

# Addison School District Newsletter

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## Addison Student Participates in Cornhole Championship

Congratulations to Addison junior, Kayden B. for placing 3<sup>rd</sup> at the 2023 National High School Cornhole Singles Tournament in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Kayden started playing cornhole for fun at a campsite when he was young. He discovered his talent and passion for cornhole and later started playing competitively at local events. He became very successful and has since achieved a competitive position in American Cornhole League competitions.

Kayden travels to places in Ohio and South Carolina to compete in ACL events. Kayden says that he spends an abundance of time working on his skills. Some days, he spends at least two hours practicing. Last year, Kayden started at a very low seed in the at 2022 National High School Cornhole Singles Tournament and earned the championship by beating many tough competitors. This year, he was featured on ESPN2 and said that it was a cool experience.

In the future, Kayden plans to keep pursuing his cornhole talents, participating in many more tournaments and hopefully winning.

By: Reegan Quick



## Tuscarora Elementary Holiday Happenings



## Addison Community Pride Is Back

Community Pride is an organization that is not new to the town. Community Pride was started by the high school staff and administration and consisted of community members, teachers, and administration. The committee would organize three events for the community each year. Events were school and community oriented, family friendly, and fun. The events included Family Roller Skating, Find the Knight, and The Veteran’s Parade & Reception. Established community member, Deb Flint, states that “It truly began with the focus mainly on the high school because the high school didn't have what our other schools had established which were Parent Teacher Organizations (PTO) and/or Parent Teacher Associations (PTA). So, the focus was totally on getting teachers, community members, parents, staff and law enforcement doing things within the school community that would engage and welcome collaboration and get more community members and family to come into our schools and work together on concerns, collaborative family fun events, and be present at school community functions. ‘Knight Pride Community Wide’ was our focus and that phrase became our slogan.”

Over the years, there have been many changes within Community Pride. The committee has had to overcome many obstacles trying to keep the spirit of the committee alive. Within the past year, Community Pride has started again with the Veteran’s Honors Parade and Reception. The committee hopes to continue gaining more members from the high school and community to build up the organization to what it once was. If you are interested in being part of this team, we encourage you to contact the High School main office. The first meeting will be in February to plan a spring event.

By: Kylene Stierly

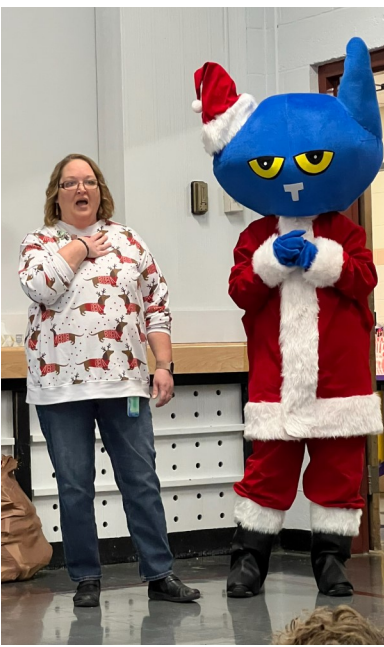
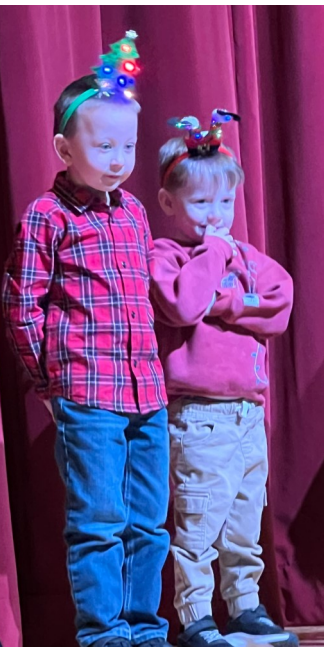
THE ADDISON CSD BOARD OF EDUCATION (BOE) WILL HOLD A BUSINESS MEETING ON TUESDAY, February 13, 2024 AT 6:00 PM IN THE HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA. AN AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 5:15 IN THE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY.

