

# Every Fox Needs a Den. Welcome to Yours!



### A message from your principal, Dr. Travis

I hope this update finds you well.

Si está interesado en revisar el contenido de esta actualización en español, haga clic aquí.

Included in this update:

- October ~ November Monthly Calendar new item
- ACT Acknowledge, Care, Tell Signs of Suicide Prevention program - new item
- YHS earns College Board's AP Honor Roll Silver recognition & National AP Access Award! - new item
- Hispanic Heritage Month 9/15 10/15 old item
- YHS Athletics recognizes Hispanic Heritage Month - new item
- Boys Soccer celebrates Senior Night! new item
- Boys Golf advances 2 to Sectionals; Girls Golf season ends at Regionals new item
- Jake Oster, Boys Wrestling Coach, earns Coach of the Year honor! new item
- Caitlyn Seliga breaks Girls Diving record new item
- YEF Brewing up a Brighter Future Ale Fest Fundraising Event 10/5 new item
- YHS Fall Music Performance Calendar new item
- 16th Annual Red Paw Music Festival Saturday, October 19th new item
- AAC Device Training 10/17 old item
- YEF Holiday Craft Fair 11/10 vendors wanted new item
- WInter Athletic Registration now available new item
- Parent Teacher Conferences registration opens 10/7 new item
- Hey Yorkville Parents ~ Kiddie Kampus is back new item
- Hey Seniors ~ National ACT/SAT test dates old item

In addition to my weekly email updates, I encourage everyone to follow us on <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a> and "like" our <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> page to learn about all the great things happening at YHS. We have so many great things happening—so don't just FOLLOW but SHARE our FOX PRIDE within our community—help us build our following!



As always, if this update raises questions, please ask. Thank you for all that you do—it does not go unnoticed or unappreciated. Have a great day and a fantastic school year! GO FOXES!

With **PRIDE**, Dr. David S. Travis



Estimados padres hispanohablantes, Aquí en Yorkville High School queremos que todas nuestras familias tengan la información necesaria para apoyar y ayudar a sus hijos. Si necesita información sobre nuestros procesos, nuestra programación, o las oportunidades disponibles para sus hijos o si tiene alguna pregunta se puede comunicar con las siguientes personas en español. Sra. Noemi Terrazas – Consejera escolar de Yorkville High School @ nterrazas@y115.org or (630) 553-4380 ext 4241

### Visit our Website

### YHS BELL SCHEDULE

"A" Period Days			
Period	Period Time		
0	6:31-7:18	47	
1	7:25-8:53	88	
3 Advisory	9:00-9:35	30	
3 FLEX	9:35-10:28		
5	10:35-12:03	88	
9 (Lunch/ Access)	12:08-12:33	25	
10 (Access/ Lunch)	12:37-1:02	25	
7	1:07-2:35	88	
Total Instr	294		

"B" Period Days			
Period	Period Time		
0	6:31-7:18	47	
2	7:25-8:53	88	
4	9:00-10:28	88	
6	10:35-12:03	88	
9 (Lunch/ Access)	12:08-12:33	25	
10 (Access/ Lunch)	12:37-1:02	25	
8	8 1:07-2:35		
Total Instructional Minutes		352	

"C" All Period Days			
Period	Time	Min.	
0	6:28-7:18	47	
1	7:25-8:12	47	
2	8:19-9:06	47	
4	9:13-10:02	49	
5	10:09-10:56	47	
6	11:03-11:50	47	
9 (Lunch/ Access)	11:55-12:20	25	
10 (Access/ Lunch)	12:24-12:49	25	
7	12:54-1:41	47	
8	1:48-2:35	47	
Total I	331		

### Monthly Calendar - October ~ November

Provided for our families is a month-at-a-glance summary.

- A Days are highlighted in "Red" October 7, 9, 16, 21, 23, 28, & 30; November 4, 11, 13, 18, 20, & 25.
- B Days are highlighted in "Gray" October 8, 10, 17, 22, 24, 29, & 31; November 6, 12, 14, 19, 21, & 26
- C Days are highlighted in "Green" October 18, & 25; November 1, 7, 15, 22
- Fall Break October 11 & 13; Teacher Institute October 15; Election Day November 5, Parent Teacher Conferences November 7 (11:00 am dismissal) & 8; Thanksgiving Break November 27 29.

Oct-24				
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28	29	30	31	

Oct. Attendance: 20/52

	Nov-24				
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11	12	13	14	15	
18	19	20	21	22	
25	26	27	LSH	NIA	

Nov. Attendance: 16/68

#### STAY CONNECTED







At Yorkville High School (YHS), we recognize that the adolescent years might be marked by a roller-coaster ride of emotions—difficult for students, their parents, and educators. It is easy to misread depression as normal adolescent turmoil; however, depression (among the most common of mental illnesses) appears to be occurring at a much earlier age. Depression—which is treatable—is a leading risk factor for suicide. In addition, self-injury has become a growing problem among youth.

To proactively address these concerns the student support services division in collaboration with the wellness division provided depression awareness and suicide prevention training to all 10th-grade students as part of the SOS Signs of Suicide®



Prevention Program throughout this past week. The program aims to increase help-seeking by students concerned about themselves or a friend by promoting the acronym, ACT- ACKNOWLEGE, CARE, TELL.

We encourage all families, not just those with a 10th-grade student to view the Parent Handout for specific information on warning signs and how to keep your child safe.

# Student & Staff Salute



Congratulations! Yorkville High School has earned Bornze recognition on the 2024 AP School Honor Roll and the National AP Access Award.

I am excited to announce that Yorkville High School has earned the College Board's Bronze Recognition AP School Honor Roll for

the 2023-24 school year! The AP School Honor Roll recognizes schools that have done outstanding work to welcome more students into AP courses and support them on the path to college success. The Silver Honor Roll distinction is based on three categories:

- College Culture determined by the percentage of students in the graduating class (2024) who
  took an AP exam at any point in high school, regardless of score. Last year, 46% of the Class of
  2024 took at least one AP exam at YHS.
- College Credit determined by the percentage of students in the graduating class (2024) who scored 3+ on any AP Exam in high school. 31% of the graduating class scored a 3 or higher on at least one AP exam.
- College Optimization determined by the percentage of students in the graduating class who took 5 or more AP Exams in high school, where at least 1 exam was taken in 9th or 10th grade. 12% of the graduating class achieved this metric.

In addition, Yorkville High School also earned the **AP Access Award**, which honors schools that encourage more <u>low-income and underrepresented minority students</u> to take AP courses. The AP Access Award acknowledges the percentage of students in at least one of these categories who took at least one AP Exam before graduation proportional to or above your school's student population, demonstrating a clear and compelling commitment to equitable access to advanced coursework.

It takes a considerable schoolwide effort—dedication from teachers, counselors, administrators, students, and parents to earn both recognitions. I sincerely appreciate and congratulate our students, families, staff, and AP teachers for their inspiring work and commitment. Well done, Foxes!



# Hispanic Heritage Month: Celebrating Culture and Contributions

From September 15th to October 15th, we are proud to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at Yorkville High School. This month provides us with an opportunity to recognize the rich history, diverse cultures, and significant contributions of the



Hispanic and Latino communities in the United States. It is a time to honor the achievements and legacy of individuals whose roots trace back to Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America, and who have helped shape our nation.

Our Latinos Unidos Student Organization is organizing a series of special events, recognitions, and activities to engage and educate our community about Hispanic heritage. These activities are designed to highlight the diverse backgrounds, traditions, and accomplishments that have enriched our school and society at large.

We invite our community to help us celebrate ~ activities and events will be shared in greater detail throughout the month. By learning, appreciating, and celebrating together, we strengthen our understanding and foster greater belonging within our school community.

Stay tuned for more information about celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month!

