# JC McKenna Middle School School Newsletter

Families of JC McKenna,

December 2018

Thank you to all of the families that were able to make the fall conferences. We appreciate you taking the time to come to the school to discuss progress and student learning. If you were unable to attend, please know that teachers are willing to meet with you outside of conference times. And remember that you can always contact a teacher via email and/or phone if you have a question, concern or a positive experience that you would like to share.

All students will continue to go outside after eating lunch each day as well. They are reminded to bring coats, hats, gloves etc., however some students choose not to bring these items. We ask that you encourage your child to bring warmer attire each day as we very seldom stay in when it is cold. I've joked with staff that our kids need to be polar bears before we let them in. I'm reminded that fresh air is good for all of us.

Boys basketball has started and they have already played a few games. Wrestling and girls basketball will be starting before we know it. This year is flying by. Our athletes work hard and would love to have you come and watch. All of the school events can be found on the district website or you can install the rST Activity Scheduler app for quicker and easier access to events. Here is a picture of the app.

Along with athletic events, our arts programs have been busy as well. Our 6<sup>th</sup> graders attended a Symphony Orchestra program at the Overture Center on November 13. It was fun to see all of the students dressed up and even better to hear about their experience. Jazz band practices started the first week of November and will continue each Wednesday morning. Blue Notes have several events that they will be singing at, including a Madison Capitols Hockey game. We are fortunate to have so many of our students involved in a wide variety of activities.

Speaking of activities, I would be remised if I didn't thank our Evansville PTO, The EEF and The Evansville Fund for their numerous and generous donations. Our school is able to offer field trips, The Courage Retreat, a large variety of classroom young adult literature, literacy subscriptions and so much more because of their organizations. Thank you!

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have. We thank you for sharing your child with us each day.

Kind regards,

Joanie Dobbs

JC McKenna Middle School Principal

# **Important Dates**

7/8 grade Band Concert......Dec 3
8th grade Music Trip.....Dec 7
6/7/8 grade Chorus Concert.....Dec 17
Winter Break.....Dec 24 thru Jan 2



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# Mission Statement

"Educating and engaging the whole student"

To create a stimulating, caring and socially responsible environment that encourages students to reach their individual potential

# A note from pupil services...



Thank you to those who came in for conferences over the past two weeks. One common theme that often comes up after meeting with teachers is "how can I support my child in doing their best?"

There are many ways to support your child—a few to consider:

- · Check in with your child every day about something they did at school
- Provide them homework opportunities (even if there is no homework assigned—it can be beneficial to read 20 minutes a night and to practice math facts and problems)
- Remind them that homework is their responsibility and allow them to experience the consequences from not doing homework
- One of the biggest things that can be beneficial is encouraging them to ask
  questions if they have some. Below are some additional things to consider as
  ways to support student learning.



Homework: Smooth sailing

In middle school, your tween is the captain of the ship when it comes to handling homework. He can sail smoothly with these tips.

**Discuss expectations.** Encourage your child to think about what he expects of himself. He might say he will turn in assignments when they're due and get in

the habit of looking over math problems to be sure he didn't

make careless mistakes. Also, let him know what *you* expect when it comes to homework. Consider writing down your expectations, such as doing his best and turning assignments in when they're due.

**Step back.** Have your middle grader decide when to do homework, whether it's after school or after dinner. When it's time for him to start, be matter-of-fact.

You could say, "Looks like it's time to do homework. Let me know if you need anything." Then, allow him to work independently. This shows him you have confidence in his abilities and encourages him to take responsibility for his own work.



# Speak up!

Participating in class can help your tween get more value out of school and learn to express herself. Encourage her to contribute with these tips.

- **Find your zone.** Suggest that she participate in ways she feels comfortable with and then expand her "toolbox." She might start
- off commenting on assigned readings she enjoyed. Eventually, she may speak up when she agrees with someone's viewpoint or to offer a different one.
- **Mix it up.** Class-wide discussions aren't the only opportunity to participate. When your middle schooler works in smaller groups, she could ask and answer questions, make observations, or give opinions. These steps can build confidence for talking in front of the whole class. €

# 6th Grade News

# 6th Grade Team

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**Ms. Erica Mitten** -3314 Special Education mittene@evansville.k12.wi.us Parents, please continue to check over your child's assignment notebook even if the signature requirement has been lifted. This helps everyone stay informed about what is being assigned for homework, as well as any upcoming tests or projects.

