



PAULDING EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS

NOVEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER



SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Paulding Exempted Village Schools,
For my November newsletter, I have written an article to be published in the Paulding Progress regarding the Paulding Exempted Village Schools Emergency Tax Levy Renewal that will be on the ballot next week. Please take time to read this article which explains the details of the levy. Most importantly, there are NO NEW TAXES. This is a levy that has been in place since 1981. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 419-399-4656 ext 1510 or k_amstutz@pauldingschools.org. Go Panthers!
Ken Amstutz, Superintendent

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Paulding Elementary-Greg Puthoff

As we enter into the holiday season, Paulding Elementary will be working to help others. We just completed our first fundraiser to benefit the Paulding Elementary PTO. It is important to build character and citizenship in all of our students. Making opportunities available for children to give, is a rewarding part of the learning process at Paulding Elementary School! We are also collecting pop tabs throughout the year for the Ronald McDonald House.

Our PTO is a very important group that helps support the needs and wishes of our students. The first activity sponsored by the PTO this year was the 'Party in the Park' on Friday, October 26 in the morning. All of our students walked to the park and received a drink and cookies from the PTO in celebration our Fall Parade, which occurred that afternoon at 2:00. The next PTO meeting is scheduled on Thursday, November 8, at 3:30 in the Paulding Elementary Computer Lab. All parents are welcomed to the meeting.

Teachers continue to meet the academic needs of all of our students. With the Ohio Third Grade Guarantee, there are requirements from the Ohio Department of Education to monitor students who are not at grade level in Kindergarten through Third grade. We identify students, communicate with parents, and implement a research-based intervention to help our students to succeed. You can read more about the Third Grade Reading Guarantee at education.ohio.gov. Fall Third Grade English/Reading Testing will occur on Tuesday, October 30th and Thursday, November 1st. Paulding Elementary School received a score of "B" on last year's Ohio Department of Education Report Card. We were pleased with the improved score, but we are striving this year to do better.

Parent/Teacher conferences will be Thursday, November 15th and Monday, November 19th from 4:00-7:00. Teachers at Paulding Elementary value parental input and support. We are using an online parent sign-up for the conferences. You should have received a letter with a code that allows you to sign up for a conference. If you did not, please contact your child's teacher to set up a conference time. Our Thanksgiving Break will begin on Wednesday, November 21st and end on Monday, November 26th. School will resume on Tuesday, November 27.

As the Paulding Elementary Principal, I have been very impressed with our students and staff at Paulding Elementary. Each day, we strive to learn something new. Each day we need to get better. Parental support is vital to have a Highly Effective School, where students can do their best. Please encourage your child(ren) to work hard on their academics and schedule a daily time to work on homework or read a story.

Paulding Elementary wishes every family a warm-hearted and blessed Thanksgiving break.

Oakwood Elementary-Jennifer Manz

Hello from Oakwood Elementary! When you read this, we will be starting the second quarter of the 2018-2019 school year, and first quarter grade cards will be going home. We encourage families to spend time looking at the grade cards and to work together with children to set a new academic goal or two to focus on for the next few months. We will be acknowledging our Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance students at an awards assembly very soon.

In October, we recognized Fire Safety Week. We were visited by the Oakwood and Auglaize firefighters and Oakwood EMTs. They conducted our monthly fire drill, had a presentation for each grade level, ate lunch with our students, gave tours of different types of fire trucks and an ambulance, and demonstrated how to escape a burning building using a smoke trailer. We want to extend a very special thank you to the local firemen and women who took time out of their busy schedules to come teach us very important

safety tips.

October also had two other "special weeks:" *October 15th - 19th was National School Lunch Week (theme: School Lunch - Lots2Love). Our café has been offering a number of new menu items both at breakfast and lunch. Recently, Pizza Munchables have been met with rave reviews as a choice to the main menu option. *October 22nd - 26th was School Bus Safety Week (theme: My Driver - My Safety Hero!). Frequent reminders at home of the importance of following bus rules are much appreciated. We want to say thank you to all of our café and transportation staff! Their actions and attitudes play an important role in our children's school experiences.

In mid-November, we will be holding our fall Parent/Teacher Conferences. Conferences are an opportunity for parents to ask questions about what they are seeing their child learn and do in the classroom, on assessments, and for homework. If you have questions or concerns, if you are wondering why your child is expected to master a certain skill, or if you are looking for ideas of how to help reinforce new concepts with your child at home, a parent/teacher conference is the perfect time to address any of these topics. The children who are most successful in school are those who know their parents and teachers are working together in their best interests.

Oakwood Elementary wishes to invite Veterans and community members to our Veteran's Day Program on Monday, November 12th, at 8:30 a.m.

As always, your support of the work we do at Oakwood Elementary is needed and much appreciated!

Middle School-Matt Carr

Hello from Paulding Middle School! It is hard to believe we are in November already. This school year has gotten off to a fast and great start. Hopefully the remainder of the year can be this smooth.

