



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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We are down to less than 100 returning students that have not completed the registration process for the 24-25 school year. As a reminder, the student registration process is a completely on-line process. The annual student registration process can be completed through this [link](#).

Make sure you circle **Thursday, August 15th** on your calendars— **you don't want your student to miss the first day of school!**

Change in Practice: Important Update on Personal Technology Use. Earlier this week, a special community update was sent to all Yorkville High School students, staff, and parents outlining our change to Access to Personal Technology in the classroom. For those who may have missed it, I have reposted the prior communication [here](#). Additionally, I am including an example [Device Den](#) that the overwhelmingly majority of our staff ordered.

Our goal is to foster a more focused learning environment, students are now required to place their cell phones in designated caddies (Device Den) at the start of each class. This change, supported by extensive research, aims to minimize distractions and enhance student engagement. We believe this adjustment will significantly benefit our students by improving attention and fostering stronger in-person connections. Your understanding and support in this transition are greatly appreciated as we strive to create the best possible educational experience for all.

Please know that we are still here to help, so any families who may need assistance can either stop by between the hours of 7:00 - 3:00 or reach out to our main office at 630.553.4380.

Included in this update:

- YHS Modified Block/Bell Schedule - **new item**
- Setting Expectations - the first two days - **new item**
- August - September Monthly Calendar - **new item**
- We are here to serve - Student Support Service teams - **new item**
- Key Important Dates for Release of Information - **old item**
- 567 Foxes earn 2nd Semester High Honor Roll recognition - **reposted item**
- 323 Foxes earn 2nd Semester Honor Roll recognition - **old item**
- 24-25 Returning Y115 Student Registration - **updated item**

- Key Important Dates for Release of Information - **old item**
- Student Parking - **old item**
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- Freshmen Physical Requirement - **old item**
- Senior Vaccination Requirement - **old item**
- Senior Sunrise - 8/15 - **new item**
- Fall Sports Registration - **old item**
- All Sports Season Passes on Sale now - **new item**
- Save the Date - Homecoming 2024 - **new item**
- New Students to Y115 tours - **new item**
- Freshmen Transition Program - August 14 - **old item**
- Main Campus (Upperclassmen) - Open Campus Visit - August 14 - **old item**
- Save the date - Curriculum Night 8/21 - **old item**
- 563 Juniors & Seniors earn Off-Campus Privileges - **new item**
- Want a Locker? - Here's how you get one - **new item**

In addition to my weekly email updates, I encourage everyone to follow us on [Twitter](#) and “like” our [Facebook](#) 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 summer! **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 Modified Block Schedule

Yorkville High School uses a Flexible Modified A/B/C Block Schedule that affords us the opportunity to deliver learning experiences in both longer (88 minutes) and shorter (47 minutes) blocks of instructional time. The schedule also provides the added benefits of 60 minutes of weekly Advisory and 110 minutes of weekly student FlexBlock aimed to reconnect students to adult advocates and peers, build school culture and pride, and provide opportunities for support and/or pursuits of interests.

The schedule has seven instructional periods meaning that students can still take up to seven different instructional courses each semester. Students may pursue up to eight courses if they selected a Period 0 option (early bird).

- On **A Days** - students will have three (3) 88-minute instructional periods, one (1) 88-minute Advisory (30 minutes)/Flex Block (53 minutes) period, and a 54-minute Lunch (27 minutes)/ACCESS (27 minutes) period.
- On **B Days** - students will have four (4) 88-minute instructional periods and a 54-minute Lunch (27 minutes)/ACCESS (27 minutes) period.
- On **C Days** - students will attend all seven (7) 47-minute instructional periods.
- **There is no Advisory or FLEX Block (period 3) on B or C Days**
- Zero (0) period that meets every student attendance day from 6:28 a.m. - 7:18 a.m.

Pasted below are examples of "A", "B", and "C" day schedules for your understanding

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 Instructional Minutes		294

"B" Period Days		
Period	Time	Min.
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 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 Instructional Minutes		331

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 Meet' into all classrooms across both campuses to provide a common message and understanding for all.

Thursday, August 15 - B DAY

- **Period 2** - 8:38 - 8:53 (Principal's Address)
- **Period 4** - 10:13 - 10:28 (Dean's Meeting - Earned Privileges, Student Expectations, Tardies,...)
- **Period 6** - 11:48 - 12:03 (Lunch/Access Expectations)
- **Period 8** - 1:07-1:22 (Getting Connected - Why, How, What, and Expectations)

Friday, August 16 - A DAY

- **Period 1** - 8:38 - 8:53 (Advisory - Why, How, What, and Expectations)
- **Period 3** Advisory/FLEX Block - 9:00-9:15 (FLEX Block - Why, How, What, and Expectations) (9:15-9:30 - followed by 15 minutes of Advisory)
- **Period 5** - 11:48 - 12:03 (Student Support - ACCESS, DEN Testing Centers - Why, How, What, and Expectations)
- **Period 7** - 1:07 - 1:22 (How can I get involved?)

This will allow us to roll out our expectations and procedures in a digestible manner while still providing the opportunity (73 minutes/period) for teachers to start building positive relationships with their students.

Monthly Calendar -August - September

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

- A Days are highlighted in "Red" - **August 16, 19, 21, 26, & 28; September 4, 6, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, & 30.**
- B Days are highlighted in "Gray" - **August 15, 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				
M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

Aug Attendance: 12/12

Sep-24				
M	T	W	TH	F
LSH	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				

Sep. Attendance: 20/32

Key Important Dates for Release of Information

As a means to prepare our families for the start of the school year, listed below are some tentative dates that we will release the following information:

- 24-25 Student Schedules will be available in [ParentVUE](#) on **August 7**.
- Parking Permit Applications can be accessed via the My [School Bucks](#) - due **July 26th**.
- Bus Route Information will be posted in [ParentVUE](#) on **August 9th**.
- Parking Permit pick-up in the YHS Sports Lobby on **August 8th and 9th from 8 am-12 pm**
- First Day of IVVC Attendance - **August 15th**. *Additional direct communication to student attending IVVC will come directly from IVVC later this summer.*
- First Day of Student Attendance - **August 15th**.

We are here to serve ~ get to know your Student Support Services team!

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	A-L		M-Z	
Dean:	Megan Steban (ext. 4249) msteban@y115.org		Joby Bodi (ext. 4075) jbodi@y115.org	
Counselor	A-Del: Alely Nunez (ext. 4365) anunez@y115.org	Dem-I: Kendall Sims (ext. 6449) ksims@y115.org	Mos-Shan: Noemi Terrazas (ext. 4241) nterrazas@y115.org	Shap-Z: Nicholas Leonard (ext. 4051) nelonard@y115.org
	J-Mor Hannah Fishbeck (ext. 6623) hfishbeck@y115.org			
	Kurt Holubetz (ext. 4138) kholubetz@y115.org		Sydney Plunkett (ext. 4388) splunkett@y115.org	
Social Worker	Kurt Holubetz (ext. 4138) kholubetz@y115.org		Sydney Plunkett (ext. 4388) splunkett@y115.org	
Attendance Interventionist	Tom Regnier (ext. 4228) tregnier@y115.org		Lauren Gooding (ext. 6530) lgooding@y115.org	
Nurse	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 Experience	Sarah Pottinger (ext. 4210) spottinger@y115.org			
YHSA (9th Grade)				
Alpha	A-L		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			
Attendance Interventionist	Tom Regnier (ext. 4228) tregnier@y115.org		Lauren Gooding (ext. 6530) lgooding@y115.org	
Nurse	Arlene Anderson (ext. 4925) aanderson@y115.org			



Student & Staff Salute

Congratulations to the 567 Foxes who earned 2nd semester High Honor Roll!

**High Honor Roll students averaged a 3.85 or higher GPA*

Freshmen High Honor Roll

Congratulations to the 146 Freshmen who earned High Honor Roll distinction for their 2nd semester academic performance!

(Click [here](#) to see names)

Sophomore High Honor Roll

Congratulations to the 136 Sophomores who earned High Honor Roll distinction for their 2nd semester academic performance!

