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# Coleman Schools

## COMET NEWS

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### **From the Desk of the Superintendent**

**Jennifer McCormack, Superintendent**  
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As the school year winds to a close, I want to say thank you to all parents/guardians and community members who have supported Coleman Community Schools and its students and staff in any way this year. The success of the District is only possible through the hard work of our staff and your support. It does not go unnoticed.

Exciting CTE Update: Our Culinary and Agriscience Career-Technical Education programs will be welcoming in at least 22 and 23 students, respectively, from other Midland County Schools this fall, in addition to all of the Coleman students who will be attending.

Congratulations to our 2023 Graduating Seniors and their families! We are tremendously proud of each of you and the goals you've set for yourselves in your choices of career, military, trades, college, and so much more. These kids are strong representatives of Comet alumni. We were also honored to have so many of our 1973 50-year Coleman Graduates in attendance at Graduation this year. 1974 graduates - we're excited to see you next year!

Shout-out to our new retirees: teachers Mrs. Margie Hintz and Mrs. Rachel Brownlee. We are fortunate to have had such dedicated people to work with and they will be greatly missed.

The first day of the 2023-2024 school year will be Tuesday, August 22nd. Open Houses will be on Monday, August 21st at the Elementary from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and the Jr/Sr High from 6-7:00 p.m. Keep an eye out for updates on our Facebook page, site, and email!

Thank you for completing surveys for our buildings recently. The building and district school improvement teams are analyzing the data and comments in order to best prepare and meet our community's needs in the fall.



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The recent bond proposal was shy of just 70 votes to pass in May 2023. At its most recent meeting, the Board of Education discussed their thoughts moving forward and what can and should be done in order to best support students and staff with these crucial needs at the Jr/Sr High School, and we will continue to draft our Facilities Plan. Further discussion will take place at the June Board Meeting. Thank you to those who provided support in getting information to the community about the proposal and those who went out and voted.

As always, if you have any questions, about these items or others, please do not hesitate to call or email me. Have a wonderful summer! #CometPride #GoComets



*Comets Do Cool Stuff!*



Pictured: Drama Club's performance of "Cinderella," Drive Your Tractor to School Day, and 9th Grade Health class learning CPR

..... **6th Graders LOVE Mystic Lake!** .....



Tradition is so important to the people of Coleman, making the 6th grade "Mystic Lake" trip one that students and adults alike look forward to every year. The classrooms were buzzing with excitement and anticipation of what this year's trip would bring; even Mrs. Klopff and Mrs. Lynch couldn't wait to get to the camp! They ended up having a fantastic time and made several very special memories that they'll cherish forever. Many of the parent chaperones that

went were Coleman Alumni and were happy to share this experience with their own children. This adventure brought this class closer together than ever before. We would like to thank the CES PTO and the Administration team for allowing us to continue this tradition. It takes a lot of organizing and planning to pull this off, so we thank those that put in the work so we could have an amazing time. We would also like to thank the Mystic Lake YMCA Staff; they made our time there worthwhile and memorable.

• • • • **Happy Retirement, Mrs. Hintz and Mrs. Brownlee!** • • • •



After over 23 years at Coleman Elementary, Mrs. Margie Hintz retired at the end of this school year. She first joined us as a student teacher in 1996, and has taught in most grades in the elementary school, as well as a high school science class. She also taught Technology, Math/Reading interventions, and was an instructional coach. She says, **“I will miss the wonderful staff and children of Coleman! I have built some strong friendships.”** A favorite school memory of hers was when a 2nd grader commented on her LulaRoe leggings, saying “Mrs. Hintz, your pants look like a TV that’s malfunctioning!” Mrs. Hintz plans to do some work as a health coach, and is looking forward to her mission trip to Costa Rica coming up in February.



