



# THE BRAVE BEAT

## AROUND THE DISTRICT

Dear Community Members,

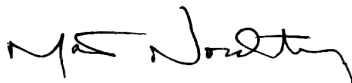
It seems like every month I begin the newsletter by talking about the weather. Hopefully, now that spring is officially here, we can finally enjoy warmer weather. I know that our local farmers would like to see a change in the weather as we approach planting season. With planting season approaching, I would like to remind everyone to please be cautious as you see more farm machinery on the road soon. Thank you for helping keep our students safe each and every day.

The Annawan Fine Arts Department is busy preparing for a fun and exciting spring! We have spring concerts and the school's play to look forward to. Also, congratulations to Olivia Goodley for competing this year at the state Poetry Out Loud Contest. She did an excellent job representing Annawan! I would also like to congratulate Tyler Croegaert for making it to state with his FFA record book. He should be proud representing the Annawan FFA Chapter so well!

I hope everyone had a great Spring Break. We are looking forward to a fun and rewarding final eight weeks of the school year. Best of luck to all of our track and field, baseball, and softball players as your seasons get in full swing. It is hard to believe that we only have two months left of this school year. I hope everyone enjoys the upcoming spring activities and has a great end to this school year.

Have an awesome April!

Sincerely,



Matt Nordstrom  
Superintendent

## PROM NEWS!

**APRIL 23, 2022**

*Prom Premiere* - 4:00 @ The Best Western

*Dinner* - students dine out on their own

*PROM* 8:00-11:00 @ The Best Western

*After-Prom* - 11:30am - 4:00am @ YMCA in Kewanee

The Best Western is located in Annawan, IL at 315 N Canal St.

Admittance into Prom will be \$5 per person.

Prom Premiere is for ALL community members to attend.

If you have questions regarding the dance, please contact [wwalker@annawan226.org](mailto:wwalker@annawan226.org).

If you have any questions regarding prom premiere or after prom, please contact [crico@plt3.org](mailto:crico@plt3.org)

## AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The Annawan High School Health Careers Club sponsored a blood drive again this year. We had good participation from students and staff. They collected 22 units and had 24 donors. We had several volunteers, Mrs. Beth Sierens, Ms. Chris Kidd, Mrs. Julie Chapman and next year's school nurse, Bree Mallery. A drawing was conducted for anyone who donated to the blood drive. The winner of the Emergency Preparedness Kit was Beth Earley. Thank you to all that participated.

Mrs. Lynn VanHyfte

## From Mrs. Heitzler's Office

### IAR Testing and Science Testing

Please mark your calendar for IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) testing scheduled for April 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade and junior high. Your son/daughter will be taking two exams each day. Make up testing will follow their scheduled testing days. Your cooperation and assistance will be appreciated for your child to be in attendance. We will serve a light snack at the beginning of each testing day, but please don't consider this their breakfast. We encourage the students to try their best and get adequate rest.

### Science Testing

The fifth and eighth grades will also be taking a standardized science test this year on April 19<sup>th</sup>. More information will be released when we receive it.

### Report Cards

Report Cards were sent home before Spring Break. Please review them with your son or daughter and congratulate them on their hard work. We are currently in the fourth quarter and this will affect their final grades.

Congratulations to our junior high students who qualified for **Honor Roll and High Honor Roll!** Also, congratulations to our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade **B.U.G. Award** winners.

### Junior High Band and Chorus

Spring Concert will take place on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Smaga and his members have been working hard to put together a great performance.

### Scholastic Bowl

Congratulations to Mrs. DeMay and the Scholastic Bowl Team on a successful season. Thank you to Mrs. Attig, Mrs. Courter, staff, and parents who assisted in any way to support this activity! They will compete in the Lincoln Trail Conference matches on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Track Season Underway

The Junior High Track Team has begun practice for the 2021 season. There are 34 members on the team who will compete at the Wethersfield track for their home meets. We are always in need of volunteers to help run a meet. If you would like to assist us, please call Mr. Reakes at 309-935-6623. Please check the schedule at <https://annawantrack.weebly.com/>.

Good luck this season to all members and coaches!