(Click [here](#) to see names)

Junior High Honor Roll

Congratulations to the 162 Juniors who earned High Honor Roll distinction for their 2nd semester academic performance!

(Click [here](#) to see names)

Senior High Honor Roll

Congratulations to the 123 Seniors who earned High Honor Roll distinction for their 2nd semester academic performance!

(Click [here](#) to see names)

Congratulations to the 331 Foxes who earned 2nd semester Honor Roll!

**Honor Roll students averaged a 3.5 to 3.84 GPA*

Freshmen Honor Roll

Congratulations to the 66 Freshmen who earned Honor Roll distinction for their 2nd semester academic performance!

(Click [here](#) to see names)

Sophomore Honor Roll

Congratulations to the 70 Sophomores who earned Honor Roll distinction for their 2nd semester academic performance!

(Click [here](#) to see names)

Junior Honor Roll

Congratulations to the 93 Juniors who earned Honor Roll distinction for their 2nd semester academic performance!

(Click [here](#) to see names)

Senior Honor Roll

Congratulations to the 102 Seniors who earned Honor Roll distinction for their 2nd semester academic performance!

(Click [here](#) to see names)

Student Parking

In order to park on school property, students must have a parking tag for an assigned parking space. To be eligible for a parking tag, students must complete a parking application and pay the required fees, which can be found in the Student Payment Portal on the Yorkville District #115 Registration Homepage.



All of the following items must be submitted prior to receiving the parking pass:

- Completed Application with parent and student signature
- Copy of student driver's license
- Copy of CURRENT insurance.

A copy of the student's driver's license and insurance can be submitted electronically to Dloos@y115.org or in-person during parking permit distribution.

How do I turn in my parking application?

Applications must be completed online through the Student Payment Portal. The parking application must be completed by **July 26th, 2024 to be entered into the lottery.**

How do I get to choose my parking spot?

This year we will be assigning Seniors on lot preference. Juniors and Sophomores will be assigned randomly based on parking spot availability.

When do I pick up my parking permit?

Parking permits will be distributed in the Athletic Lobby at Yorkville High School on **Friday, August 8th and 9th from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. to students or guardians with a valid photo ID.**

No parking permits will be given to students or guardians without a valid photo ID.

Attention IVVC Students/Families

IVVC classes begin on Thursday, August 15th, 2024. Students will be allowed to drive themselves directly to and from IVVC as long as they have submitted parental transportation release (available on the parent portal) by 8/14/2024. Students driving directly to IVVC will be able to get IVVC parking permit information on August 15th; IVVC parking permits are \$25.

Students not driving to IVVC may take the bus leaving from Yorkville High School Door 20. Thursday, August 15th, students

riding the bus need to check in for attendance at 7:25 a.m. for AM students and at 11:30 a.m. for PM students.



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 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 dose 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!**



Upcoming Events

Fall Sports Begin on Monday, August 12th!

Fall sports begin on Monday, August 12th. Registration for fall sports is open on the [athletic website](#)! All student-athletes must be registered online and have a pre-participation [physical](#) evaluation on file with the Athletic Department. Physicals are good for 395 days and copies should be turned in directly to the athletic office. **There is an \$80.00 athletic participation fee charged per sport, per athlete.** Payments are collected online after teams are set in the fall.





YORKVILLE ATHLETICS

FALL REGISTRATION BEGINS AUGUST 12TH



 6-8 AM YHS TRACK <small>CMUTH@Y115.ORG</small> CROSS COUNTRY	 3-6:30 PM Main Campus Practice Fields <small>DMCGUIRE@Y115.ORG</small> FOOTBALL	 Varsity 2:30 JV 3:30 <small>Blackberry Oaks Golf Course CWYETH@Y115.ORG</small> BOYS GOLF
 5 PM Blackberry Oaks Golf Course <small>NCRESS@Y115.ORG</small> GIRLS GOLF	 3-5 PM BEECHER FIELD <small>CPALMISANO@Y115.ORG</small> BOYS SOCCER	 AUGUST 15 3-5 P.M. YHS STADIUM <small>CCOOPER@Y115.ORG</small> FLAG FOOTBALL
 Contact Head Coach <small>BRITTANY.CHARMS11@GMAIL.COM</small> SWIM & DIVE	 3-5 PM Tennis Courts <small>LAOLSON@Y115.ORG</small> GIRLS TENNIS	 3:45-6 YHS GYM <small>RDONATO@Y115.ORG</small> GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
 3-4:30 PM Academy Gym <small>FMCREYNOLDS@Y115.ORG</small> CHEERLEADING	 3-4:30 PM YHS CAFETERIA <small>AMCMAHILL@Y115.ORG</small> DANCE	A VALID PHYSICAL IS REQUIRED TO TRYOUT/PRACTICE REGISTER ONLINE TODAY! https://schools.snap.app/YorkvilleHS