Grades are posted online. Please use Family Access to find your child's grades. It takes about 1 week turn around time for teachers to post grades.

On Dec 5th, students will begin their 2nd Tri-core Subject of Tech Ed with Mr. Kopf. Look for upcoming information.

IF you haven't already ordered a team color t-shirt, it's not too late. All proceeds go to our Student Activity Fund and are in lieu of selling magazines and garbage bags! Deadline Dec 6!

https://jcmckennamssch18.itemorder.

#### **Homework Help!**

6th Grade Success Club meets every Wednesday from 3:15 to 4:15 pm.
 This club is staffed by 6th grade teachers. Students with late work will be asked to attend by Wednesday. Contact your child's Team Time teacher if you have any questions. We take pride in providing many opportunities for students to complete work or even skill work.

#### Science

Welcome to second quarter! In science, students are into their first chemistry unit about the atom. We are slowly learning how to use our online textbooks with this unit. Students also have access to many great videos and activities in the textbook that they can use to aid in their studying. Please remember that students should be reviewing their notes for fifteen minutes every night. Help encourage your student to find a quiet place at home to study and to work on their homework.

We have also started table challenges and block challenges in class. This is part of our "training" for Science Olympics. Ask your student about what the table and block challenges are!

#### Language Arts

We have just finished our Personal Narrative Writing Unit where students did a nice job of sharing a real story from their life experience and point-of-view. Writers focused on strong leads that pulled readers into the action, introduced the problem and tied that into the conclusion or big meaning of the piece. Logical sequencing with elaboration and developed dialogue, details and internal thinking were also goals that we worked on. Students will soon begin another free

choice writing project with goals of writ- reading competition where students in ing more complex sentences with accurate use of capitalization and punctuation. Tapping the Power of nonfiction is our next Lucy Calkin's Reading Unit which will begin with Nonfiction chapter book clubs where we will focus on understanding the central ideas. During this unit, sixth graders will also research a new topic with more independence while learning to read more critically.

Middle school students have the opportunity to join Battle of-the-Books, a

groups of 4 compete to collectively read 20 selected books from which they will be tested on in February. Yahara Writers is a regional competition, and yet another way for students to show off their cartoon design, editorial, short-story, or poetry writing skills. These writing pieces are due in mid-January. Please encourage your son/daughter to take advantage of opportunities such as these to strengthen and celebrate reading and writing at J.C. McKenna.

#### Math



#### Regular Math

Classes are just beginning Chapter 4 of Big Ideas. Chapter 4 is the study of area. Parallelograms, tri-

angles, trapezoids and the coordinate plane will all be hot topics for finding area. Students will also review finding perimeter as well. Ask your child if they have done any math extra credit. Check out my YouTube lessons for extra practice or help on math skills. Calculators will be used in this chapter! Please make sure your child has a calculator at school.

#### **Advanced Math**

Students will be working with inequalities in Chapter 4 of Big Ideas. Students will write and graph inequalities. Students will also solve inequalities by adding, subtracting, multiplying or dividing. At the end of the chapter, students will solve some 2step inequalities as well. Check out my YouTube lessons for extra practice or help on math skills. Calculators will be used in this chapter! Please make sure your child has a calculator at school.

Mr. Bethke's website has a variety of math resources, including YouTube video lesson from the current chapter for regular and advanced math classes. https://sites.google.com/a/ ecsdnet.org/bethke-website/home.

#### **Social Studies**

Sixth graders had a strong finish to first quarter after focusing on the causes and effects of Europeans settling in the Americas. It is also so fantastic to see their interest and comprehension of current

to journal about and discuss the news after we watch CNN10 on 'skinny' days.

This quarter we are studying the foundations of our country, beginning with the 13 Colonies and the causes of the American Revolution, and then focusing on understanding how our government was created and how it continues to function today.

By the end of the quarter students will have a solid understanding of the nuts and bolts of our democracy which will prepare them for their future Civics test (a graduation requirement for all Wisconsin high school students)!

Please continue to talk with your student about important events in the news and about how our government

affects all of us!

# events increase as students continue **Computer Applications**



As our course comes to an end on Dec 4th, I am so proud of the progress each of our students has achieved by increasing their WPM and mastering keyboarding. This skill, along with our class experiences with Microsoft Office and Google, will help them continue to be successful

well into Grade 7 when we will meet again. The last few weeks of class, students explored computer science by learning how to code. Learning to think logically is a stem skill and will benefit them in many areas of study! I hope you enjoyed your child's Portfolio Website—we will continue this and much more next year as 7th graders!

