

**Feb. 9-13, 2026**

- Coach Mike Smith from the high school is going to be here during 8th grade lunch on Friday for anyone interested in playing baseball in the spring
- The library teacher of the month for January is Ms. Stenberg. Thank you for helping out with one of our gifted projects. Please come and pick up a prize in the library today.
- The Cougars traveled to Warren Co Middle School last night and our 7th grade team came out victorious in a thriller to win by 1pt in OVERTIME! The final score was 46-45. Our 8th grade team followed up with a big win 60-28. Let's go cougars!
  - The Cougars will be back in action on Tuesday February 24th as they will host the Trojans of Frederick County middle school. We want to pack the gym and show your cougar pride!
- Attention FFA members: Please plan to attend the February FFA meeting this Wednesday after school in Mrs. Belzer's room. Strawberry orders and money are due at that time.
- Thursday, Feb. 10—all beginner band rehearsal during 8th period
  - Friday, Feb. 11 – all beginner band rehearsal during 2nd period
- SCA is selling candy grams all week before school and during lunch. Grams will be delivered on Tuesday 2/17 during advisory.
- There will be no Art Club meeting this week on Wednesday, Feb. 11. Art club will resume next week.
- Yearbooks are on sale at [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com). Ordering information is also provided to all parents in the weekly newsletter. Order soon so you do not miss the deadline.
- The 8th grade yearbook superlative winners are in:
  - Most Humorous - JT Redi & Connor Hughes
  - Tallest / Shortest - Jack Beebe & Eli Belzer
  - Best Bromance - Fran Carcamo & Steven Andrade
  - Best Vibes "Ship" - Carmen Hillerson & Chelsea Ramirez
  - Most Artistic - Sofia Radford & Sofia Ryback & Zoe Facemire
  - Most musical - Dilly Scoone & Coulter Cunningham
  - Best Laugh - Brynlin Underwood & Katya Pavlenko
  - Most Likely to Brighten your Day - Layla Crim & Pedro & Lexi Chittendon
- The library book cover contest is over. Thanks to all who participated! The winners are as follows:
  - Most Original-Sofia Rybak for Rumblefish by S. E. Hinton
  - Most Authentic-Sailor Davidson for Guts by Raina Telgemeier

- Most Creative-Parker Byrd for *The Mysterious Benedict Society* by Trenton Lee Stewart
- Most Symbolic-Anna Maddox for *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell
- Please come to the library right after announcements this morning to choose your prizes.