

# MCCOMB READER



APRIL 2024

*Congratulations*  
to our  
**2024 GRADUATES!**

Senior Recognition Program  
May 17th at 9:00 am  
Graduation  
May 19th at 2:00 pm



**NO  
SCHOOL**  
April 8, 2024



CELEBRATE APRIL  
**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**  
April 8 - 13

Congratulations to Denisse Acosta and Jose Acosta for earning the Andy Schapson Memorial Scholarship for the Washington DC Trip. This scholarship is given yearly to a student(s) who show consistent effort in class and are striving to do their best!

For a little library we do a lot!

- Fine free library materials
- Books, Magazines, eBooks & more
- DVDs and Blu-ray movies
- Always on FREE Wi-Fi
- Hotspots
- Free Notary services
- Copier, Scanner, Fax service
- Programming for all ages
- Laminating, Ellison Die Cuts
- Meeting room – free for non-profits
- Public computer workstations



Free COSI kits – while supplies last



Register for giveaways

Spinner Wheel Library Game

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Superintendent Phone Number: 419-293-3979

Middle/High School Phone Number: 419-293-3853

## A MESSAGE FROM MR. HERR



I grew up on a farm and would often watch my dad work on things. It may have been something as simple as fixing a fence, mechanical work on a tractor or possibly welding a piece of metal on one of the many implements on the farm. More often than not, the tools he used served multiple purposes. Take a hammer for example. It pounds nails, right? Well, yes but it also can pull nails, rivets, bend metal, strike masonry drills and steel chisels and so on. I've even seen a hammer used as a make-shift screwdriver! The point is, while a tool has an intended use, more often it can be made useful in other ways.



Learning happens in a classroom. However, much like a hammer doesn't just pound nails, learning doesn't just happen in a classroom. It happens outside, in social situations such as the cafeteria, on the baseball field or track. If you think about it, we learn things in just about every situation and those experiences help to shape who we are.

The best education comes from a team effort between the school and home. It is up to both of us to provide experiences our children can learn from to form their own opinions on important topics within our community, county, state and beyond.

Small things in the family unit make a big difference; things such as house and car maintenance, reading, exercising, eating healthy, prioritizing time, voting and using a proper choice of words around children. I know that you know, this list is not exhaustive. 😊

At school the small things also make a big difference. Our students take a significant number of field trips during the last few months before summer break. Last month the 6th graders traveled to an outdoor education camp (Michindoh). The juniors and seniors took a class trip to New York City. The 8th graders took their annual trip to Washington DC. Teachers plan culminating projects that tap into student interests. Students go to the Public library to check out books or take part in fun activities. There is a blend of routine and surprise in classrooms this time of year. Not every learning experience is a positive one but I'd argue that learning can be more powerful when the outcome isn't what was expected.

Each day is an opportunity to grow. Each day is an opportunity to learn something new. So, let's pick up the proverbial hammer and get to work!

**NO School  
April 8, 2024  
Eclipse Day**



Elk's Findlay Lodge #75 has selected  
McComb seniors  
Owen DeWeese and Ana Razo-Nicasio  
as the Elk's Students of the Month for  
February.

Congratulations to these two on all their work in and out of school.

Owen  
DeWeese



Ana  
Razo-Nicasio



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## CALLING ALL LIFEGUARDS



Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a lifeguard for the Village of McComb for the 2024 pool season?

If so, the Putnam County YMCA (Ottawa) will be having certification classes April 27th through May 11th. They allow 15 people to a class, so please sign up as soon as you can. If you are interested, please contact the Putnam County YMCA at 419-523-5233 to sign up for a certification or a recertification class. If you are hired and stay through the season as a lifeguard, the Village of McComb will reimburse you for your certification/recertification class at the end of the pool season. So, keep your receipt.

Village of McComb will accept applications until May 3, 2024.  
Call with questions: 419-293-4300

## MHS 2024-25 CHEER

**Clinic Day 1:** Routine Instructor/Choreographer  
Wednesday, April 3rd 6-8 pm Old Gym

**Clinic Day 2:** Thursday, April 4th 3:15-5 pm Old Gym

**Clinic Day 3:** Mock Tryouts  
Friday, April 5th 3:15-5:00 pm Old Gym

**Tryout Day:** Saturday, April 6th 10:00 am New Gym

**Team Meeting:** Wednesday, April 10th 3-5 pm Mrs.  
Turner's Room (Rm 244)

**Mandatory Parent Meeting:** Wednesday, April 17  
5:00 pm Cafeteria

**Uniform Fitting:** Wednesday, April 17th 3:15 pm  
Cafeteria

Attention all 8th graders thru juniors!!!! You can play in more than one sport. If you are in Volleyball, Cross Country or Band you can also Cheer. We also need a Team Spirit Manager and a Mascot. See Mrs. Turner for questions.

