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# TIGER TRACKS

## AKRON MIDDLE SCHOOL



### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Greetings and Nya:wëh sgë:nö' Middle School Parents,

We hope this newsletter finds you well-rested and excited for the new year! As we step into 2024, it is the perfect time to reflect on the past and set new goals for the future. We want to kick start this year with renewed energy, enthusiasm, and a commitment to growth and learning.

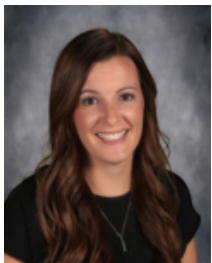
The start of a new year offers a wonderful opportunity for a fresh beginning. It is a time to set intentions, dream big, and work towards becoming the best version of ourselves. As students and parents, we can join hands in this journey of self-improvement and academic excellence. Setting achievable goals is a powerful way to stay motivated and focused. Encourage your child to think about their goals for the school year ahead. These could be academic goals, like improving in a specific subject, or personal goals, like becoming more organized or being a kinder friend. Help them break down these goals into smaller, manageable steps to make progress more achievable.

Let us all embark on this journey together, making 2024 a year of personal growth, academic achievements, and unforgettable memories.

Wishing you a happy and successful New Year ahead!

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### Meet Chandra Jagielo



Mrs. Jagielo has been a teacher for over 16 years, she joined the Akron team in 2021. She has recently been working with the district to build our P.A.W.S. program. This is a program that aims to provide behavioral supports and restorative solutions to our students.

In addition to P.A.W.S., Mrs. Jagielo is completing her administrative internship through Canisius College. This unique experience allows her to work alongside Akron's administrative team to acquire leadership qualities and on the job training for her future in school administration.

## January Important Dates

### 01/02: **Welcome Back! Classes Resume**

01/02: 3:18-4:20pm eSports Grade 6 - C120  
 01/03: 3:18-4:20pm MS Tech Club Mtg - M201  
 01/04: 3:18-4:20pm eSports Grade 8 - C120  
 01/08: 3:30-4:20pm eSports Grade 7 - C120  
 01/09: 3:30-4:20pm eSports Grade 6 - C120  
 01/10: 8:15am-2:30pm NCCC Tech Wars - MS Tech Club Fieldtrip  
 01/10: 7:00pm BOE Regular Meeting - HS Café  
 01/11: 3:30-4:20pm eSports Grade 8 - C120  
**01/15: Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School**  
 01/16: 3:30-4:20pm eSports Grade 6 - C120  
 01/17: 3:20pm-4:30pm MS Tech Club Mtg - M201  
 01/18: 3:30-4:20pm eSports Grade 8 - C120

01/22: 3:30-4:20pm eSports Grade 7 - C120  
 01/23: 8:30am-11:45am 8th Grade Harkness Fieldtrip  
 01/23: 3:30-4:20pm eSports Grade 6 - C120  
 01/24: 3:20pm-4:30pm MS Tech Club Mtg - M201  
 01/24: 7:00pm BOE Regular Meeting - HS Café  
 01/25: 11:06-1:04pm SOM Lunches (SRO-7)  
 01/25: 1:51-2:34pm CC! Ice Cream Celebration - MS Café  
 01/25: 3:30-4:20pm eSports Grade 8 - C120  
 01/26: MP2 Ends  
**01/29: Grading/Recordkeeping Day - No Students**  
 01/29: MP2 Grades Due  
 01/30: 2:40-3:18pm Telephone Tuesday  
 01/31: 3:20pm-4:30pm MS Tech Club Mtg - M201



We would like to thank everyone who supported us last month at our holiday pop-up shops in the elementary and middle school! We would like to congratulate the following people who won our giveaways: Lydia B. (Basket Raffle), Tressa B., Mrs. Cochrane, Mrs. Paz, and Mrs. Guyton (Tiger Ornaments). We appreciate all of our customers and can't wait to hold future pop-ups in the upcoming months.

To kick off the year, the Tigers Den will be having a 20% off clearance sale on select Tiger apparel, while supplies last.

Also, look for information coming soon on an online pre-sale of #OneAkron apparel! We will be offering windbreakers, hoodies, crewnecks, and zip ups. Samples are available in Mrs. Sacli's classroom, H185, if you would like to see the items being offered.

The Tiger's Den school store takes debit/credit cards and Apple Pay!

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



Happy New Year from the Akron PTA! We hope you all enjoyed your holidays and some much

needed time off. Last month the PTA held another successful craft fair raising funds to support programs and initiatives in all three of our schools. Additionally, last month the PTA once again sponsored the Academic Achievement/Tiger Leap Ice Cream Social for Akron High School Students. We are proud to help celebrate these student achievements, great job tigers!



(photo of Spanish club trying the New Year's Eve custom of "Las Doce Uvas"=The 12 Grapes)

### Spanish Club News:

We will have our next Spanish Club meeting on **Monday, Jan. 8, 2024** following 9th period, at **3:30-4:23pm** in M128, Mrs. Bergman's room. We would love to see you there! Expect to have fun, learn a lot, and get to know new amigos!



