

# Addison School District Newsletter

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## BOCES: Putting a Spotlight on the Trades

The GST BOCES Coopers Plains campus is a place that offers people a chance to get a candid look into everyday careers to prepare students for the real world. BOCES greets students with a family-like atmosphere to show them what it is like to be in a professional field. A student's chosen trade has a classroom or workshop that is different than the rest, which gives students the opportunity to work with people every day to improve communication skills, work ethic, and prepare them for adulthood. The GST BOCES mission statement proclaims, "GST BOCES is an education service organization driven by customer need and a commitment to excellence, whose mission is to ensure the success of our diverse learners, parents, community members, schools, and businesses by providing collaboratively inspired, cost-effective, quality programs in an atmosphere that is safe and supportive."

The Addison students say BOCES is a bit more to them. Coming from the public school system, which is very uniform regarding education, BOCES is a haven for those who do not perform well in a traditional classroom. When given the opportunity to ask some of the students who attend both BOCES and Addison High School, they all had very similar opinions. BOCES offers so many different choices: Animal Sciences, Auto Body and Auto Tech, Building Trades, Criminal Justice, CISCO, Digital Media Arts, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Heavy Equipment, Nursing, and Welding. Here are a few quotes from some of the current BOCES students:



Shannon L. (Nursing): "It's very fun and very entertaining...more hands on than actual school."



Eli V. (Auto Tech): "I like it. it's very family-oriented and more beneficial than sitting in a classroom-feels more like a job experience."

Zane Harageones (Auto Body): "A good place for students to learn. My favorite thing to do is painting the cars. The people there are very helpful, overall love the program."



Lily Thomson (Cosmetology): "I like it. It's a program BOCES should keep and offer. BOCES benefits kids more."

Brady Wheatcraft (Building Trades):

"I like it. It gives you a lot of freedom to get out there"

Zachariah Jones (Welding): "I like it; it's fun",



By: Nicole Burgess and Gracelynn Chamberlain

## Middle School Student Council 2022-2023



refreshments, and lead the promotion of these events. This is a great learning experience for students and also provides age appropriate activities for them.

Over the winter holidays, the Middle School Student Council organized a door-decorating contest and provided a treat for all students during lunch time. They are also preparing to host their first Winter Wonderland Dance on February 3, 2023.

Mrs. Keech was recognized by the BOE for her work with students in this organization. Mrs. Keech is an alumni of Addison Central School and was very involved with Student Council when she was a student. Mrs. Keech is also the advisor for the High School Student Council, and she facilitates the High School Testing Center at Addison High School.

The Middle School Student Council presented at the January 24, 2023 School Board Meeting to share what the organization has been doing to help make the Middle School a great place for kids. Three current student council members addressed the BOE, along with their advisor, Mrs. Samantha Keech.

The students shared many of the activities and plans that the council has implemented for students, staff and our community. Some of these activities include Homecoming events, Holiday treats for students, and community service opportunities, such as making cards for residents at the Addison Place apartments. The MS Student Council also organizes dances for the middle school students. The members plan, coordinate volunteers, handle logistics of location and



THE ADDISON CSD BOARD OF EDUCATION (BOE) WILL HOLD A WORK SESSION ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH AT 6:00 PM IN THE HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA.



Welcome to our Newest Knight: Mrs. Snyder: 6th Grade Math

Mrs. Snyder is the new resident math teacher of 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Mrs. Snyder is certified in education and also has a Master’s degree in administration from George Washington University, making her the first in her family with that type of achievement. “Math has always been my favorite. Even when I was in high school, I took every single math class they had. I absolutely loved it and still love it,” said Mrs. Snyder. Her biggest goal is to make sure she’s meeting her students’ needs and that she’s doing what they need to achieve academic success. In their free time, Mrs. Snyder and her husband love exploring the local areas. She said, “We love going and checking out the flavor of the cultures in different villages. We really enjoy it.” Mrs. Snyder is very thankful for the opportunity Addison has given her and the opportunity the school gives its students. She is amazingly surprised and grateful for the facilities that the district offers and the extra-curriculars that it offers the students. She is so happy to be here and we welcome her to our district!