## Band & Choir Awards

### Concert

May 7 at 5:30 pm

5th grade choir

JH Choir

HS Choir

6th grade Band

JH Band

HS Band



College Credit Plus permission slips are due to the school counselor's office or the main office by **APRIL 2nd**.

\*(with the break occurring on the 1st)  
For students who are interested in participating in CCP but were unable to attend the informational meeting, please contact Mrs. Huth-Parker before the due date.



## Solo & Ensemble Contest

Solo & Ensemble Contest was held on March 19th at McComb High School. Students prepared solo and ensembles to perform for a judge and receive a rating. The ratings are I or Superior, II or Excellent, III or Good, IV or Fair, V or Poor.

### Superior Rating

Violet Cortez singing Alto  
 Evening Johnstone singing Alto  
 Vocal Trio: Erika Voigt, Izzy Mansfield & Rusty Teegardin  
 Vocal Trio: Claria Bowser, Ashlyn Doster & Charlotte Green  
 Aveah Hinkle singing Soprano  
 Lachlan Johnstone playing Trumpet  
 Lexi Doyle playing Baritone  
 Delylah Hershberger playing Trumpet  
 Jack Paniagua playing Alto Sax  
 Dakota Shellenberger playing Soprano Sax  
 Erika Voigt playing Trumpet  
 Brayden Crislip playing Trumpet  
 Woodwind Trio: Mae Abbott, Kenadee Holladay, Charlotte Green  
 Evan Carter playing Alto Sax  
 Bailey Brown playing Clarinet  
 Carson Bauer playing Tenor Sax  
 Matthew Leader playing Alto Sax  
 Brody Panning playing Bells  
 Evening Johnstone playing Tenor Sax  
 Marissa Pitz playing Bass Clarinet  
 Lilly Steen playing Snare Drum  
 Rusty Teegardin playing Snare Drum

### Fair Rating

Colton Cole playing French Horn  
 Snare Trio: Kara Downing, Memphis Shawver & Asiana Rodriguez  
 Congratulations to all who performed!

### Excellent Rating

Ja'leah Pickett singing Soprano  
 Erika Voigt singing Soprano  
 Samantha Howell singing Soprano  
 Lexi Jordan singing Soprano  
 Yesenia Perez singing Soprano  
 Rebeckah Price singing Soprano  
 Taelyn Johns singing Alto  
 Ashlyn Doster singing Alto  
 Jonathan Van Seghbroeck playing Trumpet  
 Izzy Wells playing French Horn  
 Rudi Cano playing French Horn  
 Mixed Trio: Rudi Cano, Gavin Letso & Evan Carter  
 Horn Trio: Izzy Wells, Rudi Cano & Colton Cole  
 Mixed Trio: Mae Abbott, Lexi Doyle & Addison Kinder  
 Mixed Quartet: Lachlan Johnstone, Gavin Householder, Brayden Crislip & Will Rohdy  
 Flute Trio: Aveah Hinkle, Bianca Adams & Taelyn Johns  
 Sax Quartet: Rebeckah Price, Will Rohdy, Evening Johnstone & Evan Carter  
 Lilly Steen playing Trombone  
 Mixed Ensemble: Erika Voigt, Izzy Mansfield, Jack Paniagua, Dakota Shellenberger, Rylee Johns & Maddie Householder.  
 Haylee Newton playing Alto Sax  
 Brody Panning playing Snare Drum  
 Ashlyn Doster playing Flute  
 Charlotte Green playing Flute  
 Ethan Rider playing Baritone  
 Kara Downing playing Snare Drum

Mandatory Senior  
 Class Meeting  
 April 17th, 8:30am  
 Cafeteria

Jazz Concert  
 May 15 at 6:00 pm  
 JV & Varsity Jazz Bands  
 Alumni Jazz & Night Jazz



The McComb NHS hosted its second blood drive this school year. We want to thank everyone who came out to donate and volunteer their time.



