

# Success Starts Here

## Crooksville Exempted Village School District

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Issue I

### A Note From the Superintendent

As the new school year starts, I want to emphasize our district's focus to Strengthen Instruction, Improve Operations, and Foster Collaboration. As a school community this is what we are working on and always thinking about. Everything we do as a district revolves around these three points.

As a district we are always concerned about student growth and achievement. For our students to grow and achieve to their full potential, we must focus on instruction. We have created many supports to help aid our teachers in creating high yield teaching environments. Some of these supports are overt and easy to see like our 21<sup>st</sup> Century After/Before School Programing, our Rural Ohio College High School Program, and our partnership with Battelle for Kids through the Ohio Appalachian Collaborative. Other supports are subtle and harder for our community to see like internal professional development, time set aside for our teachers to meet daily for team collaboration, and many shared leadership opportunities for all educators to take part in the decision making process. All of these supports, including many others, help to ensure high quality instruction is being provided for all of our students.

Any organization must focus on improving operations. Efficiency, accountability, and consistency are always a part of any successful organization. As a school district we are no different. Over the last few years, there have been many changes in the way that we organize ourselves; this includes building/grade structures, fiscal responsibility, and internal responsibilities. These changes were made and will continue to be made with our students and their needs in mind.

Collaboration is a powerful force in education. Education is about people and collaboration allows us to share responsi-

bilities and include multiple viewpoints. As we move forward as a district, it will be a collective effort in improving instruction for all students, negotiating new state and federal mandates and funding implementations, and growing our students and building internal human capital within our staff.

I believe that our district has a positive momentum that will continue forward and impact our students. I also want to thank those of you that have raised your hand and stepped forward to share in this momentum. We are building a different kind of school community, one that listens and is influenced by those who want to make a difference and are willing to act.

### Ohio is Moving to New Education Standards

What parent doesn't want his or her child to enter adult life prepared to take on the world? That's why you have your child in a school you trust.

But the world our children will live in will be much different than the one we have known. That is why Ohio is updating the curriculum standards that outline the knowledge and skills students need to have in key subjects in every grade.

Ohio and 44 other states have volunteered to adopt "Common Core State Standards" in math and English languages arts. Ohio also has written its own new standards in science and social studies.

What are education standards? They help teachers ensure that their students have the skills and knowledge

they need to be successful by providing clear goals for student learning. Standards do not tell teachers *how* to teach, but they do help educators identify the knowledge and skills their students should have so teachers can build the best lessons and environments for their classrooms.

Teachers at Crooksville Schools are analyzing the standards now so we can put them into action. What does this mean for your student?

- ◆ Your child will be studying fewer topics within each subject, but drilling deeper into each to gain more understanding.
- ◆ Your child will be carrying well-understood key concepts from grade to grade to broaden and build on his or her knowledge.
- ◆ Your child will learn to relate key ideas from math, science, language arts and social studies to real-life situations.
- ◆ Your child's teacher will be using more in-depth teaching methods and getting frequent measurements of how your child is doing.

Standards are a first step – a key building block – in helping us to continue providing our young people with a high-quality education that will prepare them for success in college and work. Most importantly, the hard work of our dedicated teaching staff and the continued support of parents will ensure that our children enjoy the bright future we all want for them.



## Crooksville High School

### Senior Class News

Seniors met with Jostens on August 23 to receive packets on ordering caps, gowns, and tassels. These items are required to participate in graduation. If for any reason your son/daughter did not pick up a graduation packet, please pick one up in the high school office as soon as possible, or see Mrs. Desguin by calling the high school at 982-7015. Any orders that need to be placed should be mailed directly to Jostens as soon as possible.

The following seniors were selected as class officers:

**President—Brianna Finck**  
**Vice President—Alyssa Stalling**  
**Secretary—Gage Shinn**  
**Treasurer—Jenna Barbarotta**

Congratulations to all! Officers will be meeting soon to discuss graduation plans.

### Athletic Department Newsletter September 2012

I would like to take this time to wish our athletes and coaches a successful fall sports season. Come out and support our athletes as they begin their season! All bus times and schedules have been updated on our athletic website and Crooksville High School Hall of Fame criteria and nomination forms are posted as well.

