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PRINCIPAL'S POST

Embracing March Momentum at MCHS

Greetings, My Fellow Wolves,

As March unfolds at Michigan City High School, we're embracing the momentum with an unwavering focus on academic excellence. The countdown to the end of the third quarter on March 15th is on, and it's a crucial time for our students to dig deep and showcase their full potential.



Wolfpack Roundup Success

Our recent Wolfpack Roundup on February 23rd was a highlight of the season,

bringing our school community together in a celebration of unity and school spirit. The Friday Night Live activities provided a glimpse of the vibrant MCHS experience to our incoming freshmen, making for an unforgettable evening. A round of applause for our dedicated staff who made it all possible!



Academic Pathways: Preparing for Tomorrow

In preparation for the future, our counselors have been guiding students through their course selections for the 2024-2025 school year, ensuring a smooth transition into the next academic phase. This careful planning is key to aligning our students' aspirations with their academic goals.

SAT Spotlight: Juniors Ready for the Challenge

Meanwhile, our juniors are set to tackle the SAT starting on March 4th, a pivotal step in their educational journey. This momentous occasion is more than just a test; it's a gateway to future opportunities and a testament to their hard work and dedication.

Third Grading Period

With the end of the grading period fast approaching, I urge every student to stay the course and finish strong. It's the final sprint before we briefly pause for Spring Break from April 1st to 5th. And remember, in the wise words of a well-known genius, "You never fail until you stop trying." So let's keep the momentum going, Wolves!

Keep Pushing Forward

As we continue to navigate this month, let's do so with determination and pride in our achievements. Together, we're not just preparing for exams; we're building a foundation for future success.

Let's make March a month to remember. Go Wolves!



Career & Technical Education

Principles of Computing:

We've wrapped up an engaging unit on Cybersecurity in our introductory Principles of Computing course. Students delved into essential topics such as the CIA Triad, Linux terminal commands, Social Engineering, and Steganography. These foundational concepts are critical in today's digitally dependent world.

Transitioning from cybersecurity, we're returning to Python programming, focusing on chapter 6, which covers files and exceptions. Students will gain hands-on experience in reading and writing data to text files, handling exceptions, and exploring various file-related functions. From there, we'll leap into chapter 10 to demystify Classes and Objects, followed by chapter 13, which introduces GUI Programming. The culmination of this journey will see students creating a comprehensive graphical user interface program as their final project—a practical application of their coding skills.

Computer Science 2:

In Computer Science 2, our students have taken a deep dive into the world of malware. The curriculum has been extensive, covering Viruses and Worms, Trojans, Backdoors, RATs, Keyloggers, Bots and Botnets, Rootkits, Logic Bombs, and more. Through this study, students have developed a robust understanding of threats like Buffer Overflow, Adware and Spyware, Physical Attacks, Data

Injection, OWASP, Request Forgery Attacks, and the use of Honeypots and Cross-site Scripting.

We've emphasized how to safeguard devices and networks, with a particular focus on Endpoint protection. Understanding these threats is the first step in building secure systems and practicing responsible digital citizenship.



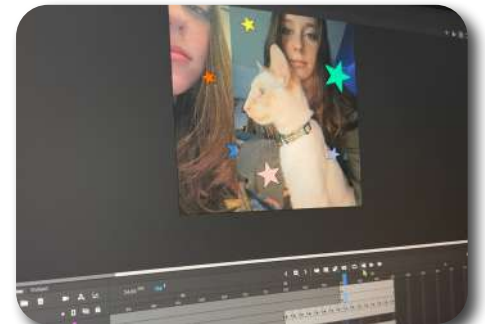
Principles of Digital Design:

Creativity meets corporate in our Principles of Digital Design. Our students have been mastering Adobe Illustrator, and they're now applying their skills in a practical project: designing logos for two hypothetical companies. EchoBeat Electronics is setting the tone in audio technology, while Skyward Innovations is soaring in aerospace advancements. Through these projects, students are learning the intricacies of branding and the power of visual communication.



Computer Illustration and Graphics:

The students in Computer Illustration and Graphics have just completed their personal 'About Me' animations, showcasing their unique narratives through digital art.



The current project has them either reimagining the posters of their favorite movies and TV shows as animated graphics or creating stick figure animations. With titles like "Star Wars Episode 3: Revenge of the Sith," "Joker," "DeathNote," and "Shrek" getting a creative overhaul, we're excited to see these classic visuals reinterpreted. These projects are not only a testament to their technical skills but also to their creativity and passion for storytelling.



Fine Arts

Two New Pathways in Art and Music

The Fine Arts Department is excited to announce two new Locally Created Pathways: **Art** and **Music**.

Students who successfully complete either Pathway will fulfill "Bucket 3/ Postsecondary Ready Competencies" of the graduation requirements. See your counselor or Art/Music teacher with any questions.

Regional Gold Winner

Samantha Krueger, a senior at MCHS, has been awarded the prestigious Scholastic Regional Gold Key Arts Award in Mixed Media. Her work will be on display in the SouthBend Museum of Art until the National Competition in March. We are all so proud and wish her the best of luck for nationals.



Fine Arts

Creativity and personal expression are at the heart of the Fine Arts. Students can explore a variety of media while in the Visual Art classes or make music in band or choir. The Fine Arts provide students with non-academic benefits such as promoting self-esteem, aesthetic awareness, creativity, improved emotional expression, as well as social harmony and appreciation of the diversity of the world around them.



2 Pathways: Music and Visual Art

6 Total Credits required

Minimum C in all pathway classes

Course Work in this Career Pathway

| | Music | Visual Art |
|---|--|--|
| Required Core Courses 3 credits minimum Music or Visual Art Pathway: Introduction to Business –or- Principles of Business Management –or- Principles of Teaching | Beginning Concert Band –I & II -or- Beginning Chorus I & II | Introduction to 2D Art -and- Drawing I -or- Ceramics I -or- Fiber Art I -or- Painting I -or- Photography I -or- Sculpture I -or- Visual Communication I |
| Electives must take level I before II Optional to supplement to 6 credits | Intermediate Chorus I Intermediate Chorus II Intermediate Concert Band I Intermediate Concert Band II Adv Concert Band II Advanced Chorus II Choral Chamber Ensemble/City Singers II Applied Music Electronic Music Instrumental Ensemble Jazz Ensemble Music History and Appreciation Vocal Jazz Musical Theater Music Theory and Composition Piano and Electronic Keyboarding | Drawing I Drawing II Ceramics I Ceramics II Fiber Art I Fiber Art II Painting I Painting II Photography I Photography II Printmaking Sculpture I Sculpture II Visual Communication I Visual Communication II |
| Required Advanced Courses One credit minimum | Adv Concert Band I -or- Advanced Chorus I -or- Choral Chamber Ensemble/City Singers I -or- AP Music Theory (2 credits/2 semesters) | Advanced 2D Art -or- Photo 3 |

Fine Arts

Choral Achievements at ISSMA Competitions

On Saturday, January 27, 2024, twenty-one (21) students from the Michigan City High School Choral department competed at the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble District Competition held at Valparaiso High School.

Solo Performances

The following students performed solos in Group III:

Madisyn Moyer (Silver rating); Ashlynn Bright (Gold rating); Meerub Iftikhar (Gold rating); Katilynn Wilkins (Gold rating)

Group II Solo

The following students performed solos in Group II:

Emma Abraham (Gold rating); Katelyn Ast (Gold rating); Chyann Brown (Gold rating); Carter Joseph (Gold rating); Summer Mannella (Gold rating); Angela Reynolds (Gold rating); Jennifer Serrano (Gold rating); Aaverie Wingard (Gold rating)

Ensemble Performance in Group II

The Terrance McCray ensemble composed of Paige Merrill, Brooklynn Wade, Aaverie Wingard, Hannah Parker, Carter Joseph and Terrance McCray performed in Group II and received a Gold rating.

Group I Solo Excellence

The following students performed solos in Group I:

Madison Gresham (Gold rating); Paige Merrill (Gold rating); Madelyn Parry (Gold rating); Younha Seppyes (Gold rating); Brooklynn Wade (Gold rating); Naomi Williams (Gold rating); Alyssa Workman (Gold rating)

Group I Ensemble Achievement

The Hannah Parker ensemble composed of Paige Merrill, Emma Abraham, Naomi Williams, Madison Gresham, Hannah Parker, and Aaverie Wingard performed in Group I and received a Gold rating.

Vocal ISSMA State Solo and Ensemble Competition

On Saturday, February 17, 2024, Brooklynn Wade, Paige Merrill, Emma Abraham, Naomi Williams, Madison Gresham, Hannah Parker, Aaverie

Wingard, Younha Seppyes, Maddy Parry, and Alyssa Workman traveled to Perry Meridian High School in Indianapolis to compete at the Vocal ISSMA State Solo and Ensemble Competition.

State Competition Results

Paige Merrill, Madison Gresham, Younha Seppyes, and Alyssa Workman all received Gold Ratings.

Brooklynn Wade, Maddy Parry and Naomi Williams all received a Gold Rating With Distinction.

The ensemble composed of Hannah Parker, Aaverie Wingard, Madison Gresham, Naomi Williams, Emma Abraham and Paige Merrill received a Gold Rating With Distinction.



Fine Arts

Band at ISSMA District Competition

On Saturday, February 3, 2024 thirty (30) students from the Michigan City High School Band department competed at the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble District Competition held at Kankakee Valley Middle School. The students received many high marks with numerous performances receiving gold ratings.

Solo and Ensemble Participants

The following students participated in Solo and Ensemble:

Frank Anderson, Sophia Barczak, Jimmy Biela, Zoe Brooks, Yarnikqwa Crume, Ethan David, Andrew Deleon, Anthony Jaimes, Daniel Kohn, Arianna Lemons, Dylan Mashburn, Jada Mckendree, Jennifer Mezo, Torrey Morris, Kenneth Oviatt, Raina Potter, Josh Pratt, Brandon Roadarmel, Athena Roberts, Jaiden Sledd, Weston Smith, Ashley Sparks, James Symons, Vivian Taylor, Trevor Trusty, Ke'von Whitlow, & Isaac Yanke.

State Group I Division Success

Of the multiple students who

participated seven of them received a Gold rating in the State Group I division and performed in nine different events at the ISSMA State Solo and Ensemble held on February 24th at North Central High School in Indianapolis. These students were:

- ▶ Frank Anderson: Gold w/ Distinction - Tenor Saxophone Solo
- ▶ Jimmy Biela: Gold w/distinction - Snare Drum Solo
- ▶ Sophia Barczak: Gold - Bb Clarinet Solo & Eb Clarinet Solo
- ▶ Ashley Sparks: Gold - Oboe Solo & Mellophone Solo
- ▶ Jada Mckendree: Gold - Clarinet Solo
- ▶ Vivian Taylor: Silver - Tenor Sax Solo
- ▶ Isaac Yanke: Silver - Alto Sax Solo

Upcoming Concerts and Community Engagement

The Choral and Band departments will be presenting two concerts during the month of March. Classics Night I will take place on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at 7 pm in the high school auditorium. This concert will feature all of the high school choirs: Beginning Chorus, Concert Choir, Treble Chorale and City Singers. Classics Night II will take place on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 7 pm in the high school auditorium. This concert will feature

all of the high school bands: Concert Band, Percussion Ensemble, and Wind Ensemble. Admission to all of these concerts is free and open to the public. Please come on out to hear some great music from all of our band and choral groups.

Super Saver Card

The music department is currently selling their SUPER SAVING CARDS. For \$10 the purchaser receives discounts at many local restaurants and stores throughout Michigan City and LaPorte for an entire year. Please see a member of the choir or band department to purchase your card. If you have any questions, you can contact Michelle Howisen (High School Choir Director) at (219)873-2044 x4401.



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JAG

Triumphs at the JAG Regional CDC

The JAG Program at Michigan City High School is proud to acknowledge the following award recipients at this year's Regional Career Development Conference (CDC) for Indiana Region One's Jobs for America's Graduates students held February 2, 2024 at Ivy Tech Community Campus.

Congratulations

Makenzie Rojas – 12th Grade

- ▶ 1st Place - Region 1 Outstanding Senior
- ▶ 3rd Place - Digital Invitation/Cover Design Event
- ▶ 2nd Place - Creative Solutions Event

Davida Barney – 12th Grade

- ▶ 2nd Place in Financial Literacy Event

Adriana Young - 11th Grade

- ▶ 2nd Place Career Presentation

Jada Gee – 11th Grade

- ▶ 3rd Place Critical Thinking Event

Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) is a state-based national non-profit organization dedicated to supporting young people of great promise. JAG is delivering the best results in its 43-year history, while serving youth who face significant challenges, to help them reach economic and academic

The CDC is a week-long competition that takes place in each region throughout Indiana. Students will compete in 10 categories, and those placing in the top two positions will then advance to the state CDC where they will compete for scholarship dollars against the rest of the state. Students participating in this competition are from Lake, Porter, and Starke Counties.

