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MCHS 2022 - 2023 Quick Facts

- April 3 - 7 Spring Break
- April 12 - FAFSA Meeting with Mr. Garrett 5:30pm
- April 28 & 29 Spring Play 7pm
- April 30 Spring Play 2pm

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Welcome to Spring, Wolves!



April brings us our much anticipated Spring Break. We hope that all of our Wolves have a rejuvenating and relaxing Spring Break April 3 - April 7th! Once we return to school on April 10th, we will be in the final stretch of the 2022-23 school year! More than ever, we need your students to be here and on time every day in each of their classes. Attendance plays a major factor in your student's academic and social success at MCHS and beyond.

Teachers are delivering rigorous course content in every class preparing them for their summative assessments and final exams. These assessments and grades have a significant impact on their semester grades and opportunities post-graduation. We are working on the end of the year final exam schedule and will get that information to you as soon as it is available. While this school year has brought us a sense of our "new normal" we want to give you a heads up on some important upcoming events:

- **2023 Junior/Senior Prom:** Our prom will be Friday, May 12th at Blue Chip Stardust Event Center. Tickets will go on sale at the end of April. Additional information about this event will be released to Junior and Senior families.
- **Senior Awards Night:** We will celebrate the Class of 2023 seniors awards night on May 15th in the auditorium.
- **Underclassmen Awards during Wolfpack:** We will celebrate 9th graders on May 12th; 10th and 11th grades on May 18th.
- **Class of 2023 Distinguished Grad Banquet:** We will celebrate our Class of 2023 Distinguished Graduates at Blue Chip Fremont Ballroom on Thursday, June 1st. Watch Senior announcements for more information!
- **Class of 2023 Commencement Exercises:** Our 2023 Commencement Ceremony will be on Sunday, June 4th at noon in the MCHS gym. Graduates will receive 10 tickets for family and friends to attend the event. More information will be released in the coming weeks.

We also would like to remind our graduating seniors that you need to file your FAFSA as part of completing your diploma. Please contact Aaron Garrett with questions about FAFSA. Specific details about additional Senior events will be mailed to Seniors homes shortly after Spring Break.

We hope everyone enjoys the coming weeks of warmer temperatures and increased sunshine. Let's have a strong finish to our school year!

Go Wolves!

Kyle Dean - Principal

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Congratulations to the 58 students that made the Principal's Honor Roll for the 2nd grading period. To qualify for the Principal's Honor roll you must have all A's in every subject. [CLICK HERE](#) for the names of these students.

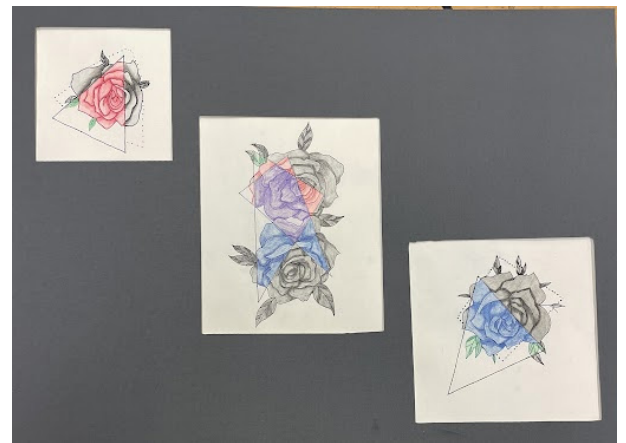
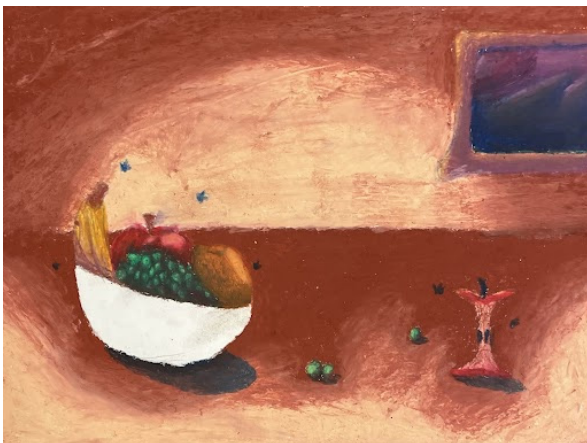
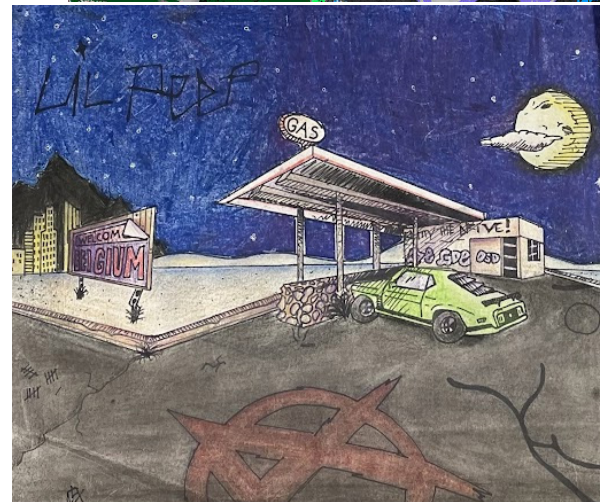
- 19 – Freshmen
- 14 - Sophomores
- 17 - Juniors
- 8 – Seniors

Congratulations to the 322 students that made the Academic Honor Roll for the 2 nd grading period. To qualify for the Academic Honor Roll students must have a 3.0 grade point average. A student will not be eligible for the Academic Honor Roll if they earn a grade of below a C on their report card. [CLICK HERE](#) for the names of these students.

- 93 - Freshmen
- 105 - Sophomores
- 73 - Juniors
- 51 - Seniors

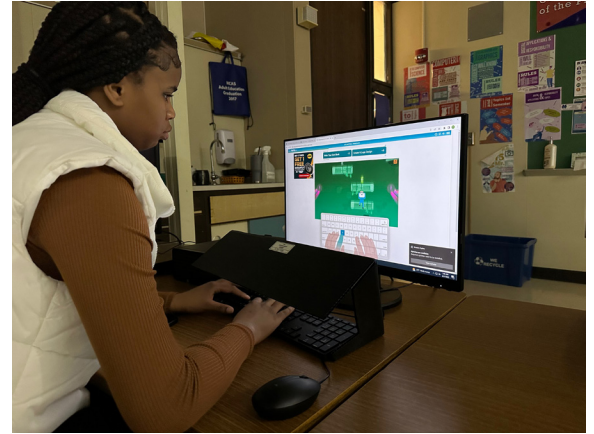
ART

The Art Department is participating in the 49th Annual Tri-county Senior High School Art Juried Exhibition at Munster's Center for the Performing Arts. Thirty-six students from various art classes will have their work displayed. The artwork will be on display from April 14th-May 14th. The Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony will be on Sunday May 7th 1-3 pm.



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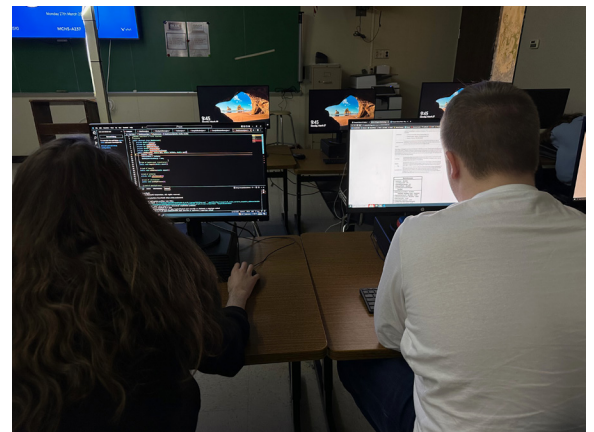
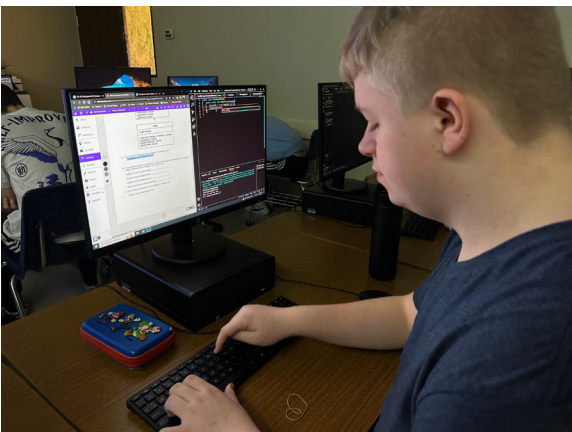
Mr. Melendez's **Digital Applications** class has been focusing on typing skills. It is extremely important for students to learn the fundamentals of typing and hand placement on the keyboard. Mr. Melendez brought out keyboard covers to help the students learn what fingers go to which keys.



