

Don't forget to buy your Beary Grateful Grams for only \$1 during lunch. Send some to yourself or to your beary awesome friends. All orders will be delivered by Tuesday, November 25th and all proceeds benefit Advocate Children's Hospital.

FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVERS

Attention 5th-8th graders who love to write: Future Problem Solvers is looking for anyone interested in an Indiana short story writing competition that is taking place November through January. There are 4 topics to choose from, and all you need to do is submit a creative, futuristic short story for the competition. If your story is chosen, you will compete in the International Conference held later in the year. If you are interested, an informational meeting will be Thursday, November 13th, at 8:30 a.m. in room 702. If you cannot make the meeting, please see Ms. Gleason.

CHESS CLUB

Chess Club will be meeting this Friday, November 14th, before school in room 607 from 8:00 until 8:30 am.

PARENT INFORMATION

Scholastic Book Fair in the Clark Library Monday, December 1 through Friday, December 5

Mark your calendar—the **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming to our school! This is a great opportunity to connect with your child over the thrill of bringing home new books to dive into again and again. Studies show that kids read more when they choose books for themselves. And fostering a love of independent reading leads to a wide variety of benefits—including academic success!

Here's everything you need to know about the Book Fair:

Monday, December 1 through Friday, December 5 Your child will be scheduled to attend with their ELA Class

Shopping is safe and easy with the Scholastic eWallet. The eWallet is the easy way for students to shop the Fair cash-free, worry-free, and independently. It's also easy for families to set up from your school's Book Fair homepage, available right now. Cash and Apple Pay are also accepted at the Fair. Below is the link to create an eWallet for your child.

https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/clarkmiddleschool3

Family members can add funds with a credit card, use their Scholastic eGift balance, or simply invite others to contribute. Funds are available immediately and additional funds can be added at any time.

Beginning immediately through December 5, families can shop online at the Scholastic Store, using . Clark Library earns 25% of every online purchase in Scholastic Dollars to put new books on our shelves. If you child does not use the full amount of their eWallet at the Fair, you can use it to shop online.

If you have any questions, please contact Tina Genovese in the Clark Library at 365-9203 ext. 7200.

Food Drive - Give with Grace Because Clark Cares

Collection dates: November 10 thru November 19

Clark's Help Club, along with the Clark Library, is excited to announce our non-perishable Food Drive called **Give with Grace – Because Clark Cares**. In July of 2024, Lake Central graduate, Grace Bentkowski, was tragically killed by a commuter train. We would like to donate these food items to community food banks in Grace's name. Grace's family continually strives to keep Grace's name alive by helping in the community.

In these uncertain times, many families are struggling to meet their basic nutritional needs and rely on local food banks. Due to the increased need, food banks are having a hard time keeping up with the demand. Clark's giving initiative strives to support families in our community that may need some assistance, especially during this holiday season.

We are requesting that students bring non-perishable food items (canned goods, cereals, rice, noodles, etc) to school during the dates of November 10 through November 19. With the help of Grace's family, these items will be delivered to food banks in our community prior to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Donations will be collected at Door A and Door J upon students' arrival to school.

This Thanksgiving, Give with Grace – and let's show our community that Clark Cares!

TUTORING IS BEFORE SCHOOL-- TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, 8:00-8:30 AM. 2025-26 CLARK YEARBOOK SALE

The Clark Middle School Yearbook is on sale! The price is \$30, October 1st through November 15th. To purchase your HISTORIC 2026 Clark Middle School Yearbook please click here:

https://vearbookordercenter.com/job/12888



APPLES FOR THE STUDENTS

Educational technology and its funding change daily. To keep up with these changes and their accompanying expenses, our school is participating in our local Strack & Van Til's Apples for the Students Program. The program enables our school to earn computers and lpads, sporting goods, audio visual equipment, and science supplies, with choices from hundreds of other awards, too! And, they're all free!

To earn these FREE awards, we simply have to collect as many register receipts as possible from September 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026. Ask your friends and relatives to shop at Strack & Van Til Food Market and save every receipt. Send the receipts to school with your students as often as possible. The school will count the value of the register tapes collected and redeem them for great educational awards that benefit your child. Thank you in advance for your participation!

CLARK SPIRITWEAR

Clark Spiritwear is on sale YEAR ROUND at https://lstplace.sale/107077. You can also access the information through Clark's website From cozy sweatshirts to classic baseball caps, personalize gifts with Clark designs and make them smile. Save 20% on all brands—including Under Armour, Champion, and more. Plus receive FREE SHIPPING on orders over \$75 AND guaranteed delivery by Dec. 23rd! Shop Now!

STUDENT EARLY DISMISSAL

Please make sure to send your child in with a note if you need to take them out of school early. Have your child bring the note to the office first thing in the morning, and we will write a pass for them to leave class. Thank you for your continued support!