

## BUILDING WORLD CLASS THINKERS

### PIONEER PATH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL, *Mr. Dan Nyalka*

*March 6, 2025*

SCHOOL WEBSITE ADDRESS: [www.csd17.org](http://www.csd17.org)  
ABSENCE HOTLINE NUMBER: 815-521-2191

- Mar. 6 - EARLY DISMISSAL @ 11:30AM PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES 12:30 - 6:30PM
- Mar. 7 - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS ~ PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES 8:00 - 11:00AM
- Mar. 17 - SCHOOL BOARD MEETING @ 7:00PM at PIONEER PATH SCHOOL
- Mar. 19 - SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DAY 11:30 DISMISSAL @ PP & NBG
- Mar. 21 - ONE HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL DAY PP & NBG DISMISS AT 2:10
- Mar. 24-28 - SPRING BREAK ~ NO SCHOOL

CLICK ON THE LINK TO SEE COMMUNITY EVENTS THROUGH OUR [\(VIRTUAL BACKPACK\)](#).

**FRIDAYS ARE SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY! WEAR YOUR FAVORITE RED & WHITE.**



Dear Parents,

The process of making class lists has begun! We understand that every child has unique learning needs, and we work hard to place each student in an environment where they will thrive. While we do our best to accommodate individual needs, we are unable to guarantee specific teacher placements. Our team carefully considers multiple factors when forming class rosters, including academic balance, student relationships, and overall classroom dynamics. If you have specific concerns regarding your child's learning style or needs, we encourage you to share them with us in writing by **May 1, 2025**. Creating class lists is a process that takes time, due to this, any request made after May 1st will not be considered. Thank you for your understanding and support as we work together to create the best possible learning experience for all students.

Thank you,  
*Dan Nyalka*  
[dnyalka@csd17.org](mailto:dnyalka@csd17.org)

## ***Message from the Principal...***

Dear Pioneer Path Families,

It is that time of year again when we ask for your feedback on our 5 Essentials survey. You are a crucial stakeholder in the education/development of your child and for that reason it is important for us to hear your opinion on Pioneer Path School.

This survey gathers data related to five indicators that can predict important student outcomes, including improved attendance and larger test score gains. These five indicators that affect and predict school success are:

- Effective Leaders
- Collaborative Teachers
- Involved Families
- Supportive Environments
- Ambitious Instruction

**If at least 20 percent of parents complete this survey, a parent supplement report will be generated.** The parent data will not be reported on the State Report Card. As a parent, this opportunity will allow you to share your thoughts on the important elements of school effectiveness in a survey about your child's school. You can access this survey by clicking the following link:

<http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/>.

