

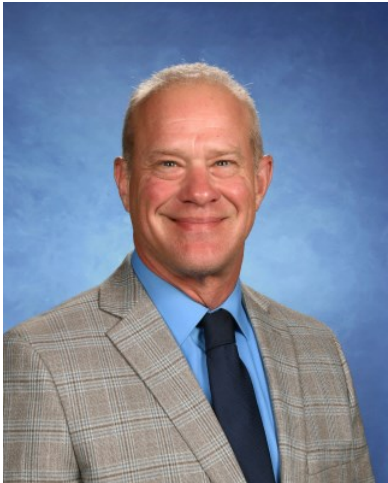
Spencerville Local Schools:
Committed to Excellence, Rooted in Community

As we settle into the New Year, I continue to be filled with pride and gratitude for our Spencerville Local Schools community – our students, families, staff, and community members who support our schools in so many ways. Spencerville has always been a place where people care deeply about one another, and that shared commitment continues to be the foundation of our success.

Over the past months, we’ve seen clear evidence of what’s possible when a community rallies around its schools. From academic accomplishments in our classrooms to proud moments in activities and events across the district, our students continue to demonstrate excellence in meaningful and visible ways.

One reflection of this work is our district’s most recent Ohio School Report Card, where Spencerville Local Schools earned an overall 4.5-star rating. This rating is based on multiple measures, including student achievement, academic growth, closing gaps, graduation outcomes, and preparation for future success. Earning 4.5 out of 5 stars shows that our district is consistently exceeding expectations – and more importantly, that our students are learning, growing, and being prepared for what comes next. This success belongs to our entire community.

Our vision – **Learning and Growing Together as One School, One Community, One Purpose** – guides every decision we make. We believe excellence is not a destination, but a continuous process. That means investing in high-quality instruction, supporting our educators, and ensuring that every student has access to opportunities that help them reach their full potential.



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Beyond academics, our Bearcat athletes continue to represent Spencerville with pride. Our basketball, wrestling, and cheer teams are competing hard this winter, demonstrating teamwork, discipline, and sportsmanship. These experiences teach lessons that extend far beyond the scoreboard and reflect the values we hold as a community.

That same spirit of excellence is evident in our extracurricular and co-curricular programs. Our band and choir programs provide students with opportunities to grow through music and performance, while the upcoming school musical, *Sister Act*, highlights creativity, collaboration, and countless hours of dedication by students and staff. Programs like FFA and Quiz Bowl further reflect the wide range of opportunities available to our students – offering leadership development, hands-on learning, and academic challenge. These programs thrive because of strong school-community support.

Of course, it's often the everyday moments that best reflect who we are. The work of our PTO, the guidance and support provided to students and families, and the dedication of our transportation, cafeteria, and support staff all contribute to a school environment where students feel known, supported, and valued. These relationships are at the heart of what makes Spencerville special.

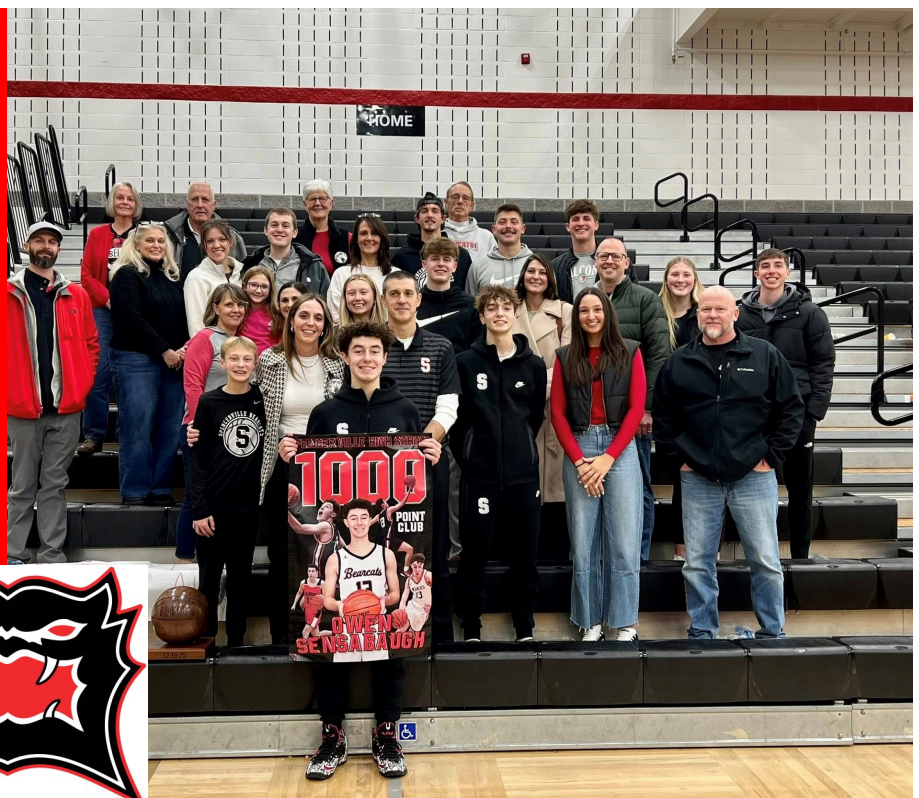
Looking ahead, we remain committed to continuous improvement while staying grounded in the values that define our district. I encourage our community to stay engaged – attend school events, support our students, and remain connected to the work happening in our schools. None of this success happens in isolation. It is made possible by the trust and partnership of our families, staff, community members, and taxpayers. Your support allows us to pursue excellence while remaining firmly rooted in the community we are proud to serve.

