

# Marcellus Middle School Messenger

News for Marcellus Middle School students and families

## January 2025

Happy New Year! We hope that everyone had a fabulous and relaxing holiday break. We are all ready to move into the new year with the students and dive right back into teaching and learning.

## *Annual Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament Photos*

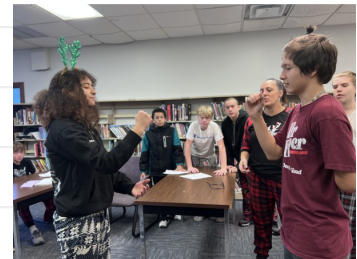


### **Family Volunteers - we couldn't do this without you!**

From left to right: Jennifer Jones-McClain, Justin Ware, Amy Ahonen, Cary Causey-Hansen and Josh Causey.



### **Champion: Valary D.**



### **Intense 8th grade competition**

Carlleen B and Lukas H compete while others watch intently.

## **Things to know . . .**

- Homework hour is at the Middle School Monday through Thursday from 3 to 4 p.m. It is available to all students, and they do not need to sign up in advance. Homework hour is not available on half-days of school.
- **January 17** is a half-day for students.
- The Marcellus Middle School Career Fair will be held on **January 17**. This year, the focus will be on Marcellus Community Schools alumni.
- There will not be Homework hour on Thursday, **January 9** due to teacher meetings.
- There will be Saturday School **January 11** from 8:30-11:00 a.m.

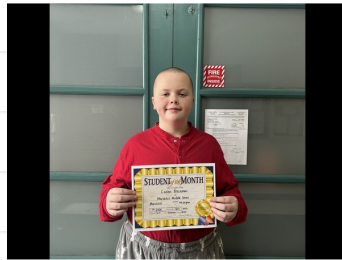
- Middle school students will take Quarter Tests in the last couple of weeks of the semester. These tests will cover the curriculum taught during quarter two.
- Quarter tests will be scheduled so that students do not have more than one quarter test each day.
- Quarter 2 and Semester 1 will be completed on **January 17**. This will be a 1/2 day for students.
- State assessments are just around the corner—after Spring Break. All students will complete the MSTEP, and 8th graders will also complete the PSAT 8. All tests are digital this year, including the PSAT 8.

## *December Students of the Month- Students received their certificates December 20*



### **Micah McNeal - Student of the Month for 6th grade**

Micah is very friendly, polite, and helpful to others. She is a positive role model for other students.



### **Callen Breseman - Student of the Month for 7th grade**

Callen is respectful, responsible, hard-working, and focused. He does a fantastic job in class every day.



### **Addison Butler - Student of the Month for 8th grade**

Addison is focused on her work and is always willing to help fellow students. She is working to become the best student she can be.

### **And more to know . . .**

- The following days will be 1/2 days: January 17, February 22, March 5, May 7 and June 7
- Parent/teacher conferences will be on February 20, 2025
- There is no school for students on February 21 and February 24. This is subject to change if these dates are needed to make up excess snow days
- Spring Break is from March 28- April 4, 2025
- Please call the office by 7:30 a.m. if your child will be absent from school
- Breakfast and lunch are free for all Marcellus Community Schools students this year. Breakfast provides the energy necessary to focus and be productive at school and contributes to increased academic achievement. It is offered to Marcellus Middle School students at the following location: Marcellus Middle School, 125 S Burney St., Marcellus, MI 49067.

## *December Fun*





**Lundyn K competes against her grandfather in the RPS tournament**



**Friends are the best - celebrating a friend's win at RPS!**



**7th grade fun!**

*Students in Mrs. Budner's Life Skills class completed sewing projects:*



**Carlleen's quilt - what an amazing job she did**



**Jaden S made a Christmas stocking for himself**

Mrs. Budner added the embroidered 'J' for him.



**Jaden S made a cozy blanket to match his stocking**



**Tracy Cropsey**

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