



NY Mill's 7-12 Principal's Update

March 5, 2025

Celebrations!

High Honor Roll & Honor Roll

I am very proud to say that we started out the 2nd semester on a high note! At the close of the 2nd Quarter, 49 students earned "High Honors," with an average of 94-100%, and 52 students earned "Honors" with an average of 88-93%!

17 students were awarded "Perfect Attendance" Awards for the 2nd Quarter and 12 students earned "Principal's Awards" for the most improved average in their grade from 1st to 2nd Quarter.

Congratulations and keep up the good work!

February Optimist Students of The Month:

Congratulations to the following students for being selected as the Optimist Club's February Students of the Month! The Optimist Club supports these awards selected by faculty and staff each month. Awarded students in grades 7-11 receive a certificate as well as a coupon for a free pizza from Trio's Pizza. The Senior winner receives a plaque as well as a monetary award. Thank you to the Optimist Club of NY Mills for your continued support:

Grade 7 – Tayla Sebastien

Grade 8 – Anton Donchuk

Grade 9 – Bryce Grande

Grade 10 – Emma Decker

Grade 11 – Ruvym Kryvko

Grade 12-Lin Sein

Winter Sports Success!

Our Winter Athletic season is wrapping up and we had several successes!

Congratulations to the following coaches and students:

- Coach Smith and our Varsity Girl's Volleyball Team won the Center State Championship earlier in the season (pictured below).

- Coach Sharpe and our Varsity Boy's Basketball team made it to the playoffs and Senior David Goodfriend was selected to represent NY Mills on the Section III Senior All-Star team who will compete on Thursday, March 6, 2025 at HCCC!
- Gabby Dietz and her varsity gymnastics team won the Section III State Championship!
- With Coach Ricco's guidance, Nathaniel Dzwonkowski made the Section III State Bowling Team and he will be competing on March 15th!
- Coach Keating and Senior Rose Jeff will be heading to Long Island on Friday where Rose will be competing in the State level competition for Pole Vault!



New York State Assessments

Beginning in April students in grades 7 and 8 will take the New York State English Language Arts and Mathematic Exams. Grade 8 will also take the New York State Science Exam in May. These test will be computer based and completed on students' assigned Chromebooks. Teachers have been practicing using the online platform with students successfully. We encourage students to complete these exams carefully as they are helpful to our school district in the following ways:

- These tests provide teachers and schools with information that can be used to guide their instruction and class planning and help them to understand how well students are progressing in the skills and concepts being taught in the classroom.
- Results from the tests help us identify achievement gaps among individual students, and grade levels.

Without participation, we lack that information making it more difficult for us to recognize gaps and provide support and resources to the students who need them.

If you have any questions or concerns about the state testing program please reach out to me at: (315)768-8124, or via email at:mfacci@newyorkmills.org.

New! Athletic Boosters Sports Themed Dances

The Athletic Boosters will be sponsoring two dances this month at Beekman Gym. Grades 7 & 8 are invited to attend from 6-8 pm, on Friday, March 21st, and Grades 5 & 6 on Friday, March 28th. Admission price \$5.00 and refreshments will also be available for purchase.

March Positivity Project Strengths

March 3-7- Love of Learning

March 10-14-Perspective

March 17-21-Identifying And Appreciating The Good In Others

March 24-28- Humility

Dates to Remember:

March 6- Spring Sport Meeting-Cafeteria

March 7-K-12 Talent Show 6:00 pm Auditorium

March 8-America's Greatest Heart Run and Walk

March 12-Battle of the Books-Utica University

March 14- No School-Superintendent's Conference Day

March 14-15- Jr. High All County Festival

March 18-Progress Reports mailed

March 20-National Jr. Honor Society Induction Ceremony-6:00 pm- Auditorium

March 27-National Honor Society Induction & Banquet-6:00pm-Monarch Banquets