	\$61,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>Special Apportionment Programs.....</b>	<b>\$4,292,009</b>	<b>\$4,348,770</b>
IV. INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA			
Includes salaries and supplies for media and library services and all costs of the district technology programs.			
2610	School Library & Audiovisual .....	\$122,355	\$170,000
2630	Computer Assisted Instruction .....	\$409,469	\$426,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>Instructional Media.....</b>	<b>\$531,824</b>	<b>\$596,500</b>
V. PUPIL SERVICES			
Includes attendance, guidance, health, psychological services, extracurricular activities, and sports.			
2805	Attendance .....	\$5,533	\$5,800
2810	Guidance.....	\$270,210	\$277,000
2815	Health Services .....	\$150,200	\$149,500
2816	Diagnostic Screening .....	\$5,000	\$5,500
2850	Co-Curricular Activities .....	\$107,000	\$159,460
2855	Interscholastic Athletics.....	\$243,480	\$278,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>Pupil Services.....</b>	<b>\$781,423</b>	<b>\$875,260</b>
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTION</b>		<b>\$10,928,375</b>	<b>\$11,244,780</b>
<b>Pupil Transportation</b>			
I. PUPIL TRANSPORTATION			
Includes all costs for transportation to public/private schools and transportation for handicapped students.			
5510	Transportation.....	\$20,000	\$22,000
5540*	Contract Transportation.....	\$1,444,237	\$1,705,500
<b>TOTAL PUPIL TRANSPORTATION*</b>		<b>\$1,464,237</b>	<b>\$1,727,500</b>
<b>Undistributed</b>			
		<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
		<b>Budget</b>	<b>Budget</b>
I. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS			
9010-20	Retirement .....	\$927,358	\$997,274
9030	Social Security.....	\$659,040	\$684,024
9040	Workers' Compensation .....	\$63,345	\$66,460
9045	Life Insurance .....	\$10,220	\$10,885
9050	Unemployment Insurance .....	\$33,139	\$33,323
9055	Disability Insurance .....	\$2,369	\$2,440
9060	Hospital, Medical & Dental Insurance .....	\$3,802,629	\$4,057,120
<b>Total</b>	<b>Employee Benefits .....</b>	<b>\$5,498,100</b>	<b>\$5,851,526</b>
II. DEBT SERVICE			
9721	Serial Bonds - Principal .....	\$615,000	\$525,000
9722	Serial Bonds - Interest .....	\$311,050	\$285,200
9770	Revenue Anticipation Notes - Interest.....		
<b>Total</b>	<b>Debt Service.....</b>	<b>\$926,050</b>	<b>\$810,200</b>
III. INTERFUND TRANSFERS			
9901	Transfers to Special Aid Fund.....	\$14,000	\$14,000
9930	Transfers to Capital Fund .....	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>Interfund Transfers.....</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>
<b>TOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED</b>		<b>\$6,438,150</b>	<b>\$6,675,726</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$23,235,634</b>	<b>\$24,049,619</b>

\*the district will enter into a two year extension of the contract transportation of \$30/hr and \$40/hr respectively for bus monitors, these rates were based on current area RFP's

# Budget News

## Budget to Budget

Year	Budget Amount	Inc Over PY \$	Inc %
2020/2021	\$20,191,687.00	\$633,430.00	3.24%
2021/2022	\$20,768,066.00	\$576,379.00	2.85%
2022/2023	\$21,478,430.00	\$710,364.00	3.42%
<b>2023/2024</b>	<b>\$23,235,634.00</b>	<b>\$1,757,204.00</b>	<b>8.18%</b> With BOCES Capital Project
<b>2023/2024</b>	<b>\$23,235,634.00</b>	<b>\$579,764.00</b>	<b>2.70%</b> <u>With</u> OUT BOCES Capital Project
2024-2025	\$24,049,619.00	\$813,985.00	3.50%
	<b>Five Year Average</b>	<b>\$898,272.40</b>	<b>4.24%</b> With BOCES Capital Project
	<b>Five Year Average</b>	<b>\$662,784.40</b>	<b>3.14%</b> <u>With</u> OUT BOCES Capital Project

