

**DISCOVERY****HAWK HIGHLIGHTS****A MONTHLY COMMUNICATION TO STAY IN THE KNOW****Important Upcoming Dates:**

- Wednesday, March 6th: Early Release @ 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, March 6th: Kindergarten Lottery @ 6:00 pm
- Thursday, March 14th: Pi Day - Free Dress Down
- Friday, March 15th: End of Third Quarter
- Friday, March 15th & Saturday, March 16th: Frozen JR. presented by the Discovery Drama Club
- Friday, March 22nd: eLearning Day
- Monday, March 25th - Friday, March 29th: NO SCHOOL (Spring Break)
- Monday, April 1st: eLearning Day
- Wednesday, April 3rd: Early Release @ 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, April 3rd: Festival of the Arts

**Discovery Events Calendar****24-25 Discovery Academic Calendar**

Discovery's

# FROZEN JR.

## Holdcraft Performing Arts Center

1200 Spring St, Michigan City, IN 46360

Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>

**7:00PM**

DOORS OPEN 6:30PM

Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

**3:00PM**

DOORS OPEN 2:30PM

Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

**7:00PM**

DOORS OPEN 6:30PM

**VIP**

**TICKETS**

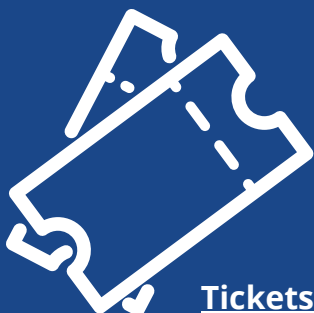
FIRST 5 ROWS

**\$15.00**

**GENERAL  
ADMISSION**

STUDENTS  
& ADULTS

**\$10.00**



[Tickets](#)

Frozen JR. is based on the 2018 Broadway musical, and brings Elsa, Anna, and the magical land of Arendelle to life, onstage. The show features all of the memorable songs from the animated film, with music and lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez, plus five new songs written for the Broadway production.

# Kids Heart Challenge™ is HERE!



American Heart  
Association.

**KIDS  
HEART  
CHALLENGE™**

# CELEBRATION!

Discovery Charter School Families,  
Kids Heart Challenge has officially kicked off!

Start by downloading the Kids Heart Challenge APP then send 10 texts asking friends and family for support.



**DOWNLOAD THE  
KIDS HEART  
CHALLENGE APP  
TODAY!**



Together, as a school  
community, we are  
helping kids like  
Emmett



Hi, my name is Emmett and I'm 9 years old. When I was only 2 days old my parents found out I had a special heart. Since then I've had 1 closed and 2 open heart surgeries to help my heart. My friends think my backwards heart and scar is cool and so do I! By participating and donating to Kids Heart Challenge you are helping the American Heart Association so kids born like me can run, play and do sit ups- just like I like to do!

Prefer to sign up online, visit

<http://www2.heart.org/goto/DiscoveryCharterSchoolPorterIN>

**Thank you so much for supporting our school**



# BOYS' VOLLEYBALL

Boys' Volleyball is considered an "Emerging Sport" by the Indiana High School Athletic Association. Come learn this fun and exciting sport that is also offered at CHS, VHS, and other area high schools. We will learn foundational skills and compete against other area schools.

**Try-outs will be  
Tuesday, March 19th from 3:30 - 5:30.  
Season will run through May 16th.  
Open to boys in grades 5 - 8.**

**Sign the permission form and find additional  
information [here](#)**



# GIRLS ON THE RUN

## [GOTR Webpage](#)

- Coaches: Mrs. DeWitt, Mrs. G, Miss Del Grosso, and Mrs. Spiegel
- This is open to girls in grades 3-5
- Max number of girls accepted is 15
  - Registration is all done online at [www.gotrofnwi.org](http://www.gotrofnwi.org)
  - Please only sign up if your child can participate in every practice
- Practices are mandatory
- Practices will be on Mondays and Thursdays after school from 3:30-4:45. A schedule is included so you can judge any conflicts you may have.
- We will do more than run!
  - Girls learn specific skills and strategies such as how to manage emotions, help others, make intentional decisions, and resolve conflict.
  - Girls are inspired to make a meaningful contribution to society through the development of a community service project.
- Program ends with a 5K Event

# SPRING CLUBS



Run Club  
Signup

Basketball Camp  
Signups

Grades K-1

Grades 2-3

Grades 4-5



Questions? Email Mr. Floyd!