## Solo & Ensemble Contest

### Good Rating

Woodwind Quartet: Caitlynn Sherick, Denise Acosta, Gabby Jimenez & Mr. Honse  
 Brass Quartet: Jonathan Van Seghbroeck, Hudson Clark, Braelynn Felgar & Ethan Rider  
 Woodwind Quartet: Claria Bowser, Ashlyn Doster, Charlotte Green & Kenadee Holladay  
 Mixed Duet: Camden Morales & Julien Faisant  
 Mixed Trio: Erika Voigt, Jack Paniagua & Sydnee Patino  
 Zach Koenig playing Trombone  
 McKenna Amador playing Trumpet  
 Caitlynn Sherick playing Clarinet  
 Kresentia Mumpuku playing Alto Sax  
 Sydnee Patino playing Clarinet  
 Alexis Sanchez playing Clarinet  
 Rebeckah Price playing Alto Sax  
 Kamryn Heldman playing Alto Sax  
 Lexi Jordan playing Alto Sax  
 Asiana Rodriguez playing Snare Drum

**Congratulations to our Junior High OMEA District Band students!** Evan Carter, Victoria Wolford, & McKenna Amador

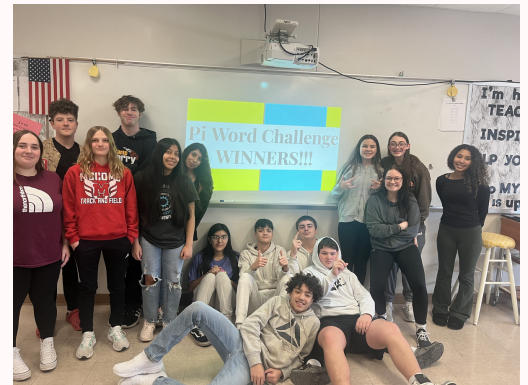
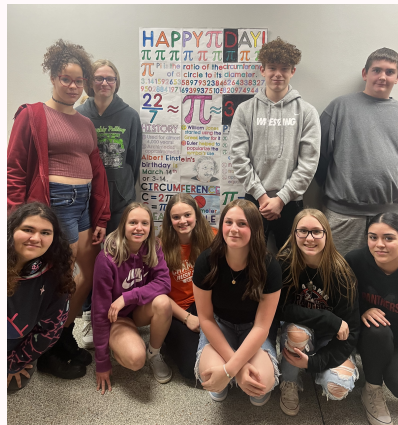
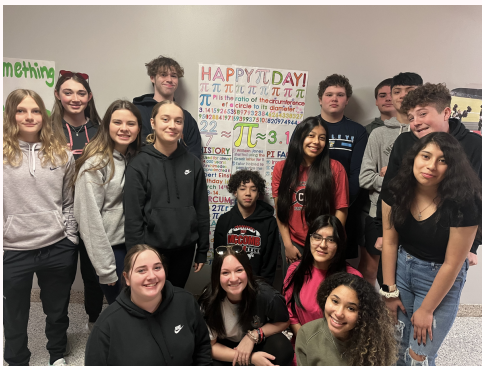
**Congratulations to our Junior High OMEA District Choir students!** Evening Johnstone, Hunter Redman, Lilly Steen & Rebeckah Price  
 Their concert is April 13th, 3:00 at Wapakoneta High School.

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In a delightful fusion of mathematics and food, Ms. Stratton's students celebrated Pi Day with a medley of pie-tasting and pi-themed activities. Held on March 14th (3/14), the day celebrates the mathematical constant  $\pi$  (pi), which represents the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. From savory to sweet, an array of pies adorned the tables, enticing our taste buds and invoking the spirit of mathematical appreciation. With flavors ranging from classic apple to fan favorite peanut butter, students indulged in the desserts while engaging in various pi-related activities.

It wasn't just indulging ourselves, but students put their cognitive skills to the test with pi-themed word searches and crosswords, challenging themselves to find hidden words and solve clues related to the mathematical constant. Students were also given the chance to channel their inner creativity by crafting pi-themed artwork. One of the highlights of the day was the word challenge, where students were tasked with crafting words that had "pi" in them. Classes competed against the other classes with 4th period Algebra 1 coming out on top with over 150 words. The competitive spirit soared as students eagerly raced to complete the puzzles!

We extend our sincerest gratitude to the VFW, Sam VanAtta, and McComb Family Dental for their generous monetary donations and another heartfelt thank-you goes out to Cindy Brink for her amazing skill in baking all the delicious pies! Your support is deeply appreciated as it made all the delightful pies and engaging activities for our Pi Day celebration possible and truly memorable!