The end of the nine weeks was completed on October 19 and report cards were mailed home on October 25. If you have not received the report card yet, please contact the office. Remember you may always check grades online throughout the year as well. If you do not have access to your child's grades, please contact the office. You may also contact your child's teachers if you have any concerns with grades.

Parent-Teacher conferences will take place on November 15 and November 19 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. both nights. Please contact the middle school office to set up a conference with your child's teacher.

Our football and volleyball teams have wrapped up their seasons. Congratulations to our student athletes that made the commitment to participate in these sports. I hope they not only gained athletic strengths, but also learned valuable lessons that they can take with them. Congratulations to our 8th grade volleyball team as they finished as co-champions in our division in the conference and to the boys' cross country team as they finished as Northwest Conference runner-up. We would also like to recognize 7th grader Tytus Manz, who broke the school record in cross country this season. Good luck to our winter sports teams who will be beginning their seasons soon.

Our students attended an assembly on October 26 that featured Brad Hurtig. Brad spoke to the students about how he learned to overcome adversity and "Find a Way" after he lost both arms in an industrial accident during high school. We thank Brad for giving this inspirational presentation to our students. Congratulations to the following students who earned September Students of the Month: John Vielma, Jalyn Klopfenstein, Casey Agler, Elli Barton, Eli Jones, Jocelyn Parrett, Chandler White, Skylar Keezer, Emma McClure, Peyton Adams, and Marissa Gray! Great Job and keep up the hard work! School will not be in session from Wednesday November 21 through Monday, November 26 for Thanksgiving break. Monday, November 26 is a professional development day for our teachers. School will resume on Tuesday, November 27.

Please make sure to keep a positive balance on your student's lunch account, and also make sure school fees are paid. These can be paid in full or a payment plan can be set up with Mrs. Retcher in the office.

Thank you for your continued support of Paulding Middle School! Remember at Paulding Middle School we want our students to be the CHANGE that they want to see. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

High School-Chris Etzler

It is hard to believe that the first quarter of the 2018-19 school year is already over. It was a quarter where our students performed well in the classroom, on the athletic fields,

and in numerous other venues. Athletically, we saw many positives during the fall sports season that include: a 2nd place finish for our golf team in the NWC, a 3rd place finish for our volleyball team in the NWC, and our football team winning multiple league games in several years. We also saw outstanding individual accomplishments as Baily Manz broke the boys' cross country school record and Sadie Estle was named NWC volleyball player of the year. Our marching band had a fine season this fall, as they performed with the 8th graders during the season as well as alumni during their Homecoming performance. Seniors Carson Shull and Megan Tope were chosen as our Homecoming King and Queen this year, and 315 students attended the Homecoming dance as well. Three of our Vantage Seniors, Lexie Beckman, Clay Herr and Elizabeth Temple were named to the NTHS (National Technical Honor Society). We are looking forward to many more memorable performances from our students during the second quarter.

Grade cards were mailed home on October 25. Please take the time to look at your student's grades and talk to them about their grade card. If you have questions or concerns, please schedule a conference with your student's teachers during Parent-Teacher conferences on November 15 and 19. Those conferences run from 4-7:00 PM, and can be scheduled by calling Mrs. Mansfield in the office at 419-399-4656 ext. 1112. Because of Parent-Teacher conferences, there will be no school on Wednesday, November 21, as well as November 22 and 23 due to Thanksgiving break. We will also not have school for students on Monday, November 26 for professional development.

Our PHS drama department will be performing "You Can't Take It With You" on November 16 and 17. Please come out and support Mrs. Dobbelaere, Mrs. Kelly and the students during this performance.

Our winter sports teams are now practicing and preparing for their seasons. Information on when to purchase winter sports passes is included in this newsletter.

Our annual Senior Citizens Breakfast will be held on Monday, December 10 at 8:30 AM. This is an opportunity to celebrate the Christmas season and see our students in action as they perform. Please contact Cindy Kauser in the administration building at 419-399-4656 ext 1512 to RSVP.

Please make sure to keep a positive balance on your student's lunch account and also make sure school fees are paid. These can be paid in full or a payment plan can be set up with Mrs. Mansfield in the office.

Mid-terms for the second quarter will be handed out to students on November 20. The first semester for this school year ends on Thursday, December 20.

Thank you for your continued support of Paulding High School, and on behalf of our staff here, we wish you a very Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

NOVEMBER 6 ELECTION DAY

All residents are encouraged to vote Tuesday, November 6. This is a great example for the students to see their family members participate in the most basic citizen's responsibility — the right and opportunity to vote.

VETERANS DAY PROGRAMS

All Veterans living in the Paulding School District are invited to attend our Veterans Day Programs. Paulding's program will be Friday, November 9 at 8:30 a.m. in the Auditoria and Oakwood's program will be Monday, November 12 at 8:30 a.m. A light breakfast will be available for all Veterans beginning at 8:00 a.m. at each program.

