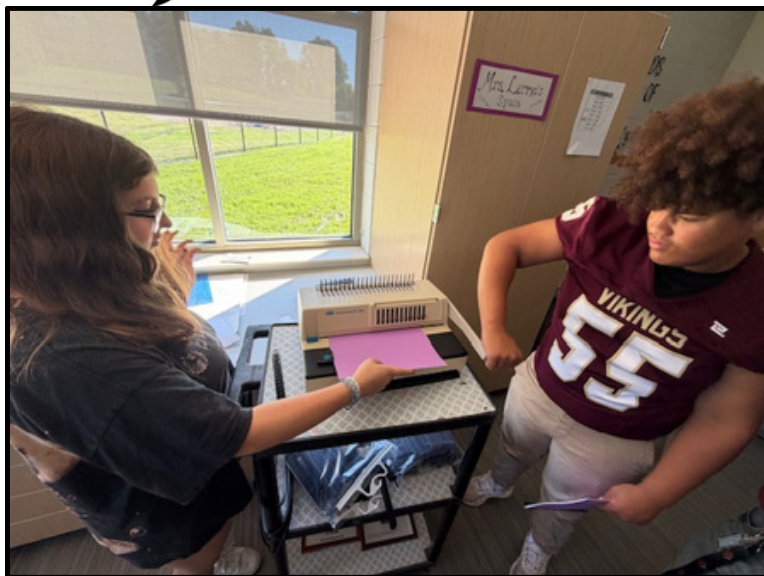




Pottersville Middle & High School



Mrs. Lerma's art students binding their art journals!

Key Upcoming Dates

- September 16 - HS Class Meetings during Viking Vision
- September 17 & 18 - Viking Days - Middle School only
- September 18 - Kona Ice - pre orders accepted below
- September 21 - POP! Fundraiser Kick-off District Wide
- September 22 - NWEA Testing - ELA for all grades
- September 23 - LINKS training at ERESA
- September 24 - NWEA Testing - Math for all grades
- September 28 - Homecoming Tickets on sale \$5
- September 30 - HS Class meetings during Viking Vision
- September 30 - MS/HS Band to see MSU Band after school
- October 2 - Manufacturing Day Field Trip - 10th Grade
- October 5 - HOCO Tickets - \$8
- October 5 - Hope Squad Training in room 117
- October 5-9 - Homecoming Week
- October 8 - MS TEAM Viking - Bead Wars & Team Colors Day
- October 8 - Powder Puff at Night

SENIORS

- BWL Applications are due September 25
- Have your senior meet with Dr. Miller or Mrs. Palmiter for support on their application

SLIME TIME

Our POP! Fundraiser starts next Monday to help raise funds for field trips, PE and recess equipment, art supplies, the library, and much more for our building. We hope you consider supporting these programs. Students who participate will be invited to Slime Time Fun!

MIDDLE SCHOOL

On Thursday and Friday, middle school students will meet their teams for TEAM Viking. We have made some changes this year to how the events are structured so some days will be for TEAM Viking, but teams will attend all classes and have individual activities they can participate in to contribute to their team score.

MANUFACTURING DAY - 10th graders

On Friday October 2nd the sophomore class will be participating in Capital Regional Manufacturing Day where students will take a first-hand look at careers in the advanced manufacturing sector. Students will leave PHS at 8:45 am by bus and tour Feighner Boat Dock Company in Charlotte and then Grain Protein Technologies in Lansing who is graciously providing lunch for our students. Students will return to PHS at roughly 1:30 pm. If you do not want your sophomore to participate, please call the attendance office by September 29th. Students should wear long pants and closed toed shoes.

Middle School TEAM Viking

We begin TEAM Viking activities this week on Thursday and Friday. The purpose of Together Everyone Achieves More (TEAM) Viking is to have students make connections with others across grade levels. We will be spending more time focusing on collaboration, team work, and have changed some events based on student feedback to allow for some individual competition throughout the day also. We piloted this last year with Rock, Paper, Scissors and bead wars (students would compete playing the game Rock, Paper, Scissors and whoever won the game gave their bead necklace to the winner. The teams turned in their necklaces at the end of the day to tally points. We are watching the weather this week and are adapting to more indoor activities based on what we are seeing.

POP! FUNDRAISER

Last year, we did not participate in the POP! Fundraiser. This year, we will be participating in September as a district wide initiative. Some of the items we have paid for through the funds you have donated include: field trips - specifically to lower the costs of 5th grade camp, 8th grade Capitol/history museum, 9th grade Greenfield Village, Washington DC trip, PE equipment and items to support the disc golf course that the grant did not cover, books for the library, and much more. We appreciate your support and know our students have opportunities through this fundraiser to go outside of our community. Thank you! We will kick this fundraiser off on September 21. This year, we are shaking it up a little with some slime time with the adults in our building for those who participate!

CHECK OUT BELOW:

Kona Ice Information for Friday

Middle School Homework Club Flier - starts on Monday

Capturing Kids' Hearts - theme of the month is empathy

KONA ICE IS COMING!



**KONA ICE
PRE-PAY**

USE THIS CODE:



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POTTERVILLE KONA ICE DAY

Friday 9/18/26, 10:45 AM - 12:45 PM

customer.kona-ice.com

MIDDLE SCHOOL HOMEWORK CLUB

Monday's 3:00PM-4:00PM

Located in Ms. Gillman's Room (Rm: 115)

**Come after school every Monday
and get extra help, or time, to work
on your assignments! Bring a friend!
Starts 9/21/26**



Connect with Heart

Understanding and feeling what others are experiencing.

This month, we're focusing on empathy and challenging students to make sure that everyone they interact with feels seen, heard, and valued. We are partnering with you to grow and develop empathy in your student at home.

As a family, use these activities to reflect on and better understand the needs of others.



1 Engage: Celebrate Differences

Generate a list of each family member's favorite things, such as their favorite ice cream flavor or favorite thing to do. Identify any similar answers and celebrate those things you have in common. Discuss how those similarities might impact your family and your relationships. Identify and celebrate each other's differences. How might those differences impact your family? How do your differences make you strong? Use this example as a reminder for your child—and your family—to celebrate our unique differences. We are better TOGETHER!



2 Empower: Build a Family Social Contract

Schedule time to have a family meeting and develop a family Social Contract together. Ask everyone to answer these questions:

- How do we want to treat each other?
- How do we want to treat each other when there is conflict?

Write down any words you identify as a family (respect, kind, honest) and ask each member to commit to the contract by signing it.



3 Excel: Find the Light. Be the Light.

As a family, brainstorm a list of 3-5 individuals you typically encounter during the day who may not receive many notes or words of affirmation or appreciation. Consider people who make your day brighter or provide a needed service, like your mail carrier, the cashier at your local store, or a neighbor. Ask each person in your family to write a note thanking that person for "Being a Light."

Conversation Starters

♥ Describe a time when someone really listened to you. How did it make you feel?

♥ What is something you can do to better listen to others?

♥ When is it most challenging to listen and be open-minded?