# SNACK TIME

**Reminder: Please send a snack from the 23-24 Approved Snack List as well as a water bottle every day for your student(s).**

**Ms. Fox and Ms. Medley are also accepting donations of snack items for students in need.**

**Donations can be dropped off at the main office.**

# Your Voice Matters!



LET US KNOW  
WHAT YOU THINK  
OF SCHOOL LUNCH!

Survey:  
<https://bit.ly/3tMmVqG>

**TAHER** INC.





49TH ANNUAL

# ARTS-A-BUDDING ART SHOW

March 5 - 12, Chapel of the Resurrection  
at Valparaiso University

## Discovery Honorees:

- Jack Peo - Miranda Desch -
- Eleanora Russell - Bianca Ruffolo -
- Oscar Smith - Shawn Soto -
- Ashlynn Stoddard - Dania Bonilla -
- Austin McCann - Max Lynn - Linnea Ransberry -

<https://artsabudding.weebly.com>

# Student Council Spring Basket Raffle

## to Benefit the 8th grade DC trip



- ★ (1) \$50 Albanese gift card
- ★ (1) \$25 Emagine gift card
- ★ 2 Books:
  - The Babysitters Club
  - Small Victories coloring book
- ★ Mermaid Squishmallow
- ★ (mini) Unicorn Squishmallow
- ★ MiniBrand toy
- ★ 32oz Pogo Water bottle
- ★ Robofish toy
- ★ Popit Spinner
- ★ Mermaid pen
- ★ Fidget Toy
- ★ Candy

**\$2 donation per ticket or 3 for \$5**



- ★ (2) \$50 Albanese gift cards
- ★ (1) \$50 Emagine gift card
- ★ 4 books:
  - Don't Trust Cats (Life Lessons from Chip the Dog)
  - Diary of a Wimpy Kid - No Brainer
  - The Big Cheese
  - Color Universe
- ★ Unicorn Squishmallow
- ★ MiniBrand toy
- ★ 32oz Pogo Water bottle
- ★ Kolorae 20oz soup mug/lunch container
- ★ Kolorae Reusable storage bags (Set of 3)
- ★ Popit Spinner
- ★ Fidget Toys
- ★ Candy

**\$2 donation per ticket or 3 for \$5**



- ★ Apple Airpod Pro earbuds
- ★ (3) \$50 Albanese gift cards
- ★ (1) \$100 Emagine gift card
- ★ 6 books:
  - Middle School Million Dollar Mess
  - Dog Man Twenty Thousand Fleas Under the Sea
  - Jawbreaker
  - Sweet Valley Twins
  - Manga: Glow in the Dark
  - Old Farmer's Almanac for Kids
- ★ Disney 100 Rubik's Cube
- ★ 32oz Pogo water bottle
- ★ Kolorae Reusable storage bags (set of 2)
- ★ Fuzzy pom knit hat & scarf
- ★ 2 Pop it toys
- ★ Candy

**\$5 donation per ticket or 5 for \$20**

Purchase Raffle Tickets (cash only) in the lobby during morning dropoff

Tuesday, March 5th - Thursday, March 21st!

**DRAWINGS FOR ALL BASKETS TO TAKE PLACE MARCH 21st**

# Join us for a night of the arts!

Mrs. Hansen invites you to submit one of your best artworks for the Visual Arts Exhibition and Contest. Winners in each grade category, announced at festival end. Displayed for the Discovery Community in the Gymnasium. Get a submission form with rules at the front office window. **Submissions Due March 29, 2024** in DCS Art Kitchen.



## Let the world see your talent!



Mr. Moeller is proud to present Discovery's bands. They'll take the stage to play a spring concert for the Discovery Community.

## Listen to the music!

# Discovery's 2024 Festival of the Arts April 3rd 5-7pm



Mrs. Frankowski is proud to present student video projects. It's like going to the movies and getting to see your fellow Discovery students as the directors, producers and actors. Uploaded **submissions Due March 29, 2024** to Mrs. Frankowski in the Technology Room.