# 6th Grade Awards—1st Quarter of 2018-2019

## All-A High Honor Roll

MADELYN BARBER	ROBERT HERRO	ACELYN SCHNEEBERGER BARBIUR	Declan Steinhilber
MATTHEW BLOHM	ALLISON HORGEN	MICHAEL SCHULTZ	CARTER STROIK
MARABETH COLE	KLYNE JOHNSON	KENNEDY SENDELBACH	WILLIAM STUART
LUKE DALSEN	TAYLOR JOHNSON	ALEX SEUFERER	AVA TEDESCO
MAKSIM DENT	ZACHARIAH JONES	CHRISTIAN PELECK	SCARLET THOMAS
XAVIER DIEBOLD	COLLIN KEYSER	REED RINGHAND	ALLY WALTERS
DEVIN FLOOD	RACHAEL KLITZMAN	HALEY ROSS	BRYNN WESTBY
IVY FLYNN	Braeden Koenecke	Mackenna Slater	ILEANNA WINGER
NOAH HANSEN	CADE MCCULLOUGH	MACIE SLONIKER	GRACIE YLVISAKER
JACK HEALEY	EMILY MORI-FONTORA	TATEUM SPEICH	

#### 1 & B Honor Roll

ADDYSON ACKER	Tyler Everest	Helena King	CARSON PETTERSON
CALEB BAKKEN	NATHANIAL FALDET	Azure Klein	JACK PHILLIPS-MARINO
Angela Ball	LUCILLE FARNSWORTH	EVAN KONKEL	ELIJAH PRUITTE
BRADLEY BARTZ	KORVIN FERRELL	ISABELLE KOZIKOWSKA	COLTON RICHARDS
CASSIDY BAUMAN	Paulina Garduno	NICHOLAS LAWRENZ	RAVEN RINGHAND
AIDEN BLOHM	Kaela George	WILL LEEDER	CHASTITY RINIKER
GAVIN BORNTREGER	JAMESON GRAY	PAIGE LEITZKE	AUSTIN ROSS
Isaiah Bradford	PAIGE HARNACK	MACYN LINCOLN	Erin Shannon
GRADY BUEHL	Eli Hatlevig	LUCI LISKA	TEAGAN SIMPSON
GUILIETTA BUEHL	BAYLEE HAVRON	ZADOK MACGREGOR	JAXSON SOTO
AARON CHAMPION	Jernovia Hermanson	GRADY MAVES	DREW SUNNESS
EVAN CHRISTENS	JILLIAN HOESLY	Ашуан Мссомв	HENRY THIES
FINNNIAN CROSSEN	LOGAN HOLMAN	ZANE MILLER	ISAIAH TISHLER
Montana Cuff	Sawyer Hookham	ASHERON MONDRAGON	GAVIN VALE
ETHAN DENK	MADILEE HOYLE	ASHTON MOREY	Andrew Wickersham
Mackenzie Dobbs	MASON HURTLEY	CATHERINE SCHUPPNER	JAYSON WOERNER
Aidan Dorr	KATELYN JOHNSON	SAVANNAH SCOFIELD	BAILEY WOODRING
SAMUEL DUNPHY	HUNTER JORGENSEN	Mika Shahid-Schwebel	TAYLOR WUNSCHEL
OLIVIA EITHUN	JUSTINE KILBEY	LOGAN OLSON	
BROCK ELLIOTT	Ariianna King	GRACE PAPPADAKIS	

### Perfect Attendance

Angela Ball	ISABELLE KOZIKOWSKA	Agustina Silva
ALEX BARNHILL	Corban Krause	Lakota Skilling
EVAN CHRISTENS	WILL LEEDER	Alexandra Sperry
Marabeth Cole	MACYN LINCOLN	GAVIN VALE
Mackenzie Dobbs	ALLIYAH MCCOMB	KENDALL VINE
OLIVIA EITHUN	EMILY MORI-FONTORA	ALLY WALTERS
NATHANIAL FALDET	ACELYN SCHNEEBERGER BARBIEUR	BRYNN WESTBY
BAYLEE HAVRON	SAVANNAH SCOFIELD	Andrew Wickersham
Jernovia Hermanson	Elisar Murillo	KATIE ZETTLE
ALLISON HORGEN	CHRISTIAN PELECK	ISAAC ZWIEG
KLYNE JOHNSON	CHASTITY RINIKER	
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# 7th Grade News

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### 7<sup>th</sup> grade math

Students will be working with inequalities. They will need to both write and graph inequalities. We will be solving them using the four basic operations. Students will be solving one and two-step inequalities.