## McComb FFA PALS Program

On November 28 and January 24 the Agriculture Advocacy committee including Peyton Stateler, Addison Krassow, Casen Stateler, Parker Downing, and Emma Abbott planned to go into Elementary classrooms and teach students about agriculture.

Along with other FFA members that helped out they taught students about how ice cream is made and where everything in a hamburger comes from.





7th grade - Taelyn Johns has a very positive attitude. She shows great enthusiasm in everything she does. She never backs down from a challenge. She is the definition of a hard-working student. Congratulations on being voted as Student of the Month.



8th grade - Brodie Tucker is doing an all around great job this year! He always has his work done, works well with anyone during class, is self-motivated in study halls and always participates in class. He sets a nice example for others! Congrats Brodie on being selected as Student of the Month.



9th grade - Violet Cortez is always so pleasant and willing to help others, including the teacher. She is a great example of someone who is selfless. She is kind with a great sense of humor and is deserving of being selected as Student of the Month.



10th grade - Brooke Koenig is a very productive and respectful student in class. She is always asking questions showing her critical thinking and is often contributing in class discussion. She has her work completed on time and is a great leader & influence for her peers. Congratulations on being the Student of the Month.



11th grade - Michelle Velsquez did a great job as the lead in the musical and playing flute. She is a quiet leader among her peers and is deserving of being voted as the Student of the Month!



12th grade - Brianna Wagner is an awesome student! She is conscientious of her grades and works hard in and out of class. She is very deserving of being voted as Student of the Month!

Scheduling for McComb Middle and High School is underway! We're scheduling classes for the 2024-25 school year. We encourage students to talk with their teachers and school counselors in order to submit their best schedule for their future goals. Mrs. Huth-Parker will be presenting in English classes regarding graduation requirements, course selection options, and elective credits they can earn. Students will be asked to have parents sign an acknowledgment of their selections made. Parents should look for and ask about their students' selections. Any questions, or concerns, please follow up with Mrs. Huth-Parker.

*See Mrs. Huth-Parker for questions or any help!*



Scholarship season is in full swing. Please, make sure your senior is checking out the scholarships list for financial assistance in continuing their education. Students can scan the QR code to access the list.

ALL Students are encouraged to get their Community Service Learning Hours in!! The form for documentation can be found on the McComb Local School website, as well as copies in the counselor's office and the main office.

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Elementary Phone Number: 419-293-3286

## A MESSAGE FROM MR. PAYNE



R-E-S-P-E-C-T. No, I am not referring to the song we all know by Aretha Franklin, I am talking about our moral quality of giving and receiving respect. I have had some conversations recently that have seemed to all come back around to respect and got me thinking. How can I help our students understand the importance of respect? A non-negotiable expectation at our school is that regardless of if someone is a friend or if we like a person or not, we treat everyone with kindness and respect. I feel that it is very important that we teach our young people that respect for one another regardless of our differing views is a critical skill to learn as they grow into leaders and members of society.

Sometimes we can be blinded by disrespectful tones in what we see and hear on the news, social media, and television. Let us not forget to continue to teach our children that respect for their parents, siblings, peers, teachers, people of the opposite sex, other's property, and on and on is not a weakness, but a quality that will serve them well as they grow up and become leaders in our community and our world.



Story Time for Preschoolers: Tuesday, 10:15– 11:00 **OR** 11:30 –12:15

Registration is **REQUIRED** by calling the Library, stopping in to register, or on our website at [mccombpl.org](http://mccombpl.org) under the Youth Services tab.

### April 2024

Tuesday, April 2: What is an Eclipse?  
Tuesday April 9: Frogs  
Tuesday April 16: Seeds  
\* Tuesday April 23: Earth Day  
Tuesday April 30: Summer Fun

### MAY 2024

We use this time to work on plans for our Summer Read Programs.  
Please watch for information.  
**"Adventure Begins at Your Library"**  
(There is NO story time for the month of May.)

## McComb Public Library After School Programs

K-1st Grade

April 3, 2024

3:00-4pm

2-3rd Grade

April 10, 2024

3:00-4pm

4-6th Grade

April 17, 2024

3:00-4pm

## Celebrate Earth Day



With us!

Snacks will be Provided!