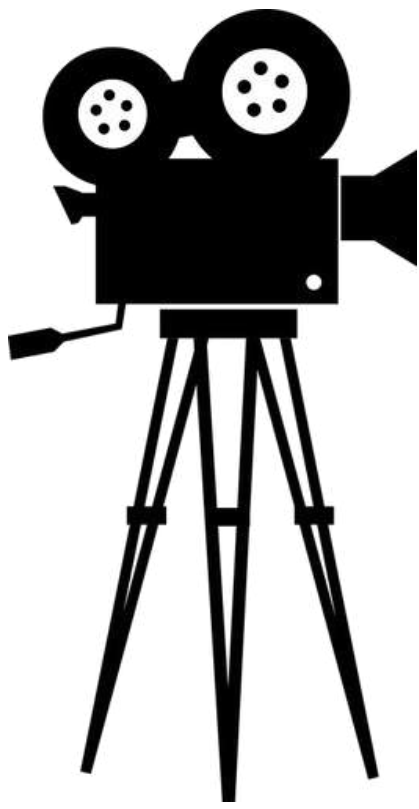
## Enjoy the show!

Mrs. Herr invites you to showcase a piece of your writing at the festival! Write a short story, short graphic or picture book, poem(s), fictional news article, or essay to celebrate the art of writing. They will be displayed at April 6th's Festival of the Arts! **Submissions Due March 29, 2024** to Mrs. Herr in the DCS Library.



## We want to read your work!

[Writing Entry Form](#)



# **Festival of the Arts Film Festival**

**Do you like making movies and want to show off your skills? We would love to see it!**

**Movies that would like to be entered:**

**- Fill out an interest form for Mrs. Frankowski (Scan the QR code or check your Technology Google Classroom for a link):**

- Must be school appropriate**
- Must not be longer than 5 minutes**
- Keep copyright in mind!**
- Turn in final movie to Mrs. Frankowski by April 1, 8:00AM**



**Movies will be viewed by a panel and the top finalists will be shown at the Festival of the Arts with the permission of the student who made it. The winners will be announced at the Festival on April 3!**

**Good luck!**

# FIFTH GRADE POSTER CONTEST



Jenna Bryan



Stella Bradford

Art teacher, Mrs. Hansen, had 5th Graders work on a poster contest for the DNR's Forestry Division. The posters will be used to celebrate Arbor Day on April 26. Each school is invited to select one entry and those will be in competition with other schools from Indiana. Jenna Bryan's poster met all the criteria and was selected to represent Discovery Charter School with her OAK TREES: SUPERHEROES OF THE FOREST themed poster. Stella Bradford took 2nd place, Addison Button at 3rd, Xavier Taylor at 4th, with Honorable Mentions to Liam Gassaway, Logan Roser and Cooper Jewett. All of the 5th grade Oak Tree posters will be displayed around the school to teach other grade levels about the importance of this native tree to Indiana. Congratulations!

# Capture Your Memories in This Year's Discovery Charter School Yearbook



## Customize Your 2 Free Pages

- Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.
- Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.
- The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book.

Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just \$0.99.

## To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

\*Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

1) Go to [www.treering.com/validate](http://www.treering.com/validate)

2) Enter your school's passcode:

**1016230799642653**



SAVE THE DATE

# FAMILY NATURE NIGHT

PORTER COUNTY CHAPTER  
Izaak Walton League of America



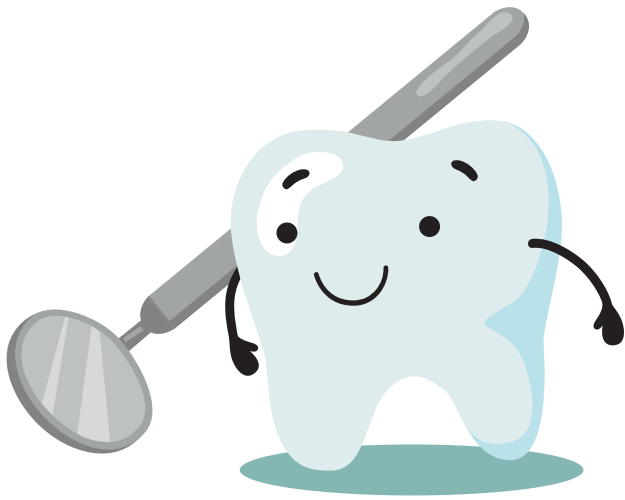
**APRIL 16**  
**6-7:30PM**

**BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!**



You'll learn about citizen science, nature conservation, outdoor recreation & MORE!

