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Later Elementary Robotics Teams Gain Confidence and Life Skills

In this year's MASTERPIECESM challenge, FIRST LEGO League teams were asked to imagine and innovate new ways to create and communicate art across the globe. Members of the "Robo Chickens" and the "Leaders in Learning" Robotics Teams at Paw Paw Later Elementary are developing inventive ways to integrate the arts and technology into their creative designs. With the goals of engaging or increasing participation in artistic activities in the community, school or at home, all team members share great enthusiasm for this theme. Both teams, the "Leaders in Learning" and the "Robo Chickens," liked the idea of using holograms to teach people how to play an instrument or to make a craft.



Leaders in Learning:
Back Row: Krystal Chester, Kensie Chandler, Grace Amburgey, Darin VanLopik
Front Row: Donovan Miller, Ben Zent



Robo Chickens:
Back Row: Fiona Councell, Oliver Clark, Kason Mansfield
Front Row: Athena Duerme, Blake Pillar, Ryan Bove

Trophies:
Robo Chickens earned a Core Values Award and Coach Marissa Neidlinger won a Coach/Mentor award!!



Student Success in the Culinary Arts

Marcos Garcia, a standout student in the Culinary Arts and Catering Management program at the Van Buren Tech Center, has seamlessly transitioned into an internship role in Paw Paw Public School District's Food Service Department. Demonstrating exceptional dedication and talent, Marcos has been making a significant impact by not only honing his culinary skills but also by gaining valuable real-world experience.

His success at the Tech Center serves as a testament to his passion and commitment to the culinary arts, and this internship has become a pivotal stepping stone for him to apply his knowledge in a professional setting.

The Cedar Street Campus is reaping the benefits of Marcos' culinary skills and work ethic. His role in the Food Service Department reflects a perfect fit, where he not only showcases his culinary skills but also contributes positively to the team. Marcos Garcia's journey from the Van Buren Tech Center to his internship at Cedar Street is a shining example of how educational programs and hands-on experiences can shape talented individuals, preparing them for promising careers in the culinary world.



Senior Marcos Garcia, left, is serving an internship with Paw Paw Public Schools Food Service Department at the Cedar Street Campus. He is gaining hands-on experience working alongside Kitchen Lead Mrs. Meeth.

"Leaders Of The Pack" Recognized at Paw Paw High School

Paw Paw High School's new "Leaders of the Pack" award recognizes students who embody the District's Core Values of Integrity, Innovation, Community, Kindness and Success. Each month, students who are distinguished as Leaders of the Pack are treated to breakfast and recognized on the bulletin board in the school.

Congratulations to the "Leaders of the Pack!" Alyssa Tester, Natalie Mitchell, Alex McNeil, Julian Hernandez, Maya Boling, Gunnar Goodell, Dominic Hernandez, Braylen Kennedy, and Molly Goodwin.



Recognizing Student Success in Clubs and Activities at PPMS

Paw Paw Middle School sees and recognizes the unique talents of its students. By offering a variety of extracurricular outlets, students are able to discover their talents and shine!. While academics are important, there are many other opportunities for students to become well-rounded individuals and contribute to the school community with the gifts they bring.

Band and choir students are encouraged to perform solos at school concerts or participate in musicals. This is a great way to build self-efficacy and, at the same time, allows students to display their performing arts talents. Students can participate in a peer-to-peer group, the Leos Club or student government to show their commitment to the community and their peers, while also connecting and networking. Games Club, Robotics Club and Minecraft Club are other offerings for those who are strategically or mechanically inclined. Sports are always an opportunity for students to demonstrate their athletic abilities and show team spirit. In Spanish Club and ASL Club, students can explore new languages and cultures. Science classes have innovative programs too, such as the Salmon Release every spring! Students assist in raising salmon and then release them into the wild to connect with the world around them.

All of these teams, clubs, classes and extracurriculars are led by extraordinary staff and community volunteers who see the value in all students and encourage them to grow and thrive in each of their individual talents.



2024-25 Kindergarten & Young 5's



Round-Up

To register for Young 5's, students must be 5 years of age by December 1, 2024.

Kindergarten students must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2024.

As part of the registration process, we will need:

- *Birth certificate
- *Proof of residency
- *immunization records

Join us on May 7th & 8th! Our Young 5's/Kindergarten Round-Up Event for the 2024-25 school year will take place at the Early Elementary. During our Round-Up Event, building administrators look forward to greeting families, and grade-level teachers are excited to meet students. This event is also an opportunity for families to complete the vision, hearing, and dental portions of the registration process. To begin the school enrollment process, families will need to pre-register online. We look forward to seeing our future Red Wolves there!

Schedule an Appointment:

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 11:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. 4:15 p.m. - 7 p.m.	OR	Wednesday, May 8, 2024 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. 4:15 p.m. - 7 p.m.
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To attend the Round-Up Event, schedule an appointment by selecting the link or scanning the QR code: <https://bit.ly/PPEERoundup2024>



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