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- 10 Elem. PTO Meeting
- Last Day of Classes & Tech Check In (grades 7-12)
- 13 Fenner Gr. 4-5 Recorder Concert (Athletic Complex)
- Kindergarten Picnic
- 14 Regents: ELA (a.m.) and Living Enviro. (p.m.)
- Regents: U.S. History (a.m.)
- 18 Global II (p.m.)
BOE Mtg. @ 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Juneteenth Day (No School)
- Temple Field Day
- 20 Regents: Earth Sci. (a.m.) and Chemistry (p.m.)
- Regents: Geometry (a.m.)
- 21 Last Day of Classes (grades UPK-6)
- Regents: Algebra II (a.m.)
- 24 Baccalaureate @ 7 p.m. (Falconer United Methodist Church)
- 25 Regents: Physics (a.m.)
- Regents: Scoring Day End of 4th Quarter (grades 6-12)
- 26 End of 3rd Trimester (grades UPK-5)
All Student Utilized District Tech must be checked in
- Commencement (FCS Athletic Complex) @ 6 p.m.
- 27 Senior Parade (Village of Falconer following Ceremony)
- Summer Vacation begins (No School):
Have a safe summer!
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THE FALCON

GRADUATION EDITION 2024

FALCONER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Congrats to the Golden Falcon Class of 2024!



Class of 2024

TOP TEN

1. Aidan McCleery (Valedictorian) plans to attend the United States Air Force Academy and major in Aerospace Engineering.



2. Addison Schrader (Salutatorian) plans to attend the University at Albany and major in Political Science.

- 3. Marlei Armstrong
- 4. Brynn Zaranek
- 5. Ashley Smith
- 6. Lydia Potter
- 7. Kyle Morgan
- 8. Morgan Johnson
- 9. Josiah Sprague
- 10. Aylah Boutwell





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I would like to thank our residents for approving the 2024-2025 Falconer Central School budget. A passed budget allows us to plan for the next school year with confidence. The Board of Education has been able to continue to provide the highest quality of education during a time in which aid has been an unknown factor. I would also like to thank our Board of Education for providing goals, challenges, and direction for the education of our students during very difficult economic times. Congratulations to Tracy Schrader and Marcella Centi for being re-elected to our Falconer Board of Education.



Over the last few weeks, our District has held many award ceremonies recognizing and celebrating the achievements of our students. The most significant event in June is, of course, our high school graduation. Parents, faculty, administrators, and members of the Board of Education gather to congratulate our students from Falconer Central School as they cross the stage to accept their diplomas on June 27th on Bill Race Field at 6 p.m. As seniors attend the final activities as members of the Falconer community, I wish each of them much success and happiness as they begin their new journey.

The Falconer Central School District can take pride in the accomplishments of the Class of 2024. They have excelled in the classroom, stage, field, court, mat, and community. From the first day they entered school, the Class of 2024 has met the challenges set in front of them. We are proud of all they have done at FCS and look forward to all they will accomplish. They can be assured that their diplomas represent a significant and meaningful education delivered by an outstanding faculty. Our students are well-prepared and ready to enter this next phase of their lives.

I would also like to update the FCS community on the \$18,650,000 District Capital Project referendum that was approved on May 16, 2023. The project will commence in part during the summer of 2024 for the replacement of roofs at both Temple and Fenner Elementary buildings. Much of the remaining work, which would likely commence in spring 2025, includes upgrades to classroom and rooftop air handling units at each of the District's buildings, extensive renovations to the MHS Auditorium and MHS physical education and team locker rooms, renovations to the MHS guidance and nurses' suites, upgrades to the Fenner Elementary STEAM classroom, and masonry work at the Bus Garage.

**FCS Represented Well at
Chautauqua County
School Boards Association
Awards Ceremony**

Junior Isabella A. provided entertainment on her violin for the Chautauqua County School Boards Association Honors Night on May 28, 2024, at the Chautauqua Harbor Hotel. Her music included *The Swan* by Camille Saint-Saens, and *A Million Dreams* from *The Greatest Showman*!



