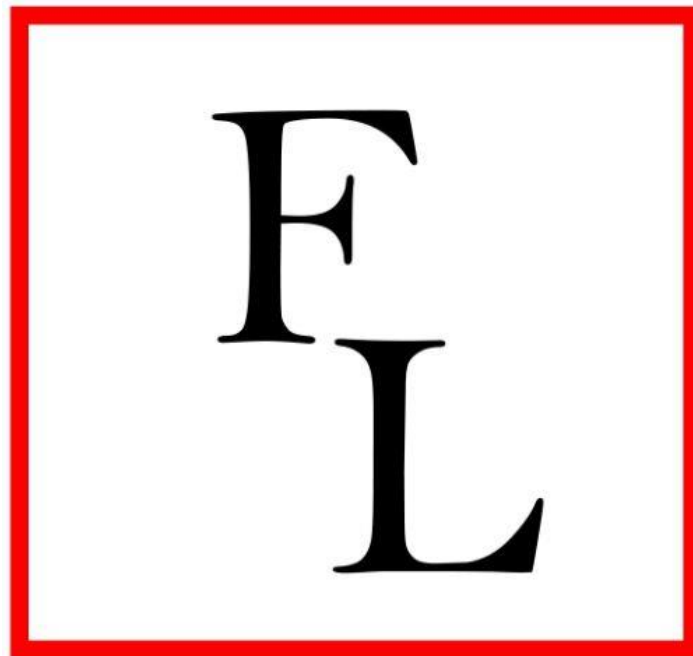


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Happy Thanksgiving!



Mission Statement

Be Kind.
Be Respectful.
Be Better Every day.

Vision Statement

Every Student will gain
knowledge, achieve success,
and continue to grow.

Halloween Day

The elementary kids dressed up and did a little *Trick or Treating* around the school. There were some pretty unique costumes this year; it was fun watching some of them try to maneuver around in them.



First Quarter

A

12th Colton Gemmill
12th Emma Hagen
12th Addison Skibicki
12th Robert Wells
10th Molly Moen
9th Lily Skibicki
7th Ruby Hagen
7th Charley Moen



B

11th Andrew Pic
11th Jarrett Rudnik
10th Ezra Skibicki
9th Branden Martinez
9th Evan Skibicki
8th Darrin LaMont
8th Kahlib Spillman

Fordville-Lankin has started an Esports League

Student Roster: Robert Wells, Gavin LaMont, Jarrett Rudnik, Darrin LaMont, and Kahlib Spillman

Esports Background

High School esports (electronic sports) have experienced an overwhelming surge in popularity in recent years. Since 2018, when the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) first recognized esports as an official sport, more than 8,600 high schools across the US have started video-gaming teams. In 2021, over \$16 million in esports scholarships were awarded to students in the United States. That number has since increased as many more colleges have recognized the need to establish their own esports program. To fully understand the scale of esports popularity, esports viewership was reported to be approximately 46.2 million in the US alone. To put that into perspective, the average viewership of an NFL game, in 2023, is 16.7 million. Esports is drastically rising in recognition as a means for students to be a part of a team, a community, and a competitive conglomerate at both a regional level as well as a national level.

Esports Purpose

Similar to traditional sports, esports intend to cultivate students' skills and personal growth. Esports is designed to enable the students to become leaders and to enhance mental fortitude in this digital age. Students in esports work together in a competitive environment which develops their teamwork skills, promotes leadership dynamics, and emphasizes professionalism. Esports allows students an additional avenue to compete using critical thinking skills, problem-solving skills, and intellectual prowess.

Here are their upcoming Matches:

- In Super Smash Bros Ultimate, they are playing against Sheyenne and Minot
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- In Chess, they are playing against Davies (Fargo) and Rugby
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Time to Go Already?

