



As a reminder to our families, next
Thursday (12/21) students will have a one-
hour early release. 1:30 PM



Spirit Days

DECEMBER 18TH-21st

Monday

PJ Day

Tuesday

**Wear all Black or
Holiday/Festive
Wear**

Wednesday

Onesie Day

Thursday

**Flannel Day
Square Dance
Jubilee**



HIGH SCHOOL COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS

8th grade students had a presentation from the YHS Division Chair of student services on Thursday during advisory class. They were given a document they will use to plan the courses they will be taking next year at the high school. We ask that parents have a conversation about courses students will take next year. More information and helpful links below.

Dear Class of 2028 Families,
Hard to believe that it is already that time to plan for the 2024-2025 school year and your student's high school experience! For those families who were unable to attend the Welcome, Class of 2028 event, here is a copy of the [slide presentation](#).
As the first step in the course selection process, teachers will complete course recommendations and meet with students in their current classes between December 7th and 14th. This means your 8th-grade students' teachers have recommended potential elective options, Honors/Advanced Placement, and/or indicating the next course of a

required sequence (e.g. Algebra student recommended for Geometry). This concludes on December 14th.

Starting on December 18th, 2023 students will have the opportunity to submit course requests online through the [Home Access Portal](#). Prior to doing so, we ask all families and students to review [THIS INTERACTIVE TUTORIAL](#) that will take students through our departmental course sequencing as articulated by our Division Chairs. Additionally, there is information as it relates to AP, Dual Credit, IVVC, Field Experience, and work-based learning opportunities. This concludes on January 8th and your students' [course selection form](#) is due.

For families with students in local private or parochial schools, there will be a Zoom hosted by our school counselors on the evening of December 13th. Please look for direct communication from the school counselors to your students' private or parochial school. Attached is the [2023-2024 curriculum guide](#) which is a comprehensive list of course sequencing at YHS. Pages 17-18 in the curriculum guide explain digital learning at YHS and provide students with a list of courses offered in a blended format. The 2024-2025 curriculum guide will be available online shortly.

Course selection appointments will begin on January 8th.

Please email your student's counselor at the high school if you have any questions.

Incoming 8th Grade Students: *counselor based on student's last name

A-D: Jeannine Pacetti jpacetti@y115.org *Division Chair

E-Z: Nick Leonard nleonard@y115.org

As always, we appreciate your support in helping our students be successful.

Sincerely,

Megan Martinez

Associate Principal of Student Services

MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION

As we head into the final week before break, here are a few important behavior reminders for students while here before, during, and after school.

Students need to keep their hands to themselves as well as respect the personal space and property of others. Additionally, at YMS we do not tolerate fighting or physical altercations of any kind. Students who engage in fights will be suspended for up to 5 days and the school resource officer will be contacted.

There are many ways in student services that we can help students who are having conflicts with others. The [Y Not Tip Lline](#) is an anonymous way to report, but the [student services check-in form](#) is also available to students through the [student services canvas page](#). We are always here to help students manage emotions and how to handle conflict.

Furthermore, please remind your students that cell phones should be off and away during the school day. Phones should not be used in the bathrooms or hallways. During lunch, students should not be taking photographs or video recordings of any kind to ensure the privacy of those around them.

We thank you for your continued support and look to finish the month off strong!

If you see something say something please use our [Y Not Tip Lline](#) to report any compliment, comment, concern, question, or suggestion.

2023 Yorkville Middle School Holiday Support

[Thank you to all of our YMS Families and Staff who](#)

donated gifts. We were able to help 28 Yorkville Students. Your generous gifts will brighten the season!



Yorkville Music Boosters is hosting a Rock 'n Roll Fundraising Gala on April 20, 2024 at the Paramount Theatre in Aurora, but we need your help! **In order to make this event a success, we need to have amazing silent auction items!**

Please click [here](#) to purchase a YMS yearbook!

