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POSTAL CUSTOMER

## Substitute Teachers Needed

For the 2023-2024 school year, the CLK Schools are in need of substitute teachers. If you are looking for a flexible schedule, love working with young people and have completed a minimum of 60 semester hours of college credit, this may be the perfect job for you.

Please stop by the Superintendent's Office to pick up an information packet, or call 337-0311 ext. 1219 for more details.



# 2023-2024 DRAFT CALENDAR

This calendar has common dates that have been set by the Copper Country Intermediate School District, which all local schools must adhere to:

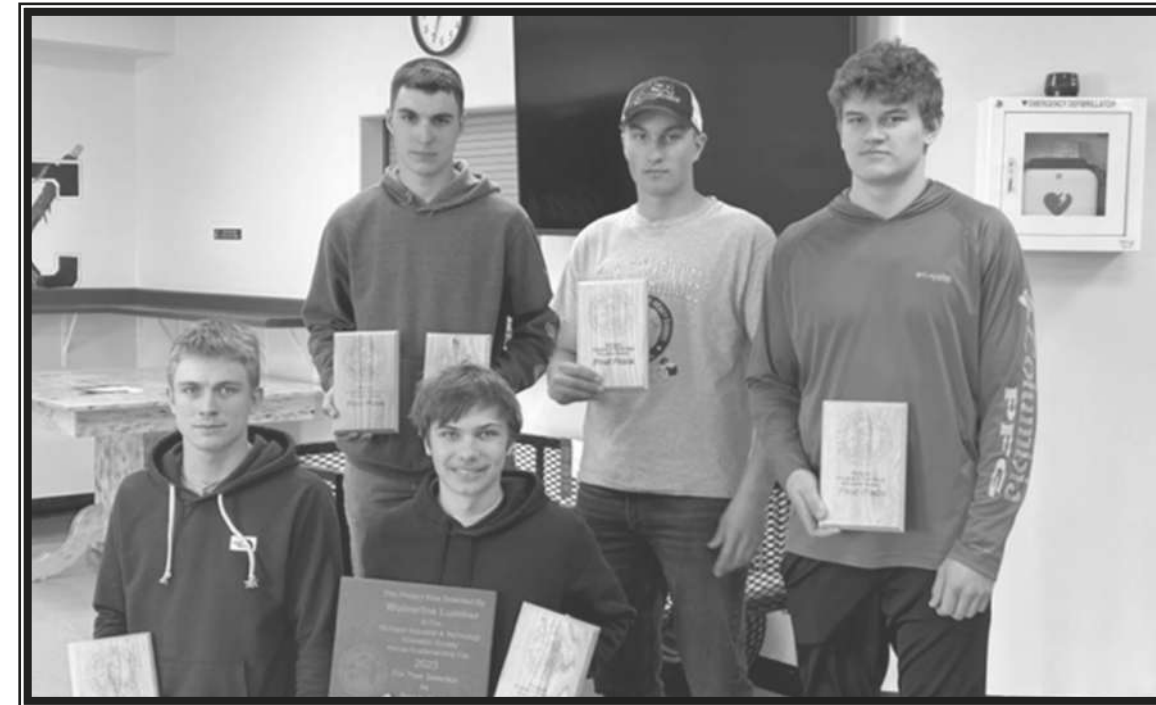
Fri. & Mon., Sept. 1 & 4	Labor Day Holiday
Tues., Sept. 5	First day of school
Thurs. & Fri., Nov. 23 & 24	Thanksgiving Recess
Wed., Dec. 20 - Tues., Jan 2	Christmas Recess
Fri., March 29 - Fri., Apr 5	Spring Recess
Mon., May 27	Memorial Day



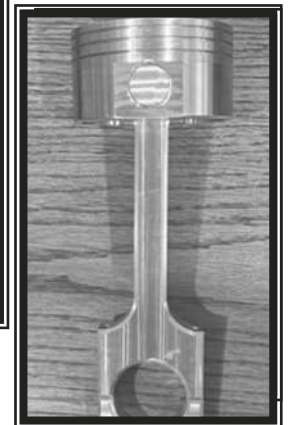
## Learning in CLK Schools

The Mission of the Calumet, Laurium and Keweenaw School District is to educate young people in a safe and orderly environment where lifelong essential learning skills are taught and mastered, initiative is encouraged and achievement is recognized.

