



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 <u>slide presentation</u>.

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 <u>Home Access Portal</u>. Prior to doing so, we ask all families and students to review <u>THIS INTERACTIVE TUTORIAL</u> 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' <u>course selection form</u> 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.



YMS Student Council Hollywood Ball! Tonight!!

- One ticket per student-YMS Students Only!
- Tickets will be available at the door for \$10
- Students will be able to check their coats. An adult chaperone will have students place their coat on a specific seat in the auditorium. Student items will remain on this seat during the event. Students need to remember which chair in the auditorium they placed their item.
- Concessions will be available and will range from \$1 \$3.
- Door 1 will open at 5:30 p.m. for students to check in. To expedite the check in process, please make sure your student does not forget their ticket.
- DANCE DROP OFF: We will be utilizing both the normal drop off front parking lot procedures for dance drop off. Additionally, we are opening up the west parking lot (bus lot) as another drop off location. Please see the map below. Due to anticipated high traffic volume, exiting parking lots will be right turn only. We encourage carpooling. We hope to have police to help with traffic both before and after the dance.
- DANCE PICK UP: For safety reasons, students will not be allowed to cross
 into the parking lots without an adult. Students can be picked up at the curb
 (red arrow area on the map) or parents can park in the parking lot. Please
 create a plan with your student, whether you will be in the Front Parking lot or

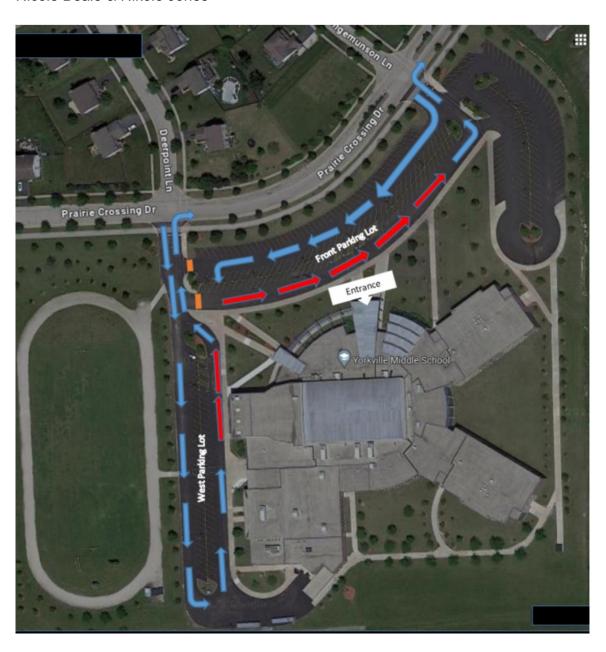
the West Parking lot.

- Students will begin exiting door 1 and door 24 starting at 8:00 p.m. They will
 not be permitted to walk into the parking lot.
- Students walking to or walking home from the dance will need to use dedicated sidewalks and crosswalks.
- Please do not park on Prairie Crossing Drive and have your student walk to or from your car as this is a safety concern.
- If for any reason your student decides to leave the event early, you will need
 to check them out with an administrator inside the building via door 1. Please
 bring your ID with you as we will be following our normal procedures for
 picking up your student early from school. Only those listed in eSchool will be
 allowed to check a student out early from the event.

We are very excited for an evening of dancing, concessions, and open gym. We hope all the students have an amazing night, and look forward to future events as a school community.

Sincerely,

Nicole Beale & Nikole Jones



2023 Yorkville Middle School Holiday Support

We appreciate your support of our Yorkville Students during the holiday

season. Please use the link below to sign up to help YMS students and families if you are interested. Unwrapped gifts can be dropped off in the YMS Main Office. Please include a tag or note with the assigned number with your unwrapped gift. Please drop off gifts by Monday, December 11th. The YMS Student Services team wishes all of our families Peace during the Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C44A5AD22A46-46048712-2023

Wellness Wednesday

This week, students will have access to an optional Cultural Awareness activity during Wellness Wednesday time. Students will have the opportunity to learn about the various holidays that are celebrated around the world.



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 from the Main Office

Please make sure to call ahead if you need to pick up your child early for an appointment. It helps to have a pass delivered to the student earlier in the day so the student is in the office when you arrive. Please always have your photo ID ready to sign the student



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 12/11

Tuesday 12/12 Wednesday 12/13

Thursday 12/14

Friday 12/15

Cultural Awareness YMS Library during advisory

Anime Club YMS Library during advisory

Comic Book Crew YMS Library during advisory



8th grade Boys Basketball Home vs. Aux Sable 4:00 pm



7th grade Boys Basketball Home vs. JFK 4:00 pm







8th grade Boys Basketball Home vs. Ira Jones 4:00 pm





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!

YMS ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES FOX CLUB INFO





Would your student be interested in playing golf this spring??? sign up below for more information!



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.8tol8.com







First practice is on January 9!



Questions? Email Mr. Blomberg at JBlomberg@yll5.org



CHEF CONNCECTION COOKING CLUB



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/

CLICK HERE TO VIEW YMS BELL SCHEDULE







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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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