### FORT VANNOY NOBLES

#### **DECEMBER 2023**



### **DECEMBER DATES**

Dec. 4.- Canned food drive starts

Dec.14- Last day for food drive

Dec. 20- School Board mtg

6:00pm -NVHS

Dec. 21 - First day of winter

Dec. 25- Jan 5- CHRISTMAS BREAK

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

# H. Vannoy Feast

THANK YOU PTO FOR HELPING OUT! WE HAD A GREAT TURNOUT ON NOV. 16TH FOR OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FEAST.





















Around 50 students in grades 1-5 participated in the Fort Vannoy Spelling Bee in October. Each class sent 3-5 representatives from their class to the library to take a written test of 35 spelling words. Students wrote down the words on a piece of paper and then were scored for accuracy.

Orion Smith got first place in the primary division and Zaylee Powell was the alternate. For the upper division, the winner from 5th grade was Jasmine Pinion and the alternate was Blake Maxwell.

These two winners went on to represent Fort Vannoy at the District Spelling Bee in November 16th. They competed with winners from the other Three Rivers schools in the district. This was also a written test. Orion Smith placed second in the primary division for the whole district and Jasmine Pinion placed 3rd in the upper division.

Congratulations to these two students for doing so well and being excellent spellers!

Kara Mohr Fort Vannoy Elementary 4th Grade Teacher

# INCLEMENT WEATHER



As we reach the winter season, we want to take a moment and explain how school delays and closures are determined due to weather. The district's number one priority is the safety of our students and staff. Inclement weather can put our students and staff in danger and we want to make sure that we have as much information as possible when making the decision to close schools.

The district coordinates with First Student Busing to determine the viability of our buses making it to school safely in the conditions and district leadership are out on the roads to assess the travel situation in each of our three attendance areas. This helps us decide if a delay or closure is necessary for the entire district or just one attendance area. We take into account the safety of the travel routes of our buses, staff commute, and student safety for those that drive to school.

It is always our goal to make any decision by 5:15 am to alert staff and students. ParentSquare will contact you at the number that we have in our system by text and by call. We do our best to reach out to all of the media outlets(some stations are better than others at posting accurate information), post to our social media accounts, and send our message to staff via email and phone calls if a delay or closure is happening.

For those of you that are from the area, you may understand that this is unfortunately not an exact science trying to predict the weather in our region, with all of the factors that go into the decision and forecasts that are available from the National Weather Service.



### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE 2023-2024

Work Sessions - First Wednesday/Month - 5:00 PM (as needed)
Regular Sessions - Third Wednesday/Month\* - 6:00 PM

MONTH			LOCATION	BOARD PACKET MATERIALS DUE
September	20	Regular	District Office	Thur., Sept. 7
October	4	Work Session	District Office	Mon., Sept. 25
October	18	Regular	Illinois Valley High School at 4:00 p.m. Student Panel at 2:00 p.m.	Thur., Oct. 5
November	15	Regular	District Office	Thur., Nov. 2
December	20	Regular	North Valley High School at 4:00 p.m. Student Panel at 2:00 p.m.	Thur., Dec. 7
January	17	Regular	District Office	Thur., Jan 4
February	7	Work Session	District Office	Mon., Jan. 29
February	21	Regular	Hidden Valley High School at 4:00 p.m. Student Panel at 2:00 p.m.	Thur., Feb. 8
March	13*	Regular	District Office	Mon., Mar. 4*
April	3	Work Session	District Office	Mon., Mar. 25
April	17	Regular	SOSA/Merlin at 3:30 p.m. Student Panel at 1:30 p.m.	Thur., Apr. 4
May	15	Regular	District Office	Thur., May 2
June	12*	Regular	District Office	Mon., Jun. 3*
July	June 26	Regular	District Office at 2:00 p.m.	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>Adjusted due to deadline/holiday

BOARD BACKET



#### **CANNED FOOD DRIVE!!!**

WE WILL BE COLLECTING FOOD TO DISTRIBUTE TO OUR OWN FORT VANNOY FAMILIES IN NEED THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

### DECEMBER EACH CLASSROOM WILL 4TH-14TH HAVE A COLLECTION BOX

THE CLASS THAT COLLECTS THE MOST CANNED FOOD OR NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS WILL GET A <u>DONUT PARTY</u> ON DECEMBER 18TH. SOME ITEMS NEEDED ARE CHILI, SOUP, TUNA, CANNED VEGGIES, PEANUT BUTTER, CEREAL, GRANOLA BARS, ETC.

# PIE WITH THE PRINCIPAL!