Mr. Melendez's **Introduction to Computer Science** class has been learning about the Internet of Things (IOT). IOT is basically anything and everything that is connected to the internet. We have been discussing security and privacy issues with all of the things that are connected to the internet and how we as a society have been dependent on them.

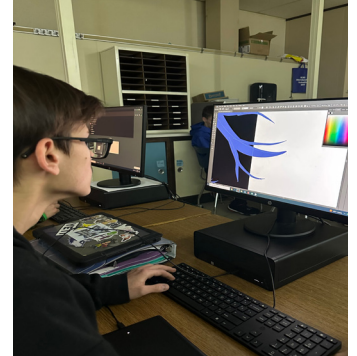
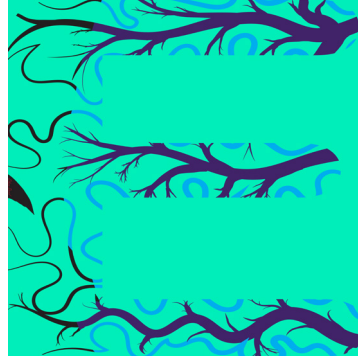
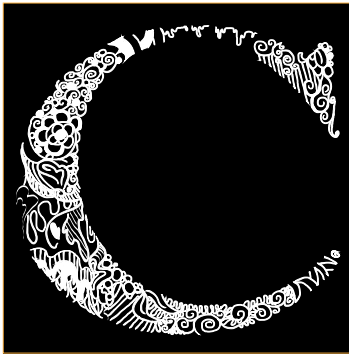
Our next topic in our Python development is learning about Functions and why they are useful.

Mr. Melendez's **Computer Science 1** classes are continuing with the study of inheritance. Inheritance is when one class inherits attributes from another class and is able to have their own attributes. We have expanded the knowledge of inheritance by learning about Abstraction and Abstract Classes.

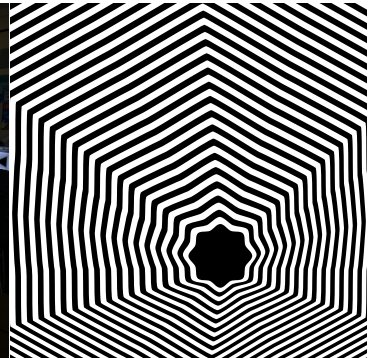
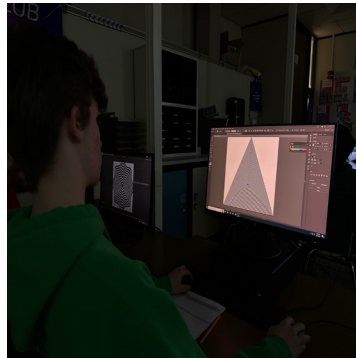
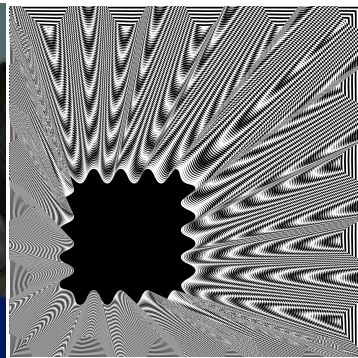
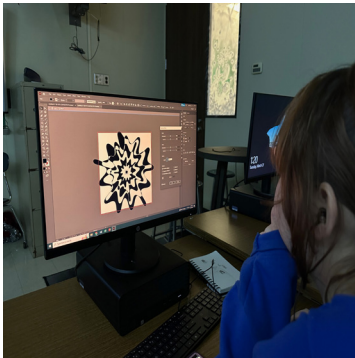