### Reading Carnival

The Reading Carnival has been scheduled to take place on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. This is a reward day to encourage students to build better reading skills and to read for pleasure. The Reading Carnivals in the past have been very successful and we look forward to another successful day. More information will be provided in the near future.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the High School gymnasium. Please add this date to your schedule and more information will be sent home soon.

### DAR Award Winners

Congratulations to Karsyn Rico and Maddux Heitzler for being awarded the DAR Award. This award is selected by their teachers and based on leadership, honor, service, courage, and patriotism. They will be honored at the Geneseo Chapter DAR Youth Awards Day event on Sunday, May 1st at the Geneseo City Park.

### Annawan Grade School 3rd Quarter BUG Winners

Annawan Kiwanis Members presented BUG (Bringing Up Grades) Awards to fourth and fifth graders March 18th at the Annawan Grade School. Students must raise a grade (example: C to a B) while maintaining the rest. Students pictured who received awards from left are fourth graders Peter Wied and Kyler Witte and fifth graders Mason Medema and Lucian Steele. Kiwanis members Albert Hulting, Tom Wells and Vernon Griffiths presented the awards. The students are taught by Lisa Spivey and Ann Heller.



**ANNAWAN HIGH SCHOOL  
2021-2022 HONOR ROLL  
3rd Quarter**

**SENIORS**

**HIGH HONORS**

Caitlyn Baele\*, Xander Bremer, JD Carpenter\*, Ally Celus\*, Riley DeMay\*, Jaysen Heitzler, Zachary Kluever, Grace Lindsey, Sam Lyon, Cassidy Miller, Leah Park\*, Sophia Roldan\*, Madison Rusk, Haily Vance

**HONORS**

Connor Bowen, Tre Jones

**JUNIORS**

**HIGH HONORS**

Matthew Eagle, Aiden Earley\*, Hannah Elam, Danielle Johnson\*, Coy McKibbon\*, Kaitlyn Smith, Payton Wallace\*, Jaydn Wise

**HONORS**

Kyler Gustafson, Corowin Nussear, Makayla Park, Kennadi Rico, Caleigh Stanley, Jacob VanDeGenachte

**SOPHOMORES**

**HIGH HONORS**

Kaylee Celus\*, Lucas Fehlberg, Olivia Goodley\*, Maya Hakes, Elaina Manuel

**HONORS**

Zoey Vance

**FRESHMEN**

**HIGH HONORS**

Ella Anderson, Katelyn Attig\*, Brody Childs, Emma Cox, Logan Davis\*, Alec Earley, Hannah Heitzler, Laylah Kraft, Ravin Morey\*, Karson Shrum\*, Paige Sierens\*, Drew Wise

**HONORS**

Kylon Borseth, Zachrey Gerber, Brady Heitzler, Dillon Ketelsen-Anton, Nathan Liddell, Clara VanOpdorp

**\*Denotes 5.0 Club**

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## Annawan Grade School 3rd Quarter Honor Roll 2021-2022 March 17, 2022

### Honor Roll

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Kiahna Camp Bennett Sierens	Myer Heitzler	Kaleb Klockenga	Elynn Manuel
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#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Owen Anderson	Dominic Carton	Ellis Kraft	
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#### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Kyla Ledet	Elise Manuel	Landen Park	Nic Thurston
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### High Honor Roll

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Konner Anderson-Wise Baylor Frankenreider Miles Wied	Pierce Childs Tessa Gripp	Lauren Davis Nathan Harker	Cole Dynes Payson Shrum
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#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Tyra Church Daniel Heston MaKenna VerKruyse	Avery Frank Jackson Nanninga Alexis Wilson	Cole Goodley Gia Samuels	Aaliyah Hayes Drew Sherbeyn
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#### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Gabriel Anderson Maddux Heitzler Aleigha Witte	Lillie Bowen Tyra Jones	Ethan DeMay Elaine Maupin	Wyatt DeSplinter Karsyn Rico
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# **AHS DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS:**