1994 Alumni to Address the 2024 Class at Commencement

In keeping with the tradition of having a 30-year alumni speak to the graduating class, Thomas Frederes is a 1994 graduate of FCS. After graduation he attended Delaware Valley University and graduated from SUNY Morrisville in 1998, with a degree in Dairy Science. After graduation he worked for WNY Crop Management as an Agronomy Consultant and as Comprehensive Nutrient Management Environmental Planner, working with numerous dairy farms in Chautauqua County. In 2015 he founded his company, The Forage Source, and continues to work with hundreds of dairy farms throughout New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio.



Tom has been a member of the Falconer School Board since 2012, serving as vice-president since 2017. He is a member of the budget and audit, buildings and grounds, and shared services committees. He is also a past president of Cornell Cooperative Extension and is member of the Northeast Certified Crops Advisor Board of Directors. He supports 4-H, and several other local and regional ag related activities.

Tom continues to reside in Falconer and has two children Brason '23 and Ana '28.

Nurses' Notes

Hello from the Nurses' office!

Please note that all athletes and students are required by the state to have an updated physical on file. I have our Nurse Practitioner coming to the school on Thursday, August 8, at 8:30 a.m. to do any physicals needed. There is paperwork that has to be filled out beforehand and is required to be brought to the appointment. Please call me if you are interested and I will send you the paperwork required.

Call our office if you have any questions.

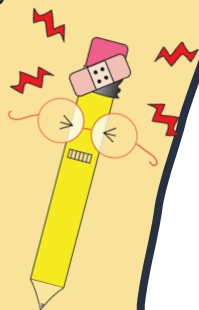
Have a great summer!

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Falconer Kiwanis Donates Funds for End of the Year Festivities

Recently Kiwanis representative, Rosie Digirolamo, presented each Elementary principal with a check for \$500 from Falconer Kiwanis for end-of-the-year festivities.

Thank you, Kiwanis! Students will be able to celebrate the end of the 2023-2024 school year in "falcon style"!



On May 28, 2024, the Chautauqua County School Boards Association honored all Valedictorians and Salutatorians at the Chautauqua Harbor Hotel with a buffet dinner and awards ceremony. Each honor student was presented with a gift and a scholarship from the CCSBA and their sponsors. Aidan McCleery and Addison Schrader were the recipients of this year's awards. Mr. Jordan and Mr. Penhollow were also there to help celebrate Aidan and Addison. Additionally, the Falconer School Board was presented with The School Board Professional Development Award for the 3rd consecutive year at the banquet!



Falconer Kiwanis Bike Rodeo

Falconer Kiwanis, with help from Jamestown Cycle Shop, held its Bike Safety Rodeo on May 18. This event was held at Falconer Fire Hall and provided bike inspections and helmet checks, face painting, a coloring contest, hot dogs, and beverages. Students had the chance to learn about and practice safe bicycling skills. Prize winners of bicycles and tickets are pictured below.



Poster for Prevention

Seventh grader, Trinity N., received 2nd place overall in the Prevention Works poster contest. Congratulations Trinity!



Falconer Special Olympics

The Falconer Special Olympics was held on May 17. Twenty athletes competed in running, jumping, and throwing events. A family picnic was held following the games.



ASSE - International Student Exchange Programs **Foreign Exchange Students at FCS 2023 - 2024**

How is Falconer school different from your school back home?

Roxane G.: Germany

I had the opportunity to experience real school spirit, rather on sport-events or while spirit weeks and dances. I also enjoyed how I could pick classes that are based on my interest.

Sergio M. R.: Spain

The school I come from in Spain only has 7th to 10th grades, although there are many more students per class, sports are not done at school and the school spirit is way bigger here, I love it!

Nick T.: Germany

Falconer offers a much bigger variety of classes and extracurricular activities than my German school.

What has been your favorite experience?

All in all I experienced a lot. I grew on myself and I enjoyed every moment. I loved to drive with my host sister to school every morning and I enjoyed watching games, rather it was wrestling, football or basketball. Also being part of a team myself was really awesome.