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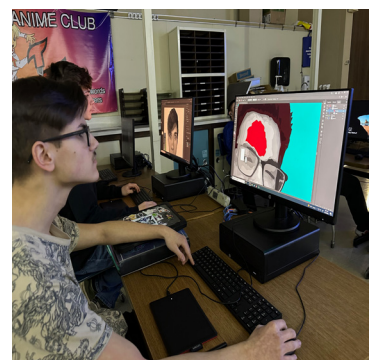
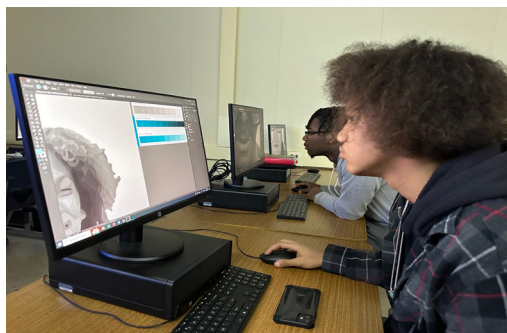
Mr. Melendez's **Computer Illustration & Graphics** class has been learning different ways to use Adobe Illustrator. We did a project that was based off of the letter of the student's name and then they created their own brushes to fill in the letter. After they filled in the letter with a design they were to remove the letter and see if their design kept the shape of their letter.



We also completed a one day project of creating optical illusions. The students thoroughly enjoyed creating optical illusions.



The current project the students are working on is titled "Shades of Me". This project has the students take an image of themselves and turn it into shades of gray. Using the built in image trace in Illustrator allows the students to control the shades of gray that is on their image. Then they have to trace their face and use a monochromatic color scheme to fill in the different shapes of their face.



You can see the different shades of gray that the students have to outline and then they will slowly add color back into the image

On March 30th, the MCHS JAG class hosted a showing of *Working Hungry*. After the showing two of our JAG students: Gavin Hall and Mackenzie Rojas interviewed a panel of community members who are fighting food insecurities in LaPorte County.

The *Working Hungry* is a 30 minute film built around the stories of three families, and through them the stories of more than 700,000 people across the state of Indiana. Most of these are working families, and their hunger is hidden from those around them.

The compelling documentary asks why, in a time of low unemployment and food abundance, is food insecurity and hunger so prevalent and what can be done. The *Working Hungry* will dive deep into the reality of food insecurity in Indiana, and what more could be done to destigmatize the conversation, more clearly understand underlying causes, and truly end hunger.



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MCHS MCJROTC SUPPORTS SCHOOL, COMMUNITY

March is the traditional month for college students to party in warm weather states on their Spring Break. The cadets of the Michigan City High School (MCHS) Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (MCJROTC) did everything but party during March, in weather more like January than March. The cadets supported a Purple Heart Award ceremony to a Korean War veteran, two basketball tournaments, led the Michigan City St. Patrick's Day parade, and competed in a military drill competition in Fort Wayne.

Michigan City resident Robert Smith was awarded the Purple Heart 2nd for wounds sustained in the Korean War 73 years ago. The ceremony was conducted at the American Legion Post 37 in Michigan City. The MCHS Color Guard presented the colors to start the ceremony. Cadets worked parking and presented the colors for the Regional and Semi-State basketball tournaments on March 11th and 18th. Both tournaments had nearly sell-out crowds in MCHS' 7000 plus seating capacity gym, with spectators coming from Ft. Wayne, Kokomo, Hammond, and Mishawaka. Also on March 2nd, the MCHS Color Guard led the Michigan City St. Patrick's Day parade. The MCHS military drill team competed in the Concordia High School Army JROTC Drill Meet on March 4th. The cadets were competitive in all categories- Armed Regulation, Unarmed Regulation, Color Guard, and Armed Exhibition- finishing 4th out of 15 schools in Armed Regulation.

"Our cadets have demonstrated great endurance and flexibility in multi-tasking for so many different events in one month," - Major Tom McGrath, the Senior Marine Instructor.

Master Sergeant Jeff Benak, the Marine Instructor, also praised the cadets for representing MCHS and Michigan City so well. "The way spectators at the games and parade, as well as the many competing cadets at the Drill Meet, reacted so positively to the way our cadets conducted themselves, really speaks well of MCHS students."

The cadets will be busy with many community service projects until the end of the school year. They will also be supporting boys and girls home track meets. The week after the school year ends, MCHS hosts a week-long leadership camp in Wisconsin, where they will be joined by three other high schools.



MCHS MCJROTC EARNs AWARD AT FT. WAYNE COMPETITION

The Michigan City High School (MCHS) Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (MCJROTC) earned an award at the Ft. Wayne Concordia High School military drill meet on March 4th. The Wolves finished 4th out of 14 schools in the Armed Regulation category. Most of the schools were Army JROTC units, some of whom consistently compete in the All Service Drill National Championship held in Daytona Beach, Florida. The judges were Army recruiters from the Ft. Wayne area.

"This drill meet gave the opportunity for two of our cadets to command units for the first time," said Senior Marine Instructor Major Tom McGrath. "Sophomore Cadet Staff Sergeant Alexandra Reed did a great job commanding the Unarmed Regulation platoon. We expect great things from her in the next two years."

Master Sergeant Jeff Benak, the Marine Instructor, noted the improvement the cadets had made throughout the year. "We started with a pretty inexperienced team, but our cadets worked hard at making us competitive against some tough opponents."

The cadets will be busy supporting MCHS and the community in March. They will be working parking and providing Color Guards for the five Regional and Semi-State basketball tournament games on 11th and 18th. The MCHS Color Guard will also be marching in the Michigan City St. Patrick's Day parade, also on March 11th. Additionally, the JROTC will provide workers for the clean-up of the Michigan City Botanical Gardens on the 25th.



MUSIC

On April 21 and 22, the band and choir students will travel to different sites to compete in the ISSMA Organizational Contests. We wish all of our music students luck as they prepare for this prestigious competition.

We are still selling the Music Department Discount cards. For \$10 the purchaser receives unlimited discounts at the establishments listed on the card in Michigan City or LaPorte for a full year. To purchase your card, please contact Michelle Howisen at mhowisen@mcas.k12.in.us or by phone at 219-873-2044 x4401. Thank you so much for all of your support!



SCIENCE

Mrs. Glaze's and Mr. Marz's Chemistry classes were doing a Stoichiometry Lab Analysis

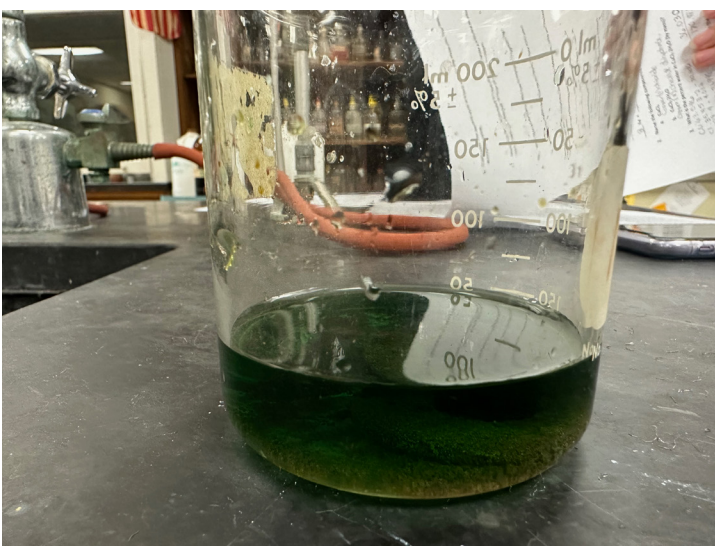
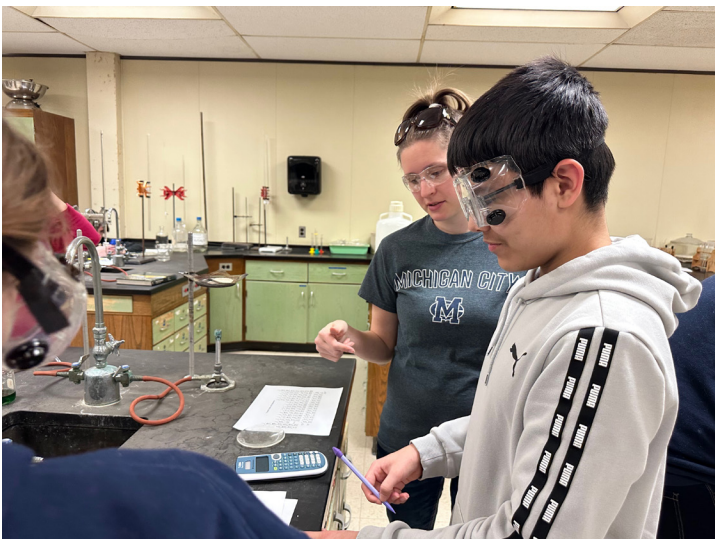
Purpose

To determine the values for the coefficients used in a balanced chemical equation.

