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Superintendent Joe Haynes  
 & Mayor Bob Binson



*IN* is a joint publication between Center Line Public Schools (*The Innovator*) and the City of Center Line (*The Insider*), first established in 2016. We hope you find it informative and enjoyable!

## Superintendent's Message

Several years ago, Center Line Public Schools (CLPS) embarked on a journey that transformed our traditional educational structure into one that is significantly different. Our "academies" approach is so unique that Ford Next Generation Learning (Ford NGL) has recognized only 3 districts in the state of Michigan and 60 districts across the country. CLPS, through its "Academies of Center Line" education, emphasizes academics, real-world career experiences, and foundational life skills.



# CENTER LINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## ACADEMIES OF CENTER LINE

This year, CLPS was recognized as a **Phase 5 Ford NGL Community**, the highest phase in Ford NGL's developmental roadmap. Districts achieving this phase have demonstrated that they have the educational structures in place for a high-quality academy program, focusing on the connections between academics in the classrooms and experiences with experts in the workplace and the community. Our partnerships with Ford NGL and the Macomb County Department of Planning & Economic Development, as well as several local businesses and professionals, have changed how we educate our students.



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We use the words **Discover**, **Explore**, and **Experience** to explain our educational approach. Elementary learning opportunities are designed so that our youngest learners can **discover** the world around them and learn from experts in their fields. For example, while studying engineering technologies and the effects of balanced and unbalanced forces on the motion of an object, every third-grade student spent a week with a professional in their classroom discussing engineering and robotics. Those students then designed and built experiments and tested their hypotheses using foundation engineering strategies and basic robotic coding.

Our middle school educational foundation is designed around a student's natural desire to **explore**. Exposing students to a wide range of opportunities and experiences allows them to identify their likes and dislikes while learning about their personal skill sets, balancing difficulty levels while providing exhilarating and fulfilling learning experiences. This spring, high school teachers hosted three Career Expo sessions for Wolfe 8th graders to explore different pathways. Topics included Firefighting & EMS, Digital Art & Design, and Leadership/JROTC.

## Discover Explore Experience

The high school journey includes guaranteed **experiences** designed to better prepare our students for life after graduation. All freshmen participate in a college visit and a career fair. Sophomores participate in at least one industry tour to learn how businesses function and what skills are necessary to succeed in that profession. Juniors participate in at least one job shadow experience in a profession of high interest. Lastly, our seniors participate in an internship or complete a capstone project in a profession of their choosing.

Another foundational complement to our academies approach to educating students is the emphasis of our **Graduate Profile** skills of **collaboration**, **communication**, **critical thinking**, and **leadership**. These competencies are the building blocks of learning as well as essential life skills; they are introduced in early learning in kindergarten, developed through all grade levels, and culminate in experiences designed specifically for our high school students. The articles in this issue highlight our education model **Discover – Explore – Experience** and the four Graduate Profile skills, providing a glimpse of these concepts in action in our schools. Please take a few minutes to review the articles, enjoy the photos, and learn more about Center Line Public Schools!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joseph L. Haynes".

Joseph L. Haynes  
Superintendent



# Bond Update

## Thank You, CLPS Community!

We are continually grateful for the community's support of Center Line Public Schools. The passage of the bond in November 2017 has allowed us to address the most crucial needs of our buildings. **Series #3** projects are underway including updates at Wolfe Middle School, Center Line High School, and the administration building. Starting this summer, there will be extensive renovations to Crothers Elementary. The students of Crothers will be housed in the old Roose building located at 25310 Masch for the 2023-24 school year. You can find project-specific information and timelines at [www.clps.org](http://www.clps.org) under BOND.



New flooring at Center Line High School and Wolfe Middle School



Additional welding stations

Bay door for Heavy Equipment class

Window restoration in historical Ellis building



Crothers Elementary renovation (starts summer 2023)



# Class of 2023



Center Line Public Schools is proud to recognize the Top Ten graduates from the Center Line High School Class of 2023. These excellent scholars were all highly involved in extracurricular activities and fine arts during their tenure. We wish them well as they continue their paths to be leaders in their chosen fields. Congratulations!



**Jasmin Parvin**

*Valedictorian*

Information System Mgmt.  
Wayne State University



**Ella Lautenbach**

*Salutatorian*

Business  
University of Michigan



**Jessica Woolsey**

Environmental Engineering  
University of Michigan



**Shamsi Ahmed**

Biochemistry Pharmacology  
Detroit Mercy



**Bethany Vang**

Medical Career  
Macomb Community College



**Makail Nicholas**

Graphic Design  
Oakland University



**Abby Bone**

Graphic Design  
Eastern Michigan University



**Richard Kauffman**

Environmental Engineering  
Michigan State University



**Breanna Blair**

Pre-Med  
Michigan State University



**Rahath Uzzaman**

Engineering  
Michigan State University



# Center Line High School



**C**enter Line High School has revolutionized its approach to education. We have created experience-based learning environments that feature wall-to-wall career academies, also known as the Academies of Center Line. Our academy model provides personalized, engaging, and community-centered learning *experiences* for all students. Our two main Academies--**Industry, Technology & Innovation (ITI)** and **Health & Human Services (HHS)**--each features four unique pathways for students to pursue. Students are also able to earn college credit and pursue pathway-related professional certifications.

Ninth grade students enter our Freshman Academy that is designed to support students as they transition from middle school to high school. Staff focuses on creating an emotionally-safe and academically-challenging environment. During Freshman Seminar, 9th graders examine their personal strengths and interests while exploring our ITI and HHS academy pathways to help them make informed decisions regarding which pathway and academy to choose at the end of the year.

ITI Academy students can pick pathways in Engineering Technology, Innovative Art & Design, Business, Commerce & Entrepreneurship, and Digital Design & Communication. Students in the HHS Academy can pick pathways in Health & Wellness, First Responders, Law & Justice, and Public Service. Through the development of small learning communities centered around these two academies, our students are exposed to a multitude of careers, industry skills, and potential employers through classroom speakers, site visits, job shadowing, and internships. We have been recognized by Ford Next Generation Learning (Ford NGL) as a Phase 5 Learning Community. We welcome Ford NGL's support as we connect educators, businesses, and community leaders to provide our students with the skills necessary to succeed in the workforce.

**ex·pe·ri·ence**

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*verb*

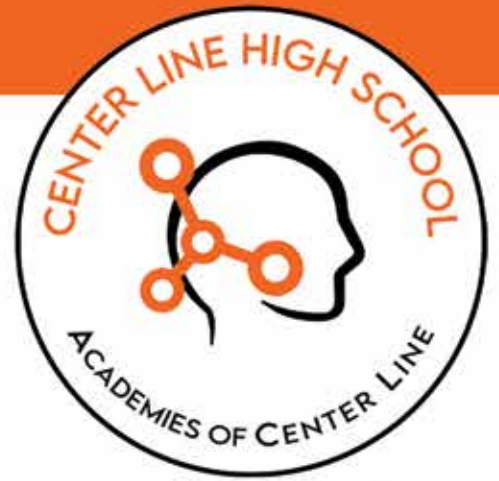
**To encounter or undergo  
(an event or occurrence).**

## EMT/EMR Training

Students in the First Responders pathway can take Career Technical Education (CTE) courses and earn National Registry certification in Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)/Emergency Medical Responder (EMR). Students work on skills such as scene safety, patient assessment, ambulance transfer, CPR, and trauma; they also competed in the Health Occupations Student Association (HOSA) competition, and three qualified for state-level competition!







## Future Teachers

Educational Careers is a CTE class in the HHS Academy, Health & Wellness pathway. Students are placed in classrooms three times a week. Like student teaching, this hands-on opportunity lets students put all they have learned into action. Here Teacher Cadet Jacob Roosa leads a lesson at Wolfe Middle School.



## Welding

Our welding program (ITI Academy, Engineering pathway) continues to grow. Students have entered various competitions, and one qualified for state competition this spring.



## The Path to Becoming a Certified Firefighter

Upon successful completion of the two-credit Firefighting course, students are eligible to take the Firefighter I and Firefighter II certification exams. Instructors from local fire departments assisted with training the students in the required certification skills over the course of eight Saturdays. Topics included fire pump and hose operation, building search and rescue training, ladder rescue, forcible entry, and using extrication tools to cut victims out of vehicles. Special thanks to our friends at the Warren and Center Line Fire Departments for helping train and mentor CLHS's future firefighters!



## JROTC Program

The mission of our JROTC is to encourage, prepare, and motivate the young men and women of Center Line to become better citizens and leaders as they take on roles of increased responsibility and accountability. Cadets participate in parades, formal and informal social events, and community service projects. Additionally, they gain an understanding of how to function effectively as a member of a team and embody the mantra of "service to others."





# Wolfe Middle School



**W**olfe Middle School is home to over 500 junior high students. Our mission is to create an environment that supports our students in their personal and academic lives. While academic success is a priority in Center Line Public Schools, we work tirelessly to develop the entire child. Implementing the graduate profile skills of communication, collaboration, and critical thinking is essential to who we are; however, it is the Graduate Profile skill of **leadership** that is the driving force behind everything that we do.

At Wolfe, we develop a school-wide leadership mindset in a variety of ways. First, we teach students *how* to think, not *what* to think, with a focus

on inquiry-based learning. We build student leadership by having students take active roles in their education. In the classroom, students are given the opportunity to influence everything from daily routines to how they demonstrate their learning. Students work to solve real world problems through project-based learning activities, developing rubrics with teachers, and collaborating with peers.

Creating a culturally-responsive environment is another strategy we use to develop leadership. Staff and students take ownership and accountability for the climate and culture of not only their classrooms, but the entire school community. During grade-level family meetings, teachers and student leaders are celebrated for their outstanding leadership in one of the four Graduate Profile domains. There are several student-led groups and extracurricular activities where students demonstrate leadership skills and use their voices to advocate for all.

## lead·er·ship

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*noun*

The action of leading a group of people or an organization; the state or position of being a leader.

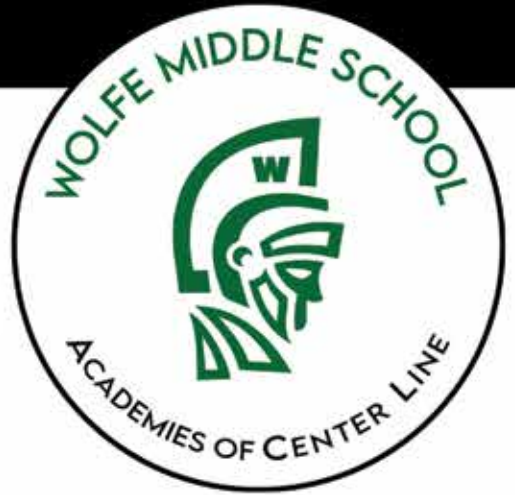


Additionally, students advance their leadership skills through conflict resolution. Students develop leadership skills while taking ownership for their choices during student-initiated restorative meetings. We are grateful for the opportunity to develop the leadership capacity of our students as we create an environment that fosters learning and considers the social and emotional needs of all students and families.

## What does leadership mean to you?

- "When you see something wrong and fix it. It is when you are in charge of a group and you keep them focused. Leadership is a big responsibility, you have to be honest, responsible, focused and many more things." - Gary Teal (6th grade)
- "Being able to lead in a group, stay focused on the topic at hand, etc. You need to be able to express your ideas and be open to others'. You need to be able to communicate directly with your peers. Ask questions whenever needed, and be able to help others when they need it. This is what leadership means to me." -Antionna Grant (7th grade)
- "To me, leadership means more than just bossing someone around. To me, leadership is helping your group. It is to make sure each member is protected, safe, and thriving. Like a pack. Leadership...also means that you need to know when you're wrong or unjust to your pack, and knowing when to back off or push a member out of their comfort zone." -Ace Credit (8th grade)





## WEB: Where Everyone Belongs

WEB, which stands for “Where Everybody Belongs,” is a middle school orientation and transition program that welcomes 6th graders and makes them feel comfortable throughout the first year of their middle school experience. At Wolfe, 8th grade students undergo summer training to help them connect to their 6th grade students. They run team building activities and give them insight into middle school life during 6th Grade Orientation held in August. Then, on the first day of school, WEB leaders help 6th graders find their way around the school, unlock lockers, and make them feel comfortable in their new school. They also connect with them throughout the year to make sure things are going well and provide help where needed.





# Crothers Elementary



Crothers Elementary is located in Warren across from Veterans' Memorial Park. At Crothers, growing students academically and socially is at the cornerstone of all decisions we make. Our staff strives to build the skills today that will meet the challenges of tomorrow through culturally-relevant instruction, a balanced literacy approach to language arts, and needs-based learning opportunities.

We believe that all students can be **critical thinkers**. Throughout the school year, students learn to develop skills to solve problems choose appropriate resources, consider possible solutions and think logically, receive feedback from peers and teachers.

## Learning about Public Service

Crothers' 4th and 5th graders learn about the roles and responsibilities of government. This process starts with learning centered around learning about the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and core democratic values. By the end of the unit, 4th graders understand and can describe the rights and responsibilities of being a citizen and how people can serve and participate in government. Students practice these concepts by thinking critically about an issue, how it impacts their lives and community, and how citizens can drive change.

## crit·i·cal think·ing

/kɹɪdək(ə)l THɪŋkɪŋ/

*noun*

The objective analysis and evaluation of an issue in order to form a judgment.

Our 5th grade students extend their learning and understanding of government as they study the structures of state governments compared to the federal government, and the system of checks and balances. Students learn how bills are written and become laws. In addition, they learn about the branches of government and their roles and responsibilities. This culminates with an experience to see government and careers in public service in action.



