

What's been happening?

GOOD NEWS from Jennings County Middle School

The students at Jennings County Middle School have enjoyed many positive and exciting accomplishments this school year.

Over these last weeks, when circumstances have disrupted the normalcy of all our day-to-day lives, teachers and staff throughout the county are busy instructing and interacting with students. In addition to their "disrupted normal" they have found time to share their "Good News" stories which students and staff have experienced both in and out of their classrooms during the 2019-2020 school year at Jennings County Middle School.

We gladly share these positive, celebratory moments and events that have occurred within our JCMS family.

Monique Christensen earns **TEACHER of THE YEAR** honor.

With generous donations from local businesses students were able to try to win prizes by having Perfect Attendance and completing their assignments each month.

REALITY STORE was an awesome learning experience for 7th graders.

We are proud of our students !

ARTS

ADVANCED ART – Mrs. Furgason

Advanced Arts students learned "one stroke" face painting techniques. They used the newly acquired technique to paint faces of fellow students at the JCMS tailgate event.

The highest salesperson the **ART FUNDRAISER** from each class joined with the **ADVANCE ARTISTS** and traveled to Mark Payton's glass studio in Louisville, KY. They each participated in demonstrations of glass blowing, glass turning and glass fusing. Each person had a drawing they turned into a glass piece using frit and glass stringers.

The **ADVANCED ART SHOW** was held at the Perfect Day Café throughout the month of December, with many thanks to Shea Everage and her continued support of local artists!

ADVANCED MEDIA and **ADVANCED ART STUDENTS** participated in a photo shoot of the city of North Vernon.

Each student learned the rule of thirds and the importance of lighting and composition uses within a photograph.

These students' photographs were printed and shown in a countywide show with Hailie Perdue and Rachael Manning winning awards.

ADVANCED MEDIA and **ART CLASSES** combined for an interdisciplinary project on architecture. The students chose their respective groups of four and what job would be their responsibility. The job choices were architect, construction manager, reporter and photographer. Each chose a holiday and constructed a decorated building out of gingerbread. The masterpieces were on display in the school cafeteria in December.

ALL ART CLASSES learned about the career of Special Effects make-up from special guest speaker, Danielle Colbert. A few students were able to experience the wearing of such make-up, firsthand.

ADVANCED ENGINEERING

The **ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY** Dept. made "Log Deer" for a fundraiser.

BAND and ORCHESTRA

JCMS ORCHESTRAS performed at the Columbus Philharmonic String Invitational.

Sam Greathouse & Grace Patterson were selected for the Central Indiana All-Region Honor Orchestra in November, sponsored by the Indiana String Teachers Association.

Aleecia Bigness, Matthew Neukum & Kayla Acton were selected for the Southeastern Indiana All-Region Honor Band in November, sponsored by the Indiana Bandmasters Association.

MATH

PRE-ALGEBRA students worked hard for a week on creating a “Dream Classroom Scale Drawing” and their ideas were outstanding!

SPORTS

The 7th grade 8th grade **GIRLS WHITE BASKETBALL TEAMS** won the **TRI-COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**. This was the **FIRST TIME** in the school’s history that both grades won in the same year !

“HOUSE NEWS”

JCMS HOUSE DRAWINGS and additions of new members throughout the year! Each member receives a colored bracelet significant to the color of their Team.

Team **FORTITUDO (GREEN House)** takes the lead after being in last place after collection of food and donations in the fall.

BLUE House’s Community Service project donated a little over \$206.00 to Mercy Rescue.

HOUSES are decorated and students participate in competitions to earn multi-colored House shirts.

TAILGATE for JCMS Homecoming **ROCKS** as over 50% of our students and many staff members support our JCMS Football team, Cheerleaders and Una Voce. We “Tailgated” at the JCHS track and around the field with hotdogs, chips, corn hole, face paintings, prizes and LOTS of fun!

JCMS Sports Teams, Dance, Choir and Band/Orchestra members EXCEL.