



# Tiger Tracks

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April 2025

Akron Central School District acknowledges that we gather on the traditional lands of the Tonawanda Seneca Nation and honor the sovereignty of all of the members of the Haudenosaunee. We honor the contributions of the Indigenous Peoples and will make a commitment to honor the land of those who have walked before us.

## A message from the Principals:

### *Greetings and Nya:wëh sgë:nö*

Spring has arrived, and with it comes a season full of energy and excitement! As we step into April, we encourage students to embrace the new season with focus and enthusiasm.

Our spring sports teams are hitting the fields, courts, and tracks as games, matches, and meets get underway. We invite everyone to come out and support our student-athletes as they represent Akron High School with pride.

With the fourth quarter beginning at the end of April, it's essential to stay focused. Remember, this quarter accounts for **40% of final grades** (20% from final exams and 20% from the quarter itself). Now is the time to hit the books, stay disciplined, and finish strong!

For students preparing for the SAT, be sure to check out our [review schedules](#) available on our website. Take advantage of these resources to ensure you're ready for test day!

Taking care of mental and physical well-being is just as important as academic success. Our upcoming **Wellness Day** will provide students with opportunities to relax, recharge, and engage in activities that promote health and balance. We also want to extend our warmest **spring break wishes**—enjoy the time off, stay safe, and return refreshed!

A quick shout-out to our talented students performing in our **Cabaret Night** and **Music and Munches** events. These showcases highlight the incredible musical abilities of our students and staff. We also wish safe travels to our Band students heading down to Washington D.C., to explore and perform in our Nation's capital. These experiences provide valuable learning beyond the classroom and create lasting memories!

We look forward to an incredible month ahead and encourage everyone to stay engaged, work hard, and enjoy the opportunities this season brings.

### Important April Dates...

4-3 MP3 Ends

4-4 Superintendent's Conference Day – (No School for Students)

4-10 SOM Luncheon

4-10 GSA Youth Leadership Conference

4-11 Wellness Day (Special Time Order)

4-14 to 4-18 Spring Recess (NO CLASSES)

4-22 BOE Mtg., (BOCES Budget/Elections)

4-24 Report Cards On-line

4-24 Ineligible/Restricted Pass Lists Out

4-30 Tiger Tracks Published

## STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Happy Spring! The student support office is busy with the scheduling process. Many variables go into scheduling students such as teacher recommendations, diploma types, etc. Our student support team will continue to work diligently with students to make sure they understand courses needed for graduation and answer any questions they may have. Parents and students are encouraged to refer to our curriculum guide posted in the guidance section of the school website for further information.

Counselors are finishing meeting with all of our sophomores individually. We will have now completed meetings with all grade levels on an individual basis this school year. We have enjoyed getting to know the students on a more personal level and look forward to working with them as they continue through their high school journey.

Our Sophomore career day took place March 13th. All sophomores had the opportunity to visit several area businesses to see if these careers would be of interest to them. We are thankful to these businesses for sharing their time with us as well as their valuable experiences, insight and expertise.

Students are reminded to keep working hard to succeed in their classes and extracurricular activities. We will soon be in the home stretch for the end of the school year. It is important to have fun with all of the end of the year activities along with staying focused as well. Students are reminded to keep checking their email on a daily basis for important information.

"Akron Middle and High School is excited to partner with the Erie County Board of Elections again this year to facilitate our Student Council elections.

HS Student Council elections will take place during lunches on Thursday, April 10th and HS and MS Class Officer elections will take place during lunches on Friday, April 25th. Current Sophomores and Juniors interested in running for Student Council can pick up an election packet in Mrs. Bowen's office H-111 starting Thursday, March 20th and must be turned into the Main Office by Thursday, April 3rd."

To the Social Work section, please add:

"Celebrate Earth Day by planting a seed with positive intentions with Tiger Talk, our peer mentorship program between MS and HS girls in Mrs. Bowen's office on Tuesday, April 22nd during 9th period or with the Wellness Club, which is open to all HS students, on Wednesday, April 23rd."

SENIORS  
Class  
Of 2025



The Class of 2025 is continuing to prepare for the fun senior festivities that will take place this June including prom & the annual senior picnic.

We will be asking for some parent volunteers / donated items when it gets closer to the senior picnic.

Thank you for all of your support and Go Tigers!