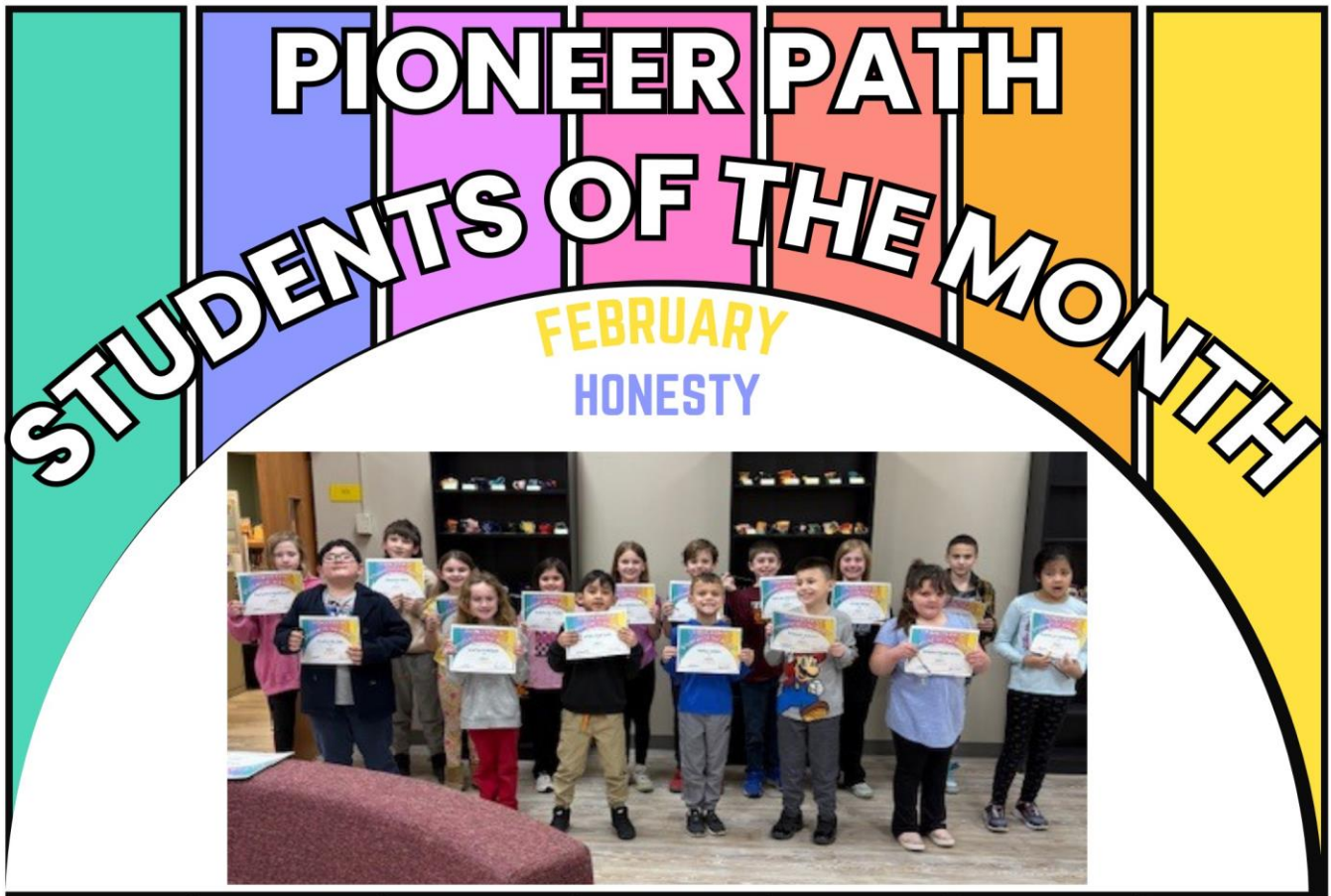
For more information about the Illinois 5Essentials Survey, or to view previous years' Reports, please visit <https://www.5-essentials.org/illinois>. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact 5Essentials Client Services at 1-866-440-1874 or [impact-surveys@uchicago.edu](mailto:impact-surveys@uchicago.edu).

Thank you for your assistance in helping us to continually improve at Pioneer Path!

Your Partner in Education,

*Dan Nyalka*

Dan Nyalka



**Congratulations to our February  
Students of the Month!  
Keep up the Good Work!!!**



## **DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR!**

Please see the attached flyer with directions on how to order the 2024-2025 yearbook for NB Galloway and Pioneer Path. The standard book comes with a soft cover. You can upgrade to a hardcover book for an additional charge. All books come with two free pages that you can customize specifically for your student and will be printed **ONLY** in your book.

### **PLEASE NOTE,**

Channahon Schools will have two different yearbooks again this year. Galloway and Pioneer Path share a yearbook and Three Rivers and Channahon Junior High School share a yearbook. Therefore, there are two separate school passcodes. **IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT YOU USE THE CORRECT SCHOOL PASSCODE WHEN ORDERING.**

# Create your 2 free custom yearbook pages for N. B. GALLOWAY & PIONEER PATH

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## Add Photos

Add your favorite photos from your phone, computer, Instagram, Facebook, Google or Dropbox account, and have them printed in your copy of the yearbook.



## Sign Books

Make your friends smile by sending them a message (can include a photo or sticker) that they can add to their custom pages or ask them to send you one!



