Carlisle Local School District

Winter 2018



Carlisle Local Schools Celebrate Official Groundbreaking

By Larry Hook Superintendent

October 23, 2018 will mark a historic day for Carlisle Local Schools. The entire school, guests,



and community members were invited to attend the official ground-breaking ceremony on the site of our new PK-12 school building. It was a glorious day and the mood was very festive.

Over 9 years ago, Carlisle Local Schools began the process of com-

munity engagement about what to do with our aging school buildings and what our future would look like. There were countless meetings with stakeholders across the district attempting to answer the question of how to address our facilities needs and what new facilities might mean or even look like in Carlisle.

Many ideas were shared, discussed and analyzed, but eventually one idea began to emerge as the most logical and cost effective solution for our school district and community. Finally, on May 2nd, 2017, due to the tremendous efforts of so many people throughout the school, community, alumni, and business leaders, the citizens within Carlisle Local School District spoke with a resounding voice... THE TIME IS NOW. It is time to build a new future, with a new building, that will serve all of our children for generations to come. Since that day, a year and a half ago, an army of community mem-

bers, architects, engineers, construction experts and other professionals have worked untold hours planning to get us to this point in our history.

The symbolic "groundbreaking" ceremony marks the beginning of the physical transformation of our school district. This ceremony involves using special shovels to "turn over" a scoop of dirt. Many participated in this ceremony and many represented entire groups or organizations.

Participants included from the Carlisle Board of Education, Tammy Lainhart, Bill Jewell, Bryan Dunkman, Mollie McIntosh and Dale Moore. Nathan Jones representing the Ohio School Facilities Commission was present. Members representing our community and businesses included Courtney Steckel, Jim Gross, Amanda Long, Eddie Crowe,



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Mike Ledford, Allyson Couch, Tiffanie Burney, Janelle Dobbins, Phil Wilcher, James Rutherford and Bob Cheney. Representing the Village of Carlisle was Mayor Randy Winkler, Council members, William Bicknell, Tim Humphries, Nicolas Lamb, Brad McIntosh, Barb Tankersly and Village Manager, Julie Duffy. Representatives from Franklin Township were Trustee Brian Morris, along with Township Administrator, Traci Stivers and Fiscal Officer, Scot Fromeyer. We also had a special K-12 student representitives that included JC Perry, Brantley Thacker, Kaylee Laughman, Brayden Higgins, Ruby Singer, Joseph Feltner, Thomas Willis, Kalen Browne, Abby Goodard, Derek Sprandel, Max Allison, Jonathan Patla, Grace Branson. Also involved were members from the Warren County Educational Service Center, as well as Carlisle administrators and teachers representing the Instructional Leadership Team. I particularly want to send a special thank you to our State Senator, the Honorable Steve Wilson, who took time out of his busy schedule to join us and participate in this special event.

With the "groundbreaking" behind us, you will notice construction fencing going up. As exciting as it is, I want to remind everyone to be safe AND patient as we deal with some of the headaches associated with construction. Just remember how wonderful this will be in a couple short years.



Carlisle 4th Grade Athlete Participates in 2018 Reds Baseball Camp Skills Champions Day

Information taken from press release by the Cincinnati Reds organization

Kale Smith, a 4th grader at Grigsby Intermediate in Carlisle, OH recently competed in the 2018 Cincinnati Reds Baseball Skills Champions Day at Great American Ball Park. On Sunday, September 30, Kale competed against other top scorers in the 3rd and 4th grade age bracket where he finished 6th overall.

Nearly 1,000 boys and girls ages 6 to 14 participated in the 2018 season of the Cincinnati Reds Baseball and Softball Camps. During camp, each player competed in a skills competition consisting of batting, fielding, throwing and running skills. At the conclusion of the summer, the top 10 finishers in each age category competed at Champions Day at Great American Ball Park.

