Turtles and Frogs and Snakes! Oh my!

Usually when you walk into a classroom you see computers, desks, and a whiteboard. Even having an interactive Smartboard can make learning interesting. But, when you walk into Rooms 117 and 119, you are welcomed by snakes and lizards and other creepy crawly things. On the back counter of Mr. Singer’s room you see two little heads pop up out of the tank, that’s Maz and Zella, the twenty-five year old turtles. “They can easily live to be 100 years old,” says Mr. Singer. Their favorite things to eat are bananas and worms.

Next door in Mrs. Weldert’s classroom lives a different critter. That would be Osmosis, better known as Ozzy, the bearded dragon lizard. He calls Mrs. Weldert’s room home and considers himself a part of the student body. Ozzy is a rambunctious little guy and loves snack time. His favorites are mealworms, crickets and kale.
Henninger Open House
6:00 - 8:00 PM

During Open House, parents and guardians will receive their child’s schedule and walk from class to class greeting their teachers. Each session will be short, so if a parent or guardian would like to have a more in-depth discussion they can make an appointment with the guidance counselor.

Open House is an opportunity to briefly meet your child’s teachers, learn what the class is about, and view the learning environment.

Teachers may shed insight into their teaching and classroom management strategies. This allows both parents and students to know what to expect from the class throughout the year.

Rising seniors and their parents are highly encouraged to attend Open House. The year leading to graduation is an important one and special attention may be given to equipping seniors and their families with strategies for success.

Let’s Talk Trash
Henninger PTSO Campus Cleanup Challenge

Last April 25th, the Henninger PTSO sponsored their annual Clean Up Day. The event was a great success with 22 people attending. Together, they collected over a dozen bags of garbage and six lawn and leaf bags.

On Saturday October 3rd, Matthew Richard will be organizing another Clean Up Day. If you would like to participate in the fall clean up, email Mr. Richard at syrmatthew@yahoo.com so that he can bring enough supplies. Volunteers are asked to meet at 8:00 AM at the building entrance near the cafeteria.
Before coming to Henninger, Mr. Bellamy was the Executive Director of Child Services for YAPH in NYC. As the Dean of Students at Henninger, Mr. Bellamy provides support to students who may have issues focusing in class. He enjoys working with the students, helping them make better decisions, and pointing them in the right direction.

His biggest dilemma is not having enough time during the day for the students. He would like to add more staff to support the students, especially at the beginning of the year. He believes that keeping students in the classroom and learning will not only keep them out of the halls, it will keep them off the streets. And that’s what student’s adore about Mr. Bellamy, the helpful advice and the concern he genuinely has for them.

Mr. Bellamy is looking forward to seeing the students developing their skills throughout the year and becoming useful citizens, working in society.
**Sep. 28th - Oct. 2nd**
- Spirirt Week

**Oct. 1st**
- Last Day to Pay for Senior T-Shirt

**Oct. 2nd**
- Fall Senior Tailgate

**Oct. 20th & 21st**
- Lifetouch School Picture Day

**Oct. 23rd**
- Yearbook Senior Class Group Photo
“My first day was pretty good, but I couldn’t find some of my classes and I got lost a lot! High school is different than middle school and the days are a lot shorter because I used to get out at four.”

~Lexi Foster

“My first day of school was pretty good. I saw some people from my elementary school. I just wish the school lunches were better.”

~Kabita Nepal

“My first day of school was pretty good, but I couldn’t find some of my classes and I got lost a lot! High school is different than middle school and the days are a lot shorter because I used to get out at four.”

~Anthony Morales

“My first day at Henninger was difficult but it got easier each day. I found my teachers helped me find my way around and were really nice.”

~Estella Sernode

“I like Henninger because I can concentrate better in class. The teachers keep everything calm and have control over the students, so I feel safe here.”

~Derick Andino

“My first day was awesome, but some of the classes were boring. The day felt really long, but it was nice to see my cousins in school.”

~Carmelina Vigliotti
**Success after H.S.**

Bianca Archange, Class of 2015, is a recent Henninger graduate. Even though she is new to college life she is quickly making herself known at Onondaga Community College (OCC).

