



Week of March 9th -
March 13th, 2026

DR. REED'S WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS



Good morning,

Happy Friday! I hope you had a good week. Today our instructional staff are being learners for the Superintendent's Conference Day. Safety and literacy are the morning topics being presented. Like our students, we are lifelong learners, too! and all of you!



AND, PLEASE CHECK OUT THE FARM TO SCHOOL HOME GARDEN KIT FLYER. GET YOURS!

2026

Seneca Falls Central School District

Farm to School Home Garden Kits

This year's garden kit features a variety of seeds to grow a "Salsa Garden", as well as some extra garden goodies.



Kits include gardening information and the below seeds neatly packaged in a reusable lunch cooler made from recycled materials.

- Cherry tomatoes
- Poblano pepper
- Roma tomatoes
- Scallions
- Sweet pepper
- Tomatillo
- Basil
- Cilantro
- Milkweed
- Snapdragon

1 kit per family.

Deadline to register: Friday, March 27

To receive your free home garden kit, register online by scanning the QR code or go to: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/F2SSenecaFalls2026_245



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FRANK KNIGHT SCHOOL

Mrs. Creeley facilitates our "Too Good" lessons for all grade levels here at Frank M. Knight School. She plans engaging activities that focus on helping students learn about making good choices. Students can be seen interviewing each other and having conversations about the weekly topics.





ELIZABETH CADY STANTON

Last weekend, Mr. Koepke joined our selected 5th grade students at the New York State All-County Music Festival. All-County is a special honor for young musicians who demonstrate dedication, talent, and a love of music. Our 5th graders joined students from schools across the county coming together to rehearse and perform, learning new music and working as a team. We are proud of our students for sharing their beautiful voices and representing our school. Bravo to Alaina, Isaac, Jinger, Penelope, Elaina, and Aurora!

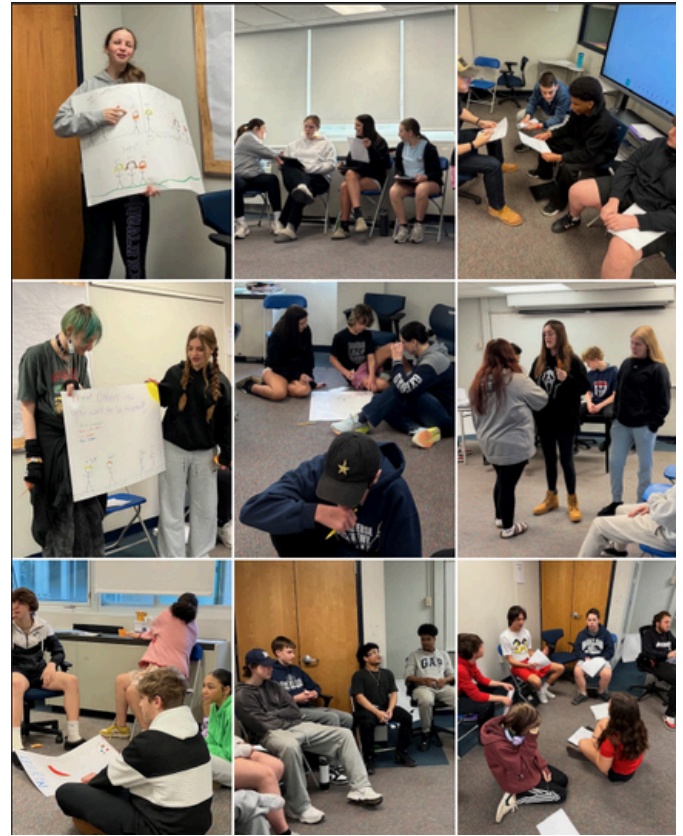
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Ms. Kowalczyk came and spoke to the 8th grade students about the book she recently wrote. This book is about her mother's exceptional 100-year life surviving a Nazi Labor camp and immigrating to America.

MYNDERSE ACADEMY

Ninth grade students recently completed a series of peer-led leadership and community-building sessions that had been planned for them this year. During these half-day sessions, students worked on building communication, teamwork, and conflict-resolution skills that help strengthen our school community. A special thank you goes out to the student leaders who helped facilitate the sessions and served as positive role models for their peers: Joey McLean, Curtis Wheeler, Creshawn Goodell, Tiana Edwards, Aydriannah Hall, Dominic Key, Nik Balzer, Jonathon Gonzalez, Jamiah Arndt, Derek Mercedes Rivera, Allyson Fenton, Ethan Dyson, and Eathyn Fasciana. Their leadership and willingness to guide discussions played a big role in making the experience meaningful for our ninth grade students.



Mynderse Academy is excited to welcome Baxter, our new therapy dog, to the school community! Baxter will be working alongside staff to help support students and create a positive, calming presence in our building.

Therapy dogs can help reduce stress, encourage positive connections, and provide comfort throughout the school day. We are thrilled to have Baxter as part of the Mynderse family and look forward to the many ways he will support our students and staff.



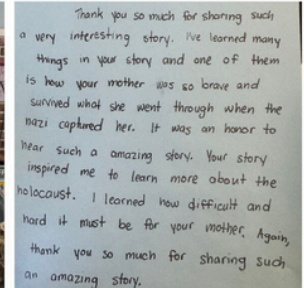
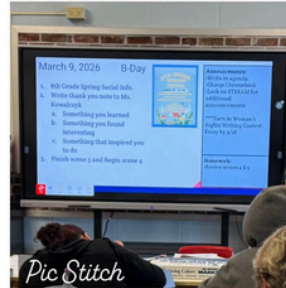
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Consistent instruction across grade levels helps students learn and progress more effectively. Students are starting letter formation in Kindergarten as displayed by these students.



SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Our 8th grade English students recently met author Teresa Kowalczyk, who shared her book, *Maria Filipowicz Kowalczyk: An Extraordinary Life, A Century of Memories*. The book tells the story of her mother's life, including surviving the Holocaust and living a full, remarkable life. After her visit, students wrote thank you letters reflecting on what they learned and how her story inspired them.



ATHLETICS

Congratulations to our Mark's Pizzeria athletes of the month for January.

RaeLynn Davis, Bowling. RaeLynn adjusted her throwing technique during the middle of her season and really improved her scores. At team sectionals, RaeLynn scored her highest total of the season, which earned her a spot on the all-tournament team.

Braeden Cimineri, Basketball. Braeden helped lead the team through January, averaging the most points and assists on the team. Braeden was named to the Class B1 all-tournament team after a close loss in the sectional finals.



TRANSPORTATION

This week our Transportation Department continued to keep students moving safely and on time across the district. Drivers and monitors remained focused on student safety while managing daily routes, addressing student behavior concerns, and supporting one another to ensure smooth operations. We appreciate the professionalism and dedication our transportation team shows every day in providing safe and reliable transportation for our students.

CAREER SERVICES CENTER

Mrs. Stevers will meet with 10th graders next week to help students with the NYS Annual Career Plan. These plans are completed and reviewed annually by their school counselor. This activity helps students reflect on their past experiences and successes, consider areas they want to improve, and actions they can take to achieve their future goals.

See a sample: [NYS Career Plan Sample](#)

Have a good weekend! As always, thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,
Dr. Michelle Reed
Superintendent of Schools

“Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much” -Helen Keller