The JAG Program at Michigan City High School is led by JAG Specialist Mr. Raymond Davis.

If you would like any information about the enrollment into the program for 11th or 12th grade MCHS students or partnering with the JAG Program to provide community service and/or job shadowing opportunities for our JAG students through our (WIOA) federally funded Work Experience Program don't hesitate to contact Mr. Davis @ rdavis01@mcas.k12.in.us.



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MCJROTC

Middle School Presentation

Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) programs of all services across the country have struggled to meet the minimum enrollment requirements of 100 students since the Covid pandemic. The Michigan City High School (MCHS) JROTC conducted a presentation to the 8th graders at Barker and Krueger Middle Schools on February 7th to boost enrollment for the next school year. The presentation was introduced by the Senior Marine Instructor, Major Tom McGrath. The JROTC cadets then demonstrated military regulation and exhibition drill, then transitioned to different physical fitness events. The two highest ranking cadets, Captain Marcus Mantel and 2nd Lieutenant Alexandra Reed, delivered their reflections from being in the program for 3 years. The students were then given an opportunity to ask questions and speak to cadets one-on-one.

McGrath emphasized that JROTC is a leadership program, not a preparation for the military program. Although it will help a student who decides to enter the military, it is not designed to be a recruiting tool. He also highlighted that many cadets fill leadership roles in other school extracurriculars such as athletics,

the band, and technology clubs. The JROTC has many extracurricular teams- Military Drill, Shooting, Raider, and CyberPatriot- that are available to cadets. None are required.

Master Sergeant Jeff Benak, the Marine Instructor, was impressed with the attentiveness of the 8th graders and the enthusiasm they showed for the presentation. "They were really into what our cadets were doing. We just hope that it translates into an increase in our enrollment."

The Military Drill team is preparing to compete in its final drill meet of the year at Fort Wayne Concordia High School on March 2nd. The JROTC have a number of Michigan City Area School events which they will support next month which include Career Days at Lake Hills Elementary School and Barker Middle

School, and the Indiana Boys Basketball Regional and Semi-State tournaments held at the MCHS gym.



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Social Studies

Rho Kappa National Honor Society

The Social Studies Department would like to congratulate the following students on becoming members of the Rho Kappa National Honor Society.

- Aaverie Wingard
- Anneliese Vazquez
- Ayana Malone
- Bailey Chavis
- Brooke Lakin
- Christian Shanks
- Dabria Adams
- Emilio Munoz
- Emily Blank
- Hannah Parker
- John Zaknoun
- Kaitlyn Milligan
- Katelyn Lane
- Kayden Nowatzke
- Logan Grantham
- Mackenna Deutscher
- Madelyn Shinn
- Naomi Williams
- Natalie White
- Nathan Groszek
- Nolan Painter
- Sarah Sutor
- Siniyah Burdine
- Sofia Garcia



World Languages

Michigan City High School Shines at State Championship

Japanese Olympiad of Indiana is a day-long academic tournament for high school students of Japanese all over the state of Indiana, held once a year. This year's tournament was held Saturday the 24th at Ball State University, with 10 schools competing and over 100 students participating, including Lafayette Jefferson, Bloomington North, Chesterton, Fort Wayne Carroll, Highland, Wabash, City, Columbus North, Muncie Central and Penn.

In the competition, there are separate competitions for **Level 2, 3 and 4** students, depending on how many years of Japanese the students have studied. They compete in a playoff against all other schools at the same level with only the top 3 scoring teams advancing to the final. The competition is judged by Japanese professors, all of whom are native speakers from IU, IUPUI, Ball State, Purdue, DePauw, and Earlham College. It is nerve-wracking for the students to speak in front of them!

At level 3, City was represented by Hannah Parker, Aaverie Wingard, and

Natalie White on one team, and Nathan Groszek, Zoe Brooks, and Vivian Taylor on the other. Both teams scored well enough to place in the middle of the 12 teams competing.