Our students visited our state capital in Lansing and were able to meet with our local representatives. Through these experiences, we encourage Crothers' students to be active citizens and critical thinkers to be proactive problem solvers.







State Representative Lori Stone met with Crothers' fifth graders to prepare them for their field trip to Lansing, sharing expectations and answering questions.



## A Panda Family

We encourage students at Crothers to share their knowledge and skills with others. Each month at our all-school meeting, Panda Family Time, upper elementary students are paired with younger students. These meetings center around a theme, and students work together to accomplish a goal. We started with how you introduce yourself to a person you do not know, connect on a personal level, and work together. As the year progressed, students were able to play games that challenge their problem-solving, complete tasks that encourage thinking logically and following directions, and share their love of reading and literature. It is through these experiences that students can learn from each other in a fun peer-supported environment. The connections they build with their buddies have a lasting impact and help build a stronger sense of community.

## Lead from Where You Stand





# Roose Elementary



**R**oose Elementary School is one of three elementary schools in Center Line Public Schools that serves 504 amazing students living in Center Line and Warren. Our main goal is to provide our students with the academic and social skills necessary to be successful, compassionate members of society. Collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and leadership are our Graduate Profile skills that, in conjunction with a rigorous and exciting curriculum, provide a well-rounded, research-based learning experience for every student.

We have a terrific program called Rocketeers that is strategically planned around our Graduate Profile skills.

Each month, students practice one of the skills in fun and exciting ways. **Collaboration** is an important skill that teaches students how to work together, listen to one another, and try new ways of getting a common goal accomplished. In one session, students participated in the hula hoop pass and stood in a big circle joining hands. The goal was to pass the hula hoop all the way around the circle without letting go of each other's hands. Another example of a Rocketeers' activity focusing on collaboration was the rubber band cup stack. Students worked together to build a cup pyramid with rubber bands.

Apart from our Rocketeers' activities, teachers create experiences to provide practice in collaboration every day in their classrooms. Grade level teams often bring their classes together to work on content-specific goals.

Our school culture is centered on the belief that everyone brings their own experiences to school, and we all are best when we work together, learn from each other, and listen to one another. We continue to invite everyone together for after school activities that allow students, families, and staff to engage and make connections. Just like our motto states, **everyone** puts in an **effort every day** to be safe, responsible, and respectful. Go, Rockets!

## col·lab·o·ra·tion

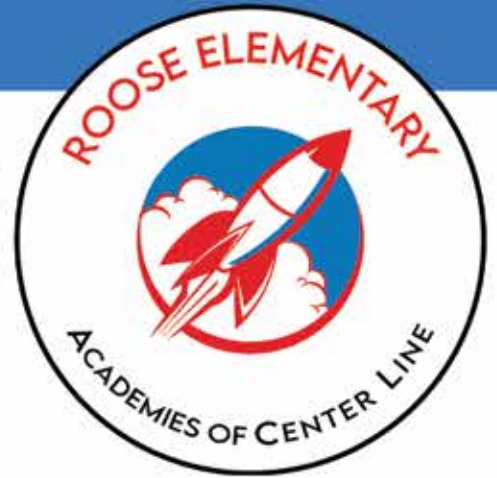
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noun

**The action of working with someone to produce or create something.**







Students in Ms. Fouts's and Mr. Briguglio's classes learned about force and motion. They studied the effects of gravity and friction by creating marble runs. The students planned the investigation, gathered supplies, planned the marble run, collaborated in groups to build the best marble run, and documented their results.



## Effort, Everyone, Every Day



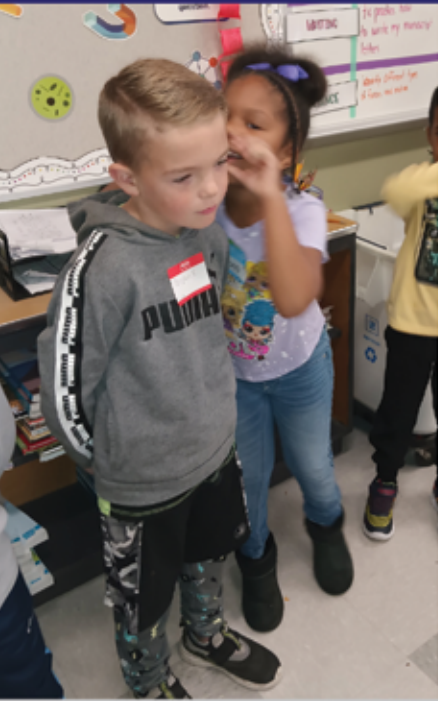
Ms. Tuthill's third grade class joined a book series book club to learn how to make a reading plan, enter conversations, and respond to our teammates' remarks. Students first observed a successful book club model a conversation using the fishbowl strategy and then collaborated to create a reading plan.

Second graders in Ms. Oliver's class classified matter based on visible properties. Students had to observe common items and collaborate to classify them.





# Peck Elementary



**P**eck Elementary is the only elementary building located in Center Line, although it services residents of both Center Line and Warren. This brand new beautiful school was opened to students in January 2021 and also houses our Early Childhood Center.

Peck students work to learn the graduate profile skills of collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and leadership. For the skill of **communication**, students in grades K-2 learn to listen to understand, hold conversations on topic, and communicate clearly with others. Students in grades 3-5 learn to seek to understand and ask questions, communicate with others who are different from them, hold relevant conversations on topic, and communicate clearly. Students learn these skills alongside their academic skills. For example, when 1st graders learn to talk about characters in a story with a partner, they also learn how to communicate clearly and keep the conversation on topic. Additionally, they learn how to listen attentively when their partner is speaking.

Opportunities for learning Graduate Profile skills come up in non-academic settings at school, too. For example, when there is a conflict at recess, we use the Time Machine to help students communicate what went wrong and what they should do next time. The Time Machine prompts students to stop/take a breath/relax, wish the other person well, talk about what they didn't like, speak aloud what they want to happen differently next time, make a commitment, and then end with a hug/hand shake/high five. This process helps students to communicate assertively and directly, a skill that is fundamental to having healthy relationships.

Students also get to practice and celebrate Graduate Profile skills in monthly Peck **Pull-Togethers**. Each Pull-Together group is led by one or two staff members and includes students from each grade. These mixed groupings help students develop relationships with other staff and develop friendships with peers in other classes. Students do an activity together to practice the highlighted skills. Following the activity, we come together in an

all-school assembly to present awards to students who have excelled in Graduate Profile skills in the previous month. Our March Pull-Together focused on **communication**. Students played a game of charades, which highlighted the importance of non-verbal communication, and then discussed the different forms of communication available. In our full-school assembly, we did "the wave" together, a challenge that required a lot of nonverbal communication.



## com·mu·ni·ca·tion

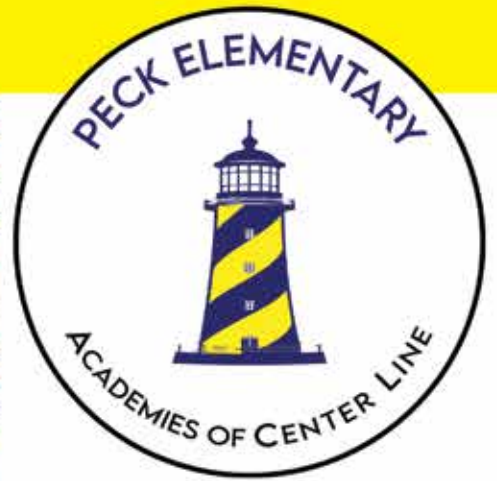
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*noun*

The imparting or exchanging of information or news; the successful conveying or sharing of ideas and feelings.







Ms. Good's kindergarten students practiced retelling fairy tales in a variety of ways. They used pictures to orally retell "The Three Little Pigs" to their third grade buddies. They also used the characters' voices when acting out "The Three Billy Goats Gruff."

## Leaders for Life

Peck fifth graders celebrated the anniversary of the Boston Tea Party on December 16th by drinking tea. Some of the liked it, some of them did not, but they all voiced that they HATED the taxation on tea.





# Early Childhood Center



**O**ur Early Childhood Center (ECC) has its own wing in Peck Elementary. At the ECC, children have a high-quality “pre-school” experience. The ECC has a **Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)** for 4-year-old children, an **Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE)** class for 3- and 4-year-old children with special education needs, and a **Transitions** program for younger children with special education needs.

The GSRP and ECSE programs use the Creative Curriculum, which has a series of extended “studies” that help students *discover* the world around them. These studies include experiences in nine domains: social-

emotional, physical, language, math, literacy, cognitive, science/technology, social studies, and the arts. For example, students might learn about the trees around them by learning the names of the parts of a tree, making leaf-rubbing art projects, reading stories about trees, going on a walk to identify trees, and more.

Field trips are taken periodically during the year. This year the children visited the Westview Orchards, the Center Line Public Library, Universal Lanes, Outdoor Adventure, and the Detroit Zoo. Additionally, the ECC organizes special family events during the year, including Fall Harvest Festival, Gingerbread Night, the Preschool Family Dance, and Reading Night. Families are warmly invited to participate in these special activities with their preschool children.

As students interact with the curriculum, they discover their own abilities and the joy of early friendships. It is a great honor for our staff to witness these discoveries each day!

## dis·cov·er

/dəˈskəvər/

verb

To find (something or someone) unexpectedly or in the course of a search.





# Academy 21



**A**cademy 21 is a K-12 hybrid virtual learning community where students can *discover, explore, and experience* education in a variety of ways. Dependent on grade level, virtual courses may be synchronous (teacher-paced/live instruction), asynchronous (self-paced/non-live instruction), or a blend of the two. Learning at Academy 21 does not take place in isolation. Our dedicated staff provide consistent one-on-one support online and in person. Academy 21 teachers and support staff have their own classrooms, which allows students to engage in learning opportunities that go beyond the computer!

Elementary students are enrolled in full-year subjects: ELA, mathematics, social studies, science, art, physical education, music, and technology. Elementary teachers develop blended virtual learning experiences that allow students to *explore* the wonders of world around them through live virtual instruction, individualized small group support, parent supervised online lessons, and hands-on project based learning experiences.

## ex·plore

/ik'splôr/

verb

To inquire into or discuss (a subject or issue) in detail.

Secondary students are enrolled in a full schedule of courses based on state of Michigan academic standards, district requirements, and individual needs. All students have opportunities to *explore* personal and career interests as part of their virtual learning experience. Academy 21 teachers and mentors support the student virtual learning experience by making personal

connections, monitoring student progress, providing meaningful feedback, individualizing courses, and developing engaging hand-on lessons and activities. Students in grades 6-12 are required to attend on site during the week to strengthen a positive connection to their hybrid virtual learning community.

At Academy 21, **Time + Effort + Communication = Success!**

Additional options for students in grades 9-12 with administrative approval:

- Advanced Placement (AP) courses at CLHS. In person attendance is required.
- Performing arts and CTE courses at CLHS and participating Southwest Macomb Technical Education Consortium (SMTEC) schools. In person attendance is required.
- Dual enrollment courses at Macomb Community College.
- Early College of Macomb program.
- Non-CTE work-based high school credit.





# Upcoming Events



You are invited!

**Tuesday, August 29, 2023 - 5:00 to 7:00pm**

at Center Line High School, 26300 Arsenal

Free food, music,  
bounce houses,  
& games!



**CLPSEF**

Center Line Public Schools  
Educational Foundation

## 9th Annual Golf Scramble

Supporting Teacher Grants & Student Scholarships

**Sunday, September 24th, 2023**

Sycamore Hills Golf Club • 48787 North Avenue • Macomb, MI 48042

Registration at 12:00 p.m. • Shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. • Dinner at 6:00 p.m.



CLPSEF Golf Outing

**\$115 per Golfer - \$450 per Foursome - \$30 Dinner Only**

Entry Fee includes golf, three beverage tickets, lunch at the turn, hole-in-one prizes, dinner with cash bar. Raffle prizes, silent auction, 50/50 - food, friends, and fun! Sponsorship opportunities available! Questions? Contact Sam Haynes at [samh@crestag.com](mailto:samh@crestag.com) or 586-834-2535 or Bob McQuiston at [bob5536@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bob5536@sbcglobal.net) or 586-306-0164. Visit <https://www.clps.org/apps/pages/golfouting> for more information.

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Center Line Public Schools'  
Annual Public Notices





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**Administration Building**

26400 Arsenal - Center Line, MI 48015  
586-510-2000

**Center Line High School**

26300 Arsenal - Center Line, MI 48015  
586-510-2100

**Wolfe Middle School**

8640 McKinley - Center Line, MI 48015  
586-510-2300

**Crothers Elementary** (temporary for 2023-24)

25310 Masch - Warren, MI 48091  
586-510-2400

**Peck Elementary & Early Childhood Center**

26201 Lorraine - Center Line, MI 48015  
586-510-2600

**Roose Elementary**

4701 Marcy - Warren, MI 48091  
586-510-2700

**Academy 21 (K-12 Virtual)**

11300 Engleman - Warren, MI 48089  
586-510-2062

**Transportation & Maintenance**

23901 Lawrence - Center Line, MI 48015  
586-510-2090

**Utilities & Services**

Housing & Utilities Help	2-1-1
AT&T	800-288-2020
Center Line Post Office	586-757-6328
Comcast	800-934-6489
Consumers Energy	800-477-5050
DTE	800-477-4747
Macomb County Health Dept.	586-466-7923
WOW	866-496-9669



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**Emergency Numbers**

Emergency	9-1-1
Center Line Public Safety	586-757-2200
Consumers Energy	800-477-5050
for Hearing Impaired	800-679-3777
DTE Power Outage	800-477-4747
DTE Natural Gas/Leak	800-947-5000



# Rentals

Center Line Parks & Recreation  
25355 Lawrence Center Line, MI  
(586) 757-1610  
Business Hours: M-F 9 am to 5 pm



## Memorial Park

- Lawrence and Engleman

## Rotary Park

- Lawrence & State Park

## Lions Park

- State Park & MacArthur

## Pavilion Rentals:

Registration for pavilion rental begins 2/5/2024. All pavilion prices include a \$50 refundable security deposit.