## Tax Levy to Tax Levy

Year	Tax Levy	\$ Inc	% Inc
2020/2021	\$7,934,543.00	\$153,029.00	1.97%
2021/2022	\$8,083,712.00	\$149,169.00	1.88%
2022/2023	\$8,225,177.00	\$141,465.00	1.75%
2023/2024	\$8,470,287.00	\$245,110.00	2.98%
2024/2025	\$8,892,107.00	\$421,820.00	4.98%
	<b>Five-Year Average</b>	<b>\$222,118.00</b>	<b>2.71%</b>

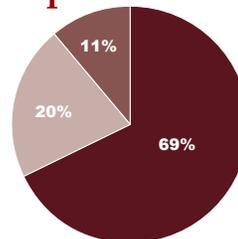
## Estimated 2024-2025 Revenues

Revenue Category	2023-2024 Budget	Proposed 2024-2025 Budget
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$725,000	\$1,100,000
Real Property Taxes & STAR	\$8,470,287	\$8,892,107
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$436,492	\$640,705
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	\$15,000	\$15,000
Interest Earnings	\$20,000	\$50,000
Tuitions	\$190,000	\$190,000
Miscellaneous & Grant Funding	\$357,094	\$53,397
Transfers & Reserve Usage	\$309,854	\$602,000
Medicaid Reimbursements	\$60,000	\$60,000
Medicare Part D Reimbursement	\$45,000	\$45,000
State Aid General Support	\$12,606,907	\$12,401,410
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,235,634</b>	<b>\$24,049,619</b>

## FSCSD Proposed 2024-25 Budget

**Budget Amount:** \$24,049,619  
**Budget Increase:** \$813,985  
**Budget Increase:** 3.50%  
**Tax Levy Increase\*:** 4.98%  
*\*Allowable under NYS Tax Cap: -2.57%*  
*Requires 60% Majority Approval*

## Expenditures Three-Part Budget



**TOTAL EXPENDITURES**  
**\$24,049,619**

- Program: \$16,659,864
- Capital: \$4,700,257
- Administration: \$2,689,498

## CLASS OF 2024 VALEDICTORIAN, SALUTATORIAN, TOP 10 PERCENT

The Frankfort-Schuyler Jr./Sr. High School is proud to announce the class of 2024 valedictorian, salutatorian and students in the top 10 percent of their class.

The class of 2024 valedictorian is Colin Bick and the salutatorian is Alexandra Fanelli.

The students in the top 10 percent, listed in alphabetical order, include Jenna Fazzolari, Angela Lyubezhanina, Collin MacDonald, Somali Mathlin and Molly Reid.

Congratulations to each of these students on their hard work and accomplishments throughout high school and for earning this prestigious achievement.



## STUDENTS TO VOTE ON NEW LUNCH MENU ITEMS

For the first time, when District residents turn out to vote on the proposed school budget and Board of Education election on May 21, students will be able to cast their own votes for new school lunch menu items!

During voting hours from 12-8 p.m., elementary and Jr./Sr. high school students will have the opportunity to vote on a new lunch menu item for their respective buildings for the next school year. The items they will be voting on include:

### Elementary School

- Chicken riggies
- Chicken bacon ranch pizza
- Buffalo chicken wrap

### Jr./Sr. High School

- Chicken riggies
- Chicken bacon ranch pizza
- RibBQ



Parents and guardians, don't forget to bring your students along when you head to the polls to cast your vote. The District looks forward to seeing what students choose!



# Frankfort FREE Library

The Frankfort Library continues to provide free public access to its collections, computers, internet, literacy and craft classes, special events and use of the community room. Numerous local organizations utilize our space and resources. The library is seeking a modest increase to the tax levy to keep pace with increasing operating costs. Voting on the measure will be done in conjunction with the school budget vote. A public hearing to review this requested increase will be held on Wednesday, May 8 at 6 p.m. at the library.

We are looking forward to another successful Summer Reading Program. Special events will include an ice cream social, a number of local musicians, performers and a visit from the Zoomobile. Check out our monthly calendars and social media for upcoming events and programs for all ages. Please contact the library at 315.894.9611 with any questions.

John H. Schuyler, President

### Frankfort-Schuyler Students Participate in All-County II Festival

On the weekend of March 15-16, many students from the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District participated in the All-County II Festival held at Richfield Springs. There were three ensembles that performed at the event and they included students in grades 4-12.

