



Go Chipps!

DECEMBER 2023

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Chippewa Junior/Senior High School



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec. 18-19** - Semester Exams
- Dec. 20-Jan. 3** - Winter Break
- Jan. 15** - MLK Jr. Day | No School
- Jan. 19** - Homecoming Game
- Jan. 20** - Homecoming Dance

## Semester Exams

### HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Monday, December 18

7:18-8:18 am | Foreign Language

8:28-9:28 am | History

9:38-10:38 am | English

Tuesday, December 19

7:18-8:18 am | Science

8:28-9:58 am | Math

### JUNIOR HIGH SCHEDULE

Monday, December 18

7:50-9:28 am | ELA

9:38-10:38 am | Social Studies

Tuesday, December 19

7:18-8:18 am | Science

8:28-9:58 am | Math

See the posted schedules around the building for room assignments!



Photo from Ken Gasser

## STARK STATE COLLEGE MATH COMPETITION

Early on the first Saturday in November, students Andrew Yeager, Daniel Wilson, Abby Sines, Grace Kirkhart, and Kino Gorena met with Mr. Gasser to travel to Stark State College to participate in the 8th edition of their Mathematics Competition. Students began the day with an individual test and then were divided into teams to tackle three challenging problems. After an hour and forty-five minutes of testing, students were given a much-needed break and were introduced to fractals by Dr. Judy Holdener of Kenyon College. Following Dr. Holdener's presentation, the entire student group, along with their advisors, were challenged to create a large fractal made up of tetrahedrons made out of balloons. Working together with the very people Chippewa students were competing against was a wonderful way to end an excellent start to a weekend.

# VARSITY WINTER SPORTS



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## GUIDANCE UPDATES:

- FAFSA is opening December 31st for senior students seeking federal financial aid including grants and loans.
  - [Click Here to For Information and Support](#)
  - [Click Here to Create Your FSA ID](#)
  - [Click Here to Apply](#)
- The second semester starts the day we get back from break. Students can find their schedule on ProgressBook under the schedule tab. Please take a moment to review your schedule and email or see a School Counselor if you have any issues.
- Wayne County Schools Career Center applications went live on December 1st. The application is still open. Students are encouraged to apply, even if they are not positive, they want to go to the WCSCC. These programs are becoming more competitive each year.

## Seasonal Affective Disorder:

I miss the sun! Ohio in the winter can have daylight hours as short as 6 ½ a day. Ohio also sees the sun less than 50% of the 365 days in a year, more in the winter. In winter, shorter days leave many people with little to no sun exposure, signaling the brain to create too much of the sleep-regulating hormone melatonin. This overproduction of melatonin leads to seasonal affective disorder (SAD), a mood disorder that affects an estimated 10 to 20 percent of the population.

### How to Combat Seasonal Affective Disorder:

- Keep to a schedule and practice wellness- a routine helps your body, including regular sleep, exercise, and water intake.
- Light therapy- artificial when you need but make sure to sit in a window or outside when the sun is shining for at least 10 minutes. More if you can!
- Cultivate winter hobbies- find indoor ways to feel productive.
- Find help. See a doctor or therapist if symptoms are affecting your ability to complete daily activities.

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WINTER SPORT	CURRENT RECORD
BOYS BASKETBALL	0-4
GIRLS BASKETBALL	3-0

- Join The Lady Chipps Basketball team for their Alumni Night on Thursday, December 21st. Alumni will get in free and be recognized before tip-off of the varsity game. There will be a reception following the game in the cafeteria. Refreshments will be provided.

## BOYS WRESTLING

### Wayne Invitational Top Placers

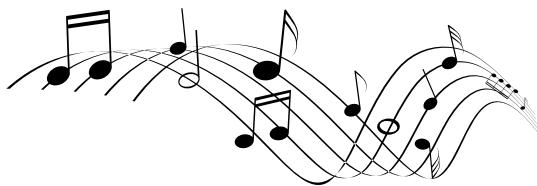
- Ben Pierce - 1st Place
- Albert Moreno- 1st Place
- Sam Petit- 3rd Place
- Neil Miller- 3rd Place

## GIRLS WRESTLING

### Ironwoman Invitational Top Placers

- Kayla Moroschan – 3rd Place
- Gabi Gartin – 6th Place

## PERFORMING ARTS:



### UPCOMING PERFORMANCES:

High School Choir Christmas Concert  
Monday, December 18 @ 7:00 pm



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# NEW BUILDING STAFF



## Jeff Ogg | Educational Aide | Freshman Basketball Coach

Mr. Ogg is a graduate of Northwest High School in Canal Fulton and holds a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Akron. Mr. Ogg worked as a research biologist at WIL/Research/Charles River Labs in Ashland and the Ohio State University ATI in Wooster before coming to Chippewa. Mr. Ogg's favorite thing about Chippewa is the students and staff. He lives in Doylestown with his wife Beth and three dogs (Leo, PK, and Rex). They also have five adult children (Nate, Natalie, Nicole, Emily, and Tyler) and eight children (Ryder, Max, Trevor, Finley, Jack, Avery, Archie and Casen) that they love spending time with.

**Favorite Candy:** Reese's Peanut Butter Cups

**Favorite Holiday Movie:** Christmas Vacation



## Nathan Reutter | Chemistry, Forensics, Environmental Science

Mr. Reutter graduated from Tolland High School in north-central Connecticut. He attended Eastern Connecticut State University and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology with minors in Chemistry and Physical Science. He also holds a Master of Arts in Biology Education from Saint Joseph College. Mr. Reutter has had multiple teaching experiences including jobs at Saint Jude's school in Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, Mount Anthony Union High School in Vermont, and Heritage Private School in Sterling, Ohio before coming to Chippewa Junior/Senior High School. He enjoys the dedication of the students and staff here at Chippewa and the fact that everyone tries hard to learn which is a refreshing experience for him. Mr. Reutter lives in Creston with his wife Miriam, their four children, and their miniature poodle Autumn.

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**Favorite Holiday Tradition:** Recounting the biblical Christmas story as a family, opening gifts, and sharing a delicious meal

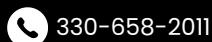
## COURSE FEATURE: KINGDOMS OF LIFE

Taught by Beth Ogg

Kingdoms of Life is a science elective that looks at the relationships of organisms based on their taxonomy. Students start with sponges (porifera) and jellyfish (cnidaria) and work their way up through chordates. At the beginning of the year, students start with a project to research individual animals and the biomes where they live. They then move to general taxonomy as to how the different kingdoms of life are organized. Students break each group of animals down by examining the different characteristics and see how animals become more complex as you move through the animal kingdom.



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