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Weather Cancellation & Delay Information

If school start is delayed or cancelled, staff and parents of our students will be notified via the district's automated notification system. If you would like to customize the manner in which you receive your automated messages from the school district (via phone calls, emails, and/or text messages), please contact your child's school office so we can be sure to send any voice, email, or text message to the appropriate numbers and/or email addresses.

School cancellations and delays will also be listed prominently on the main district web page at <http://orionschools.us>.

This list of TV stations will also be notified in case of school cancellations and delays. Each station is responsible for the manner in which and speed that they are able to relay the information on to their listeners and viewers. It is our intent to release accurate information as quickly as possible.

WHBF - TV Channel 4

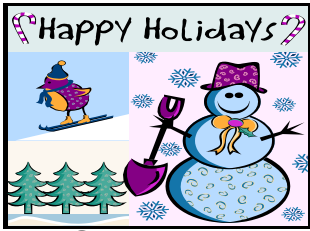
KWQC - TV Channel 6

WQAD - TV Channel 8

KLJB-TV FOX 18

KGCW-TV "The Quad Cities CW"





December 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Calendar Key MSBBB - Middle School Boys' Basketball MSGBB - Middle School Girls' Basketball MSWR - Middle School Wrestling HSGBB - High School Girls' Basketball HSFrGBB - High School Freshman Girls' Basketball HSFrBBB - High School Freshman Boys' Basketball HSBBB - High School Boys' Basketball HSSB - High School Scholastic Bowl HSWR - High School Wrestling					1 6:30 1st & 2nd Grade Holiday Program-OHS	2 9:00 HSWR Seneca Invitational-T 9:00 HSBBB (Soph.) Warkins F/S Christmas Tournament-Prophetstown 6:00 HSGBB Amboy Clippers Shootout-T
3	4 OMS MAP Testing TBA HSBBB (Soph.) Warkins F/S Christmas Tournament-Prophetstown 5:30 MSBBB Galesburg-H 5:30 HSGBB Sherrard-H	5 OMS MAP Testing 5:30 HSBBB Rockridge-H	6 OMS MAP Testing 3:00-4:30 MSVB Clinic 5:30 MSBBB Monmouth/Roseville -H 5:30 HSWR Rockridge/Newman-H	7 OMS MAP Testing 3:00-5:00 MSVB Tryouts 5:30 MSBBB Kewanee -T 5:30 HSGBB Riverdale -H 6:00 HSWR Alleman-T 6:00 Music Booster Meeting-OUMC Room 205	8 OMS MAP Testing 5:30 HSBBB Erie-Prophetstown-Prophetstown 7:00 OHS Fall/Winter Play-CRH	9 8:30 HSWR Porta Invitational-T 9:00 HSGBB (V) A-Town-Abingdon 4:00 HSBBB Galva-H
10 5:00 OHS Fall/Winter Play-CRH	11 OMS MAP Testing Scholarship Applications Available 5:30 MSBBB Rockridge-T	12 OMS MAP Testing 5:30 HSGBB (V) Newman Central Catholic-T 6:30 OMS Winter Band/Choir Festival-OHS	13 OMS MAP Testing 5:30 MSBBB Sherrard-H 6:00 HSWR Galesburg-T 7:00 OHS Winter Festival-OHS 7:30 Board of Education Meeting	14 OMS MAP Testing 5:30 HSGBB Monmouth/Roseville-H 5:30 HSBBB (Fr.) Bureau Valley-OMS	15 OMS MAP Testing ACC Winter Break 5:30 HSGBB (V) Wethersfield -H 7:00 HSBBB (V) Wethersfield -H	16 TBA HSWR Panther Invite-Erie 10:00 MSWR Deer Creek Mackinaw-T 11:00 HSBBB (Fr.) Alleman-H
17	18 ACC Winter Break 5:30 MSBBB Mercer County-T 5:30 MSWR John Deere/Wilson-H 5:30 HSGBB Knoxville-H	19 ACC Winter Break OHS Final Exams -Periods 2, 4, 6, 8 5:30 MSBBB United-H 5:30 HSWR PC-Hall/ Mendota-H	20 Early Dismissal: CRH: 2:02 p.m. OMS: 2:08 p.m. OHS: 2:15 p.m. Winter Break Begins ACC Winter Break OHS Final Exams-Periods 1, 3, 5, 7 5:00 HSWR Rowva/Williamsfield Coop-Rowva 5:30 HSGBB (Soph.) Wethersfield-T 7:00 HSBBB (Soph.) Wethersfield-T	21 No School - Winter Break ACC Winter Break	22 No School - Winter Break ACC Winter Break	23
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January 2024

