

ILLINI CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

April 2025



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

These students were voted Student of the Month for March because of their KINDNESS.

8th Grade

Ella Hughes and Hannah Durbin

7th Grade

Emily Onken and Jackson Bohm

6th Grade

Jack Hughes and Greta Bitner

ICMS COMPLETES IAR TESTING

The middle school students worked diligently on April 8th, 9th, and 10th to complete their IAR tests. At the request of teachers, students followed a special schedule that allowed the vast majority of them to take the tests with the teachers from whom they learned the material.

We were fortunate to have very few absences, resulting in only 2 tests to be made up afterward. This is very unusual when it comes to IAR testing time.

There were some frustrating technical glitches with Pearson/IAR. Upon looking into this, it appears to be a very common issue throughout the state. We are hoping that these bugs will be fixed by next year's IAR testing.

8th Grade Science will complete their ISA tests the week of April 14th.

5th TO 6th TRANSITION DAY

The middle school is excited to host the 5th graders on April 30th for the now annual Transition Day. We have a special schedule planned for this event, ensuring that students will get to meet the majority of the teachers they will have in 6th Grade. We are also working on a plan to have a special activity for the 8th graders that day so that the hallways are not as crowded or intimidating for the 5th graders.

ONLINE SAFETY

A speaker from the American Connection Corps will be at the High School and Middle School on Monday, April 14th to present online safety to our students. High School and Middle School will attend different sessions that are customized for their age groups. Students will be using their devices for in-the-moment practice.

5th - 8th GRADE HEALTH FAIR

Spoon River College has arranged for a health fair to set up in the High School gym all day on Friday, April 25th. This health fair is specifically designed to target 5th - 8th grade students. Middle School Science teachers will be bringing their classes through the health fair that day.

COMING EVENTS

4/14 - Online Safety Presentation

4/30 - 5th to 6th Transition Day

5/20 - Peoria Chiefs PBIS Trip

5/21 - 8th Grade Commitment to Graduation Ceremony