

# INDIAN NATION

Carlisle Local School District

Summer 2020

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## **Pandemic Creates Need for Change**

By Larry Hook,  
Superintendent

As our community, nation, and the world navigate a new way of life amid the Covid-19 pandemic, Carlisle Local Schools staff and administration have been working hard to process all the directives coming out of Governor Mike DeWine's office, the Ohio Department of Health's office, the Warren County Health Department, as well as others such as the Ohio High School Athletic Association.

Below is a series of important announcements that we are releasing:



**GRADUATION/AWARDS:** Unfortunately, the pandemic has precluded this class from enjoying many special moments as the Class of 2020. In an effort to provide the best for our Seniors, yet based on the recommendations from Governor DeWine, the Ohio Department of Education and the Warren County Health Department, Carlisle High School will host a VIRTUAL graduation. The video will be posted on the district website for viewing on Saturday, May 23, at noon, when our normal graduation ceremony would have begun. CHS will reach out to seniors with specifics as it relates to filming. We'll maintain our July 25 date to celebrate, if allowed to gather in large groups.

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:** We will register new kindergarten students (2020-2021) school year beginning Monday, May 4 and for the rest of the month. Registration is by appointment only at Alden Brown Elementary. To make an appointment, call 937-746-7610. If you are asked to leave a message, leave your name and phone number. Mention that you need to register a Kindergarten student. A secretary will call you back to schedule.

To protect the health and safety of our visitors and employees, we have incorporated social distancing practices into our registration process and have made the following changes:

- ◆ We will only allow one person in the building at a time during the registration process. Please wait outside the building's front doors for the previous guest to exit the building before entering.
- ◆ We ask that only one person enter the building as part of the registration process. Additional family members should remain in the car.

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# Pandemic Changes

## HOW TO REGISTER A STUDENT

- 1) Make an appointment by calling 937-746-7610
- 2) Download and print a [Registration Packet](#) or pick one up from the envelope taped to the front door of Alden Brown Elementary (*Click the link above or go to our website under Resources and select enrollment*).
- 3) Complete all forms and gather all necessary documents (listed on the front of the registration packet)
- 4) Come to your appointment at Alden Brown Elementary (*310 Jamaica Road, Carlisle, OH 45005*)

## WHEN YOU ARRIVE FOR YOUR APPOINTMENT

- 1) Make sure you have the registration packet filled out and ALL documents signed and ready to go. You will NOT be allowed to register if any of the information is missing or not filled out.
- 2) Proceed to the front doors of Alden Brown Elementary. Push the button to ring the bell (*button located to the left of the front doors*). A secretary will unlock the doors OR ask you to wait if there is another guest in the building.
- 3) We will make copies of your driver's license, proof of residency, original birth certificate, shot record, court documents, and IEP/504/MFE. Please have these out and ready.
- 4) Registration will take approximately 15 minutes.

**NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION:** Enrolling students that have moved into the district will be by appointment only. You must enroll the student at the building that they would be attending for the remainder of the month. Please call the appropriate school building for an appointment.

**OPEN ENROLLMENT:** Open enrollment forms have been mailed to **returning students**. Those forms must be filled out and mailed to: Open Enrollment, 724 Fairview Drive, Carlisle, OH 45005. **New students** must go to the district website and download the open enrollment form and mail it to the same address. You can find the open enrollment letter and application at [www.carlisleindians.org](http://www.carlisleindians.org). Click on Resources, then District Forms, then [Open Enrollment Application Form 2020-2021](#).

**APPLICATIONS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED BY USPS MAIL.**

**SUMMER SCHOOL:** Only the High School will hold summer school for students that are credit deficient. Those students will be contacted directly by the High School. Class will be held virtually.

**LOCKER/DESK CLEAN-OUT:** Each building will be sending out information as it relates to cleaning out lockers and picking up personal items. Please contact your building office if you have any questions.

**CLASS ASSIGNMENTS:** The last day for senior class assignments will be May 8. The last day for assignments to students in grades PK-11 will be May 15.