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	1 No School - Winter Break ACC Winter Break	2 No School - Winter Break ACC Winter Break	3 No School - Winter Break ACC Winter Break 5:30 HSB Sherrard-T 5:30 HSWR Fulton/West Carroll-Fulton	4 School Resumes ACC Classes Resume Coop Applications Available 4:30 MSBBB Galesburg (Silver)-T 5:30 MSVB Annawan-H 5:30 HSGBB (V) Rockridge-H & (JV) after 6:00 Music Booster Meeting-OUMC Room 205	5 5:30 HSB Riverdale-H 6:00 HSWR Princeton Invite-T	6 9:00 MSWR Geneseo Tournament-T 9:00 HSWR Princeton Invite-T 3:00 HSB Brimfield-H
7	8 5:00 HSB Bureau Valley-T 5:30 MSBBB Knoxville-H 5:30 MSVB Cambridge-T 5:30 HSGBB Morrison-H	9 5:30 HSB Rock Falls-T	10 6:00 MSWR & HSWR Canton-H	11 Report Card Distribution 5:30 MSBBB Monmouth/Roseville-T 5:30 HSGBB Sherrard-T 5:30 MSWR & HSWR Princeton/IVC-Princeton 6:00 HSB (Fr.) Ridgewood-Alwood	12 No School - Teachers' Institute 5:30 HSB Monmouth/Roseville-H "Hall of Fame Night"	13 TBA HSB (Fr.) Newman Freshman Jamboree- Newman Central Catholic 9:00 MSWR Erie Tournament-T
14	15 No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day 5:30 HSGBB Bureau Valley-H	16 5:30 MSBBB Kewanee Central-H 5:30 MSVB Kewanee Central-T 5:30 HSB Rockridge-T	17 5:30 MSBBB Rockridge-H 5:30 MSVB Rockridge-T 5:30 HSWR Morrison/St. Bede-Morrison 6:00 HSB (Fr.) Monmouth/Roseville-H 7:30 Board of Education Meeting	18 5:30 HSGBB Erie-Prophetstown-Erie 5:30 HSWR Kewanee-H	19 5:30 HSB Morrison-T 6:00 HSWR Bob Mitton Invite Tournament-H	20 TBA MSBBB (7th Grade) Regionals 9:00 MSWR Rockridge Tournament-T 9:00 HSWR Bob Mitton Invite Tournament-H 11:00 HSGBB Princeton-T
21	22 5:00 HSB Prophetstown-T 5:30 MSVB Sherrard-H	23 TBA HSGBB (Soph.) Quad City Christian School-T 5:30 MSWR Sherrard/Rockridge-H 5:30 HSB Sherrard-H 5:30 HSWR Mercer County/Camanche-Mercer County	24 5:30 MSVB Mercer County-T 5:30 HSB (Fr.) Mercer County-H 5:30 HSWR Sherrard/Erie-Prophetstown-Sherrard	25 5:30 MSVB Kewanee Wethersfield-H 5:30 HSGBB Riverdale-T	26 5:30 HSB Erie-Prophetstown-H	27 9:00 MSWR Orion Tournament-OHS 1:00 HSGBB Ridgewood-Alwood
28	29 5:00 HSB-H 5:30 MSVB Knoxville-H 5:30 HSGBB Morrison-T	30 5:30 MSWR Mercer County/United-Mercer County 5:30 HSB Farmington-T	31	Calendar Key MSWR - Middle School Wrestling MSBBB - Middle School Boys' Basketball MSSB - Middle School Scholastic Bowl MSVB - Middle School Volleyball HSGBB - High School Girls' Basketball HSFrBBB - High School Freshman Boys' Basketball HSB - High School Boys' Basketball HSSB - High School Scholastic Bowl HSWR - High School Wrestling		