[NWIconservaation.org](http://NWIconservaation.org)



# The Mobile Dentist is coming!

**Great news! Our school will be offering services from Smile Programs...the mobile dentists that offer in-school dental care.**

**The Mobile dentist will be at Discovery on April 16th & 17th.**

**Sign up your child today at**

**[https://www.myschooldentist.com/DDDCIN\\_sch](https://www.myschooldentist.com/DDDCIN_sch)**

**The preventative dental care is usually at no cost to you. All insurance is accepted including Medicaid and CHIP. For those without insurance, a low-cost self-pay option is available as well as free preventative care via a grant if you qualify.**

**Our in-school dental program saves you time and provides a safe and comfortable place for your child to receive gentle dental care from licensed local professionals.**

**Dental care includes a complete dental exam, x-rays, cleaning, fluoride and sealants when necessary. Mobile Dentist will additionally be providing restorative care, such as fillings.**

**Children who see a dentist regularly may have fewer health issues like:**

- **Early tooth loss caused by dental decay**
- **Gum disease**
- **Heart disease**
- **Impaired speech development**

**Help keep your child healthy, in school and learning!**





# February Golden Tickets

Abigail Eshelman	Cordelia Heide (3)	Griffin Fox
Adeline Russell	Cynthia Argueta	Guraik Chahal (2)
Akirah Tucker	Dakota Elston	Hazel Crosstreet
Alaiya Franklin (3)	Damian Martinez (4)	Hendrix Barney (2)
Alex Morris	Decklen Wheeler (3)	Henry Faust
Allee Germain	Diego Rodriguez	Henry Funk
Amari Cloyd (2)	DJ Deutscher	Henry Hughes
Amelia Bell	Dory Allen	Isla Schoettel
Aneira Mckechnie	Eli Hill	Izaak Kallio (3)
Annabelle Rossi	Elias Kranick	Jack Armstrong
Autumn Tucker	Elias Young	Jacob King (2)
Ava Soto	Elijah Kaplan	Jaxson Camp (3)
Avery Wilson	Ellenora Sipich	Jennifer Wring
Avriana Spears	Ellie Stearns	Jewels Bryan
Bansi Patel (2)	Elliott Cooper (3)	Jillian Oldham
Ben Canelo	Emery Elish	Joel Mora III
Bethany Allison (2)	Emilia Reynolds (2)	Johnathan White
Bianca Ruffolo (2)	Emily Jedynak (4)	Johnny Gaddis
Brady Shabi	Enrique Moreno	Jordy Nugent-Berg (3)
Breck Fitzpatrick (2)	Ethan Kwilosz	Joshua Lara
Brooklyn Mazur	Evan Christoffel	Jovian Ransberry
Brynlee Hudson	Evan Wittorp (2)	Julian Swindell (2)
Cameran Samuelson	Everly Spears	Kai Drayton
Carter Schavey	Frank	Kai'lynn Isom (2)
Celeste Mallonee	Gavin Doyle	Kelsey Hudson (2)
Charley Allen	Gio Gayton	Kennedy Swain
Charley Gonzalez	Granger Oestreich	Kinsley Boruff
Charlie Goossen	Grant Christoffel	Landon Peyton (2)
Connor Hostetler	Jaxen Johnson	Landon Watkins
Connor Walters		Leandro Semidei

## February Golden Tickets

Leo Pyke (2)	Nolan Oldham
Liam Bland	Penelope Mckechnie
Liam Gassaway (3)	Piper Michna
Liam Johnson (2)	Quinn Fox
Lillian White (3)	Reya Jain (2)
Lily Barnett-Ford	Ruby LLano
Lily Glick	Sabastian Baczkowski
Lizzy Tapper	Sadie Turner
Lorenzo Anaya (2)	Sahana Rajesh
Luci Pisterzi	Si'Aire Martin (3)
Lucy Fox	Saurish Pal
Lydia Wilkening	Sawyer Fredrickson
Lynnux Gezdus (2)	Sena Neagu
Maddie DeFrain	Siri Pradeep (4)
Marci Hannon (2)	Sonya Jain
Max Willison	Spencer Barney (2)
Michael Curley	Susan Valencic (2)
Michael Spudic	Teagan Lisoski (3)
Miranda Desch (2)	Timothy Kelly (2)
Miss DelGrosso's Class	Timothy Hill
Mrs. DeFrain's Class	Uwana Eruo
Mrs. Essany's Class	Vera Rose Angotti Scheisser (2)
Mrs. Williams' Class	Vinay Jain (2)
Nakoa Rodriguez	Vincent Tancos
Natalie Cawthra	Walter Amm (2)
Natalie Hake (2)	Zachary McDermott
Natalie Morris	Zeke Turner (2)
Nimrit Chahal	Zen Wendt
Noah Jones	

# Summer Reading Skills PROGRAMS



## CLASSES OFFERED IN HIGHLAND

### Program for 4-Year-Olds and Entering Kindergartners

In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read. Children learn letter recognition, beginning phonics, and easy sight words. Your child will learn to read simple words and short sentences and get excited about books and reading.