Here at Fordville-Lankin school, we have a few families that leave for the winter months and head back to their homes in a different state or country. It's hard to believe the time has come for them to go. **Sadly, Selinger's won't be back. We will miss you!**



**3rd, Pedro - Pre-K, Laura Selinger
From Brazil**



**K, Ricky - 5th, Roy - 12th, Jose Trevino
From Mexico**



**9th, Branden - 6th, David & Daniel - 4th, Ruben Martinez
From Texas**

Dissecting Worms in Science Class



Did you know?

While they lack a traditional heart as understood in humans, worms do have 5 pairs of aortic arches that play a similar functional role to that of the human heart.



5th and 6th graders working carefully to dissect their worm with Mr. Erickson's assistance

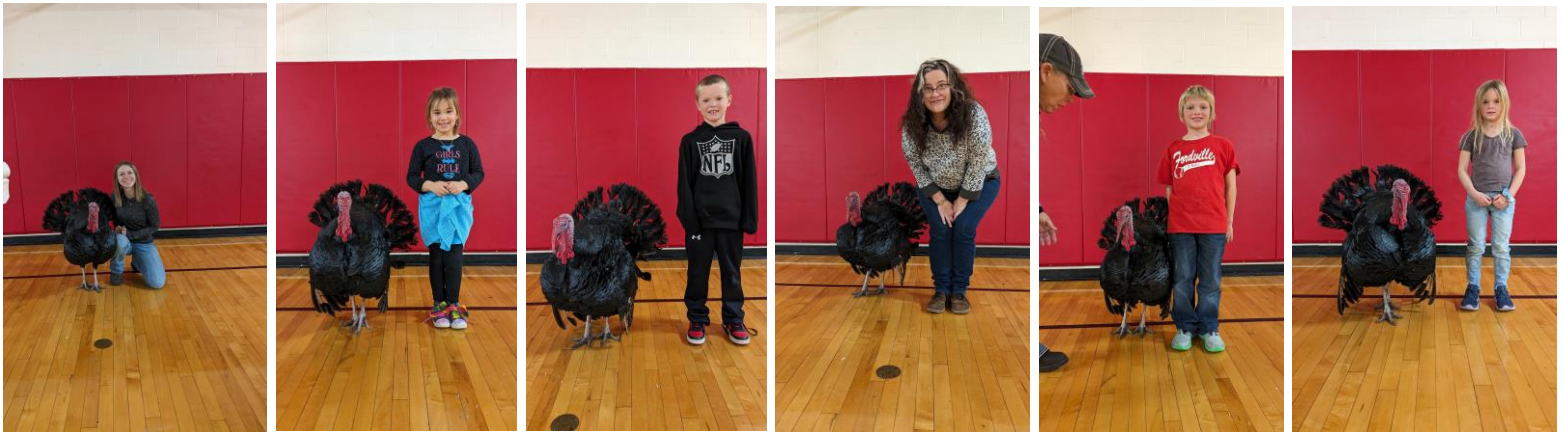
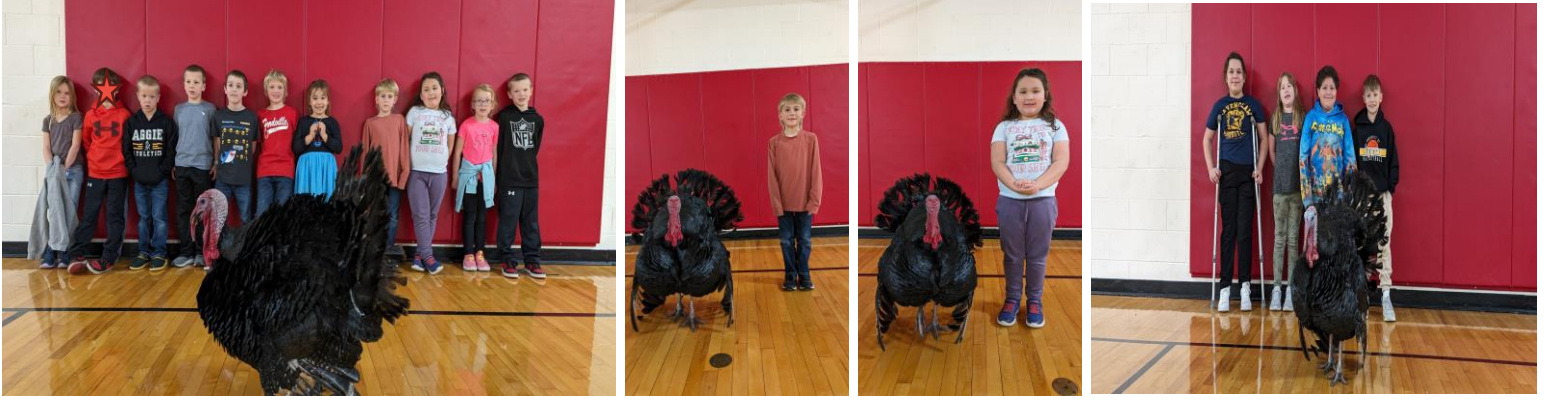
Kirby Erickson turned 60!