Sixth grade students who performed in the elementary 4th-6th grade band included: BreAnne Dye, Joshua Putnam III, Alyssa Striegler, Ava Centre, Caleb Hinckley, John Drapalski, James Cooley and Garrett Dundon.

Students in grades 7-9 who performed with the middle school choir included: Audrey McMurray, Corinne Bick, Olivia Dodge, Victoria Cavaretta, Lily Shank, Lillian Williams, Adrianna Bellino and Dhomi Mendez.

Students in grades 10-12 who performed with the high school band included: Phillip Tangorra, Xion Wilson, Olivia Urtz, Collin MacDonald, Colin Bick, William Cool and Danny Palmisano.



## BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATE

Jack Bono is a 1983 Frankfort-Schuyler graduate. He received an Associate Degree in business administration from Herkimer College in 1985 and a Bachelor’s Degree in business economics from the State University of New York at Oneonta in 1987. Jack has been working in his family’s business in Schuyler for the past 35 years.

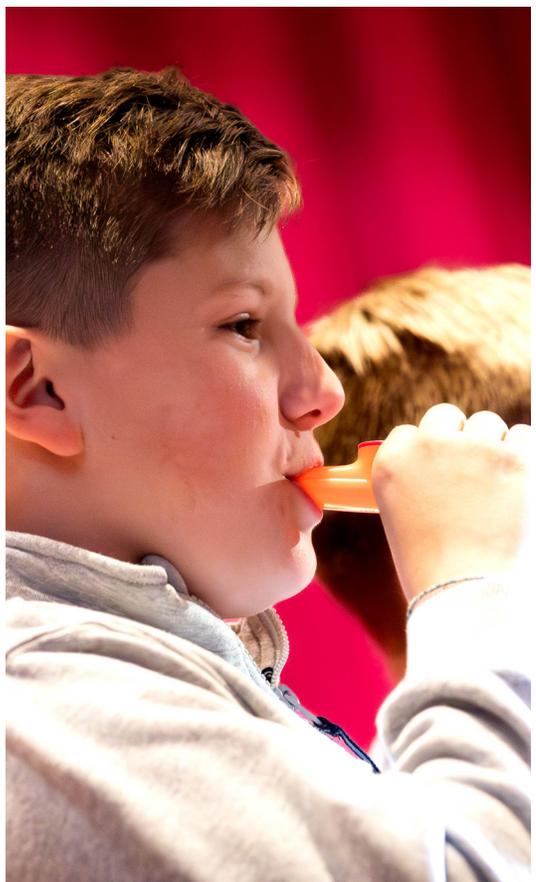
Volunteering in the community is important to Jack. He has been involved in coaching various sports such as AYSO soccer, CYO basketball and Little League baseball. He served on the Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego BOCES Cooperative Board from 2015-2018. Jack is also a member of the Frankfort Kiwanis and the Saint Francis Society. He has been a member of the Frankfort-Schuyler Board of Education since 2008.

Jack lives in town with his wife Kelly and son Jack.

# KALEIDOSCOPE CONCERT AND ART SHOW



On March 13, the Frankfort-Schuyler music and art departments collaborated to put on a Kaleidoscope Concert and Art Show. The concert featured the Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary Youth Choir, Middle School Jazz Band, High School Jazz Band and Middle/High School Show Choir. The Art Show displayed the work of students in the elementary school and Jr./Sr. high school. We enjoyed seeing so many of our community members at this event and we look forward to seeing everyone at our spring concerts!



## Frankfort-Schuyler CSD Earns Utica National's School Safety Excellence Award



The Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District is one of at least 160 school districts and Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) in New York State to receive the Utica National Insurance Group's School Safety Excellence Award for 2024 at the Titanium with Honors level.

The honor is presented annually and recognizes school districts' safety efforts as they work to help keep students, staff and visitors safe. The Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District received its award at Utica National's 42nd school safety seminar, one of seven such seminars the company hosts in the state.

Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District officials accepted a certificate to commemorate the District's safety efforts and a check for \$500 to use as reimbursement for and/or in connection with the school safety program.