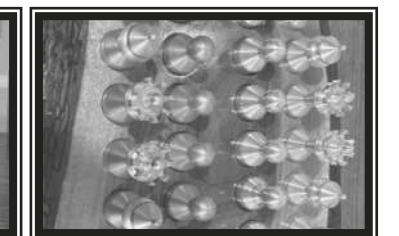
## Michigan Industrial Technology Education Society State Competition



Back row left to right: Brett Londo, Ben Frantti & Landon Goulette  
Front row left to right: Garrett Peterson and Slade Keranen.



Calumet High School Industrial Technology students submitted projects to the Michigan Industrial and Technology Education Society State Competition held in Kalamazoo in May. The MITES was established in 1928 with the founding principle of promoting and maintaining Michigan's strong and long history of industrial education of various types. Five students earned first place in the state with their projects. Brett Londo - chess set and piston and rod. Ben Frantti - model air engine. Landon Goulette - sauna stove, Garrett Peterson - headache rack and Slade Keranen - kitchen table.



# KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Junior King and Kindergarten Registration was held on Wednesday, March 22nd. Parents and students were able to tour the school, peek inside a bus and visit the Junior King and Kindergarten classrooms. If you have not registered your Junior King/Kindergartener for the 2023-2024 school year, please do so now. Children who will reach the age of five (5) on September 1st - December 1st, 2023, are eligible for the Junior King's Early Kindergarten program or may be eligible for Kindergarten with a signed waiver.



Please bring your child's state certified birth certificate, immunization record and proof of residency. All incoming Junior King and Kindergarten students must have a vision screening done before school starts. If you have any questions or need registration forms, please call the CLK Elementary Office at 337-0311, option 1.



# CCASB AWARDS



L-R Jason Wickstrom, Maria Campioni, Phyllis Locatelli, Hope Stroup, Kristin Wanhala, Dorothy Jamison & Melanie Parker

The Copper Country Association of School Boards, comprised of one representative from each local Board of Education, recently honored outstanding school district employees and volunteers. CLK awards were presented to: Senior, **Hope Stroup** "Student Impact Award," **Kristin Wanhala**, "Outstanding Education Employee Award," and **Maria Campioni and Dorothy Jamison**, "School Service Award." Each recipient was recognized for demonstrating commitment and effort in support of education in the CLK School District.

# NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION



The Prometheus Chapter of the National Honor Society at Calumet High School welcomed 15 new members at its candlelight induction ceremony on March 13th. These students not only had grade point averages of 3.3 on a 4-point scale, but also demonstrated the qualities of leadership in and out of the classroom, character, and community service.

The high school chapter, a part of the National Honor Society since 1963, sponsors blood drives, supports local charity organizations, and requires individual community service of its members. The National Honor Society Advisor is Katie Bonacorsi.



The new members are: Kailin Aho, Sydney Cummings, Audrey Erkkila, Annabella Harju, Aili Heflin, Xander Hoffman, Kaili Kantner, Emmett Kaurala, Olivia Kilpela, Lillian Lammi, Abraham Perala, Alex VanDenburg, Maija White, Carter Worm, Liisa Ylitalo and Jenna Yohe.



## BioAthlon

Jaden Ely, Carter Worm, Sidney Cummings and Jenna Yohe placed 1st in the BioAthlon held at MTU in May. The team was coached by Biology teacher, Holly Wright.



The team competed in four categories: Medical Lab Science with gram staining bacteria and classification; Ecology with evolution, biological processes and cell structures; Blood typing with forensic analysis of blood samples; and a frog dissection with organ identification and functions.



## Commencement 2023

Top academic honors in the class of 2023 have been earned by Valedictorian Olivia Wickstrom and Salutatorian Meliina Kesti. They will join their classmates at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 26th, for the 140th commencement exercises.



Olivia J. Wickstrom (4.0) is the daughter of Jason & Jennifer Wickstrom. Olivia was a member of the Band, Forensics, Pep Club, Prom Committee, and Digital Publishing Class. She plans to attend Northern Michigan University to double major in Secondary Math Education and Secondary Health & Physical Education.

Meliina K. Kesti (3.97) is the daughter of James Kesti and Kristi Kesti-Pieti. Meliina was a member of the Softball team, Band, National Honor Society, Pep Club, Science Olympiad, and Spanish Club. She plans to attend Northern Michigan University to major in Microbiology with a concentration in Immunology.



