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## Crooksville Exempted Village School District

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### **The 111th Crooksville High School Graduation Class of 2012 Sunday, May 20 At 2:00 p.m.**

#### **Crooksville High School Senior News**

Graduation will be held Sunday, May 20 at 2 pm in the high school gym. **Class President, Cheyenne Love** is preparing her remarks as mistress of ceremonies for the Class of 2012. In addition, **Elizabeth White, Class Valedictorian,** and **Rachel Hinkle, Salutatorian,** are preparing their speeches as well. Class officers have also met to select the song to be played as flowers are distributed to the parents. As of April 26, caps and gowns, along with other graduation supplies, have been delivered. If you have not received these items be sure to stop by the high school office to pick them up. If you need to acquire a cap, gown, or tassel please contact Mrs. Desguin at the high school as soon as possible. Practice will be held on Friday, May 18 from 7:30-10:30 am. Students should have received a letter in regards to this practice, as well as other expectations for graduation. At practice the seniors will receive their tickets to allow parents to sit in the designated parent section. There is no charge for these tickets, as they are used by the junior ushers to escort the parents to their seating. Any other graduation-related questions should be directed to Mrs. Desguin.

#### **High School Work-Study Program**

Mr. Wally Nelson, Work-Study and Transitions Coordinator shares about the Work-Study Program and the processes that make this program a meaningful experience with life-long benefits:

- ◇ Firstly, Work-Study (W-S) is an elective class for students with Individu-

alized Education Plans (IEP) which provides multiple values. As in most jobs, it provides an opportunity to develop skills and behaviors to become more independent and more productive through meaningful work experiences. Jobs also help to develop employment skills such as work habits, attitudes, and effective communication which relates to developing appropriate work related behaviors for carry-over into any work setting.

- ◇ Secondly, hours worked are turned into elective credits which are added to total number of credits earned and recorded on high school transcript. In essence, in school and/or community based service credits are added to credits required and earned from core classes which are mandated by the state for high school graduation.
- ◇ Lastly and just as importantly, the students received a stipend for their work efforts and services—paid in the form of cash or check depending upon school district policies. Although some may consider the compensation as insignificant, it does enable the students to see the importance of delayed gratification and the work-reward relationship. When a paycheck is issued, it enables another learning tool through responsibilities associated with signing when showing personal verification, seeing its conversion to cash, and budgeting (spending) the earnings toward things of interest. Furthermore, if a student can sign their name on a paper assignment and exercise other classroom transactions—a student can work, get paid, cash their check (earnings), and use as they see fit. If there is a disruption in the process, it becomes a less beneficial/wholesome experience.
- ◇ Distribution of monies/paychecks is determined by the treasurer's department in each school district in an effort to reward the students in a timely manner. Many times special arrangements are made to enable students to take their earnings home

before a holiday break, but ordinarily monies are issued in the first week following a monthly pay period. As a last resort, compensation in the form of a check may be mailed for unusual circumstances such as prolonged absence thus picked up by parent/guardian.

- ◇ In general, each school district establishes W-S compensation methods that are consistent with payroll processes that enable understanding, fairness, and carry-over values to adulthood.

This year Crooksville High School Work-Study students were eligible for a "Student of the Month" award for each respective month in recognition of positive work habits and participation skills for selective work assignments within our schools.

To compliment the winners each month, our very supportive community merchants have donated an array of complimentary items to be selected by each winner. The monthly winners to date include Tequilla Robinson, Bryanna Williamson, Jy Walker, Daniel Bunger, Natasha Carter, Mitchell Hosey, and Kayla Dillon. Congratulations again to the winners and to the necessary support staff for their supervisory efforts.

The following businesses worthy to note:

- ◆ The Community Bank
- ◆ Blacker's Pharmacy
- ◆ Domino's Pizza
- ◆ Hunter's Run/Crossroads Café
- ◆ A New You (Hair/Tanning Salon)
- ◆ Peach's Restaurant
- ◆ Red Hat Embroidery
- ◆ Studio C Hair Salon
- ◆ Subway
- ◆ Tolley's Sports Shop

Thanks again to all of the student winners for their outstanding work efforts—also to the local merchants for their generous support.

## Crooksville Intermediate School

Mrs. Terri Caton, Principal

*\*Character \*Involvement \*Scholarship*

We've reached the end of our first year as Crooksville Intermediate School. I'd like to express my appreciation to our families, teachers and students for all their cooperation in making the year successful. With every change, there are both opportunities and challenges. I sincerely hope you are pleased with the progress your child is making. As soon as the year ends, we will meet and evaluate our program. It is our goal to get better every year! Our staff truly believes in the power of teamwork. We want to continue to help our students be people of good character, people who are involved in lots of positive activities, and people who understand that scholarship is the key to a future filled with choices.

The next few weeks will be extremely busy. Please check the schedule on the menu page 4 of this newsletter or the school website.

The administrative staff will be working for most of June. If you have any questions or concerns about the upcoming school year, don't hesitate to give me a call. Have a wonderful and safe summer!

