

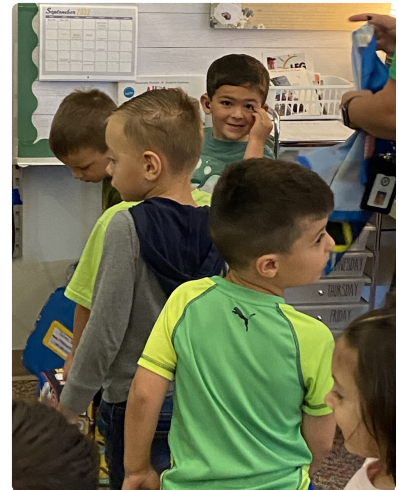


**Sep. 23, 2022**

Dear Spencerport Families,

The 2022-23 school year is up and running and it's been wonderful meeting so many of you at our open houses. Our students show so much pride when they are showing off their learning spaces to their loved ones.

Talking about pride, our community is getting ready for Homecoming Week! From September 26-30, our learners will engage in a number of different traditions that are geared towards boosting school spirit as well as celebrating what it means to be a Ranger. While our students will be participating in themed dress up days, pep rallies, games and a dance, we wanted to invite families to join us for the following events:



- Athletic competitions (see graphic below)
- Powder Puff game at the football stadium (Fri., Sep. 30, 7 p.m.)
- Homecoming parade (Sat., Oct. 1, 12 p.m.)

Finally, whenever there are special events like Homecoming, prom, or graduation, educators universally get a bit nervous about students making safe, sound decisions. I know it doesn't need to be said, but I am hoping you might consider reminding your child to make smart choices and keep an eye on their friends and classmates next week. We belong to each other here in Spencerport, and we have a collective responsibility to keep one another safe.

**HOMECOMING** | **HOMECOMING**  
**22** | **EVENTS**  
**WEEK** |

**HOMECOMING WEEK CONTESTS**

9/27: Girls Swimming vs. Penfield	@ 5:00 pm
9/28: Cross Country @ Northhampton Park	@ 5:00 pm
9/28: Girls Golf @ Mill Creek	@ 3:30 pm
9/28: Boys Volleyball vs. Gates Chili	@ 5:00 pm
9/28: Girls Volleyball vs. Gates Chili	@ 6:45 pm
9/29: Girls Tennis vs. Gates Chili	@ 4:30 pm
9/29: Girls Varsity Soccer vs. Webster Thomas	@ 5:00 pm
9/29: Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Webster Thomas	@ 7:00 pm
10/1: Football vs. Hilton	@ 2:00 pm

**LET'S GO, RANGERS!!!**

\* No admission fee for Homecoming contests

## Bright Spots

### New OPD Chief Administers Oath

Thank you to our new Ogden Police Chief Travis Gray for recently administering the oath of office to our Munn Elementary School safeties.



### Congratulations and Welcome

Congratulations and welcome to our new and newly-tenured teachers and administrators. Our district and board of education recognized our honorees during a small reception on Tuesday, and [this link provides a listing of our new and newly-tenured](#) from each building. I hope you will join me in congratulating these Rangers and thank them for all they do for our learning community.



# Updates

## Walk to Defeat ALS

Teachers have always been caregivers, but our Spencerport teachers make caring for our community a priority! Congratulations to the Spencerport Teacher Association on their fundraising efforts and support of the Walk to Defeat ALS. Our teachers raised close to \$3,000 and because of passionate fundraisers and generous donors, the 2022 Walk to Defeat ALS Rochester brought together dedicated walkers and raised more than \$196,000 (and counting!) for The ALS Association. Monies raised from this community walk will help to discover treatments and a cure. Thank you to teacher Nancy Mancuso for the beautiful photos.



## Social Awakening: a Family Presentation on Oct. 3

Last week, I shared our efforts to bring tech insider and speaker, Max Stossel, to Spencerport to discuss the impact of social media on young people's lives.

On Monday, Oct. 3, Stossel will be in our district to address Cosgrove and high school students, and all families, K-12, are invited to attend an evening presentation at 6 p.m. in the high school performing arts center.



Stossel has worked for global social media companies where he designed some of the same notification structures to distract people that he now raises awareness about. His work was even featured in the Social Dilemma which appeared on Netflix.

If you have ever been concerned with how social media may be impacting your student's life, please join us. To learn more about his work through Social Awakening simply visit <https://www.socialawakening.org/>

## Stop by our Job Fair

Looking for a rewarding job with a flexible schedule? Please mark your calendars and stop by our job fair on Monday, Oct. 3, 4-7 pm at Cosgrove Middle School, 2749 Spencerport Rd.

Available openings include substitutes, teacher aides, food service helpers, cleaners, bus drivers and more, These opportunities provide a flexible schedule that aligns with the academic school year. If you are interested in



learning more about the education profession, new to teaching, a veteran teacher or retired from teaching we invite you to join our team and share your life experiences and/or expertise. We also provide professional learning opportunities to gain experience in this role.

[Apply online](#) or attend our job fair on October 3 from 4-7 pm at Cosgrove Middle School. Call for 585-349-5124 details.

## Capital Improvement Project

Over the last few months, our Facilities Task Force, a shared decision-making committee, has met to discuss the operational needs of our buildings and grounds. Like a homeowner needs to make improvements on their home, we need to make improvements to our facilities. Our last capital improvement project was approved in 2018, and projects have been completed in phases since then.



Last spring, our Facilities Task Force began reviewing our building condition survey. This is a building-by-building, room-by-room analysis of our buildings created with the help of LaBella Architects. Since May, we have studied our survey and received input from stakeholders through a number of meetings and presentations to develop a scope of work that will help us improve our facilities. Please visit our website to view all of the capital improvement project presentations, [https://www.spencerportschools.org/district/capital\\_improvement\\_project\\_2022](https://www.spencerportschools.org/district/capital_improvement_project_2022)

Over the next few months, I will be sharing with our community the proposed plan for work and how our improvement recommendations will impact all buildings. We have developed a scope of work that focuses on health, safety and accessibility (securing entrances, ADA compliance, safety alarms on doors, security cameras, etc.), educational improvements (classrooms, playgrounds) and facilities infrastructure improvements (roofs, windows, boilers, parking lots, etc.). The proposed plan for work will enable us to preserve the structures we currently have and improve security by adding secured entrances to all buildings.

As always, we seek to address the needs of our district while maintaining the stewardship of the district. With Board of Education approval, we hope to present this project to our community for a vote on December 13, 2022. At this time, the project is expected to have no tax impact.

## Rosh Hashana

Sunday night marks the beginning of Rosh Hashanah, one of the Jewish High Holidays. To our students, staff and community members who celebrate Rosh Hashanah, I wish you a blessed and good year.

In Peace,

Kristin Swann  
Superintendent of Schools



