

HS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, October 28th, 2026

Message from Firefly Studios: Just a heads-up — your student's photo gallery will be closing and archived in 3 days, on Oct. 31, 2026. Once archived, the gallery will no longer be available for viewing or ordering online, so if you'd like prints, digital downloads, or any keepsakes from this year's photos, now's the time to act.
You will find all photos from this preview and more in your online personal gallery.

LOST & FOUND: There's a table set up outside the auditorium!! Please take a look to see if anything is yours!

Informational Boys Basketball meeting on Monday during lunch in the auditorium.

Staff and Students may wear school appropriate costumes Thursday to school for Halloween. Masks covering the face should not be worn unless for pictures.

Vote to Name the IRC Goose! Stop by the IRC to cast your vote for the name of our IRC Goose (and check out its Halloween costume)!

PARENTS: Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, October 29th from 3:30 pm – 7:30 pm and Friday, October 30th from 8 am – 12 pm. You are now able to sign up for conferences on your Skyward Family Access account. Please select the "Conferences" tile in Skyward to start the process of scheduling the time you would like. If you need to schedule a time for Mrs. Allison, Mr. Nall, Mr. Neisen, Mr. Jake Tenhouse, Mrs. Salinas or Mrs. Vermillion-Podlesnik – please reach out to the HS Office. Thank you!

The Adams County Health Department will be giving influenza vaccines in our area on Thursday, October 29 from 3:00pm-6:00pm. This is open to the public! The vaccine clinic will take place in the IRC at the Jr High/High School campus. Please bring your ID and insurance card with you when you come!

NO SCHOOL on Friday, October 30th – P/T Conferences!

The NHS ceremony will be held on Thursday, November 5th at 6pm in the auditorium. New and current members should plan to attend. Please see Mrs. Mast if you have any questions

CLUBS:

- Art Club members, we will meet on Tuesdays and Wednesdays till 4:30pm. See Mrs. Salinas if you have questions.
- FBLA Membership dues will be $35 and should be turned in to Mrs. Eilers by Oct. 29th.
- **International Club Announcements**: Officers meet every Thursday immediately after 5th period.
    - Dia de Muertos activity sign-up sheet is outside Sra. Shirey's door. Members, please sign up for an activity and indicate if you will eat lunch that day (lunch will be with the CEC students).
    - Students who signed up for November, please check your email to complete your slide for the November meeting.
    - MANDATORY whole-club meeting Thursday during HR. Seniors who leave early, please meet after 5th period in Sra. Shirey's room.
    - Stop by TUESDAY to pick up a permission form and pre-arranged. Turn these in on THURSDAY at the meeting.
- Student Council – meets every Wednesday at 7:50 am in Mrs. Obert's room.

The Student Council is trying to raise money for Mini-Relay for Life by having bake/snack sales every Friday in the month of October. We are asking for donations of baked goods or snacks that we can sell to raise money for Mini-Relay. If you could please help us out, please send in your donation to be dropped off to Mrs. Obert's room anytime during the month of October.

Community Service Opportunity

Seniors with early release—Want to earn service hours AND a free Drink Shop drink? CEC is looking for a few seniors to come on October 28, November 23, and December 17 to help set up and refresh our Kindergarten Discovery Area (our indoor play/learning space). You'll get approximately 3 service hours, a Drink Shop drink, and the feeling of making learning more fun for our little Panthers! Email Mrs. Shoopman ashoopman@cusd3.com or talk to Mr. Huston if you are interested!

GUIDANCE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Juniors and Seniors who are interested in Nursing & Health Sciences! Sign-up to tour the Blessing-Rieman Simulation Center on Monday, November 9th. Get hands-on experience as you rotate through interactive stations:

- DMS-Ultrasound
- Radiology
- Respiratory Care
- Nursing

You will also get the opportunity to talk with Blessing-Rieman faculty about their programs. If you are interested in attending, please see Mrs. Mast by Tuesday, November 3rd.

QU is hosting several Special Campus Visit Days throughout the fall semester!

- **Nursing & Health Science Visit Day: November 6th - 12pm - 4pm**

You can register using this link: https://www.quincy.edu/admissions/visit-qu/ scroll down until you see "Special Campus Visit Days". Students will be responsible for their own transportation and need to get a blue college visit form from outside the office!

JWCC is hosting Career Exploration visit days during the fall semester!

- **Healthcare & Sciences - November 13 | 9am-12 pm**
- **Business, Hospitality & Culinary - December 4 | 9am-12pm**

Interested in attending? Register at this link:
https://explore.jwcc.edu/series/jwcc.events_series.664
Students would be responsible for their own transportation and need to pick up a blue college visit form outside the office!

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

*****SENIORS WILL BE EMAILED SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS! *****

The Elks National Foundation (local chapter - Quincy Lodge #100) is awarding 500 four-year scholarships to high school seniors who will be enrolling in four-year undergraduate degree programs. Scholarship amounts range from $1,000 to $7,500. For additional information and to apply, visit: https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/MVS.cfm The deadline to apply is November 12, 2026.

2027 IEC Memorial Scholarship Program: 20 - $3,000 scholarships (19 general scholarships & 1 lineworker scholarship)
Thomas H. Moore IEC Memorial Scholarship
$3,000 general scholarships are specific for IL high school seniors who are the son/daughter of a cooperative member, employee or director. For more information and to apply, visit: https://aiec.coop/iec-scholarship/ Deadline to apply: December 31, 2026

Illinois State Historical Society's Verna Ross Orndorff Scholarship

- **$1,000 scholarship for a high school senior.**
- **Must write a 1,500-word essay.**
- **Application and essay *must be submitted by January 15th, 2027.***

LaVern & Nola McEntire Memorial Line worker's Scholarship
A $3,000 scholarship will help pay for costs to attend the line worker's school conducted by the AEIC in conjunction with Lincoln Land Community College - Springfield, IL. Scholarship will be awarded to an individual who is related to a rural electric cooperative employee or director in the State of IL; or is the son/daughter of an electric cooperative member in IL; or is enrolled in the Lincoln Land line worker's school; or has served or is serving in the US armed forces or National Guard. For more information and to apply, visit: https://aiec.coop/lavern-and-nola-lineworkers-scholarship/ Deadline to apply: April 30, 2027

SPORTS:

We are hosting the 1st Round Playoff Football Game on Saturday, October 31st against West Central! Gates open at 11:30 am - game starts at 1:00 pm. Per IHSA admission policy – admission is $8 – no passes allowed!

Today's Lunch:

Salisbury Steak, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn

Next Breakfast:

Biscuits & Gravy, Fruit

Next Lunch:

BBQ Rib/Bun, French Fries, Coleslaw, Fruit



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