Mrs. Rachel Brownlee has been part of the district for most of her life! She’s a Coleman alum, completed her college observation hours here, subbed for years while raising her kids, then was hired with her own classroom in 2013. Since then, she’s taught classes in Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 3rd grade. **“I’ve loved having an important role in our community. I did my best to care for the children in my room and get to know their families. I’ve gained many friends over the years - staff, parents, and students!”** She plans to work with her husband, Matt, at Metal Arts Construction doing office administrative tasks in a quiet office. Quite a change of pace!

**Good luck to the both of you, and THANK YOU for your service! You will be missed!**



We continue to be productive both in and out of the classroom at the Jr/Sr High. This spring, students analyzed, inquired, made connections, and learned cooperatively in the classroom. They also were assessed with the state requirements of PSAT, SAT, and M-Step, along with our own NWEA and AIMS Web assessments to be sure they are learning and retaining what our teachers are providing for them each day. In addition, our science and STEAM classes enhanced their education by visiting the Chippewa

***From the Desk of Mrs. Hess***

**Jennifer Hess, Jr/Sr High Principal  
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Nature Center and Stageright. Also, the students had educational experiences with the Reality Store, Career Pathways Adventure, and Career Search events. We continue to weave Leader in Me habits into the school to build more well-rounded leadership skills into our students for their future as well. This summer, we are offering credit recovery opportunities for high school students. We are also offering intentional intervention for some of our middle school students by partnering with the Ignite program through Sparks.

Our Agriscience students attended the state convention in March and brought home a wealth of awards representing the hard work they have put in this year. These students also hosted our “Drive Your Tractor to School Day”. This event allowed them to display a variety of farm equipment and educate our elementary students about all things AG-related. Finally, our AG students hosted their annual plant sale to provide the community with some beautiful flowers and plants, as well as raise some money for the program.

Our Culinary students served the staff and students a delicious breakfast a couple of times this semester. They also visited a commercial kitchen in Frankenmuth to get a flavor of how things run in a true restaurant.

Our music students were able to showcase their talents in their spring concerts. They also were involved with the MSAC traveling talent show and honors band. They continue to represent Coleman with excellence! In addition, our drama club put on two spectacular performances of “Cinderella.” Our art students also completed some beautiful drawings for the “Memory Project,” which you can learn more about on our Facebook page.

We have had some other great events going on this spring. Prom was a great success: wonderful venue, well-behaved students, good food and music, deserving king and queen: Bryce Aultman and Brooklynn Lattimer. We celebrated our seniors with TurnAround Awards, MSAC Academic Athletic Awards, Kiwanis Awards, Honors Night, and Graduation. All of our graduates are entering the workforce, attending a trades school, or moving on to college in the fall. We are so very proud of the class of 2023!!

Thank you for all of your support this past school year as we have worked hard to provide a quality educational experience for our students. We continue to create tomorrow’s leaders through academics, arts, athletics, and agriculture. - Jennifer Hess, Principal

## School-Based Health Clinic

Big announcement! Coming this fall, Coleman Schools will partner with Mid Michigan Health to open a School-Based Health Clinic in the Elementary School building! It will be accessible to all K-12 students and some adults. The clinic and staffing are all fully-funded through the state grant sought earlier this year. Stay tuned for more information on this upcoming “doctor’s office” right here on campus!



## Turn-Around Award Winners!

Congrats to seniors Isaiah Biers and Abby Yancer for earning the Turn-Around Awards this year! This program honors two students from each area high school. Teachers nominate the students who have demonstrated the best overall effort, perseverance and commitment in making a positive change in their personal and/or school life. We are so proud of you both!



## Schools of Choice Applications

Under the Schools of Choice legislation (Section 105 and Section 105(c) of the School Aid Act), kindergarten through twelfth grade students residing within Midland County Education Service Agency (MCESA) and contiguous intermediate school districts, may apply to Coleman Community Schools for enrollment for the first semester of the 2023-2024 school year. Application may be made for all grades (K-12) with unlimited openings. Transportation for these students is the responsibility of the parents or guardians. Application must be made to the school district no later than the end of the first week of school. We would love to welcome you!