My favorite experience at school is having the opportunity to participate in all the typical American school things that we see in the movies, the musical, the football games and even having my own locker in the hall.

My favorite experience here has been the school spirit in sporting events such as basketball or football.

What are your future plans?

I want to go to college and go into the medical field. Since I'm a little kid I was interested in how the human body works and was fascinated by the power to help others with that knowledge.

Take my senior year in Spain and study to become a plane pilot.

I want to finish German high school and then go to college for either journalism or law.

Who is your most influential teacher and what will you remember about them?

It is really hard to answer that question, since I had the ability to attend a lot of awesome classes with amazing individuals. I will always remember homeroom and staying the 9th period with Mrs. Snellings, and how much fun I had in gym class (probably my favorite because of those two) with Mrs. Scholeno and Coach Wilcox. Also all the laughter in Mr. Anderson's and Mrs. Nelson's class, they both have the ability to captivate the whole class with their sense of humor.

I think I was very lucky with all of my teachers and I loved how everyone is willing to teach and enjoys their job. If I had to choose the most influentials, I would say, Mrs. Black for making me understand chemistry so easily and get me to like the subject, Mrs. Pitts for making anatomy my favorite class of the day and Mr. Wilcox, for introducing me to my favorite sport and being a great coach.

The most influential teacher for me at Falconer has been Mrs. Nelson because of her experience.

What is your favorite thing to do in your spare time?

I enjoyed having practice and going on fun trips with my host family. Also I like spending my time with friends.

I love playing sports and hanging out with my friends.

I enjoy playing tennis for the school and/ or with my friends.

What will you miss the most?

I will miss all the people I met. Here I have a second family and many friends that have a space in my heart. I'll miss the daily conversations and also when people ask me "Do you have that in Germany?".

I will miss my host family and seeing my friends every day when having lunch, training, and riding the bus to go compete.

I am gonna miss the school sports the most.

Pictured from left to right,
Sergio M. R., Roxane G.,
and Nick T.



Students from the Music Department See *Shrek, The Musical*

As part of an enrichment trip on May 17, members of the MS/HS band and chorus enjoyed an afternoon at Shea's Performing Arts Center in Buffalo to see a performance of *Shrek, The Musical*. Your favorite ogre and his swamp friends are back in a hilarious stage spectacle. Prior to the show, the group also had a buffet dinner at Ilio DiPaolo's in Orchard Park. Students thoroughly enjoyed the performance. For many of them this was their first trip to Shea's and

seeing a Broadway musical. A fun time was had by all.



Falconer Teams Compete in County Envirothon

Two Falconer High School teams recently competed in the Chautauqua County Envirothon competition held at Camp Merz in Mayville. Envirothon is an environmental, outdoors, hands-on competition in which five-person teams compete against each other in the areas of forestry, wildlife, aquatics, soils and a current environmental issue of renewable energy for a sustainable future. Each team works together to answer questions on tests created by experts in each of the fields. They may also have to identify animal calls, various trees and plants, fish and other animals. The winning team moves on to compete at the state level. While this year's Falconer teams didn't win, they had a great time participating and are already looking forward to competing next year.



Market Day Festivities!

Market Day is the high school's most fun and popular project of the year! Spanish 2, 3, and 4 students prepare foods, drinks, or crafts from the Spanish-speaking world to sell to the rest of the school at the market. Our amazing parent volunteers help with selling, cleaning up, and exchange dollars for pesos to spend. Students shop, eat, and drink. At the end of their classes, the Spanish students get to keep their profit - in US dollars, of course!

Falconer Future Business Leaders are “Flying to the Future”

The 2024 State Leadership Conference was an action-packed event for fourteen Falconer FBLA members. While in attendance members attended workshops, campaign booths, officer elections, competed in performance and written competitions, and socialized with hundreds of members from across New York State.

The awards ceremony brought the opportunity for several FCS FBLA and FBLA-Middle Level members to walk across the stage.