SOPHOMORES  
Class  
Of 2027

*If you are considering being a class officer, pick up a packet with Miss. Johnson or Mr. Meek!*

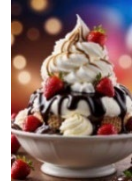
*We would love to work with you!*

FRESHMEN  
Class  
Of 2028

Everyone have a safe spring break!  
Be on the lookout for a spring fundraiser from the Freshman Class!



Happy spring! The PTA will once again be honoring students' academic achievements following the 3<sup>rd</sup>. quarter with an Ice Cream Social on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations on your hard work, Tigers!



It's hard to believe we are in the last quarter of the school year already. This month's PTA meeting will be held April 9th at 7:00pm in H190. We are always looking for new faces and ideas in our group, please join us!

### ***Congratulation to Athletes of the week:***

March 6<sup>th</sup>    *Derren Brooks – Boys Varsity Basketball*  
March 27<sup>th</sup>    *Alexis Salmon – Softball & Charles Rebmann Iii - Lacrosse*



### ***Congratulations March Students of the Month***



<i>ART –</i>	<i>Kayla Roberts</i>	<i>BAND –</i>	<i>Mason Marcinkowski</i>
<i>BUSINESS –</i>	<i>Emma Siska</i>	<i>CHORUS –</i>	<i>Alyssa Jago</i>
<i>BOCES –</i>	<i>Iva Meyers</i>	<i>PHYS. Ed –</i>	<i>Mason Marcinkowski</i>
<i>ORCHESTRA –</i>	<i>Devin Rodriguez</i>	<i>ENGLISH –</i>	<i>Trenton Paxton</i>
<i>SPANISH –</i>	<i>Elden Ground</i>	<i>HEALTH –</i>	<i>Kenadee Jonathan</i>
<i>MATH –</i>	<i>Shelby Ceratt</i>	<i>SCIENCE –</i>	<i>Alexander Brandl</i>
<i>SOCIAL STUDIES–</i>	<i>Aiden Boshart</i>	<i>TECHNOLOGY –</i>	<i>Ryan Owen</i>

### **Native American Office News**



I want to say that spring is here but as I type, it appears to be a blizzard out. And by the time this issue is published, it may be shorts weather?!?

For Indigenous communities around the world, spring holds deep cultural and spiritual significance. It is a time of renewal, growth, and connection to the land. Indigenous peoples have long understood the cycles of nature, and spring marks the reawakening of life after the long, cold winter. This season is often celebrated through rituals, ceremonies, and gatherings that honor the natural world and the interconnectedness of all living beings. In many Indigenous cultures, spring is symbolized by the return of animals, the blossoming of plants, and the awakening of the earth. Maple tapping is such an important event and we've been fortunate to taste a few examples of real syrup as opposed to the "chemical" brands. This practice not only provides sustenance but also reinforces a deep spiritual connection to the land, as it is a time of gratitude and reverence for the earth's abundance.

For Indigenous peoples, spring is not just a season—it is a reminder of the cycles of life, the gifts of nature, and the ongoing responsibility to protect the earth for future generations.



Welcome to April!

As we move into the final months of the school year, we'll be wrapping up our Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs (ATOD) unit with hands-on station simulations to reinforce key concepts. Afterward, we'll transition into our next topic: Healthy Relationships—an important part of overall well-being.

April Focus: ATOD Wrap-Up & Introduction to Healthy Relationships

Class Topics:

1. ATOD Station Simulations:

- Interactive stations that challenge students to apply what they've learned about substance use, refusal skills, and decision-making in real-world scenarios.

2. Introduction to Healthy Relationships:

- Understanding the qualities of healthy vs. unhealthy relationships (friendships, family, and romantic relationships).
- Communication skills, boundaries, and conflict resolution.
- Recognizing red flags in relationships and knowing when to seek help.

Community Service Reminder:

Students must complete 5 hours of community service before the end of the school year to receive credit for this course. If you haven't started yet, now is the time!

Consider opportunities such as:



Volunteering at a local nonprofit event



Helping at a school or community event

Be sure to log your hours and submit your verification on time!

Final Project: As the school year winds down, make sure you're staying on track with your final project.

Healthy Habit of the Month: Practice Active Listening

Good relationships start with effective communication. This month, focus on:



Maintaining eye contact when someone is speaking.



Reflecting back what you hear to show understanding.



Avoiding interruptions or distractions (like your phone).



This month the Tiger's Den will be closed April 4th-April 21st but will be back up and running on April 22nd.

The Tiger's Den will have Easter candy and chocolates for purchase.

The Tiger's Den school store takes debit/credit cards and Apple Pay!

Follow us @akronschoolstore on Instagram! We post updates on promotions, sampling, and everything the school store has to offer.



Check out our [March Newsletter](#) featuring:

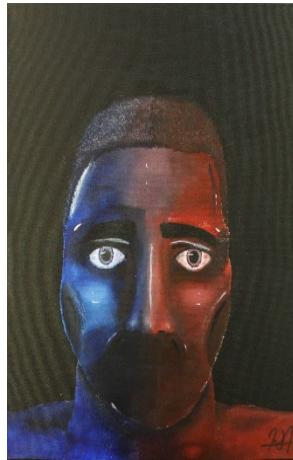
- Akron News Show
- Teacher Podcast Feat. Mrs. Kiss
- Penny to Double Lunch
- What's in your Bag?
- Are You Smarter than a 5th Grader?
- Final Winter Athlete of the Week Winners



## Kenan Art Show 2025

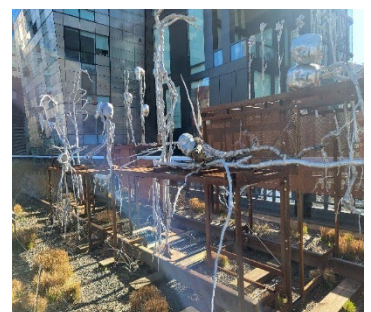
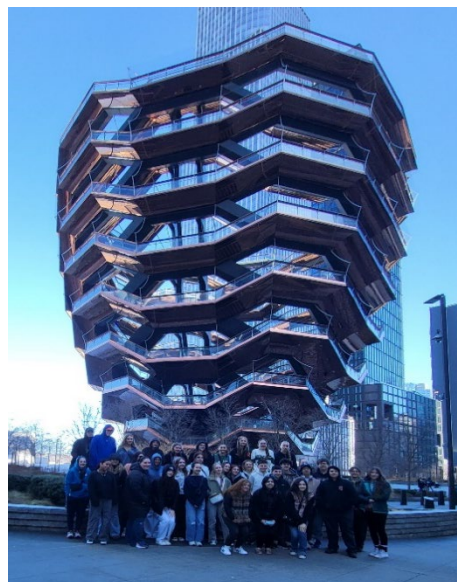
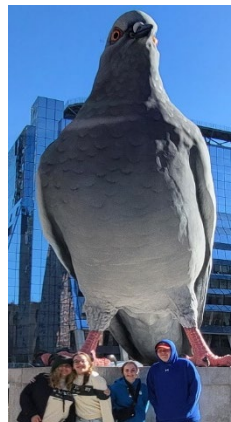
Names listed from Left to right of Artist:

Madi Halicki -	The Young Lion
Kiera Palizay -	Lacrosse in Motion
Ameilia Perry -	Grid
Eva Sage -	Playing with Horses
Kenan Hatswell -	The Mute
Emma Leonard -	The Weeping Rose
Nathaniel Gehl -	Painting of Bob Painting
Ben Gerstung -	The Little Soldiers
Kaleb Hucker; -	Face the Wave
WakinyamWin LaFromboise -	Gaze
Kayla Roberts -	Koala Cardboard Structure
Peter Sokolofsky -	Manufactured Meat





***New York City Spanish/Art Field Trip,  
March 20 – March 24***










Spring has sprung! (finally) With the nicer weather comes all those outdoor activities and chores. Take it easy and don't risk injuring yourself.

Spring sports season has started, and there will be a lot of other distractions to deal with.

Don't forget that June exams are only a few short weeks away.

Have your students take some time to study, so they will have more time to enjoy the summer. A balanced activity schedule is the best way to succeed.

GO TIGERS Stay safe and Go Tigers! 



### **Reporting Absences**

The District has a dedicated phone line and email address in each building for a parent or guardian to report a child's absence from school. Absences should be reported as early as possible to:

High School (716) 542-5009 OR  
[HSAttendance@akronk12.org](mailto:HSAttendance@akronk12.org)

If the absence is reported by phone, the parent or guardian will receive an automated call from the district alerting and/or confirming the student's absence. The student must present a note to the main office, signed by the parent or guardian indicating the date(s) and reason for the absence upon their return to school. If the absence is reported by email, the parent must indicate the child's name, grade level, and reason for the absence.

Attendance can be the single most important factor in a student's academic success. Akron Central School takes student attendance very seriously and works to assist students with poor attendance in both policy and practice.