## HS TRACK

4/5	Columbus Grove	4:30
4/9	Van Buren	4:30
4/12	CG Invite	4:30
4/16	North Baltimore	4:30
4/19	Bluffton	4:00
4/23	Ada	4:30
4/25	USV Invite	4:00
4/27	LB Invite	9:00
4/30	Van Buren	4:30
5/3	Findlay HS	4:30
5/10	BVC at Fostoria HS	4:30

## HS SOFTBALL

<b>4/1</b>	<b>Van Buren</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/2	Ada	5:00
4/3	Vanlue	5:00
4/4	Leipsic	5:00
4/6	Holgate (DH)	11:00
<b>4/9</b>	<b>Bluffton</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/10	Elmwood	5:00
<b>4/12</b>	<b>Arlington</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/13	New Riegel/Carey	10:00
<b>4/15</b>	<b>Liberty Benton</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/17	Arcadia	5:00
4/18	Kalida	5:00
<b>4/23</b>	<b>Patrick Henry</b>	<b>5:00</b>
<b>4/24</b>	<b>Pandora Gilboa</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/25	Cory Rawson	5:00
4/29	Riverdale	5:00
4/30	North Baltimore	5:00
5/1	Lima Perry	5:00
5/3	Northwood	5:00
<b>5/6</b>	<b>Miller City</b>	<b>5:00</b>
5/8	Hardin Northern	5:00
<b>5/14</b>	<b>Tiffin Calvert</b>	<b>5:00</b>

## HS BASEBALL

<b>4/1</b>	<b>Van Buren</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/2	Ada	5:00
4/3	Vanlue	5:00
4/4	Leipsic	5:00
4/5	Lake	5:00
<b>4/9</b>	<b>Bluffton</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/10	Elmwood	5:00
<b>4/11</b>	<b>Continental</b>	<b>5:00</b>
<b>4/12</b>	<b>Arlington</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/13	Mohawk (DH)	10:00
<b>4/15</b>	<b>Liberty Benton</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/17	Arcadia	5:00
<b>4/18</b>	<b>Waite</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/19	Miller City	5:00
4/20	New Riegel (DH)	10:00
<b>4/23</b>	<b>Patrick Henry</b>	<b>5:00</b>
<b>4/24</b>	<b>Pandora Gilboa</b>	<b>5:00</b>
4/25	Cory Rawson	5:00
4/29	Riverdale	5:00
4/30	North Baltimore	5:00
5/4	Toledo Christian (DH)	10:00
5/8	Hardin Northern	5:00
5/11	Carey	11:00

## JH TRACK

4/2	Riverdale	4:30
4/10	Hardin Northern	4:30
4/15	Van Buren	4:30
4/18	Hopewell Loudon	4:30
4/23	Leipsic	4:30
4/25	LB Invite	4:30
4/29	Riverdale	4:30
5/1	Van Buren Invite	4:00
5/3	Hardin Northern	4:30
5/13	BVC @ Findlay HS	4:00





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## McComb Local Schools

Phone: 419-293-3979 ext 406

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

**1**  
**NO SCHOOL**  
\* Spring Break \*

**2**  
Breakfast Pizza  
Cheese Omelet (w/ biscuit)  
or Belgian Waffle,  
Sausage Links, Hash  
Brown, 100% Juice  
Choice, Fruit Bar, Milk  
\*\*\*NO SALAD BAR\*\*

**3**  
Breakfast Burrito  
Pepperoni or Cheese  
Pizza, Salad Bar, Sweet  
Potatoes, Fruit Bar, Milk  
Additional 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> option  
Buffalo Chicken Pizza

**4**  
Mini Pancakes  
Beef or Chicken Taco,  
Salad Bar, Black Beans,  
Fruit Bar, Milk

**5**  
Grilled Cheese (w/Amer)  
or Hot Dog Sandwich,  
Tomato Soup, Salad Bar,  
Broccoli, Fruit Bar, Milk

**8**  
**NO SCHOOL**

**9**  
Chs Omelet w/ Saus Link  
Sweet & Sour Chicken or  
Mongolian Beef, Salad Bar,  
Asian Blend w/ Baby  
Corn, Fruit Bar, Fortune  
Cookie, Milk

**10**  
Breakfast Sandwich  
Fiestada Pizza or Cheese  
Filled Breadstick (Bosco),  
Salad Bar, Carrots, Fruit  
Bar, Milk

**11**  
CC French Toast  
Build Your Own McPote  
Burrito (w/ choice of Steak,  
Chk, Rice, Beans, & other  
toppings), or Chicken Fries  
(Sticks), Salad Bar, Corn,  
Fruit Bar, Milk