Before attending OCC, Bianca was a wonderful role model for her classmates and underclassmen at Henninger. She attributes much of her success to maintaining a positive attitude, meeting academic deadlines, having good time management and organizational skills.

Bianca feels fortunate to be where she is today especially when you consider where she’s come from. Archange grew up in Haiti where there was no “free” public education system. Children could only go to school if they could afford it. “I was able to go to school because of my grandmother’s sacrifice. She went without things to pay for my school and sold her belongings to provide us with food.”

On January 12, 2010, Archange’s world changed forever when a massive earthquake decimated Haiti, killing more than 100,000. “When the earthquake happened I thought I was going to die. There was no food or water for anyone. I watched people die from hunger or sickness and there was nothing I could do to help. I had faith. I had a strong desire to survive and still do to this day.”

One year later Archange moved to the United States with her younger sister and brother. She started learning English and enrolled in Henninger High School. Archange was introduced to OCC’s Liberty Partnerships Program (LPP) which wound up being her foundation here in Central New York. The organization provides students with strong school and community partnerships aimed at helping students with a high risk of dropping out. “I thank LPP for everything they did for me. Mr. Steve (Steve Wolf, LPP Program Director) and Ms. Heather (Heather Niver, LPP Program Coordinator) were wonderful. Ms. Heather is like a mother to me.

When it was time to consider college LPP guided Archange through the process. “They helped me with my essay for college and helped me apply for a scholarship. I am very grateful for what they did.” Archange was thrilled to learn she earned the Data Key Communications Endowed Scholarship through OCC’s Foundation. The scholarship helps pay for her tuition, fees and housing, and is possible due to Data Key Corporation LLC’s very generous support. “I am so fortunate to live on campus and only think about school.”

Archange’s growth and excellence in the classroom was noticed by many. She was named the Central New York Region Liberty Partnership Program Student of the Year for the 2014-15 academic year. Today, she is enrolled in OCC’s Nursing program. Her goal is to become a doctor and bring much needed medical care back to Haiti. In the meantime she’s thankful to have found a home on the OCC campus. “It makes me feel great to be here. I know I’m going to make it because there are a lot of opportunities in the United States. It’s a big change from where I came from.”

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**The Cause for Paws**

The AVID classes are running a community fundraiser called, “Cause for Paws.” Their goal is to raise money to provide bullet proof vests to the K-9 Unit dogs of the Syracuse City Police Department.

100% of the profits of the T-shirts will go to purchasing the needed bullet proof vests. T-shirts are $15.00.

If you are interested in supporting the Cause for Paws, please email Ms. Jarmacz at tjarmacz@scesd.us with your size and to make arrangements to pick up the T-shirt. T-shirt sizes are S, M, L, or XL. Please note there are only a few XL T-shirts available.

Henninger students can purchase T-shirts during lunch. Reserve yours today and help support a great cause.
Henninger football and soccer are both exciting games to watch. But did you know that both American football and soccer (association football) originated from the sport of “football?”

Both American football and association football may not resemble each other today, but both originated from a game that involved men running around a field with a round ball.

American football grew through competition between colleges. As more colleges collaborated to play the sport, the rules developed more into what we recognize today.

The most popular sport in the United States may be American football, but the most popular sport in the world is soccer.

The varsity soccer game pictured left was played against Auburn. The Henninger players dominated the field scoring four goals in the first half and two goals in the second half. The final score was 6-0.

The varsity football game pictured below was played against Fayetteville-Manlius. Just before the end of the first half, the game was tied at 14. The young Henninger team came within one touchdown of winning the game. The final score was 27-21.
The senior Government students will be selling Save Around Syracuse 2016 coupon books until October 23rd.

The books are $20 and will go to supporting student efforts to pay for the trip to Washington D.C. in May.

Anyone who would like to help support the students by purchasing a book, can contact Mr. Grefer at JGrefer@sced.us or by calling 315-435-4343.

Washington D. C. Bound