Thank you for being part of Bearcat Nation. Together, we will continue to build a school district defined by excellence, strengthened by community, and focused on the future.

Sincerely,

Brian Woods,
Superintendent

**Congratulations
Owen
Sensabaugh for
scoring your
1,000th point on
December 19th,
2025!**



SPENCERVILLE SCHOOLS

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January

1	Christmas Break - No School
4	1st Day of 2027
8	Two-Hour Delay for Staff PD
18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School
22	2nd Quarter Ends (44 days)

February

5	Two-Hour Delay for Staff PD
15	Presidents' Day - No School

March

5	Two-Hour Delay for Staff PD
25	One-Hour Early Release - Holiday Break
26-29	Easter Break - No School

April

2	3rd Quarter Ends (47 days)
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May

30	Graduation
31	Memorial Day - No School

June

3	Students' Last Day - One-Hour Early Release
3	End of 4th Quarter (43 Days)
4	Staff Work Day

HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE

Mr. Scott Gephart, Principal



I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday break. It's remarkable how quickly time flies during the school year—it seems like we just started! As we begin the second semester, staying involved in your child's academic progress remains crucial. Tools like ProgressBook can be very helpful for parents in monitoring student performance, so please take advantage of this great resource.

Over the next few months, Mr. Baumgartner will be meeting with students to discuss next year's classes and schedules. He does an excellent job explaining the requirements for each grade level. If your son or daughter is a sophomore or junior and is interested in attending Apollo, it is important that they speak with Mr. Baumgartner and register online as well, as 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.

Although spring may feel a long way off with the cold temperatures, it will be here before we know it. During late winter and early spring, we will have ACT and state testing, and on some testing days we will follow an adjusted schedule. The testing dates are as follows:

- ACT (Juniors): February 24 All juniors will be excused from afternoon classes following testing. Apollo students will test at Spencerville.
- English II End-of-Course Exam: April 14-15
- Algebra I & Geometry: April 21-22
- Biology, American History, & Government: April 28

We recognize that our students work very hard, and we do not want these tests to cause anxiety. We encourage you to discuss the importance of the tests with your child, as they are valuable to our district. They allow us to analyze the effectiveness of our academic programs and make adjustments to ensure students receive the best education possible. For high school students, these assessments are also required for graduation. You can help alleviate test-related stress by ensuring your child gets adequate sleep the night before and proper nutrition the morning of the test.

Our seniors are counting down the days until graduation! While it may seem far away, it will be here before we know it. Graduation will be held Sunday, May 24 at 2:00 PM in the Competition Gym. Please note that all school, athletic, and Apollo fees must be taken care of by May 1.

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



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. Spencerville High School had 16 students participate this year.

Congratulations to our local winners:

1st - Jovie Holtzapple (R) , 2nd - Jewel Stemen (L), 3rd - Royce Kill

Congratulations to our 3rd place District Level Winner Jovie Holtzapple!



VFW
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATE

Mr. John Zerbe, Principal

Welcome back! After a restful Christmas break, it has been wonderful to see our students return to school and our buildings filled with energy once again. As we move forward into the winter months, we do so with optimism and purpose. Each day brings new opportunities to learn, grow, and support one another. By working together, we can continue to foster a school community where everyone feels valued, supported, and inspired to reach their full potential. Here are a few highlights from our school year so far:

September

In September, the middle school fully implemented PBIS Tier 1 with the launch of Bearcat PRIDE. Expectations are clearly displayed throughout the building, and staff consistently reinforce positive behaviors across all settings. The PBIS team is also preparing to develop Tier 2 supports to better assist students who may benefit from additional interventions. Communication with families has been strengthened through the use of Class Dojo, where teachers share assignments, weekly updates, and will soon award Bearcat PRIDE points for positive behavior.

We are grateful for the dedication of our maintenance, kitchen, and transportation staff, whose hard work helps ensure a safe, welcoming, and successful school environment. Additionally, a new homeroom structure was introduced, with all students starting the day together for attendance, announcements, and important updates. This change helps build a stronger sense of community and sets a positive tone for the school day, with a homeroom attendance competition encouraging engagement and school spirit.

October

October was a busy and exciting month. Congratulations to Mr. Koenig's homeroom for earning the September Attendance Award and celebrating with donuts. Our students showcased their talents and school spirit through events such as the middle school music concert, Red Ribbon Week, and strong participation in the 7th/8th grade Quiz Bowl. The Quiz Bowl team has competed at a high level every Monday and posted an impressive 5-1 record in the tournament.

Eighth-grade students also had the opportunity to visit Airstream in Jackson Center, where they toured the facility and explored real-world applications of math in the workplace. Fall sports wrapped up, and we thank all of our student-athletes and coaches for their dedication and hard work. A special thank you goes to Mr. Ekis for his outstanding leadership in the athletic department.

November

November was filled with celebrations and meaningful events at the middle school. Congratulations went to our October homeroom attendance winners: Ms. England (5th grade), Mrs. Hemker (6th grade), Mr. Koenig (7th grade), and Mr. Sensabaugh (8th grade). Winning homerooms celebrated with a fun "PJ's and PD's" day by wearing pajamas to school and enjoying powdered donuts. PRIDE Excellence Day was also a great success, with more than 180 students recognized for positive behavior and strong

attendance. The day was highlighted by a spirited volleyball match in which the 8th grade girls' team defeated the boys 20-13.

The school also hosted its annual Veterans Day program to honor those who served our country. Congratulations were extended to Josiah Stober for being named the VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher of the Year, a well-deserved recognition. Additionally, middle school teachers met as a team for parent-teacher conferences, providing families the opportunity to connect with all teachers at once for more efficient and meaningful communication.

December

December was a meaningful and productive month. The Bearcat PRIDE Matrix (Personal Responsibility, Respect, Involved, Determination, Excellence) continued to be intentionally implemented to establish clear, consistent, and developmentally appropriate expectations for student behavior. Staff consistently taught and modeled PRIDE expectations across all settings, using common language and positive reinforcement to support student growth. Embedding PRIDE into classrooms, common areas, and extracurricular activities strengthened school culture, improved student accountability, and fostered a positive and respectful learning environment.

The 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Christmas concert was held on Monday, December 9, showcasing the talents of our students. Thank you to Mrs. Beining, Mrs. Ricker, and Mr. Longworth for their dedication and hard work in preparing a wonderful performance. Congratulations to Addie Good, who won the middle school spelling bee on Wednesday, December 11, with Blake Sensabaugh finishing as the runner-up. Thank you to Mrs. Mabry for organizing the event. In the spirit of giving, students and staff participated in the Roselawn Manor Hygiene Drive, collecting and delivering hygiene items to residents before Christmas.

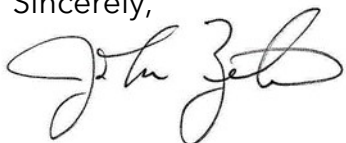
January

January marked the start of new academic challenges at the middle school. The 5th and 6th grade Quiz Bowl teams began county competitions at Lima Shawnee, showcasing their knowledge and teamwork. With state testing approaching, preparation remained a priority. In April, all middle school students were scheduled to take the math and ELA assessments, while 5th and 8th grade students were set to complete the science test. Teachers and students had been preparing for these assessments since the beginning of the school year, focusing on growth, readiness, and confidence.

I would like to remind families of the importance of making regular attendance a priority. If your child will be absent, please notify Billie by calling 419-647-4112 and provide the reason for the absence. When a student has an appointment that requires an early dismissal, all communication should also go through Billie. Please call or send a note in advance so an exit slip can be prepared for the teacher.

If you need to communicate with your child during the school day, please contact the school office rather than calling or texting your child directly. We are happy to deliver messages as needed. Please note that student cell phones are not permitted for use 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



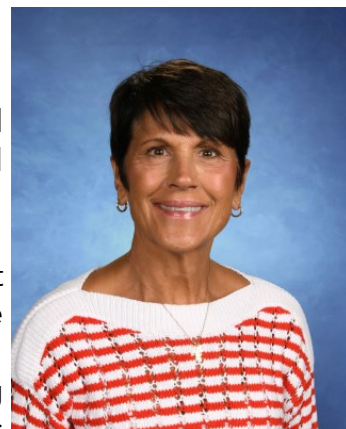
ELEMENTARY UPDATE

Mrs. Susan Wagner, Principal

Welcome to 2026!! This time of year invites reflection, resilience, and togetherness. Despite the chilly days, our classrooms remain active and inspiring, filled with learning, growth, and community spirit.

Spencerville Elementary is excited to present our Family Fun night on March 3 from 6-7. Information will be sent home soon. Please mark your calendars now for this exciting event!

Thank you, Frank Jennings, local business owner of Frank's Contracting and Snow Removal, for offering to be the Grinch in our second Grinch vs Santa face off. Rather than face Santa, the Grinch got to face Elf, played by our very own Paul Sadler. It was a heart- warming experience hearing our young students cheering when Elf and Grinch walked in. **Of course, we can't have a Christmas party without Santa stopping by!**



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 3 from 6-7

Laps for Learning Kick-off- March 31st

ELA (English Language Arts) state test for grades 3 and 4 are April 8 and 9.

Math state test for grades 3 and 4 are April 23 and 24.

Kindergarten registration will open February 2nd.

Kindergarten orientation is April 9th from 6-7.

Kindergarten Screening is May 12 and 13. Information about scheduling will be sent out later.

Our school has been working hard to improve the attendance of our students. Chronic absenteeism is defined as missing 10% of the school year. For the 2023-2024 school year, 11% of our students were chronically absent. Last year we were able to reduce it to 6%. Our goal for this year is under 5%. We hold monthly incentives to prioritize attendance, and I feel it's paying off!! I want to take a moment to highlight the crucial role that regular attendance plays in the academic success and overall well-being of our elementary students.

Why does attendance matter?

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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.

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.

Let's make the rest of the 2025-2026 academic year the best one yet!!

Mrs. Susan Wagner, Elementary Principal



4TH GRADE



We have great news for parents of 4th graders! The America 250-Ohio Commission and history-related museums and sites recently introduced the new **4th Grade History Pass** – a special program that gives Ohio 4th grade students the chance to attend participating history museums and historic sites free of charge, with a paid adult. [Please visit america250-ohio.org/fourth-grade-pass-to-generate-a-pass](https://america250-ohio.org/fourth-grade-pass-to-generate-a-pass) (one is needed for each place you visit) and a list of participating sites throughout Ohio. In addition to that, 4th graders are also able to get a pass to our nation's national parks and recreation lands through the Every Kid Outdoors initiative. Students in Spencerville 4th grade social studies classes will receive their paper pass and a brochure on how and where to use it. For any other 10 year old children, they can obtain their pass by visiting everykidoutdoors.gov. It is so exciting to share these valuable programs for our students and their families to be able to enjoy.

Rachel Abel - 4th grade social studies and science

Spencerville All School Musical



SISTER ACT

the Musical



Performances:

Friday, February 13 at 7:00pm

Saturday, February 14 at 7:00pm

Sunday, February 15 at 2:00pm

Tickets:

Order forms available at the school office:
2500 Wisher Dr.
Spencerville

Order online



**Congratulations
Austin McMichael
on
achieving your
100th pin at the
Parkway
Invitational on
December 27th,
2025!**



TICKET ORDER FORM

Friday, February 13, 2026 at 7:00pm
 Saturday, February 14, 2026 at 7:00pm
 Sunday, February 15, 2026 at 2:00pm

*Spencerville Cafetorium

*Tickets- \$8 for adults \$6 for students
 & any young child taking a seat

Please fill out the following information in order to reserve your tickets.

