

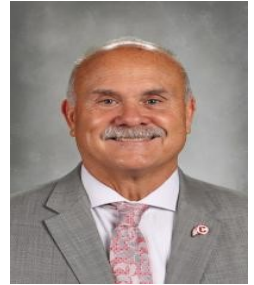
# INDIAN NATION

Carlisle Local School District

Winter 2023

## SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER . . .

By Dr. David Vail



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It is difficult to believe that the 2023 – 2024 school year is one-fourth of the way completed. It seems like we just started this year, and we are already looking at 1<sup>st</sup> quarter grades and the start of the winter sports soon. The Fall was full of wonderful achievements and accomplishments for our students and staff in all areas – academics, arts, and athletics. Our district report card came out and, while there were areas which were average and above average, we have some areas on which we need to focus and make a concerted effort to improve. The report cards were revamped so that instead of receiving a letter grade, each district and building received a number of stars based on their performance. The highest rating was 5 stars, which we received in our Graduation Rate, 97.4%. We received 4 stars in the areas of Gap Closing, which deals with subgroups, and Early Literacy, which references Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. We earned 3 stars in the area of Achievement, which reflects “student performance on state tests met established thresholds and how well students performed on tests overall.” This is acceptable by many standards but an area to which we will certainly give some attention. The areas that really need our focused attention are Progress, “the growth all students are making based on their past performances,” and “College, Career, Workforce and Military Readiness.” We will continue to work in the areas of our strengths and concentrate on our weaknesses to make improvements in all areas, especially the last two. If you have any questions about the report cards, either building or district, you can access those on the ODE website at <https://reportcard.education.ohio.gov/> or contact any district administrator.

We will soon be heading into the season of inclement weather and questionable travel conditions for our students and staff. We will do everything necessary to assure the safety of everyone traveling to school and get that message out as soon as possible, whether it is a delay or a closing. We are in contact with area and county districts during these conditions and will usually go with the majority of those districts. The announcement for these will go out through a One Call Now notification, as well as on local TV and radio stations. We understand that not everyone will agree with the decision made and as a parent, you have the right to make the decision that you feel is best for your student.

# Superintendent's Corner

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There has been a lot in the news and on social media about Artificial Intelligence and its use in schools, as well as in other areas of our lives. We are working with local agencies, the Ohio Department of Education, local legislators, and our staff, to make sure that this is used properly and according to guidelines in place for its usage. It is already covered, in general, in our Acceptable Use Policy and we will work to have more specific language coming soon. We see this as a tool to enhance the teaching and learning process, much as the calculator, computer, and Smart Board are tools to enhance instruction and student work and not to replace it. As we get more detailed about this, we will share with students and parents. At this time, teachers will be setting guidelines in their classrooms as to the extent of its use.

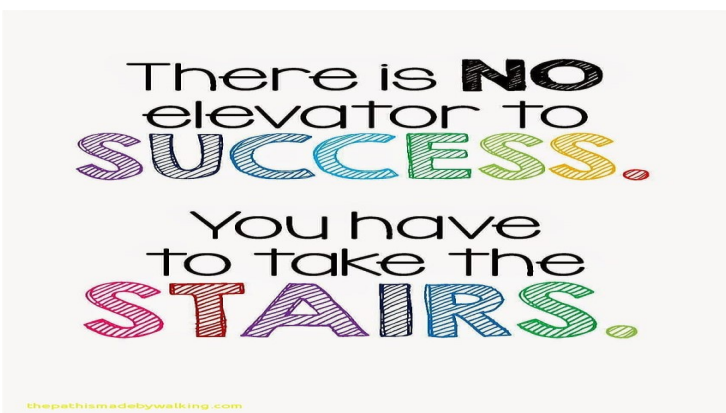
The best way to put the wheels of improvement in motion is to use the chain of command and let the process work the way it was intended. Most information is found at the most basic level, which is why it is so important for there to be such open dialogue between the students and their teachers. Depending on the age of the student or the issue at hand, the parents are urged to reach out to the teacher, should the need arise. With everything we have in place, which is a great working relationship between the school and the community, due to ongoing communication and support for one another, we can continue to make Carlisle Schools what we know that it can be – a great place to learn and grow.

Once we realize and keep in mind that we are really all on the same team and have the same goal in mind – the education and overall success of our students – it will certainly be much easier for us to work together to the realization of that goal. If you have any questions or concerns about the district in general, please do not hesitate to contact us, either by phone or email.

Dr. David S. Vail

Superintendent

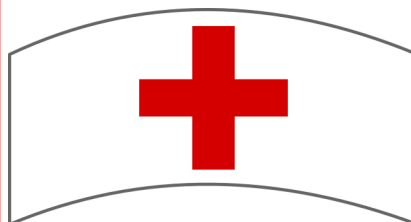
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**Be sure to check out our district website - [www.carlisleindians.org](http://www.carlisleindians.org) for updated information, such as flyers on community events, Covid-related information, and more!**

## Nurse Notes

By Rebecca Baker,  
District School Nurse



### TAKE "3" FLU PREVENTION FROM THE CDC †

#### TAKE TIME TO GET FLU VACCINE

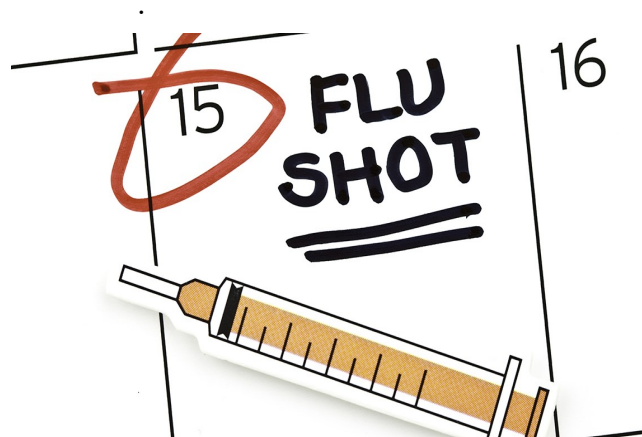
CDC recommends a yearly flu vaccine as the first and most important step in protecting against flu viruses.

There are many different flu viruses and the vaccine is designed yearly to hit a targeted strain of flu.

Flu vaccination can reduce flu illnesses, doctor's visits, missed work or school due to flu as well as prevent deaths or hospitalization.

Everyone 6 months of age or older should get a flu vaccine yearly.

Those at high risk for flu complications include young children, pregnant women, those with chronic health conditions, and people 65 years and older.



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### TAKE EVERYDAY PREVENTATIVE ACTIONS TO STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS

Try to avoid close contact with sick people

While sick, limit contact with others

If you are sick with flu like illness, CDC recommends staying home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone.

(Should be fever free for 24 hours without the use of a fever reducing medication)

Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze

Wash your hands often with soap and water. Alcohol-based hand rub is good if soap and water not available.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth

### TAKE FLU ANTIVIRAL DRUGS IF YOUR DOCTOR PRESCRIBES THEM

Antiviral drugs are different from antibiotics.

Antiviral drugs can make your illness milder and shorten duration and prevent complications.

They work best if treatment is started within 2 days of getting sick but can be started later.

Flu-like symptoms include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills, and fatigue. Occasionally vomiting and diarrhea.

Source: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

### Hearing and Vision Screening Requirements

Visual and hearing impairment can easily go undetected and can play a major role in a child's educational journey. For this reason, the Ohio Department of Health requires hearing and vision screenings for students in certain grade levels each year. These screenings were completed this fall. If your child was screened and failed the hearing or vision screening a referral letter will be mailed home in October. If you receive a referral letter from the nurses, please take the forms and make an appointment with an audiologist or optometrist as soon as possible. If you have any questions related to the screenings or need resources for a vision or hearing provider the nurses can help assist you in that process.



