



## It's official: GRB has a new school logo

By Kaitlin Lauber

After years of questions and months of meetings, G. Ray Bodley High School finally has a new mascot. But typical of a process that has gone on for many years, it was not without opposition. The meeting at the Fulton City School District's Board of Education last Tuesday night featured mixed opinions on the new logo, when a community member voiced his concerns about consulting the Onondoga Nations on the decision. Moments later, the new "Red Raider" logo was approved unanimously by the board.

The new logo, which was created by GRB English teacher Mr. Lescarbeau and FCSD art teacher Mr. Jered, both Bodley grads, features Chief Hiawatha with six arrows in one hand. The arrows are meant to represent the six tribes of the Iroquo nation, and the six schools in the Fulton City School District, as do the trees

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surrounding the lake.

In the other hand, he holds a tomahawk in the defensive position, to suggest that he defends our pride. He is standing tall in Lake Neahtahwanta, to suggest support and stability. Hiawatha's face shows wisdom and experience, as it has no exact age. Additionally a new Fulton "F" symbol adorned with feathers is part of the logo, replacing the "Block F" with stars that stood as the school's unofficial logo over the past few years.

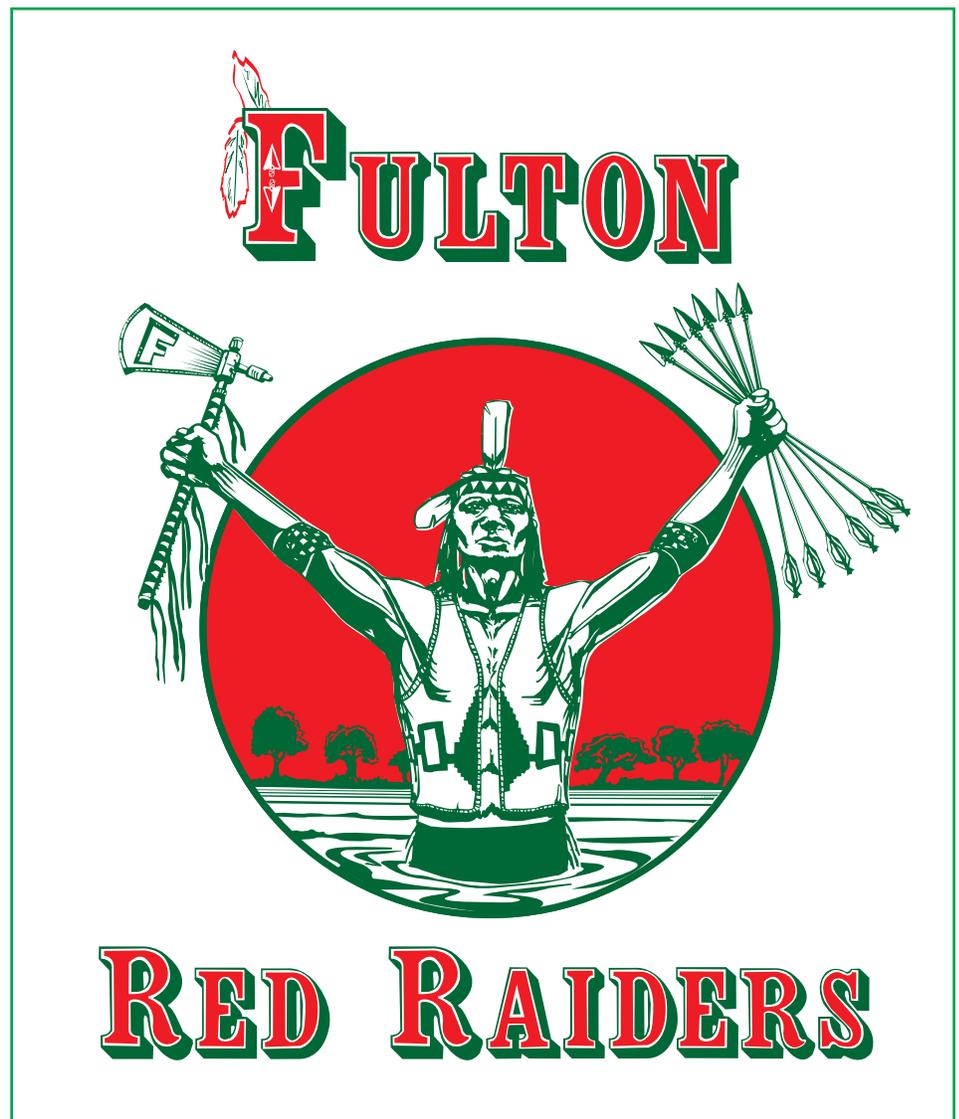
To celebrate the adoption of the new logo, *RaiderNet Daily* has replaced the former "Block F" with the new logo on its masthead. "The authenticity really helps convey a sense of how much we recognize, and honor the rich

history associated with the Fulton community," stated GRB Principal Mr. Buchanan. With this new design, the school district can copyright the logo, making it an original symbol for Fulton.

The response in the high school has been overwhelming with Raider pride. "I really think there's more pride in the school," stated senior Patty Morrison," because when we were the

Fulton F's we didn't have something to rally behind and stand for."

Could this possibly be the end of the battle over the Red Raider? Many may think so, because plans for t-shirts with the new Raider logo are in the works. Only time will tell just how permanent this fix is, but for the time being we are still the Fulton Raiders.



The long-standing debate about the high school mascot and logo was resolved on Thursday night when the Fulton City School District approved a new logo, pictured above. GRB graduates and current district employees Rob Lescarbeau and Ben Jered helped create the new logo.

## Opinion

## Welcome to the GRB senior "corral"

By Brenna Merry

For years a constant request of the senior class is for their own lounge. This year's seniors were eager at the first assembly last Monday when they thought that their suggestions were finally being put in to action. However, it seems they thought wrong.

"..we are finally creating a senior lounge, a place where you can go, listen to ipods and watch tv," stated principal Mr. Buchanan at Monday's senior assembly. These words rang in the ears of the senior class as a refreshing sound of new freedom. However, this ring rapidly turned into a loud crash the next day as third bell approached. When seniors went up to their seminars they were informed that their "lounge" was really a mandatory corralling into the cafeteria. The over two hundred students of the senior class were obligated to shove themselves into this one area.

As seniors make their way to the cafeteria they view a zoo like state. Upon entry, students need to wait in a nearly five-minute or longer line in order to sign in with the appropriate teacher. They then have only twenty minutes to find a seat and try to drown out the noise and focus on their work. There is a "quiet room" in room 106 for those whose main priority is work. But, most people would prefer not to sit in a room by themselves with no other students to help them. Advisory was originally created so that students had a small support group to ask for help on work. Not only was that changed when students no longer were with their original advisory, but it is now total disorder.

Although advisory was often thought to be a joke, senior year is the year when students need to be with a teacher they are close to in order to discuss college plans, scholarships and how to get going. It is true that this has been taken into consideration and counselors will visit and talk to the "Senior Lounge" about these topics. However, it is evident that listening to one-person talk surrounded by two hundred teenagers is not an easy task.

It is also true that seniors have the option of leaving this area. However, after already waiting in the five-minute sign in line, in order to sign out they then need to wait in a new and even longer line. Freshman Advisor and Computer teacher Mrs. Ferlito said, "It's clearly a work in progress. Once VIP passes get up and running something should be added to those privileges so that the seniors don't need to check in at the lounge."

Senior Angelina Lewchanin noted, "When Mr. Buchanan told us about



this he made it sound like an option. We could either stay in our advisory and do our work or go to the lounge. I'm bummed to learn that I have no choice." Senior Kirsten Francis added, "This doesn't seem like a privilege, it seems like a punishment."

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The halls and classrooms are humming with comments about the new method. Math teacher, Mrs. Ryan questioned, "How do you guys feel about being herded into the cafeteria?" This was the first time students were asked their opinions on an action that was intended to be a reward for them. Senior Morgan Stafford noted, "He had good intentions." Which is duly noted and thanked, however, it should be seen that this is not what the students want and some changes need to be made.

Seniors were given a minor sense of seniority and privilege that made them feel like their years of hard work had been rewarded. This feeling was rapidly diminished on sight of their "reward." "No vale la pena en el Senior Lounge," said Spanish teacher Ms. Westerbeck when teaching students the expression, "I don't see the point."

### Quote of the day:

"The right way is not always the popular and easy way. Standing for right when it is unpopular is a true test of moral character."

Margaret Chase Smith

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## ES-M pins tough loss on Raider football

By Max Fobes

Friday night's Class A National Division opener proved to be an all out war against the visiting Spartans. A true battle of four quarters, the East Syracuse-Minoa Spartans held strong to clinch the victory, 23-20 over the Raiders.

Junior fullback Bryan Benton filled big shoes for Fulton in carrying the team with 115 yards on 15 attempts. Teamed up with Benton and leading the team was senior quarterback and captain Brett Williams. Williams finished the night with an impressive 147 yards on ten carries as well as passing 6-13 through the air. Also noted was senior running back Donald "Bubba" Watson with 50 yards, breaking the goal-line to give the Raiders one of three scores.

At the head of the Spartan attack was junior quarterback Tyler Johnson who finished with 164 yards passing and 14 yards rushing including two touchdown runs. Behind Johnson was Raider slayer Jordan Barton as he rushed for a total of 126 yards, while punching in the last



Senior quarterback Brett Williams rushed for 147 yards on 10 carries, including a 49 yard touchdown scamper, in Friday's heartbreaking 23-20 loss to visiting East Syracuse-Minoa. (file photo)

touchdown in the fourth to put ES-M ahead of Fulton by three.

The teams traded scoring drives throughout the hotly contested match-up as ES-M scored first on Johnson's two yard run, only to have Fulton answer on a nine yard scamper from Benton for a 7-6 first quarter edge. Jeff McDuffie's 33 yard field goal produced the only points of the second period for the Spartans, and held up as the deciding tally when all was said and done.

A 13 yard Williams to Max Fobes connection put the Raiders back on top 13-9 heading into the final stanza, but the lead was short lived when ES-M's Johnson plowed across from one yard away to make it 16-13 Spartans. Williams answered with a 49 yard touchdown run and it

was 20-16 Fulton, only to have Barton provide the winning points from one yard away late in the game.

With the loss Fulton's overall record fell to 0-3. After losing by great margins in the season opener to Indian River followed by a state ranked Whitesboro club, this loss may have been the worst yet.

Coaches Craig Halladay and Jeff Rothrock agreed it was a hard fought battle and the Raiders stepped it up and worked hard to battle the Spartans. "We can't be pleased," said Halladay, "but it is a step in the right direction."

The Raiders are back in action on Friday when they travel to Mexico to take on the division rival Tigers, with the kickoff at 5:30 pm.

## Raider booters post 3-3-1 start

By Colin Shannon

The Fulton varsity boys' soccer team is 3-3-1 through its first seven contests. The team is led by captains Corey Crook, Tyler Crandell, and Zach Howell. Having a rollercoaster season thus far, Raider soccer is currently on a high after defeating Bishop-Ludden 4-1 on Saturday. Contributing offensively were seniors Nate Parsons and Zach Howell, as well as juniors Ross Maxam and Joe Sutton. Recording assists were junior Eric Naioti with two, and Mark Henning with one. In goal for the Raiders, Tyler French posted 7 saves as the boys cruised to a victory.

A September 16 contest against Jamesville-Dewitt was a slightly different story as the Raiders couldn't find the back of the net, and lost the match by a score of 2-0. French recorded 12 saves in the effort.

Two days previous to the loss against J-D, the Raiders found themselves in Burnett Park, playing Fowler to a 1-1 draw. Scoring in the contest for the Raiders was Corey Crook, assisted by Tyler Crandell. French contributed defensively again, with a 10 save performance.