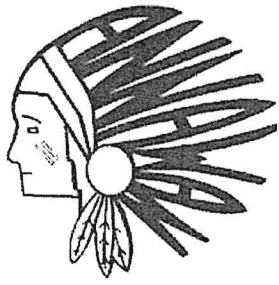
- ★ **Friday, April 8th at 7pm**
- ★ **Annawan Grade School Media Center**
- ★ **About the play:**  
When it comes to fast food, people are particular – very particular. In this quick succession of quirky customers, the Order Up! restaurant takes on everything from weird food allergies to fanatical health inspectors, from the fear of eating to someone wanting to hide in the restroom, and on and on and on. Could there be a moment of sanity for the employees who work behind this fast-food counter?
- ★ **\$5 admission at the door**



In September 2021, 28 high schools and 127 teachers began their participation in Poetry Out Loud. Statewide, 4,597 students entered the program. Seventeen of those students competed in the state contest. To repeat, the state contest included the seventeen best out of almost 4,600 students.

- ★ Congratulations to Olivia Goodley for making it to the State Competition and the top 17 Poetry Out Loud Students in Illinois!





# Free Sports Physicals

**For:** Next Year's Athletes (2022-2023) Students going into 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grades

**Students going into 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> will need to have a School Physical.**

**When:** Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
6pm-8pm

**Where:** Hammond-Henry Hospital Urgent Care Clinic  
203 W.Front St. in Annawan

Pick up forms in the Nurse's Office, complete the first 4 pages prior to going to the office.

**Return completed forms to Mrs. VanHyfte**



Annawan Unit 226 Important Dates 2022-2023

(Bold dates indicate no student attendance)

<b>Institute Day (No Student Attendance)</b>	<b>Aug 15</b>	<b>Monday</b>
Meet the Teacher and 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation 6:00-7:00	Aug 15	Monday
Freshman Orientation 7:00-8:00	Aug 15	Monday
<b>Institute Day (No Student Attendance)</b>	<b>Aug 16</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>
1st Day of Student Attendance	Aug 17	Wednesday
<i>(Teacher Inservices 1:50 Dismissal)</i>	<i>Aug 17/Aug 26</i>	<i>Wednesday-Friday)</i>
Fall Hatzer Nordstrom Sale	Aug 19-20	Friday-Saturday
School pictures 9-12 (Including senior yearbook pictures)	Aug 30	Tuesday
<b>Labor Day</b>	<b>Sept 5</b>	<b>Monday</b>
K-8 School Pictures	Sept 20	Tuesday
Homecoming v. Knoxville	Sept 30-Oct 1	Friday-Saturday
K-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences (3:45 PM- 7:15 PM)	Oct 5	Wednesday
K-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences (3:45 PM- 7:15 PM)	Oct 6	Thursday
<b>No School</b>	<b>Oct 7</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Columbus Day</b>	<b>Oct 10</b>	<b>Monday</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends	Oct 14	Friday
Picture make-up date Grades K-12	Oct 25	Tuesday
<i>(Teacher Inservice 11:35 Dismissal)</i>	<i>Oct 28</i>	<i>Friday)</i>
Grandparents' Days PreK – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Nov 3-4	Thursday-Friday
Election Day	Nov 8	Tuesday
Veterans' Day Assembly 9:00 a.m.	Nov 11	Friday
<b>Institute Day (No Student Attendance)</b>	<b>Nov 18</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<i>(Pre-break 1:50 Dismissal)</i>	<i>Nov 22</i>	<i>Tuesday)</i>
<b>Thanksgiving Break</b>	<b>Nov 23-25</b>	<b>Wednesday-Friday</b>
K-5 Christmas Program	Dec 2	Friday
High School Semester Exams	Dec 20-21	Tuesday-Wednesday
<i>(1<sup>st</sup> Semester Ends 1:50 Dismissal)</i>	<i>Dec 21</i>	<i>Wednesday)</i>
<b>Christmas Break</b>	<b>Dec 22-Jan 3</b>	<b>Thursday-Tuesday</b>
<b>M.L. King Day</b>	<b>Jan 16</b>	<b>Monday</b>
<i>(Teacher Inservice 11:35 Dismissal)</i>	<i>Jan 27</i>	<i>Friday)</i>
<b>Presidents' Day</b>	<b>Feb 20</b>	<b>Monday</b>
<i>(Teacher Inservice 11:35 Dismissal)</i>	<i>Feb 24</i>	<i>Friday)</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Ends	March 10	Friday
Spring Hatzer Nordstrom Sale	March 17-18	Friday-Saturday
<b>Spring Vacation</b>	<b>March 27-31</b>	<b>Monday-Friday</b>
<i>(Pre-break 1:50 Dismissal)</i>	<i>April 6</i>	<i>Wednesday)</i>
<b>Easter Break</b>	<b>April 7-10</b>	<b>Friday-Monday</b>
SAT, PSAT Testing 9-11	<b>April 12</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
HS Prom	April 22	Saturday
<i>(Teacher Inservice 11:35 Dismissal)</i>	<i>April 28</i>	<i>Friday)</i>
Senior Awards Night	May 3	Wednesday
Grade School Open House	May 4	Thursday
Grade School Reading Carnival	May 12	Friday
HS Graduation 2:00 p.m.	May 21	Sunday
Last Day of School (dependent on emergency days)	May 24–June 2	
<b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>May 29</b>	<b>Monday</b>
Institute Day (No Student Attendance)		(the day following last student attendance day)

**Snow Days**

If 5 emergency days are used the last day of school for students will be June 1, 2023

If 4 emergency days are used the last day of school for students will be May 31, 2023

If 3 emergency days are used the last day of school for students will be May 30, 2023

If 2 emergency days are used the last day of school for students will be May 26, 2023

If 1 emergency day is used the last day of school for students will be May 25, 2023

## Annawan Jr/Sr High School - April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1 Health Careers Field Trip 4:00 PM B V BB @ Mercer County High School 4:30 PM Cancelled B JV BB Putnam County High School	2 10:00 AM G V SB @ Putnam County High School 12:00 PM G JV SB @ Putnam County High School
3	4 IAR Testing for Grades 3, 4, 5 4:15 PM JH Scholastic Bowl (A) Alwood 4:30 PM B V BB @ Earlville High School 4:00 PM B JV BB @ Mercer County High School 4:30 PM G V SB @ Earlville High School 4:00 PM C V TR Wethersfield Junior/Senior High School	5 IAR Testing for Grades 3, 4, 5 4:30 PM B V BB United High School (Monmouth) 6:15 PM B JV BB United High School (Monmouth)	6 IAR Testing for Grades 3, 4, 5 4:30 PM B V BB Farmington High School 4:30 PM Cancelled B JV BB @ Farmington High School 4:30 PM G V SB Marquette Academy	7 4:30 PM B V BB @ Knoxville High School 4:00 PM G V SB @ CO-OP Alwood/Cambridge/Ridgewood 4:30 PM C V TR @ Princeton High School 4:00 PM C JH TR @ Wethersfield (Annawan host) 6:15 PM B JV BB @ Knoxville High School	8 6:30 PM HS PLAY	9 11:00 AM B V BB @ Stark County High School 11:00 AM G V SB @ Stark County High School 9:30 AM C V TR @ Mendota High School
10	11 JH Scholastic Bowl (A) Bureau Valley 4:30 PM B V BB Bureau Valley Jr/Sr High School 4:00 PM B JV BB @ Stark County High School 4:30 PM Cancelled B JV BB @ Bureau Valley Jr/Sr High School 4:30 PM G V SB Bureau Valley Jr/Sr High School 6:15 PM G JV SB Bureau Valley Jr/Sr High School	12 4:00 PM G V SB CO-OP ROWVA/Williamsfield 4:00 PM C V TR @ Bureau Valley Jr/Sr High School 4:30 PM C V TR @ Princeton High School 6:15 PM G JV SB CO-OP ROWVA/Williamsfield	13 SAT/PSAT 4:30 PM B V BB @ Morrison High School 4:30 PM G V SB @ Morrison High School 6:15 PM B JV BB @ Morrison High School	14 4:15 PM C V TR @ Riverdale School District 4:00 PM C JH TR @ Wethersfield Invite	15 NO SCHOOL 4:00 PM B V BB @ West Central CUSD 235	16 11:00 AM B V BB Princeville High School 11:00 AM G V SB @ West Central CUSD 235
17	18 NO SCHOOL 4:00 PM Cancelled B JV BB Princeville High School 4:30 PM G JV SB @ Geneseo High School 4:00 PM C V TR @ Bushnell-Prairie City HS 7:00 PM B V BB @ Delavan High School	19 State Science Test Grades 5,8 HS Spring Concert 4:30 PM G V SB United High School (Monmouth) 6:15 PM Cancelled G JV SB United High School (Monmouth)	20 School Board Meeting 6:00 PM JH LTC Band Festival 4:30 PM B V BB Brimfield High School 4:30 PM B JV BB Brimfield High School 4:30 PM G V SB Brimfield High School 4:30 PM G JV SB Brimfield High School 4:00 PM C V TR Wethersfield Junior/Senior High School	21 4:30 PM G V SB @ United High School (Monmouth) 4:00 PM C JH TR @ Wethersfield Junior/Senior High School 6:15 PM Cancelled G JV SB @ United High School (Monmouth)	22 Mid-Term 4th Quarter 4:30 PM B V BB @ Orion High School 4:30 PM B JV BB Orion High School 4:00 PM C V TR @ CO-OP Erie/Prophetstown	23 PROM 9:00 AM B V BB CO-OP Alwood/Cambridge/Ridgewood
24	25 4:00 PM B JV BB CO-OP Alwood/Cambridge/Ridgewood 4:30 PM G JV SB @ Mercer County High School 4:15 PM C V TR @ Elmwood High School	26 4:30 PM B V BB Abingdon-Avon High School 4:30 PM G V SB Abingdon-Avon High School 5:30 PM C V TR @ OPEN 6:15 PM B JV BB Abingdon-Avon High School 6:15 PM G JV SB Abingdon-Avon High School	27 NHS Induction 7:00pm	28 3:30 PM C JH TR @ Galva Jr/Sr High School 4:30 PM B V BB @ Abingdon-Avon High School 4:30 PM G V SB @ Abingdon-Avon High School 6:15 PM B JV BB @ Abingdon-Avon High School 6:15 PM G JV SB @ Abingdon-Avon High School	29 Dismissal 11:35 AM 4:30 PM G V SB Sherrard Jr/Sr High School 4:30 PM G JV SB Sherrard Jr/Sr High School 4:00 PM C V TR Wethersfield Junior/Senior High School	30 11:00 AM B V BB @ Galva Jr/Sr High School 11:00 AM G V SB Knoxville High School