- First and last name for the reservation: _____
- Phone number for reservation: _____
- Please indicate the number of tickets you require.
 - Be sure to specify how many of each kind (adult/student) underneath the ticket amount column.
- Then, place an X on the night you would like the ticket(s).
- How would you like to receive your tickets:
 - ☐ Please send my tickets home with (student name) _____
 - ☐ I want to pick up my tickets in the office
 - (May we text you when they are ready? Yes No)
 - ☐ Please hold my tickets in Will Call (at the door) for the night of the performance
- We will do our best to accommodate all requests.

*If handicap seats are needed, please indicate this need, so we can accommodate you.

Total # of Tickets	# of Adult	# of Student	Fri, Feb 13	Sat, Feb 14	Sun, Feb 15
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(Sample) 2	2				X

Total Adult Tickets		X \$8.00 =	
Total Student Tickets		X \$6.00 =	
		Total Cost	

***checks made payable to Spencerville All School Musical**

Any questions, please email: brennemanh@svbearcats.org

Spencerville-Jennings - PTO News

As we kick off a new year, the PTO would like to reflect on what we accomplished in 2025 and share our excitement for 2026. Thank you to our families, staff, and volunteers for your continued support!

Field Trips

K-4 students enjoyed fall field trips this year. Kindergarten's trip to Crossway Farms was canceled due to weather, but students still had fun with in-class activities, including pumpkin painting.

- **1st Grade:** Allen County Children's Museum
- **2nd Grade:** OSU Children's Theater (*Mariposa/Butterfly*)
- **4th Grade:** Johnston Farms

We look forward to funding and supporting **Spring Field Trips** as well.

HERO Cart & Attendance Incentives

Over 100 students with good attendance during the 1st quarter earned a reward from the HERO Cart—great job! This will continue after each quarter for the remainder of the school year.

- **2nd Quarter Drawing:** (1) Nintendo Switch Lite for students with good attendance in both Q1 & Q2
- **4th Quarter Drawing:** (1) Nintendo Switch Lite for students with good attendance in both Q3 & Q4

Scholastic Book Fair

Our Fall Book Fair raised over \$7,000, earning approximately \$3,500 in Scholastic Dollars to purchase books and classroom items. Thank you for your support!

The **Spring Book Fair** will be held **Saturday, April 18**, during the Art Show.

Teacher Conference Meals

The PTO provided a taco bar, desserts, and donated snacks for teachers during their long conference days. Thank you for helping us show appreciation to our amazing teachers!

Upcoming Events

- **National Reading Month (March 2026):** Themed Fridays—details coming soon!
- **Spring Book Fair:** Saturday, April 18th during the Art Show
- **Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2026)**
- **Laps for Learning (May 2026):** Our one and only fundraiser planning is underway—more information to come!

Get Involved!

Spencerville-Jennings PTO is a non-profit group of parents and teachers working together to support K-4 students and staff. We rely on community support and encourage you to join us!

PTO Meetings:

2nd Tuesday of each month at 4:00 PM

Location: School, Room 202

(Meeting reminders posted on the PTO Facebook page)

Support PTO Year-Round

- **Box Tops:** Download the app, select Spencerville Jennings, and scan receipts
- **Kroger Community Rewards:**
Link your Kroger Plus Card to *Spencerville-Jennings PTO, Inc.* (Org #XB8)

Stay Connected

- **Facebook:** Spencerville-Jennings PTO
- **Email:** Spencervillepto@yahoo.com
- **Website:** Spencerville School District → Departments → PTO

**YOU CAN'T HIDE
OUR PARENT PRIDE!**





YEARBOOK NEWS



High School Yearbook

Price: \$55

Online ordering is through JUNE 5th
after FEB 27th the price increases to
\$60. [CLICK HERE](#) to order online.

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 FEB 27th.

K-8 Yearbook

Price: \$26

Online ordering is through FEB
20th. [CLICK HERE](#) to order online.