Prices are subject to change May 1, 2023

**Residents:** \$100 weekday

**Non-Residents:** \$100 weekday

**Residents:** \$125 weekend

**Non-Residents:** \$175 weekend

**Special Use Form:** \$25

## Hall Rentals:

Prices subject to change on May 1, 2023

Saturday & Sunday Only

\$40/ hour for Residents

\$45/ hour for Non-Residents

\$100 refundable security deposit

4 hour minimum, 6 hour maximum

Must put \$100 deposit down to hold the hall.

Balance must be paid in full one month before the party. Should you break any contract rules your full security deposit will be withheld.

## Game Room

Ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Ages 14 & up for Billiards, high school ID required.

Includes: Billiards, Ping Pong, Shuffle Board, Air Hockey, plus cards and board games.

Available to all who live, work, or attend school in Center Line.





# Upcoming Trips

*These trips are subject to change in the dates and/or pricing. Please keep in mind that all trips must be paid in full one month in advance so please make sure to sign up as soon as possible!*

*Please call the Recreation Center to find out more info at (586) 757-1610*



## **Shipshewana - May 9th**

Enjoy a fun day shopping! Bus leaves from City Hall at 6 am. A meal is provided at Das Dutchman Essenhaus. The bus returns at 11 pm. Res. \$60 Non-Res. \$65



## **Taylor Botanical Gardens - August 12th**

The garden theme for 2023 is From the Heart. Garden designs will focus on heart healthy activities and self care. Bus leaves from City Hall at 9:00 am. Res. \$20 Non-Res. \$25.



## **Birch Run and Frankenmuth - November 18th**

Bus leaves from City Hall at 8:30 am. We will start the day at Birch Run, then enjoy a couple of hours in Frankenmuth, and lastly stop at Bronner's before we head home. This trip does not include meals, but you will have plenty of time to eat. Res. \$25 Non-Res \$30.



## **Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroads - December 14th**

Ring in the holiday season with a trip to Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad. Train ride included! Res. \$30 Non-Res \$35.



# Upcoming Events

## Movies In The Park

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and come join us this summer to watch a movie on the big screen! Movies will be outdoors at Memorial Park Football Field don't forget your bugspray and any refreshments, you want to make yourself comfortable!

Please check: <https://www.facebook.com/CenterLineParksRecreation> for the movies that are showing

Movie #1: June 30th 8 pm	Movie #2: July 14th 8 pm	Movie #3: July 28nd 8 pm	Movie #4: August 11th 8 pm	Movie #5: August 26th 8 pm
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## Center Line BeerFest

September 16th  
from Noon-11 pm

Featuring...  
Live Bands  
Draft Beer & Mixed Drinks  
Food Trucks  
and More!

**\$5 entry fee includes a free custom beer glass and one drink ticket.**



## Center Line Halloween Town

Saturday, October 14th from 5-8 pm

Featuring...  
Trunk Or Treat  
Haunted House  
Free Pumpkins  
and more!

Check our Facebook page for more details  
and instructions on how to sign up for the  
trunk or treat as the event grows nearer!



## Center Line 70th Annual Tree Lighting

Saturday, December 9th from 6-8 pm



Featuring...  
Pictures with Santa  
Free Gifts  
Hot Chocolate  
Petting Farm  
Carriage Rides  
Cookie Walk  
and more!



# Center Line Independence Festival

## June 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Entertainment Line Up

### Friday June 2nd



Eugene Clark--Magic, Games, and Artist 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Petting Farm 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Inflatables 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

### BANDS

The Oneders 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Captain Fantastic 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Sunset Blv. 9:00 pm - 11:00 pm

### Saturday June 3rd



Eugene Clark--Magic, Games, and Artist 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Petting Farm Noon - 8:00 pm

Inflatables Noon - 8:00 pm

### BANDS

American Ages Noon - 1:30 pm

Bernadette Kathryn & The Lonely Days Band  
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Jacki Daniels Show 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Shiatown 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Family Tradition 9:00 pm - 11:00 pm

### Saturday June 3rd

Fireworks at Dusk

Cruisin M-53 at 10 am

5K Run 8 am



# Center Line Independence Festival

Sunday June 4th

Eugene Clark--Magic, Games, and Artist Noon - 5:00 pm

Petting Farm Noon - 6:00 pm

Inflatables Noon - 6:00 pm



## BANDS

A Little Bit Diamond Noon - 1:30 pm

The Prolifics 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Magic Bus 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

## Summer Daze Camp



Join us for field trips, free breakfast and lunch, crafts, fun activities, and more!

Summer Daze is proudly run by Center Line Parks and Recreation.

Registration opens May 8th, 2023 for children who have completed Kindergarten through 12 years old.

Attendance, registration fees, and weekly fees to be determined.

To sign up or for more information, please call the Rec Center at (586) 757-1610

June 19th to August 25th Prices to be determined



# Library Information

## Friends of the Center Line Public Library

In 1992, at the invitation of the late Anne Cross, Library Director at the time, interested residents of the Center Line and Warren held several meetings planning the information of the Friends of the Library. We were chartered in April of 1993 as a non-profit organization and have continued to support the library with funds not available in the budget for 30 years.

Our goal has always been to promote the library as one of the City's best assets. Through community support with membership dues, we have been able to sponsor programs for children, teens and adults.

### ANNUAL DUES

\*ADULTS \$10

\*SENIORS & STUDENTS \$5

\*KIDS \$1

\*BUSINESS \$50

\*LIFETIME \$125 (once)

Cash or check made payable to Friends of the Center Line Public Library.

Currently, our best source of income is the newly renovated and updated Book Store, located inside the Library, and open during Library hours. It has been stocked with books in new and used condition by the Friends Board members. We favor a 'good will offering' instead of individual pricing at this time - just place your donation in the box on the wall.

We are now accepting donations of gently-used books during the library hours of operation. The Friends of the Library, additionally, offer the Paul & Marjorie Murray \$500 Scholarship to a local student each year.

## Center Line - A Village with Plenty of Open Fields

by Mike Grobbel

Historical Society of Center Line Chair



The Center Line Fire Department had not been very busy during the first 10 weeks of 1928. That was about to change because the weather in March had been cool and dry. Their 4th fire call of the year occurred on March 19th, when at 3:00 PM, a grass fire was reported near the corner of E. Dale and Meyer Streets. It took the Center Line volunteer firefighters 15 minutes to put the fire out using brooms. They reported in their log book that the fire had been set by children.