# Annawan Unit 226

## - April 2022 -

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				<b>1</b> Cheese Quesadilla Spanish Rice Applesauce Milk Choice
<b>4</b> Chicken Strips Mac & Cheese Peaches Milk Choice	<b>5</b> Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Pears Milk Choice	<b>6</b> B.B.Q. Pork Sandwich Potato Chips Applesauce Milk Choice	<b>7</b> Hamburger or Cheese Burger on Bun Oven Fries Apple Milk Choice	<b>8</b> Twisted Cheddar Cheese Stick Tomato Soup Orange Slices Milk Choice
<b>11</b> Chicken Nuggets Oven Fries Mixed Fruit Milk Choice	<b>12</b> Corn Dog Baked Beans Cinnamon Roll Strawberries Milk Choice	<b>13</b> Tenderloin on Bun Mixed Vegetables Peaches Milk Choice	<b>14</b> Grilled Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Potato Chips Pears Milk Choice	<b>15</b> No School
<b>18</b> No School	<b>19</b> Chicken Pot Pie Corn Applesauce Milk Choice	<b>20</b> Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Peaches Milk Choice	<b>21</b> Bosco Cheese Stick W /Dipping Sauce Green Beans Orange Slices Milk Choice	<b>22</b> Tony's Cheese Pizza Romaine Lettuce Salad Pears Milk Choice
<b>25</b> B.B.Q. Rib Sandwich on a Bun Green Beans Peaches Milk Choice	<b>26</b> Crispy Chicken Patty on Bun Oven Fries Mixed Fruit Milk Choice	<b>27</b> Sloppy Joe on Bun Corn Apple Crisp Milk Choice	<b>28</b> Pizza Hut Sausage Pizza Romaine Lettuce Salad Pears Milk Choice	<b>29</b> Early Out No Lunch

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE