Menominee Indian School District

January 2024

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"He or she who brings stories/news"

Construction Update

On Thursday, December 21 the District celebrated a milestone in construction *and* the unveiling of a monument to symbolize unity today and for future generations.

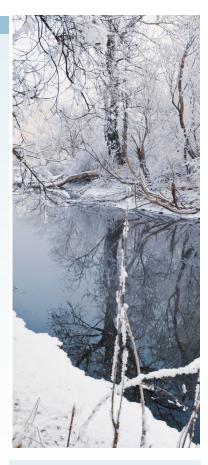
The construction milestone was the topping-out ceremony. It marks the last piece of structural steel being set. The construction crew, district students and representatives gathered as High School Principal, Kate Mikle, assisted operating the crane to set the final piece of steel. With the building envelope nearing completion, the buildout inside continues; interior walls start to create definition of the spaces.

The construction of the new High School will allow our District to transform the existing High School into a new Middle School, bringing all MISD students to an expanded campus in Keshena. With this exciting transition, the eagle will become the mascot for all our schools. By sharing one mascot, every student and staff member will foster an even stronger sense of belonging to our

school community. And that brings us to the monument: The Unity Tower. It is a symbol that unites all MISD students. A large tower will be set between the Middle School and High School and a smaller replica will be placed at Keshena Primary School. The tower symbolizes the connection of every student in the District and acts as a reminder for future

generations that everyone is an Eagle!





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MISD VISION
Enriching the lives of our children through education



Weather Updates

As the winter weather approaches, the safety of our students and staff is the highest priority. School delays and cancellations are a possibility when roads or the weather become too dangerous to travel.

MISD will keep you informed when these situations may occur. As in the past, parents and guardians will be notified of school schedule changes via Skyward and, when appropriate, via local media.

Please make sure your contact information is current so you can stay up to date on school delays and closures. You can easily update your information by logging into your Skyward account.

Thank you!



MIHS Student Competes at State Esports Competition

Tyler Penass, a Junior at MIHS competed in the State Esports Tournament this past December.

Esports is short for electronic sports, a form of organized, multiplayer video game competitions that can be done individually or as a team. He finished 21st out of 64 of the



best Esports players in the state! What a phenomenal way to finish the Fall season. Congratulations Tyler!

"Very proud of Tyler for coming into the Fall State Tournament as a 39th seed and finishing with a higher finish. Tyler did great; he rocked it! He had a great year and we're looking to continue building the program and getting better next year!"

- Coach Schwartz

Human Rights Club Presents to CEW

The MIHS Human Rights Club was invited by MITW to participate in the Community Engagement Workgroup (CEW) meeting last month. The group of students shared their experience with the Youth in Government (YIG)

organization and their travels to the Native Youth Summit. Both opportunities allowed students to learn more about different government sectors, network with other native students and hear about what types of specific



issues are occurring across a variety of reservations. The Human Rights Club also presented their Mascot Exhibit that focuses on bringing awareness to racial stereotypes, specifically native individuals, and handed out a survey in hopes to gain input on a new school name. Collectively, the students brought great insight to those attending the CEW meeting while possessing great public speaking and presentation skills.

Upcoming Sports

Don't miss out on the upcoming winter sports for MIHS student-athletes.

BOYS BASKETBALL Jan 2 Jan 8 Jan 11 Jan 16 Jan 18 Wey-Fre Oneida Bonduel Iola-Scan **AWAY AWAY AWAY AWAY** Feb 2 Feb 13 Feb 15 Feb 27 Witt-Birn Amherst Wey-Fre Regionals **Shiocton AWAY AWAY TBD**

GIRLS BASKETBALL Jan 4 Jan 12 **Jan 18** Jan 26 Jan 29 Iola-Scan Amherst Shiocton Manawa Oneida **AWAY AWAY AWAY AWAY HOME** Feb 20 Feb 1 Feb 6 Feb 9 Feb 12 Feb 15 Witt-Birn Wey-Fre **GB East** Regionals Amherst **AWAY TBD** HOME

| WRESTLING | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|----------|-------------|---------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Jan 4 | Jan 6 | Jan 6 | Jan 9 | Jan 11 | | | | |
| 6:00 PM | 8:00 AM | 9:15 AM | 5:00 PM | 6:00 PM | | | | |
| HOME | Merrill | Wausau East | Laona | Shiocton | | | | |
| Jan 18 | Jan 20 | Jan 25 | Jan 27 | Feb 3 | | | | |
| 5:30 PM | 10:00 AM | 6:00 PM | 8:00 AM | 9:30 AM | | | | |
| Elcho | Bonduel | Manawa | Wey-Fre | Tri-County | | | | |

MIMS Conference Champs

Congratulations to the MIMS boys basketball team for taking 1st place at the Conference Tournament held on December 16 in Marion. We are proud of their hard work and dedication to bringing home the gold. Congrats!

Back row L-R
Pershing Kaquatosh
Eric Webster
Eugene Sanapaw
Allex Maul
Craig Penass
Ryan Awonohopay
Coach Allen "Sniller" Grignon
Front row L-R
Jonathan Schlichting
Levi Kaquatosh



Native American Heritage Night

MISD students were recently invited to participate in Native American Heritage Night at the Wisconsin Herd game. The delegation included 35 students and five chaperones from all three schools. The students toured the arena. participated in on-court activities before the game and performed various Indigenous powwow dancing styles via a mini-powwow in the Atrium before the game's tip-off.

After the performance, the students and staff attended the first half of the game before returning home.





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| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-----|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | 1 No School | 2 No School | 3 Bd. Mtg. @ 5 PM | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 No School | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 Bd. Mtg. @ 5 PM | 23 End of Semester | 24 Teacher Work Day | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | |