

Every Fox Needs a Den. Welcome to Yours!

A message from your principal, Dr. Travis

I hope this update finds you well.

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My deep appreciation to our students and staff for an amazing first day of classes. Admittedly, we have had some bumps along the way, but I could not be prouder of our students, parents, and staff. We had a 98% attendance rate on the first day!

We had a great turnout this morning for the **Class of 2025 Senior Sunrise**~we look forward to a wonderful senior year!



The next few weeks will mark the beginning of our Fall Athletic season for our programs. I would like to wish all of our **student-athletes** and **coaches** the best of luck in their respective seasons ahead. Also, **GO BAND!** We are all looking forward to watching the 24-25 Fighting Fox Marching Band's premiere soon!

As a reminder, Yorkville High School is hosting our annual Curriculum Night next Wednesday (8/21). For those new to YHS, please be mindful that the night is for both campuses. Please see the Curriculum Night update item for more information--we hope to see you here!

It is imperative that students bring their Chromebooks fully charged each day. In addition, please be sure that students have their chargers at all times. Lastly, we ask that students always carry their Chromebooks closed during periods of non-use to prevent damage to the device.

Included in this update:

- August September Monthly Calendar new item
- 139 Foxes honored as AP Scholars new item
- Special Schedule 8/16 old item
- Curriculum Night August 21st old item
- Red/White Scrimmage Girls Volleyball/Flag Football August 22nd new item
- Red/White Scrimmage Boys Soccer/Football August 23rd new item
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In addition to my weekly email updates, I encourage everyone to follow us on <u>Twitter</u> and "like" our <u>Facebook</u> 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

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YHS BELL SCHEDULE

"A" Period Days			
Period	Time	Min.	
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 Instru	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	1:07-2:35	88	
Total Inst	352		

"C" All Period Days			
Period	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 N	331		

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

- A Days are highlighted in "Red" August 19, 21, 26, & 28; September 4, 6, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, & 30.
- B Days are highlighted in "Gray" August 20, 22, 27, & 29; September 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, & 26.
- C Days are highlighted in "Green" August 23& 30; September 13, 20, & 27.

Aug-24				
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26	27	28	29	30

Aug Attendance: 12/12

Sep-24				
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LSH	3	4	5	6
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16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				

Sep. Attendance: 20/32

STAY CONNECTED





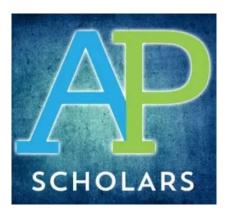




139 Foxes Honored as AP Scholars

Congratulations to the 139 Fighting Foxes who were recently recognized as 2023-24 AP Scholars!

66 were recognized as AP Scholars (averaged 3 or higher on 3 or more exams); 29 earned Honor recognition (3.25 or higher on 4 or more exams); 40 earned Distinction recognition (3.5 or higher on 5 or more exams); and 4 students earned the AP Capstone Diploma (the AP Capstone Diploma is granted to students who earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on 4 additional AP Exams of their choosing). This is the highest number of AP Scholars in school history ~ PRETTY IMPRESSIVE!



AP Scholar with Distinction – Nabiha Ahmed - (Graduate), Alexis Barkman - (Graduate), Hailey Bermudez - (Graduate), Emma Biskup - (Graduate), Abigail Broadway - (Graduate), Caitlin Daily - (Graduate), Michelle Dongmo - (Graduate), Jasmine Doyle - (Graduate), Will Eberhart - (Graduate), Zoe Enczur - (Graduate), Connor Evans, Chase Garner - (Graduate), Tyler Hanson - (Graduate), Nathan Harris - (Graduate), Julia Hosu, Isabelle Jones - (Graduate), Joseph Kallan, Sienna Kalvoda - (Graduate), Jensen Krantz - (Graduate), Nicholas Kuntz - (Graduate), Andrew Lapinskas - (Graduate), Jack Melzer, Lillianne Mueller, Jenna Novak - (Graduate), William O'Connor - (Graduate), Tyler Plank, Owen Price - (Graduate), Alexandria Sandoval - (Graduate), Sophia Schuster - (Graduate), McKenzie Sefah - (Graduate), Lily Smogor - (Graduate), Tessa Snicker - (Graduate), Ryan Stockl - (Graduate), Brooke Surprenant, Addison Sweeney - (Graduate), Noah Tagarao - (Graduate), Allegra Triner - (Graduate)

