



DISCOVERY
CHARTER SCHOOL

News from the School

- **Winter Concert :** The winter concert will take place on December 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the Portage High School West Auditorium. Miss Mueller would like all students there by 5:00 p.m. for a quick dress rehearsal. Due to limitations from the venue, this is the only opportunity for the students to rehearse the finale collectively on stage. Refreshments and an opportunity for mingling will be available in the lobby. The doors will open for seating at 5:30 p.m. Due to the tight timeline between a 3:30 dismissal and 5:00 requested arrival time at Portage High School, we are offering the following options to assist everyone:

Early dismissals WILL be excused on this day. therefore if you have the flexibility and need to pick your students up early in order to prepare for the evening, you may do so.

The building will be available to use at/after dismissal to change clothing and prepare for the program.

- **Winter Break:** The winter break begins Thursday, December 22nd and ends Wednesday, January 4th. School will resume on Thursday, January 5th. Happy Holidays!

Discovery students recently participated in the Elk's Hoop Shoot finals at Valparaiso High School on Monday 12/12. The winners from all the Valpo grade schools, Wanatah school, Boys & Girls Clubs (Valpo & South Haven) and Discovery participated. This was open to all boys & girls between the ages of 8-13. There were three boys and three girl's categories....8-9, 10-11 and 12-13.

Discovery School should be commended for its strong participation and presence as out of 6 Gold medal winners at the event, three were from Discovery! Hailee Ellenwood won in the girls 10-11 year old category. Caleb Shaw won in the boys 8-9 year old category, and Isaiah Shaw won in the boys 10-11 year old category. All three are now eligible to move on to the District round which will be January 14 in Munster. If they win there, they will go to State, then Regionals and finally to the Basketball Hall of Fame in Massachusetts for the finals. If they win there, they will have their names inscribed on a plaque which will hang in the Hall of Fame. All expenses, including transportation and meals for the kids and their parents/guardians after the District event will be paid for by the Elk's.

Pictured to the Right: Isaiah Shaw, winner of the boy's 10-11 category.

Dear Discovery students and families:

I want to thank all of you for your generous food donations during our **Thanksgiving Day Food Drive**. I know our donations assisted a lot of families through the *Westchester Food Pantry*. The *Westchester Food Pantry* serves families in four local communities and is located in the *Duneland Resale Shop*. I would like to thank **PAC** and **The Arulandu Family** for their kind donation in order to purchase fourteen turkeys. I would also like to thank those of you who adopted "**Angel Tree**" kids on behalf of the *Salvation Army of Porter County*.

Sincerely,

Diane Medley, MSW
Student Service Specialist

We have a Discovery family in the Porter area in need of a nanny. If you are a child care provider or know of someone who may be interested in a nanny position, please contact the Discovery Office at 219.983.9800.