## From the Desk of Nurse Weber

**Korin Weber, School Nurse**  
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With summer break just around the corner, we are gearing up for lots of outdoor summer fun. Here are a few tips to help keep your child safe and healthy during summer break.

- 1. Promote water safety:** Never leave children unattended in the pool; have them wear properly-fitted life vests when participating in water activities.
- 2. Protect against the heat and sun:** Always wear sunscreen and/or hats when outside in the sun, and never leave children unattended in the car even if the window is cracked; cars heat up very quickly!
- 3. Stay hydrated:** Drink plenty of water. Beverages containing sugar (like pop and juice) can cause dehydration, but a frozen water bottle can provide cold refreshment for hours.
- 4. Stay cool:** Take cool showers, wear light clothing, relax in an air conditioned space, and drink cold beverages. Heat stroke is serious and can be life threatening. If you suspect that someone may be suffering from heat stroke, call 911.
- 5. Protect against bug bites:** Use an effective insect repellent when going outside and remove any objects with standing water from around your home.
- 6. Protect against injuries:** Protect against concussions and head injuries by making sure your child wears a helmet when riding their bikes, scooters, skateboards and roller skates. Make sure your child is monitored at all times when riding in places where there is traffic.
- 7. Educate about stranger danger:** Remind your child to never talk to or go with anyone (male, female, or child) that they do not know.
- 8. Protect against animal bites:** Remind your child to never touch or pet an animal that they do not know.
- 9. Notify caretakers about allergies:** Warmer weather means more insects and fun treats. Remember to remind caretakers about any allergies that your child may have and provide all necessary medications.
- 10. Prepare for next school year:** Summer doctor and dentist appointments can fill up quickly. If your child will need a physical examination or medical paperwork completed for the 2023-2024 school year, schedule appointments now to avoid the end-of-summer rush.



I hope you all have a fun and SAFE summer and I look forward to seeing you next school year!

## Job Opportunities

We're looking for both subs and permanent employees! Visit our website to apply. Listed below are our current open positions:

- **Para-Professional**
- **JV Football Assistant Coach**
- **Varsity Boys Bowling Coach**
- **Afternoon Custodian**
- **Asst. Volleyball Coach**
- **Elementary Teacher**
- **LEGO League advisor**
- **Substitute Teachers/Paras (WillSub)**
- **Kitchen Staff (Chartwells)**
- **Bus Driver/Aides (Auxilio)**

Haven't done the job before but think you might be great at it? A little nervous about learning something new? **We are willing to train those with the right qualifications!**

*"Coleman Schools is like a family! The staff is always willing to help, regardless of the dilemma. There's always someone to talk to. It feels like home." - Alison Young, K-4 Resource Room Teacher*

## National Elementary Honor Society

Coleman Elementary's chapter of the National Elementary Honor Society has had a great year. At the beginning of the school year, our members immediately got busy planning the Week of Kindness for November. The group went to Bullock Creek High School to listen to speakers about the many different ways to show kindness and compassion to others and made plans to share that knowledge with their school. The students planned a poster contest to see which classroom came up with the best way to show kindness to others. Mrs. Staley's kindergarten class won and earned an ice cream sandwich party. Each student received a friendship bracelet, had a snack of cider and doughnuts, and received positive messages written by the NEHS members.



NEHS has held a pajama drive at Christmas for multiple years. This year, along with SPARKS and Student Council, we helped collect many pairs of pajamas, socks, and winter hats. Everything collected was donated to the Clothing Center. The group has also made and helped distribute the luminaries that are placed along the Christmas parade route for multiple years along with Student Council members. There were over 200 luminaries placed along the route this year. At the end of Semester 1, twenty-one 4th, 5th, and 6th graders were nominated by their teachers to become NEHS members. The induction ceremony was postponed twice due to inclement weather, but the third time was the charm. NEHS grew from nine members to thirty, which was exciting for the group. Members also did a playground clean up when the weather got nicer at the end of March. To celebrate their hard work this school year, NEHS and Student Council members went to Dow Diamond to see the Great Lakes Loons play the West Michigan Whitecaps on May 16. They were great representatives of CES!