Paper order forms that were sent
home with students have a
deadline of 2/6/26

Forgot to Order Last Year?



There are a limited number of extra copies of the **2025 High School (\$60)** or **2025 K-8 (\$26)** yearbooks available for purchase on a first-come-first serve basis. If you are interested, pick up an order form from Mrs. Salvage in the high school art room (104) or email salvagek@svbearcats.org.



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**.

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: **Michele Brown** (Elementary), **Meghan Carless** (High School), and **Josiah Stober** (Middle School). These teachers were honored at a banquet at Bowersock Brothers VFW Post 6772 in Spencerville in November.





SUB / TRIP DRIVERS NEEDED

Preferred candidates would possess a valid Class A or Class B CDL.



**PAID TRAINING FOR
UP TO 40 HOURS.**

This substitute position
has the potential to become
a **full-time position.**

CONTACT BRIAN WOODS, SUPERINTENDENT:



419-647-4111 x3205



600 School St, Spencerville, OH 45887



woods@svbearcats.org



Our 8th grade students spent a wonderful, educational, and informative day visiting Airstream. During the visit, students participated in four engaging sessions: Scale Drawing and Measurement, CAD Design, a Production Floor Tour, and a History of Airstream museum tour.

In the Scale Drawing and Measurement session, students completed an activity that Airstream currently uses during the hiring process. This task required students to take accurate measurements and identify precise intersection points where holes would be drilled on a camper part. Students learned that incorrect measurements could result in wasted materials and financial loss for the company. They also discussed how Airstream uses this activity to evaluate potential employees, determining job placement based on speed, accuracy, and overall correctness. This session helped students see how math and measurement are applied in real-world manufacturing.

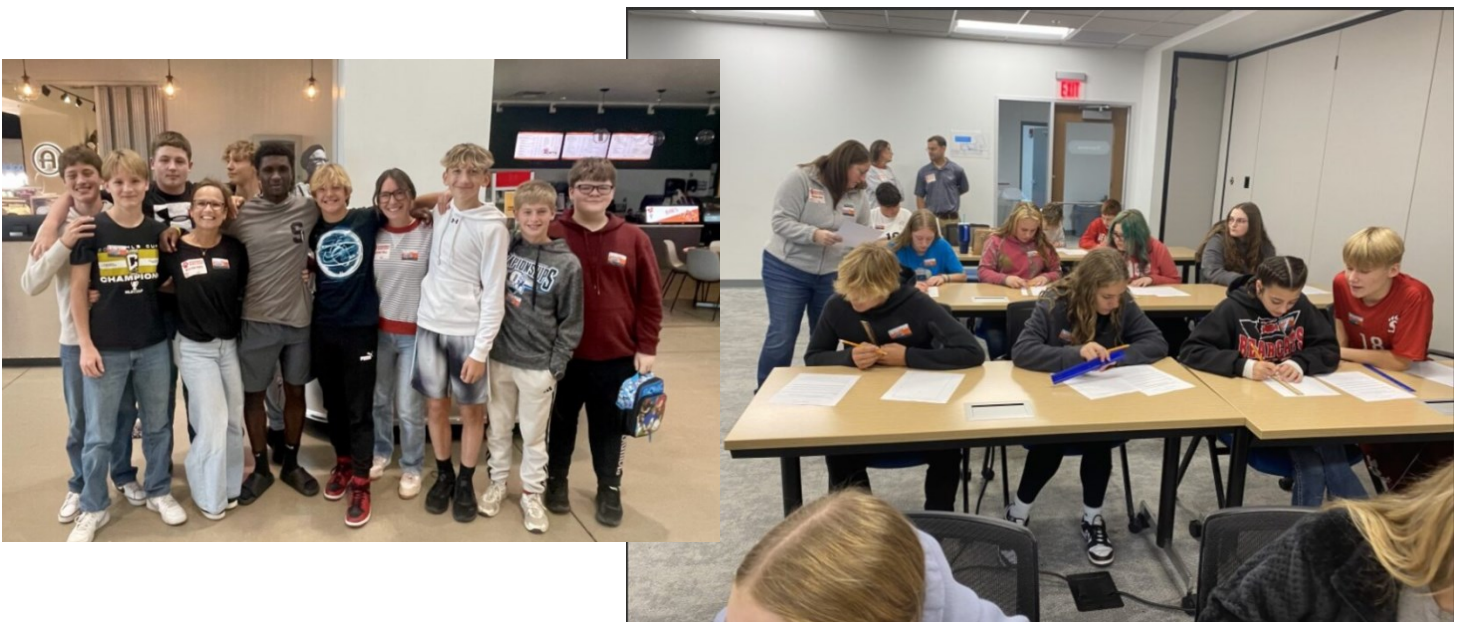
The second session focused on CAD design. Students learned that every part of an Airstream camper must be carefully designed before it can be manufactured. They explored the design process of a camper taillight, from computer design to 3D printing for testing, and finally to vacuum forming for production. Students watched a short video explaining vacuum forming and had the opportunity to hold a 3D-printed tail light while viewing the final design installed on an actual Airstream camper.