Meyer Street was about half-way between Evelyn and Sylvan and a few years later its name was changed to Arsenal and the portion south of Busch was vacated. In 1928, there were only six houses on Dale between Evelyn and Sylvan and they were all on the south side of the street. The rest of the lots on Dale were undeveloped and in late March of 1928 they were covered with grass and weeds that were tinder dry.

Within the next month CLFD responded to five more calls, all of them grass fires. On March 21st at 4:00 PM a grass fire was reported at 52 Central (8056 Central). A resident has been burning paper in a wire container which set fire to the surrounding grass. At 4:00 PM on April 2nd, firefighters responded to a grass fire at the corner of Lawrence and W. Dale that had been "lit by boys". Two days later a grass fire was reported on 11 Mile Road at the railroad tracks which took firefighters a half hour to extinguish. On the afternoon of April 11th they were called out to another grass fire of the 1928 season occurring on April 20th at the corner of Van Dyke and Henry.

When Center Line became a city in 1963 it still had plenty of open fields. The Great Depression and later the lumber rationing during WWII contributed to stall the construction of new homes. For example, in 1941 there were only about 115 homes in the area bounded by Engleman, Van Dyke, Helen and Sylvan, while today there are more than 300 homes in the area. Grass fires would remain a regular spring occurrence in Center Line until the building boom of the 1950s and 1960s filled in the open fields and lots.



# Library Information

Center Line Public Library offers

- \*Over 35,000 physical materials for patrons to check out and reciprocal borrowing privileges with the Libraries in Macomb County, as well as the Troy Public Library and the Harper Woods Public Library
- \*MS Surface laptops and WIFI hotspots to check out
- \*10 public access computers
- \*Printing, copying and scanning services
- \*Children's Area with plenty of toys, puzzles and an iPad
- \*Access to electronic resources like Mango Languages, Creativebug, Tutor.com, Libby, and Ancestry
- \*Regular programming for children, teens and adults
  - \*Find out about current programs on the library's event calendar!
- \*A small private study room
- \*A well-stocked Friends of the Library Book Store
- \*A warming center in the Winter and a cooling center in the Summer during its hours of operation

## HOURS OF OPERATION



- Monday - 10 AM to 5 PM
- Tuesday - 10 AM to 7 PM
- Wednesday - 10 AM to 5 PM
- Thursday - 10 AM to 7 PM
- Friday - 10 AM to 5 PM
- Saturday - 10 AM to 1 PM
- Sunday - CLOSED



Call the Library at 586-758-8274 to learn how to become a member of the HSCL and/or get involved

## Little Bookworms: A Nature Storytime



Hosted by the Center Line Public Library

Enjoy a half an hour of nature-themed songs, stories, and playful activities every other Friday this Summer at Memorial Park! This drop-in program is intended for children aged seven and younger.

Pavilion 1, Memorial Park | 11 AM (shine)

Center Line Parks & Recreation Building (rain)

Friday, June 23

Friday, July 7

Friday, July 21

Friday, August 4

Friday, August 18

Friday, September 1

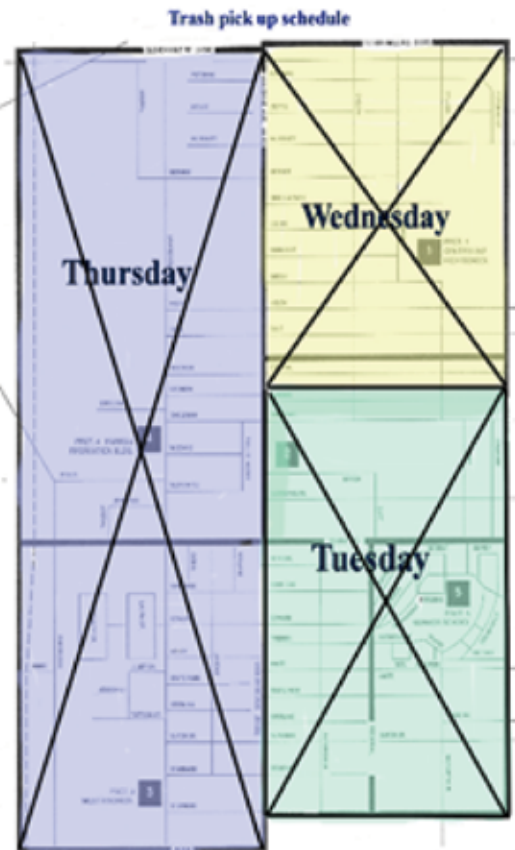




### Holiday Pick Up

Remember--solid waste, recycling and compost scheduled for pick up on a legal holiday will be picked up on the next regular business day. GFL Services observes the following holidays: Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day.

GFL provides the City of Center Line with excellent solid waste, yard waste, and recycling services for years. Rizzo Services is also providing the city with brush chipping services. Brush chipping will still be done on Wednesdays and will still follow the same guidelines for how brush should be put out for chipping. As a reminder, the guidelines are listed below. Large brush is defined as pieces of brush longer than 4 feet in length but not exceeding 10 feet, no greater than 4 inches in diameter and generated by the homeowner not a commercial company, single family homes only. It does not include branches or limbs greater than 4 inches in diameter, stumps or dirt balls.



- Please place large brush at the curb on Wednesday with all butt ends facing in the same direction, toward the street.
- Please try not to allow brush to extend over the sidewalk or the curb.

For the safety of workers, all branches with thorns must be placed in yard waste paper bags or containers or tied and bundled for collection under the normal yard waste program.

Remember, small brush will still be picked up on your normal garbage day. Place small brush in yard waste bags or garbage cans marked "Compost" or bundled for collection. Free compost stickers are available at city hall .

### *Pedestrian Crossing*



Please keep in mind that we need to follow the rules of the road when it comes to crossing the street. A reminder that all pedestrian traffic must cross the streets at the intersections within the crosswalk. For your safety, our officers will be enforcing the law and you could be issued a traffic violation. We want you to have a healthy and safe summer.



***This is as a reminder of the city's trash cart placement policies, and proper placement during winter snow events. Please note the following policies:***

**1. Under normal weather conditions.**

If parking is allowed on your side of the street, you should place your trash cart on the street with the trash cart wheels against the curb.

**2. Under normal weather conditions.** If parking is not allowed on your side of the street, you should place your trash cart on the right-of-way at the curb, but not in the street. This reduces potential traffic flow problems and vehicle accidents.

**3. Under normal winter weather conditions. (One to six inches of snow).** Do not place trash carts in the street. It is recommended that trash carts be placed upon the driveway approach whenever possible; or placed on the right-of-way at the curb.

**4. Under severe winter weather conditions. (More than six inches of snow).** A snow emergency will be declared by the City. Remove all vehicles from the street (Vehicles not removed within eight hours of a snow emergency declaration may be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense). Do not place trash carts in the street. It is recommended that trash carts be placed upon the driveway approach where possible; or placed on the right-of-way at the curb.