By: Bryson Crandall

Valley Readers

Valley PK 4 students are participating in the ARC Core reading challenge similar to Tuscarora students. Each student in the four-year-old classes selects two books each day to take home to read with their families. Every book is a step toward their goal of 100 books. The students are very excited and are doing a great job reaching their goals.



KNN: Knight News Now

The Knights have a weekly news show that airs on Friday mornings in each of the classrooms. Ms. Buchanan is the teacher of the Media Production class that facilitates the news show. When asked some questions about the show, Mrs. Buchanan answered that it is the 10th year that the news show has been in production and that it gets



better every year. She expressed the challenges of putting news together with entertainment. Her favorite aspect is that it’s completely student-run. The students pick their segments, edit their own clips, and it becomes

their own show.

Ms. Buchanan also expressed her desire to cover news around the school. If teachers and students have events happening in their classes, the news show would like to cover them. Please email her @ [mbuchanan@addisoncsd.org](mailto:mbuchanan@addisoncsd.org) and the students will do their best to include it in the next segment of the news show.



Getting to Know:

Addison welcomes Louann H into our district! She is 18 years old and from North France! Some of her favorite classes are Ceramics and Participation in Government. She participates in Red Cross Club and International Club. Currently, Louann is participating in Cheerleading. She is considering doing track and field; however, she does not enjoy running. She prefers how the Addison school day is conducted compared to her strict, private school back home in France. Their classes are an hour long each and end at 5:00 PM! Her plan is to attend a university, in hopes of becoming a psychologist. She plans on traveling, instead of just staying in France! Some of the things she enjoys participating in include painting and sledding. Her favorite American foods are Mac and Cheese, spaghetti from her host home and Italian food. Louann comments, “Cheese is better in France. We have too many regulations here. I miss my cheese.” Louann is helping with the drama club production of “The Lion King” along with the chorus concerts and she is living with the Vroman family.

By: Morgan Allison and Katie Miles





### Follow Your Dreams: Mrs. Crochiere’s Career Journey

Many people have struggled with how to accomplish their dreams. Mrs. Crochiere is one of the many who have faced this issue. Currently, Mrs. Crochiere teaches Global History and Geography II, along with Participation in Government, but it wasn’t always this way. Growing up, she went to a tough city school, but one of her motivators was an inspiring teacher that taught there. Her 6<sup>th</sup> grade social studies teacher was that motivator: “I even have a picture of her that I look at when I am doubting myself.”

Her earliest career aspiration was to become a flight attendant. However, by middle school, Mrs. Crochiere knew she wanted to be a teacher. Although she knew what she wanted to do, she didn’t have a lot of money to pay for college. With a Navy base just minutes from her hometown, Mrs. Crochiere was exposed to Navy life throughout her adolescent years. This led her to join the Navy, which was the branch that offered her the most benefits for college. During her time in the Navy, she became a builder and began her college career. She enjoyed her time in the Navy and some of her experiences in Panama and California changed her perspective of the world.

Mrs. Crochiere was the first person in her family to attend and graduate college, making her graduation very memorable. She went on to teach middle school social studies at Jasper-Troupsburg. After teaching for 7 years at Jasper-Troupsburg, the school faced budget cuts and had to let go of some teachers, including Mrs. Crochiere. She explained, “I spent a year away from teaching, and it literally felt like a whole part of my life was missing.” Shortly after her year away, thankfully, a position at Addison High School opened, and she’s taught here ever since. “It’s not about what you teach; it’s about being a teacher.” As a teacher, she strives to find ways for her students to succeed. Mrs. Crochiere hopes her story inspires people to achieve their dreams, even if they take an alternate path to get there.

By: Kylie Putnam, Sarah Morris and Sydney Ribble



### Congratulations to the following Tuscarora readers for reaching 100 steps:

#### Kindergarten:

Sailor D.  
Jasten N.  
Lincoln M.  
David H.  
Parker K.  
Gabriel B.  
Preston T.