At Level 2, the hardest level to break through since it typically has the biggest field, City was represented by the team of Jimmy Biela, Torey Morris, and Makenna Nowatzke. All 3 are sophomores getting their first experience in this competition, and we hope they will be back. They studied after school with Tsugawa Sensei many, many times, and their diligence and attitude were awesome.

The level 4 team of Lorenzo Panozzo and Alejandro Aguirre (while Enzo competed last year, Alejandro is a brave rookie who jumped in recently) scored well and made it to the finals. In one of the most competitive and high-scoring Level 4 finals Tsugawa Sensei can remember, we won second place in Indiana for Michigan City (we were a single question behind the champions from FW Carroll), and we are crazy proud of them!

We were helped out greatly by alumni Kendyl Adney and Mia Taylor (former JOI finalists), and Drew White accompanied us and took team photos.

During the competition, competitors and spectators alike had the chance to learn about and enjoy various aspects of Japanese culture, this year notably origami, trying on traditional yukata

(cotton kimono), calligraphy, and of course kendama. We also had the opportunity to enjoy the traditional folk dance Yosakoi and the festival dance Soran Bushi, both performed by the Japan America Society of Indiana, and a karate demonstration from a student in BSU's Japanese program, who went on to become world champion.

The Japanese Olympiad of Indiana is supported and sponsored by the Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese (AITJ), the Consulate General of Japan of Chicago, The Japan-America Society of Indiana, and the East Asian Studies Center of IU Bloomington. All competitors were greeted at the beginning by the Ball State department head, who encouraged competitors to follow their interests in Japanese language and culture. Throughout the day, students had the opportunity to meet with other students of Japanese from around the state, and gather information about Japanese studies at Ball State, as well as several other Indiana colleges and universities.



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World Languages

Tsugawa Sensei is proud of all our competitors and finalists, and want to encourage all Wolves, regardless what their sport or skill, to take pride in what they do. When we work hard for our goals, we are as good as any students in the state!

インディアナ日本語オリンピックアード: ミシガンシティ高校の躍進

インディアナ日本語オリンピックアードは、インディアナ州全域の高校生を対象とした1日限りの学術大会で、毎年開催されます。今年の大会は2月24日土曜日にボールステート大学で行われ、ラファイエット・ジェファーソン、ブルーミントン・ノース、チェスタートン、フォートウェイン・キャロル、ハイランド、ワバッシュ、シティ、コロバス・ノース、マンシー・セントラル、ペンの10校が参加し、100人以上の生徒が参加しました。

この競技では、生徒が日本語を学んできた年数に応じて、レベル2、3、4の生徒向けに別々の競技が行われます。彼らは同じレベルの他の学校とプレーオフで競い合い、上位3チームのみがファイナルに進出します。競技の審査員は、IU、IUPUI、ボールステート、パデュー、デポー、アールムカレッジの日本人教授によって行われます。生徒たちは彼らの前で話すことに緊張しています！

レベル3では、シティはハンナ・パーカー、アヴェリー・ウィンガード、ナタリー・ホワイトのチームと、ネイサン・グロセク、ゾーイ・ブルックス、ヴィヴィアン・テイラーの

チームが代表し、12チーム中中位に位置しました。

レベル2では、通常最も参加者が多いため突破が最も難しいレベルで、シティはジミー・ビエラ、トリー・モリス、マケナ・ノワツキのチームが代表しました。3人とも初めてこの競技に参加する2年生で、次回も参加することを期待しています。彼らは津川先生と何度も放課後に勉強し、その勤勉さと態度は素晴らしかったです。

レベル4のチーム、ロレンゾ・パノツォとアレハンドロ・アギーレ（エンゾは去年出場したが、アレハンドロは最近勇敢に加わった新人）は良いスコアを収め、ファイナルに進出しました。津川先生が記憶する中で最も競争が激しく、得点が高かったレベル4のファイナルの1つで、ミシガンシティはインディアナ州で2位になりました（FWキャロルのチャンピオンからわずか1点差でした）、我々は彼らを非常に誇りに思っています！

競技中、競技者も観客も、今年は特に折り紙、伝統的な浴衣（綿の着物）の着用、書道、そしてもちろんけん玉など、さまざまな日本文化の側面を学び、楽しむ機会がありました。また、インディアナ日本アメリカ協会による伝統的な民族舞踊のよさこいと祭り踊りのソーラン節、そしてBSUの日本語プログラムの学生による空手のデモンストレーションも楽しめました。その学生はその後、世界チャンピオンになりました。

