

# KWMS Panther Pride

May 23rd, 2025

## A Final Message from the Principal

As we wrap up the 2024–2025 school year, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our students, families, and staff for making this year so successful—and so much fun. Your energy, support, and spirit have made Kenyon Woods a place I have been proud to call home.

Nine years ago, I started the *Panther Pride* newsletter as a way to stay connected with our families, celebrate our students, and share our story. I've only missed one Friday issue in all those years—and that was thanks to a snowstorm! It's hard to believe this will be my final newsletter.

After nine incredible years at Kenyon Woods, it has truly been my privilege and honor to serve this community. I hope I've done it well. I am deeply thankful for the relationships, the memories, and the unwavering support I've received from students, families, and staff. Thank you for trusting me, supporting our work, and allowing me to be part of your journey. Kenyon Woods will forever hold a special place in my heart.

### To Our 8th Graders:

We will miss you and wish you nothing but the best as you prepare to *Take the Future by STORM!* Remember all you've learned here at Kenyon Woods and go out into the world with pride. We believe in you—make us proud!

### To Our 7th Graders:

Enjoy your summer—rest, relax, and *read!* We can't wait to welcome you back in the fall, ready to live the Kenyon Way and continue *dreaming big*. The best is yet to come!

### To Our Teachers and Staff:

Thank you for your tireless dedication and commitment to our students. You have made a lasting impact on so many lives. Please take time this summer to rest, recharge, and return refreshed—you've earned it.



Thank you, Kenyon Woods, for an unforgettable journey.  
Have a safe, joyful, and restful summer break!

With gratitude and Panther Pride,  
**Lisa Olsem**  
Principal, Kenyon Woods Middle School

### **WE ARE KENYON WOODS AND WE DREAM BIG**

To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also DREAM; not only plan, but also  
**BELIEVE!**  
~ Anatole France

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MLP 7<sup>th</sup> graders in C142 created a summer painting to wish everyone a happy summer. Mr. Kerwin would be so happy on how much they have learned from his class!



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**ONE LAST CHANCE TO ORDER A YEARBOOK**



If your student didn't receive a yearbook and you'd still like to purchase one, there's still an option available! Families who wish to have a copy printed and shipped directly to them can do so through the link below. Please note that the cost will include printing and shipping fees.

The ordering link will go live on **June 2:**

🔗 [Order a Yearbook Here](#)

Thank you for helping us celebrate and preserve the memories of this school year!

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## HAVE YOU REGISTER FOR THE 2025-26 SY

Did you know that you can use your mobile phone to register your child for the 2025-26 school year? That's in addition to a laptop, a desktop computer, and your child's District-issued Chromebook.

If you have not yet started the registration process, now is the time to do it — all currently enrolled students must be registered by May 31 this year.

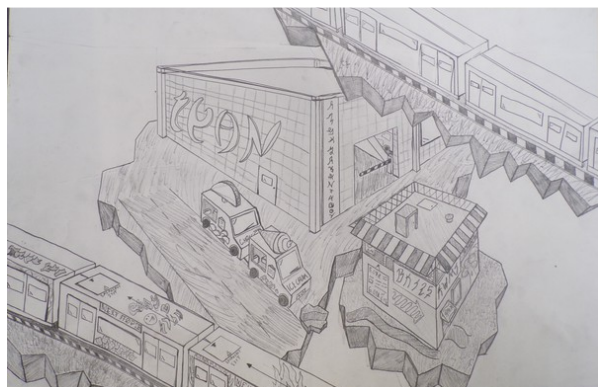
It's also easier to turn in necessary paperwork before the summer break begins, and if you run into problems, the front office staff at your child's school is available to help.

Get started [here](#). If you've forgotten a password or username, or need other assistance, [this page](#) will help.

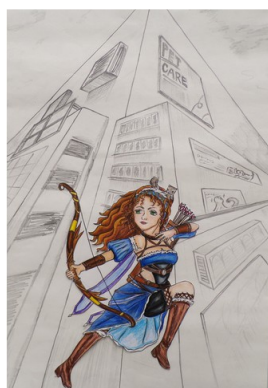
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## FROM THE CREATIVE MINDS OF OUR PANTHERS!

A couple of final projects from both Art 2 and Art 3 classes were finished up before the end of the school year. Art 2 revisited using two-point perspective, creating a *Fantastic Floating City* straight out of their imaginations. Here are two great examples from **Ryan Grant** and **Evelyn Witbrod**:



And Art 3 students designed their very own superheroes or supervillains and placed them in an environment using three-point perspective to create these *Dynamic Drawings*. Here are two great examples from **Chloe Su** and **Cora Benco**:



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## PICTURES OF THE WEEK

Student vs Staff Basketball Game!