Utica National's School Safety Excellence Award Program has three levels – titanium, platinum and gold – in which schools can earn a meritorious distinction by meeting specific criteria to enhance overall safety. Through the program, schools with their own transportation, schools with contract transportation, and BOCES are evaluated. Categories covered include bullying prevention programs, playground safety and other areas, and are measured using specific, quantifiable surveys.

"Safety and health concerns continue to be a priority in our school districts," explained Brian Saville, Senior Vice President in Utica National's Educational Institutions Unit. "Districts that go 'above and beyond' to provide a safe, healthy and focused culture for learning are to be applauded, and we're pleased to count Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District among them."

## THE FRANKFORT-SCHUYLER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS A NEW WEBSITE!

The new District website launched on April 1 and it features a more contemporary look, mobile-friendly design and a reorganized homepage that highlights all of the exciting news and upcoming events happening within the District. **Visit [www.frankfort-schuyler.org](http://www.frankfort-schuyler.org) to learn more!**

## Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary School Psychologist Jana Lambert Receives School Psychologist of the Year Award

After 21 years working as a school psychologist with the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District, Jana Lambert has added a new title to her name: School Psychologist of the Year.

The New York Association of School Psychologists (NYASP) Chapter F named Mrs. Lambert School Psychologist of the Year, and she was then chosen out of 15 chapter winners across New York to receive the statewide Frank Plumeau School Psychologist of the Year award. She was then honored at the NYASP annual conference in Saratoga in November.

Mrs. Lambert has worked at Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary School for all 21 years of her tenure with the District, and she was nominated for the award by Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary School Principal Mrs. Melanie Welch.

"I was so incredibly honored and humbled to even be nominated," Mrs. Lambert said. "I was very surprised to be notified that I was chosen, and I certainly did not expect it."

"Frankfort-Schuyler CSD has been blessed to have Mrs. Lambert in our school district for over 20 years," Mrs. Welch said in her letter nominating Mrs. Lambert for the award. "She is well respected in the community. She facilitates family and school partnerships, and also interacts with community agencies to enhance academic and social-behavioral outcomes for children."

Last spring, Mrs. Lambert was part of the team that accepted the What's Great in Our State award from the New York State Office of Mental Health on behalf of the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District. The award was given for the various mental health and social-emotional learning efforts within the District.

Within her role as school psychologist, Mrs. Lambert juggles many different responsibilities, including: conducting psychoeducational and behavioral assessments to determine disabilities and learning styles, and helping to develop plans to enable students to achieve their best; consulting with teachers, staff, administration and outside agencies to address students' academic, behavioral and social-emotional needs; serving as DASA co-coordinator; providing individual counseling to both special and general education students; co-founding the Spirit Team to promote positivity and pride in school for both students and staff; heading the school-wide character education program and the anti-bullying Unity Day celebration; and more.

Mrs. Lambert also developed a four-week Diversity and Differences curriculum to teach second grade students awareness of different cultures, beliefs, abilities and disabilities, and a six-week Girl Power Lunch program for fourth grade students to address topics such as self-esteem, body image, bullying and social conflicts, among others.

When asked what her favorite part of her job is, Mrs. Lambert said that every day is different and it's never boring. She also enjoys working with students and watching them grow and shine in their own ways.

"I am very mindful that the little things that we say to and do for a student can make a world of difference to them," Mrs. Lambert said. "We all make an impact on our students, whether we realize it or not. I choose to make it as positive as possible!"

Mrs. Lambert said she wants students and staff to feel safe and supported when they're in school, and to know that they're all part of the same team.

"Mrs. Lambert maintains the highest level of legal, ethical and professional practice of any staff member I've had the pleasure of working with," Mrs. Welch said. "The services she provides are consistent with professional standards, including effective interpersonal skills, responsibility, adaptability, dependability, advocacy, respect and commitment to equity."

Congratulations to Mrs. Lambert on being named New York State School Psychologist of the Year, and thank you for your many years of dedication to the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District!



Drama Club Presents:



On March 8-9, the Frankfort-Schuyler Drama Club performed their spring musical, "Beauty and the Beast."

The cast and crew was made up of more than 60 Jr./Sr. high school students. The show was well received throughout the Frankfort-Schuyler community.

Thank you to everyone who supported the show, and bravo to these amazing students!