C. R. Hanna Elementary School

December 2023 Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Milk included daily with a school lunch. Milk is \$.50 each with a home lunch. Strawberry milk available every Monday.	Fresh fruit offered daily when available.	Menu subject to change without prior notice.	Student Lunch: \$3.20 Reduced Price: \$.40 Adult Lunch: \$4.45 Ala Carte Milk: \$.50		1 Pulled Pork with Bun Baked Beans Fresh Fruit Fruit Snack	2
3	4 BBQ Rib with Bun Cooked Carrots Peaches	5 Mini Pancakes Yogurt Hash Browns Strawberries	6 Hot Dog with Bun Baked Beans Applesauce Cheetos	7 Macho Nachos Tortilla Rounds Mixed Veggies Mixed Fruit	8 Popcorn Shrimp Garlic Toast Lettuce with Dressing Fresh Fruit	9
10	11 "Lucky Tray Day" Hamburger with Bun Cooked Carrots Cinnamon Apple Slices	12 Mandarin Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Pineapple	13 Pizza Hut Cheese Pizza Green Beans Pears Pudding	14 Macaroni & Cheese Little Smokies Baked Beans Applesauce	15 Sloppy Joe with Bun Peas Fresh Fruit Pickle Spear	16
17	18 Corn Dog Green Beans Mandarin Oranges Teddy Grahams	19 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Dinner Roll Grape Juice	20 Cheese Pizza Corn Peaches	21 No School - Winter Break Happy Holidays!!!	22 No School - Winter Break	23
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C. R. Hanna Elementary School

January 2024 Menu

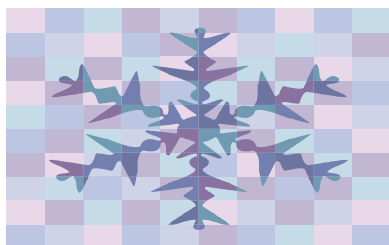
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7	8 Maid Rite with Bun Baked Beans Rosy Applesauce	9 Turkey & Gravy Mashed Potatoes Dinner Roll Strawberries Cookie	10 Hamburger with Bun Green Beans Pears	11 Spaghetti Garlic Toast Lettuce with Dressing Peaches	12 No School - Teachers' Institute	13
14	15 No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16 Crispito Cheese Sauce Cooked Carrots Peaches Corn Chips	17 "Lucky Tray Day" Cheese Quesadilla Broccoli & Cauliflower Mandarin Oranges	18 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Dinner Roll Apple Juice	19 Cheesy French Bread Spaghetti Sauce Green Beans Fresh Fruit	20
21	22 BBQ Rib with Bun Baked Beans Pears Rice Krispie Treat	23 Mini Pancakes Yogurt Hash Browns Strawberries	24 Hot Dog with Bun Cooked Carrots Applesauce	25 Macho Nachos Tortilla Rounds Mixed Veggies Mixed Fruit	26 Popcorn Shrimp Garlic Toast Lettuce with Dressing Fresh Fruit	27
28	29 Chicken Patty with Bun Cooked Carrots Cinnamon Apple Slices	30 Mandarin Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Pineapple	31 Pizza Hut Cheese Pizza Green Beans Pears Ice Cream	Fresh fruit offered daily when available.	Menu subject to change without prior notice.	Student Lunch: \$3.20 Reduced Price: \$.40 Adult Lunch: \$4.45 Ala Carte Milk: \$.50