AP Scholar with Honor – Trent Anderson, Deborah Armah, Kaitlyn Beck - (Graduate), Regan Bishop - (Graduate), Megan Blonda - (Graduate), Liam Custer, Claire Davies, Abigail Diaz - (Graduate), Ellie Dubs - (Graduate), Ryan Evans - (Graduate), Morgan Gillette - (Graduate), Ian Goodwin, Jacob Halbesma, Christian Hall, Aidan Hauert, Chase Iddings, Everett Joyce, Benjamin Kozial, Erica Ladra, Maximus Lenski - (Graduate), Mason Madej, Cassandra Malas - (Graduate), Benjamin Mendez, Amirah Mohammed, Zachary Nabours, Ana Rabiola - (Graduate), Fay Samuel, Aldo Segura, Katherine Szumowski

AP Scholar - Ariana Anguiano - (Graduate), Leonardo Bello-Mendoza, Stephanie Bonga - (Graduate),

Jackson Bullington, Skyler Butts, Sarah Carlson - (Graduate), Lili Casbarian, Harrison DeLarber, Diego Diaz, Noah Douglas - (Graduate), Kyle Duncan - (Graduate), Autumn Duran - (Graduate), Elena Fapp, Olivia Gauss, Garcia Guerra - (Graduate), Hannah Halbesma, Emily Hart, Owen Horeni, Carter Humbers, Lexi Ingemunson - (Graduate), Vincent Kaluzny, Caitlin Keith, Benjamin Kieffer - (Graduate), Mckinleigh Killham, Adam Klemm, Alyssa Knopp, William Koller, Kara Kosulic, Olivia Lapato, Amare Layne, Delaney Leonard - (Graduate), Peyton Levine, Liam Loher, Henry Long, Ethan Malas, Anthony Mangune, Sarina Martin - (Graduate), Bree Maury - (Graduate), Anna McCabe, Brynn Messersmith - (Graduate), Eyan Meyer - (Graduate), Amelia Minalga, Lillian Myers - (Graduate), Shubham Patel - (Graduate), Addison Peacock - (Graduate), Paige Phillips - (Graduate), Cooper Quintero - (Graduate)
Sania Razvi - (Graduate), Evan Rhody, Laci Robbins, Diego Rodriguez - (Graduate), Braydan Russelburg Kennedy Schmidt, Thomas Scott - (Graduate), Jonah Senft - (Graduate), Olivia Shaw - (Graduate), Sauryam Shrestha - (Graduate), Simon Skroch - (Graduate), Caleb Snicker - (Graduate), Ella Sommers - (Graduate), Serafina Stepien - (Graduate), Walter Strait, Sarah Ticer, Alejandro Tirado - (Graduate), Mattson Uhlenhopp, and Dominic Vashkelis-Benson - (Graduate)

AP Capstone Diploma – Hailey Bermudez - (Graduate), Alexandria Sandoval - (Graduate), Thomas Scott - (Graduate), and Lily Smoqor - (Graduate)

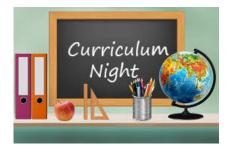
Special Schedule - Friday (8/16)

For our new YHS families, I preview a monthly daily schedule at a glance each Friday in my weekly community update for your use (see below). During the first two days of school, we plan to conduct an all-school review each period to *go over expectations and processes of the various facets of our schedule with our students.* Our plan is to Google Meets into all classrooms across both campuses to provide a common message and understanding for all.

Friday, August 16 - A DAY

- Period 1 8:38 8:53 (Learning/Grading Plan, Synergy updates)- Mrs. Martinez & Mr. Schroll
- Period 3 Advisory/FLEX Block 9:00-9:15 (why, how, what, expectations)(9:15-9:30 followed by 15 minutes of Advisory)- Deans
- Period 5 11:48 12:03 (Student Support ACCESS, DEN Testing Centers Why, How, What, and Expectations) - Mr. Schroll
- Period 7 1:07 1:22 (How can I get involved?)- Mr. Engelhardt





Curriculum Night - August 21st

Wednesday, August 21st - YHS invites our families to our annual Curriculum Night at 6:00 PM. Families will get to follow their student's C-day schedule, personally connect with each of your student's teachers, and tour the campus. You don't want to miss it - We hope to see you here!

We hope to see you at one of the following home events to kick off the 24-25 school year!