Background

By now, you are familiar with seeing and working with balanced chemical equations. But how do you know the coefficients in these equations are correct? Do the coefficients reflect how the chemical substances actually combine? In this experiment, you will determine the values for the coefficients used in the balanced chemical equation for the reaction of iron metal with a copper (II) chloride solution, which produces copper metal and an iron compound.

You will use the fact that the coefficients of the substances in a chemical equation represent the relative number of moles of each substance involved in the reaction. You will determine the relative numbers of moles of each reactant and product in the reaction you observe. From the mole ratios, you will derive the appropriate coefficients to be used in the chemical equation. If your experiment is successful, you should be able to determine the mole ratio of the iron used to the copper produced.



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Mrs. Kessler's government classes have been learning about voting and voter behavior. They have spent time learning about civil rights and how voting rights have been expanded to include women and minority groups. Most importantly, our seniors were taught how to register to vote. We even registered a few to vote right in class so they are ready for the next municipal election in May. We used the <https://indianavoters.in.gov/> website. Anyone with a current state ID or driver's license can use it to register to vote, find their polling place, or see who will be on their ballot. The next election in Michigan City is May 2nd. Is your voter registration current?



Mikela Lovick was one of our students who registered to vote

COUNSELOR

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We are in the final stretch of the 22-23 school year! This is the time to continue staying focused and end the school year strong! We encourage parents and students to please continue checking grades and attendance in PowerSchool and if there are any concerns, please contact your teachers.

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Seniors: the FAFSA deadline is April 15th. If you need help completing it, please contact your counselor or Mr. Garrett. Contact your counselor if you have any questions regarding your current graduation status and credits. Also as a reminder, transcript requests must be submitted on the Naviance website. Please look out for your emails from Mr. Garrett with scholarship opportunities. The mandatory graduation practices are just around the corner. Emails will be sent out with the dates. Attendance is taken. Students must be present at all three practices to walk in the ceremony.

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Summer School Registration is NOW open. Registration Deadline is May 12th, 2023.

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School counselors will be mailing home summer school referral letters. Parents can sign up [HERE](#). If you have any questions, please contact your student's school counselor.

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Important April dates:

- SPRING BREAK! April 3-7
- April 12th - Makeup day for SAT
- April 24th - Quarter 4 B.A.G. reports sent via email



Tristian Sherwood (Exchange Student of the month) and Linda Meyer



Rotary Club SOM luncheon.
From left: Lexxi Orman, Club president Terry Voltz, and Alejandro Mota-Lopez.

A N I M E

On March 9th the MCHS Anime Club hosted their 3rd Annual Cosplay Contest. The students love putting on a cosplay contest for Students and Staff of MCHS. It is great to see the costumes that each person is portraying and how close it resembles their character.



B A S K E T B A L L

MCHS Wolves 84fast Senior point guard Jamie Hodges Jr. was selected by the Duneland Athletic Conference coaches as the 2023 DAC Player of the Year tonight.



JAMIE HODGES

Awards

- 2023 Duneland Athletic Conference Player of the Year
- 4 Time All Duneland Athletic Conference
- 4 Time H-A LaPorte County Player of the Year
- 2023 IBCA All State Team
- 2022 IBCA Underclassmen All State

Career Highlights

- 1,837 Points / #1 in MCHS History
- Single Game Scoring - 50 points (on 25 FG attempts)
- Single Game Assists - 14 Assists
- Single Game Steals - 8 Steals
- 4 Year Starter / MVP
- Most wins in MCHS history (64)

BOYS

VOLLEYBALL

We have a new Spring Sport in the DAC and at MCHS Boys Volleyball. Boys Volleyball is Coached by Head Coach - Ethan Warne and Assistant Coach - Amanda Gough. The schedule for the Boys Volleyball matches can be found at [Michigan City Athletics](https://michigan-city-athletics.com)



ESPORTS

On March 4 & 5 the MCHS Wolves Esports competed at the Unified Event being held at PNW. This was a great opportunity for our players to compete against collegiate Esports players in different games. The students that attended had a great time and we had two students who won monetary prizes.



Katelyn Ast tied for 7th place in the Super Smash Bros singles tournament. The image on the right shows her gamertag as well as the character she used to place 7th.



Katelyn Ast and Trevor Ackerman placed 3rd in the Super Smash Bros doubles tournament.