**12**  
Funnel Cake  
Cheese Quesadilla or  
Chicken Fries (Sticks),  
Salad Bar, Spicy Curly  
Fries, Fruit Bar, Milk  
Additional 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> option  
Enchiladas

**15**  
Cinnamon Roll  
Shredded Chicken or Hot  
Dog Sandwich, Salad Bar,  
Salty Snack, Green Beans,  
Fruit Bar, Milk

**16**  
Breakfast Pizza  
Chicken & Noodles or Beef  
& Noodles w/ Mashed  
Potatoes, Salad Bar, Corn,  
Fruit Bar, Dinner Roll, FF  
Milk

**17**  
Breakfast Burrito  
Pepperoni Calzone or  
Cheese Stuffed Crust Pizza  
Salad Bar, Sweet Potatoes,  
Fruit Bar, Milk

**18**  
Mini Pancakes  
Loaded Beef or Chicken  
Nachos, Salad Bar,  
Refried Beans, Fruit Bar,  
Milk

**19**  
Donut Holes  
Regular or Nashville Hot  
Breaded Chicken Chunks,  
Salad Bar, Straight Cut  
Fries, Fruit Bar, Milk

**22**  
Breakfast Bar  
Chicken Nuggets or BBQ  
Pork Sandwich, Salad  
Bar, Salty Snack, Green  
Beans, Fruit Bar, Milk

**23**  
Chs Omelet w/ Saus Link  
French Toast Sticks or  
Mini Pancakes, Sausage  
Links, Hash Brown, 100%  
Juice Choice, Fruit Bar,  
Milk  
\*\* NO SALAD BAR \*\*

**24**  
Breakfast Sandwich  
Pepperoni Rippers or  
Cheese Pizza Cruncher  
Bites, Salad Bar, Carrots,  
Fruit Bar, Milk

**25**  
CC French Toast  
Mac-N-Cheese and MORE  
Cheese or Breaded  
Chicken Breast w/ side of  
Mac-N-Chs, Salad Bar,  
Broccoli, Fruit Bar, Milk

**26**  
Funnel Cake  
Chicken Strips or Sloppy  
Joe Sandwich, Salad Bar,  
Tater Tots, Fruit Bar, Milk  
Additional option:  
Fish Sticks

**29**  
Cinnamon Roll  
Breaded Chicken  
Sandwich or Mini Corn  
Dogs, Salad Bar, Baked  
Potato, Fruit Bar, Milk

**30**  
Breakfast Pizza  
Breakfast Sandwich (w/  
choice of: Saus, Eggs, &  
Cheese or Egg & Cheese),  
Hash brown, 100% Juice  
Choice, Fruit Bar, Milk  
\*\*\*NOTE: NO SALAD BAR\*\*

\*\*\* If you qualify  
for free or  
reduced meals  
this also applies  
to breakfast \*\*\*

\*\* Per the recent state budget passage, ALL  
eligible reduced students receive 'FREE' breakfast  
& lunches for the 2023-2024 school year. \*\*  
Make sure you have filled out the free/reduced  
meals application to see if you qualify for some  
assistance.

### News

#### BREAKFAST INFO

All Grades & Adults	\$1.25
Reduced	\$0.30
Extra Milk (1/2pt)	\$0.50

Breakfast served 7:25-7:50 a.m.

#### BREAKFAST MENU

Daily Hot Breakfast: Stated on menu  
Alternate Daily Breakfast Options:  
Instant Oatmeal, Cereal, Cereal Bars,  
WG Pop Tarts, WG Muffins, WG Donuts.

\*\* Breakfast includes whole fruit, juice, and milk \*\*

#### LUNCH INFO

Grades 1-5	\$2.25
Grades 6-12	\$2.55
Adult	\$3.15
Reduced	\$0.40
Extra Milk (1/2pt)	\$0.50

All grain products are WHOLE GRAIN unless otherwise noted.

All daily lunches come with Salad Bar (grades 3-12). Fruit Bar, & 1/2 pint milk choice unless otherwise stated.

\*\*\* We are an Offer vs. Serve school which means students can build their own meal by choosing a minimum 3 of the 5 daily meal components (meat/meat alternate, grain, fruits, vegetables, & milk) being offered with one being a fruit or vegetable to make it a complete healthy meal. \*\*\*

\* Menu Subject to Change \*

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.