First Place

Carson B. (Middle Level FBLA Concepts and Middle Level Leadership)

Luke S. (Middle Level Career Research)

Luke S. and Liam G. (Middle Level Exploring Business Issues)

Second Place

Maci-Lynn A. (Middle Level Learning Strategies)

Third Place

Anna C. (Chapter Business Display)

Anna C. and Lily S. (Local Chapter Annual Business Report)

Liam G. (Middle Level Learning Strategies)

Fourth Place

Anna C. (Parliamentary Procedure Individual)

Declan L. (Business Communications, as well as, Computer Problem Solving)

Finley D. (Outstanding New FBLA Member)

Maci-Lynn A. (Middle Level Financial Literacy)

Fifth Place

Lilli S. (Introduction to Word Processing)

Falconer FBLA ~ Chapter of the Year



Seven members have earned the opportunity to compete at the National Leadership Conference to be held in June in Orlando, Florida. Congratulations to all of the members that took on the challenge of competing against over 700 middle and high school members from throughout the state.



Thank you From FCS After Prom

The Falconer Central After Prom and Senior Vigil Committee would like to sincerely thank our community for their support of our 2024 events. This year we kept more than 150 students safe on prom night. Attendees were both Falconer students and guests from other schools.

The kids enjoyed mechanical bull riding, a 360 photo booth, 75-foot inflatable obstacle course, jousting, breakout rooms, airbrush tattoos, caricature drawings, casino games, food, music, and LOTS of other activities! We had hundreds of prizes that were donated and purchased with monetary donations that the students were able to win and bid on during our silent and live auctions! Every student left with at least one prize! This would not have been possible without the many generous donations, the 70+ parents, faculty, and staff who lent a hand, and the whole community working together to keep our children safe.

We are working toward an equally successful senior vigil on graduation night. The seniors will board buses and spend their last evening/morning together as Falconer's Class of 2024.

We are grateful for the continued support!



2024 Chautauqua County Music Teachers Association All-County Music Festival



On June 1 about forty 5 – 12 select chorus, band and orchestra students attended the CCMTA All-County Music Festival at Chautauqua Institution. The festival included 1,500 music students from Chautauqua County schools. Students spend the day in rehearsals, enjoy the beautiful grounds of Chautauqua and perform for their family, friends and community. This year was a very special moment for one of our Falconer students senior, Miranda Wilcox, who was presented with the CCMTA Music Scholarship for a graduating senior majoring in Music. She was also given the prestigious Edward Turner Memorial Award in which she was gifted with a handmade wooden stand by a local wood maker. It was a wonderful evening of beautiful singing and instrumental music. Mrs. Mogenhan, Mrs. Battaglia and Mr. Przybelinski are proud of all the hard work and dedication of our students. Bravo!





Spelling Bee

The 7th grade held a spelling bee this week. Twenty-seven students qualified for the finals. Students have been studying the words for the last month through word searches, quizzes, and creative activities.

The final four were Kolton V., Michaela L., Allison B., and Breonna W.

Poetry Contest

Preparing for College
Isabella A

There's an SAT in front of my eyes
But behind them, in the depths of my brain,
is a flight attendant asking, "Where do you want to go?"
The question is polite enough, but a bolt of anxiety shoots through
my heart
I wonder what answer she's looking for
Does she wonder where I dream to go?
Or simply where I believe I'm destined to be?
I ignore her, moving on to question three
And yet, I can't help hearing the echoes of
"Where do you want to go?" like the trails of jet stream in my mind
I see her smiling sweetly
with all the pure intentions of someone
with their fingers crossed behind their back
My heart pounds as I deliberate between choice A and C
I choose Sea and glimpse the clear blue water,
the dolphins leaping and gliding in the distance
of some far off place I study hard to reach
before the shimmering fish abruptly turn into the smell
of reheated seafood in the faculty room next door
"Where do you want to go?"
The radicals on the page in front of me morph from math symbols
to angry Frenchmen in my mind
I'm stuck on question 23, part 4, section B
They call for change and yell
"Where do you want to go?"
"What do you want to do?"
"Who do you want to be?"



