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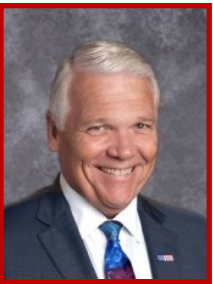
Carlisle Local School District

Fall 2018

## New School Year Will Bring Many Changes Due to Construction

By Larry Hook,  
Superintendent

With the summer of 2018 rapidly coming to a close and the new school year about to begin, it is important to



anticipate many of the changes and sometimes inconveniences that will happen as a result of the building process. The most important virtue that we all must exhibit is PATIENCE. The next two school years the whole campus will be a construction site. Different parts of the campus will be altered to provide safety for all and also

allow for heavy equipment to move around on the site. What is also important to understand is that as of August 1, we are right on schedule and on budget. The architectural firm and construction managers have been hard at work preparing for the “early site” package which will begin around Labor Day. This is when you will see construction fencing go up as well as utility work and preparation of the pad for the new building.

The new school will sit immediately behind the current high school. It will reach north and cover the current varsity softball field and south past the Alden Brown playground almost to the actual building. The first thing that we had to tackle was relocation of the softball field to the far northeast corner of the property to make way for the new building pad (footprint). The new softball “left field” fence will be near the baseball “right field” fence. As of August 6, the site has been properly graded and the footers for the new dugouts have been dug. An access road will connect to the north side of Grigsby Intermediate’s driveway back to the softball/baseball areas and you will likely see this in the next few days. Simultaneously, our architects, engineers and city officials will be working to relocate water, sewer and electrical services for the new building as well as the stadium, so that we can continue athletic events without interruption.

A construction fence will be put in place sometime in September (exact date is unknown, yet). This construction fence will surround the construction site for the next two years. This will keep people safe from wandering

accidentally into the construction zone as there will be a lot of heavy equipment, etc. located inside this fence. Because of the requirements associated with the construction fence, access to the back of the high school will not be available. You will be able to park in the current student lot and walk around the fence to access the stadium. As we get more information about when the fence will actually go up, we will send out a ONE CALL and post on our website more parking details.

There are several changes that will start with the beginning of the new school year, particularly as it relates to the high school. The current student parking lot will be restriped and each parking spot will be numbered. During the school day, students and staff will be given an assigned parking space. Those details will be forthcoming directly from the High School when parking passes are bought this year. Also, parent “pick-up” and “drop-off” will be different beginning with first day of school.

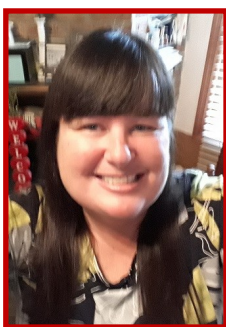
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# New Principal Excited to Become a Part of the Grigsby Family

By Jennifer Dearwester,  
Grigsby Intermediate Principal

Hello, my name is Jennifer Dearwester. I am very proud to be the new principal at Grigsby Intermediate School. I would like to take a few moments of your time to introduce myself to the Carlisle community.



I am a 1991 graduate of Xenia High School where I grew up. I completed my undergraduate work at Wright State University and received my master's in educational leadership in 2001 from the University of Dayton.

For the last 20 years I worked for Dayton Public Schools as a teacher, Title One math coach, assistant principal, and head principal. I am very excited to be at Grigsby because I taught grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 over the course of the first 11 years of my career in Dayton. As a result, I am familiar with the state standards and students at these grade levels.

I came to Carlisle for a professional change and new challenge. My goal is to serve the students, staff, and community of this district by building trusting relationships that will help continue to lead Grigsby Intermediate School to excellence.

I believe all students can learn, grow, and succeed academically, socially, and emotionally by providing our children with authentic learning opportunities. I believe in shared leadership and using all of our school resources, along with all stakeholders, to make sure each student is successful and wants to come to school.

I am eager to get involved with the district, and once again, I am proud to be a part of the Carlisle family. Go Indians!!

# Carlisle Local Schools Welcomes New Special Education Director

By Kim Perkins,  
Special Education Director

My name is Kim Perkins, and I am thrilled to become part of the Carlisle Local School family as the Special Education Director. I would like to share with you a little about myself and the experience I bring to the district.



I most recently worked in Springboro Community City Schools as the Special Education Coordinator, working with pre-school through grade 23 students, as well as their families and staff. I have extensive experience with Response to Intervention (RTI), co-teaching, and research-based interventions. I believe all students can learn. It is essential that we address the needs of the whole child and hold high expectations for their success. Through consistent collaboration and communication with parents, staff, and students, we will make a difference in each and every child.

Prior to Springboro, I worked as an Intervention Specialist in Fairfield City Schools with third and fourth graders, as well as in the Alternative School working with 8-10th grade students. I have been a general education teacher for grades 3-10. I also have nine years of preschool experience from Glens Falls, NY.

I gained my administrative certification from the University of Cincinnati. I earned my master's in teaching and learning, and am dual certified: K-12 Special Education and K-8, from Green Mountain College in Vermont. I enjoy professional development experiences and consider myself a life-long learner.

I currently live in Fairfield Township, and enjoy spending time with my two grandboys, and four grown children. In my spare time, I enjoy gardening, reading, running, singing, family and friends.

I am blessed to have this opportunity and am eager to get to know all the wonderful students and their families, as well as the awesome Carlisle staff!

## **CONTINUED ... New School Year Will Bring Many Changes Due to Construction**

Again, the specifics will traffic pattern will come from the High School and will also be posted on our website the closer we get to the start of school.

As a community, we are excited about what is happening with the new school and even though we may experience some discomfort during the construction process, the end result will be unbelievable. We are excited to share in this building process with the entire Carlisle community. Please stay connected with us as we share important updates throughout the school year. We communicate through the website, Facebook, [www.facebook.com/CarlisleLocalSchools](http://www.facebook.com/CarlisleLocalSchools), and on Twitter @carlislelocal. Always remember: "Once an Indian, Always an Indian!"

# Importance of Vision and Hearing Testing for Students

By Rebecca Baker,  
District Nurse

Regular testing of vision and hearing for students is of utmost importance to their individual learning opportunities.

Only 1 in 7 children starting school has had an eye exam by an eye doctor, and 3 out of 100 children have a lazy eye, with half of those going undetected, which then results in permanent, preventable vision loss. Two-thirds of learning is by hearing, and children spend 45% of the school day in listening activities. These are a few reasons we screen the vision and hearing of our students.



The State mandates testing of vision and hearing to be conducted for certain grades levels. After these screenings are conducted a letter will be sent home if your child requires a hearing or vision follow-up. If you receive one of these notices for your child, please schedule an appointment with a specialist as soon as possible, and then turn the results in to me, via your child's building office.

If assistance is needed with payment of exams, glasses or hearing devices, please contact me at 937-746-7610, ext. 134, or via email at [Rebecca.Baker@carlisleindians.org](mailto:Rebecca.Baker@carlisleindians.org). Resources may be available to assist you.

## Community Assistance Sought for Carlisle School Wellness Program

Throughout the school year, the staff of Carlisle Schools is offered wellness opportunities from the Wellness Committee, coordinated by District School Nurse Rebecca Baker.

This past year each employee who completed activities such as blood pressure screenings, flu shots, mobile mammograms, a drinking water challenge, or a steps challenge earned raffle tickets for prizes at the end of the year.

Thanks to several community sponsors, the committee raffled off 12 baskets full of gift cards and prizes. The committee has several things planned for each month next school year for the staff and students. If any community

members would like to join or help with the Employee Wellness Committee, please contact Rebecca Baker RN, MSN, School Nurse at [Rebecca.Baker@carlisleindians.org](mailto:Rebecca.Baker@carlisleindians.org) or 937-746-7610, ext. 134.





# Chamberlain Middle School Fall Preview

By Dan Turner,  
Chamberlain Middle School Principal

Chamberlain Middle school wants to welcome everyone back to the 2018-19 school year! We hope you have had a relaxing and joyful summer. A great deal of progress was made in the 2017-18 school year. Students, faculty, and community members were asked to do more than ever before. Preparations for the new building are already starting to take place. It is very exciting to see the phases of the new building in motion.