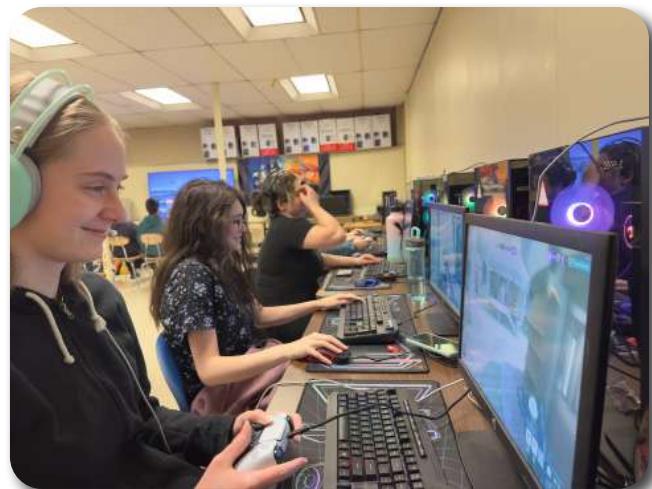
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ゴの日本総領事館、インディアナ日米協会、IUブルーミントンの東アジア研究センターによって支援され、後援されています。すべての競技者は、競技者に日本語と文化への関心を追求するように励ますボールステートの学部長によって歓迎されました。一日を通じて、生徒たちは州内の他の日本語の生徒たちと出会い、ボールステートや他のいくつかのインディアナの大学での日本語研究に関する情報を集める機会がありました。

津川先生は、すべての競技者とファイナリストを誇りに思っており、すべてのウルブズに、彼らのスポーツやスキルにかかわらず、彼らが行うことに誇りを持つように奨励したいと思っています。私たちが目標のために一生懸命働くとき、私たちは州のどの生徒と同じくらい優れています！



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



Computer Science Honor Society

Bridging the Digital Divide: CSHS Students' Inspiring Journey

From Senior Center to Community Outreach

In the heart of winter, the **Computer Science Honor Society (CSHS)** students embarked on a mission to **bridge the digital divide** within our community. On February 7th, their journey began at the local **Senior Center**, where they offered a guiding hand to seniors navigating the digital world. This initial act of service blossomed into a larger community event on February 24th, the **inaugural Technology Saturday Event**, designed to extend this bridge of understanding and support to families across our community.

Empowering Seniors: The First Step

The visit to the Senior Center was a gentle introduction to this grander mission. Here, CSHS students met face-to-face with the **challenges and apprehensions seniors faced with technology**. With patience and empathy, they demystified smartphones, guided

fingers over keyboards, and illuminated the possibilities that digital literacy could bring. It was a day where technology served not as a barrier but as a **gateway to new forms of communication and independence** for our seniors.

This initial outreach was marked by moments of profound connection. As students assisted with basic tasks such as **email setup, internet navigation, and understanding social media**, they witnessed the dawning of realization in the eyes of the seniors — the digital world was not beyond their reach. The **joy of a grandmother** setting up her first video call or the **relief of a grandfather** learning to manage his health appointments online underscored the impact of this initiative.



Tech Saturday

The momentum from the Senior Center carried us into the **Technology Saturday Event**, which opened with **Levi Scoville's enlightening digital literacy presentation**.



This day was a deeper dive into the technological needs of our community, addressing more complex issues such as **virus removals, cell phone screen repairs, battery replacements, and hard drive upgrades**. Amidst the hum of activity, our students tackled each challenge with a blend of technical skill and heartfelt dedication, transforming malfunctioning devices into portals of opportunity.

A Cycle of Giving

The event was not just about repairs; it was a **holistic approach to digital empowerment**. We were thrilled to receive **multiple laptop and iPad donations**, which our students are now refurbishing with care. These devices are destined for a second life, to be donated through our **local Salvation Army** to families in need, further extending the reach of this project beyond the confines of a single

Computer Science Honor Society

event.

Building Connections

As the day unfolded, the CSHS students were not just technicians; they were **educators, mentors, and friends** to those who walked in with a device under their arm and a hopeful glimmer in their eye. The **gratitude** they received was immeasurable, a testament to the profound difference they were making in the lives of individuals and families.