YMS Student Educational Travel

Come with us to New York City! Explore the greatest city in the world taking in the sights and sounds of New York. We will stay in Midtown Manhattan and enjoy the city's world class entertainment on Broadway, the historically significant places, tours of the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, The Empire State Building, and more. Use the link below to access the official information, and how to register for the trip. Be sure to look at the payment plans available, or call the tour company phone number. Parent chaperones are welcome.

[Link to brochure and sign up information.](#)

Tour Number A598. Trip date is 06/20/2024

Notes to Note

Notes from the Main Office

Please make sure to call the attendance line if you need to pick up your child early for an appointment. You can leave a message the night before for an a.m. appointment. If it's last minute, we ask that you call and talk to someone. It helps to have a pass delivered to the student early in the day so they are in the office when you arrive. Please always have your photo ID ready to sign the student out. When dropping off a student, you do **not** need to come in. The student can sign themselves in.



Meal Menus can be found here: <http://www.fdmealplanner.com>. Please type in Yorkville, and then click on Yorkville Middle School. Nutrition info and menu descriptions can also be found here.

More information on Whitson's can be found here: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=o5zWEFy9Epc&feature=youtu.be>

Note from the Nurses' Office

Please remind your child/ren that phones should be off and away. Students should always report to the nurses' office if not feeling well. Any student who texts to go home without going to the nurse or front office will have an unexcused absence. Please reach out with any questions.



Upcoming Events

Upcoming Athletic Events at YMS:



Monday 12/18

Anime Club
YMS Library during advisory



7th grade Boys
PAWPAC Tournament
Yorkville vs.
Drauden Point
4:00 pm

Tuesday 12/19

Avid Readers Club
YMS Library during advisory



7th grade Boys
PAWPAC Tournament

Wednesday 12/20

SALT
YMS Auditorium during advisory



7th grade Boys
PAWPAC Tournament

Thursday 12/21

No after school activities



Friday 12/22

No school
Enjoy winter break!!!!



Reminder:

If your student wishes to stay for an athletic event after school, they must exit the building and can return to YMS 15 minutes prior to game time (3:45)!

PLEASE PLAN TO PICK UP YOUR STUDENT AT 6:00 PM!

7TH GRADE PAWPAC TOURNAMENT 2023



YMS ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES ATHLETIC NEWS: PAWPAC TOURNAMENT - 8TH BASKETBALL





YMS Color Guard Club

YMS Band Room
2:45 - 4pm

1/29	4/8
2/12	4/22
3/4	5/6
3/18	5-22

Wear comfortable clothing and
athletic footwear

For more information email Miss Wilusz @
awilusz@y115.org

Scholastic Bowl

Scholastic Bowl is an academic competition team that challenges other schools in trivia. Questions are in the categories of math, language arts, history, consumer sciences, pop culture, computers, sports and more!

Register now on yorkvillems.8to18.com



First practice is on January 9!



Questions?

Email Mr. Blomberg at JBlomberg@y115.org



CHEF CONNCECTION COOKING CLUB

STARTS THURSDAY
JANUARY 11TH
2:45 - 4:30

Every Other Thursday until
May 30th

Limited to 24 students

Sign up here

Questions- Ask Mrs. McGuire



Y115 BPAC Spirit Wear!

The Logo Factory in Yorkville opened up the link for BPAC spirit wear for the 2023-2024. If you are interested, use the link to place your order. The Logo Factory will email you once your order is ready and you will pick up your order from the Logo Factory.
<https://bpac.logofactoryusa.com/>

Y115 Spirit Wear!

The Logo Factory en Yorkville activó el enlace para spirit wear de BPAC para el año escolar 2023-2024. Se puede usar el enlace para pedir. The Logo Factory comunicará con usted por correo electrónico cuando esté listo su pedido y puede recogerlo de The Logo Factory.
<https://bpac.logofactoryusa.com/>

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Partner Programs

There are many opportunities to help support Yorkville Middle School during the year. Please consider donating your time to help the PTO support our staff and students! [PTO Opportunities: Volunteer at YMS \(signupgenius.com\)](#)



YMS PTO Officers & Information

President - Wendy Peterson
Vice President - Jody Perona
Secretary - Ashley Waid
Treasurer - Janell Harroun



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