



Director of Community Relations Report to the Board of Education
Aubrey Knight – February 19, 2025

A. Processed FOIA Requests

- Owen Wang, Lake County Gazette, (received 1/28/25 I responded 1/31/25) "I am requesting the following records under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, preferably in electronic format: Copy or all emails and memos from the past 12 months that contain the following keywords: "Lucy Calkins", "Units of Study"."
- Lydia Simrayh, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa Foundation for Fair Contracting, (received 2/7/25 I responded 2/12/25) "Please provide copy of the signed Responsible Bidder Ordinance from the 11/20/24 Regular Meeting."
- Sam Salinger, Menken, Simpson & Rozger LLP, (received 2/12/25 I responded 2/19/25) "All contracts, current and former, between Minooka High School District 111, or any department or subdivision thereof, and HES Facilities LLC, ABM Industries, Inc., and GCA Services Group, concerning the provision of facilities management services."

B. Recognitions

- Madelyn Kiper – 10th Girls' Basketball player to reach 1,000 points, most 3-pointers in a single game (9) school record, most points scored in a single game (41) school record, most 3-pointers in a season (65) school record.
- Matt Harding & Varsity Football Team - National High School Academic Excellence Award
- Rachel Timm – Rotary Student of the Month
- Gabriella Tellor, Connor Davis, Lesly Saavedra, Caycee Brown, Jocelyn Leon, Abigail Burke, Sophia Gonzalez, Bryce Fuhrman, Wyatt Walick, Victoria Rivas, Hannah Maxwell, Lucas Eskra, and John Ihde – Grundy Area Vocational Center Director Awards
- Varsity Cheer Team - State Sendoff; 10th in State
- Boys Bowling Team – State Sendoff

C. Communication/Social Media

- **Top Facebook Post:** (February 6, 2025) We are happy to feature MCHS alumna Lyndsay (Kooi) Klapper '09 who is the Head Women's Volleyball Coach at UW-Stevens Point in Wisconsin. She received the AVCA 30 Under 30 Award and advanced to the NCAA Women's DIII Volleyball Tournament 5 years in a row. While at MCHS, she participated in volleyball, track and field, and basketball and was inducted into the National Honor Society. #mchsproud
- **Top Instagram Post:** (January 23, 2025) Last night's Incoming Freshmen Night was fantastic! We were so excited to welcome 8th graders and their families to MCHS for a sneak peak of South campus. See you in the fall! #mchsproud
- **Top Twitter Post:** (February 6, 2025) Meet alumna Lyndsay (Kooi) Klapper '09, Head Women's Volleyball Coach at UW-Stevens Point, WI. She received the AVCA 30 Under

30 Award and advanced to the NCAA Women's DIII Volleyball Tournament 5 years in a row. At MCHS, she played volleyball, track & field, and basketball.

- **Reach:**

- Facebook: 729,500
- Instagram: 165,300
- Twitter – n/a
- Messages to Parents (via Thrillshare) 20

- **Press Releases**

- "Minooka Community High School Students Earn Director Awards from the Grundy Area Vocational Center" (January 16, 2025)
- "Minooka Community High School Students Earn Director Awards from the Grundy Area Vocational Center" (February 3, 2025)
- "Minooka Community High School to Host Production of Spring Musical 'Anastasia'" (February 4, 2025)
- "Minooka Community High School Accepting Nominations for 3rd Annual Hall of Fame" (February 6, 2025)
- "Minooka Community High School Senior Named Rotary Club 'Student of the Month' for February (February 12, 2025)
- "School Environment Matters: MCHS District #111 Administers Thirteenth Illinois 5Essentials Survey to Improve Student Learning" (February 14, 2025)

D. Events/Activities Promoted

- Foundation of Academic Excellence (January 16)
- BPAC Informational Event w/201 (January 16)
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day – School Closed (January 20)
- Incoming Freshmen Night (January 22)
- Early Release (January 29)
- Winter Formal (February 1)
- Mid-Winter Band Concert (February 6)
- Rhythm of Our Youth Cardiac Screening at Central (February 11-12)
- Red Out Basketball Game (February 14)
- MCHS Choirs "Night of Entertainment" (February 15)
- Presidents' Day – No School (February 17)
- 6-Week Progress Grades (February 18)
- Illinois 5Essentials Survey (February 18-March 31)
- Choir Boosters Spring Craft Fair & Raffle (February 22)
- BPAC "Keeping Our Kids Cyber Safe" Event w/201 (February 25)
- Seal of Biliteracy Test (March)
- Spring Athletic Parent/Coach Meeting & Breakfast (March 6)
- Denim & Diamonds Fundraiser (March 8)
- Athletic Booster Meeting (March 10)
- Welcome Reception & Musical Matinee (March 12)
- Spring Musical "Anastasia" (March 13-15)
- Summer Driver Education (now-March 21)
- Community Leaders Breakfast (March 24)
- Senior Scholarships (now-March 31)

- Special Olympics Run 4 Respect (April 6)
- Pre-ACT/ACT Test (April 9)
- Junior/Senior Prom (April 25)
- Jazz/Percussion Concert (May 1)
- Spring Band Concert (May 6)
- Graduation Practice (May 16)
- Senior Sunset (May 16)
- Graduation (May 18)
- Brick Paver Sales (ongoing)