Senior Spotlight: Class of 2024

**Sadie S.**  
**Favorite part of high school?** Sports  
**What are your plans after high school?**  
Go to college in Florida and play softball  
**What has been your proudest moment of high school?**  
Winning softball sectionals  
**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**  
Married with a good job  
**Favorite staff member?** Miss Beck  
**What advice would you give to younger students?**  
Enjoy it and don't take everything so seriously.



**Colt C.**  
**Favorite part of high school?**  
Playing sports  
**What are your plans after high school?**  
Go to school to become a electrician  
**What has been your proudest moment of high school?**  
Beating Williamson  
**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**  
Down south  
**Favorite staff member?**  
Mr. Oliverio  
**What advice would you give to younger students?**  
Enjoy it while you can.



Holiday Happenings  
At  
The Valley Early  
Childhood School



Getting to Know: Fine Arning

Fine Arning is a 16-year-old exchange student from Germany, specifically from the city of Billerbeck. She's currently living with the Mayo family. She played soccer in the fall and she's currently playing basketball on the varsity team. Fine said that she really enjoyed the soccer season and she's enjoying playing basketball. She likes to hang out with her friends. She thought Addison was going to be a bigger city and was surprised at how small it is and how far away everything is. She said the people here are really different than the people in Germany. She really misses the food and her friends back home. She has one younger brother who is 12 years old. One goal she has set for her time here is to improve her English. Advice that she would give to future exchange students is to be open minded and to be nice.

By: Giulio Cozzolino and Andrew Jones



Addison High School's Holiday "Block Party"

The Addison High School D-Wing kicked off their holiday break with the 3rd annual "Block Party". Students and staff gathered in Mr. Castle's room, for some chatting, Christmas music, and good food. The classroom counters were filled with food from breakfast casserole and smoked brisket, to angel food cake and chocolate fudge. Mr. Castle said, "The Block Party is a great way to begin the holiday, and a fun way for students and teachers to build connections while having a little break from their day-to-day studies."

By: Ava White



8th grade students make snap circuits at the library's makerspace.



**COLD CASE CRIME SCENE**

Examine the clues in the library

Tell us what happened in 5 sentences or less

Top 5 Middle School Stories & Top 5 High School Stories will win prizes!