This journey from the Senior Center to the Technology Saturday Event was a **tapestry of human connection**, woven through the threads of technology. It reminded us all that in the heart of our community, there's a place where the digital divide can be crossed, not with cables and wires, but with **compassion, understanding**, and the **unwavering spirit of service** that defines our CSHS students.



Heartfelt Thanks to Our Community

As we reflect on these events, we are filled with **gratitude** for everyone who **participated, donated, and supported our mission**. Your involvement has been the cornerstone of this project's success, and we are inspired by the **community spirit** that has shone so brightly through these initiatives.

We eagerly look forward to the possibility of hosting similar events in the future, continuing to weave these vital threads of **connection and empowerment** within our community. Here's to many more opportunities to **serve, learn, and grow** as a community.



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Esports

A Charge Towards Finals

The electric atmosphere surrounding the Wolves Esports teams is palpable as we stand on the precipice of the playoffs, beginning March 4th. With the finals at Ball State University beckoning on April 27th, there's every reason to be hopeful about our teams turning the tide in this single-elimination crucible. Let's explore why each team has a fighting chance to make a mark this season.

Overwatch 2: Poised for a Comeback

Despite the Overwatch 2 team clinching 1 win out of 5 matches in the Spring Season, hope is far from lost. The Fall Season showed us moments of brilliance that we can build upon. With a win rate of 20% in spring and slightly lower in fall, the team is at a critical juncture where focus and strategy could ignite a powerful comeback. Each practice session and match is a step towards a stronger, more

cohesive unit ready to surprise their opponents and the fans alike.



Smash Bros (SSBU): The Power of Resilience

Our SSBU Varsity team has shown remarkable adaptability and strategic depth, concluding the Spring Season with 2 wins, 2 ties, and 2 losses. This balanced performance reflects their resilience and consistent approach to gameplay, which they maintained into the Fall Season. With a solid foundation of teamwork and tactical gameplay, they have every chance to excel in the playoffs. When considering matches that resulted in a definitive outcome, their win rate stands at an impressive 50%, showcasing their potential to surpass expectations.

The ties in their record highlight areas for growth and untapped potential, promising exciting developments as they continue to hone their skills and strategies.

Wolves JV Smash Bros:

The MC Wolves Esports Academy (JV) team concluded their competitive year on February 28th, showcasing resilience and strategic prowess. Despite an initial setback, they rebounded with significant wins and strategic ties, particularly in Super Smash Bros Ultimate. Their adaptability and teamwork throughout the Spring and Fall seasons underscored a year of growth, setting a promising foundation for the future of MC Wolves Esports.



Rocket League: A Season Forged in Competition

Our Rocket League team has truly been through the crucible this Spring Season, starting with a clash against the top-ranked Portage and facing off against the elite—Snider (4th), Carmel (2nd), and INDLS (3rd)—in our final games. This rigorous schedule has not only tested but also revealed the true caliber of our players.



Esports

Voices of Wolves Esports:

In the electrifying world of Wolves Esports, two standout personalities have made their mark not just on the field, but also behind the mic—Cordae Grandberry and Trevor Ackerman.

Cordae has embraced the role of main caster with verve, his commentary on



Overwatch 2, Rocket League, and Smash resonating with fans for its vibrancy and keen insight. When he's not actively playing, he's amplifying the excitement of every match with his articulate analysis.

Trevor Ackerman, another force in the arena, brings his expertise to bear as our lead caster for Smash. His play-by-play not only captures the intensity of the competition but also brings a deeper understanding of the game to our audience. His transition from competitor to commentator is seamless, showcasing his versatility and dedication to the sport.

Cordae and Trevor are more than just players; they are the voice of Wolves

Esports, bringing every match to life with their unique blend of knowledge and enthusiasm. As we continue our competitive journey, their narratives will accompany every victory and every play, solidifying the legacy of the Wolves. Here's to the voices that celebrate every move—we listen, we cheer, we conquer.

ChessleProCarlos: A Contender in Chess

In the dynamic realm of high school Esports, chess has emerged as a battleground for strategic minds, with ChessleProCarlos, standing out among over 60 students vying for supremacy. Currently holding the third spot with 130 points, just behind SnowiestOrca and DillyMoveChessPieces, Carlos is a strong contender in the league. The upcoming matches on March 5th and April 9th, crucial for offering double points, present a golden opportunity for him to leapfrog into the top positions.