Give Local Midland was our biggest one yet! We had a goal of \$2,500 and ended up raising \$2,909 overall! We're sending out a huge THANK YOU to everyone who helped by sharing posts or donating during the event - you're awesome! If you missed out on the donation event this year, no worries! You can donate to our Endowment Fund anytime to help fund staff needs

for student programs, electives, and extra-curricular activities, or to put towards future projects. Visit [https://www.midlandfoundation.org/fund/coleman\\_schools\\_endowment/](https://www.midlandfoundation.org/fund/coleman_schools_endowment/) to make a donation.



**The Disney-themed spring band concert was a great success!**

## From the Desk of Mrs. Araway

Cindy Araway, Elementary Principal  
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It's been a great year! Thank you to our families and the community of Coleman for supporting us throughout the 2022-2023 school year. It's been said that "it takes a village to raise a child." Thank you for being valuable, active members of our village!

The elementary school will continue to be a busy, bustling place throughout the summer months. Our custodial and maintenance staff will be completing their regular, deep cleaning and refresh of the building, but we'll also be adding a brand new space. Watch for further information about the School Based Health Clinic that will be opening within the elementary school! (We are ecstatic to be announcing that we will be offering this service to our families!)

CES will be hosting the Summer SPARKS program at the elementary school from June 12 – July 20. At SPARKS, students will continue to sharpen their math and reading skills, while they also experience fun field trips and other engaging summer activities. Watch our district Facebook page and website to learn about the fun that students are experiencing while at summer SPARKS.

This year, CES is celebrating the retirement of two of our veteran faculty members: Mrs. Margie Hintz and Mrs. Rachel Brownlee. Mrs. Hintz is retiring after 23 years of service to the district. Mrs. Hintz's retirement plans include becoming a Health Coach and spending time with family. Mrs. Brownlee is retiring her position at CES after 10 years of service as a classroom teacher at a variety of grade levels. Mrs. Brownlee will be transitioning her people skills to a new industry. She will immediately begin working alongside other members of the Brownlee family at Metal Arts Construction. Both of these skilled instructors have played an important role in the support and success of many students and families over the years. Mrs. Hintz and Mrs. Brownlee – Thank you for your service to Coleman Elementary School. You'll be missed! Have a great summer, everyone! - Mrs. Araway



*Welcome Class of 2036!*



**Do you know a 5 year-old child living near Coleman? Registration for Kindergarten is open!**

All children who will be five (5) years old before December 1st, 2023 are eligible to begin Kindergarten or Developmental Kindergarten for 2023-2024!

Registering now means that you, your child, and Kindergarten teachers can begin preparing for the first day of Kindergarten on August 22, 2023. Don't delay! It's easy to enroll; call or stop by the Elementary School office or Board Office today. We are standing by, waiting to assist you with the registration process. Bring your child's birth certificate, two proofs of residency (utility bill, driver's license, etc.), immunization records, and hearing/vision screening to Coleman Elementary School at 1010 E Washington St. in Coleman, or call us for more information at 989-465-6179. During July, you can submit your paperwork to the Board Office at 4823 N. Coleman Schools Dr., or call us at (989) 465-6060. You may also visit the Enrollment page on our website for registration forms and more information about the district at [colemanschools.net/o/coleman-cs/page/enrollment](https://colemanschools.net/o/coleman-cs/page/enrollment).

**We are looking forward to meeting our newest group of Comets!**

**FREE Summer Meals!**

Stop by the school Mondays through Thursdays from June 12th to July 20th to have free summer meals for kids and teens 18 and under! No registration or application required.