#### First Grade:

Conner D.  
Haelyn S.

#### Second Grade:

Brielle P.  
Eli L.  
Skye B.  
Abel W.

#### Third Grade:

Ryker E.

#### Fourth Grade:

Landan S.  
Bryson S.  
Zachary S.  
Makenna T.  
Caelanna B.

Braden C.

Link H.

AJ V.

Callaiya W.

Layla D.

Jamilyn D.

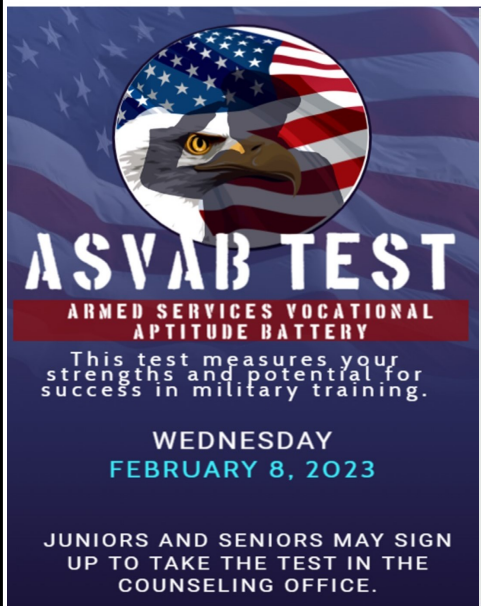
David E.

Dylan H.

Landon R.  
Carter R.  
Bayleigh T.  
Madison W.  
**Fifth Grade:**  
Colton W.  
Cohen W.  
Paige K.  
Marshall B.  
Madison P.  
Jerome M.



### In other news...



## Spring Panels & Events

**Careers in Corrections & Law Enforcement**  
Wednesday, February 15th 9:00-12:00  
Steuben County Jail

**Conservation Careers**  
Thursday, February 16th 9:00-11:00  
GST BOCES Bush Campus



### Remote Learning Plan for Addison CSD:

**Addison District Families** - As you are likely aware, the District has already used three (3) emergency closure days this year. What does this mean for the students and their families as we navigate through the remaining school year?

**It means that the next emergency closing/snow day WILL BE REMOTE as long as we know the school day before to prepare staff, students, and families/caregivers.** Proceeding in this way will avoid the possibility of having to reclaim days from our remaining school breaks in February and April while also allowing us to preserve the possibility of having two (2) days remaining at or near the end of the school year to flex as needed.

The general idea is that a pivot to remote learning is a “regular” school day in the sense that all students will be learning, all teachers will be teaching, and all support staff will be working/learning.

The students will be **learning at home** and the teachers will be teaching at home (or teaching from their classrooms/school building). Each Program Level Principal will be communicating building level details regarding how the remote learning day for students will look and the expectations for participation. Additional information about technology support on remote days will be forthcoming.

**Please Note:** The idea here is to make the remote learning experience as “regular” of a learning day as possible. This will be a continuous work in progress with expected small bumps along the way while knowing that it will be OK. Be on the lookout for communications from your child’s Principal.

**Update on the pool:**  
The Addison MS/HS pool is open to the Addison community for use free of charge on Sundays 10 am to 12 pm. Park in the event center parking lot. You will need to sign in upon arrival. All children 16 or younger need to be accompanied by an adult.



**Have you ordered your YEARBOOK yet?**

Yearbooks are on sale for \$50. Bring check made payable to Addison Yearbook to Mrs. English Room C207 (High School) or Mrs. Dickerson (Middle School Office) or order online at [jostens.com](https://jostens.com) (look for Addison Junior Senior High School Addison NY).

Payment also may be made in three installments:  
\$15 by Oct. 14, \$15 by Feb. 17 and \$20 by April 14.

*If paying by check, please include a note with student's name, check # and amount paid.*