Path to the Playoffs:

As we get closer to the playoffs starting week of March 4th, our optimism is not unfounded—it's rooted in the passion and the progress each team has shown:

Overwatch 2: This team knows the sweet taste of victory and the lessons of defeat; they're ready to channel this knowledge into a powerful display of skill and strategy.

SSBU: Balance and finesse are their watchwords, and with a few strategic tweaks, they're set to turn those ties into triumphs.

Rocket League: Our front-runners, with their unwavering determination, are not just aiming to compete but to conquer.

With the entire Wolves community behind them, each team has every reason to aim high. Match by match, play by play, they'll be fighting not just for points, but for pride.

Join us in this hopeful march towards the playoffs.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Student of the Month

February



Healthy Culture

Valentine Sweet Treat Exchange

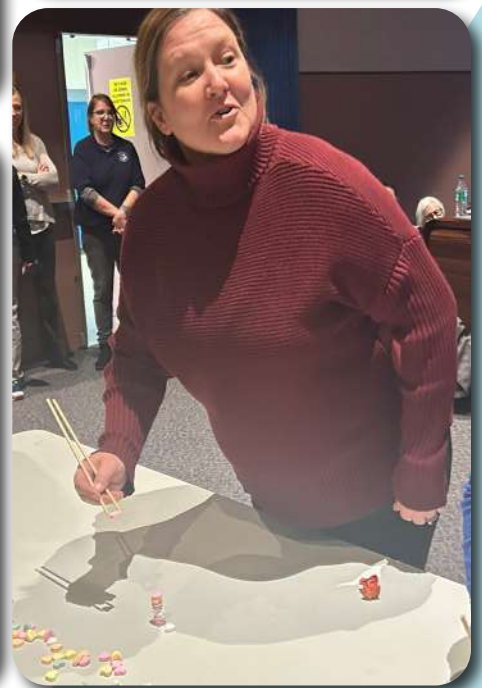
Healthy Culture hosted a Valentine Sweet Treat Exchange for Staff. Staff brought sweet treats to exchange with each other. A fun and engaging event!



Faculty Meeting Fun

During the faculty meeting in February select staff were chosen to participate to stack candy hearts, Brian Parker and Krissy Freitag were able to stack 9

Congratulations to them!



Health Services

Spring Allergies: Tips and Treatments

With the Spring season approaching many of us will experience spring season allergies. There are many ways to control allergy symptoms. When pollen counts are high try to stay indoors whenever possible and keep windows closed to limit exposure to the pollen in the air. If being outside can't be avoided some over the counter allergy medications such as antihistamines can provide relief for sinus congestion. Nasal sprays can provide relief as well. Over the counter eye drops can help with itchy watery eyes. If you have to use over the counter medications for symptom relief for more than a few days at a time you may need to see your health care provider about prescription medication options to control symptoms.

Important Vaccination for 11th Graders

Parents of 11th graders, we sent notification letters to student's that will need the MCV4 vaccine. It is a required vaccine by the State of Indiana Health department for all students to have the second in the MCV4 vaccine series by 12th grade. If you have received this letter, our records indicate your student still needs this vaccine. We are notifying 11th grade parents now so that you have time to get vaccination scheduled before the beginning of the 12th grade

to prevent exclusion from school and school activities. If you have any question please contact our nurse Dawn Forney.

Open Door Adolescent Health Center

PLAN AHEAD FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

Beginning on April 8, 2024 **FREE SPORTS PHYSICAL FOR 2024-2025**

MCHS Students that are registered with the Open Door Adolescent Health Center may stop by Room #O-111 during lunch or passing periods to schedule your appointment.

If not registered, parents/legal guardians can enroll their student through their PowerSchool Parent account – go to Forms and complete the OPTIONAL FORM for Open Door Adolescent Health Center.

Please complete the IHSAA – Pre-participation. Physical on the MCHS Athletics Webpage under FINAL

Once this is completed, we can schedule your exam. Don't delay - Come schedule your appointment today!



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March Events

07 - Early Release Day

07 - Parent/Teacher Conferences

12 - Classics Night - Choral 7pm

14 - Classics Night - Band 7pm

26 - Winter Sports Awards

29 - No School (Good Friday)

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