## 2023 Board Scholars!



Kendall Allen (7), Jayson Brooks (7), Lilliana Colmus (10), Regan Dashner (7), Imani Davis (8), Aubrie Ellison (7), Jesus Garcia (12), Kenley Guza (7), Nevaeh Horton (7), Elizabeth Kelsey (12), Afton Kirklin (7), Parker Klopff (7), Isabelle Lewis (7), Raegen McCoy (7), Peyton Russell (7), Klaira Sysak (7), Lux Tidwell (7), Gavin Waterman (7), Megan Wilson (7), Brayden Wright (7)



Bryce Aultman (12), Kendon Bock (8), Sydney Bovee (8), Delilah Cameron (8), Toni-Lynn Domako (10), Bailey Gates (8), Asher Hess (8), Eliza Lewis (9), Jaxon Lewis (8), Hannah Karl (11), Jasmine Kilonsky (10), Donovan Potter (8), Danica Sabat (8), Makayla Stillwell (8), Joseph VanSickle (8), Cael Waterman (8)



Jaydia Altenburg (9), Aden Aultman (9), Maggie Clarke (9), Ava Gross (11), Brooklynn Lattimer (12), Emma Ranck (9), Lilian Rice (9), Jayden Schaefer (11), Katelin Wilson (9)



Alivia Brooks (10), Jared DeVrieze (10), Autumn Hess (11), Carley-Belle LaVier (11), Kapre Lynch (10), Zachary MacPhee (10), Trenton Risdon (12), Autumn Sapp (10), Emily VanSickle (10), Alexis Wright (10)



Kierra Allen (11), Madeline Dolan (11), Alexis Germain (11), Gabrielle Kroll (11), Vance Sysak (11), Mason Tucker (11)



Kaylee Aultman (12), Savannah Doke (12), Hunter Harsh (12), Ian Johnson (12), Paige Lynch (12), Bergen Mowry (12), Ty Murray (12), Amber Nehrig (12), Jade Rinas (12), Brayden Servis (12)



## 2023 Board Scholars Donors

2023 was our 40th year honoring Board Scholars! This year's Board Scholar Award Night was on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 in the Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium. There were 71 students (7th-12th grade) who qualified to receive awards totaling \$7410. Scholars received monetary awards generously donated from 44 local businesses and private donors. The Coleman Board of Education would like to again thank all those who gave donations, honoring students who have excelled in their citizenship and academic achievements. We look forward to acknowledging those students who strive for excellence again next year.

Keith & Diane Hubble *in memory of Terri Ehrlich*  
Jerry & Maxine Bazsany Family *in memory of Jerry & Maxine Bazsany*  
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Virginia M. Murray *in memory of Grandpa Bud Murray*  
Patrick & Cherry Burke  
Dan Leppanen *in memory of Pete & Betty Porte, & Rita Porte Leppanen*  
Keith Cozat Construction *in memory of Wade Sheets*  
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Coleman Community of Christ  
Ken Jones *in memory of Paulette Jones & Mike MacPhee*  
Barbara & Wayne Holsinger *in memory of Mary Faber*  
Eric Flegel *in memory of Vernon & Gertrude Flegel*  
Dolores Porte *in memory of Rita Porte Leppanen, Clark & Marion Dennis, Betty & Pete Porte, &*

*Damien (Porte) MacCord*  
George Misner *in memory of Lynne Misner*  
Mary Pitchford  
Terry & Joan Cashin  
Coleman Senior Center  
Bonnie Ranck *in memory of Maurice Ranck & Randy Ranck*  
Kelly & Keena Cotton *in memory of Karla Murray & Neil Johnson*  
Donna & Kelly Babcock *in memory of Pete & Betty Porte & Clark & Marion Dennis*  
Kathleen A. Cozat *in memory of Melvin J. Cozat*  
Huhtamaki  
Kathi Kaniszewski *in honor of Cindy Araway*  
Coleman Lions Club  
Coleman Business Association  
Robert & Cynthia Araway  
Sue Klouse *in memory of Terry Klouse*  
Norma Brooks *in memory of Terry Klouse*  
Elaine Cook *in memory of Mary Faber*  
Gordon & Bonnie Berthume  
Morag LeFevre *in memory of Lance LeFevre*  
Coleman Athletic Boosters, Mary Pitchford, Nancy Macklem, Cindy Hubble, Morag LeFevre, Michelle Griswold, Robert & Sara Higbee, and Wally & Janie Acker, *all in memory of Sue Thering.*