### **Boys Soccer Celebrates Senior Night!**

The boys soccer team celebrated its 16 seniors on Tuesday, October 1st prior to the match against Plainfield Central. The Foxes (6-3-3) played a tough game against conference leading Plainfield Central, but fell by a score of 2-0. **Good luck the rest of** the season and congratulations to all of our seniors!



### Boys Golf Qualifies two for Sectionals, Girls Golf Season Ends at Regionals

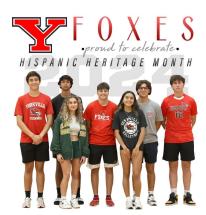
Congratulations to the boys and girls golf teams that competed in the IHSA postseason this week. The girls season came to an end at the Whitetail Ridge Regional. Leading the way for the girls was Peyton Levine with a 98, Cassidy Madden with a 102, and Ellery Hyett with a 116. The YHS Boys Golf team had a strong showing at the Short Hill Country Club regional in Moline, coming up just 9 shots away from advancing as a team. Seniors, Evan Peterson (80) and Joe Zook (83) led the way for the Foxes, advancing as individuals to next week's Sectional at Blackberry Oaks Golf Course.

### Head Boys Wrestling Coach, Jake Oster, Receives Coach of the Year Honors!

YHS boys wrestling coach, **Jake Oster**, has been selected as the 2023-2024 Wrestling Coach of the Year, by the Administrative Staff at the Illinois High School Association (IHSA). Oster led the Foxes to conference, regional and state finals appearances each of the last two seasons, culminating in a 2nd place finish in the 2024 3A State Finals. Congratulations to Coach Oster on this prestigious honor!

### Girls Diving Record is Broken!

Congratulations to junior diver, **Caitlyn Seliga**, on breaking the IMSA/Yorkville co-op school record with a 6 dive meet score of 233.1. The previous record was 222.5! Congratulations, Caitlyn!



# YHS Athletics Recognizes Hispanic Heritage Month

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the athletic department is supporting diversity and unity by recognizing Hispanic studentathletes at YHS throughout the month!



Upcoming Events

Norkville Educational Foundation Presents
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All proceeds benefit the staff & students of Yorkville Community Unit School District 115

- Special Foxy brew!

1:00PM TO 6:30PM

# **OCTOBER 5**

- 508 Center Pkwy C, Yorkville, IL
- yef115.org/brew

Special thanks to: Flight Tasting Room & Bottle Shop and Noon Whistle Brewing





Red Paw Music Festival - Saturday, October 19, 2024 at YHS

**from 3:00pm-5:00pm.** This social gathering will include LIVE music, food, raffles and our annual YHS Marching Foxes indoor concert at 5:00pm. There is no admission charge. Thank you for your support of our Y115 Music Programs!



PLEASE RSVP BY OCTOBER 10TH!

NOVEMBER 10, 2024 | 9AM-3PM

AN EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY TO ENJOY!

# HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR AND MARKET

PRESENTED BY THE YORKVILLE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION



**Entry Fee \$5 Adults** \$3 Seniors & Children (5-12)

(Under 5 Free)



# Notes to Note



## Winter Sport Registration is Open

Winter Sport registration is open online. All students interested in participating in a winter sport must register online and have an updated physical on file with the athletic department. Winter sports offered are: boys/girls basketball, boys/girls wrestling, boys/girls bowling, competitive cheerleading, competitive dance, and boys swim and dive.

### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

As a reminder, this year's fall parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for Thursday, November 7th from 12:00 - 7:00 PM and Friday, November 8th from 7:10 - 11:10 AM. This is a great opportunity to meet with your child's teachers for a ten-minute conference.

You can schedule appointments online using the PTC Wizard System from October 7th at 7:00 a.m. through November 5th at 7:00 p.m. This opportunity is available at any time of day or night. We have been assured that as many as 6,000 families could schedule simultaneously without overloading the system.