#### Writer's Workshop

Students have completed their first argument essay on the topic of competitive sports for kids. After Thanksgiving break, they will begin work on their second essay on one of the following topics: bottled water, whaling, pets in the classroom, green energy, eco carbon footprint, or child labor. Their third and final essay will be on a topic of their choice.

#### **English Language Arts**

The three parts of our Investigating Characterization unit include a deep dive into perspective, analyzing how authors bring characters to life, and investigating authorial control by studying author's techniques and goals. Books have been flying off the shelf with most students reading their second novel and some students on their third or fourth novel.

#### **Science**

Students are reading one of four books about diseases: <u>Fatal Fever</u>, <u>Terrible Typhoid Mary</u>, <u>American Plague</u> and <u>The Hot Zone</u>. This is to supplement their studies of Bacteria and Viruses. They are also completing a project on the 100 anniversary of the Spanish Flu Pandemic. Be sure to ask your child to show you their web site!

#### **Spanish**

Students in 7th grade Spanish will be starting our school unit. In this unit students will learn how to talk about the supplies they need for their classes. They will learn how to tell time in Spanish and will learn how to talk about their school day and when their classes start and end. They will also complete an interview in Spanish about one of their classes.



#### **World History**

World history students have survived the Stone Ages, and are well on their way to becoming civilized. A civilization is a society with cities, a central government run by official leaders, and workers who specialize in various jobs. Writing, art, and architecture also characterize a civilization. In ancient Mesopotamia, home to the first civilizations, people built their structures out of mud bricks – which means the Brick Challenge is ON! Will your seventh grader be a "Brick Master?" Bricks are due on or before December 19<sup>th</sup> for Day 1 classes, and December 20<sup>th</sup> for Day 2 classes.



This picture was after the PBIS assembly where the purple team won the hoop color challenge! This is the 7<sup>th</sup> grade purple team with the trophy!

# 7th Grade Awards—1st Quarter of 2018-2019

## All-A High Honor Roll

Finley Baumberger	Arthur Cunningham	Natalie Herro	Wyatt Nelson
Brooklin Bergum-Parmer	Brooke Damach	Lexi Klitzman	Mikayla Samuelson
Trista Beyerl	Kennedy Dobbs	Dawson Kopf	Bailee Shoemaker
Ava Brandenburg	Hannah Garvoille	George Lamptey	Olivia Sinshack
Kara Brice	Sonja Giardina	Sydney Langton	Sam Trick
Nolan Burkhalter	Kenny Gleed	Ellie Larson	Jada Walmer
Jack Burton	Mikaya Green	Caden Malott	Madlyn Webb Cronin
Deyamilet Cortez-Pineda	Luke Hall	Kade Moellenberndt	Anabelle Zblewski
Isabella Crossen	Emma Hammond	Trevor Muench	

#### A & B Honor Roll

Lindsey Arndt	Blake Frey	Hope Kleisch	Karson Riemer
Alaya Avery	Megan Freymiller	Mackenzie Kostroun	Peyton Runaas
Jayden Barnhill	Brodey Gilbertson	Aileena Ilanderage	Marissa Schmoldt
Joey Bush	Cassidy Haakenson	Jaden LeRoy	Tanner Schwenn
Declan Cobb	Ewan Hall	Electra Lucero	Chelsey Shank
William Day	Chinna Hermanson	Lazarus Marshall	Sydney Shank
Kelsey Deegan	Noah Heydn	Avril Martirena	Joey Shanklin
Zariah Deems	Michael Horgen	Frankie Maynard	Alexandra Staver
Noah Deml	Bryce Hughes	Gustav Mohns	Bryn Thompson
Myles Dent	Gavin Jarstad	Miguel Morice	Kass Tregoning
Calvin Dienberg	Lianna Jeske	Lida Nimz	Sam Urban
Griffin Dwyer	Lawson Johnson	Katie Outhouse	Hank Vanthournout
Dillion Elliott	Alex Karnes	Maddi Parr	Emma Vogl
Wesley Everson	Seth Kath	Natalie Peterson	Luke Wille
Andy Fisk	Bennett Keller	Griffen Powers	Braden Wiser
Caden Flemke	Maddy Klaehn	Alex Reyes	Ayden Zarecki

