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*By Dr. David Vail,
Superintendent*



I would like to take this opportunity to discuss two topics: (1) Delay and/or Closing of Schools and (2) Social Media. In both cases, it is important all of the information needed is gathered to make the proper decision, as well as providing all of the pertinent information and facts. It is equally important that the communication of important information and facts are sent out to the school community as efficiently as possible.

As we are in the winter season, we need to make sure that we are all ready for inclement weather and all that it entails. It is important that we have your contact information on file and updated so that when a One Call Now goes out, either by phone call, text message, or email, you will receive the message. You can also check the local TV or radio, as it posted there, should there ever be a problem with the One Call Now system. We do everything that we can to ensure the safety of our staff and students as they travel to and from school, as well as while they are in the building. There is a lot of input which factors into the decision. Our internal people discuss the conditions of the roads, lots, and sidewalks, as well as any busing issues. There is also communication between county and neighboring districts to make sure we all discuss the ability to safely stay open, to delay the start, or to close down for the day. We will do our best to notify everyone as quickly as we can while taking into consideration your schedule. If there is ever an issue, concern or question regarding a school delay or closing, please feel free to call or email me.

Parents and staff are always advocates for the students, with their best interest, safety, and growth at all levels at the heart of decisions made on the students' behalf. While we sometimes might not totally agree on a given decision or course of action, it is important to enter the conversation with an open mind and a willingness to listen to the other person's point of view. I have been involved in many discussions where listening was the only thing that was required, and other discussions involved much give and take on both sides. While not every issue might not be resolved to both parties' agree to

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some compromise, when necessary. If an issue cannot be resolved, we certainly have procedures in place to reach a conclusion within the policies of the district.

I always welcome the opportunity to respond to parents' and community member's questions or concerns when they are brought to our attention. Unfortunately, there are some instances when we are only made aware of certain issues via social media. We can certainly address the issues when we are alerted to them, but this does not allow us to respond directly to the person who posted. While many of the things on social media have some validity, there are times when they do not, or there are some missing facts or over- and/or understating of the situation. I am hoping that when reading school-related issues on social media, when in doubt – reach out to the building where your children attend or central office to verify what is going around and to verify the facts. I will be the first to admit that we make mistakes, and we need to be accountable, but I am asking that you allow us to also weigh in on the situation.

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 in contacting us, either by phone or email.

Dr. David S. Vail

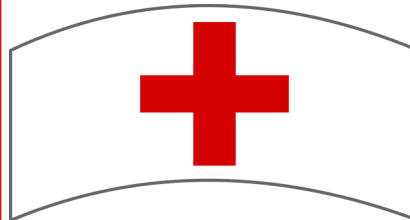
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Carlisle Local Schools

Be sure to check out our district website - 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



ATTENTION 6TH GRADE PARENTS

The Ohio Department of Health is now requiring that your child receive a **Tdap** (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) vaccine **AND** the Meningococcal vaccine **prior to entering 7th grade**. If your child has already received this vaccine, please send in a copy of his/ her record so that we can update your child's record. Any student who has not received these vaccines by September 6th, 2023, will be excluded from school and all absences are considered unexcused. For questions please call Rebecca Baker, RN at 937-746-7610 extension 242.

ATTENTION 11TH GRADE PARENTS

The Ohio Department of Health is now requiring that your child receive a Meningococcal vaccine **prior to entering the 12th grade**. If they have had a meningococcal vaccine already it must have been administered after their 16th birthday to count as this requirement. If it was administered before the 16th birthday, a 2nd dose is required at this time. All records must be submitted to the office by September 6th, 2023, to avoid exclusion. Any questions please call Rebecca Baker RN, at 937-746-7610 ext. 242.



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Mobile Dentist Site Visits:



The Smiles Program also known as the Mobile Dentist is serving the district again this year. The dentist comes to the district in the fall and spring to provide students with dental cleanings, sealants, and x-rays. They accept cash, most dental insurance, and Medicaid, they also offer financial assistance for those that are in need. If you are interested having your child participate in the Mobile Dentist program, please fill out the form and return to school or you may call the nurse's office for more information.