Kale qualified for Champions Day when he attended Reds Camp at Miamisburg High School in July. "Kale is a good athlete and a terrific young man who really performed well under the pressure of being on the field at Great American Ball Park," commented Tim Rappe, Reds Camp executive director.



Chamberlain Middle School Student Gains Knowledge at Air Camp



Submitted by CMS

Over the summer, Chamberlain Middle School student Samantha Hatton had the honor of attending Air Camp with 44 other students from around the nation.

During her week at Air Camp, she explored aviation, worked on problem solving activities, met medics from the Air Force, toured different flight facilities in the area, and was trained in CPR and emergency care. The highlight of Samantha's week was co-piloting a plane that she flew directly over her house.

Her week at Air Camp inspired Samantha to continue to explore aviation and the Air Force. She would like to thank the Callahan family for sending her on this adventure.

Exciting Times at Chamberlain Middle School

By Dan Turner Chamberlain Middle School Principal

WOW! What a start of the school year! We have so many new faces, new programs, and new ideas going



on at Chamberlain Middle Sschool. As we end our first quarter, we have many community members and faculty members that have had a big influence to our great start. We want to thank everyone that participated in our Making Middle Grades Work (MMGW) Site Visit. This process was an opportunity for the staff and administration of Chamberlain Middle School to share the progress of our school and to share our plans to improve in the future. It was an opportunity for the visiting team to give us an outside perspective that enables us to implement changes as needed and to strengthen the things that we do well. The goal of the Site Review Process was to identify where Chamberlain Middle School currently stands in our initial implementation of the MMGW model and to make recommendations that will lead to progress on the ten key practices of MMGW in the next couple of years. What a great experience!

Sixth grade campers had a successful trip to Camp Kern. CMS took 102 6th graders this year which is an

all-time high! Students that participated in the PTO fundraiser could use a percentage of their profits to help pay for 6th grade Camp. Students participated in games and activities that were based around state standards in various subjects. Students had fun while they learned!

Our 8th graders head to Washington D.C, November 14-17, to learn more about our country's history. With the help of Classic Student Tours, our students will get to visit Mt. Vernon, the home of George Washington, and a battlefield tour of Gettysburg. They will get to view the Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Martin Luther King and Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorials. Students will also go through the Holocaust and Smithsonian Museums,



and get to take pictures of the White House. A highlight of the trip is experiencing the Changing of the Guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery. Students will get to watch the ceremony, and four of our own 8th graders will get to place a wreath at the site. The students will be chosen by writing an essay on why they should represent our school on this special ceremony. Students will see a few other sites as well, including the Newseum, Embassy Row, and the Washington National Cathedral.

CARLISLE ACADEMIC PRIDE

Ryland Scott was one of only 50 students between Butler and Warren counties to be named a National Merit Semifinalist in September.

Scott's achievement was earned based on his score from the Preliminary SAT test he took during his junior year of high school.

According to a Journal-News report, approximately jus 1% of over 1-1/2 millions students who take the exam are given the recognition of semifinalist. Congratulations, Ryland!

https://www.journal-news.com/news/local-education/butler-warren-students-crack-top-percent-national-test/qEzpnk2KVBUOlRsdft9mBN/



Alden Brown Elementary Welcomes New Preschool Teacher Jayme McQueen

By Mike Milner Alden Brown Elementary Principal

We would like to recognize a new addition to the Alden Brown Elementary teaching staff, Mrs. Jayme



McQueen. She is in her first year teaching at Alden Brown Elementary. Mrs. McQueen is a Pre-School teacher, meeting with students on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings. Here's some information to help you get know Mrs. McQueen.

She comes from the small town of New Lebanon, Ohio. She has lived there her entire life, and grad-

uated from Dixie High School in 2006. She has been married to her husband for 9 years, and his name is Zachary. Together, they have three amazing children, Emma-8, Aria-6, and Noah-3.