Contact Luke Engelhardt or Jen Dickson with any questions.

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!

Save the Date for Homecoming 2024!

Mark your calendars as the homecoming football game is scheduled for Friday, September 27th against Bolingbrook High School. The Dance is set for Saturday, September 28th!

TO ALL OF OUR NEW STUDENTS & FAMILIES, WELCOME TO Y115/YHS!

New Student Tours - **Wednesday, August 11th; 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM.** Any new student to Y115/YHS has an opportunity to take a guided tour of the main campus (10th - 12th grade) or the Freshman Academy (9th grade). This is a great opportunity to familiarize yourself with the layout of the school. This program is for families new to the Y115 school district, not for returning Y115/YHS students.



Hey Freshmen...

We are hosting our annual Freshmen Transition Experience (for students only) on **Wednesday, August 14, 2024, from 12:30 PM-3:00 PM at our freshmen campus (YHSA).** All incoming freshmen are expected to attend this event, which allows students to familiarize themselves with the high school and discover what it takes to succeed as a high school freshman. 9th-grade students in the Life and Academic Skills Program are welcome to attend as well! Please note that we will share specific information and expectations for the event as we get closer to the date. Unfortunately, we don't provide a bus service, so



families must provide transportation. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Joe Fornell at jfornell@y115.org. Don't miss it!

Hey Upperclassmen...

We didn't forget about you. The YHS main campus will be open on **Wednesday, August 14, 2024, from 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM** to give our upperclassmen the opportunity to find their classrooms, walk their schedules, meet their teachers, and check out the building. We hope this helps!



Senior Sunrise: August 15th!

Seniors, come celebrate the start of your senior year by attending the annual "Senior Sunrise" event on **Thursday, August 15th from 5:45 a.m. - 6:30 a.m.** Take in the sunrise as you begin the first day of your senior year!



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!**

Notes to Note

Congratulations on Earning Off-Campus!

Congratulations to our 563 Juniors and Seniors that met all required qualifications and are eligible to start our academic year with Off-Campus Privileges! The Dean's Office is proud of our student's commitment to excellence with regard to their attendance, behavior, and academic success. If your student qualified for Off-Campus Privileges, you should have received a parent permission form via email on Wednesday, July 31st with information regarding students' use of Off-Campus Privileges to start the school year. Students that qualify for Off-Campus Privileges not only maintain a 70% or better in all of their academic coursework, they also must have a 95% or higher attendance rate, fewer than 6 tardies for the semester, no unexcused absences, and no major disciplinary infractions. **Way to go, Foxes!**

As the year continues, Mr. Bodi, Mr. Fornell, and Mrs. Steben regularly monitor students' academic progress, attendance, and disciplinary records. Though the Deans regularly review grades and Off-Campus Privileges can be pulled at any time, we also check that all students continue to qualify approximately every four weeks. As formal Off-Campus Privilege Checks approach, we will publish those dates right here in our community update!

Finally, please refer to our [Off-Campus Privilege Information for the 2024-2025](#) school year to review expectations for the year. Our Sophomore students can qualify for Off-Campus Privileges at the end of Quarter 1 and our Freshman students can qualify at the end of Quarter 2.

Lockers

Lockers will be issued through Mrs. Loos, our Dean's secretary, for the 2024-2025 school year. **While lockers are available for all students, students will only be assigned lockers upon request. Please [use this linked Google Form](#) from the Deans to request a locker for next year.** Any student wishing to request a locker must do so by Friday, August 9th

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