Arnold, the Turkey

Our janitor, Brenda Boxley's pet turkey came to say "Gobble, Gobble" to the kids. Arnold isn't your average turkey, he is pretty tame, and as Brenda puts it, "He thinks he's a dog, and will follow you around like one." The kids thought he was pretty cool, but some were still cautious of him.

Here are some of the fun photos with our new feathered friend.



Thank you, Miss Brenda, for bringing Arnold to the school.

DECEMBER 2023

FORDVILLE-LANKIN



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

4

B: Fried Eggs & Toast
L: Chicken drumsticks, MP, green beans, salad bar

5

B: French Toast
L: Chili cheese corn fritters

6

B: Raspberry filled croissants & cereal
L: Chicken noodle soup, sandwiches, cheese, crackers

7

B: Breakfast pizza
L: Hamburger mac hotdish, buns, corn

8

B: Cereal & Toast
L: Hot ham & cheese, Hashbrowns, coleslaw

11

B: Fried Eggs & Toast
L: Teriyaki chicken, rice, Egg rolls, salad bar

12

B: Waffles
L: Pasta Bar, assorted Toppings, break sticks, salad bar

13

B: Breakfast Sandwich
L: Hot hamburgers in gravy, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots

14

B: Cinnamon Rolls & Cereal
L: Chef Salad, Assorted toppings

15

B: Blueberry Muffins & Cereal
L: Subs, assorted toppings, nachos

18

B: Cereal & Toast
L: BBQs, baked beans, pasta salad, chips

19

B: Grilled Cheese
L: Boneless Pork chops/gravy, mashed potatoes, corn

20

B: Scrambled Eggs & Toast
L: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, garlic bread, salad bar

21

B: English Muffins & Cereal
L: Hot Dogs, potato salad, chips

22

NO SCHOOL

25

MERRY CHRISTMAS

26

NO SCHOOL

27

NO SCHOOL

28

NO SCHOOL

29

NO SCHOOL

BREAKFAST SERVED WITH MILK

FRUIT and/or JUICE

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

LUNCH SERVED WITH MILK,

FRUIT and/or VEGETABLES

School Board Minutes

The regular meeting of the Fordville-Lankin School Board was held in the library on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 @ 5:30 p.m.

Attendance included President Grant Skibicki, Jen Carlson, Gary Brintnell, Kylie Moen, Jacy Whaley, Superintendent Mitch Jorgensen, High School Principal Albert Irvine, and Business Manager Augusta Ramsey.

President Skibicki called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Motion to approve agenda M: Moen, S: Whaley, MSC.

Motion to approve September minutes M: Carlson, S: Moen, MSC.

The Board welcomed any guests present.

Principal report was presented.

Superintendent report was present.

A motion was made to approve the mandated Compliance Report, M: Brintnell, S: Carlson, MSC.

Discussion was held on replacing the minibus.

A motion to approve bills M: Moen, S: Whaley, MSC.

Next meeting to be held November 8th at 5:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm.