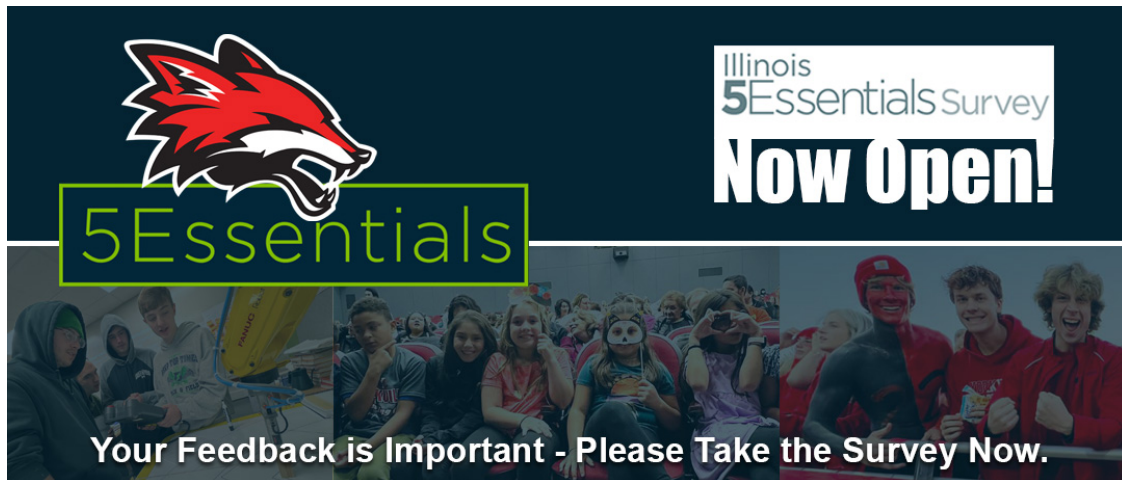


YORKVILLE

District 115

Community Unit School District



5Essentials Parent Survey

As a parent, you have an opportunity to share your thoughts on the important elements of school effectiveness in a survey about your child's school called the Illinois 5Essentials Survey. The 15-minute survey gathers data related to five indicators that can predict important student outcomes, including improved attendance and larger test score gains.

The Parent Survey Supplement is now open and will close on March 29, 2024 . *Each school needs at least 20% of parents to participate, so please complete the survey today!*

To take the survey, please visit <https://survey.5-essentials.org/Illinois/> and select the parent survey to begin. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact Brent Edwards at jbedwards@y115.org. Thank you for your participation and helping to provide key insights for improvement at your child's school. Please find more information at [Yorkville 5Essentials Parent Survey](#)

FREEZING FOR A REASON!

The “Cool School Challenge” is a competition between local schools as part of the Yorkville Polar Plunge to **benefit the Special Olympics of IL!** YMS Students and staff are being encouraged to join the “coolest” team around!



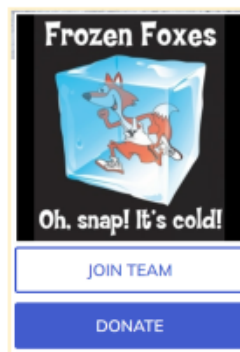
As the name Polar Plunge implies, participants **fundraise at least \$100 in donations** from friends and family in exchange for jumping in the icy waters of Lake Loon in Yorkville at Silver Springs! There are incentive prizes to raise more! **All proceeds** collected by plungers benefit Special Olympics athletes. Every plunger will receive a hooded sweatshirt when the \$100 minimum is raised!

Mrs. Wille, an 8th-grade Science teacher at YMS, has agreed to organize the team from YMS! Be one of the **brrrrravest** people around and join our team today! Ask a friend or family member to join our Frozen Foxes team to raise money for Special Olympics! Not ready to feel the chill, donate to a team member to show your support!

Ways To Get Involved:

Join the Frozen Foxes Polar Plunge Fundraising Team

Donate click on “members” to select a staff member and/or student to donate to on our Frozen Foxes Team.



If you have any questions please contact: kwille@y115.org

Ways To Get Involved:

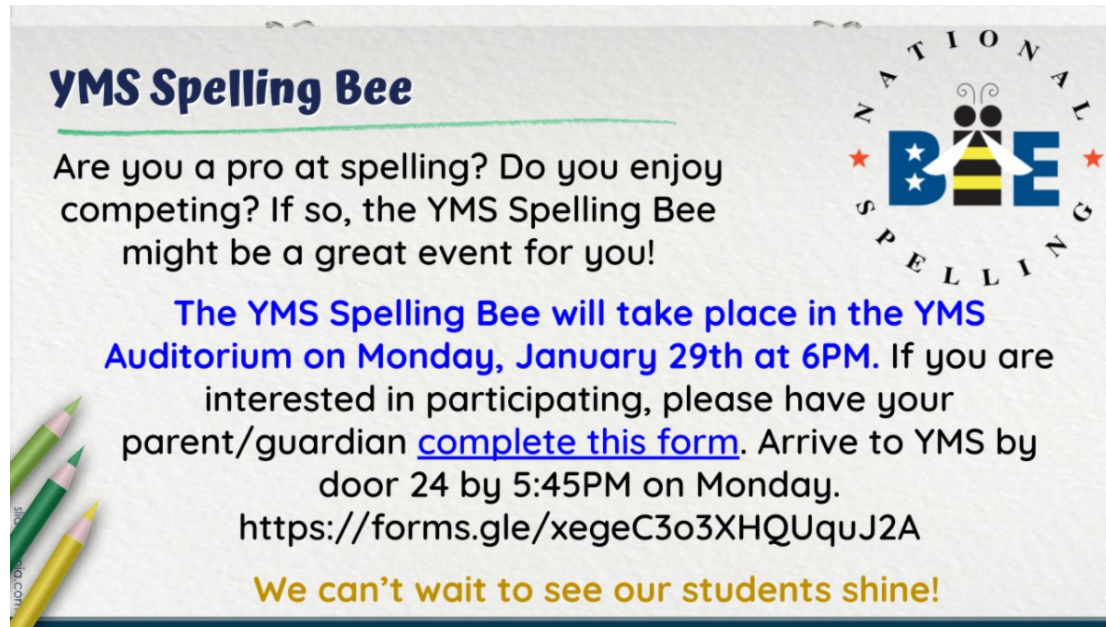
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Wellness Wednesday

Next week, students will be completing Second Step Lessons during their Wellness Wednesday Advisory period. Below you will find a summary of the lessons that will be covered at each grade level this coming week.

7th grade = Lesson 22: Conflicts and Perspectives

A flyer for the YMS Spelling Bee. The title "YMS Spelling Bee" is at the top left. Below it is a paragraph asking if the reader is a pro at spelling and enjoying competing. To the right is a circular logo with "NATIONAL SPELLING" around the perimeter and a bee in the center. Below the paragraph is another paragraph stating the event will take place in the YMS Auditorium on Monday, January 29th at 6PM. It asks interested parties to complete a form and arrive by 5:45PM. A URL for the form is provided. At the bottom is a closing sentence. On the left side of the flyer, there are illustrations of three colored pencils (green, yellow, and pink) and a small "yms.com" logo.

YMS Spelling Bee

Are you a pro at spelling? Do you enjoy competing? If so, the YMS Spelling Bee might be a great event for you!

The YMS Spelling Bee will take place in the YMS Auditorium on Monday, January 29th at 6PM. If you are interested in participating, please have your parent/guardian [complete this form](https://forms.gle/xegeC3o3XHQUquJ2A). Arrive to YMS by door 24 by 5:45PM on Monday.

<https://forms.gle/xegeC3o3XHQUquJ2A>

We can't wait to see our students shine!

<https://forms.gle/xegeC3o3XHQUquJ2A>

All Yorkville 4th-8th graders are invited to an after-school family event with author Erin Soderberg Downing! Join us in the Yorkville High School library to hear a presentation from Erin as she shares the backstory of her new book, *Just Keep Walking! Better yet...* be one of the first 100 4th-8th graders to arrive at the event and receive a copy of *Just Keep Walking* for FREE! Please RSVP for the event at <https://shorturl.at/pAKT3> and take a look at the flyer below for more information!

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FREE BOOKS!

- The first 100 4th-8th grade students to arrive at the event will receive a FREE copy of Erin's new book, *Just Keep Walking*!



- Erin will give a presentation beginning at 6:00pm and sign books afterwards!
- Please park in the parking lot near the YHS library and use the library doors (#27 and #28) to enter!

Scan me to
RSVP!



<https://shorturl.at/pAKT3>

February 5th in
the YHS library

Doors open
at 5:30pm!

Reach out to our district Book
Ambassador at smchugh@y115.org
with any questions!



Each year, Yorkville Educational Foundation honors Yorkville CUSD 115 educators, staff, volunteers, and community members who go above and beyond to support Y115. The Foundation's 6th annual Fostering Our Future recognition program allows us to share the stories of these extraordinary heroes and honor them at a formal awards ceremony in the spring. Learn more and submit a nomination here: yef115.org/fostering-our-future Nominations close on Sunday, February 11.

NOMINATIONS OPEN!

6th Annual
**FOSTERING
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yef115.org/fostering-our-future

Advisory at YMS

At YMS, we value that we have the opportunity to offer an advisory period at the beginning of the school day for students to check in and connect with their teachers and ensure that they get the day started on the right foot. As 1st semester progressed, we have found that we have lost some of the opportunities in our advisory sections due to students arriving tardy to first period. In order to ensure that all advisories are able to start on time, students arriving tardy to their scheduled advisory class (bell rings at 7:30 am) will be directed to report to advisory with administrators in the auditorium.



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.



Note from Social Workers

Here are 4 articles that are great for parents to support their teens with self-esteem, compassion, and confidence.

[Why Self-love is So Important for Teens](#)

Notes from the PTO

Attention 8th-grade families. The Aloha dance will be held the last week of school - final date coming soon! If you are willing to help with decor, donate items for raffle baskets, and/ or volunteer your time at the event please email Josie Harris at harrisjosie24@gmail.com. More details will come as we get closer to the event! Thank you for your help- we look forward to an amazing send off for our 8th graders!