We will have our **Crooksville Athletic Booster Meeting on Sept. 25, 2012, at 6:00 pm in Room 101 at Crooksville High School.** Please pass this information along, as this is an attempt to boost meeting attendance and communication between our boosters, coaches, parents, staff, athletic director, and community members. All coaches will be expected to have one representative at each booster meeting from their program. This booster organization is a great way to support our kids in all sports.

To view our updated fall sports schedules and bus times go to: [www.crooksville.k12.oh.us](http://www.crooksville.k12.oh.us) and click on athletics

## Crooksville Intermediate School

Mrs. Terri Caton, Principal

*\*Character \*Involvement \*Scholarship*

Welcome to a new school year at CIS! We are very excited to meet our new fourth graders and introduce our fifth, sixth and seventh graders to their new teachers. Our staff assignments have changed a bit from last year. Mrs. Margie Hashman will be our new reading/language arts teacher in fourth grade, along with Mrs. Marcia Coleman-math, Ms. Meagan Powell-social studies and Mrs. Amy Chamberlin-science. Mrs. Darla Sowers will be the intervention specialist working with our fourth graders. Mr. Chad Trussell joins our fifth grade staff and will teach social studies and reading. Mrs. Jessica Smith will teach science and reading, Mrs. Krista Filkins will teach language arts and Mr. Adam Pontious will provide the math instruction. Ms. Kelly Perone will co-teach several classes as the intervention specialist. Our sixth grade team is made up of Mrs. Tracy Kinneer-reading/language arts, Mrs. Shelia Smith-math, Mr. Chris Baughman-social studies/reading and Mr. John Gardner-science/reading. Ms. Tammy White joins the team as intervention specialist. Our seventh graders will find several changes from last year. Mrs. Diana Davis will teach science/reading, Mrs. Stacie Kirkbride-reading/language arts, Ms. Amy Ward-social studies/reading and Ms. Lauren Metcalf is on board as our new math teacher. While Mr. Sean Hill is now teaching eighth grade math at the high school, he and Ms. Metcalf will both provide the instruction for our class of advanced seventh graders.

We are so proud of the accomplishments of our students and teachers last year and anxiously await the release of our state report card. A wise person once said, "The toughest part about being a success is that you have to keep on doing it!" As educators, we know that there is always more work to be done and higher goals to be set and reached. I can promise you that we will do everything in our power to help your child become as successful as possible!

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail us. That contact information can be found on the district website. We look forward to a great year with your children!

## Crooksville Primary & Preschool

Mr. John Toeller, Principal

The primary school will be reporting student progress in a new way this year. Parents of children in grades k-3 will receive a monthly report (connection) that reports on your child's progress towards mastering skill at his/her particular grade level. This report will allow parents to better understand their child's level of achievement than grades can report. The first report will come home with your child at the end of September. Your child's progress toward skills that have been worked on in the reported month will be reported in the following manner:

- ◇ Green – This means your child has met the goal by showing understanding and applying it consistently in his or her work.
- ◇ Yellow – This means your child has some understanding of the goal but needs to continue to work toward mastery.
- ◇ Red – This means your child is having difficulty meeting the goal, but will need extra instruction and practice to work toward mastery.

Please remember that most children will be working toward mastering grade level goals throughout the year and therefore will be in the yellow category. As the year progresses please feel free to call your teacher concerning your child's progress or with questions about the connections. Our goal is to be sure we are meeting all kids need no matter their level of mastery.

### PRESCHOOL NEWS

Crooksville preschool students started August 28-29 and it was a wonderful first week. Ninety-eight preschoolers came jumping and bouncing through the doors. We are making new friends and learning the classroom schedule.

Students in **Mrs. Anderson's** class enjoyed the *Kissing Hand* book which featured Chester the raccoon leaving mom to go to school for the first time. Students also enjoyed Kissing Hand cookies. Pictured is Greyson Hearing.



**Crooksville School Nurse**

Ms. Jodi Paul, RN

I hope everyone had a great summer! Please review the following information.