OMS

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Milk included daily with a school lunch. Milk is \$.50 each with a home lunch.	Fresh fruit & vegetables offered daily when available.	Menu subject to change without prior notice.	Student Lunch: \$3.45 Reduced Price: \$.40 Adult Lunch: \$4.45 Ala Carte Milk: \$.50		1 Pizza Romaine Salad with Tomato Green Beans Red Apple	2
3	4 Lil' Smokies Macaroni & Cheese Peas Salad Rosy Applesauce Cookie	5 Pulled Pork with Bun Baked Beans Coleslaw Peaches Fruit Snack	6 Popcorn Chicken Biscuit Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Fresh Veggies Strawberry Cup	7 Bosco Stick Marinara Salad Winter Blend Vegetables Pears	8 Chicken Fajita Fiesta Beans Corn Tropical Fruit	9
10	11 Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Garlic Toast Italian Vegetables Salad Mixed Fruit	12 Turkey & Gravy over Mashed Potatoes Cooked Carrots Side Salad Baked Cinnamon Apples Cinnamon Roll	13 Hot Ham & Cheese with Bun Tomato Soup Cheez Its Celery with Peanut Butter Mixed Vegetables Fruit Juice	14 Breaded Chicken Patty Sandwich Baked Potato Broccoli with Dip Mandarin Oranges	15 Tacos Refried Beans Baby Carrots Pineapple	16
17	18 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Dinner Roll Fresh Veggies Peaches	19 Corn Dog Potato Smiles Baked Beans Sidekick	20 Turkey & Cheese Deli Sandwich Vegetable Choices Orange Baked Lays	21 No School - Winter Break Happy Holidays!!!	22 No School - Winter Break	23
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7	8 BBQ Chicken with Bun Baked Beans Potato Salad Applesauce Fruit Snack	9 Popcorn Shrimp Garlic Toast Salad Baked Potato Apricots	10 Bosco Sticks Marinara Italian Vegetables Baby Carrots Pears	11 Macho Nachos Ranchero Beans Corn Mandarin Oranges	12 No School - Teachers' Institute	13
14	15 No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16 Hot & Spicy Chicken Patty Sandwich Winter Blend Veggies with Cheese Baby Carrots Pears Fudge Bar	17 Mini Pancakes Syrup Yogurt Cup Hash Browns V-Blend Juice Strawberry Cup	18 Garlic Cheese French Bread Pizza Marinara Green Beans Salad Pineapple	19 Crispitos Corn Fiesta Beans Fruit Jello	20
21	22 Cheeseburger with Bun Baked Beans Tater Tots Orange	23 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Dinner Roll Coleslaw Peaches	24 Peanut Butter & Jelly Uncrustable Baby Carrots Sidekick Applesauce Baked Lays	25 Pepperoni Calzone Salad Italian Vegetables Mixed Fruit	26 BBQ Rib with Bun Sweet Potato Fries Celery with Dip Fruit Cup	27
28	29 Walking Tacos Refried Beans Fresh Veggies Baked Cinnamon Apples	30 Mandarin Orange Chicken over Rice Stir Fry Vegetables Dragon Punch Pineapple	31 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Cheez It Crackers Mixed Vegetables Celery with Peanut Butter Apple	Fresh fruit & vegetables offered daily when available.	Menu subject to change without prior notice.	Student Lunch: \$3.45 Reduced Price: \$.40 Adult Lunch: \$4.45 Ala Carte Milk: \$.50



OHS December 2023 Menu

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3	4 Bosco Sticks with Marinara Green Beans Mandarin Oranges	5 Potato Soup Turkey & Cheese on Pretzel Bun Carrots Applesauce	6 Chicken Patty with Bun Small Salad Mixed Fruit	7 Crispitos Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato & Onion Corn Pineapple	8 Hot Dog with Bun Baked Beans Apple	9
10	11 Mandarin Orange Chicken over Rice Stir Fry Veggies Pineapple Fortune Cookie	12 Baja Chicken Soup Grilled Cheese Celery with Peanut Butter Pears	13 Macho Nachos Small Salad Peaches	14 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Dinner Roll Applesauce	15 Hamburger with Bun French Fries Fresh Fruit	16
17	18 Pork Nachos Coleslaw Mixed Fruit	19 Turkey & Gravy over Mashed Potatoes Peas Apple Slices Cinnamon Roll	20 Pizza Hut Pizza Small Salad Cook's Choice for Fruit	21 No School - Winter Break Happy Holidays!!!	22 No School - Winter Break	23
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7	8 Bosco Sticks with Marinara Green Beans Mandarin Oranges	9 Macaroni & Cheese Lil' Smokies Corn Applesauce	10 Pizza Hut Pizza Small Salad Pears	11 Tacos Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato & Onion Refried Beans Pineapple	12 No School - Teachers' Institute	13
14	15 No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16 Biscuits & Gravy Hash Browns Strawberries	17 Baja Chicken Soup Grilled Cheese Celery with Peanut Butter Pears	18 Crispitos Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato & Onion Taco Fiesta Beans Peaches	19 Charger Rite French Fries Frozen Fruit Treat	20
21	22 Bosco Sticks with Marinara Green Beans Mandarin Oranges	23 BBQ Rib with Bun Carrots Peaches	24 Pizza Hut Pizza Small Salad Apple	25 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Dinner Roll Pears	26 Chicken Patty with Bun Chips Fresh Fruit	27
28	29 Quesadilla Broccoli with Cheese Orange	30 Potato Soup Turkey Deli Sandwich Carrots Applesauce	31 Hamburger with Bun French Fries Mixed Fruit	Fresh fruit & vegetables offered daily when available.	Menu subject to change without prior notice.	Student Lunch: \$3.45 Reduced Price: \$.40 Adult Lunch: \$4.45 Ala Carte Milk: \$.50