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With Second Semester here, we at the Carlisle Food Service Department want to wish you Happy Spring!! We also want to remind you that lunch charges are on the rise. It has been an unprecedented year for lunch charges on student accounts. Please be reminded that meals are not free for all any longer. You must now qualify for the free meals. Although Carlisle does not deny or limit a child's meal because they lack funds it is still the parents' responsibility to pay for the cost of those meals.

If you get messages from a principal, an email message from our system, or any other notices of a lunch charge on your student's account, please contact the Food Service Dept at 937-746-8969 (extension 660) so we can work on a payment plan.

If you would like to limit the charges your students may place on their account, you may also call to put a hold on that account.

If your financial status has changed, please feel free to submit a new application with your current information on it. Applications are available at **LunchApp.com**, **Final Forms** on the school website or at any of the **school offices**. Families who fill out these forms are eligible for additional benefits including reduced college testing and application fees as well as helping to provide essential funding for our schools.

Please help us provide the necessary and nutritional meals every one of our students needs to succeed in their learning every day!!



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



By Andrew Huber,
Carlisle Sr. High School Principal

Carlisle High School is focused on creating future leaders and supporting our community!

Carlisle High School is in full stride as we focus on our 4 high school pillars: Academics, Athletics, Fine and Performing Arts, and Community.

Academics: January 17 marks the beginning of the second semester. During the months of January and February students in grades 8-11 will begin to explore the courses they want to take for the 2023-2024 school year. Our guidance counseling department is taking the time to

meet with groups of students and individual students with the constant focus of preparing our students for life after high school. Some important testing dates to note.

March 14: Juniors take the ACT

April 20 & 21: English II End of Course (EOC) assessments

May 4 & 5: Algebra I and Geometry End of Course (EOC) assessments

May 8: Biology End of Course (EOC) assessments

May 9: History & Government End of Course (EOC)

Athletics: Girls and boys basketball, wrestling, cheerleading, and swimming continue as we progress through the winter athletic season. Baseball, softball, and track and field athletic seasons will begin in the spring. All athletic teams are focused on either in season practices or off season training. All high school students are encouraged to join a sports team as many lifelong skills such as teamwork, goal setting, and determination can be strengthened through athletics.

Fine and Performing Arts: Our high school pep band can be heard at almost all home basketball games adding an extra level of school spirit to the atmosphere. In addition to our typical courses, the high school will also be preparing for spring musicals, plays, and band concerts. Please visit our website for more information.

The HS also offers multiple muse machine performances where students have the opportunity to listen to professional musicians from a variety of genres. These performances are during the school day and are closed to the public.

Community: It is important to always maintain a sense of community within our school as well as connect with all of our community members. Almost every week the high school is hosting an athletic contest or a fine and performing arts concert, and the high school invites all community members to attend these events. Go Indians!

Carlisle Junior High School updates...



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

Chamberlain Middle School

Spring Preview

As we “spring” forward to the second semester, Chamberlain Junior High School will start to focus on the Ohio State Testing. Students have been preparing throughout the year. As you are aware, our math and language arts program is structured to have students work from a web site called Edmentum. This will help students work on educational gaps that they may have lost during the pandemic or from previous years of learning. Students can also use Edmentum for enrichment practices in math and ELA. Students in junior high also take a computer class once a semester that helps with keyboarding skills, different Microsoft programs, and general rules of the internet. This program is called Learning.com. We feel very comfortable that we are providing students the opportunity to practice Math, Language Arts, and Writing (typing) throughout our school day. All of our students have a Google account as well. Teachers are using Google Docs and Google Classroom to provide students more chances to effectively communicate with other students and their teachers. Moreover, we are incorporating these learning behaviors in other disciplines as well.

What can parents do to help with testing?

Parents you can go to this web site and practice with your student at <http://oh.portal.airast.org/ocba/>

Teachers are working with students to become familiar with learning the computer mechanics of taking the tests online. The more you can help make your student familiar with this testing format, the more it will benefit them this year, as well as in the future years to come. Testing dates will be ELA April 3/20-21,

Math/ Science May 4-5th and May 9-10th.

... Carlisle Elementary School



*By Mike Milner
Carlisle Elementary Principal*

CARLISLE ELEMENTARY (PS-3) SCHOOL NEWS

Grade Level (Special) Activities – I wanted to use the district newsletter this quarter to share some learning activities and experiences that our students have taken part in (or will be taking part in) this year.

Kindergarten – In Kindergarten classes, students are looking forward to celebrating their 100th day of school in February. They will signify the 100th day by incorporating engaging activities that will challenge the students to count to 100, count 100 objects, and make groups counting by 10's. Every year, the students have a great time dressing up like they are 100 years old. Daily in mathematics, our Kindergarten students continue to work on addition and subtraction. In language arts, our Kindergarten students are working hard on word building, sight words, and sentence writing. Also, they are working on learning to decode new words in the decodable readers. In May, the teachers and students are looking forward to the field trip to the zoo along with our Kindergarten graduation!

First Grade – First graders are working hard to become awesome readers! In addition to all the work, they are having fun too. In the fall, they went on a field trip to La Comedia to see Spookley, the Square Pumpkin. They enjoyed their theater experience with lunch and a show! In February, our students will celebrate the 100th Day of School by dressing up as one-hundred-year-olds. Each class will incorporate many learning activities on this special day. The students and teachers are looking forward to a field trip to The Learning Tree Farm in May.

Second Grade – Hello from Second Grade! We have some exciting things coming up this Spring. Our students will be learning how to follow a step-by-step recipe. The Carlisle Schools Cafeteria is going to help us teach the students to make pizza. This will help the students practice reading skills, and we will write an instructional paragraph about the experience after it's complete. On March 1st, all 2nd graders will be attending the orchestra with Mrs. Fitzpatrick. We will go to the Masonic Center to see "Maestro Stu Saves the Zoo." The students will learn how music and dance work together to tell stories. They will get a taste of the ballet, opera, and philharmonic. In May, we will be going to Caesar's Creek. The students will learn about fossils, plants, and animals that used to live in Ohio. This Spring is going to be filled with fun activities for the students!

Third Grade - During the second quarter, students learned about matter in science and local government in social studies. Students also had their Winter Music Concert.

On November 11th and 17th, third graders went to the Boonshoft Museum. Students participated in a "Do-Lab" where they did experiments to learn more about states and properties of matter. Students were also able to tour the museum.

On December 1st students participated in their first concert. Mrs. Fitzpatrick, the 1-6 music teacher, led the performance. Students sang winter themed songs and put on an excellent performance!

On January 13th, Carlisle's Mayor and City Manager spoke to our students in the auditorium. They spoke about the structure of Carlisle's local government, their jobs, and answered students' questions. Students loved seeing and speaking to the leaders that they were learning about in class.

As you can tell, the students (and the teachers and staff members) at Carlisle Elementary have had an exciting year so far and are looking forward to the remainder of the school year.

Please be sure to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or if you would like to know what you can do at home to support your son's/daughter's learning.

I would encourage any parent or community member who has questions or comments about Carlisle Elementary School to contact your child's teacher or the appropriate principal. For grades PS-3, please contact Mr. Mike Milner, at Mike.Milner@carlisleindians.org. If you have a question about a 4th, 5th, or 6th grade student, please contact Principal Jennifer Dearwester at Jennifer.Dearwester@carlisleindians.org. Thank you so much for your support

No School—February 17th– Teacher In-Service

No School– February 20th– Presidents Day

No School– March 17th Parent/Teacher Conference

No School—April 3rd to 7th– Spring Break

**DATES TO
REMEMBER**

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Spring Newsletter Article- Carlisle Intermediate School

Submitted By: Jennifer Dearwester, Principal

Bringing Back the Joy

By: Jennifer Dearwester

We are very excited at Carlisle Intermediate School to bring back the opportunity for 6th graders to attend Camp Joy this Spring. Students will attend the camp from March 29 to March 31, 2023. This year we have Kevin Baker and Melissa Fisher as our head camp coordinators. They have been working on this project since the beginning of the school year. It is too late to sign up, but we have over 80 sixth graders attending the three-day camp. Students will be chaperoned by staff members and a few high school students. The teachers have helped to pick several educational sessions that the students attend during the camp. The students also have several outdoor activities including hiking. We hope to have this opportunity every year for 6th grade students in the future. We had to stop the camp experience the last two school years due to Covid. So, now the “Joy” is back, and we hope to continue it for generations to come.



Character Words of the Month (for 2022-2023)

February – SELF-AWARENESS

March – HONESTY

April – FAIRNESS

May– SELF GROWTH