The Raiders defeated the Mexico Tigers by a score of 4-0 on September 11, with some new faces contributing to the victory. Scoring for the Raiders were Howell with two goals and two assists, Henning with a goal, and junior Ryan Knopp netted a goal as well. Colin Shannon and Naioti also recorded assists, as goalkeeper Brandon Sherman recorded 5 saves, posting the first shutout by a Fulton goalie of the season. Zach Howell earned the Oswego

Pall Times Player of the Week honors for his effort in the contest.

A low point in the season came in the third game played, a contest against Christian Brothers Academy on September 9, in which the Raiders were defeated by a score of 2-0 and were unable to tickle the twine despite outshooting the Brothers.

The new turf field was christened with a victory on September 4, with a win against Faith Heritage. The Raiders came out slow, giving up a 1-0 lead that held until late into the second half, when the wheels started turning. A major offensive contributor on the field was Crandell, who scored on a corner kick, a feat seldom accomplished in soccer. Mere minutes later, the captain also played a ball to Sutton, who put it away to give the Raiders the 2-1 triumph. French posted 2 saves in the effort. This feat marked the first victory on the long awaited field, a strong point of pride among the boys.

The season opened on September 3, with a game at East Syracuse-Minoa. The boys could not find the handle on the ball, and were unable to put any in the net, despite numerous solid opportunities. Falling 1-0 to the Spartans, the Raiders opened the season with a sour taste. French recorded 10 saves in the game.

Truly an up and down season to this point, the boys will hope to improve their record on Tuesday as the Raiders travel to Chittenango to take on the Bears. The next home game for Fulton boys varsity soccer is on Thursday as Cortland comes into town for a 4:30 kickoff.

**School of Thought** compiled by **Patty Morrison & Christine Proud**

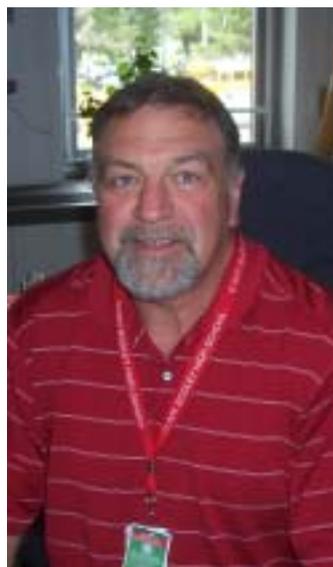
## *Who is your favorite super hero?*



"Spider Man."  
**Jamie Ellen**



"Superman."  
**Morgan Cooper**



"Wolverine, because he's cool."  
**Mr. Gillard**



"Wonder Woman."  
**Laura Perwitz**

### **Morning announcements for Monday, September 20**

Fall driver education signups are now taking place in the guidance office. Stop down to pick up the registration forms. You must be 16 years old by October 4th to take drivers ed this fall. Registration forms are due on or before Wednesday, September 22nd.

The Junior Class will meet today after school to discuss prom and anything else. All juniors are welcome to meet in Mr. Lacey's room 114.

The ski and snowboard club will hold its first meeting today after school in room 119 to discuss officers, costs, and options for the 2011 ski season.

HOPE Club will hold its first meeting today after school in room 221. Come join the club that helps others.

It's Powderpuff football time between the Class of 2011 and the junior class. It's time to put together a formidable team that will prove once and for all whose class is superior. Sign up in your advisory all this week. Go junior class!

Come join the photo club for its first meeting on Thursday at 2:30 in room 120. Bring your best shots.

Buying lunch today? You'll have a choice between tacos with fixings, turkey and cheese sub, or smuckers PBJ.

### *Meteorology and you*

*by Carson Metcalf*

**Today:** Partly cloudy. High in the mid-60s.

**Tonight:** Clear skies. Low in the low 40s.

**Tomorrow:** Sun and clouds. High in the mid-70s.

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