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Board approves \$32,000 interactive learning board to increase learning, activity at John Greer

A new interactive system will allow John Greer students to combine learning and activity.

Hoopeston Area Board approved spending \$32,000 of the third round of ESSER money on a Lü Interactive Learning Board.

ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) funds are being given to school districts across the county to help offset losses caused by Covid. This is the third round of ESSER school funding.

The system includes a laser projector, movement detection camera, multicolored LED lighting system, speakers, microphone headset and internal computer with device mirroring capacity.

Applications allow the system to provide everything PE class activities to games requiring movement to select an answer during a science class, according to information from the Quebec, Canada-based company.

The board approved other purchases from ESSER III funds, including:

- \$39,925 quoted by Frontier to expand the number of telephones in the district.
- \$24,6528 for flexible student desks from Lakeshore Learning.
- \$45,000 to purchase 250 ALEKS program licenses. ALEKS is an artificially intelligent learning and assessment system used for math, chemistry, statistics and accounting.



A sample of a Lü interactive learning board purchased for John Greer Grade School.

Lü photo

In other purchases, the board approved \$20,089.19 for a Dell storage system for the district's computer servers.

The board is also seeking proposals for classroom and cafeteria furniture exceeding \$25,000; a 71-passenger bus exceeding \$25,000; and design and specification creation for restroom upgrades at Maple and John Greer and air conditioning installation in the high school band room and cafeteria.

Band and cheer participants will be going on the road this year, after the board approved the high school cheer team going to the IHSA sectional competition in Lockport on January 29. The band will be gone December 26-30 to participate in the Liberty Bowl in Memphis, Tenn.

In personnel action, the board hired Courtney Nicholls as HAMS secretary, effective January 11; hired Alisa Young as HAMS technology coach, effective January 3; transferred Karen Smith from HAMS secretary to teacher's aide, effective December 14.

Resignations from Mary Morgan, Maple personal aide, and second grade teacher Jacy Rush were approved, as were the retirements of Pamela Patterson and HAHS aide and Jane Long, Maple aide, effective at the end of the year.

Three volunteers were approved, pending background checks: Natosha Menschel for the mentoring program, Ashley Powell for high school cheer and Nate Allison for soccer.

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Friday:	Cod and Rib eye steak dinners
Saturday:	Prime Rib and Rib eye steak dinners

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Obituaries

ALLISON - Donald Victor Allison, 71, passed away at 3:59 p.m. Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at his home in Rossville after a long and valiant battle with COPD. His son, grandson and Tabitha were with him when he died.

Don is survived by his son Jerome (Tabitha Powell), his daughter Alisha Allison, and his grandson Damon Allison, all of Rossville. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Debbie, who died on March 24, 2008.



DONALD ALLISON

Don was born on November 10, 1950, in Danville, the only child of Robert and Barbara (Swartz) Allison. He grew up in Rossville and went to school with the same group of friends for all 12 grades. He had a wonderful sense of humor and was widely liked, and often said that growing up in Rossville during the 1950s and 1960s was "like growing up in Mayberry but a lot more fun". After graduating from High School in 1968, he attended Sam's Technical Institute in Indianapolis and graduated with a certificate in electronics. He returned to Rossville and after working at FMC for a few years he joined Tyco International (Symplex Time Re-

cording) where he worked for 27½ years. He retired from Tyco in 2005 and had a great time during retirement playing his guitar, riding his motorcycle, and "doing anything I want every day."

He married Debra Lynn "Debbie" Maxwell on June 5, 1971, at Mann's Chapel. They lived in Rossville their entire married life and raised their children there. Don loved playing music, collecting vintage musical equipment, talking music with other musicians, and played in bands his whole life. He was also exceptionally mechan-

From the Blotter

Devan M. Turner, 26, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a traffic stop at 4:19 p.m. Thursday in the 400 block of West Chestnut. Wanted on a warrant from Yavapai County in Prescott Valley, Ariz., he was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await extradition.

Michelle Coffey, 45, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 9:31 p.m. Thursday, after officers on patrol stopped to investigate a possible domestic situation. A computer check showed Coffey was wanted on an Iroquois County warrant. An Iroquois County deputy took her to the Iroquois County Jail in lieu of bond.

Robert L. Enlow, 52, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 3:50 p.m. Saturday in the 500 block of North Seventh Ave. Wanted on warrants from Vermilion and Champaign counties, he was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville by a Vermilion County deputy.