[MC Wolves Esports YouTube Page](#)



[MC Wolves Esports Twitter Page](#)

ESPORTS



J A P A N E S E O L Y M P I A D

Japanese Olympiad of Indiana is a day-long academic tournament for high school students of Japanese all over the state of Indiana, held once a year. This year's tournament was held Saturday March 25th at IU Bloomington, with 9 schools and almost 100 students participating, including Avon, Bloomington North, Chesterton, Fort Wayne Carroll, Highland, Wabash, City, Muncie Central and Penn.

In the competition, there are separate competitions for Level 2, 3 and 4 students, depending on how many years of Japanese the students have studied. They compete in a playoff against all other schools at the same level with only the top 3 scoring teams advancing to the final. The competition is judged by Japanese professors, all of whom are native speakers from IU, IUPUI, Ball State, Purdue, DePauw, and Earlham College. It is nerve-wracking for the students to speak in front of them!

At level 3, City was represented by Kamar Scully, Lorenzo Panozzo, and Malkiyel Woodard.

The level 4 team of Destiny Meneweather and Mia Zemrowski, who were making their rookie appearance, since COVID caused cancellation of the event their whole high school career (!!!!) scored well and made it to the playoffs. They secured 3rd place in Indiana for City, and we are proud of them!

At Level 2, the hardest level to break through since it has the biggest field, City was represented by the team of Aaverie Wingard and Natalie White, and the team of Zoe Brooks, Nathan Groszek and Vivian Taylor. All are sophomores getting their first experience in this competition, and we hope they will be back.

During the competition, competitors and spectators alike had the chance to learn about and enjoy various aspects of Japanese culture, this year notably traditional dance from Okinawa.

The Japanese Olympiad of Indiana is supported and sponsored by the Association of Indiana Teachers of Japanese (AITJ), the Consulate General of Japan of Chicago, The Japan-America Society of Indiana, and the East Asian Studies Center of IU Bloomington. All competitors were greeted at the beginning by the EASC department head, who encouraged competitors to follow their interests in Japanese language and culture, and at the end the head of Japan-America Society spoke of different career paths that students might follow that align with their interests. Throughout the day, students had the opportunity to meet with other students of Japanese from around the state, and gather information about Japanese studies at IU Bloomington, as well as several other Indiana colleges and universities.

Tsugawa Sensei is proud of all our competitors and finalists, and want to encourage all Wolves, regardless what their sport or skill, to take pride in what they do. When we work hard for our goals, we are as good as any students in the state!

Pictures from the Japanese Olympiad event are on the next page

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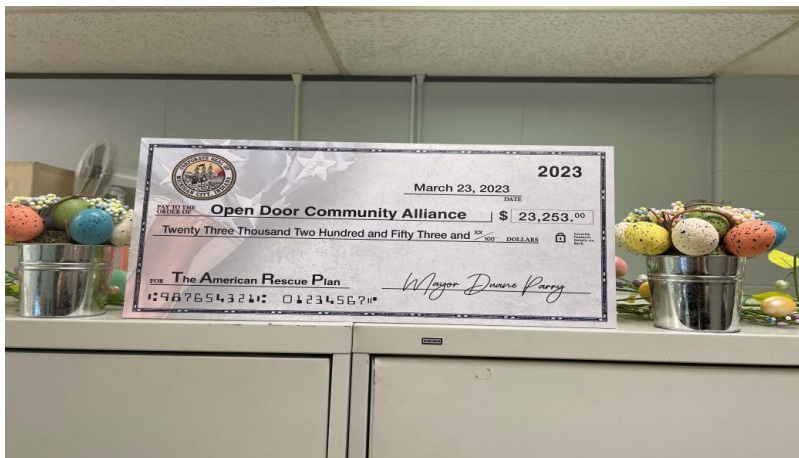


This is our teams cramming before the playoff rounds, surrounded by some of the competition.

Open Door Adolescent Health Center

City of Michigan City Allocates ARPA Funds for Nonprofits

Open Door Adolescent Health Center was the proud recipient of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant from the City of Michigan City on March 23, 2023 at the Mayor's State of the City Address – "Blueprint for a Better Michigan City". These funds were made available to local nonprofits to assist with meeting COVID-19 pandemic response needs and to build a stronger, more equitable community. Open Door Adolescent Health Center is totally grant funded school-based health center located in the Michigan City High School and currently in its 26th year of providing health and mental health services.



Thank you City of Michigan City!

Michigan City High School Drama Club

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April 30 2:00pm

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Students \$5

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