

Mar. 3, 2023

Dear Spencerport Families,

Today is the final day of celebrating National Public Schools Week, which is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate public education.



Spencerport is proud to be participating with other districts across the county to celebrate and advocate for public schools through an initiative called, ACT for Education. For several years, ACT has connected districts with businesses, media, community members and lawmakers to showcase the positive aspects of public education. This year, you may have seen the ACT for Education campaign, "Step Up for Schools" with a focus on teacher recruitment.

Step Up for Schools strives to highlight teaching as a meaningful career, inform the public on the pathways to pursue becoming an educator, and showcase programs such as Take a Look at Teaching and the Teacher Immersion Fellows Program. I encourage community members who are interested in working in our schools to visit <u>our human resource webpage</u>. Here you will find up to date information on job opportunities within our district. Please remember to check back frequently as new positions are posted throughout the school year and summer. In addition, the Step Up for Schools campaign will continue through the remainder of this year, so I invite you to learn <u>more at this link</u>.

Updates

2023-24 school calendar adopted

On Tuesday, the Board of Education adopted the school calendar for the 2023-24 year. The month-by-month summary may be found in the attached document.

Welcome new DARE officer

The Ogden Police Department has hired a new DARE/Community Engagement officer, Jeremy Lindauer. Officer Lindauer previously served for 33 years in the Rochester Police Department, retiring as a lieutenant in 2019.

After completing the DARE training, Officer Lindauer taught his very first lesson at Bernabi Elementary School on Monday, Feb. 27. In the coming weeks, he will provide these series of lessons to every fifth grade class across the district, and in June, students will receive a certificate of completion.

For more information about DARE or Officer Lindauer, <u>please visit</u> our website at this link.



March is Music in Our Schools Month

This month certainly spotlights the importance of music in our schools and showcases the incredible talent of our students. If you have an opportunity to attend any concerts in the upcoming weeks, you will not be disappointed. A list of concerts may be found <u>on our calendar</u>.



Bright Spots

Bernabi teams place in top 3 of New York Stock Market Game

Three teams from Bernabi Elementary School won first, second and third place in the New York State Stock Market Game for Fall 2022.

SMG program provides an opportunity for elementary, middle, and high school students to learn about the fundamentals of investing. Each team is given \$100,000 to spend and the students must read/interpret stocks, bonds and mutual funds. Awards go to the top three teams that made the most profit within their region and g



top three teams that made the most profit within their region and grade level. Spencerport participates in the competition as part of our enrichment opportunities, and this year, the greater

New York elementary school winners were all from Bernabi with teacher, Ms. Elizabeth Gurz.

Congratulations to:

- 1st place Marianna Dean and Callie Hallinan
- 2nd place Kellen Banker and Preston Agostini
- 3rd place Pia Mitrovits, Caroline McCarthy and Isabella Infield



Canal View at FLL Regional Championship

The Canal View First Lego Robotics team competed in the FLL Regional Championship in Buffalo on Feb. 18. Our team matched up against 40 other teams to showcase their Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM) skills by building and coding a robot and designing an innovation project for presentation. Canal View students have been working hard on this since October, and we are so proud of our fifth graders Nolan Barvian, Ryan Penna, Adriel Sosa, Conor Soper, Kwynn Byers, Skylar Pham, Hannah Hinman, Cameron Schroeder and Colin McCollister.

Pictured: Nolan Barvian and Ryan Penna, who are preparing the robot for judging. Photo credit: the Nichols School and published by WKBW Buffalo.



Reminder: Cosgrove's Seussical the Musical coming up

Tickets for Seussical the Musical are still on sale at www.showtix4u.com. Keyword search is "Cosgrove" and each ticket is \$12. Performances will be Friday, March 17, and Saturday, March 18. We hope you will be able to join us at one of these performances.



Upcoming events

- Mar. 8: SHS Music in our Schools month concert, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 9: Munn Special Persons Night, 6 p.m.
- Mar. 9: Taylor Beginning Band concert, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 10: SHS/MS progress reports
- Mar. 10: All County Jazz festival

I hope each of you have an enjoyable weekend, and stay safe on our roads this weekend given the forecasted winter storm.

Sincerely,

Kristin Swann Superintendent of Schools

