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## POSTAL CUSTOMER

## Substitute Teachers Needed

For the 2024-2025 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.

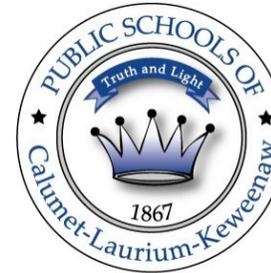
Please stop by the Superintendent's Office to pick up an information packet, or call 337-0311 ext. 1219 for more details.



# 2024-2025 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:

Friday, August 30	Labor Day Holiday
Monday, September 2	Labor Day Holiday
Tuesday, September 3	First day of school
Thurs. & Fri., Nov. 28 & 29	Thanksgiving Recess
Mon., Dec. 23 - Fri., Jan 3	Christmas Recess
Mon., Mar. 24—Fri., Mar. 28	Spring Recess
Friday, April 18	Good Friday
Mon., May 26	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.*

## JROTC Leadership Team Qualifies for National Academic Bowl Championship Washington D.C. - June 2024



Back row left to right: Melody Woods, Axl Schneiderhan & Lewis Nagel

Front row left to right: Julia Heflin, Charlotte Leach & Claire Goss

The Calumet High School JROTC Leadership Team has qualified for the National Academic Bowl Championship for the 12th time. In 2012, the CHS Leadership Team was the National Champion. In 2022 the Leadership Team and the Academic Team both qualified for the National competition. Good-luck Leadership Team!

# KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Junior King and Kindergarten Registration was held on Wednesday, March 13th. 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 2024-2025 school year, please do so now. Children who will reach the age of five (5) on September 1st - December 1st, 2024, 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.



Abby, Gabriel & Jonah Howard



# CCASB AWARDS



L-R Abraham Perala, Jean McParlan, Major (Ret.) Michael Farley, Jason Wickstrom, Philip Halonen and Theresa Jacques

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, Abraham Perala "Student Leadership Award," Major (Ret.) Michael Farley, "Outstanding Education Employee Award," and Jean McParlan, "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 11th. These students not only had grade point averages of 3.3 or higher 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: Byron David, Ashlee Deeds, Jaden Ely, Scarlet Futrell, John Golus, Rogan Gronlund, Charlie Halonen, Julia Heflin, Laci Jarvi, Keira Johnson, Maija Keranen, Paige Lahti, Ione Laramore, Charlotte Leach, Neva McParlan, Jasmin Melton, Jack Sever, Nathan Thyron, and Melody Woods



## Copper Dog 2024 Featured Artist

Jailyn Poshak was chosen as the Copper Dog 2024 Invited Artist. Jailyn is in the 8th grade at Washington Middle School.



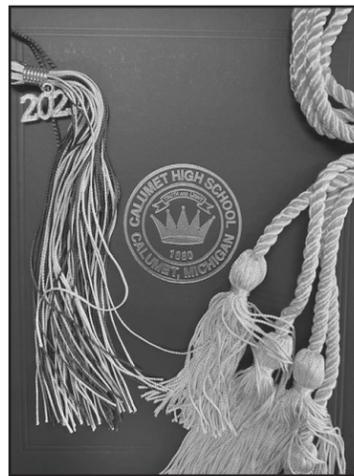
## Commencement 2024

Top academic honors in the class of 2024 have been earned by Valedictorian Audrey Erkkila and Salutatorian Kaylie Kero. They will join their classmates at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 24th, for the 141st commencement exercises.



Audrey L. Erkkila (4.0) is the daughter of Kurt and Renee Erkkila. Audrey was a member of the Softball and Volleyball teams, Band, Drama Club, National Honor Society, Yearbook & Digital Publishing and the Senior Class Play. After graduation she plans to attend the GCC 5th Year Program and then transfer to Northern Michigan University to major in Speech Pathology.

Kaylie A. Kero (3.985) is the daughter of Matthew and Lorene Kero. Kaylie was a member of the Band, Business Professionals of America, the Ski & Snowboard Club and HOSA. After graduation she plans to major in Nursing at Northern Michigan University or Michigan Technological University.



### Class of 2024

Class Song: "Unwritten" by Natasha Bedingfield

Class Colors: Blue & Grey

### Class officers

President: Abigayle Harris-Berryman

Vice President: Nora Harmala

Secretary: Kaija Goulette

Treasurer: Allison Lammi

Student Senate Delegate: Rachel Kotajarvi

## Graduation Speaker

The graduation speaker for the Class of 2024 is Mr. Andy Storm. Andy Storm, a 1996 graduate of Calumet High School, is the President & CEO of Invio Automation, an advanced automation solutions business that today is supported by one of the world's leading private equity firms, Arsenal Capital Partners. With over 600 employees and facilities in six states, the company serves a variety of high-growth, durable end markets that include medical device, life science, alternative energy, electric mobility, and semi-conductors.



Andy was born and raised in the Copper Country and attended CLK Public Schools from kindergarten through his graduation in 1996. During high school Andy was a member of the high school marching band and a multi-year letter winner in football, basketball, and track.

Andy attended Michigan Technological University on a football scholarship where he earned Bachelor of Science degrees in Business Administration and Mechanical Engineering Technology and was a four-year letter winner & All-Conference defensive tackle on the MTU football team.

Andy began his professional career as a 3<sup>rd</sup> shift maintenance supervisor working in the Metal Fabricating Division of General Motors.

In 2006, Andy was accepted into the MIT Leaders for Manufacturing fellowship program. As a Leaders for Manufacturing Fellow at MIT, Andy earned an MBA from MIT's Sloan School of Management and a Master of Science degree in Engineering Systems from the MIT School of Engineering.

In 2008 Andy began working at American Axle & Manufacturing (AAM) where he became Manager of Global Procurement & Supply Chain Management. Andy then transitioned to Pratt & Whitney, a division of United Technologies Corporation (now RTX Corporation) that specializes in jet engine propulsion. Since then, Andy has held executive positions with Oshkosh Corporation as Director of Engineering at Oshkosh Defense, General Manager of Front Discharge Concrete Mixers at Oshkosh Commercial and General Manager of Global Automotive, Aerospace, & Defense at Stratasys, one of the largest additive manufacturing (3D Printing) companies in the world.

Andy serves on the Board of Directors of Invio Automation, Steelhead Technologies, and Orbitform; is former Chairman of the Capital Area Manufacturing Council, Trustee of the Brighton Area Schools Board of Education, member of the MIT Leaders for Global Operations Alumni Council, member of the Michigan Technological University School of Business Dean's Industrial Advisory Council, member of the Lansing Community College Center for Manufacturing Excellence Advisory Board, and is an active member of the Detroit Economic Club. Andy is also the co-owner of multiple Little Caesars franchises located in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Andy and his wife Amy reside with their eight children in Brighton, Michigan.





## 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 fourth year in a row a Capturing Kids Hearts Showcase School. This year, they are joined by Calumet High School and Washington Middle School, who have earned this award for the 2nd year in a row. 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. This is also the 2nd year in a row that CLK Schools have been named a National Showcase District.

## 2024 PAC Awards



Mrs. Marta Thompson received the Special Education Teacher Award, Mrs. Leann Fogle received the Step-in Special Education Teacher Award and Mrs. Linda Stubenrauch received the Special Recognition Award (Retiree) from the Copper Country Intermediate School District's Parent Advisory Committee for Special Education.

## 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  
Nora Harmala

**National Leadership Conference**  
Nora Harmala



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

Front Row L to R: Bella Newsom, Emelea Doolittle, Sofie Wild, Quinn Alldredge, Gwenyth Skoog, Jack Jones, Sterling Fryer, Justin Weber  
Back Row L to R: Dr. V., Merisa Lishinski, Mr. Asiala, Byron David, Mr. Porter, Keira Johnson, Mr. Hendrickson, Kim Vaitkevicius



**FIRST ROBOTICS**  
Calumet High School  
State Finals

Front Row—Grace Dee & Braden Miller  
2nd Row—Evelyn Robb, Keira Johnson, Cole Miller, Abe Perala, Jason Rogers\*, Charles Jackson\*  
3rd Row—Todd Waurio (coach), Byron David, Sterling Fryer, Bruce Jackson\*, Brian Miller\*  
\*Mentors

# C.H.S. Athletics

## Calumet Volleyball

WestPAC Conference Champions  
District & Regional Champions



Back: Asst. Coach Terra Parks, Asst. Coach Lizzie Torola, Sienna Anderson, Claire Zubiena, Jackie Kiiilunen, Madelyn Torola, Allison Bjorn, Grace Keranen, Isabella Coppo, Lillian Lammi, Coach Katie Bonacorsi, Asst. Coach Callie Rastello

Front: Khloe Carlson, Mgr.; Lily Keranen, Isabel Loukus, Olivia Kilpela, Caitlyn Strom, Laina Kariniemi, Gabrielle Anderson, Milia Sturos, Mgr.