## Add Memories

Answer questions about your year and capture your very best moments. You can even include a photo to go along with them.



## Design Your Page

Add all of your memories to your two free personal pages that will be printed in your unique copy of the yearbook. Need more room? You can add more pages!

## To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

1 Go to: [www.treering.com/validate](http://www.treering.com/validate)

2 Enter your school's passcode:  
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Regular price: **\$15.44**

Create Custom Pages by: **Mar 19**

Need help? Contact

[www.treering.com/help](http://www.treering.com/help)





**Pioneer Path  
3rd & 4th Grade**

# **ART SHOW**

**Thursday, April 24, 2025**

**5:00pm-7:00pm**

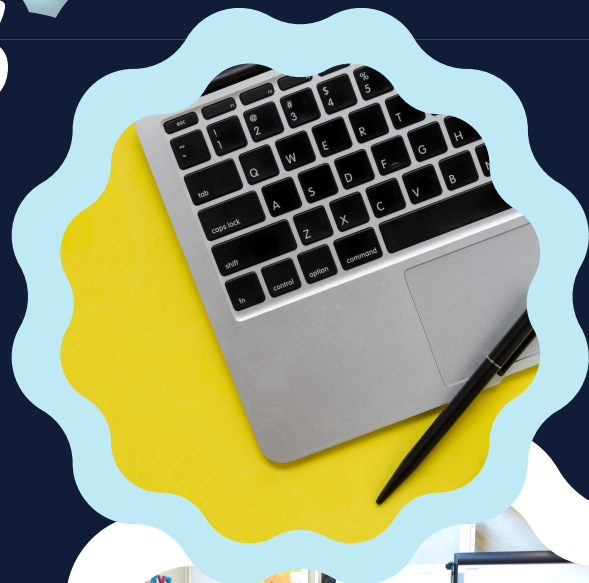




# 5 ESSENTIALS SURVEY

You will have the opportunity to complete the survey during Parent Teacher Conferences on March 6th and 7th. Devices will be set up in a designated area for parents to use before or after their conference time slot.

As a parent, this opportunity will allow you to share your thoughts on the important elements of school effectiveness in a survey about your child's school.



[2025 Illinois Supplemental Parent Survey](#)

Contact 5 Essentials Client Services  
1-866-440-1874 or  
[impact-surveys@uchicago.edu](mailto:impact-surveys@uchicago.edu).

[Information and Previous Year's Reports](#)



# JOIN US FOR THE CHANNAHON PTO'S MARCH MEETING



**Come and meet some of the candidates  
from the Channahon School District 17  
School Board election**

**DEREK BREEN**

**NICK KRAKOWSKI**

**PAT CLOWER**

**CHRISTINE KUMP**

**EDDIE CROMBIE**

**JOE POPE**

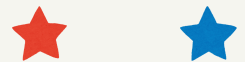
**RYAN DOERRER**

**MOLLY SCHULTE**

**UPDATED  
LOCATION**

**MARCH 10, 2025**

**6:30PM**



**CJHS MULTIPURPOSE ROOM**

**Each candidate attending will give a short  
introduction and be answering questions  
through a lottery system**

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE WELCOME AND  
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND**

**★ WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE! ★**

Join us for the Channahon PTO's  
first ever

# STEM CARNIVAL!

March 13, 2025 5pm -7pm  
Three Rivers School  
For all students and families  
K-8

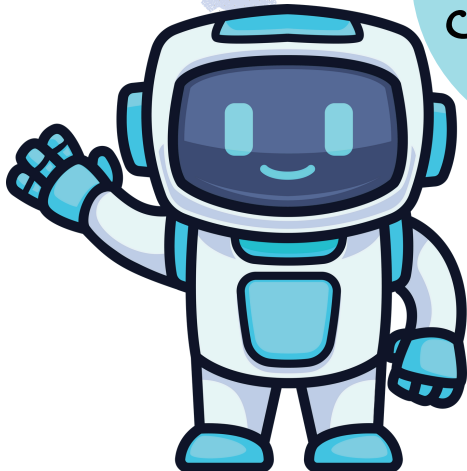
Meet with local business  
leaders and learn how  
STEM is used in our  
community.

Check out  
our interactive  
STEM stations  
for all ages!

Come see the amazing  
robots made by  
Channahon schools'  
new robotics club!

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

- GHS and TRS students
- Take on the
- Pi Day Challenge
- and win a chance
- to  $\pi$  PIE  $\pi$
- a special guest!







# STEM CARNIVAL!

## Donations Needed

WE ARE IN NEED


OF:

PAPER TOWEL ROLLS


TOILET PAPER ROLLS

EGG CARTONS

SHOE BOXES



PLEASE BRING  
DONATIONS TO THE  
DROP BOXES AT ANY  
OF THE FOUR  
SCHOOLS BY MARCH  
12TH



REMAINING SUPPLIES  
WILL BE GIVEN TO  
CSD'S AMAZING STEM  
TEACHERS



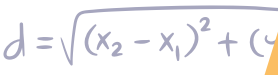
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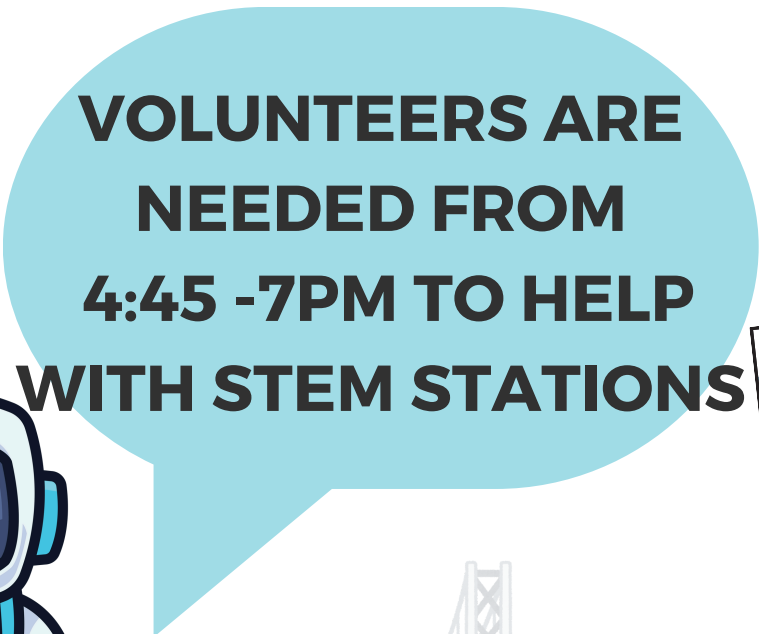
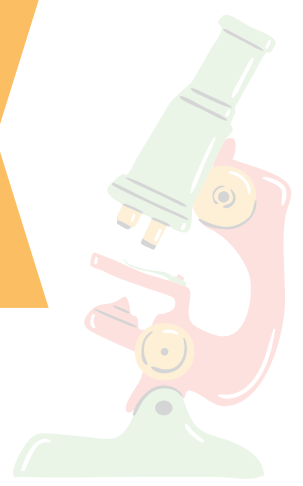


## Volunteers Needed



March 13, 2025  
Three Rivers School

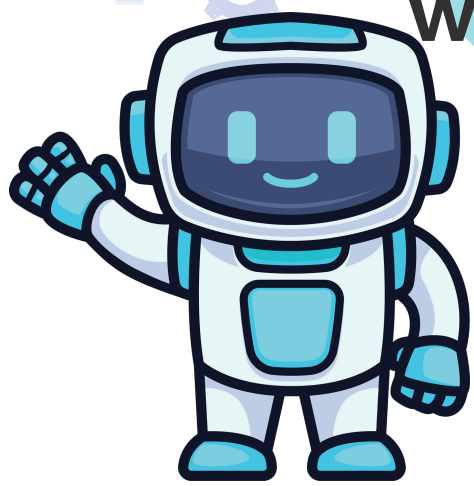

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**VOLUNTEERS ARE  
NEEDED FROM  
4:45 -7PM TO HELP  
WITH STEM STATIONS**



**SIGN UP TO BE  
A PART OF  
OUR  
EXCITING,  
NEW EVENT!**



**LIGHTS,**

**CAMERA,**

**ACTION!**

**APRIL 5  
7 PM**

**CHANNAHON PTO'S 3RD ANNUAL**

# **SCAVENGER HUNT**

**Adults only, Public Event!**

## **HOW IT WORKS:**

- Meet at Minooka Sports Bar & Grill by 6:30pm
- Receive instructions for hunt
- Gather your group in one car
- You will have 90 minutes to complete
- Meet back at Minooka Sports Bar by 9pm for 50/50 , drinks & prizes!
- Have fun, be silly & support our school!

**BONUS POINTS FOR DRESSING UP DRESS AS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE OR TV SHOW CHARACTERS & PRIZE TO BEST GROUP THEME !**

**Gather the Crew!**

team of 4- \$160

team of 6- \$240

Sign up by April 1st



**Gather your group and dress as your favorite movie or TV show characters for a night of unforgettable fun!**

price includes: Scavenger hunt around Channahon & Minooka  
One drink ticket per person after hunt

ABC

ONE

AWESOME

VOLUNTEER

NEEDED

THE TEACHER AND STAFF  
APPRECIATION WEEK COMMITTEE  
IS LOOKING FOR A POINT PERSON  
FOR THE JUNIOR HIGH

APPRECIATION WEEK IS  
MAY 5TH - 9TH

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Please contact

Anna Fisher - 815-690-9684 or  
Sarah O'Connor-Buffey - 815-630-9557  
with questions or to volunteer

# CAMP INVENTION- DISCOVER

For Next Year Grades **1-6**

Leaders in Training Next Year Grades **7-8**

Leaders High School Aged Students



@ Channahon Junior High

June 2 - June 6, 2025

**Mark your calendar!**

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

**\$75 for Channahon Residents.**

Spaces are limited and fill up quickly!

Register at

Camp Invention 2025

<https://www.invent.org/program-search/camp-invention/il08/10708>



# Pasta Night

Presented by the

## Channahon Music Boosters

*Supporting Channahon School District 17 Music*

### Wednesday, March 12th, 2025

4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Channahon Jr. High School

24917 W Sioux Dr. Channahon, IL 60410

### Meal Tickets (Dine-in or To-go):

\$9 - Adult

\$7 - Child (4 to 12) & Senior (55+)

Children 3 and under free

Pre-purchase tickets online!

Cash accepted at the door.

Tickets for raffles can be purchased at the event.

Cash only. Meal tickets not required to enter.

Live performances by  
band and choir  
students!

Browse our basket  
raffles!

50/50 Split-the-pot!



Scan here to purchase meal  
tickets or donate!



# CHANNAHON MUSIC BOOSTERS

SUPPORTING CHANNAHON SCHOOL DISTRICT 17 MUSIC

## March 2025

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Pasta Night, our spring fundraiser,  
is fast approaching!

Sign up to volunteer [here](#).

Interested in being an event chair?  
Email us!

Pasta Night sponsors needed!  
Check our our sponsor letter [here](#).

### 2024-2025 MEETINGS

March 6th, 2025

April 3rd, 2025

May 1st, 2025

Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. in the  
CJHS Idea Lab

### Upcoming Events!

- Saturday, 3/1 - Band IGSMO Organizational Contest
- Tuesday, 3/4 - 5th Grade Beginning Band Concert
- Thursday, 3/6 - Channahon Music Boosters Meeting
- Saturday, 3/8 - Choir IGSMO Organizational Contest
- Sunday, 3/9 - Pasta Night Raffle Basket Assembly ([Volunteers Needed!](#))
- Wednesday, 3/12 - MCHS Matinee Choir Field Trip
- Wednesday 3/12 - Pasta Night Fundraiser ([Volunteers Needed!](#))
- Thursday 4/3 - Channahon Music Boosters Meeting