Lunch Menus

Hoopeston Area grade school menus

MONDAY: Hotdog/bun, fries, cucumber slices, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Pizza rolls, salad, baby carrots, peaches, milk

WEDNESDAY: Chicken pot pie, biscuit, celery sticks, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Taco, chips & salsa, baby carrots, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, baked beans, baby carrots, pears, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle School menus

MONDAY: Chicken patty, veggies, corn, applesauce, milk

TUESDAY: Pork & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple, milk

WEDNESDAY: Taco Max Snax, refried beans,

chips & salsa, veggies, pears, milk

THURSDAY: Mini corndog, baked beans, veggies, peaches, milk

FRIDAY: Pizza, veggies, mixed fruit, Veggie Juice, milk

Hoopeston Area High School menus

MONDAY: Chicken patty or hot ham & cheese, salad bar, corn, applesauce, milk, juice

TUESDAY: Pork & gravy or Hot Pocket, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad bar, pineapple, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Taco Max Snax or pork BBQ, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad bar, pears, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Mini corndog or cheeseburger, baked beans, salad bar, peaches, milk, juice

FRIDAY: Pizza or fish sandwich, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice

ical and loved creating things with his hands. He made a motorbike at 14 when he mounted a lawnmower motor on a bicycle, then moved up to a Suzuki motorcycle at 15, then moved up to a Triumph at 18, and always had a motorcycle the rest of his life. He was a remarkably talented and good-hearted man and will be missed by everyone who knew and loved him.

Graveside services will be held at 12 p.m. Friday, January 28, 2022, at Rossville Cemetery, in Rossville, with Pastor Jackson Morgan officiating. Memorials may be made to the family.

The family has entrusted the Blurton Funeral Home, in Hoopeston, to assist them in honoring Donald's life. Condolences may be shared with the family on his everlasting memorial page at: www.BlurtonFuneralHomes.com.

BELL - Della D. Bell, 56, of Hoopeston, died at 2:20 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, 2022, at Carle Foundation Hospi-

tal, Urbana. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

PRASSE - Earl W. Prasse, 91, of Wellington, died Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2022, at Iroquois Memorial Hospital, Watseka. Visitation was 11 a.m. until the noon funeral Sunday at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Danville. Burial was in Amity Cemetery near Goodwine, with military rites by Hoopeston American Legion Post #384. Memorials are suggested to donor's choice. Knapp Funeral Home, Milford, is handling arrangements. Condolences may be left at www.knappfuneralhomes.com.

Weather

Snow/rain today. High 34. Tonight, clearing. Low 8. Tomorrow, sunny. High 17, low -2.

For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather/.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 is accepting applications for summer cleaning crew. Applications may be picked up at the District Office and dropped off no later than February 18, 2022.

City of Hoopeston is accepting applications for swimming pool assistant manager and lifeguards. Application and job description are available at www.cityofhoopeston.com or at Hoopeston City Hall, 301 W. Main St.

Silver Brothers is looking for part-time mixer drivers. Hours will vary. Must have Class B CDL, pass a drug test, be able to climb a ladder, and lift 75 lbs. Pay will be \$20/hour to an experienced driver. Perfect opportunity for a retired person wanting some extra money. Stop by 105 E. Washington, Hoopeston for application.

KSí is looking for qualified candidates for the seasonal position of Production Associate in our Cissna Park facility. This position is primarily responsible for mechanical assembly of conveyors and final units. Potential candidates should possess a beginner level of mechanical skills and have a strong work ethic. Position would be M-F workweeks up to 45 hours per week. Majority of work would be in heated shop for cold winter months. Fill out an application from our website, www.ksiedge.com, send inquiries to hr@ksiedge.com, or call 785-284-0600 ext. 1422. Applications may also be picked up at our location: 454 N State Route 49, Cissna Park, IL 60924.

Teasdale Latin Foods is hiring for a new temporary position. Competitive pay, 5-6 hrs./day, five days a week. Great for retirees, college students or someone laid off looking to work part

time. Apply in person or online: <https://teasdale-latin-foods.breezy.hr/>

Full-Fill Industries in Henning is HIRING! Apply at www.full-fill.com/employmentopportunities Applications available onsite. EOE

HA CUSD #11 is accepting applications for a part time computer technician assistant. Duties include providing desktop support, assisting with infrastructure and A/V projects. <https://phl.applitrack.com/roe54/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Technology>

East Lynn Fertilizer is seeking a full time applicator. Call 217-375-4225 or stop by 41284 S Main St., East Lynn, IL for more details.

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