Mrs. McQueen is in her fifth year of teaching. She was a Title 1 teacher with New Lebanon Local Schools for three years, and then worked as a long-term substitute in the West Carrollton School District last school year. She received her Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Wright State University in 2010, and is currently in the process of obtaining her Intervention Specialist License from Ohio Dominican University.

Some of Mrs. McQueen's favorite things to do include hiking with her family, watching her older two children in their sporting clubs/dance, and watching Ohio State Football.

I encourage parents and other community members to say "Hello" to Mrs. McQueen if they get a chance – She has been a great addition to the outstanding teaching staff at Alden Brown Elementary!



Fun Programs Planned at Grigsby Intermediate

By Jennifer Dearwester Grigsby Intermediate Principal

Grigsby Intermediate School has been very busy

during the first quarter of the 2018-2019 school year, and the momentum is continuing into the second quarter!

Every day at Grigsby Intermediate we are working hard to make sure all students are aware of the dangers and consequences of bullying. Every Thursday, for the entire school year, our building will



be going BLUE in support of the Anti-Bullying initiative! All students and staff are encouraged to wear blue every Thursday.

Starting with the 2018-2019 school year, we have implemented several new and returning incentive programs and awards for our students. Each month one boy and one girl will be chosen from each grade level to be our Student of the Month and they will each receive a \$5.00 Dairy Queen gift card! We have also started new student incentives for perfect attendance, grades, and great behavior!

Our annual Thanksgiving luncheon will be November 15. Information will be coming home with students for each event soon, but please also check our school website and calendar for important dates and information on these events and for all upcoming events as well. Over the next few weeks you will receive information regarding Santa Shop, the third grade music concert and COSI On Wheels. I encourage all parents to please look through your child's book bag on a daily basis for any information sent home from the school.

We hope everyone will be able to enjoy the upcoming Holiday Season and hopefully spend quality time with family and friends. Please note our fall break is November 19-23 and our winter break is December 24-January 4.

Please contact me at by phone at 937-746-8969, or email at Jennifer.Dearwester@carlisleindians.org, if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Alarming Increase in Nicotine Devices at CHS

By Brad Potter Carlisle High School Principal

At Carlisle High School, and other schools in the county, administrators are seeing an alarming in-



crease of students who smoke, use or possess an e-cigarette, more commonly known as a "vape." The use of e-cigarettes, vaping, or vaping devices is against the law for anyone under the age of 18, and it is not allowed on school grounds or at school-related events.

While most e-cigarette devices are bulky and produce a noticeable aerosol, some are hard to identify. The most popular device among students is called JUULs. JUULs are small and sleek, with a look that is similar to a USB flash drive. JUULs also produce a very faint aerosol, making them much easier to conceal than other vaping devices.

Our first and foremost concern is student health and safety. Many students who are using these devices think vaping is safe. Unfortunately, nearly 99% of vapes will contain some level of nicotine. JUUL's, in particular, are known to contain high concentrations of nicotine, with one pod equating to the nicotine strength of an entire pack of cigarettes.

Nicotine is a highly addictive drug and research shows it has very harmful effects on the developing adolescent brain. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), "nicotine exposure during periods of significant brain development can disrupt the growth of brain circuits that control attention, learning, and susceptibility to addiction. The brain is the last organ in the human body to fully mature, which continues to develop up to age 25. Perhaps the most surprising statistic is that 30% of regular vape using teens start smoking combustible tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos and hookahs within 6 months of using ecigarettes."

Please be on the lookout for these items in your home or with your child. It is an automatic suspension when violating this BOE policy. Thank you for taking the time to discuss the dangers of vaping with your child(ren).

If you have any questions or concerns, please do

not hesitate to contact me at 937-746-4481.