## National Honor Society Induction

On March 14, the Frankfort-Schuyler Central School District chapter of the National Honor Society held an induction ceremony to welcome its newest members.

Superintendent of Schools Mr. Palmer and Jr./Sr. High School Principal Mr. Stalteri presented new members with membership certificates recognizing their achievements in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service and character. Current members also received certificates recognizing their years of membership.

**Congratulations to the new inductees:**

**Sopheakthra (Destiny) Chhom**

**Madison Goodhines**

**Jayden Herringshaw**

**Raegan Migliore**

**Addyson Thibault**

**Santino Tomasi**

**John Viola**

**Kayla Wasyleski**



# National Junior Honor Society Inducts 21 New Members

On March 19, twenty-one Frankfort-Schuyler Jr./Sr. High School students were inducted as the newest members of the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS). The Frankfort-Schuyler chapter of NJHS consists of students who excel and strive to succeed in all areas, and strive to be an example for and to help others achieve success.

During the induction ceremony, both new and one-year members were honored. Students participated in the lighting of the candles and the passing of the light, recited the Honor Society pledge, heard remarks from Jr./Sr. High School Principal Mr. Stalteri, and learned about the NJHS membership characteristics: scholarship, leadership, service and character. The new members were inducted with the help of Mr. Stalteri and Superintendent of Schools Mr. Palmer.

### Congratulations to the newest NJHS inductees:

Class of 2028	Class of 2029			
<i>Amina Besirevic</i>	<i>Charlotte Bick</i>	<i>Jenna Grates</i>	<i>Grace McDonald</i>	<i>Benjamin Reid</i>
<i>Andrea Hunt</i>	<i>Kaylee Byma</i>	<i>Hunter Herrinshaw</i>	<i>Giana McLean</i>	<i>Lilyann Shank</i>
	<i>Logan Christofaro</i>	<i>Xander Herringshaw</i>	<i>Emma Monahan</i>	<i>Cameron Varner</i>
	<i>Kenzie DeCicco</i>	<i>Tatum Lawrence</i>	<i>Nicholas Perry</i>	<i>Evan Warren</i>
	<i>Hailey DeRocco</i>	<i>Reagan LiBritz</i>	<i>Zoe Przestrzelski</i>	

### Congratulations to the one-year members:

Class of 2029				
<i>Redzo Begic</i>	<i>Viola Davis</i>	<i>Brynlee Helmer</i>	<i>Jason Monahan Jr.</i>	<i>Kyleigh Sears</i>
<i>Parker Belmont</i>	<i>Lia Doyle</i>	<i>Karmena Jones</i>	<i>Aidan Nichols</i>	<i>Giada Sedge</i>
<i>Caden Bryant</i>	<i>Ella Drennen</i>	<i>Brayden Kelly</i>	<i>Jackson Payne</i>	<i>Madisyn Sibley</i>
<i>Jayla Buttacaroli</i>	<i>Rocco Gaetano</i>	<i>Trent Marshall</i>	<i>Allison Putnam</i>	<i>Bradley Smith</i>
<i>Alexandria Cleveland</i>	<i>Michael Giambrone</i>	<i>Audrey McMurray</i>	<i>Olivia Randazzo</i>	<i>Jalil Smith</i>
<i>Robert Conti</i>	<i>Maryna Harrod</i>	<i>Adem Merdanovic</i>	<i>Jozlyn Scholl</i>	<i>Jennifer Turner</i>



# Kiwanis-Superintendent Students of the Month

At the Frankfort-Schuyler Board of Education meeting on February 27, nine Frankfort-Schuyler students received the Kiwanis-Superintendent Student of the Month award.

Students are nominated by faculty and staff based on their involvement in community service, school leadership, leading by example, supporting others, citizenship and other positive character traits.

The following students were named Student of the Month for December 2023 through February 2024:

## Fifth Grade

*December: Marcello Hare*  
*January: Levon Shank*  
*February: James Day*

## Eighth Grade

*December: Maryna Harrod*  
*January: Michael Giambrone*  
*February: Jackson Payne*

## Twelfth Grade

*December: Angelo DeSarro*  
*January: Isabella Nitti*  
*February: Madison Kelly*

**Congratulations to each of the recipients!**



Personal Health & Fitness  
Girls State  
E-Sports Club  
Builders Club  
ELECTIVES  
Boys State  
Baseball  
SCHOLARSHIPS  
Financial Aid Workshops with MVCC  
History of Film  
Hi-five Friends  
HCCC College Now Classes  
Softball  
MVCC - Grow with Google Micro-Credential  
Track & Field  
Alliance Club  
Friends of Rachel Club  
College Fair with HCCC  
Section III Football Champions  
Assemblies (Stephen Hill & Cory Greenwood)

ENGINEERING BY DESIGN  
Ski Club  
Project Lead The Way  
Advance Placement Classes  
District Wide Wellness Walk  
BASKETBALL  
Concert  
SOCCER  
Cheerleading  
Musical - Beauty & the Beast  
Kaleidoscope & Art Show  
Geography & Culture  
Catholic Charities Meditation Training  
Key Club  
Volleyball  
Mental Health & Wellness Fair  
SUNY Poly Liberty Partnership for Youth  
Kiwanis Family Fun Night  
Mock Trial Club

GREAT THINGS HAPPENING AT  
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## COMETS PLAYERS VISIT K-KIDS CLUB

On March 5, students in the K-Kids club at Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary School got to meet Utica Comets hockey players Isaac and Ryan. The Comets players talked to students and answered questions about themselves and their team. After answering questions, the players signed autographs and took photos with the club.



# Fourth Annual Career Day for *Junior Knights*



On March 22, Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary School hosted the fourth annual Career Day for the Junior Knights. The elementary school partnered with the Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego BOCES School to Careers program to host this fun and educational event.

Students in grades pre-K-2 visited five stations in the gym. They were able to learn about jobs in several fields such as agriculture, healthcare, education and culinary arts. They also visited a station set up by the Frankfort Utility Department where they got to explore how electricity works.

Students in grades 3-5 were able to learn about nine different careers from the presenters. They learned about careers such as police officers, vet techs, photography, agriculture, cosmetology and more!

This event helps give our champions an opportunity to learn about different careers and paths they can take when they graduate. We are very grateful to all of the professionals and students who volunteered their time and knowledge to share with our students.



# FRANKFORT-SCHUYLER FIRST GRADERS LEARN ABOUT FARMING

On November 30, 4-H Educator Wendy Richardson from the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Herkimer County visited Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary School to teach first grade students about farming.

Richardson's lesson, called My Farm Web, was taught with the help of the book "If It Weren't for Farmers" by Allan Fowler. She handed out pictures of various agricultural concepts to the students and they used photos and yarn to create a web that explored the role of agriculture in their daily lives, as well as how most of the things that we use daily can be tracked back to the farm.

Agriculture is an umbrella term that includes many concepts, ranging from farm to fork and from field to fabric. In addition to food and fiber, agriculture also provides numerous products for industrial use such as linseed oil for paint and corn for fuel. The lesson plan was designed for young learners to focus on just one aspect of agriculture: farming. The students used the pictures and yarn to create a simple concept web and the relationships were then discussed as a class while the concept web was completed.

Richardson regularly teaches hands-on activities throughout the school year with various groups of students. The purpose of these activities is to teach students the importance of agriculture, dairy and beef through the Dairy in the Classroom program.



# FRANKFORT-SCHUYLER KINDERGARTNERS LEARN ABOUT FARMS

On November 2, kindergarten students at Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary School learned about farms, including the various animals that live on a farm, the functions that they have on the farm, and different plants, fruits and vegetables that can be found on most farms.





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## Picnic with a Police Officer

Picnic with a Police Officer is one of the ways the Frankfort-Schuyler Elementary School recognizes Champs of the Month.

Each month, teachers select a student from their class who has demonstrated the characteristics of a Hi-5 friend. Those characteristics are pride, respect, responsibility, trust and citizenship. Champs are recognized with a certificate, a picture on the "Champ" bulletin board and a special lunch with the school's SRO.

This program is one of the many ways the elementary school is encouraging students to be Hi-5 friends in school and in the community!



**VOTE**

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO VOTE ON  
TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024, FROM 12:00 - 8:00 P.M.  
AT THE HIGH SCHOOL OLD GYMNASIUM.