## ATHLETIC ALL-STATE AWARD WINNERS

**Volleyball** - Laina Kariniemi (All-State 1st Team, Academic All-State); Isabel Loukus (Academic All-State); Caitlyn Strom (Academic All-State); Team - Academic All-State - GPA 3.60

**Football** - Alan Bjorn (Division 6 All-State 1st Team– Linebacker, Academic All-State); Xander Hoffman (Academic All-State); Zion St. Louis (Academic All-State); Hunter Tuoriniemi (Academic All-State); Team - Academic All-State Honorable Mention

**Hockey** - Hunter Tuoriniemi (Academic All-State); Team - Academic All-State - GPA 3.38

**Boys Basketball** - Team - Academic All-State - GPA 3.33

**Girls Basketball** - Team - Academic All-State - GPA 3.66



GO COPPER KINGS

## RETIREEES

Mrs. Linda Stubenrauch  
Calumet High School  
31 Years



Mr. John Larson  
Washington Middle School  
26 Years

Mrs. Mary Kingstrom  
CLK Elementary School  
21 Years



Mrs. Kathleen DeMarois  
CLK Schools Food Service  
24 Years

*Congratulations and best wishes in your retirement!*

### Message from the Superintendent

As I bid farewell, I extend my deepest gratitude to all of those who supported and collaborated with me over the past 17 years. Together, we've continued a legacy of innovation and excellence. I have no doubt CLK Schools will continue to thrive under new leadership. Thank you for the privilege of serving your special community.

# Michigan Industrial Technology Education Society State Competition

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. Six students earned first place in the state with their projects. Matthew Frantti - Rod Holders: Regional 1st; State 1st; Brent Johnson - Truck Headache Rack: Regional 1st; State 1st; Trevor Keranen - Gun Rack: Regional 1st; State 1st; Dirk Koskela - Wood/Metal Coffee Table: Regional 1st; State 1st; Carter Worm - Engine Hoist: Regional 1st; State 1st; Alan Bjorn - Epoxy Hall Table: Regional 2nd; State 1st. Thirty-nine total projects were entered into the competition, earning a total of 33 top 10 awards.



## Upcoming Events

May 20	Senior Picnic	8:00 a.m.	TBD
May 21	Senior Class Night	7:00 p.m.	CLK Commons
May 23	Senior Awards	8:00 a.m.	CLK Gymnasium
May 23	CHS Baccalaureate	7:00 p.m.	CLK Gymnasium
May 24	CHS Commencement	7:00 p.m.	CLK Gymnasium
May 30	HAHS Commencement	6:00 p.m.	Horizons Alternative High School
June 7	Last day of school for students	12:00 p.m.	Dismissal
June 10	Records Day		
June 6	Drivers Ed Course Begins (1)	2:15 p.m.	Calumet High School
June 11	Drivers Ed Course Begins (2)	8:00 a.m.	Calumet High School

## 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!

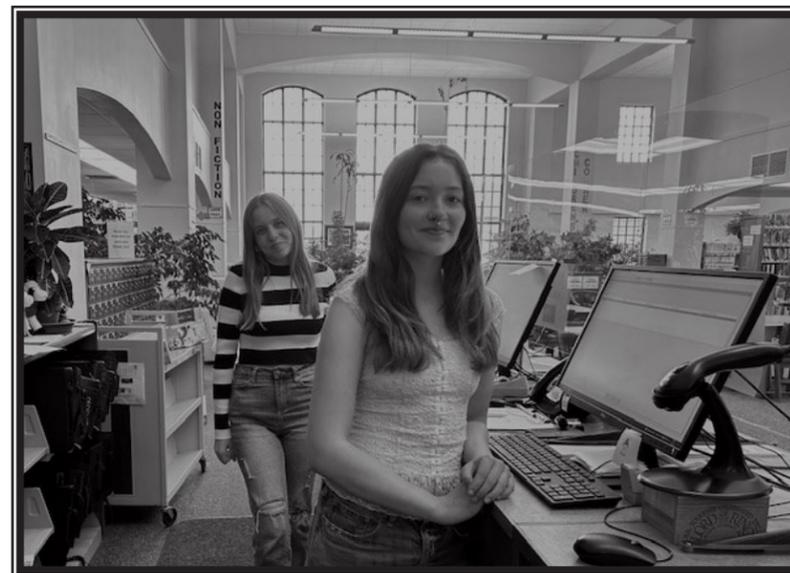
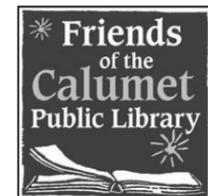
Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Calumet Library we also offer Mango Language, with over 70 languages to explore, including Finnish, Spanish, French, Russian and even Pirate. It's easy to use and once lessons are downloaded on your device you can enjoy learning anywhere.

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.



Student workers Trista Berryman and Celena Sturos

#### SPRING LIBRARY HOURS

BEGIN MAY 28th  
Monday-Friday  
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

#### SUMMER LIBRARY HOURS

BEGIN June 10th  
Monday-Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

#### The Library will be closed:

May 27th  
July 4th & 5th  
July 29th - Aug. 9th  
August 30th  
September 2nd