We welcome our new 6th graders to the building. Middle school is a time of change. The workload and social adjustments are greater here than at the elementary level. Your year will be exciting and filled with many new opportunities. We hope it will be your most successful year ever.

Some important dates to remember as we start the new school year:

- Aug. 21: 7th / 8th grade Open House 5-6pm. 6th Grade Orientation 6-7:30pm (CMS Auditorium)
- Aug. 22: 1st Day of School (7:25am-2:10pm)
- Oct. 11: P/T Conferences 3-7:30pm
- Oct. 15-17: 6th Grade Camp (information will be given at orientation)
- Nov. 14-17: 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip

We want to welcome a new teacher to the middle school, Kyle Schuckmann. Mr. Schuckmann will serve CMS as 7th-8th grade choir director and teach general music. We welcome him to the middle school and we are very excited to start the year!

We try to make a conscience effort to stay in communications with all families. We have a school app that we started using in the spring of 2017 called "Schoolway". We ask new students and parents to download this app for all announcements we may need to send home. You will need to subscribe to Chamberlain MS. It is a free download. Other ways of communication will be: One Call Now, Twitter (@cms\_carlisle), Remind (teachers will invite parents and teachers), and Progressbook.

You will get this information the first day of school.

We will continue to increase our technology needs at CMS. We now have a portable Chromebook Lab for all grade levels. We are currently over 270 computers and Chromebook's at CMS. Our building has WiFi throughout the building to provide students the ability to research and explore different websites and programs. Most programs such as: Digits, Learning.com, Boardworks, Google, and NEWSELA are web based resources that will require students to explore the internet. All students will have their own Google email accounts this year. We will have more info on the accounts coming soon.

As you can see, we look forward to the upcoming school year. For informational dates, fees, athletic issues, etc ... please go to our website [www.carlisleindians.org](http://www.carlisleindians.org). Go to Chamberlain Middle School and then to "Parent Information" on the main screen. This will give you all the dates and information you will need for the upcoming year. All forms are ready to download via the website.

We welcome all parents, with any questions, to call us any time.

## 2018-2019 LUNCH PRICES

<b>Grades 1-5:</b>	<b>\$2.25</b>
<b>Grades 6-12:</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
<b>BASKET:</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>
<b>STAFF:</b>	<b>\$3.00/\$3.50</b>

*Menus for each school may be found online at [www.carlisleindians.org](http://www.carlisleindians.org) under the appropriate building for your child.*



# Carlisle High School Gears up for 2018-2019

By Brad Potter,  
Carlisle High School Principal

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year. My hope is that these past two months have been relaxing for you. It is my sincere wish that you have a successful and enjoyable school year.

Our entire educational community pursues excellence with such passion it is truly contagious and exciting to be a Carlisle Indian!! Carlisle High School continues to improve on every indicator set by Ohio Department of Education affording our students a vast comprehensive educational experience with enormous opportunities for success. For instance, did you know that CHS offers sixteen college classes, without leaving the building. Your child could graduate high school with between 48-52 semester hours, which equals two years of college. This will save parents and students from 20- to 50-thousand dollars in tuition. In Carlisle, we are fortunate to be working together for the common good of all of our students.



The collective efforts of an involved community, staff and talented teachers make a significant impact each and every day in the lives of our students. Our focus on educational excellence will continue to guide our path to greatness.

Classes will commence on Wednesday, August 22, with all students reporting to Prime-Time at 7:15 a.m. to receive important opening school information. Please review and complete the important forms. Emergency Medical Form is a safety form that is required with COMPLETE information and signatures. All forms given the first day of school must be turned in by Monday, August 27. Students may be given detention if they have not handed in their completed forms by the due date.

As we realize the importance of communication between teachers, administrators, parents and students, Carlisle High School will be utilizing Twitter (@Carlisle HS) and the "SchoolWay" phone app for the 2018-2019 school year to access school information, staff contacts and it will provide push communications. You can download the app for iPhone and Google devices. You may also go to [www.carlisleindians.org](http://www.carlisleindians.org) for more information as this is updated daily. Announcements are sent daily

through Twitter, Schoolway and are placed on the CHS website under the link "CHS Morning Announcements."