Submit your story by 1/30

Addison Middle-High School Library

**MAKER MONTH**

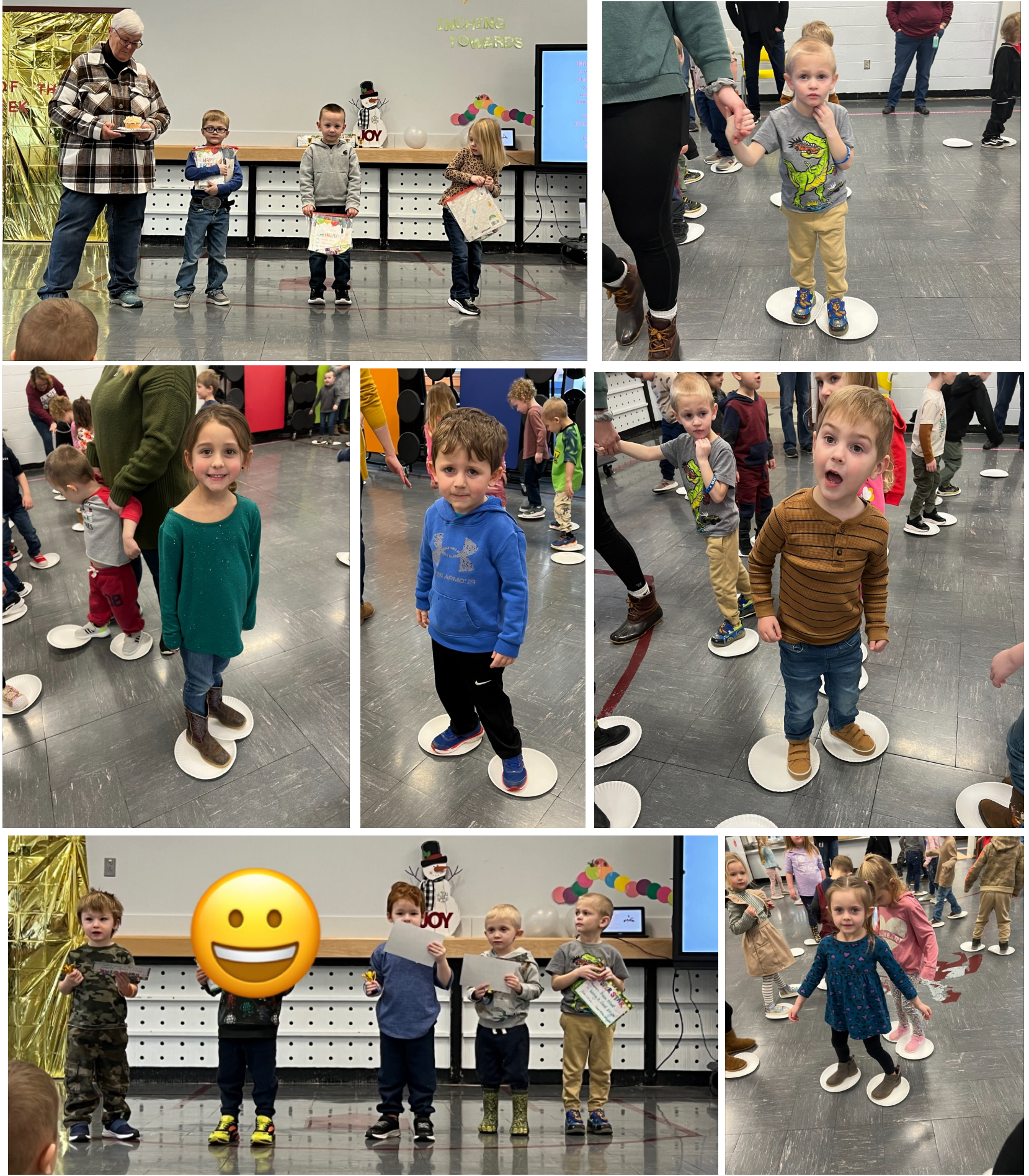
ALL JANUARY LONG  
ADDISON MS/HS LIBRARY

LEGO STRIKE! ARCADE

The Middle School Student Council gathered to make angel ornaments for the residents of the Addison Place.



On Friday, January 5th at Valley Early Childhood School, birthdays and good knights of the week were celebrated. Students also went "ice skating."



The Following Tuscarora Students  
Have Reached 100 Steps!

**Kindergarten**

Waylon B.  
Maverick K.  
Jasten N.  
Stevie A.  
Blake W.  
Briella B.  
Zayden C.  
Harlie G.  
Carter K.  
Hannah M.  
Hunter O.  
Jack R.  
Izsla S.  
Daxton L.  
Zzyzx P.  
Clark R.  
Cayleigh W.

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade**

Gabriel B.  
Callie R.  
Bryce W.  
Sophia R.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

Julian A.  
Zoey C.  
Sophie C.  
Tyler N.  
Evelyn S.  
Brayden W.  
Haelyn S.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**

Charles B.  
Arizona R.  
Bricen W.  
Havyn A.  
Harper K.  
Gracie M.  
Kloee M.  
Daniel O.

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Effy C.  
Calobe W.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Greggory B.  
Peyton B.  
Alayna P.  
Isabella W.  
Caelanna B.  
Jamilyn D.  
Dylan H.  
Bayleigh T.



Girls on the Run is for  
**EVERY** girl.

**2024 Spring Program**

PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 4TH

PROGRAM STARTS WEEK OF MARCH 18TH

**WHO WE ARE**

Girls on the Run of the Southern Tier (gotrst) is an after school program like no other! Twice per week for 10 weeks, girls have fun, make friends, increase their physical activity levels and learn important life skills. Trained and caring coaches lead 3rd-5th grade girls through interactive lessons and running activities.



**PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

- 20 in-person lessons delivered by GOTR volunteer coaches
- Grown-Up Guide
- Official GOTR t-shirt, water bottle, and draw string bag
- 5K finisher medal
- GOTR Journal
- All curriculum materials and supplies
- 10 weeks of fun, dynamic practices
- End of the season in-person 5K Celebration

**REGISTRATION**

Thanks to the American Rescue Plan, the cost of participant registration at Tuscarora Elementary is 100% covered for the Spring 2023 season. Please use code **ARPADDISON24** when registering online. Limited spots available on a first come, first serve basis. Please note, if registering multiple participants, a separate registration will have to be completed for each participant.

**5K CELEBRATION**

Date: Sunday, June 2nd at 10:00 am

Location: Bath CSD High School Track

**SEASON INFORMATION:**

Tuscarora Elementary, Addison

Tues/Thurs 3:00pm to 4:30pm

Sign up before 2/26/24

Email [laurie.mault@girlsontherun.org](mailto:laurie.mault@girlsontherun.org) or call 607.776.9467 x231 with help with registration or with any questions.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!**



**REGISTER TODAY!**

To register go to: [www.gotrst.org](http://www.gotrst.org)

**Addison MS/HS Library Lounge**



**Knights Closet**

The National Honor Society sponsors the Knights Closet. This is a place where all students can go if they are in need of clothing items or school supplies. The closet accepts donations of new and gently used items. If you are donating undergarments, please make sure these are new items. With the winter season upon us, if you would like to donate, please consider coats, hats and mittens/gloves. Donations can be dropped off at the High School main office. We encourage any student who may need something to utilize the Knights Closet.



**Addison MS/HS Door Decorating Contest**

**HS Most Creative:**  
The School Counseling Office

**HS Funniest:**  
Mr. VanWoert

**HS Most Festive:**  
Cafeteria



**MS Most Creative:**  
Mr. Driskell & Mr. Newell

**MS Funniest:**  
Mrs. Buchanan

**MS Most Festive:**  
Mrs. Olander

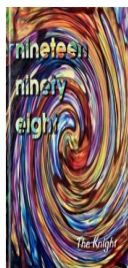
**Do You recognize any of these covers?**

That's right! The classics are back. But for a limited time.

To reduce storage of past yearbooks, the Yearbook club are offering yearbooks from these years at a greatly reduced price of \$10. Years included are 1997, 1998, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, some years have limited quantities.

Please send Sonya English an email at [senglish@addisoncsd.org](mailto:senglish@addisoncsd.org) with your inquiry and she will respond ASAP on availability and how to proceed with purchases.

Thank you!



**Upcoming Winter Weather Season**

Although we hope for no inclement weather, we live in New York and that is not going to happen. Bus safety is a critical component to overall school safety as our busses and bus drivers are on the road daily transporting students to and from school, traveling to out of district placements, as well as to extra-curricular/athletic events in the evening. As you know, delaying or closing school is a challenging decision to make. We use all information available (at the time) to make “the call”. We frequently communicate with the county and town and village highway departments to ensure we are making an appropriate decision. With all of this said, below is a brief summary of the various places to access delay/cancellation information, in logical order to do so:

**School Closings/Delays/Cancellations:**

1. Go to the school district web site: [Addisoncsd.org](http://Addisoncsd.org) – we will announce it there **first** with our on-screen alert (pop up message) on the home page. This is probably the easiest and quickest way to find out any information.
2. Go to the Addison District Facebook page.
3. Watch the local TV news and/or listen to the local radio stations– not always the fastest way to find out this information.
4. Wait for a call from our automated dialer system.

Note that in most cases, the call will be made before 6AM on the morning of the weather event. If the weather is **severe enough**, we will try to call off school the **night before**. We will follow the same protocol as above.

**Canceling After School and/or Evening Events:**

On the occasion where we have to cancel an after school or evening activity and/or athletic event, we will work to make a decision (as soon as possible) and follow the steps above for cancellations.

**Please note #1** - There is never the “right” time of day to make any of these decisions. Much of the decision will be dictated by weather patterns, forecasting possible future weather events, and the advice from those places that we may be travelling to; **This is ALL in the name of safety for everyone!**

**Please note #2** – None of us went to school to be meteorologists, but we pledge to do the best we can with the information that is made available to us at the time, always erring on the side of caution. Remember, there is a delicate balancing act between needing to provide an education (and other related school services and activities) for our students and the monitoring of weather conditions that are inevitable this time of year!

**Please note #3** - The **variations in the weather**, along with changing road conditions, can be very different from school district to school district and even within our own district.

**Please Note #4** - The use of a remote day or two (in late winter/early spring) is always a possibility if we have a challenging winter weather season!

In the event that we have to close school early after everyone is already here on campus, the District will follow our emergency go home early procedures established by your school building or department.