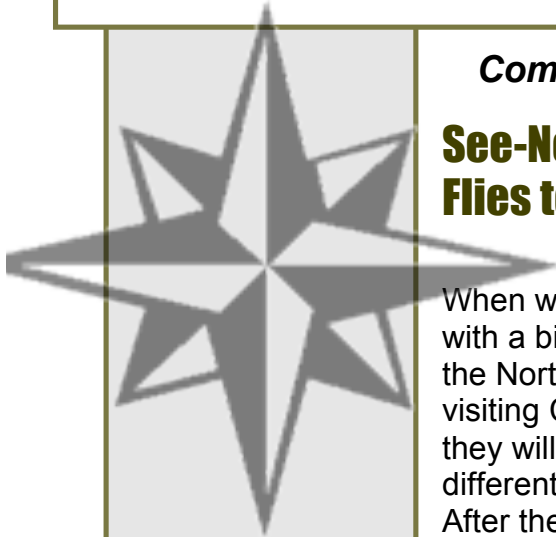


The Compass



Come Feel The Difference at Concord Academy Boyne!

See-North's Northwings Program Flies to CAB on November 21, 2008!

When was the last time you were face-to-face with a bird of prey? On Friday, November 21st, the Northwings Program of See-North will be visiting Concord Academy Boyne! With them they will be bringing raptors, most likely three different types of owls and a red-tailed hawk. After their live bird presentation, Alison Falldin and Sara Tisdell will also be leading a Rhythms Program which incorporates and connects art, writing, science and nature with the amazing birds of prey.



**Remember to
turn in \$2 with
your Compass
Card by Nov. 5
if not earlier!**

The cost to your child for this program is just \$2. PLEASE include your \$2 with the Compass Card and return to the school by November 5, 2008. THANKS!!

Parent-Teacher Partnership Meeting Recap

We held our first meeting of the Parent Teacher Partnership on October 13, 2008. This organization was formed to provide a vehicle through which the parents and the staff could work together to support each other and to improve the school. I believe that such a group needs to build relationships in order to be able to meet the needs and the challenges of operating a small independent school system.

Approximately a dozen parents and teachers gathered together for about an hour to establish a schedule for future meetings and to get the ball rolling for various activities and fundraisers that they wanted to see implemented this school year. The following decisions were reached after a period of open discussion, question and answers:

The meeting date and time for PTP meetings would be the second Monday of each month at 3:30 pm in the Art Room. The next meeting will be held on the tenth of November. **Please turn the page for a detailed explanation of proposals and plans!**

Staying on course...

OCTOBER

29—NO SCHOOL
for students

30—Voting Booth
Demonstration (1-
1:50 pm)

30—LSSU
Evening Field Trip

31—Student
Appreciation Day /
School Sharing

NOVEMBER

5—Parent
Conferences;
NO SCHOOL for
students

Guidance Corner

Mrs. Baughman (Gr. 9-12) and Mrs. Cleary-Matelski (Testing)

Grades 3-9: Did you miss the MEAP? Here's the Makeup!

- Oct. 27 - MAKE-UP - ELA
- Oct. 28 - MAKE-UP - Science and Social Studies
- Oct. 29/30 - GENERAL MAKE-UP

High School: College Update

- **Save the date:** College Goal Sunday, a nationwide event to educate students and parents about financial aid, comes to Harbor Springs on February 8, 2008. Don't miss this opportunity to win cool prizes while ensuring you get money for college! www.micollegegoal.org.

PTP Plans

The following fundraisers/ activities had volunteers come forward to begin the work on planning:

Lynette Priest - a **Family Fun Night/ Hockey Tournament Award Night** to be held in February similar to last years event. Lynette needs helpers.

Jo Morris - an **Auction** to be held in April or May. Helpers are needed here as well.

Denise Brown - a **Walk-A-Thon** to be held in May. Similar to last year but we may be adding walking events for high school students on a school day.

If you were unable to attend the last meeting, we still encourage you to plan on attending our November meeting. You can feel free to contact the aforementioned volunteers if you are curious or interested in being part of one or more of those events. We had a good beginning, but there is plenty of hard work before us. But what could be a better place to invest your time and talents than into the school that your child attends? The strongest schools are characterized as those in which staff and parents work together for the good of the children. That's what this PTP is all about.

Picture Retakes: November 6th!

If you would like to get retakes, please stop in the office and get an order form. The first picture package must be returned on retake day.

When school's out, try Kids' Club!

There is a private after-school program called "Kids' Club," which takes place at CAB for children in grades K-12.

Kids' Club is a private, non-school-affiliated after-school care program meeting at Concord Academy Boyne.

Students meet in the library; if it's nice outside, they'll be supervised on the playground.

The cost is \$5 per student per day. Please be prepared to pay every Friday. **NOTE: Any student left unattended at CAB after 3:30 pm MUST report to Kids' Club!

MOBILE DENTIST COMES TO CAB!

Remember to turn in your permission slip for FREE DENTAL CARE for you child! The mobile dentist provides an amazing opportunity for our students to receive top-quality care at no cost.



Michigan Apple Fundraiser: win prizes for CAB while you munch!

The Michigan Apple Committee is giving schools the chance to win up to \$5,000 and a new computer! Our school will receive one entry into the sweepstakes for every Michigan Apple logo we collect. Buy some Michigan Apples (find them at any grocery store) and clip your Proof of Purchase to turn in to the Main Office! We'll collect logos until April 1, 2009.

BOYNE Student Freeride Passes available starting at \$30!

In the fall of 2005, BOYNE unveiled the Student Freeride Program, which offered local students season passes in exchange for feedback and suggestions on how our resorts could continue to reflect and incorporate the interests of younger skiers and riders. With over 700 students providing their unique perspectives, the program was an overwhelming success.

For the 2006/2007 ski season, BOYNE updated the program to act as an incentive for students to advance themselves in the classroom as well as on the slopes by offering discounted passes based on how those students performed in the classroom. The program returned in this fashion for the 2007/2008 season with over 1,200 local students taking advantage of the opportunity!

With all of the positive feedback we continue to receive from parents, teachers, principals, and students (at least those who do well enough to qualify), BOYNE will continue to push the Student Freeride Program as an academic incentive program for 2008/2009!

A student's Grade Point Average (GPA) will determine the price of their season pass. Pass prices are unchanged from last season. The following is a breakdown of SFP pass prices given the student's GPA:

Your BOYNE Student Freeride Pass:

- Is good at both Boyne Mountain and Boyne Highlands with no blackout dates
- Gets you a 10% discount on protective gear at Boyne Country Sports
- May be terminated at any time by BOYNE

GPA	Pass Price
3.5-4.0	\$30
3.0-3.49	\$99
2.5-2.99	\$199
Below 2.5	You're on your own

Any one interested in this can go to Boyne's website - www.boyne.com/freeride. The 2008/09 Registration Packet is available there, but the dates of the mandatory safety meetings have not yet been posted.

CAB is not actually coordinating this program for students, but we wanted to make you aware of it; it's a great way for our high-performing students to be rewarded when the snow flies! Contact Boyne separately if you are interested.

Student Appreciation Day: October 31st

Friday, Oct, 31 is a day to show our appreciation for our great students! The elementary students will begin their day with Character Dress Up Day, prizes, and entertainment. Tommy Tropic, one of our own parents, will be performing his juggling and just plain fun routine. We will have hay rides, and all students will be treated to a FREE LUNCH. In the afternoon we will hold our first school sharing of the year. If parents could send in some cookies for dessert on this Friday it would be very much appreciated. We hope to see many of you on this day!

Congratulations to our Yearbook Scholarship Winners!

The following students will receive a free 2009 yearbook, thanks to sponsorship from local businesses. Students were chosen based on an essay they wrote about why they enjoy CAB. Great job, students!!

- Emily Binienda, Grade 11
- Hannah Chapel, Grade 4
- Michael Greenwald, Grade 9
- Alli Grimes, Grade 11
- Scott Grimes, Grade 5
- Jeffrey Kelley, Grade 11
- Kathleen Miller, Grade 5
- Zack Miller, Grade 1
- Caitlin Nicholson, Grade 6
- Jessica Schmidt, Grade 5
- Nathan Schmidt, Grade 1
- Jason Sherman-Brown, Grade 5
- McKenzie Sulak, Grade 11
- Ellis Van Hoesen, Grade 11
- Josh Wagner, Grade 9
- Steven Walden, Grade 10

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“Concord means peace, harmony. Peace in the world begins with concord in my world, and that can only happen as I am honest, unselfish, generous, kind, forgiving, considerate, and

Special thanks to our generous Yearbook Scholarship sponsors!

- Bob Mathers Ford
- Boyne Valley Printing
- Main Street Hair Cottage
- Petoskey News-Review
- Robert A. Banner



Compass Card: 10/24/08

STUDENT NAME: _____ GRADE: _____

PARENT NAME (PRINTED): _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

- YES! I have read this week’s Compass.
- YES! I have enclosed \$2 for the Raptor Program.
- YES! I would be interested in hearing a presentation on how to choose and finance college. The following times generally work best for me: ___ During the school day ___ In the evening ___ Monday ___ Tuesday ___ Wednesday ___ Thursday ___ Friday