**Center Line Parks & Recreation, in cooperation with Warren Parks and Recreation, offers a curb-to-curb senior transportation service.**

This service helps seniors and handicapped persons remain independent for life.

**Please be advised that drivers are NOT allowed to leave the vehicle to assist passengers in any way.**

**Eligibility & Who to Call**

**Call: 586-268-0551**

**Hours: Mon—Fri 8 am-3 pm.**



Any Center Line resident 55 years of age or older; or handicapped individuals of any age. All trips must be scheduled through the dispatcher.

Please call for further information regarding fees, appointments and shopping trips. Please note that 2-3 weeks notice is usually required.

The Senior Citizen Chore Service program is for persons aged 60 years and older in targeted areas in southern Macomb County. Center Line Residents call

**586-469-5012** for eligibility and to join.

**Reminder: you must call each year to be placed on the snow and grass lists.**



*It is necessary that yard waste, recyclables and solid waste be placed at the curb no earlier than the evening before the scheduled pick up, and no later than 7:00 AM, on your pick-up day. Failure to place your waste containers during the required times will result in your containers not being picked up.*

### Solid Waste

**ITEMS THAT WILL NOT BE PICKED UP:** Household batteries, vehicle batteries, paint, motor oil and building materials.

#### Hazardous Waste Materials

The Macomb County Health Department, Household Waste Program, located at 43524 Elizabeth Road, Mt. Clemens, will accept gardening, automotive and household products. Call the hotline number at (586) 469-7923 in advance for disposal hours and for a list of items accepted. For more information visit [www.macombcountymi.gov](http://www.macombcountymi.gov).

#### Compost/Yard Waste Regulations

#### **Compost/Yard Waste:**

**April 1st - Nov 30th**

All yard waste including grass, leaves, plant materials, and brush are to be placed in containers, no larger than 35 gallon receptacles clearly marked **"YARD WASTE ONLY"** or brown paper bags. **Yard waste in PLASTIC bags will NOT be picked up.**



### **Blight**

Our Ordinance officer will be taking an aggressive and proactive approach to blight in the city. If you have any problems pertaining to blight, contact the city and the ordinance officers will follow up on the complaint. Let's work together to keep Center Line a beautiful city.



# Public Safety Tips

## Drug Disposal Program

Unused and expired medications can be properly disposed of at the Center Line Public Safety Department at no cost or questions. A secured collection box has been placed in the lobby, items can be disposed of 24 hours and 7 days a week.

### Accepted Items:

Unused medications—no liquids  
Expired medications  
Medicated ointments/lotions  
Over the counter medications  
Inhalers

### Prohibited items:

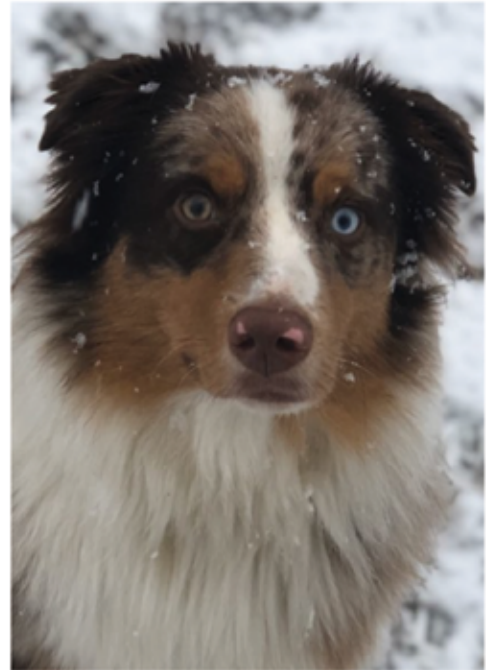
Liquids  
Needles/syringes  
Thermometers  
Aerosol cans



## **Fireworks**

Under the city ordinance pertaining to fireworks you may only shoot fireworks off the day before, day of, and the day after any national holiday. It is illegal to do so any other time. It is also illegal to shoot fireworks off in any City Park. Violators will be ticketed.

## Pet Owners



Dogs are allowed at all Center Line Parks, they **must** be on leash and have an up to date license. Licenses can be obtained through the Macomb County Animal Shelter at (586) 469-5115 or online at the link below.

[http://animalcontrol.macombgov.org/  
AnimalControl-DogLicense](http://animalcontrol.macombgov.org/AnimalControl-DogLicense)



# Public Safety Tips

**The City of Center Line offers residential sidewalk snow removal. What does this mean for you? Listed below are the guidelines the city has established for this program to be effective and convenient for you:**

1. When four (4) or more inches of snow have accumulated, the Department of Public Works will have two tractors removing snow from all residential sidewalks, with the following contingencies:
  - a. Property owners/occupants shall not have obstructions (toys, trash carts, etc.) on the sidewalks blocking the path of the tractors.
  - b. Property owners/occupants with landscaping, bushes or trees adjacent to sidewalks are not obstructing the sidewalk path, and all private property trees are trimmed to no less than eight (8) feet above the sidewalk surface.
  - c. Property owners/occupants are still responsible for all snow removal of less than four (4) inches, and all ice removal (salt will **not** be applied by the city).
2. This program is for the convenience of residential property owners/occupants (not including multi-family residential communities), however the city is not liable for complete snow or ice accumulations. NOTE: Property owners are still liable for all snow and ice removal from public sidewalks adjacent to private residential properties. Failure to maintain a safe sidewalk by a property owner/occupant may result in injury and potential civil action.

## *All Season Safety Tips:*

- Remember to lock your vehicle doors at all times.
- Keep porch and garage lights on at night to deter trespassers.
  - Keep garage doors closed.
  - Be aware of your surroundings at all times.
- If you observe an erratic driver call the police. Be ready to give the make and model of the vehicle, license plate number, color, and direction of travel. We apprehend many drunk drivers because of citizens calling.



# Public Safety Tips

During Winter Advisories and Storm Warnings, the City of Center Line DPW and Public Safety Departments have already begun preparing its response to ensure that all roads in the community are safe and clear of snow and ice.

The following information is provided to the public, for the effective and efficient response by the City during and after a winter snow/ice event.

During a winter snow/ice event, if roads are slick and there is indication of additional accumulation, the DPW will apply salt to all intersections in the city to ensure those areas are initially safe.

City street snow plowing will begin only after 1.5" to 2" of snow has fallen, and will continue during the snow event until the snow stops falling and all streets have been cleared and salted.

Should the snow event be less than 1.5", the City will apply salt when conditions allow.

Should the temperatures drop below 17 degrees, road salt is not effective, therefore the City will only remove snow once accumulation hits 1.5", and apply road salt once temperatures rise above 17 degrees.