### Program for Entering 1st Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read independently. Children learn phonics and sight words and build comprehension skills. Your child will develop a love of books and reading and get off to a great start in first grade.

### Program for Entering 2nd Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will become a confident, fluent reader. Children build solid phonics and word-attack skills, develop reading fluency, and improve comprehension. Your child will develop a love of reading and get off to a great start in second grade.

### Program for Entering 3rd Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will become a strong, confident reader. Children improve fluency and comprehension, build long-word decoding skills, and expand vocabulary. Your child will develop a lifelong love of reading and get off to a great start in third grade.

### Programs for Entering 4th and 5th Graders

In these fun single-grade programs, your child will become a skilled, confident reader with strong comprehension in fiction, nonfiction, and textbooks. Students expand their vocabulary and learn to read more fluently and rapidly. As a result, your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, get better grades, and enjoy reading more.

### Programs for Entering 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders

In these single-grade programs, your son or daughter will make substantial gains in comprehension and reading speed in fiction, nonfiction, and textbooks. Students expand vocabulary and learn the best way to take notes. As a result, your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, get better grades, and build confidence as a reader.

### Programs for Entering 9th and 10th Graders

In these single-grade programs, students learn the skills they need to succeed in high school. Your child will double reading speed and improve comprehension and focus in fiction, textbooks, and nonfiction. Students expand their academic vocabulary and learn study strategies to complete work efficiently, get better grades, and score higher on exams.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER

**Call 1-800-903-0162**

Mon.-Fri. 7am-8pm, Sat. 7am-6pm, and Sun. 9am-5pm

PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR CLASS SCHEDULE



**CENTER FOR URBAN AND REGIONAL EXCELLENCE**  
INDIANA UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST



**Phonics  
Fluency  
Comprehension  
Love of Reading  
Study Skills  
Reading Speed**



Source Code: 320-14-73364

# Teachers

Programs are offered by Indiana University Northwest, Center for Urban and Regional Excellence. Programs are taught by instructors from the Institute of Reading Development.



"I would like to thank you for such a positive outcome with my son James. He learned skills that have translated into wonderful grades, and more importantly, have given him more confidence in his reading abilities. He has actually asked to go to the library to pick out a book!" — Parent of 4th grader



## Class Schedule

All programs meet once each week. Tuition varies by grade level. Please ask about our family discount.

Programs meet in **Highland** at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 3711 Ridge Road.

### 4-Year-Olds & Entering Kindergartners:

Mon. June 10-July 8, 9:00am-10:15am

### Entering 6th Graders:

Tue. June 11-July 9, 1:00pm-2:15pm

### Entering 1st Graders:

Mon. June 10-July 8, 10:45am-12:00pm

### Entering 7th Graders:

Wed. June 12-July 10, 9:00am-10:15am

### Entering 2nd Graders:

Mon. June 10-July 8, 1:00pm-2:15pm

### Entering 8th Graders:

Wed. June 12-July 10, 9:00am-10:15am

### Entering 3rd Graders:

Mon. June 10-July 8, 2:45pm-4:00pm

### Entering 9th Graders:

Wed. June 12-July 10, 10:45am-12:00pm

### Entering 4th Graders:

Tue. June 11-July 9, 9:00am-10:15am

### Entering 10th Graders:

Wed. June 12-July 10, 10:45am-12:00pm

### Entering 5th Graders:

Tue. June 11-July 9, 10:45am-12:00pm



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Programs available at other locations and online—call to learn more.

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**INQUIRE EARLY! CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED.**



# Volunteer

**CARLINE**

**RECESS**

**LUNCH DUTY**

**COPIES**

\*Must have a current  
background check

**For other opportunities and  
additional information, go HERE**

**TEACHER  
SNACK DAY**

**3/6/24**

**Sign Up**





# **GIVEBACK**

**Tuesday, March 12th, 2024  
~All Day~**

**5226 Franklin Street  
Michigan City, IN 46360**

**Mention Discovery Charter School  
PAC when placing an order**

**Play parents: Make your tech week a little easier on  
Tuesday with dinner from Five Guys!**



**FIND US**