## Crooksville Primary & Preschool

Mr. John Toeller, Principal

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and community members who have volunteered to help us during this school year. Your willingness to give of your time makes a big difference in the lives of our students. We welcome parent volunteers so if you would like to help us next year please give us a call. Thanks for your continued help and support!

The second and third grade music program will be take place on Tuesday, May 8 at 7:00 pm in the high school commons.



**Right to Read Week** is May 7-11. This years theme is "Reading is a Treasure." If the children reach their goals for Right to Read Week, Mr. Toeller will be dressing as a pirate.

The kindergarten program will be held Wednesday, May 16 at 7:00 pm in the high school commons.

The preschool graduation will take place on Thursday, May 17. It will begin at 6:30 pm, in the high school commons.

The last day of school for students is Friday, May 18. There will be a two hour early out on that day. K-3 students will be dismissed at 1:45 pm. Please be sure your child knows where to go at the end of the day.

Have a safe and restful summer. Please read with your child over the summer as research shows those children who read over break come to school having lost less of what they learned the previous school year.

## Good Happenings

**Mrs. Roberts' first grade class** finished their first grade interest based unit on volcanoes. Each student submitted a topic they were interested in researching. The class then voted and volcanoes won. This was a wonderful chance for the first graders to know their own personal interests are an important part of their education. (see additional pictures on the website newsletter)



**PRESCHOOL**—Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Weaver's preschool classes recently went on a learning adventure to capture the letters. Pictured is Leah Allen.



Some of us feel like a "QUEEN" when writing! The following **first graders are students of Mrs. Gaddis** - Gracie Westcott, Gage Frash, Megan Wheeler and Parker Zinn.



Fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Chamberlin sent in this "good happening" and picture. "Mr. Chamberlin has been visiting with two of our **fourth grade classes** to help them to set goals and be the best they can be on the OAA!"



## Good Happenings

### Outstanding Seniors Honored along with Motivating Teachers

Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center honors area seniors nominated by their high school principal for their school and community leadership activities and academic records at the 23rd Annual Student Leadership Recognition Ceremony at OUZ. Each student selected one teacher, coach or band director who served as a motivating influence during their educational career also received special recognition. Pictured are the recipients senior, **Elizabeth White** and teacher, **Tony Thorngate**.



The **National Honor Society** and **Student Council** recently attended the Prom Pledge Impact Seminar at the Convocation Center in Athens. Over 30 schools and 5,000 students were in attendance. The National Honor Society students also recently went to volunteer and help serve lunch at Christ's Table in Zanesville. These students will continue to be busy as they will be helping with the Senior Luncheon and Awards Day, Super Games at the K-7, and the high school graduation ceremony. They will also enjoy a day of fun at The Wilds Zipline Safari as a reward for all of their hard work this year.

The **tenth grade Literary Analysis classes** are off to an excellent start on their argumentative research papers. The research paper is an end-of-course assignment that assess students' abilities to research a topic of their choosing using valid sources, to organize their findings in a formal outline, to write multiple drafts, and to revise and edit their final paper before submission. All of the assignments throughout the course have prepared students with the necessary tools to complete such a paper. **Teacher, Miss Cox** is very pleased with each student's willingness to work hard, and she's looking forward to reading the final drafts on May 17!

**Juniors** scheduled for classes this week and are looking forward to the newly created classes for their senior year. **Seniors** completed their research papers and did well overall. They are excited for field trips, field day, and graduation. It was a good year, teacher, **Mrs. Allen**, wishes all seniors "good luck" in their future endeavors.

The **eighth grade team** would like to recognize **Will Lyons** for being the top seller of sub sandwiches. He raised more than \$275 for the Peerless Lodge and his field trip to the Cincinnati Museums at Union Terminal and the Newport Aquarium. Will was able to collect half of the money he raised to go directly to his field trip costs thanks to the wonderful support of the Lodge. In appreciation, Will was awarded a \$100 savings bond by the Lodge.

(Picture: Eighth grader, Will Lyons)



The **eighth grade team** would like to also recognize **Tabby Vanoster** for selling 53 subs, earning her a \$20 gift card to Wal-Mart, **Kyler McClelland** for selling 44 subs, earning him a \$15 gift card to Wal-Mart, and **McKenzie Bowen** for selling 30 subs earning him a \$5 gift card to Wal-Mart.

All of the students who sold subs did an amazing job! We would like to send out a special thanks to the generous support of the Peerless Lodge members, and all of our tireless school supporters.

**Fifth grader Lakyn German** won first prize in the annual essay contest sponsored by Peerless 591 Lodge, Valley of Columbus Scottish Rite for all fifth grade students in Perry and Fairfield counties. The theme of the essay was "What My Family Means to Me." Lakyn and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Travis and Makala German, were honored with a dinner at the lodge home in Lancaster,

where Lakyn read her prize-winning essay. Lakyn was honored with a plaque and her teacher received a cash gift of \$200 to be used for classroom supplies. Lakyn is a writing student of Mrs. Kristen Filkins.

Pictured in the photo below with Lakyn and her parents are Dan Meenach, President and Ed Gamble, Lodge Ambassador for Perry County.



**Sixth grade students and students in Mr. Houk's class** took a field trip to see the Columbus Clippers on April 12. Students held several fund raisers to offset the cost of the trip. For most of our students, this was their first experience seeing a professional baseball game. The students' cheering caught the attention of the players, who tossed baseballs to them. They appeared on the jumbo screen and collected T-shirts from the mascot! Teachers reported that they received many compliments on the behavior and enthusiasm of the students. Thank you to their teachers, **Tracy Kinneer, Shelia Smith, John Gardner, Chris Baughman, Tammy White** and **Scott Houk** for planning the trip. Thank you to parents for sending us such great kids!

### Intermediate Students in Seussical the Musical!

Congratulations to our intermediate students **Jena Thomas, Karrisra Grannon, Briana Thomas, Jaivin Kennedy, Joey Adams, Dillon Darling, Clay Whissen, Collen Ward, Joseph Swingle, Paige Lashley** and **Sophia Marolt** for their great performances in the annual spring musical at CHS. Under the direction of fourth grade teacher Meagan Powell, the students presented four performances. We look forward to many great productions in the future!



## May 2012

Menus subject to change due to availability of foods or unplanned school closings.  
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### High School Lunches Grades 8-12, Preschool

Choice of one entrée – chef salad, regular pizza, sandwich,  
or the daily special – includes vegetable, fruit, and milk.

# Cook's Choice Month of May

### Intermediate—Primary Lunches serving grades K-7

Choice of one entrée – chef salad, regular pizza, sandwich,  
or the daily special – includes vegetable, fruit, and milk.

#### April 30—May 4

Monday Hamburger Sandwich, Cheese & Pickles, Potato Wedges  
Tuesday Hot Dog Sandwich, Macaroni & Cheese, Veggies & Dip  
Wednesday Chili Soup with crackers, Grilled Cheese Sandwich  
Thursday Bosco Sticks with dipping sauce  
Friday Chicken Patty Sandwich, Potato Puffs, Vegetable

#### May 7—11

Monday Pizza, Green Beans, Pretzel  
Tuesday Hamburger Sandwich, Cheese & Pickle, Potato Wedges  
Wednesday Taco Salad with Chips  
Thursday Turkey Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Roll & Butter, Vegetable  
Friday Sloppy Joes on a bun, Vegetable, Yogurt

#### May 14—18

Monday Chicken Nuggets, Potato Puffs, Vegetable  
Tuesday Hamburger w/cheese & pickles, Hashbrown Potatoes  
Wednesday Mini Corn Dogs, Macaroni & Cheese, Vegetables  
Thursday Pizza Sticks, Vegetables  
Friday Bosco Sticks, Salad, Vegetable—**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**



### May 2012 Schedule of School Activities

- Apr 30 VBBSB Philo A 5 pm  
RBBSB Phil H 5 pm  
JH TK Ceramic Invitational H 4 pm  
Apr 30-May 4 OAA Testing—All Week
- May 1 VTK Morgan A 4:30 pm  
May 2 VBBSB New Lex H 5 pm  
RBBSB New Lex A 5 pm  
May 4 VBBSB West M H 5 pm  
RBBSB West M A 5 pm  
VTK Liberty Union A 4:30  
May 5 VBBSB Nelsonville A DH 11 am  
JHTK MVL Sheridan 10 am  
May 7-11 Right to Read Week  
May 8 Music Program Grades 2 and 4 HS 7 pm  
May 9 Senior Awards Reception 12 pm

- HS Academic Awards 12:45 pm Gym  
Spelling Bee Intermediate Building  
May 10 HS/IS Spring Concert HS 7 pm  
Fishing 101 Field Trip  
May 11 School Field Day  
VTK MVL Maysville A 4 pm  
May 14 5th Grade Field Trip  
May 15 Academic Banquet Grades 6-8  
May 16 KG Program 7 pm HS Commons  
Super Games  
May 17 PS Graduation 6:30 pm HS Commons  
May 18 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 2 Hour Early Out  
May 20 Class of 2012 Graduation 2:00 pm  
May 21 Last day for staff—LPDC Meeting  
MECTC Graduation at Muskingum University  
May 28 Memorial Day

### Athletic Department News

I would like to take this time and congratulate our senior athletes and wish them the best in their future endeavors. OHSAA tournament play will begin in May and I want to wish all of our Ceramics the best of luck in the postseason. Come out and support our athletes as they finish up the regular season.

To view our updated spring sports schedules go to:  
[www.crooksville.k12.oh.us](http://www.crooksville.k12.oh.us)

**WE ARE BIG "C"**  
Athletic Director, Dave Rupe



**Have a great summer  
and be safe!**

# Mrs. Roberts, First Grade Class Room 226—"See their volcanoes!"