While the world around us, and our school year, changed in ways we could not have predicted at the start of the 2019-2020 school year, one thing remains the same ... WE ARE INDIAN STRONG!

Finally, we realize that the closure of school may be emotional for many of our students since they thrive in their school environment. We want you to know that the staff at Carlisle Local Schools is here for you and will do whatever we are able to do to support you. Please contact us if you need assistance. Thank you and may God bless you during this time.

# GO INDIANS!!

# Alden Brown Elementary News and Notes

By Mike Milner,  
Principal

As we move through these uncertain times, I wanted to start off my newsletter by letting the our preschool, kindergarten, first, and second grade students know that **WE MISS YOU VERY MUCH AND CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!**



I am communicating with teachers every day and they are consistently telling me that they miss seeing, talking to, and working with the students in their classrooms each day. I am hopeful that parents (or grandparents or others who read this article) will share this sentiment with students – please let them know how much we miss them!

I have received a couple of questions from teachers (*forwarded from parents*) about how 2019-2020 yearbooks will be distributed to students (*families*). As we will not be returning to school in May, we will plan on passing out yearbooks to students early in the 2020-2021 school year. In any case, Lifetouch is planning on getting yearbooks to all those who have ordered.

We were unable to hold our planned Kindergarten Registration for 2020-2021 on March 19. Kindergarten registration will be held by appointment only. An appointment must be scheduled by calling the building directly. Remember, children whose parents (or guardians) are residents of the Carlisle Local School District are eligible to attend kindergarten in the upcoming school year if they are 5 years of age on or before August 1, 2020.

Finally, I again want to thank our parents for all that you do for our students – especially during these unique times. As I often say in these articles, please read to and with your child as much as you can. The more comfortable your child is with reading, and understanding what they read or what is being read to them, the more prepared they will be to succeed in the future in school and beyond. If you have any questions or need any information, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at [Mike.Milner@carlisleindians.org](mailto:Mike.Milner@carlisleindians.org). Thank you again and we look forward to seeing everyone again very soon!

# Nutrition Remained a Priority for our Students During Closure

By Gail French,  
Food Service Director

What an extraordinary spring we have had! A special thank you to all who have come out to help ensure that the children of our community have been well taken care of. Our highest number of children served on one day was 550, which is amazing!



While we have practiced social distancing and taken extra precautions to make sure we are compliant with the State Medical Director's guidelines, we have been able to provide the nutrition our children need each day.

A big thank you to each person who has worked so hard to prepare and deliver meals. I want to personally give a huge shout out to the kitchen staff and the custodial staff; to the bus drivers and teachers, nurses, social workers, and administrators who have sacrificed their time and given so much effort and energy to help. I also want to thank the community members who have donated masks, bags, and money to help with this program.

We are also excited and thankful to see the parents who faithfully come out and get the meals for their children. We have heard from many how these meals are helping with their grocery bill each week, and bringing some familiarity to their children.

The meal program will continue to the end of the school year. We will continue to evaluate our situation, while we adjust each week to meet the needs as we become aware of them.

Next year when our children return, we will be serving them from our new kitchen, which is in process of being furnished and prepared for us. We are excited to get in and organize our new space so we can do our best to prepare all the wonderful meals we will be providing to our students. It won't be long now.

Don't forget that, during the summer, if you find yourself in need of help with meals for your family, you can find meal centers in the surrounding communities by calling 866-348-6479 or text "FOOD" to 877-877.

# Vaccines and Well-Check Facts for School

By Rebecca Baker, RN, BSN, MSN  
Licensed School District Nurse

## ATTENTION KINDERGARTEN PARENTS

All incoming kindergarteners must have the following vaccines prior to starting school:

- ◆ 5-DPT (last dose after age 4)
- ◆ 4-Polio (last dose after age 4)
- ◆ 3-Hepatitis B
- ◆ 2-Chicken Pox (varicella)
- ◆ 2-MMR

Any student not up-to-date will be excluded from school starting September 25, and all absences are unexcused.