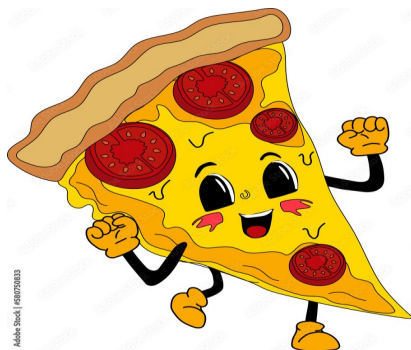
### FOOD SERVICE

~~~~~**Yay, for Pizza Day!** Did you know the pizza we serve is only available through schools? So, while it tastes as good as what you can get from the local pizzeria, it's also made with your student in mind. Domino's starts with a 51% whole grain crust, then they top it with reduced cheese and lean meats. All of the ingredients are USDA-inspected and fit within current nutrition recommendations.

We are pleased to offer Domino's Pizza every Tuesday, to help your students have great and nutritious choices for their school lunches.

**Please help us by paying your lunch charges and keeping your students' accounts up to date with funds for them to purchase the lunches that help them achieve their best!! Don't let a change in your family's finances interfere with your students receiving the lunches they need. Fill out the form that helps us in so many ways to draw down funds from Federal and State sources!! Go to Final Forms on the Carlisle Local School**

If you have any questions please contact Gail French, Food Service Director at [gail.french@carlisleindians.org](mailto:gail.french@carlisleindians.org) or 937-746-8969 ext 560.



# Carlisle High School is Focused on Creating Future Leaders and Supporting our Community!



By Andrew Huber,  
Carlisle Sr. High School Principal

Go Indians!

Andrew J. Huber

Carlisle High School students must earn 22 high school credits, show competency on their End of Course (EOC) state assessments, and earn 2 state seals in order to earn a Carlisle High School diploma. This fall our students and teachers have been working hard on their academics, athletics, performing arts, and in giving back and supporting our community. Some dates to highlight between

now and the end of this first semester:

October 19: end of the first grading period

October 20 & 23: no school

October 24: start of the second grading period

October 31: halloween

November 5: daylight savings

November 7: election day

November 11: Veterans Day

November 16: HS student blood drive

November 20 - 24 no school

December 7: HS choir concert

December 14: HS band concert

December 20 - January 2: winter holiday break

January 3: return to school

January 9-11: HS semester exams

January 12: no school

As we progress through the school year, continue to monitor your child's grades via progressbook. Every Tuesday and Thursday the high school offers study tables from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm for students with missing assignments, and every day our high school students have a 30-minute primetime period where they can work on assignments, ask teachers for help, and possibly retake select tests and quizzes. Check our website under our athletic tab for athletic contest dates and times, and contact the high school main office if you have any questions or concerns.

# Carlisle Junior High School updates...

## Carlisle Junior High News

For News and announcements please

Follow us at [www.Carlisleindians.org](http://www.Carlisleindians.org)



By Dan Turner,  
Carlisle Jr./Sr. High School Principal

The start of the year has been one of the best. Chamberlain Junior High School has had much success in the Fall. Our volleyball teams and our football teams have enjoyed great seasons, and now it's onto the winter season where basketball, wrestling, and competition cheer will be in full swing.

Our Washington DC trip is November 15th. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will depart on November 15<sup>th</sup> and return November 18<sup>th</sup>. Students will see historical landmarks and memorials throughout the trip. In December we will have our JH/ HS choir concert on December 7<sup>th</sup> and our JH/ HS Band concert December 14th. We will have more information the closer we come to the holidays.

As we get closer to winter athletics and inside events, if you are attending a junior high event, we ask everyone to park in lots 1-2-3-4 and enter through the HS/JH main entrance. All parking in lot #5 will be for pee wee practices.

We have several events coming in the next few months for our junior high students. We have a holiday theater performance on November 10,11,12 that will include a lot of our JH students. The Carlisle Cheer Classic takes place November 11, our junior competition team will be competing. We have an after-school holiday dance coming in December on 12/15 (2:30-4pm).

Finally, if your student needs any type of social or emotional services, please don't hesitate to call our offices. We have numerous support systems in place that will provide your student with the help they need. We have support services that are available any time during the day to provide you with any questions you may have.





### Carlisle Elementary School

Principals Jennifer Dearwester and Mike Milner

## **STUDENT GOES TO STATE HOUSE**

Natalie Osborne, who is a current 6th grader at Carlisle Elementary, was born with bilateral sensorial hearing loss which requires her to wear hearing aids. In Ohio hearing aids and related services are not covered under health insurance. Families are responsible for covering all expenses. On May 10, Natalie had the opportunity to testify for House Bill 152, “Madeline’s Law” at the Ohio House of Representatives Insurance Committee. If this Bill passes it would require health insurance to cover costs for childhood hearing aids.

Natalie spent the day at the State House in Columbus where she testified about her need to wear hearing aids. She shared about obstacles she has with school, sports and everyday life and how her hearing aids are a necessity for her. Natalie told the State Representatives how she wears her hearing aids “all waking hours.” She argued that childhood hearing aids, which are considered cosmetic devices by many insurance providers in Ohio, are required for safety, education and everyday life and should be provided to every child in Ohio who has hearing loss. Natalie was honored to represent the children of Ohio who wear hearing aids.

House Bill 152 is sponsored by State Representatives Bob Young (R-Green) and Casey Weinstein (D-Hudson).

This Bill would require health insurers to cover up to \$2,500 per individual hearing aid for Ohio residents under the age of 22 and it would also require coverage for related services such as hearing aid fittings and hearing exams.

“This bill is a step forward in supporting Ohio kids and families, and I am so proud that it received overwhelming bipartisan support,” Weinstein said in a statement. “I believe that every child has the right to hear, grow, and thrive, and passing Madeline’s Law sends a message that we are fighting to make that a reality in Ohio.”

“One of the biggest hurdles for Ohio families is the high cost of hearing aids. These devices can cost upwards of \$6,000, which is daunting, especially for families on a budget,” Young said in a statement. “We cannot afford to overlook the importance of hearing health in our children’s overall well-being. I hope Madeline’s Law continues to receive strong support in the Senate.”

Madeline’s Law, named after Ohio native Madeline Rohlin, would add Ohio to the list of 25 other states that require insurance providers to cover hearing aid costs for children.

House Bill 152, which passed in the House, is now awaiting further hearings in the Senate. Natalie is anticipating the opportunity to testify in the Senate.



# Wanted: All veteran's in our community

**When:** Friday, November 10th 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

**Where:** Carlisle Elementary Auditorium– Veteran's and families **MUST** park in the back of the school and enter through our cafeteria doors.

**What:** We are having a Veteran's Day Assembly to honor all of our local veterans. The Assembly will start at 9:00 a.m. and should be over by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, November 10th, 2023.

**RSVP:** Please let us know, if you are a veteran and plan on attending. You can call Sheila Baker in Central Office at 937-746-0710 ext 501. or email her at

Sheila.baker@carlisleindians.org before Thursday, November 9th, 2023

We are looking forward to honoring many veterans !