ProgressBook will be our primary gradebook this year. If you need information on how to create a ProgressBook account to access your student's information, please call the High School at 937-746-4481. Students will receive a copy of the Student Handbook Acceptance Form along with our Acceptable Use Policy Form during Prime-Time and will need to return all completed forms by Monday, August 27.

It is the desire of myself, the counselors, faculty, and staff that this year be an excellent one for you. If you need to meet with a guidance counselor, teacher or principal, please do not hesitate to contact us. We suggest that parents call the numbers listed on the website to schedule appointments before coming in so that you will not experience any delays. If you have any issues reaching someone, please feel free to contact me. My office number is 937-746-4481 and my email is [Brad.Potter@CarlisleIndians.org](mailto:Brad.Potter@CarlisleIndians.org).

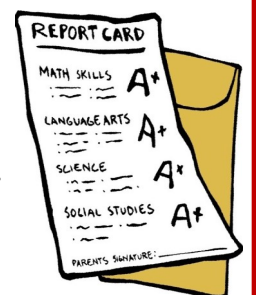
We would like to extend a warm welcome to our freshmen class – The Class of 2022. We welcome back the classes of 2019, 2020, and 2021 and look forward to continuing our work with you. See you on the first day of school!

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO NOTE:

- New Student Orientation & Open House – August 20 in the CHS Choir Lecture Room at 5:30 p.m., with Open House at 6 PM
- Parking Permit Application – Please pick up form in the main office or online and turn in ALL copies to the main office beginning August 8. You will get a discount if you get it before school begins.
- ALL FORMS must be completed and returned no later than Monday, August 27. Students that have not handed in an emergency medical form by deadline will be referred to the Principal.

**REQUESTS FOR  
WORK PERMITS  
AND TRANSCRIPTS  
ARE HANDLED BY  
CARLISLE HIGH SCHOOL.**



# 10 Teachers' Tips for Kick-Starting the New School Year

**NOTE:** Tips offered in article geared more for younger grades, but beneficial for all parents.

By Scholastic Parents Staff

*Read these tips from teachers to help get your child ready for the new school year.*

**Sleep for school.** Setting up a regular bedtime and wake-up routine before school starts is a crucial step to prepare your child for class and a practical way to cut down on first-day stress.

**Look up to learning.** If your child is feeling a bit anxious about going back to school, keep a positive attitude. Recall the fun and exciting events, field trips, projects, and so on from years past, and show excitement about the opportunities for learning new things in the upcoming year.

**Walk through it.** Escorting younger children to the classroom can help with the transition. Familiarize your child with key places such as the bathroom, gym, library, and cafeteria — he'll feel more confident if he knows where everything is.

**Suit 'em up.** Shopping for school supplies with your child can be a fun way to give her some responsibility. Provide parameters, but allow her to pick out a backpack, lunch box, nap mat, water bottle, new clothes, and some basic school supplies (pencils, crayons, etc).

**Talk it out.** Asking your child about school is important. It shows him that you value his education. Try to avoid general questions, like "How was your day?" These will most likely produce one-word answers. Instead, be specific.

**Bring it home.** Helping your child with his homework is an effective way to show concern for what she learns at school. Displaying your child's projects around the house also helps to keep learning excitement high.

**Go farther.** Getting involved in school events is a critical aspect of showing support and enthusiasm for your child's learning experience. Participating in school activities is also a valuable way of connecting to the school community. You can learn a lot about the school just by talking to fellow parents.

**Keep your eyes (and ears) open.** If your child's eating or sleeping habits have changed drastically, it may be a sign that he's having difficulty adjusting to his new grade.

**Read, read, read.** Reading with your child is an invaluable way to spend quality time together on a daily basis. In addition to other long-term benefits, reading together can also be a practical way to discern her reading level.

**Connect.** Communicating with your child's teacher on a regular basis is an essential part of caring for her education. Teachers can alert you to any emotional, social, or academic difficulties they perceive in your child at school. The same works in reverse: notify teachers about changes that might affect your child's behavior in school. Some examples are illness, divorce, the death of a family member, a recent move, or a parent getting a new job.

*(Found online at: <https://www.scholastic.com/parents/school-success/school-life/back-to-school/10-teachers-tips-kick-starting-new-school-year.html>)*



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**Grigsby Intermediate**    937-746-8969

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