

TIGER TRACKS: AKRON MIDDLE SCHOOL

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



We are pleased to introduce Akron Middle School's newsletter: Tiger Tracks. Our hope is to bridge communication and increase parent and student connection to our school. Now that we are in the third marking period, we encourage students to continue to focus on your schoolwork and utilize 9th periods as an opportunity to get extra support from your teachers. Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for February 16th and 17th. For more information, please visit our webpage at www.akronschools.org/PTConf. We look forward to a successful second semester!

Sincerely,
Mr. Caprio & Mrs. Fial

IMPORTANT FEBRUARY DATES:

- 1 Report Cards mailed
- 1 Ineligibility List
- 1 MS Points of Pride Due
- 3 Grade Level Team Mtg.
- 8 BOE Meeting
- 10 MS Faculty Meeting – MS Café
- 14 Valentine's Day**
- 14 Telephone Tuesday
- 16 SOM Due
- 16 Parent/Teacher Conf. (4:30-7:30)
- 17 Parent/Conf. (8-11:30) – NO CLASSES
- 02/20-02/24: Mid-Winter Recess – NO CLASSES
- 02/27: MP3 Failure Forms Distributed



Upcoming Dates for New York State Assessments:

- ELA: April 19-20
- Math: May 2-4
- Grade 8 Science Performance: May 25
- Grade 8 Science Written: June 5



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

January 2023

Computer Science: Peter Noreika and Aaden Cholnik
 ELA: Jacob Sommers, Abby Gerstung and August MacNichols
 Math: Quinn O'Malley, Camryn Laude-Binder, and Madigan Regan
 Reading/Writing: River Hallett
 Science: Emma Pfeiffer, Evan Winter, and Molly Rooney
 Seneca: Rihanna Dockstader and Daniel "Max" Abrams
 Social Studies: Shannon Esmond, Alex Shpakovsky, and Alex Brandl
 Spanish: Rylie Lutz and Kylie Mangione
 Ms. Ciepiela: Chase Sucharski
 Art: Molly Ohar
 Band: Kendra McConkey
 Chorus: Damiiiana Montondo
 Health: Kylee Rebmann
 Music 7: Gavin Miller
 Orchestra: Madelyn Odachowski
 PE 6/7/8: Trey Haley
 Reading AIS: Takoda VanEvery
 SRO 7th Grade: Garet Amidon-Schweigert, Hunter Bilicki, and Brynleigh Waterbury



CHARACTER COUNTS



In the month of January we focused on the CHARACTER COUNTS! Pillar of Fairness. Teachers awarded a select group of students from each grade who best exemplified Fairness. Students who demonstrate this months Pillar of Fairness by:

- Playing by and following the rules
- Being open-minded and listening to others
- Not taking advantage of others
- Not blaming others carelessly

Students selected for Fairness:

Emma Naples, Makayla Pask, Stella Poodry, Bentley Jones, Nathan Priebe, Eli Doll, Elsa Cottle, Jackson Odachowski, Kylee Rebmann, Brynn Jendreski, Kenadee Jonathan, Cooper Kreher, Alexis Salmon, Austin Vandenbosch, Isaiah Orr, Lucy Felski, Mike McDonald, Cassie Judge, and Sam Reagan.

Our Character Counts! trait for February is CARING. How might you promote caring at home and in the community?

CHARACTER COUNTS WINNERS:

January Character Counts Trait: Fairness

Week	Gift Card Winners:	Ice Cream Winners:
01/06/2023	Morgan Marcinkowski	Camryn Snyder Asa Blackchief Mason Smith Patience Hill
01/13/2023	Lexi Sommers	Brooke Warren Quinten VanPelt Emmie Chase Eli Doll



THE GAB FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL GOVERNMENT:

MS Government met this month to discuss upcoming events in our middle school and welcome new 6th grade members-at-large! We have accepted six 6th graders into government to help all voices in our school be heard! Congrats to Emmie Chase, Brooke Wood, Kennedy Kozlowski, Peter Noreika, and Quinn O'Malley! In February, we plan to host BINGO afterschool. All MS Students are welcome to join us for an afternoon of fun and delicious prizes! The date of BINGO will be announced soon! Stay tuned!

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S CLIPBOARD



Our modified swim season is underway! We have 19 of our 7th and 8th graders in the pool and they are already showing great improvement in their strokes. They had their first meet on Saturday and they will use those results as a starting point for the season! Go Mod Tiger Sharks!! The Modified A Boys Basketball Team is currently 3-1 overall and 3-0 in league play. Chuckie Rebmann and Auggie MacNichols are leading the way in points scored averaging nearly 12 points apiece.

NATIVE AMERICAN OFFICE:



One of the many ways February is represented is by Valentine's Day. In the Haudenosaunee culture we have something called the Thanksgiving Address or in Seneca it is called "Ganō:nyök". This is a speech that is often said during gatherings. The first part of the speech gives greetings and thanks to the people. Often times it is a reminder of how we should have love and compassion for one another. In Seneca the word gōnoōhgwa' means "I love you". What is one way your family shows love and compassion for one and another?

"TIGER TALKS"

Tiger Talks, our middle school and high school girl peer mentorship program, will be hosting a "Galentine's" Day celebration on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 from 3:30-4:30pm in C-120. Join us in honoring friendships and self-love and esteem.



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Being Present:

As the school year progresses, and schoolwork, and activities become more abundant, it can become easy to go into "auto pilot". It is important to keep checking in with your child(ren) and make sure they are on track. Check in to make sure they are getting their schoolwork done, if there are any issues with other students, that they are not spending too much time on social media, playing video games, monitoring their phones, knowing who they are hanging out with, and who they are friending on social media platforms. Being present, and supportive, allows good communication, and can alert you of any safety concerns that may need to be addressed further.

SCHOOL STORE

The School Store has some very exciting news! Coming soon, we will have a new permanent school store location! Check our instagram posts for updates on our construction!



Orange and Black plaid PJ pants have been ordered and will be available soon!

The school store is closed until Tuesday, February 7, 2023 as we train our new students. We look forward to seeing you then!

Follow us @akronschoolstore on Instagram! We post updates on promotions, sampling, and everything the school store has to offer.



"PAWS"ITIVE TIPS FROM MS. MANN:

Mornings can be tough for us Tigers, both young and old! Sometimes we sleep through our alarms...all 4 of them, we can't find our chromebook, we can't remember where our favorite hoodie is that we just *have* to wear today, and sometimes, just sometimes, we stay up way too late and struggle to get ourselves out of bed! Somehow, we muster the energy to get ourselves out of bed and get ready for school, even though we are getting there "just 10 minutes late."

What's the big deal, right? It's *only* 10 minutes, at least we made it here! But have any of us ever sat back and really thought about it? What does "just 10 minutes late" look like over time? Hold on to your tails Tigers, this may shock you!

"Just 10 minutes" late each day for school equals....

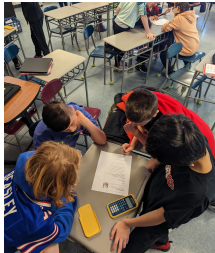
- 50 minutes a week (more than one class period)
- A full 1 and ½ WEEKS per school year
- A half of a school YEAR over our school career



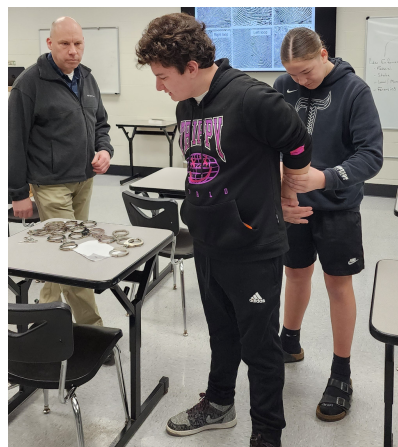
Being on time for school helps us to....

- Enjoy more time to mentally and physically prepare for our day
- Never miss out on important information like video announcements or teacher instructions
- Create positive lifelong habits
- Avoid the many negative consequences that come from being late


Don't Be Late; You'll Miss Something Great!



OUR 8TH GRADERS HAD "A TASTE OF TECH" THIS MONTH. THEY VISITED THE HARKNESS CTE PROGRAM:



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