The results are in for this year's Spring Poetry Showcase contest for grades 8-12! Congratulations to Isabella A. and JC H. for receiving the Literary Excellence Award. Josh E. won the Creative Connection Award. Savannah M. and Khloe L. received honorable mentions.

"Falling Leaves"
By JC H

A gloomy season
I make lighter
As the sun goes dark
I get brighter

I once was playful
Now I'm not
This season of my life
No longer hot

Up In the sky
Watch me fall
I hit the ground
You're in awe



Hear my crunch
See me flake
Remember this moment
It's not too late

Long car rides
Muddy boots
Stomp me till my color mutes

As the sun goes dark
Love me again
Hold my body
I can no longer pretend

Clump me
Push me
Throw me away

My color now gray
My sky now mute
The winter of my life
Has come to claim its truth

Capture
Remember
I'm not here to stay

Grow they say, even in the face of hardship
Grow they say, for the greater good
Grow they say, disregard yourself
Grow they say, don't stop
But what if I can't
Grow they say

~Josh E



Students of the Month



April
Breonna W.
7th Grade



May
Bella V.
8th Grade



June
Lydia C.
6th Grade



April
Lauren Y.
7th Grade

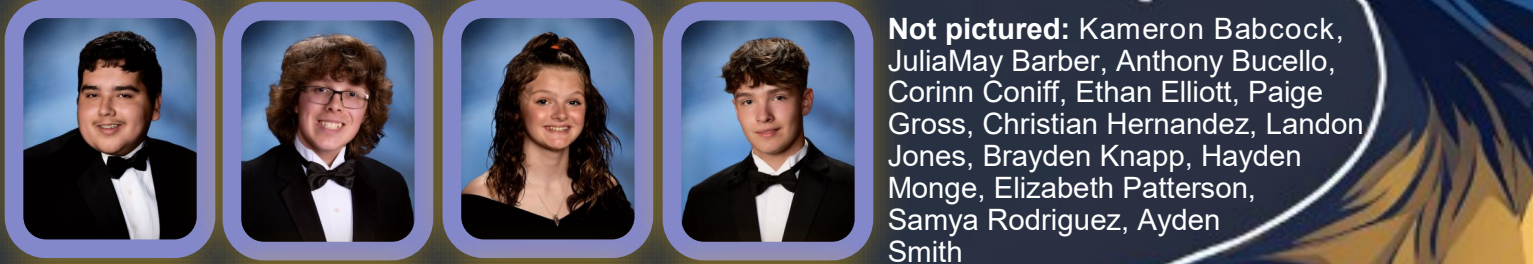


May
Marcus P.
8th Grade



June
Gia M.
6th Grade

Kiwanis Terrific Kids



70
Class
20



Not pictured: Kameron Babcock, JuliaMay Barber, Anthony Bucello, Corinn Coniff, Ethan Elliott, Paige Gross, Christian Hernandez, Landon Jones, Brayden Knapp, Hayden Monge, Elizabeth Patterson, Samya Rodriguez, Ayden Smith

Class of 2024



Thank You PACT

PACT has made it possible for middle school students to enjoy several events including: ice skating and bumper cars at Northwest Savings Bank Ice Arena; Battle of the Classes relay races on the track; Off the Stick ice cream truck; Splatter Paint at Lady T's in Falconer, and the lawn social event to close out the year. Thank you to all who have supported PACT and helped make these events possible!

MS Builder's Club Helps Humane Society

Middle School Builder's Club organized a Pennies for Paws penny war fundraiser this spring to benefit the Chautauqua County Humane Society. Thanks to the generous donations of the 6th, 7th and 8th graders, Builder's Club was able to donate a total of \$330.46 to support local animals. A special shout-out to the 6th grade for winning the penny war with over \$80 in pennies alone! Thank you to the Builder's Club members for all the time spent organizing, counting, and rolling change.