Upcoming Events

Upcoming Athletic Events at YMS:



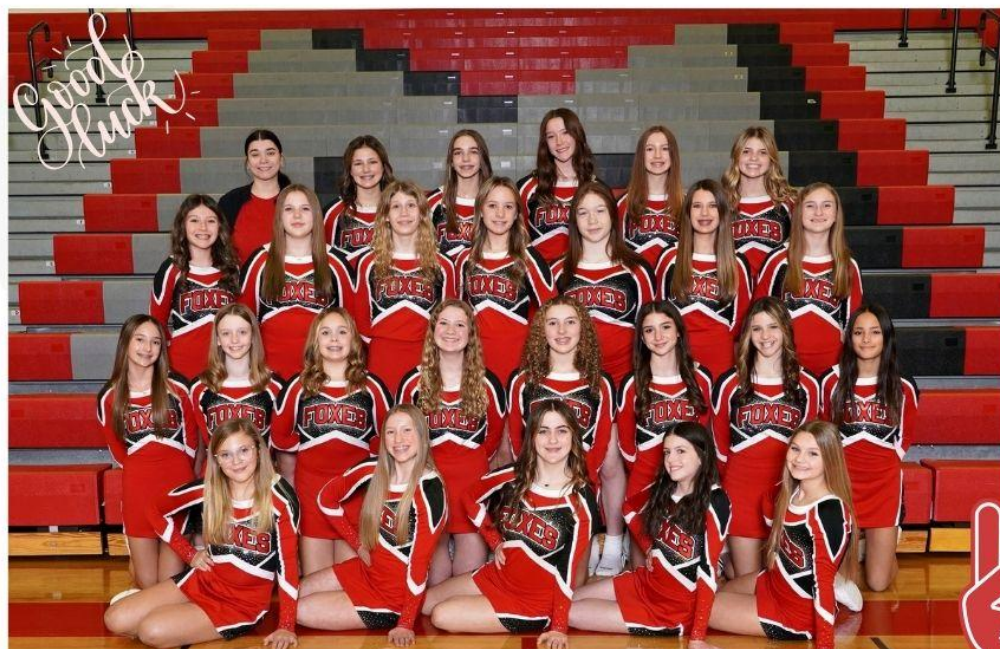
Monday 2/5	Tuesday 2/6	Wednesday 2/7	Thursday 2/8	Friday 2/9
 IESA Sectional Title Game 8th Grade boys Basketball vs. New Lenox Martino Doors open at 5:30 pm Game is at 6:30 pm \$3 for students (K-8) and senior citizens \$5 for high school students and adults ***CASH ONLY***	Literary Magazine meeting in the library during advisory No after school events 	GOOD LUCK AT STATE TO OUR COMPETITIVE CHEER TEAM!!!  Black History Month Kahoot in the library during advisory 8th grade girls basketball Home vs. Heritage Grove 4:00 pm	SALT meeting during advisory in the Auditorium 7th grade girls basketball Home vs. Drauden Point (Side Court) 4:00 pm 8th grade girls basketball Home vs. Drauden Point (Main Court) 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!

Our YMS Competitive Cheer team heads to Peoria on 2/7 to compete at State! Good luck!!!!





Our 7th-grade boys' basketball team ended a great season with a tough loss to Troy during post-season play. Great job on an awesome season!



Our 8th grade boys won their regional on Wednesday night! Up next... SECTIONALS!!

COME CHEER ON YOUR FOXES AS THEY COMPETE FOR THE IESA SETIONAL TITLE!

WEAR RED TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!
#REDOUT



YORKVILLE
FOXES

VS.



NEW LENOX MARTINO
VIKINGS

GAME STARTS AT 6:30 PM!

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM

\$3 FOR STUDENTS (K-8) AND SENIOR CITIZENS
\$5 FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND ADULTS
CASH ONLY

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

FEBRUARY 2024



CURRENT



CALENDAR VIEW

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
	2:40p - 3:30p Student Council 3:00p - 5:30p Competitive Cheer Practice 6:00p - 8:00p Spelling Bee 6:30p - 8:00p 7th Gr. Boys Basketball Sectionals (A)	2:30p - 4:30p Scholastic Bowl Meet (H) v. A. Vito Martinez 3:00p - 5:30p Competitive Cheer Practice 5:00p - 6:30p 8th Grade Boys Basketball IESA Regionals (A) v. Ottawa	3:00p - 5:30p Competitive Cheer Practice 4:30p - 7:30p Wrestling Invite (A) v. Liberty and Old Quarry 5:00p - 6:30p 8th Grade Boys Basketball IESA Regionals (A) v. Plano	3:00p - 5:30p Competitive Cheer Practice	8:00a - 9:00a 7th Gr. Girls BB (A) Kaneland Tournament Times TBD 3:00p - 5:30p Competitive Cheer Practice 5:30p - 8:00p Wrestling Dale Keith Invite Varsity Only (A)	7th Gr. Girls BB + (A) Kaneland Tournament Game 3TBA 8:30a - 3:00p Wrestling Dale Keith Tourney - Varsity Only (A)
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17

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