WINTER SPORTS SEASON TICKETS

Tickets for PHS winter sports will be on sale in the commons during the following times: Nov 9, 19 & 20, during scrimmages and also during lunches from Nov 27-30, and Dec 3-7 at the following prices:

SEASON TICKET:

Adult/Student
Boys' Basketball: \$50/\$30
Girls' Basketball: \$50/\$30
All Sports (all winter sports) \$75/\$50
Family Pass: (includes grades K-12) \$200
Student Athlete: \$10

Boys' basketball presale tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for students. All tickets at the door are \$6.

Girls' Basketball and Varsity Wrestling are \$5 for adults and \$4 for students at the door.

Jr. High Basketball and wrestling, and Freshman basketball are \$4 for adults and \$3 for students at the door.

FALL PLAY

PHS Drama Dept. will be performing, "You Can't Take it With You" on November 16 and 17 in the High School Auditoria at 7:00pm. Doors will open at 6:30pm. Tickets will go the sale the week of November 12th in the High School Office. Pre-sale tickets will be \$5 and all tickets at the door will be

\$8. We hope you can attend to meet the Sycamore Family. They may seem normal, but it is not long before you realize they are odd but delightful. In contrast to these delightful people are the unhappy Kirby Family. The plot shows how Tony, played by Caleb Manz, an attractive young son of the Kirbys, falls in love with Alice Sycamore (Montserrat Martinez Cuen and brings his parents to dine at the Sycamore home one evening. It is a fun evening with Grandpa (Collin Lilly) and Penny Sycamore (Lexie Beckman) trying to make it a night to remember. We hope to see you at the performance!

SENIOR CITIZEN BREAKFAST

The annual Senior Citizen Breakfast will be on Monday, December 10. All district residents 60 years and older are invited to join us at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast, fellowship and entertainment. Doors will open at 8:15 a.m.. We will be showcasing the talents of our students from each building. Please call Cindy in the administration office at 419-399-4656, ext. 1512, to reserve a seat.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

The deadline for Athletic Hall of Fame nominations is November 16. Applications can be found on the school website under the Athletics tab.

ACADEMIC HALL OF FAME

Nominations are being accepted for the Academic Hall of Fame. The application and requirements can be found on the school website under the Academics tab. Applications will be accepted until February 1, 2019.

HS YEARBOOK SALES NOTICE

Students may order their 2018-2019 HS yearbook online at www.ybpav.com, or they may fill out the form and return it to school. Please see the website or order form for details. Please contact Sue Monnier at 419-399-4656 ext 1164 or by email s_monnier@pauldingschools.org. The deadline to order yearbooks is May 17, 2019.

SEARCH FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Our school district is participating in an effort to identify, locate and evaluate all children from birth through 21 years of age who may have disabilities. Disability, in this instance, means such conditions as hearing impairments, visual impairment, speech or language disabilities, mental retardation or other health impairments, physical impairments, autism and traumatic brain injury. Our school has responded vigorously to federal and state mandates requiring the provision of a free and appropriate public education, regardless of a child's disability. But before we can serve children they must be found. Many children with disabilities are not visible because they cannot function in the mainstream of the community. Also, many unidentified children with disabilities are preschoolers. Parents may not be aware their child has a disability, or that there are programs and services available. Our school district is interested in meeting the needs of the children with disabilities. If you know of a child who may have a disability, contact the school for information or help.

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

Varsity/JV Boys Basketball

Nov 9 Hilltop-Scrimmage-H	6:00
Nov 12 Bryan-Scrimmage-A	6:00
Nov 15 Swanton-Scrimmage-A	4:30
Nov 19 Leipsic/Edon-Scrimmage-H	6:00
Nov 23 Stryker-Scrimmage -A	1:00
Nov 30 Continental-A	6:00

Varsity/JV Girls Basketball

Nov 3 Ayersville-Scrimmage-H	9:00
Nov 6 Kalida-Scrimmage-A	5:30
Nov 14 Leipsic-Scrimmage-A	6:00
Nov 21 Stryker-Scrimmage-H	6:00
Nov 27 Antwerp-A	6:00
Nov 29 Edgerton-H	6:00

Jr. High Girls Basketball

Nov 27 Hicksville-A	5:00
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DISTRICT CALENDAR EVENTS

Nov 3 Deadline for Dec 9 ACT Test	
Nov 5 Parent/Teacher Conf	4:00-7:00p
Nov 5 Band Boost Mtg. Band Room	7:00
Nov 9 Paulding Veteran's Day Program	8:30a
Nov 12 Oakwood Veteran's Day Program	8:30a
Nov 13 FFA Alumni Meeting-Ag room	7:00p
Nov 14 Athletic Booster Meeting	5:30p
Nov 16, 17 HS Play	7:00p
Nov 19 Parent/Teacher Conferences	4:00-7:00p
Nov 20 Mid-Terms go home	
Nov 20 Board Mtg. Admin. Bldg.	7:00p
Nov 21 NO SCHOOL (due to teacher conf)	
Nov 22,23 NO SCHOOL-Thanksgiving Break	
Nov 27 NO SCHOOL-Prof. Development Day	

Happy Thanksgiving!