6th Grade Visits RTPI

The sixth graders visited The Roger Tory Peterson Institute in May. They were able to

observe nature photographs, complete hands-on art activities, and experience our local nature on the Lois Buck Nature Trail. The field trip was a great introduction to the annual "Our Place" program in which the students learn to use many of the Peterson Field Guides to identify wildflowers, trees, and insects.

Middle School Students Work in Community Garden

FCS middle school students are getting their hands dirty in the school garden during afternoon study halls. Students are volunteering during their study hall period to help clear the beds, mow the lawns, repair and paint the picnic table, and plant vegetables leftover from Mr. Krenzer's greenhouse growing experiments with his 7th grade science classes. The school garden harvest is distributed to families in need throughout the summer. The students love being outside and helping out. One of them even said, "This is such a good thing to do, I can feel the stress leaving my body!". The garden was built by students in 2018 through a grant and community funding.

Battle of the Books 2024 is in the Books!

Two 5th grade teams from Harvey C Fenner participated in the Battle of the Books at Chautauqua Institution on May 11, 2024. Sponsored by Chautauqua Institution, the Battle of the Books is a competition where participants read 11 assigned books throughout the year. This year's assigned books included seven fiction novels, two nonfiction titles, a graphic novel, and one picture book biography. Fifth grade participants from across Chautauqua County competed in teams of up to five students to answer questions about the books in quiz style for four rounds. Students participated on the stage of the Chautauqua Institution's Amphitheater. This year's two Harvey C. Fenner teams were the Pink Fluffy Unicorns Reading on Rainbows and the Purple Silly Monkeys Reading with Bananas. After a fierce competition against the other teams from across Chautauqua County, the Purple Silly Monkeys Reading with Bananas won 2nd place at the Battle of the Books! The Pink Fluffy Unicorns Reading on Rainbows were awarded the Best Team Name! Coaches Mrs. Turecek and Mrs. Valvo were very proud of every Battle participant. Everyone fought hard, worked together, had amazing team spirit and sportsmanship, danced like crazy, and overall had a blast.



Pink Fluffy Unicorns Reading on Rainbows

Teddy A.
Livianna C.
Collin C.
Ryder D.
Skylar M.



Purple Silly Monkeys Reading with Bananas

Zooey L.
Faith R.s
Isabella S.
Claire T.
Lauren Y.



Congratulations to the Scholastic Fair Winners!

3rd grade Top Honors:

Cora J.-Solar Eclipse
August C.-Sweden
Lydia V.-Mixed Media
Kehda L.-Amazing World of Guinea Pigs
Dexter R.-Technical Skills for Successful Soccer Players

4th grade Top Honors:

Audrianna S.-All About Horses
Shawn R.-Tornadoes
Conner H.-Sports
Holden T.-Chinchillas
Ariana T.-Solar System

5th grade Top Honors:

Tavaras W.-Contortion and Flexibility
Lydia S.-Origami
Jet M. and Collin C.-Jamestown Jackals
Layla R.-Cheer
Claire T.-The Magnificent 7
Faith R. and Livianna C.-Laura Ingalls Wilder

Principal's Choice:

3rd: Jayce S.-My Jaw Journey
4th: Dylan M.-TJ Watt
5th: Lukas Y. and Owen C.-Baseball Bats



Calling all Fenner Students!