### Perfect Attendance

Finley Baumberger	Luke Hall	Jaden Leroy
Nolan Burkhalter	Noah Heydn	Electra Lucero
Isabella Crossen	Lawson Johnson	Kade Moellenberndt
Brooke Dambach	Madeline Klaehn	Alexandra Staver
Blake Frey	Mackenzie Kostroun	Emma Vogl
Hannah Garvoille	Makenna Kramer	Luke Wille
Cassidy Haakenson	George Lamptey	

# 8th Grade News

#### **Composition/Literature**

8th grade students have been working on writing nonfiction narrative news stories. They have worked on how to write an investigative report and do the research to back their topic. Students will be finishing up their journalism unit before Thanksgiving and will be going back into a major reading unit. Eighth graders have also been working hard on memorizing Greek and Latin stems and roots to help build their vocabulary.

#### Science

Science class is going to be learning about minerals next. Hardness, color, and cleavage are just a few of the characteristics we will looking at. We will also learn the difference between rocks and minerals.

#### **Spanish**

Students in 8th grade Spanish are learning clothing and colors. They are working on a conversation that takes place in a store as well. Coming up next in Spanish will be weather and travel!

## **World Geography**

World Geo 8 students will be continuing going around regions of the USA and then traveling to Canada and Mexico!!!

#### Math 8

Here comes Geometry! Students have been working hard on different transformations and similar figures. We will begin December with parallel lines and angles.

**Note:** Both Math 8 and Algebra students have online access to their textbooks as well as bonus features like tutorial videos and online quizzes to help them. See www.bigideasmath.com. Your student has a sticker with their username and the format of their password in their assignment notebook.

## Algebra

Algebra students will be working on all things linear: different forms of linear equations, graphing, and using lines of best fit. We will then solve systems of equations in various ways.

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# 8th Grade Awards—1st Quarter of 2018-2019

## All-A High Honor Roll

TAILER BARTELT	PORTER GLEED	Weston Leeder	Ross Ploessl
Tyler Beles	MOLLY HANSON	WESLEY LEROY	Sarin Ringhand
SOPHIA BETTINGER	JOURNEY HEISSNER	GRACE LONG	BROOKLYN SCHULTZ
Amelia Brunner	SAWYER HOLMAN	Taija Louis	Alivia Siltman
ERIN CUNNINGHAM	LAYNE HOWLETT	Julia Mahoney	Brynn Stamstad
ADEN ELLIS	SAMANTHA IHLENFELDT	KEIRA MALOTT	Emma Stuart
ADISON ETRINGER	Hanna Johnson	RILEY MARCH	HENRY UPDIKE
KENDRA FINFROCK	KOLE JOHNSON	SKYE MCDERMOTT	PAIGE WILLIAMS
GRAYDEN GESKE	ISAAC KARLEN	MARIA MESSLING	McKenna Young
ELLEN GIEHTBROCK	MAEVE LARSON	<b>TUCKER PETERSON</b>	

## A&B Honor Roll

ASHTON ANDONEGUI	PAIGE HEISZ	Kassilyn Mason	KAITLYN SAM
Avery Bakken	KAYLEIGH JIMENEZ	AIDEN MAVES	THOMAS SCHUPPNER
TIMOTHY CONNORS	SADEE JOHNSON	GAVIN MCNEAL	Noah Schwengels
LIBBY CRULL	LEE JORGENSEN	DAYNE MILLER	SHIANNE SHANKLIN
MILES CUFF	Arianna Kindvall	ISRRAEL MURILLO	CARTER SHERRY
DELANEY DUNPHY	HAYDEN KRAUS	SOFIA OLSON	Owen Stano
SHELBY FLASKAMP	Maximus Kurth	SERENA PARMER	COLTER THOM
Pritcilla Garduno	Quinn Larson	TRAVIS RALSTON	LOGAN THORPE
Brianna Grover	MIRANDA LAURSEN	GILLIAN RIPPL	Samantha Tofte
IAN HATLEVIG	IMRIE MACGREGOR	Julian Roys	Travis Zastoupil
Allison Hawley	CALEB MAGUIGAD	Luke Runde	

### Perfect Attendance

ASHTON ANDONEGUI	SAMANTHA IHLENFELDT	Travis Ralston
Tyler Beles	LEE JORGENSEN	Sarin Ringhand
Aden Ellis	WESLEY LEROY	Aryana Schneeberger-Barbieur
CAM FERRELL	CLAY MAINGUTH	Noah Schwengels
SHELBY FLASKAMP	DAYNE MILLER	COLTER THOM
ELLEN GIEHTBROCK	ISRRAEL MURILLO	LOGAN THORPE
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#### **CHORUS NEWS**

Our winter concerts are coming up fast - December 17th! The sixth graders will perform at 6:30pm and the combined 7th/8th grade concert will begin at 7:30pm. Students should report to the high school chorus room thirty minutes before their concert begins.

