



# The MMCRU Insider

## Celebration Wall



By MMCRU Communications

MMCRU's math teacher, Lisa Letsche, has developed a mechanism to help our students be more positive. She uses sticky notes and a wall in her classroom to practice their positivity. She calls it the "Celebration Wall." Every day at the beginning of class, she asks the students if there is anything that can be added to the celebration wall. If a student has something to celebrate, they share it with the class, and then Mrs. Letsche writes it down on a sticky note and adds it to the wall. Mrs. Letsche said she wanted to learn more about her students without directly asking them and let students learn more about each other. Her students look forward to doing the celebration wall every day at the beginning of class!

## MMCRU Boys Basketball - Update

By MMCRU Communications

The MMCRU Royals boys basketball team achieved two significant victories on January 12 and 13, 2026, maintaining a perfect season record. On January 12, the Royals secured a 77-28 road conference win against Akron-Westfield. The following day, January 13, they defeated South O'Brien with a final score of 74-43 at home. These wins extended their overall season record to an impressive 11-0 as of January 13. Good luck to the boys with the rest of their season! Go Royals!

## Daily Whiteboard

By MMCRU Communications

Every day the 9th and 10th grade english teacher, Ms. Roberts has a new question on her whiteboard outside of her classroom. Students in her class are able to answer the question at the beginning of the class, and other students are able to answer the question throughout the day as well. One of the questions on the board this week was "How tall are you?." The students stood against the board and someone else marked their height. It was fun to see the variety of heights throughout the day!

## Hawks Could Not Dethrone the Royals

Friday night basketball was back in Remsen for the MMCRU Royals, this time to face the usually dominant Remsen St. Mary's Hawks. On Friday night the 12-0 Royals dominated the 2-9 Hawks. Final score was 68-30 with no quarter scores or RSM individual stats available.

Royals' senior Wyatt Alesch scored 16 for a 50% performance. He hit 3 of 4 3-point attempts. Senior Kamden Bork put up 13 points and junior Josh Peterson scored 12. Peterson's performance for possession was strong under the Royals' basket. He pulled 6 boards with 4 being second chance. Senior Max Schnepf boarded 4 with 2 offensive and junior Eli Harpenau taking to 4 more boards with half from the offensive end. Harpenau also grabbed 2 steals. The Royals' ended the week with a 13-0 record.

## MMCRU Boys Basketball

by Mari Radtke

Young Westerners Have a Tough Night

A very young Akron-Westfield Westerners traveled to Remsen to face the undefeated MMCRU Royals on Monday January 12. AW came with a 10-12 record and had a tough night against the 0-0 Royals. Scoring barely in double digits only in the fourth quarter, the Royals defeated their guests with a final score of 77-28.

Scoring leaders for the Royals were senior Michael Schmillen with 22 points; senior Kamden Bork with 9 points and senior Wyatt Alesch with 8 points. Freshman Nohlyn Lara topped the scoreboard for the Westerners. He dropped 9 points including 1 from outside. He was followed by AW freshman Brice Hansen, scoring 8 points with 2 outside scores. Sophomore Ronan Higman scored 5.

Defensively Royals' juniors Josh Peterson and Eli Harpenau rebounded 7 with 3 offensive grabs by Peterson. M. Schmillen controlled 5 off the board with 2 second chances. Harpenau blocked a shot and took 2 steals. Schmillen was responsible for 4 steals. AW's defense was led by Lara with 7 boards including 2 offensive and 2 steals. Sophomore Kaleb Johnson boarded 5 with 2 offensive and a steal. Taysen Miera, junior boarded 2.

## Wolverines Fall to Royals at Marcus

The Wolverines came to Marcus on Tuesday January 13 looking to add to their 7-3 record against the 11-0 Royals. That's not how it happened. The speed of an MMCRU game and their relentless defense could not be overcome on Tuesday by the Wolverines. The game's first half score sat at an astonishing 11-39. The Wolverines recovered for the second half, putting up better scores, even getting a small gain in the third. But it wasn't enough. The Royals advanced their winning ways with a 74-43 final.

Scoring leaders for the Royals were senior Kamden Bork, 17; senior Wyatt Alesch, 13 and junior Josh Peterson, also with 13 points.

Wolverine scoring leaders were senior Jaden Kreber adding 14 points with 2 outside shots. Senior Gabe Moermond added 7 points and senior Brennan Billick put in 6 points with 4 free throw points.

Peterson, for the Royals boarded 10 with 4 offensive and a steal. Senior Eli Schlenger pulled 5 boards, 1 offensive and a steal. Alesch took down 3 missed shots with 1 offensive. He is credited with 2 blocked shots and 2 steals.

The Wolverines' Kreber led possession efforts with 8 boards, 2 offensive. He also was hands up with 3 blocks and 2 steals. Moermond and Billick grabbed 4 missed shots. Billick took down 2 from a Wolverine miss.



## MMCRU High School Announces First Annual "MMCRU Royal Career Connect" to Bridge Students and Local Industry

MMCRU High School is proud to announce the inaugural MMCRU Royal Career Connect, a career day designed to foster meaningful relationships between local businesses and the next generation of the workforce. The event will include a career fair along with a variety of presentations focusing on career and college readiness. The event will take place on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the MMCRU High School Gymnasium.

The MMCRU Royal Career Connect offers students in grades 9-12 a unique opportunity to explore diverse career pathways and learn directly from professionals about the industries thriving within their own community. The district aims to highlight the wide variety of vocational and professional options available to students after graduation.

"We believe this event will be a valuable experience for both our students and local employers," said Kayla Schroeder, MMCRU High School Counselor. "By strengthening our school-community partnerships, we are helping students better understand future possibilities while showcasing the talent we have right here in our communities."

Information for Participating Businesses

MMCRU is actively seeking local organizations to host booths. Participating businesses are encouraged to share information regarding:

Career options and daily responsibilities.

Required training or educational pathways.

Essential workplace skills and professional advice.

Student jobs or internship opportunities.

Registration Details

Local business owners and representatives interested in attending the career fair are asked to contact Kayla Schroeder or Sarah Brady to register. When registering, please provide:

1. Table requirements (businesses may bring their own).

2. Availability of student job/internship opportunities.

opportunities.

3. Need for electrical access (limited spaces available).

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"We are thrilled to launch this new tradition," said Sarah Brady. "Seeing our students engage with local leaders and explore different industries is exactly how we build a stronger, more connected community. We can't wait to see the partnerships that start here on February 25th."

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Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> - SCI National Convention - Nashville, TN

Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> - Minnesota Ch Minneapolis, MN

Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> - 4 Corners Chapter Durango, CO

Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> - Red River Valley Fargo, ND

Mar. 21<sup>st</sup> - Montana Chapter Billings, MT

Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> - Lake Superior Hinkley, MN

Apr. 4<sup>th</sup> - Northwest Chapter Tacoma, WA

Apr. 18<sup>th</sup> - IL & Chicago Ch. Addison, IL

Apr. 25<sup>th</sup> - New England Ch. Boston, MA

Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Ft. Worth Chapter Ft. Worth, TX

**South Dakota Auctions**

Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> - Mule Deer Foundation Fundraiser - Box Elder, SD

Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> - Spearfish Foundation Spearfish, SD

March 14<sup>th</sup> - Legacy of Hope Gala Rapid City, SD

March 28<sup>th</sup> - RMEF Deadwood Ladies Event - Deadwood, SD

Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> - RMEF Gold Country Annual Banquet - Deadwood, SD

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