*All students entering 3rd-6th grade for the 2024-2025 school year

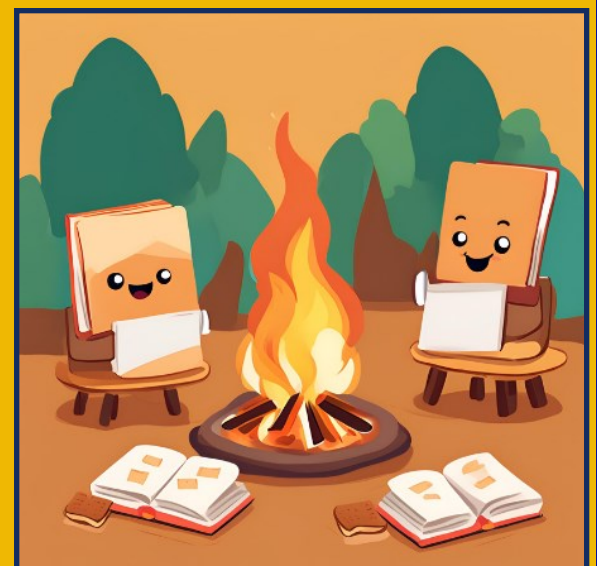
You're invited to: *Camp Read S'More*

When: *June 23, 2024, to September 2, 2024*

Where: *Anywhere and Everywhere!*

Come and join the Happy Campers! No R.S.V.P. required.

All camp details will be coming your way during the last week of school! Once you get your reading calendar, find a good place to keep it, and begin your daily summer reading routine of "camping out" with books! In September, we'll celebrate with everyone who reached the reading goal (see your reading packet for all the specifics)!



Fenner Elementary Takes It Home!

In May, students in fourth and fifth grade competed in the 3rd annual STEM Wars competition at the Northwest Savings Bank Arena. This year the competition was organized by the Dream It, Do It organization. The students competed in six different areas, including catapult, marble run, robotics, t-shirt design, maker's faire, and science poster. The 19 students were broken up into different teams to compete in the different areas all day. Overall, the team brought home two first-place and one third-place wins in the catapult, one first and one third-place win in robotics, and two first and one second-place win in the marble run. In addition, Zooey L. received an honorable mention ribbon for her castle with a drawbridge.

STEM Wars participants

Front Left: Rylee K., Darci C., Carter B., Liv C., Row 2: Zooey L., Erik G., Clifton L., Craig D., Alan C., Addison C., Emma D., Row 3: Lydia S., Becca S., Ryder D., Holden T., Huxley H., Susan G., Alanah C. and Gwen D.

Fenner Elementary's 24 Challenge

Students are given 4 numbers. They need to write three equations with the last one equaling 24. They practice for a month and then each grade level competes to find the 24 students that will compete in the finals. Livianna took 1st place, Payson took 2nd place, and Teddy took 3rd place.

Congratulations!



April Harvey C. Fenner Elementary Soaring Students

3rd Grade

Kaylee P.,
Kehda L.,
Carson W.,
Luke W.,
Kendall C.,
Makayla F.,
Dexter R.,
Lydia V.



4th Grade



Jacob A.,
Jason R.,
Quinelle M.,
Gage E.,
Clifton L-S.,
Todd L.,
Noah N.,
Keegan C.

5th Grade

Ryder D.,
Waylin G.,
Rylee K.,
Zooey L.,
Ishmit N.,
Faith E.,
Anakin D.,
Livianna C.,
Lydia S., Mia
C., Bryden T.,
Logan V-P.



May Harvey C. Fenner Elementary Soaring Students

3rd Grade

Eden A.,
Zara Z.,
Logan G.,
Madilyn E.,
Paislee D.,
Liam H.,
John S.,
Landon F.



4th Grade



Macynn R.,
Ellison C.,
Desiree W.,
Olivia N.,
Zachary V.,
Wanbli L.,
Shawn R.,
Noah N.

5th Grade

Levi L.,
Madison C.,
Allie B.,
Kenley W.,
Tavares W.,
IrisRose D.,
Ray W.,
Molly T.,
Michael H.,
Darci C.,
Faith R.,
Gracie M.,
Isabella S.



4th Grade Visits the Fenton History Center & Lakeview Cemetery

Students in 4th grade had the opportunity to visit the Fenton History Center in Jamestown on May 14th and 15th. The students learned about Governor Fenton and his family, and how people lived in the 1800's. This was followed by a visit to Lakeview Cemetery, where the Fentons and Prendergasts are buried.



Fenner's New Book Vending Machine Thanks to Cummins!