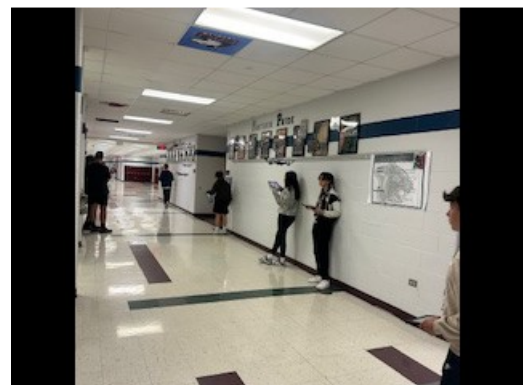
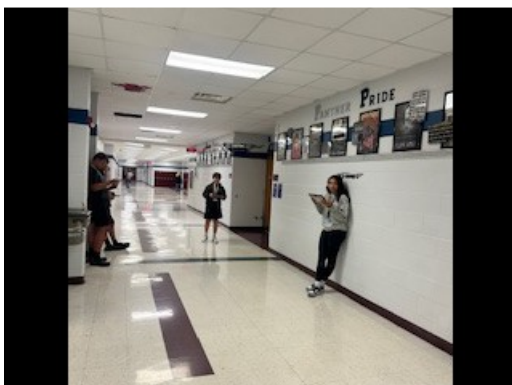


Culinary & Leadership Skills Cupcake winners



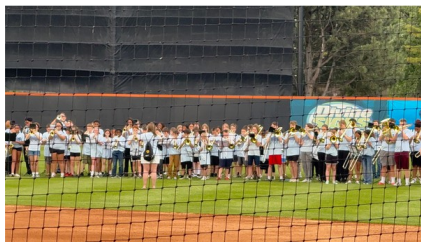


Students in Interactive Media are using Sphero robots to create a Battle Bots competition.



Kenyon Woods students performing the national anthem at the Schaumburg Boomers game with the U-46 Megaband and the Music Department Field Trip to see Titanic the Musical





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## SEHS SUMMER ATHLETIC CAMPS ARE AVAILABLE!

SEHS Summer Athletic Camp Registration is Now Open!

To register for a camp, start by clicking on the registration tab on <https://schools.snap.app/sehs>. If your student was registered for a sport before, or if he/she registered for a summer camp, you need to use the same log-in email and password as before. If this is your first time registering on 8to18, you will need to use an email and create a password. Once you click on "Begin Registration", go to Camps and click "Summer Camps".

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**SOUTH ELGIN FOOTBALL  
SUMMER CAMPS**

**JUNE & JULY**



**STRENGTH CAMP (FRESHMEN-SENIORS)**  
JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup> - 20<sup>TH</sup> (M, T, TH, F)

 **PRE-SEASON CAMP (FRESHMEN-SENIORS)**

 **PRE-SEASON CAMP 8TH GRADE (CLASS OF 2030)**  
June 23, 24, 26, 27, 30  
July 1, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 31\*  
Times/Details on Team SportsYou Calendar App

 **REGISTRATION LINK**  
<https://manage.snap.app/register/sehs/dashboard/catalog>

@ South Elgin High School  
Head Football Coach Pat Pistorio  
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## U-46 Middle School Experience

- Meet teachers and students from your middle school
- Have fun
- Get to know the building



Open to rising 7th grade students at all U-46 middle schools.



[Click here or scan above to REGISTER!](#)

### Dates:

**July 29-30 8 am to 12 noon**

at Abbott, Canton, Ellis, Eastview, Kenyon Woods, and Tefft Middle Schools

**August 4-5 8 am to 12 noon**

at Larsen and Hawk Hollow Middle Schools

**August 7 1 pm - 5 pm**

at Kimball Middle School

South Elgin High School Football Presents

# MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL



**YOUTH CAMP**  
**1ST-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**



**JUNE 2ND ,9<sup>TH</sup>, 16<sup>TH</sup>, & 23<sup>RD</sup> | 6:30-8:30 P.M.**

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South Elgin High School Football Stadium  
Register Here  
<https://manage.snap.app/register/sehs/dashboard/catalog>

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## SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES

As part of our commitment to ensuring a safe learning environment, Kenyon Woods will be conducting random, non-invasive searches throughout the school year in accordance with board policy and law. These searches are a proactive step towards maintaining safety and fostering an environment where learning can thrive without disruptions. They will be carried out by trained school personnel, in a manner that respects the privacy of all students. We assure you that these measures are standard safety procedures and not in response to any specific incident or concern. If a student refuses to participate in the random search, the school administration will follow the necessary steps in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. Should you have any questions, please contact the school's main office.

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**LINK TO LUNCH MENU**

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## IMPORTANT DATES



Link to all 2024/25 KWMS Panther Newsletters



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