Thursday, August 22, 2024

- Girls Volleyball Red/White Scrimmage 5:00p.m. in the YHS Main Gvm
- Girls Flag Football Red/White Scrimmage 6:00p.m. in the Stadium

Friday, August 23, 2024

- Boys Soccer Red/White Scrimmage 3:30p.m. in the Stadium
- Football Red/White Scrimmage 6:00p.m. in the Stadium

Monday, August 26th

• Kailey Fox Cross Country Invite 5:30p.m. at YHS



Athletic All Sports Passes on Sale Now: YHS Season Passes are on sale out of the Athletic Office for \$75.00 per pass. Passes are sold directly out of the Athletic Office (cash or check only). Passes are good for all regular season home athletic events during the 2024-2025 school year. Please contact Jen Dickson at jdickson@y115.org if you are interested in purchasing a season pass. Go Foxes!







Hey Seniors!

Please see the <u>Senior picture retake information</u> for August 29th. If you missed Senior pictures this summer, or need a retake, please sign up through Van Gogh to take your picture.



HEY, SENIORS & SENIOR PARENTS

The YHS Guidance team is hosting COLLEGE APPLICATION NIGHT on Wednesday, September 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Campus Library. The in-person presentation will be hosted in the YHS library. This evening is tailored to our senior families, but all are welcome to come. Parents and students will be given a guided tour through the college application and admission



process along with providing answers to the most commonly asked questions (and those that aren't so common!) regarding the application process. The presentation materials will be available after the presentation for those unable to attend. **We hope to connect with you!**

Notes to Note 🎎

A Message from our Deans...Dress for Success

We hope you have had an amazing time with your family away from school. We are excited to begin the year on a positive note. As the year begins, we would like for you to remember the school's dress code policy. Please review the policy in your student's handbook and remind them of the policies and procedures that are in place.

A few key points taken directly from our handbook are listed below:

Students are expected to dress in a manner, which will not disrupt the educational process, constitute a health or safety hazard, or violate civil law. This policy may be amended due to current trends in fashion. Students in violation of the Dress Code policy may be addressed by the administration.

Consequences include changing clothes, confiscation of inappropriate apparel and further disciplinary measures as deemed appropriate.

Students should wear clothing that is age appropriate, neat, clean, and well fitting. Pants with holes, rips, or tears must comply with the Dress Code. Generally, clothing must extend from the top of the shoulders to the mid-thigh area (or longer), and undergarments shall not be visible. Shoulder straps on tops should be at least one-inch-wide; spaghetti straps shall not be visible. Specifically, bare backs, bare sides, bare midriffs, and cleavage are unacceptable. Tops must cover the pant, short, or skirt waistband.

Clothing will be prohibited that advertises, advocates, symbolizes, or displays drugs, alcohol, gangs, profanity, sexual innuendos or obscenity, violence, disruptive behavior, intimidation, or other criminal behavior. Examples of prohibited clothing include, but are not limited to: gang identifiers.

If you have any questions, please contact Megan Steben at $\underline{msteben@y115.org}$ or Joby Bodi at $\underline{jbodi@y115.org}$ at the main campus or Joe Fornell at $\underline{jfornell@y115.org}$ at the Academy. We thank you for your support!

Be on Time...it's the cool thing to do!

Several years ago, Yorkville High School implemented a school wide tardy policy as a means to our continued desire to prepare students to be college, career, and life ready. As



a result, we experienced a significant reduction of tardies. More importantly, we reduced the number of students earning at least one tardy that ultimately led to increased instructional time for our students which contributes greatly to our academic success in the classroom!

Please note that we will NOT count tardies until August 21st, so students can become accustomed to their class schedules.

Tardiness to Class – per semester (unexcused late arrival to school or to class). Students are considered on time to class when they have entered the classroom prior to the bell sounding. Tardiness (less than 5 minutes) to all classes have the following consequences:

- Tardies 1-5 are warning and contact home
- Tardies 6 + will receive progressive discipline as decided by the dean of students.
- Each time a student is tardy to class they should report to the nearest raptor desk.

What if I am Tardy to class greater than 5 minutes? - Students will be required to obtain a Tardy pass from the nearest raptor. Students more than five minutes late may receive more strict consequences beginning with the first offense.

Expectations of Students 5+ minutes late to first hour - Students will report to the main office. They will receive a raptor notice indicating the # of the tardy, and will be assigned a consequence immediately. Students arriving after the 1st hour has concluded will be sent immediately to the deans' office.