Harvey C. Fenner Elementary School is now the proud owner of a book vending machine! Thanks to a grant offered by Cummins Jamestown Engine Plant, Fenner's AIS reading teachers were able to purchase the vending machine AND books to fill it! A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on Tuesday, May 7 after Cummins employees Jon Youngberg and Kyle Moore graciously volunteered their time to assist in stocking the machine. Noah N., Eden A., Kendall V., and Karsten L.,

who have had perfect attendance all school year, were awarded tokens and were able to select the first books! Students throughout the building are thrilled to have the vending machine and anxious to find out who will be next to earn a token and choose a book! There is a buzz of excitement over books! Fenner students and staff would like to thank Cummins for making this possible!

Book Vending Machine in Use!

STEM Wars participants with the books they chose from the book vending machine. (below)



Battle of the Book participants with books they chose from the vending machine. (above)

Temple Art Show

Students from Temple Elementary had their art work recently displayed at the Kennedy Free Library.



2nd Grade Students Learn Water Safety at the YMCA



Junior Achievement Comes to Kindergarten



May Temple Students of the Month

Will K., Liliana W., Maciela G., Mabel H., Grayson D., Alex E., Adam C., Juliana N.

April Temple Students of the Month

Reed E., Easton H., Breccan C., Madison I., Jaxon C., Kane C., Adeline K., Bennett M.

Fun with Cups in STEM



Audubon Work Day at Temple Elementary

On Sunday, May 19 students and families district wide came together for an Audubon work day at Temple. A variety of plants were planted, seating area was weeded, and a "living tunnel" was begun. Some volunteers included Zoey B., her grandmother, the Janocha family, brothers Conner D. and Lincoln D, their mom, and brothers Breccan and Declan with their mom and grandmother. Thank you to all! We can't wait to see what it all grows into!



Mrs. Boughton's Class Gives!

Relatives of a student in Mrs. Boughton's kindergarten class, lost their home in April, due to a devastating fire that destroyed all of their possessions. Mrs. Boughton's kindergartners were very sad that young Colt lost all his toys, so they asked if they could bring in new toys for him. The families were super generous, and we were able to collect many brand-new dinosaurs items, cars, gift cards, and Spider-Man toys for him.

This was a "love your neighbor" learning experience for the entire class, spearheaded by the kindergartners themselves!



The Opera Comes to Temple

The CHQ Arts Education Opera performed at Temple on May 17, 2024. The team conducted classroom lessons in our four 2nd grade classes then put on a performance for the whole school in the Temple gym.





Graduation Edition: Reminders & Announcements



Mission Statement

The Board of Education, collective staff, and community of the Falconer School District are committed to preparing our children to be productive members of society. Through continuous evaluation and improvement, this partnership will provide a quality educational environment for students to meet the graduation requirements.



Alma Mater

Falconer High School here's to you best in the land. 'Neath the old gold and blue, we will proudly take our stand. In classroom study, field, or track with you dear as our guide, no honor ever shall you lack. I'll win your pride.



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Honoring the 2024 Golden Falcon Retirees

Falconer Central School would like to wish our 2024 retirees the best, as they have dedicated many years of service to our students and community.

- * Susan Benson (27 years of service)
- * Dale Case (20 years of service)
- * Robin Cusimano (17 years of service)
- * Helen Leonard (24 years of service)
- * Mitch Paterniti (39 years of service)
- * Bryan Whittaker (4 years of service)



Thank You, Grandma Dee

Grandma Dee has retired from the foster grandparents program and Fenner after almost 15 years of service to our students. At 91 years old, she has finally decided to step back. It is hard to imagine just how many lives she has touched over the

years and how many students she has helped get through the day.

Grandma Dee was always there for our kiddos to read to, talk to, and offer a smile or a hug whenever they needed it. We will all miss you, Grandma Dee!



**Reality Check
Travels to D.C.**

Falconer's Reality Check joined up with numerous other Reality Check groups across the U.S. and in a trip to Washington, DC to rally against big tobacco. Abby R. even had the opportunity to ask CEO Billy Gifford a question at the shareholder's meeting! The youth in our community are doing big things learning how to be advocates for a better society where children and adolescents are not targeted by companies promoting unhealthy habits.