### Class of 2023

Class Song: "Good Old Days" by Macklemore

Class Color: Baby Blue

Class Flower: Lupine

Class Motto: "Started from the bottom, now we're here." - Drake



### Graduation Speaker

The graduation speaker for the Class of 2023 is Mr. Daniel Mandoli. Daniel Mandoli, a 1988 graduate of Calumet High School, is an industry leader in the Pharmacy Healthcare space with 25+ years of responsibility at the Executive level across Sales, Technology, and Operations. Daniel is currently the President of Specialty and Home Delivery Pharmacies for Carelon, the services arm of Elevance Health which covers 119 million people in the US through its' 14 Blue Cross Blue Shield plans.



Previously, Daniel was the President of Pharmacy services and Executive Vice President of Services for Private Equity based organizations in the digital healthcare space as well as a Senior Expert Advisor for McKinsey & Associates, a global management consulting firm.

Daniel spent over 20 years at Cigna/Express Scripts, where he served in a number of roles as the Chief Technology Officer, General Manager and Chief Operating Officer for both the Accredo Specialty pharmacy and the Express Scripts Home Delivery pharmacy.

An enthusiastic participant in the community, Daniel is on the board of College Bound – an organization empowering students from disadvantaged backgrounds to achieve bachelor's degrees and successful careers. He is also active supporting the Logos School, Arch Grants, and the United Way.

From building high performing teams, designing innovative analytical tools, leading Fortune 50 Technology integrations, and managing large global operational teams, Mr. Mandoli has a unique perspective on leadership, responsibility, and creating winning teams. As a mentor, he focused on guiding and unlocking individual potential at all levels of the organization, which is a core principle of his leadership style.

Daniel received his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan with majors in Accounting and Organizational Psychology. He did his graduate studies in Computer Science and MBA at Syracuse University.

### Class officers

Co-Presidents: Keith Billeck and Brooke Pomroy

Vice President: Ella Newman

Treasurer: Reece White

Student Senate Delegate: Hope Stroup



**Calumet High School, CLK Elementary School & Washington Middle School named National Showcase Schools by Capturing Kids Hearts**

We are proud to announce that CLK Elementary School has been named for the third year in a row a Capturing Kids' Hearts Showcase School. This year, they are joined by Calumet High School and Washington Middle School. The Showcase School Award displays both high aspiration and an exemplary recognition of excellence that Calumet High School, CLK Elementary School and Washington Middle School display. "We are proud to recognize the outstanding educators who have dedicated themselves to making a difference in the lives of our children," states CKH.

**2023 PAC Awards**

Mrs. Julie Giachino received the Outstanding Administrator Award and Ms. Lori Hendra received the Outstanding Support Staff Person Award from the Copper Country Intermediate School District's Parent Advisory Committee for Special Education.



L-R Julie Giachino, Matt Hampton, Lori Hendra

**STATE & NATIONAL COMPETITORS**

Congratulations to the following students who competed at the State and/or National level of their respective activities.



**BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA**

**State Leadership Conference**

- Koby Carlock
- Amsel Goodman
- Nora Harmala
- Gabrial King-Takacs
- Nicole Thyrior

**National Leadership Conference**

- Nicole Thyrior



**JROTC ACADEMIC TEAM**  
National Academic Bowl Championship  
Washington D.C. - June 2023

- L-R Hunter Golden,Carolynn Bruchman,  
Liisa Ylitalo and Amsel Goodman.



**SCIENCE OLYMPIAD**

**Calumet H.S. & Washington M.S. State Finals**

- Front Row L to R: Jack Jones, Harper Haataja, Emelea Doolittle, Olivia Byykkonen, Sophie Wild, Meliina Kesti
- Back Row L to R: Keating Dinsmore, Byron David, Keira Johnson, Miles Aho, Merisa Lishinski, Lorelie Fryer, Kailin Aho



**VEX ROBOTICS**  
Washington Middle School  
State Finals

- Caleb Ely                      Evelyn Robb
- Zoe Robinson                Emma Ylitalo



# C.H.S. Athletics



## Calumet Volleyball

WestPAC Conference Champions  
District & Regional Champions  
State Semi-Finalists

Back: Coach Katie Bonacorsi, Isabel Loukus, Olivia Kilpela, Jackie Kiilunen, Madelyn Torola, Allison Bjorn, Abigayle Harris-Berryman, Gabrielle Anderson, Asst. Coach Lizzie Torola, Asst. Coach Terra Parks

