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THE ARROW

School information Community Connection Knowledge Is Power

Staff Spotlight

By Levi Clark and Gabe Thomas

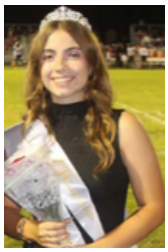
Tiana Cantu, a former student at Randolph Eastern School Corporation, returned home to teach. This is her first year teaching at Union City Junior Senior High School. The high school has been a fun adjustment for Mrs. Cantu, and being able to build new relationships with her students has been a favorite.
Mrs. Cantu enjoys spending time with her students and building newer and deeper bonds with them. Some of her hobbies are cooking and baking.



Student Spotlight

By Zorianna DeHart and Mayddix Mangen

Novah Mote has been playing basketball for about seven years. In addition to basketball, Novah has participated in Tennis, Track, and Golf. Her initial interest in sports was sparked by her older brother. This motivated her to try them out for herself. When facing challenges like a tough loss in performance, Novah maintains a positive team environment by choosing not to take the setbacks to heart. Looking toward the future, she believes that her involvement in sports will be beneficial by helping her develop essential life skills such as leadership and determination.



Workforce Wednesday Spotlights

Wearable Art

by Sandi Aguilar & Sarah Haury

Rock collector from around the world is her passion. Mrs. Mote has earned a Bachelor of Arts Education and a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Printmaking. Her Wearable Art group focuses on personal expression through clothing and accessories, with projects including painting T-shirts, redesigning jackets, making jewelry, and making purses and bags out of duct tape. Mrs.Mote started the group to share the love of creating with students and to teach them how to express themselves through fashion. She stated, "I want to share the experience with my students." Her favorite project has been decorating and redesigning used jackets. She thinks making cardboard hats is a fun project that will also be a challenge for them to overcome.

The Bridge

By Kyra Swiger & Maddalyn Bright

Jesus Jimenez, is not only a teacher at Union City Jr/Sr High School, but he is also using his passion to bring together our community. Jimenez had been dreaming about creating a project to bring our community together, and he is doing that with The Bridge.

The Bridge helps connect the community. Instead of waiting for the family to come to him, he thought of a way to get those families the information they need. Now they can know what's going on, when it's happening, and why.

In the interview, Mr. Jimenez gave the following statement, "The Bridge is a project that I've been dreaming about for years, even before I was with K.I.S.S. I had a lot of hispanic students and families coming to me with questions that to me were simple, then I realized I could help even the playing field in so many ways."

Their hope for The Bridge is to make a bilingual news station at Vision Corner, and they can be supported on Facebook or YouTube.



Weekly Lunch

by Carter Buckingham

Nov 9th
Buffalo Wings
Breadstick
Macaroni and Cheese



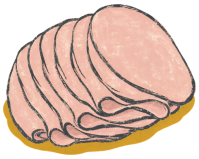
Nov 10th
Nachos



Nov 11th
Chicken Tenders
Syrup
Whole Grain Waffles



Nov 12th
Sliced Deli Ham,
Deli Turkey



Nov 13th
Chicken & Noodles
Dinner Roll
Mashed Potatoes
Corn



Weather

by Carter Buckingham

	High	Low
Monday Nov 9th	63° F	38° F
Tuesday Nov 10th	64° F	38° F
Wednesday Nov 11th	54° F	38° F
Thursday Nov 12th	45° F	34° F
Friday Nov 13th	42° F	32° F

Community Events

Blood Pressure Clinic

by Leanne Taulbee & Karson Hall

The students have worked hard to develop their skills in taking vital signs. This is an opportunity to showcase what they've learned, while gaining experience communicating with community members. This is the third annual community blood pressure clinic. Students can also show others what the medical pathway has to offer. We would love to be able to go out into the community and help our local extended care and assisted living facilities. All ages are welcome to join, as well.

Mrs. Barbour stated, "Our students look forward to showcasing the skills they've worked hard to learn. There's always a mix of excitement and nerves."

Community Christmas

by Riley Carico & Karson Hall

Christmas Spirit Comes to Union City

The Community Christmas is bringing holiday fun back to Union City. Mayor Spence hopes to bring back the joy of Christmas and attract visitors from other towns. Families can look forward to decking the halls, seeing Santa, and petting animals. Spence also wants to support small businesses and make the event fun for everyone. His biggest goal is to bring the community together and spread the Christmas spirit.



Sports News

Girls' Basketball - Scrimmage and Beyond

by Colton Elmore and Luis Nieto

When asked about being prepared for a big opponent like Yorktown, Coach Cantu answered by saying. "We want to use the game to see things we need to work on without caring about a win or loss." When the Lady Indians ran their half court offense and were more independent with the ball that helped spark some offensive movement. They also need to work on limiting their turnovers and rebounding. A couple games to look forward to are Winchester, Monroe Central, and Mississinawa Valley.



School Events

Veterans Day Program

by Koltan Shelby & Diego White

Union City Jr./Sr High School will be hosting a Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11th at 8:30 a.m. The event will be held to honor and recognize the brave men and women who have served in the United States Military. During our interview, Mr. Maloy shared that his favorite part of the Veterans Day Ceremony is the band, which will help make the event special. There will also be a special guest, Mr. Loomis, who will share a message with those attending. The ceremony is a great opportunity for students, staff, and the community to come together, show appreciation, and thank our Veterans for their service and sacrifices.

- 11-9-26 - HS Boys Basketball first offical practice - 3:30-6 p.m.
- 11-11-26 - Girls' Basketball - JV @ home @ 6:00 p.m.; Varsity - 7:00 p.m vs. Randolph Southern
- 11-12-26 - HS Winter sports pictures/banners - 3:30-5 p.m.
- 11-13-26 - Senior Class Play - 7:00-9:00 p.m
- 11-14-26 - Girls' Basketball - JV 6:00 p.m.; Varsity - 7:30 p.m @ Wapahani

https://www.resc.k12.in.us/o/ucjshs/events?start_date=2026-09-01&end_date=2026-09-30&view=cal-month

Student Run Enterprise Spotlight

The TeePee

by Carter Buckingham and Scott Taulbee

Kierra Thacker says the best part of the TeePee is being able to take a bigger role in school. She enjoys having the trust and responsibility of her peers. She has been managing the TeePee since the start of this year. This is also the first year she's been in the TeePee class. The way the TeePee has been organized has been shuffled around - fridges, snacks, and storage all have a new location within the space.