**C. R. HANNA ELEMENTARY
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C. R. Hanna Elementary News - We are about to embark on the cold months, and it will be time to “gear” up. Please remind your children to dress appropriately and be prepared for the cold weather. We believe that fresh air and sunshine are very important for students.

We will continue to have outside recess during the winter months as long as the wind chill temperature is **above 10 degrees**. We want the children to stay healthy during these times so please don’t forget to pack coats, hats, and gloves.

For those students who would like to play out in the snow, they will need to follow the **FIVE FINGER RULE!**

FIVE FINGER RULE
Waterproof Snow Boots
Coats
Gloves
Hats
Snow Pants

**PLEASE MAKE SURE TO WRITE
YOUR CHILD’S NAME ON ALL OF
THEIR WINTER GEAR.**

**THE LOST AND FOUND IS HUGE AT
THE END OF THE YEAR WITH A LOT
OF NAME BRAND ITEMS WITH NO
NAME.**

If a student does not have one of these items, they will only be allowed to play on the blacktop. During school hours, students are **NOT** allowed to play on the snowdrifts. We want to make sure that all of our students remain safe during these fun winter days.

Mrs. Dean, our school district nurse, would like to remind all of us to make sure we continually wash our hands. As we know, children do not always listen to us when we tell them to wash their hands before eating, after using the bathroom, or when they come inside from playing. Important fact: Hand washing is by far the best way to prevent germs from spreading and keeping our children from getting sick. Good hand washing is the first line of defense against the spread of many illnesses, from the common cold to more serious illnesses such as meningitis, bronchitis,

influenza, hepatitis A, COVID, and most types of infectious diarrhea. Let’s all band together and stop the **PESKY GERMS!!!** Thank you for all your help preparing your children to battle our wonderful mid-western winter weather!

Parent/Teacher Conferences were a great success again this year. We had 95.6% of parents attend our Parent/Teacher Conferences. Hopefully, you were able to have your questions and concerns addressed in an appropriate manner.

Happy Holidays from the C. R. Hanna Faculty and Staff!

News from the Nurse’s Office - Please put your child’s name in their clothing, coats, hats, lunch box, water bottles, etc. We have a growing table of lost and found items.

Please dress accordingly for the weather. They will need a coat, hat, gloves, boots, and snow pants to go outside in the snow. If you need assistance obtaining these items, please contact our office.

Please check daily the lunch menu. We have had children come in and not like what is being served that day and throwing it away and saying they are hungry. Also, make sure they eat breakfast every morning.

Please call your child in if they are going to be absent. Please stay safe by remembering to wash hands, cover coughs and sneezes, and stay home when ill.

Thank you to the area churches for the breakfast item donations this year. It is truly appreciated!



**ORION MIDDLE
SCHOOL**
Chad Bahnks, Principal
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OMS Student Council Leadership:

President - Roman Schmieder

Vice President - Dan Pronschinske

Secretary - Eve Wilbur

Treasurer - Kayden Meckley

6th Grade Representatives: Brenner Crippen, Connor Gehring, Gwen Gibbs, Abel Hillery, Libby Jones, Elliott Meckley, Asher Nelson, Jaidyn Owens, Raegan Shellabarger, and Gillian Schmieder

7th Grade Representatives: Addison Ames-Rahn, Mackenzie Colwell, Brody Dobbeleare, Landen Reathaford, Julia Rogers, Quinton Steele, and Kenadie Whitcomb.