You may make appointments with as many or as few teachers as you wish. Please understand that we built in a 5-minute

transition between conferences to keep our teachers on schedule. Also, for those new to this process, all conferences are held in the YHS gymnasium.

Keep in mind that, in some instances, ten minute conferences are not adequate. If you find yourself in that situation, you may make an appointment with that teacher for a follow-up conference or a phone conference at a later date. If one of the teachers has a full schedule, you may contact the teacher through email and arrange a time to talk about your child's progress in a particular class.

This year's conferences will offer our families the option to conduct their conference in-person or virtually. Families interested in an virtual conference should include a note stating "Virtual Conference" in the comment section when you schedule your student(s) conferences. If no note is added to the comment section indicates the conference will be "in-person". Individual teacher zoom links will be sent out the week of November 4th.

You can access the PTC Wizard website by following the steps below. Once you have completed registration, you will be guided through a step-by-step procedure which allows you to choose from your child's teachers' available time slots. If you do not know the names of your child's teachers, I encourage you to retrieve that information from the ParentVUE.

In order to register on the PTC Wizard parent website, please proceed with the following:

- Open the link <a href="https://app.ptcwizard.com/yorkville">https://app.ptcwizard.com/yorkville</a> and click on <a href="mailto:Create Account!">Create Account!</a> button. Previously registered parents should use their credentials, or forgot password option.
- Fill out the form you are redirected to. Type in your first name, last name, email address and a password you would like to use to log in to PTC Wizard.
- Once you click on Register, you will be redirected to Add A Child for. Fill it out and hit Save.
- In case you would like to add more than one child, you will be able to do so in Account settings once you log in (right top corner of the screen).
- After you hit Save, you will be prompted to give your consent to receive letters from the system
  via email (schedules, notifications about appointments being booked/canceled, etc.)
- After creating a log in, you can view the video tutorial for more assistance.

After you create a conference schedule for yourself, the details of your schedule will automatically be emailed to you. If you do not have internet access, please contact Mrs. VanDenBosch 630.553.4380 extension 4375. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.



### Hey Yorkville Parents ~ Kiddie Kampus is back!

Are you in need of child care so you can attend parent-teacher conferences? Would you also like this childcare to be educational and fun for your kids? If the answer is yes... then Kiddie Kampus is right for you!

Please see attached **flier** for more details and to register your child. You can also register using this **link**.

Educators Rising and Introduction to Education (EDU 200) students are proud to offer Kiddie Kampus during this year's parent-teacher conferences.

Best news of all, it is **FREE of charge!** (Although donations to the Educators Rising Club are gladly accepted!)

#### What we offer:

- Storytime
- Crafts
- Fun with Math
- Movies
- Games

Homework Help
 Thursday 11/7

First drop off time: 11:30am Latest pick up: 8:30pm

Friday 11/8

First drop off time: 6:45am Latest pick up: 12:00pm

Kiddie Kampus will be held in the Early Childhood Education room at YHSA. Drop off will be at door 11 (around the back of the Academy, near the football field). You will need a valid form of ID for drop off and pick up.

Although there is no age minimum to attend Kiddie Kampus, all children need to be potty trained .

The children will be supervised by members of Educators Rising and students enrolled in EDU 200. There will be an adult Campus Monitor present at all times.

### Hey Seniors...

Seniors, we encourage you to take the SAT or the ACT to expand your post-secondary options and merit-based scholarship opportunities. If you have any questions about the test options or college admissions, please consult your house counselor. The senior counseling lessons will also provide a detailed insight into the testing experience to support your decision. Don't forget, the test registration dates are just around the corner!

### National SAT Test Dates in Early/Late Fall 2024

Test Dates:

- October 5, 2024
- November 2, 2024
- December 7, 2024

#### National ACT Test Dates in Early/Late Fall 2024

Test Dates:

- October 26, 2024
- December 14, 2024
- \*Go to www.act.org for test day registration information Good Luck!

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<sup>\*</sup>Go to www.collegeboard.org for test day registration information