# Congratulations

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Computer Science 6 - Mary Jean Gehl  
ELA 6 - Max Short  
Math 6 - Henry Fiegl  
Reading/Writing 6 - Drew Borden  
Science 6 - Nicholas Grier & Maddox Krull  
Social Studies 6 - Katie Bradfield

Robotics 7 - Darel Matthies  
ELA 7 - Carson Flanders  
Math 7 - Eileen Thomas  
Math 7H - Kennedy Kozlowski  
Science 7 - Kendel Murray  
Seneca 7 - Giffin Jonathan  
Social Studies 7 - Josh Dunn  
Spanish 7 - Clara Bogdan

Algebra 8 - Naomi Romesser  
ELA 8 - Lilly Sears  
Science 8 - Annabella Rodriguez  
Seneca 8 - Charlii Benedict Smith  
Social Studies 8 - Evan Yang  
Spanish 8 - Eve Budek  
SRO-8 - Gavin Witt, Jacob Wild & Jacob Stewart  
Art 7 - Carson Flanders  
Band - Addison Massaro  
CDE - Mason Bartsch & Anieka Forrestel  
Chorus - Cassie Judge  
Health 7/8 - Evan Kabangira  
Music 7 - Kortlnd Jonathan  
Orchestra - Lila Fiegl  
PE 6/7/8 - Morgan Sidell  
ALC - Asa Blackchief  
Reading AIS - River Hallett

Academic Achievement - Gabriella Wilson, Hannah Kowalski, Edie Hess, Addison Massaro, Bella MacRae, Alex PeQueen, Sunny Stafford, Misty Wideman, Aurora VanDusen, Reese Addesa, Jana Peters, Mylia Vaillancourt & Jenny Yang

### Darian Papia: CHARACTER COUNTS



For the month of January, AMS is focusing on being Caring and Responsibility through Character Counts. Students can earn Tiger Tickets by demonstrating the following:

#### **Caring**

- Be kind
- Be compassionate
- Express Gratitude
- Forgive Others

#### **Responsibility**

- Do what you are supposed to do
- Try your best
- Be accountable for your words, actions and attitudes



During the month of December, students, faculty and staff focused on the Pillar: Citizenship. The following students were selected and enjoyed a CC! Ice Cream Celebration on Thursday, November 30, 2023.

8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Sahpur Grijalva Gavin Miller Briana Wind Evan Yang	Clara Bogdan Jillian Bower Morgan Marcinkowski Vincent Mastroilli Quinn O'Malley	Annabelle Ewing Mary Jean Gehl Rockee Poody Abigail Schlabach

## The Cab from MS Government

From the voices of Stephanie Amirian and Quinn O'Malley!!

Hello AMS!

Back in December we had very successful spirit week days and it was very fun!

This month in January we are in the process of designing shirts for the students in 8th grade. We will also be adding a few lucky 6th graders to our AMS Government team!

Good luck swim, basketball and wrestling! We are so excited to be back in school after a long break.

**From the AMS Government:**

**"We hope you had an amazing holiday break!"**



## MS LUNCH MENU - JANUARY

Monthly lunch menus can be accessed each month through our school website, [www.akronschools.org](http://www.akronschools.org). Or please click on the picture of the January 2024 menu for the link.

If you would like a paper copy please reach out to the Middle School Office.





## STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Parents/Guardians:

Are you facing issues with your child that extend beyond the realm of school? Check out Erie County's new smartphone app:

**Erie Path!** Erie Path helps parents and caregivers address the mental and behavioral health challenges faced by children and adolescents. It can help you find available programs and services in the community, access information to help understand your child, and teach you practical strategies to support them. Erie Path also includes resources for adult mental and behavioral health services, information for housing, employment, childcare, food pantries, medical care, and more! Just search "Erie Path" in your smartphone's app store!



Niagara County equivalent: **Well Niagara**



## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICE (SRO)

It is another New Year, HAPPY 2024! Winter is in full swing, and we need to brush up on our winter driving skills. The most important thing is to take your time, after all Haste makes Waste. Brush the snow off your entire car off, including the roof and lights, so you can see and be seen. Officer Givens & I wish everyone a joyous and New Year

### IMPORTANT INFO

Some of you may have noticed the recent changes to the campus traffic pattern and parking restrictions. Most notably the addition of a "FIRELANE" along the street side curb in the bus loop. This means you will no longer be allowed to park there. These changes were made for safety reasons, your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



## ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S CLIPBOARD

The Athletics Department wants to congratulate our Girls Modified Basketball Teams for a job well done this season. The girls worked hard all season to get better as individuals and as a team. We are very proud of their effort and growth. Modified Boys Basketball and Modified Swimming will start when we return from break. Please ensure that you have a current physical and are registered through Family ID if you wish to participate. Parents can also get to the school's FamilyID platform by going to [akronschools.org/athletics](https://akronschools.org/athletics) and clicking on SPORTS REGISTRATION from the left navigation menu. The program will guide users through the registration process. Questions regarding the process may be directed to Mrs. Wendy Pazderski, Athletic Secretary, at (716) 542-5088.



For the most up to date athletic contests schedule, please visit: <https://www.akronschools.org/athletics>

Follow us on x/twitter: @AkronHSSports

**Go Tigers!**



## NATIVE AMERICAN NEWS

In December we were able to travel to Lockport and share some of our Indigenous culture. Mr. Scott Logan spoke about the different dances the students demonstrated and the regalia that was worn. The students had a blast and we look forward to more opportunities to do this in the future with other school districts!!



On Friday, December 22nd - the Middle School participated in Reindeer Games, fun activities and viewed a Christmas movie to close out 2023.