The concerts are a reward for all of the hard work that we have done. It is also a final exam and culminating activity. **ATTENDANCE AT THE ENTIRE CONCERT IS REQUIRED!** If you are unable to attend the concert due to extreme illness or family emergency, you will have the opportunity to complete a make-up assignment. Please plan ahead! Not having a ride, having to baby-sit, or attending outside-of-school activities will not be an excused absence. If there are extenuating circumstances, Mrs. Proper will have the right to make the decision whether an absence is excused and whether credit may be earned back. Please notify Mrs. Proper as early as possible if an absence is necessary. Make-up assignments may include recording yourself singing all concert songs and sending them to me or a written assignment. Unexcused absences may only earn partial credit.

#### **CONCERT DRESS**

Students are expected to wear professional concert attire for concerts, so that means dress pants, skirts, dresses, shirts and ties. Jeans, shorts, t-shirts, athletic pants and flip-flops are not appropriate. Students should dress in black (or dark colors) with an optional "pop" of color. School appropriate clothing is required and dress shoes are preferred



Help support our JcMcKenna concession stand at sporting events

All proceeds go towards our Student Activity Fund which helps pay for field trips, PBIS activities and much more!

# **First Quarter All Stars**





JC McKenna Sports Update



Girls Basketball and Wrestling will start right after Winter Break. All paperwork must be in the office before practice starts. This is the link for the athletic forms:

https://www.ecsdnet.org/schools/jc-mckenna/activities/ forms.cfm

# News from the LMC

#### Hello from the LMC~

This past month we celebrated NonFiction November in the LMC. Students were encouraged to check out nonfiction books and were entered in a prize drawing if they chose to read the book. Nonfiction books are informational texts that come in a variety of formats, including Graphic Novel and Narrative, in which they read more like Fiction story books. We hope students learn to enjoy reading NonFiction as much as Fiction.

Thank you to the many families for supporting our Book Fair. We had a wonderful turnout and appreciate seeing everyone during conferences.

Students have also learned how to check out e-books using Overdrive. These electronic books are available to be read on any device. Download the Overdrive app or use this <u>link</u> available on the LMC webpage. These books are free to use anytime, anywhere.

#### Cheers!

~Mrs. Abby Beyerl, K-12 Library Media Specialist & Mrs. Amy Zastoupil, LMC Clerk



#### **Battle of the Books**

<u>All</u> middle school students have the opportunity to participate in Wisconsin's Battle of the Books. In teams of 4-5 students, groups will read 20 books on this year's list, which is available on the <u>LMC webpage</u>. They will then compete with other teams at JC McKenna in a preliminary battle in late January/early February. The winning team will go on to compete against other teams across the state in a

BATTLE
BOOKS

final battle, by answering questions about the plot, characters, and settings of these books. All practices and battles will be held during the school day. Students are encouraged to sign-up. If students do not have a team, one will be assigned. Meetings will be on Tuesdays in the LMC starting in December. Questions, please contact Mrs. Beyerl, beyerla@evansville.k12.wi.us or Mr. Langan, langanc@evansville.k12.wi.us.

# **EVANSVILLE YOUTH CENTER**

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 2018

Craft of the Week

Dec 3-7: bottle cap ornaments

3-Wii Golf Tournament

4-Minute to Win It

5-Minute to Win It

6-Karaoke

7—Karaoke

Craft of the Week

Dec 10-14: stockings and cards

10-Let's Cook

11-Library Allison

12-Twister

13-Wii Snowboard Tournament

14—Spoons

Craft of the Week

Dec 17-21: stockings and cards

17-Let's Cook

18—Library Allison

19—Party!

20—Just Dance Party

21-Movie & Popcorn

3—Over Sized Games

4--Charades

Craft of the Week

Jan 7-11: yarn wrapped letters

7-Wii Party 8

8-Skeeball Tournament

9-Wii Fit Challenge

10-Cut Throat Pool Tournament

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