8th Grade Representatives: Brandon Bakener, Rowan Dennhardt, Kate Kruse, Kayden Meckley, Annabelle Moody, Dan Pronschinske, Roman Schmieder, and Eve Wilbur.

OMS Hunger Drive: Students donated 1703.2 pounds. Top three class totals:

1. Fausett - 370.1
2. Casey-Crouch - 346.7
3. Hepner - 322.8

OMS Career Day: Thank you to all parents, community members, and Veterans for your willingness to share your knowledge with us. Our students heard from John Deere Distribution, Purchasing/Supply Chain, Dietician, Truck Sales, Probation, Entrepreneurship, Doctor, Teacher, Lawyer, Engineer, Military, FDIC, Professor, Pastor, Trades, Property Manager, Baker, Cyber Security, and Real Estate. We had 25 speakers. Students rotated between five classrooms and the gymnasium where they learned flag etiquette from local Veterans.

MAP Testing: Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) tests are scheduled between December 4 and December 15. These will be given during regular Math, Science, and Language Arts class time. These tests show your student's growth in each class since the beginning of the school year. This information is valuable for the teacher to monitor student progress to make adjustments for the students to build on strengths and improve weaknesses.



ORION HIGH SCHOOL
Nathan DeBaillie, Principal
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FINAL EXAMS - FIRST SEMESTER

Tuesday, December 19, Periods 2, 4, 6, 8
Wednesday, December 20, Periods 1, 3, 5, 7

*Students are required to be present for all semester examinations. Only personal illness, a family emergency, or death of an immediate family member will suffice as an excuse for missing a semester examination.

Cooperative Education Enrollment -

Any junior student wishing to participate in the Cooperative Education Program for their senior year should pick up an application in the office starting January 4, 2024. The Coop Program helps to prepare students for their future employment. It is designed for college and vocational bound students. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Gustus at Orion High School (309-526-3361, Ext. 1422).

Scholarships for Orion Students Only -

The following scholarships will go to Orion students: Matthew H. Andrae Athletic Scholarship, Duain A. and Helen F. Johnson Scholarship, Stephanie Jones Memorial Award, Wendell H. Moore "Dream Big" Scholarships, Tom W. and Lindsey G. Nicholson Memorial Award, Gregory F. Nightingale Memorial Scholarship, Rock Island Optometric Scholarship, Myron M. Robinson Endowment Scholarship Fund for Medical Education, Orion Education Association Scholarship (OEA), and Deanne Zurcher Memorial Award.

These particular scholarships will be administered by Mrs. Jackson. Applications will be available for pick up on Monday, December 11. They are due on or before March 1. If you have questions, call Mrs. Jackson - (309) 526-3361, Ext. 1400.

2023-2024 National Honor Society

Roster - Class of 2024 members are:

Abby Bindewald, Rachel Bowers, Katie Christensen, Braylin Crose, Phillip Dochterman, Kaden Edmunds, Kaitlyn Greenwood, Brooklynn Haars, Cade Hancock, Emily Hickerson, Hailey Hock, Olivia Hunt, Micah Knox, Keirah Kovac, Sadie Lough, Maximus McElyea, Kristy Morizono, Augustus Nedved, Derek Nelson, Emily Olson, Grace Passno, Brylie Roberts, Kenadi Sovey, Hannah Swope, Olivia Thomsen, and Maya VanDuyne.

Class of 2025 prospective members are: Duncan Adamson, Katrina Angelos, Jacob Bainbridge, Ian Bollinger, Amiliani Bradley, Kloe Bronner, Nolan Buchen, Anthony Clark, Kallie DeBaillie, Kennedy DeBaillie, Violet Fiers, Aiden Fisher, Sawyer Fliege, Dayne Gibbons, Valerie Hickerson, Avery Knupp, Lainey Kunert, Avery Marner, Jocelyn Marner, Lance Moore, Linah Pettifer, Lilly Pysson, Madison Reid, Aubrey Sandberg, Marley Stamer, and Claire Weber.

Their induction ceremony is tentatively scheduled for May 7, 2024.