For more information, please visit the following websites:

www.cdc.gove/features/ecigarettes-young-people/index.html

https://e-cigarettes.surgeongeneral.gov

https://truthinitiative.org/topics/tobacco-products/ecigarettes



EVENT HAPPENING AT CARLISLE HIGH SCHOOL

~ November, December and January~

Nov. 15 - Jostens Ring Delivery Day;
Blood Drive;

Parent Teacher Conferences 3pm - 7:30pm

Nov. 16 - Teacher In-Service/Waiver Day, No School

Nov. 19-23 - Fall Break

Dec. 1 - CHS Choir Christmas Fundraiser, 6pm CHS Commons

Dec. 3-14 - EOC Re-Take

Dec. 15 - Jostens Graduation Order Deadline

Dec. 24-Jan. 4 - Winter Break (*Return Jan. 7, 2019*)

CMS Students Remember 9-11

By Dan Turner Chamberlain Middle School Principal

NEVER FORGET! Every year at Chamberlain Middle School, I give a short overview of some of the events that unfortunately took place on 9-11, and then allow for a moment of silence to honor those who lost

their lives that day.

In Mr. Brian Sprandel's 7th grade social studies class, he teaches the students about the historical events of the day but also goes into depth about how the nation has changed and grown. He spends a great deal of time talking about how this tragic day has turned into a day of Remembrance and Service.

Mr. Sprandel has his students draw and design posters for both the police and fire departments of Carlisle. Mrs. Carry Branson had the CMS Student Council write thank you cards for the officers, and brought in cookies, as well.

Two of Carlisle's police officers were able to come in during lunch to receive the posters, cards and cookies from the students.



Catapult Science Fun

Submitted by Ben Schooler, Science Teacher

On October 18, senior physics students finished up their studies over projectile motion. As a final engineering project for the subject, the students were required to design (from scratch) and build a catapult which could accurately hit a target from either 5 meters or 7 meters away. Using knowledge from the chapter, they were also able to calculate the average velocity their ping pong ball reached through the trials.

Pictured are Tanner Bowling (L) and Trinity Clevenger (R) making adjustments to their Physics Ping Pong Catapult to attempt the 5-meter target.



Sugar Engine Fire



Submitted by Ben Schooler, Science Teacher

Freshman science students during the school year get to experience different processes in the chemical world through Fire Friday. For this unique event on October 19, students learned about atomic structure and the kinetic theory of matter how energy is stored in different substances. The photo shows how we can take the energy stored in sugar and chlorates and release it by using concentrated sulfuric acid. The lesson was called "Sugar Engine."

NURSE NOTES: When Should Your Child Stay Home?

By Rebecca Baker, RN, MSN District School Nurse

You know the routine... your child wakes up on



a school day complaining of a headache, stomachache, or just not feeling well. Should he or she stay home from school or not?

Here is some advice form the American Academy of Pediatrics and the experts at Dayton Children's to help you decide:

KEEP YOUR CHILD HOME IF...

- They have a fever higher than 100 degrees F
- They have a rash along with the symptoms
- They are truly not well enough to participate in class
- They are showing signs they may be contagious

YOUR CHILD MAY BE CONTAGIOUS IF...

- They have diarrhea, vomiting, or fever in the past 24 hours
- They have thick mucus or pus draining from the eve
- They have a sore throat combined with fever and swollen neck glands
- They have unusual fatigue, paleness, lack of appetite, confusion, or irritability

Be sure to talk to your Pediatrician or Family Physician if you have any questions about your child's symptoms.



Food Service Reminders As School Year Gets Under Way

By Gail French Food Service Director

As we come into the colder months don't for-

get that we serve breakfast at each school and it is a great way to fuel our bodies in order to have a great start to our day.

The food service department will once again host a Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 15. We invite you to come



enjoy a great meal with your student, watch for the info to come home with your child so you can purchase your tickets. We look forward to sharing this day with you.

Just a reminder to pay your child's lunch charges and if your financial status changes throughout the year. You are always welcomed to fill out a Free and Reduced form and submit it, as we process them all year long.

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