To learn more about the program or to donate, visit our webpage here:  
[colemanschools.net/o/jr-sr-high-school/page/board-scholars-eligibility](https://colemanschools.net/o/jr-sr-high-school/page/board-scholars-eligibility)

## Family Center Upcoming Programs & Events

**MOTHER-SON DANCE** (\$15/pair; \$5/extra child) June 16th; 6:30 - 8:30 pm

**MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION** **Date:** June 26th, 10 am - 12 pm

**SUMMER DINNER** **Date:** July 18th

**SCIENCE CLINIC** **Ages:** 6 - 11 **Date:** June 26th - 29th, 5 - 7 pm **Cost:** \$50

**TUMBLING** **Ages:** 6 - 13 **Date:** July 10th - 13th, 5 - 7 pm **Cost:** \$45

**ALL SPORTS** **Ages:** 5 - 12 **Date:** July 24th - 27th, 5 - 7 pm **Cost:** \$45

**OUTDOOR YOGA** **Ages:** Adults **Date:** Tuesdays, July 24th - Aug 29th, 6 - 7 pm **Cost:** \$45/6 wks, \$8 Drop-In

**YEAR-ROUND ON-SITE RESOURCES:** Coleman Community Market (Tue-Thu 12-6pm), Food Pantry (call ahead), Diaper Pantry, and Clothing Center

To register for any of these programs or events,  
please call (989) 465 - 2079 or email [rdeshone@greatermidland.org](mailto:rdeshone@greatermidland.org)

## Honors Night and Graduation



**Valedictorian**  
Ty Murray



**Salutatorian**  
Brayden Servis

On Wednesday, May 17th, 2023, CHS honored the Class of 2023 for both academic and athletic excellence during our annual Honors Night ceremony. All seniors dressed in their graduation gowns and received a Comet medallion from principal Jennifer Hess as their accomplishments and future plans were read aloud by guidance counselor Emily Willoughby. NHS advisor Nancy Robison presented each NHS member with their graduation stoles.

Over 50 awards and scholarships were presented on Honors Night. We thank the many wonderful people who attended to present these awards and also thank the families and organizations who generously offered these opportunities for our students.

**Outstanding Underclassperson:** Vance Sysak  
**Outstanding Female Athlete:** Kaylee Aultman  
**John Philip Sousa Award:** Paige Lynch

**Outstanding Senior:** Ty Murray  
**Outstanding Male Athlete:** Isaiah Biers  
**Senior Scholar Athletes:** Brooklynn Lattimer/Ty Murray

On Sunday, May 21st, 2023, seniors returned to CHS for the 2023 Graduation ceremony. Senior Paige Lynch delivered the initial welcome and introduction speech, followed by speeches from the Keynote Speaker Mr. Alex Fox, Valedictorian Ty Murray, and Salutatorian Brayden Servis. Senior band members joined Mr. Burkhart and the band for one final performance of their favorite and most memorable tune, *Carribbean Crustacean*.

We also had the opportunity to honor graduates from 1973 for reaching the special milestone of having graduated from Coleman fifty years ago! Each 50-year grad received a special diploma in recognition of their ever-present Comet Pride. Thank you all for coming!

Thank you to all who attended Honors Night and Graduation in support of our graduating class, and congratulations and best wishes to our newest Comet alumni!

