Crooksville Exempted Village School District



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A Note from the Superintendent

Dear Ceramics,

Christmas break came and went and the first half of the school year is finished. As we begin the second half of the school year, our winter sports seasons are in full swing. Typically, the third nine weeks is the quarter most effected by weather. I want to remind you about our plan to make-up calamity days. We will not be required to make-up the first five days we miss. If we have missed six days by February 18th, then this day will serve as a make-up day. If the sixth calamity day occurs after February 18th or we have used seven calamity days before March 15th, then March 15th will serve as a make-up day as well. After February 18th and March 15th make-up dates are scheduled to be used, the next three calamity days will be made up via Blizzard Bags. Students will not be required to make-up any additional calamity days unless the number of instructional hours fall below the state minimum requirements. As always, I continue to take the safety of our students very seriously and will close or delay school if it is unsafe for our students to travel. I will continue to notify the major media outlets and our social media platforms of any closings or delays and will also attempt to contact parents through our School Connects phone system. Our School Connects phone number is 844-875-6020. I encourage you to save that number in your contacts. Also, when you call the number back, you are able to hear previous messages if you happen to miss our call.

We were very blessed to have some local partners make some generous donations to our students this holiday season. Our district offers a big thank you to Bike Buckeye Lake for providing six bikes, helmets, and locks for our students in need. Additionally, we would like to extend a big thank you to Ludowici Roof Tile and other community partners for donating 150 combinations of coats and shoes or boots for needy students in our district. We really appreciate all of the support from our community partners.

Our students and staff have had an excellent first half of the school year. This newsletter will highlight some of their accomplishments. This includes Mrs. Diana Davis' 5th grade science project, outstanding performances by our athletes, middle school student council selections and much more.

I invite you to attend one of our many upcoming sporting or academic events that take place within our schools. I truly appreciate all of the support our community shows for our students. I continue to believe that it takes students, staff, support staff, administrators, parents, and community members all working together to provide the best possible education for our students.

Your partner in education,

Matthew J. Sherdan

Matt Sheridan

News from the Ceramics

Crooksville High School

Principal, Scott Searing

The second nine weeks ended on December 20th and grade cards are being mailed out the week of January 14th. We will host our Awards Assembly for 2nd Quarter Honor Roll and Gear Up Shining Stars Assembly on January 16th during Flex Period. This Quarter's Gear Up class reward will be a trip to CO-SI on January 24th.

Senior Alanah Williams placed 2nd in the district with her written submission for the VFW's Voice of Democracy. Alanah continues her academic excellence as a full-time CCP student with a 4.0 GPA.

Guidance Department

The Accuplacer will be administered for 10/11th grade students and Accelerated 9th grade students on January 30th.

Scholarships are starting to come in the office, please see Mrs. Baughman to pick up applications.

Sophomores that are interested in attending Mid-East next year must complete your Mid-East online application. If you have any questions regarding the online process please see Mrs. Baughman.

The schedule for next school year is near completion. Stay tuned for scheduling information in the near future.

Maker Space News

Maker Space students have been hard at work completing Community Service Projects this quarter. Students are creating giant yard games for the district's use and have been working collaboratively in groups designing, planning and creating the games. Maker Space continues to be a great place for students to show their innovative abilities.

Athletic News

Winter Sports season is well under way. Sports in season are Boys' and Girls' Basketball, Wrestling, Power Lifting and Indoor Track. Boys' Basketball went 3-0 over Winter Break including 2-0 at the Marietta Invitational. Indoor track participated in their first meet on January 12th at The Ohio State University. The wrestling team has competed in several meets and have had several athletes reach the podium. Powerlifting had a very successful meet at the Eric Wheeler Memorial Top Gun Meet in Springfield, Ohio. Our girls basketball team have posted wins this season against Granville Christian and Jackson.

Varsity Sportsmanship Awards

November

Darby Bolyard – Cheerleading Brady Brannon – Football

December

Alanah Williams- Cheerleading Tyler Rambo – Basketball



K-8 Middle School

Winter has arrived and that means potential SNOW DAYS or SCHOOL DELAYS! Please pay close attention to the following media outlets for announcements regarding a change of school schedule due to the weather: WHIZ Media Group, WYBZ 107.3, WBNS 10TV, WCMH NBC4, ABC6, FOX28 and T-100.3. Please remember that we will send out an ALL CALL notifying you of any school schedule change. Our FACEBOOK Page-Crooksville EV Schools & Twitter @ceramicschools will also post with needed information.

Congratulations to the following students who were elected to Student Council for the 2018-19 school year! Grade 5- Nathan Dyer, Meg Mumford; Grade 6- Ryan Miller, Hannah Pease; Grade 7-Amista Hill. Eli Hill & Jada May: Grade 8- Jasmine Dobbins, Kenzie Printz, Tyler Sayman & Luke Thompson. 7th & 8th grade members ran for office positions. Each student had to prepare and deliver a speech in front of the student body. The following students were elected officers; President, Kenzie Printz; Vice President, Eli Hill; Public Relations, Jasmine Dobbins. The latest project for the student council is the Annual Crooksville Community Food Pantry food drive.



Winter sports teams are very busy with their respective seasons after the winter break! If you get an opportunity, please join us to cheer on your Middle School Ceramics! GO TEAM!



A highlight from our middle school classrooms would be Mrs. Diana Davis' 5th grade science project of documenting the seasons through photography using the student iPads! The photos the students are taking are just OUTSTANDING. Many have been framed and decorate the halls of Crooksville Middle School. What a great example of learning for the students who truly take PRIDE in the academic experience!!



As we settle in for winter, please take the time to have a GREAT conversation with your child about their learning, what goals they have for this 3rd quarter of school and if they were wishing for something what would it be? It's always good to dream a little. Take good care!





K-8 Elementary School

John Toeller, Principal

It's hard to believe but the second semester has begun and half the school year has passed. As we enter into the winter months it becomes increasingly important that children are dressed properly for the elements when they come to school. Please be sure children have hats and gloves to wear as we will be going outside as the temperature and weather permits.

A huge thank you goes out to those organizations that donated shoes, coats, bikes and school items to our school. Thanks to these donations, we were able to provide our students with new clothing and presents during the holiday season. If your family has a need for these items please contact the school and we will try to help in any way we can.

Attendance at school is very important to your child's academic and social development. New laws in Ohio require us to notify parents when students reach certain hour thresholds due to absence from school. This includes excused student absences. If you receive a letter from us concerning absences and you have questions please call and we will be happy to answer them.

As always we encourage you to contact your child's teacher if you have concerns about their progress or questions arise. Thank you for your continued support as we continue through the rest of the school year.

Staff Spotlight

Meagan Mason – 4th Grade Crooksville Elementary



Crooksville Schools would like to spotlight Meagan Mason. Meagan has worked in the district since 2000 and has taught both 3rd and 4th grades. She previously taught 4th grade social studies, but currently teaches a 4th grade self-contained classroom. She loves having her own classroom and while teaching every subject is sometimes a challenge, she very much enjoys her students.

In addition to teaching students in the elementary, Mrs. Mason works with students in the Middle and High School as Drama Club advisor. She has held this position for 18 years. She enjoys being able to see students as they grow beyond elementary school and watching creative thinkers develop through participation in fine arts.

In her spare time Meagan loves to spend time with her children Charlie and Lilly as well as her husband John. She also finds time to spend with other family and friends when not working on planning lessons or directing a show.

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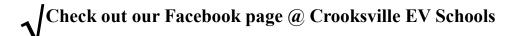
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Mark Your Calendar

Jan. 21 Martin Luther King Day—No School

Feb. 18 Presidents' Day—No School possible make-up day if missed 6 or more calamity days before this date

Mar. 10 Daylight Savings Time Clocks Forward

Mar. 14 End of Third Grading Period

Mar. 14 Parent-Teacher Conferences

Mar. 15 No School possible make-up day if missed 7 calamity days

Mar. 19 Parent-Teacher Conferences TWO HOUR EARLY

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Mar. 22-23 Drama Musical Mama Mia 7 PM