Residents and Businesses can help keep our streets clear by pushing snow from their sidewalks, driveways and approaches onto grass areas only, and not back into the streets. It is a violation of city ordinance to place any snow from private property onto a public street, by the property owner or their designated snow removal contractor. Property owners may be cited for any violations by them or their designated contractor.

It is highly recommended that property owners refrain from removing snow from their driveway approaches until after the City snow plows have cleared the streets. Snow Emergencies will be declared by the City Manager. Residents should watch the Public Access channel for snow emergency declarations. Should a snow emergency be declared, parking on any city street is prohibited, and may result in vehicles being towed at the owner's expense.



# the Community Resource Guide

## Center Line Edition

# Center Line



Highlighted in this Edition: **Center Line Real Estate Trends • Local Non-Profits • Funeral Services  
Plumbing Services • Automotive Sales & Service • Business Directory • And More...**

The Community Resource Guide, Center Line edition is an annual publication that provides all residents and businesses an opportunity to share local stories, upcoming events and business services within our community.

If you or someone you know have an event to promote, a story to share or an idea for the upcoming June 2024 Edition, **email us at [info@drivecreativeservices.com](mailto:info@drivecreativeservices.com)**

Deadline to provide information is Friday, April 19 2024.

All information provided will be considered without guarantee it will be published



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# A FAMILY TRADITION IN CENTER LINE

Beginning in December of 1998, Jeff and Kathy Bianchini started Bison Plumbing in a small home in Center Line. Jeff's father, August Bianchini had started a construction company in Warren, Michigan back in the 1980's named Bi-Son Construction, for his two sons to run one day. Sadly, he passed away shortly after. When Jeff decided to open up his own company, there was no better name to honor his dad than Bison Plumbing. Then Bison became known for the "That's No Bull" logo and it stuck. In 2003, they bought the Current location on Ryan Road.






Since 1998, Bison Plumbing has provided fully insured, licensed local plumbing services and mechanical piping for homes and businesses with an unmatched customer experience. Only the best parts and supplies are used to be able to perform at the best for our valued customers. Bison is always making sure to stay ahead of the curve and regulated with all current mechanical codes and regulations set by the state of Michigan.

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Center Line and Macomb County residents: are you tired of paying too much for your prescription medications? Do you have high deductibles, copays, or take medications not covered by insurance? Try rxless - your one-stop prescription savings marketplace.

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## The medication you need shouldn't break the bank.

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## FAN'S RUN DRUGS OUT OF TOWN 5K IS JUNE 17TH!



Families Against Narcotics' Run Drugs Out of Town 5K Run/Walk is a beloved community event. Each year, men, women, and children of all ages come out to support a common cause: to increase awareness of substance use disorder and help raise money to fund the many free programs FAN offers to the public. The 15th annual Run Drugs Out of Town will take place on Saturday, June 17th, at 9:00 am, at Fraser High School. Join FAN for this fun, family-friendly event!

Whether you run or walk as an individual or a team, sponsor the event, or simply make a donation, you'll be helping FAN help people across Michigan who have been impacted by the disease of addiction. Be part of the crowd. Be part of the pageantry. Be part of the solution. And help FAN Run Drugs Out of Town! For more info, go to [familiesagainstnarcotics.org/rundrugsofthetown](https://familiesagainstnarcotics.org/rundrugsofthetown).

**HELP A NON-PROFIT**  
& Bring a Friend



# COMING TOGETHER TO HELP CHILDREN

Local nonprofit Susie Q's Kids worked with YMCA representative LaRon Evans and Center Line High School leader Christine Akroush to provide their youth leadership team with an opportunity to learn "It is OK not to be OK", discuss the Four Aspects of Positive Reflections and the power of "giving back" by creating comfort bags for kids in need in our community. The students engaged with Dr Mary Welsh, President, Co-founder, and Speaker while assembling 100 comfort bags for foster kids in the Big Family of Michigan program.

Susie Q's Kids, a Great nonprofit Top-rated charity, was named the Community Partner of the Year by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and shared its message with youth groups, schools, corporate groups, and service organizations. They recently shared their mission with the Center Line Lions Club furthering their reach in our own community.

Susie Q's Kids was founded in honor of the late Susie McBride-Welsh. It furthers the missions of the nonprofits who distribute Susie Q's Kids comfort bags to kids in need in their programs such as hospitals, shelters, foster care, schools, autism centers, refuge centers, advocacy centers, camps, and grief agencies; encourages "Kids in Helping Kids" through

philanthropy, fundraising, and creating and distributing our comfort bags; and brightens and inspires the lives of kids in need in our community, "one comfort bag at a time".



Check out a recent bag stuffing event at Warren Cousino High School <https://vimeo.com/79263337> Learn more on their website [www.susieqskids.org](http://www.susieqskids.org) or contact Dr Mary Welsh, President, at [drmary@susieqskids.org](mailto:drmary@susieqskids.org) or call 248-220-6846. The kids in our community need our help, let's make a difference together.



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# CENTER LINE and/or CENTER LINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS REAL ESTATE MARKET

## ALL 2022

<b>\$153,467</b> AVERAGE SALE PRICE	<b>▲ 6.3%</b>	FROM 2022
<b>310</b> CLOSED SALES	<b>▼ 13.6%</b>	FROM 2022
<b>22</b> DAYS ON MARKET (DOM)	<b>▲ 22.2%</b>	FROM 2022
<b>100.6%</b> PERCENT OF ASKING PRICE	<b>▼ 0.6%</b>	FROM 2022

## Q 1 2023

<b>\$145,782</b> AVERAGE SALE PRICE	<b>▲ 1.1%</b>	FROM Q1 2022
<b>66</b> NUMBER OF SALES	<b>▼ 9.6%</b>	FROM Q1 2022
<b>41</b> AVERAGE DAYS ON THE MARKET	<b>▲ 51.9%</b>	FROM Q1 2022
<b>97.3%</b> PERCENT OF ASKING PRICE	<b>▼ 1.3%</b>	FROM Q1 2022

## UNDERSTANDING THE NUMBERS

**Average Sale Price – Good News!:** Year over year increases for sales price continues to show that while interest rates have reduced affordability, fewer buyers has not translated into lower prices. This is further evidence that buying now is a wise choice.

**Number of sales – Expected but:** Sales have not declined because of a decrease in demand. The decline is fueled by continued low inventory.

**Days on Marker (DOM) – Fair:** Although both sets of data show it is taking longer to sell a home, both sets of numbers remain well below the 60 day average seen in a balanced market.

**Percent of Asking Price – Mixed:** Year over year sellers are accepting offers over asking price which indicates advantage seller. Quarter over Quarter, that sellers are getting 2.7% less than asking would suggest advantage buyers when negotiating, although this could be fueled by unrealistic expectations by those selling or their agents. However, north of 97% still indicates a strong market.

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## DINING

**Pizza Hut**  
31315 Van Dyke Ave.  
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**(586) 979-0405**  
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## FUNERAL SERVICES

**Ford Funeral Home**  
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