The third session was a guided tour of the production floor, where students observed each station the camper moves through before becoming a completed Airstream. For safety and communication purposes, students wore safety glasses and earpieces throughout the tour.

In the fourth session, students visited the Airstream museum, which highlights the history and evolution of Airstream campers. Students viewed life-sized campers from different time periods and learned how designs have changed over the years.

Overall, the trip was both educational and informative. Students gained valuable insight into manufacturing, production lines, and career opportunities. The knowledge and experiences gained from this visit are truly invaluable.

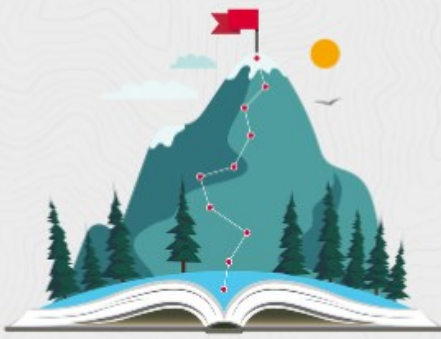
Thank you to our local VFW for their support, to Airstream for opening their doors to our students, to the parent volunteers who helped make this trip a success, and to the school district for their continued support of this valuable learning experience for our students.





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SCALING NEW HEIGHTS

IN PUBLIC EDUCATION

Spencerville Local Schools recognized our 2026 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: John Core, Liz Klaus,
President Clarke Prichard, Spencer Clum,
Vice President Ryan McMichael



Board Member Appreciation Month 2026



Thank
you



2026 Spencerville Local Schools Board of Education Information

The Spencerville Local School District Board of Education met for an organizational meeting on January 13, 2026.

The following appointments were approved for 2026:

Board President - Clarke Prichard

Vice President - Ryan McMichael

Apollo Board Representative - Spencer Clum

Athletic Council Representatives - Clarke Prichard and Spencer Clum

Buildings and Grounds Committee - John Core and Clarke Prichard

Curriculum/CIP Committee - Liz Klaus and John Core

Finance/Audit Committee - John Core and Ryan McMichael

Legislative Liaison - Spencer Clum

Education Foundation Trustees - Spencer Clum and Liz Klaus

Student Achievement Liaison - Ryan McMichael

Technology Committee - Ryan McMichael and John Core

Personnel Committee - Liz Klaus and Ryan McMichael

The board also 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 2026. There are exceptions** to that rule as listed below. (Meeting dates and times are subject to change.)

February 17, 2026

March 17, 2026

April 21, 2026

May 19, 2026

June 30, 2026**

July 21, 2026

August 18, 202688 (starts at 6:00 p.m. beginning with a tour of facilities)

September 15, 2026

October 20, 2026

November 19, 2026**

December 17, 2026**

Board members may be contacted via email as follows:

Spencer Clum - clums@svbearcats.org

John Core - corej@svbearcats.org

Liz Klaus - klausl@svbearcats.org

Ryan McMichael - mcmichaelryan@svbearcats.org

Clarke Prichard - prichardc@svbearcats.org

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

Records Retention Designee: Jennifer Sudhoff, Treasurer/CFO

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION for the 2026/2027 School Year will begin Monday, February 2 and run through Friday, March 20.

**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 12 and 13 will be made at this time.

Required for registration:

☐ Parent Completion of Final Forms

FINAL FORMS 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 on or before September 2nd,
2026 to be eligible for kindergarten.**

Kindergarten Orientation will be held April 9th at 6pm.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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

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