## ATTENTION 7th GRADE PARENTS

The Ohio Department of Health is now requiring that your child receive a Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) vaccine AND a meningococcal vaccine prior to entering 7th grade. If your child has already received these vaccines, please send in a copy of his/ her record so that we can update your child's record.

Any student who has not received the TDAP and Meningococcal vaccines by September 25 will be excluded from school, and all absences are considered unexcused.

## ATTENTION 12th GRADE PARENTS

The Ohio Department of Health is now requiring that your child receive an additional Meningococcal vaccine prior to entering 12th grade. The vaccine must be given after the 16th birthday. Please submit your students updated immunization record to the office as soon as possible.

Any student who has not received this immunization by September 25 will be excluded from school, and all absences are considered unexcused.

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Shot records may be submitted to your child's school office or faxed to 937-746-0438.

Questions regarding immunization requirements should be directed to me at 937-746-7610 ext. 134 or [Rebecca.Baker@carlisleindians.org](mailto:Rebecca.Baker@carlisleindians.org).

## Well-checks and Primary Care Doctors

Today you can find a minute-clinic, urgent care or emergency room on every corner and these are great resources for busy lifestyles and urgent needs.

However, it is very important to a child's growth and development to have a primary care pediatrician or physician. Children should be seen annually for well-checks by the same primary care doctor. At these checks their immunizations are reviewed and annual physicals are performed. Being evaluated by the same physician each year allows your child's records to be consistent, which can prevent over- or under-vaccinations, as well as overall health and wellness consistency for your child.

In need of a doctor? A great local resource is Centerpoint Health and they are accepting new patients for medical and dental needs. Please see their information below to make an appointment.

### Centerpoint Health

Address: 333 Conover Dr., Suite B  
Franklin, OH 45005  
Phone: 513-318-1188

## SUMMER AND SUN SAFETY

1. Minimize sun exposure especially during peak times 10am-4pm
2. Use broad-spectrum sunscreen 30SPF or higher
3. Apply sunscreen at least 30 minutes before sun exposure
4. Reapply sunscreen often
5. Wear a hat and sunglasses
6. Use lip balm of 15SPF or higher
7. Prevent sunburn
8. Sunburn blisters are 2<sup>nd</sup> degree burns see a doctor
9. Examine skin regularly:

ABCDE of skin cancer

- ◆ Asymmetry
- ◆ Border
- ◆ Color
- ◆ Diameter
- ◆ Elevation





# COVID-19 Helps Us Find Perspective

By Shane Estep,  
Director of Curriculum & Instruction

The world has changed a great deal since the middle of March. We've learned about social distancing and because we're unsure and scared of what the future holds, our children are unsure and scared of what the future holds.



For the first few days of this pandemic, I read everything I could about COVID-19 and I was projecting my fears and my concern onto my family. Fortunately, I quickly realized what has happening and changed my perspective. Family game and movie nights had been rare but now, they're the norm. We've reconnected as a family and it has been wonderful.

We've all had to reprioritize and for the last few weeks (and rightfully so), education has taken a back seat to health and safety.

After taking time to adjust, it's now time we provide a new sense of normalcy for our children. Please make sure your child is keeping up with their assignments and reach out to your child's teacher(s) if you have questions or problems.

Distance/remote learning provides many challenges not the least of which is the lack of face to face interaction. We are unable to sit one on one with a student and we must rely on support from home, now more than ever. We need to be united during this unprecedented time to make sure that each child is being educated.

Please check email and education applications (such as Remind, Class Dojo, Moby Max, etc.) for messages from your child's teacher(s) and remember to check our district's website for updates and activities to work on from home.

We appreciate your continued support of your child's education.

# CMS Summer News

By Dan Turner,  
Principal

Chamberlain Middle School is a very quiet place without all of the students and staff. We hope this newsletter finds you in good health and is able to provide you with as much information that we have at this time.

We want our students to know that we miss them and are hopeful to be together again soon! Continue to make positive choices and find ways to take care of yourself both physically and mentally. If our students or their parents/guardians need anything, please contact us via email and we will be in touch shortly.



We are continuing to plan for the 2020-2021 school year and all of the excitement that will come with our new school building. In the next few months, please keep the following information in mind:

- ◆ 7th grade parents (2020-21): Your student will need TWO additional immunizations prior to entry into 7th grade. If your student has not received their TDap and meningococcal (MCV) shot yet, you will need to have this done prior to the first day of school.
- ◆ 8th graders interested in going on next year's Washington, DC, trip: Pay attention to the website. We will give you the opportunity to make payments and provide important information. Brian Sprandel will update everyone in May.

If your student is interested in cheerleading, volleyball, football, or summer camps for next year please pay attention to the website for announcements. We will announce via OneCall, email, or Remind text as soon as we have specific details. If you are interested in volleyball please sign up with Remind (@middlevb) and use the code 81010. Honor Society recipients will be notified via letter or phone call.

Until then, we hope everyone gets out this summer and enjoys themselves. We pray we get to see you before summer, however if we are not that fortunate, please be safe and have fun this summer!

# Summer News from Carlisle High

By Dave Slamer,  
Principal



Wow, what a period of time we are in as a country! As we navigate through the current school shut down, there are many things we are looking forward to as we push towards the summer months. As with every aspect of life these days, there are many things we have cancelled, put on hold, or unfortunately had to eliminate for the current school year. That being said, our staff has been working diligently to provide learning opportunities to our students as well as salvage as much of our end of the year ceremonies and celebrations as possible.

When we learned that our schools would shut down for three weeks and then extended through the end of the school year, one of the most important things for us was to attempt to preserve prom and graduation for class of 2020. While we understand the stay-home may be extended, we went ahead and secured a time and date for both of these celebrations. Our plan is to have a "Senior Weekend" at the end of July to give our Class of 2020 a proper send-off. Therefore, unless unable to do so due to restrictions from the Governor, we will be holding prom on July 23, graduation practice on July 24, and graduation on July 25. Due to the scheduled demolition of the CHS, graduation will held at Hillcrest Baptist Church in Carlisle at noon.

During this period of school shut down we have continued to prepare to move into the new building later this summer. We are very excited to start the next chapter in the long history of Carlisle Schools. While it looks like this chapter may not end exactly the way we were hoping, it is very exciting to think about what the future holds for our school and district. The one thing we look forward to the most is returning to school with our students. It is amazing how quickly every educator is reminded the impact our students have on our lives. I have spoken with many teachers and they have repeatedly said the one thing they miss the most is the day to day interaction with our students. Every school year has ups and downs, but it is the student body that keeps us going.

Lastly, I want to thank the entire CHS community for their patience, hard work, and cooperation through the venture with online learning. We fully appreciate and understand this is not the ideal way to teach and for many not the ideal way to learn. Throughout this process, we will work side by side with parents and students providing help and support. We will get through all of this as a team and come out stronger on the other side. Please let us know how we can help in any capacity through this period of time.

# Grigsby Principal Shares Memories and Excitement

By Jennifer Dearwester,  
Principal

This is certainly not the way we imagined finishing the 2019-2020 school year! We miss our students and can't wait to see everyone again soon. We know students have missed a lot of events and instruction time the last part of this school year.

However, even with all the uncertainty right now, everyone is very excited to get into the new school building! Grigsby has held so many memories for all of our students, past and present. We know there will be challenges as we all come together into one building but we will face them together as a district and a community!

I have absolutely loved being here these past two school years and look forward with excitement to the next school year! Please be sure to check our school website for all up to date information and dates for future events.

During these unprecedented times, I hope you have a healthy, safe and enjoyable summer!



## The Zoo Comes to Grigsby Intermediate!

On February 21, Barn Hill Preserve brought their Educational Animal Program to Grigsby! Students watched a 45-minute presentation that offered students the unique experience to get up close and personal with animals they may have never seen before.

*Submitted photos*