## Want to help with the Open House?

The Elementary and Jr/Sr High are hosting their open houses on Aug 21st - if you or a group you know of would be willing to donate and cook food for the event, or if you have a business or organization that would be of interest to parents/students and you want to set up a table, let us know! Contact Natalie Rogers at [nrogers@colemanschools.net](mailto:nrogers@colemanschools.net) for more information.

*Did You Know . . . ?*

. . . in our Spring 2023 surveys, 83.6% of Jr/Sr High students and 96.7% of Elementary students felt that there was at least one staff member in their building that they can trust? 85% of Jr/Sr High parents and 89.5% of Elementary students feel the same! Research suggests that students who connect with at least one trusted adult in school are more resilient and have a stronger sense of well-being. It may also increase student engagement in school and their academic success. We are proud to have staff who provide these connections to our students!

## From the Desk of the Athletic Director

**Christian Maloney, Athletic Director**  
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Hello Comet Nation! As we come to a close on another

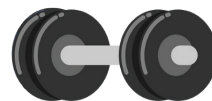


school year, there are many Comet accomplishments that I want to share. In our winter season, Coach Katzinger had another successful **Girls Basketball** season. They made it to the district semifinal and had several athletes named to the all-conference MSAC team. Maddy Miller was named to the all-conference 1st team, and Nevaeh Chaffee and Amber Nehrig were named to the all-conference honorable mention team. **Boys Basketball** had several Comets earn honors, as well! Jared DeVrieze was named to the MSAC all-conference 2nd team, and Trenton Risdon and Logan Dudley were named to the honorable mention all-conference team. Coach Amy Klopf led our **Competitive Cheerleaders** through another great season. Mallory Croslin was named to the MSAC all-conference 1st team, Kierra Allen was named to the all-conference 2nd team, and Maddi Dolan and Autumn Sapp were both named to the honorable mention all-conference team. **Comet Bowling** had another great year and also made history: Dawson Haller bowled in the state finals! He qualified in the boys singles category and competed in the MHSAA state finals in Battle Creek. Our boys and girls bowling teams gave great efforts at regionals. Congratulations on another amazing season! The **Powerlifting** team led by coach Donnie Thomas did well at the JV State Meet, with Kapre Lynch finishing 9th and Logan Dudley finishing 18th. They both PR'd in all three of their lifts (squat, bench press and deadlift) as well as their combined totals. Amazing job!

Shout-out and special thanks to our winter coaches: Nick Katzinger (Varsity Girls Basketball Coach), Chad Klopf (Varsity Girls Asst. Coach), Laken Berthume (JV Girls Basketball Coach), Neil Berthume (JV Girls Basketball Asst. Coach), Dirk Smith (JV Boys Basketball Coach), Rob Glazier & Kyle DeVrieze (Volunteer JV Boys Basketball Asst. Coaches), Steve Fox (7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach), Carson Iserhoth (8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach), Donnie Thomas (Powerlifting Coach), Bill Francis (Varsity Girls Bowling Coach), Scott Hayes (Varsity Boys Bowling Coach), Amy Klopf (Varsity Comp. Cheer Coach), Katie Yancer (Varsity Comp. Cheer Asst. Coach), and Summer Yancer (JH Comp. Cheer Coach).

In our spring athletic season, our Comets continue to work hard and have fun! David Gnegy as our **Varsity Baseball** Coach has done a great job all season and we are incredibly proud of all the progress our boys have made. He is assisted this season by Tyler Germain and Jason Murray. Chad Klopf returns as **Varsity Softball** Coach, assisted by Nick Katzinger, Kim Cozat, and Eldon Gross. Our softball girls have had a terrific season! Finishing 2nd in the MSAC regular season and wrapping up the season strong before the postseason. They also defeated Farwell in districts on June 2nd! Our **Boys and Girls Track & Field** teams have excelled under the direction from our stellar coaches Jesse Kalitta (Varsity Boys Track Coach), Donnie Thomas (Varsity Girls Track Coach), Jessica Araway (Varsity Boys and Girls Asst. Coach) and Logan Kleinhardt (Volunteer Asst. Coach). Our track teams had several Comets compete at the MHSAA State finals on June 3rd in Hudsonville. Isaiah Biers placed 6th in Pole Vault, Nevaeh Chaffee placed 19th in the 100M prelims, Kaylee Aultman placed 25th in the 1600M, 4x100 relay team of Maddy Miller, Amber Nehrig, Ava Gross, and Nevaeh Chaffee placed 5th, and Maddy Miller placed 17th in Pole Vault and 23rd in Long Jump.

Parents, please be aware of our Meet the Comets night on July 31st. **All parents and students interested in fall athletics 7th-12th grade are required to attend this meeting in order to meet their coaches and go over expectations for the year.** Thank you for all of your continued support of Comet Athletics this year. With your help we are making better student-athletes and more importantly, better people! GO COMETS!! - Christian Maloney, Athletic Director



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## Upcoming Board Meeting Dates

**June 19th\***  
**July 17th\*\***  
**August TBD\*\***  
**September 18th**  
**October 16th**  
**November 20th**  
**December 18th**

Most meetings will take place in the **Jr/Sr High Auditorium at 6:30 pm.**  
\*The June Budget Hearing meeting begins at 6:00 pm.  
\*\*July and August meetings are held in the Board Office

*All Board Meetings are accessible to the public. Agendas and minutes are always viewable on the Board of Education page on the school website.*

## ADMINISTRATION OFFICE 4823 N. Coleman Schools Dr.

**Summer Hours:** M-Th 8 - 4      **Phone:** (989) 465-6060 / (989) 465-1891 / **Fax:** (989) 465-9853  
**Superintendent/Special Education Supervisor:** Jennifer McCormack ..... x2104  
**Board/Superintendent Administrative Assistant:** Kerry Berthume ..... x2108  
**Business Manager:** Sara Hegel ..... x2102  
**Payroll/Benefits Specialist:** Lorrie Nilsson ..... x2101  
**Community Relations Specialist/Accounts Payable:** Natalie Rogers ..... x2105  
**Athletic Director:** Christian Maloney ..... x2452

## AGRISCIENCE BUILDING 4858 N. Coleman Schools Dr.

**Instructors:** Eric Fischer & Marie Zwemmer ..... (989) 465-1891 x2700

## CULINARY BUILDING 320 E. Railway St.

**Instructor:** Chef Matthew Fitchett ..... (989) 442-4116

## BUS GARAGE 5200 W. Comet Ln. Phone: (989) 465-6811; Fax: (989) 465-6859

**Transportation Supervisor:** Michael Cowell ..... x2502  
**Maintenance/Custodial Supervisor:** Wade O'Dell ..... x2500

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 1010 E. Washington St.

**Summer Hours:** Closed in July / Reopen Aug 1st 7:30 am - 4 pm  
**Phone:** (989) 465-6179 / **Fax:** (989) 465-9854 / **Special Education Fax:** (989) 465-9861  
**Principal:** Cindy Araway ..... x2252  
**Head Secretary:** Linda Lovejoy ..... x2200  
**Special Education Secretary:** Breanna Bressette ..... x2256

## JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL 4951 N. Lewis Rd.

**Summer Hours: June 29th - July 7th:** Closed / **July 10th - 26th:** Mon & Wed Only 8:30 - 4 **July 31st - Aug 11th:** M-F 9 - 3:30 / **Aug 14th** Resume regular hours 8 - 4  
**Sr High Phone:** (989) 465-6171 / **Jr High Phone:** (989) 465-6177 / **Fax:** (989) 465-9222  
**Principal:** Jennifer Hess ..... x2451  
**Head Secretary:** Nancy Sian ..... x2400  
**Athletic Secretary:** Laurie Bell ..... x2300