

# MOSAIC SPORTS NEWS



## Interview a Teacher

### Coach Ehrlich: Interviewed

#### Question 1: Do you play any sports?

Nowadays my number one sport is golf but I also play softball, flag football, and basketball.

#### Question 2: What high school did you attend?

I went to Niles North high School in Skokie, IL.

#### Question 3: What athlete inspired you and why?"

LeBron James is the most inspiring athlete to me. I get inspired by the way he plays of course, but even more so with the person he is off the court. His philanthropic ventures and the way he has always showed love to his family shows what type of person he really is. Just a great role model.

#### Question 4: What sport(s) are you or were interested in?"

Football has always been the sport I have had the most interest in. My Dad played college football at Colorado and then he coached me and my brothers when we were younger. Football is a huge part of my family and is why the sport means so much to me. I ended up playing football in college and so did a few of my brothers. I also played baseball in college as well.

#### Question 5: What is your favorite part of teaching?

My favorite part of teaching is simply helping and guiding students to become the best version of themselves.

## Basketball 5th-6th



BY: MR. GARCIA

Last season, the 5th and 6th grade basketball team faced a tough challenge, finishing with a winless record of 0-6. However, this experience became the foundation for an incredible turnaround. This season, the team has started strong with a 2-0 record, showcasing impressive performances in dominant wins against Mcpherson Elementary (24-0) and Ravenswood Elementary (16-2).

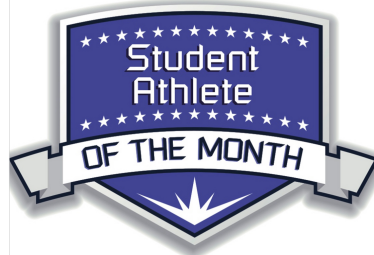
The team's transformation is attributed to a renewed commitment to fundamentals, teamwork, and resilience, along with new strategies from the coaches. Every loss from last season served as a lesson in communication, trust, and effort, leading to their remarkable evolution. As they look to continue their success after the break against Kilmer Elementary, this team exemplifies how setbacks can fuel determination and growth.

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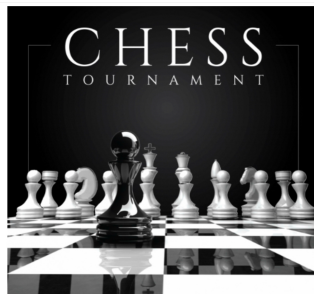


BY: STUDENT

Physics can contribute a lot to sports through energy. Skateboarders use the power of energy to defy gravity. Archery can use energy when the arrow is being pulled back, the bow and string save energy. Pole vaulters and high jumpers arch their bodies above the bar to position it to create a center of mass beneath the bar to use less energy. Award-winning Olympic athletes are based on the use of energy.



This month, we proudly recognize S.G and A.I.T as our Student Athletes of the Month. Their dedication to practicing for the upcoming season is commendable, and they have also taken on the important role of senior editors for the school newspaper. Sara and Alice exemplify hard work, leadership, and commitment, both on the field and in their academic pursuits. We celebrate their accomplishments and contributions to our school community. Congratulations to both of them!

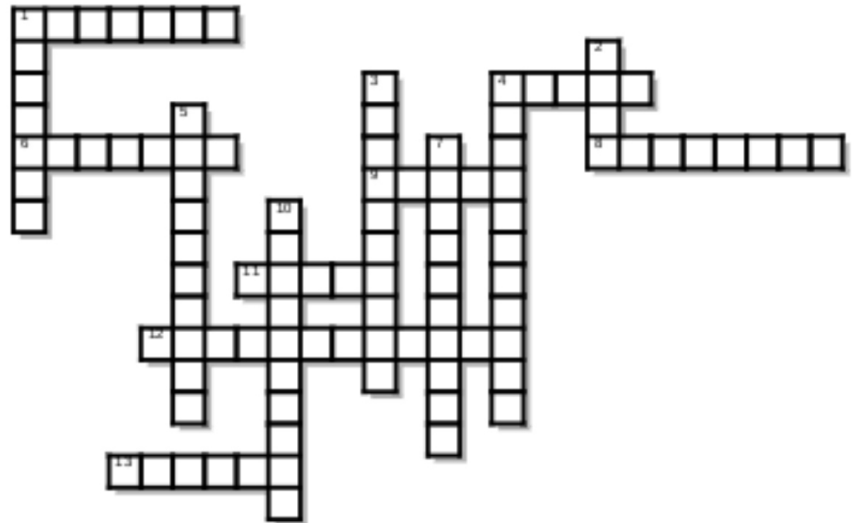


**Teachers vs Students**

By. Jehan Abd

We regret to inform everyone that the Teachers vs. Students chess matchup originally scheduled for Wednesday, the 18th, has been postponed until after the holiday break. Our students will continue honing their chess skills in the meantime. Stay tuned for updates on the new date, and we look forward to an exciting matchup once we return!

Please fill out this crossword puzzle using the hints!



**Across**

- 1. A way of exchanging goods without the use of currency.
- 4. A small narrow boat steered by paddling.
- 6. A Native American celebration or ritual
- 8. Second to last month of the year
- 9. What's used to make houses dirt, water....
- 11. Often open, flat land
- 12. Native American natural face they worship

**Down**

- 1. A small, conical house made of animal skin
- 2. A famous crop Native Americans grow
- 3. Native American peaceful treaty with each other
- 4. Wise peop[e who advise others
- 5. Ethnic group lived in Chicago area lakes
- 7. Rectangular houses of Native Americans
- 10. Materials used in their natural state

**S.E.L & Sports:**

**Building Tomorrow's Champions:  
Athletes for High School Team  
By. Mr. Immanuel**

AS OUR 8TH GRADE MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETES DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS AND PASSION FOR SPORTS, WE AT MOSAIC ARE LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR FUTURE SUCCESS IN HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS. BY FOCUSING ON BOTH ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, WE ARE NURTURING WELL-ROUNDED INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PREPARED FOR THE COMPETITIVE ENVIRONMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS. THROUGH DEDICATED PRACTICE, TEAMWORK, AND RESILIENCE, OUR STUDENT ATHLETES LEARN THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMITMENT AND HARD WORK, ESSENTIAL QUALITIES FOR MAKING HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS. BALANCING ACADEMICS WITH EARLY PRACTICES AND WEEKEND GAMES FOSTERS STRONG TIME MANAGEMENT SKILLS, ALLOWING THEM TO PRIORITIZE THEIR STUDIES WHILE PURSUING THEIR ATHLETIC DREAMS. AS THEY REFINE THEIR SKILLS AND BUILD THEIR CONFIDENCE, WE ARE EXCITED TO SEE OUR STUDENT ATHLETES TRANSITION A BIT EASIER TO HIGH SCHOOL, READY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR TEAMS AND SCHOOL COMMUNITY.