How will my student be given the expectations of this policy prior to the implementation on August 21st? Teachers will review the tardy expectation with students in their classes, including ACCESS classes during the first 3 days of school. An announcement about Tardies will be made during the daily announcements via the PA. The Dean's will also review the Tardy policy during all school meetings on August 15th.

If you have any questions regarding the building-wide Tardy policy, please reach out to one of our Deans:

- ' Mr. Fornell jfornell@y115.org
- Mr. Joby Bodi jbodi@y115.org
- ' Ms. Megan Steben msteben@y115.org

Attendance Matters

Parents as a reminder attendance and connectedness is a top indicator for a student's success during their high school experience. Your child's Dean of Students is here to support your child in both of these areas. To that end it is important that there is an open line of communication with the school when your student will not be in attendance. Please see the following parameters for excused vs. unexcused absences.



Excused vs. Unexcused Absences - An unexcused absence is defined as an absence from school for a reason other than those listed as an excused absence and/or an absence not authorized by school personnel. If the main office has not received a phone call from the student's parent/guardian prior to 9 a.m. on the day of the absence, the student will be considered unexcused. Please call the main office for YHS at 630-553-4380; or YHSA at 630-553-4385. YHS considers the following reasons as examples of an unexcused absence. This list is not exhaustive. It includes but is not limited to:

- 1. Oversleeping
- 2. Car trouble
- 3. Missing the bus
- 4. Giving rides to the airport
- 5. Babysitting
- 6. Shopping
- 7. Traffic

8. Vacations (family or otherwise) - The district believes that students should take family trips during scheduled school breaks and should be in school when school is in session. The district actively discourages the practice of students being taken out of school for family trips as vacations are recorded as unexcused absences.

Following Up after an Unexcused Absence or Tardy - YHS deans will send home information regarding unexcused absences from class as well as tardiness to class. In the event that your child is unexcused or excessively tardy to school or class, consequences may occur. We expect that students arrive at class and school on time. Any tardiness or late arrivals beyond 5 minutes will generate a referral to the dean's office. Please reach out to your students Dean if you have any questions or concerns regarding student attendance:

Joe Fornell - 9th grade A-Z - <u>ifornell@y115.org</u> Megan Steben - 10th-12th grade A-L - <u>msteben@y115.org</u> Joby Bodi - 10th-12th grade M-Z - <u>ibodi@y115.org</u>

Canvas Parent Portal

As a parent, you now have the opportunity to partner with us in your student's learning by becoming an Observer in your student's classes. The parent portal in Canvas will allow you to:

- View daily lessons provided to your students
- Check for missing assignments
- Know when upcoming assessments will occur

Below are two resource links to get you started:

<u>Canvas Parent App Guide 2024-2025</u> Setting up your Parent Canvas Observer Account



Schedule Change Process

Schedule Changes:

Course Selection and Scheduling

- First three days (8-15 thru 8-19): If a student is requesting to drop a class, they need to consult with their parent, current teacher and counselor to complete a "Course Withdrawal Request Form." The student will pick up a "Course Withdrawal Request Form" from their counselor. Students consult with their current teacher and case manager when applicable as they make decisions in regard to their current class. *Please note that class sizes are reflective of our mandate of the 70/30 ratio for our special education students and class options are limited due to seat occupancies at capacity for most sections. The Course Withdrawal Form is located in the Guidance Office.
- After three days (8-20 thru 8-28): The student and teacher need to work collaboratively with their
 respective Division Chair to complete the "Course Withdrawal Request Form" that a student will
 pick up from their counselor. The Division Chair will work with the Division Chair for Student
 Support Services to adjust the schedule if needed. Guidance will inform the teacher, student,
 family, and chair of the outcome of the decision.
- After ten days (8-29 and beyond): A withdrawal from class will result in a WF on the transcript. A conference will occur with this process.