Front: Khloe Carlson, Mgr.; Lily Keranen, Carly Loukus, Helen Beiring, Kaylie Halonen, Laina Kariniemi Missing: Caitlyn Strome



## ATHLETIC ALL-STATE AWARD WINNERS

**Volleyball**— Helen Beiring (All-State 1st Team), Laina Kariniemi (All-State 2nd Team)

**Football**— Hans Kiilunen (Academic All-State); Levi Kilpela (Division 6 All-State Offensive Lineman); Aksel Loukus (Academic All-State); Bruce Parisot (Academic All-State); Lars Peterson (Academic All-State); Team—Academic All-State Honorable Mention

**Hockey**—Cam Anderson (Division 3 All-State Honorable Mention Forward); Ben Frantti (Academic All-State); Hans Kiilunen (Academic All-State); Aksel Loukus (Division 3 All-State 1st Team Goalie, Academic All-State); Dan Loukus (Division 3 All-State 2nd Team Defenseman); Bruce Parisot (Academic All-State); Team—Academic All-State - GPA 3.23



GO COPPER KINGS

## RETIREEES

Ms. Deborah Butler  
CLK Elementary School  
22 Years



Mr. John Croze  
Calumet High School  
30 Years



Mrs. Kara Galbraith  
CLK Elementary School  
17 1/2 Years



Mrs. Catherine Rowe  
Washington Middle School  
34 Years



Mrs. Cindy Twardzik  
Washington Middle School  
25 Years



*Congratulations and best wishes in your retirement!*

## Copper Dog 2023 Featured Artist

Trista Berryman was chosen as the Copper Dog 2023 Invited Artist. Trista is a sophomore at Calumet High School. Her work was featured on the Official 2023 CopperDog 150 race poster. In addition to the poster, all race officials wore her art on their badges.



## Library News

The Library has much to offer our patrons. We have a great selection of books in house and if there is a title we don't have, we can borrow it from another library through an inter-library loan. You also can borrow e-books and audiobooks through our library from the Great Lakes Digital Library. Now that we are partnered with other libraries there are more than 100,000 titles to browse.

Digital Magazines are also available to our patrons. There are 100s of magazine titles to choose from. Download them to your device and enjoy reading your selection anywhere!

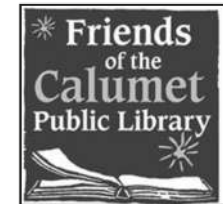
Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Calumet Library we also offer Mango Language, with over 70 languages to explore, including Finnish, Spanish, French, Russian and even Pirate. It's easy to use and once lessons are downloaded on your device you can enjoy learning anywhere.

The Calumet Public School Library has 23 public computers for patron use and wireless access. Computers are shut down 1/2 hour before closing.

Don't have a card? Just stop by the library or call (906) 337-0311 ext. 1107 for details. We will be happy to help you.

## FRIENDS OF THE CALUMET PUBLIC LIBRARY

Friends of the Calumet Public Library is a volunteer organization formed to increase public awareness of the library's resources and services, expand its programming and materials, and raise money to supplement the general library budget. Buy your \$10 yearly membership or a lifetime senior membership for \$100 by visiting the library or mail a check to the library with the designation "Friends of the Library membership." Check out our Facebook page at "Friends of the Calumet Public Library" for the latest news including upcoming used book sale information.



## Upcoming Events

May 22	Senior Picnic	8:00 a.m.	TBD
May 23	Senior Class Night	7:00 p.m.	CLK Commons
May 25	Senior Awards	8:00 a.m.	CLK Gymnasium
May 25	CHS Baccalaureate	7:00 p.m.	CLK Gymnasium
May 26	CHS Commencement	7:00 p.m.	CLK Gymnasium
June 1	HAHS Commencement	6:00 p.m.	Horizons Alternative High School
June 9	Last day of school for students	12:00 p.m.	Dismissal
June 12	Records Day		
June 12	Drivers Ed Course Begins	10:00 a.m.	Calumet High School
June 12	Drivers Ed Course Begins	12:00 p.m.	Calumet High School



Student workers Aili Heflin and Jenna Yohe

## SUMMER LIBRARY HOURS

BEGIN MAY 30th

Monday-Friday

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## The Library will be closed:

May 29th  
 July 3rd & 4th  
 July 31st - Aug. 13th  
 September 1st & 4th