2024-2025 STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES HOUSE INFORMATION Student Support Services Division Chair: Jeannine Pacetti (ext. 4096) jpacetti@y115.org *504 Coordinator Educational Services Division Chair: Tammi Naumann (ext. 4224) tnaumann@y115.org YHS (10th-12th Grade) Alpha Joby Bodi (ext. 4075) jbodi@y115.org Dean: Megan Steban (ext. 4249) msteben@y115.org Mos-Shan: Shap-Z: A-Del: Dem-I: Alely Nunez (ext. 4365) Kendall Sims (ext. 6449) Noemi Terrazas (ext. 4241) Nicholas Leonard (ext. 4051) nelonard@y115.org Counselor anunez@y115.org ksims@y115.org nterrazas@y115.org J-Mor Hannah Fishbeck (ext. 6623) hfishbeck@y115.org Social Worker Kurt Holubetz (ext. 4138) kholubetz@y115.org Sydne Plunkett (ext. 4388) splunkett@y115.org Tom Regnier (ext. 4228) tregnier@y115.org Lauren Gooding (ext. 6530) lgooding@y115.org Attendance Interventionist Jennifer Dryden (ext. 4316) jdryden@y115.org Meghan O'Connor (ext. 4018) moconnor@y115.org Registrar Patty Luptak (ext. 5358) pluptak@y115.org A-L House Secretary Jeannie Benson (ext. 6330) jbenson@y115.org M-Z House Secretary Dawn Loos (ext. 4056) dloos@y115.org Work Based Learning: Field Sarah Pottinger (ext. 4210) spottinger@v115.org Experience Alpha M-Z Dean Joe Fornell (ext. 4113) jfornell@y115.org Counselor Jennifer Waldvogel (ext. 4101) jwaldvogel@y115.org Nicole Wilk (ext. 4039) nwilk@y115.org Social Worker Allison Byrne (ext. 4073) abyrne@y115.org Tom Regnier (ext. 4228) tregnier@y115.org Attendance Interventionist Lauren Gooding (ext. 6530) Igooding@y115.org Arlene Anderson (ext. 4925) aanderson@y115.org

Hey Seniors

As a reminder, all seniors must show proof of having had the meningitis vaccine for school attendance this year. Seniors must have at least 1 does of the meningitis vaccine after their 16th birthday. Additionally, as you were notified previously, proof of having the vaccine is required



in order for students to complete the registration process. If your student has already had this vaccine and you have not yet turned in proof, please contact YHS building nurses Meghan O'Connor at moconnor@y115.org or Jennifer Dryden at jdryden@y115.org. If your student has not had this vaccine yet, please do so ASAP— don't delay, do it today!



Hey Freshmen

As a reminder, all students entering 9th grade must have a medical physical exam on the Certificate of Child Health Exam form (Spanish)and updated immunizations on file by October 1, 2024, to avoid being excluded from school. (A sports physical does not meet this requirement). Appointment dates will not be accepted. Additionally, all 9th-grade

students must have proof of a dental exam on file by May 15, 2024. Here is the proof of dental examination form (spanish) that must be submitted. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the Building Nurse at Yorkville High School Academy, **Arlene Anderson**, at 630.553.4385 ext. 4925. Please don't delay, do it today!



Hey Parents, PRE-ORDER your 2025 YHS yearbook now!

Pre-orders are available from August 2, 2024 until June 1, 2025 OR until we sell out. Books cost \$65 UNTIL NOVEMBER 1. Guarantee a book for your student by placing your order early! You can pre-order in one of TWO ways this year:

1. Visit our <u>Yearbook Forever site</u> and search for "Yorkville" -- we are listed as Yorkville Community High School. Here, you can

place an order for a book and other add-ons, including personalization of your book with a Namestamp or iTag. This site also allows you to purchase a senior ad.

- 2. Visit the Y115 payment portal to order your yearbook. <u>Use the link here</u>, and make all of your Y115 payments at once. No personalization or senior ads will be sold through the Y115 payment portal -- this is for books ONLY.
- 3. We SOLD OUT of 2024 yearbooks and have a wait list for extras -- CONSIDER ORDERING YOUR BOOK NOW so that you guarantee a copy!!

great gift!

Are you interested in commemorating your student in a unique way this year? **Consider purchasing a senior ad!** Senior ads allow you to select a 1/8 or 1/4 page slot in the yearbook and feature your own photos and message to your senior. Please <u>check out this four minute video</u> to learn more about senior ads! **Senior ads are available for purchase until June 1, 2025.** Reach out to Mrs. Calder at <u>kcalder@y115.org</u> for more info. Senior ads MUST be purchased through <u>www.yearbookforever.com</u>.

Did you order a 2023-2024 yearbook?

Books will ship in mid-September and be available for student pick-up at Yorkville High School. 2024 graduates may pick up their books from the main office once books arrive. Please have your student listen to announcements and watch for fliers with info about yearbook distribution. NO BOOKS will be available for purchase if you missed out on a pre-order -- you MUST contact Mrs. Calder at kcalder@y115.org to be added to the wait list, and being on the wait list does NOT guarantee you a book.

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