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL MEDICAL FORMS ARE SENT BACK TO THE SCHOOL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

**Immunizations:** Kindergarten students must have had all required immunizations *prior to the start of school* and provide a copy of the most current immunization record. Students entering the 7<sup>th</sup> grade are required to receive the Tdap immunization *prior to the start of school* and provide a copy of the immunization record.

**Prescription Medications:** Students that require administration of prescription medications at school must have the proper documentation completed by the physician and parent/guardian. Please send the forms in AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. If you lost your forms, call the school offices or have your child pick up a new form. **No medication may be administered without the proper documentation and the medication must be in the original container with the child's name**, per the Ohio Department of Health.



**Food Allergies:** If your child has a food allergy, please notify me immediately. Please do not assume we are aware of the allergy, even if you have told us in the past. All records are updated with the start of a new school year. In addition, we will need documentation of the food allergy from the child's physician for our dietary records.

**Medical Issues:** If your child has a medical issue, please notify immediately. I would like to discuss the specifics

of the medical condition with you either in person or over the phone. Please do not assume we are aware of the medical condition, even if you have told us in the past. All records are updated with the start of a new school year.

**Emergency Medications:** If your child has an emergency medication, such as an EpiPen or Diastat, please make sure we have the medication immediately. We never know when an emergency situation will occur and it is best to be prepared. The forms must be completed, as noted in the prescription medication information above.

Please feel free to notify me with questions or concerns. I always appreciate your input. We share a common goal, to best serve your children!

**Crooksville Schools**

Crooksville High School  
982-7015

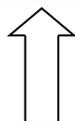
Crooksville K-7  
982-7010

Crooksville Preschool  
982-7845

Crooksville Bus Garage  
982-6362

Crooksville Schools  
Administrative Center  
982-7040

Website: [www.crooksville.k12.oh.us](http://www.crooksville.k12.oh.us)



School telephone numbers—cut out and save

**Help us Meet the Needs  
of Special Children**

Your schools are not selective in who they educate. All students who live in the district or who qualify to enroll have a right to the best education we can provide. This includes special needs students—those who have physical or mental disabilities.

Disability, in this instance, means such conditions as hearing and visual impairments, speech, or language impairments, specific learning disabilities, emotionally disturbed, and multiple traumatic brain injury. Many children with disabilities are not visible because they do not function in the mainstream of the community, such as children who are homeless. Also, many unidentified children with disabilities are preschoolers.

If you have or know of a child who may have a disability, contact Kyle Newton, Superintendent of Crooksville Schools, at 982-7040 for more information and help.

**Keep** your address, phone numbers, and email addresses at school up-to-date. **School Connects** – This technology allows the school to call all parents with information about the school. Some of this information includes: school closings, early dismissals, 2 hour late starts, reminders of upcoming events etc. This system also allows teachers to call all students in their class with information pertaining to their class or grade level.



**Anytime during the year notify  
the school of any phone number  
changes.**

**CAFETERIA NEWS:** Lunch menus will be on a five (5) week rotation. If you have any questions call your school cafeteria. Please make sure your child has money on their lunch account. Help your child learn their pin number, this number will be used daily for lunch and breakfast. Menus subject to change due to availability of foods or unplanned school closings.

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## High School Lunches Grades 8-12, Preschool

Instead of main entrée a big salad is offered with tossed romaine lettuce, seasonal vegetables, sliced egg, and grilled chicken. White milk will be low fat. Chocolate milk will be fat free. All breads, rolls, and pasta will be whole grain or wheat. Fruit included with meals.



### Sept. 3—7

Monday Labor Day No School  
 Tuesday Chicken Wraps, Macaroni & Cheese, Carrots w/Dip  
 Wednesday Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Garlic Toast  
 Thursday Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla, Rice w/Black Beans, Corn  
 Friday Hamburger Sandwich, Seasoned Fries, Carrots w/Dip

### Sept. 10—14

Monday Sloppy Jo Sandwich, Oven Potato Wedges, Carrots & Celery  
 Tuesday Popcorn Chicken, Seasoned Pasta, Carrots & Celery  
 Wednesday Taco in a Bag w/Tortilla Chips, Black Bean Salad  
 Thursday Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans  
 Friday Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tomato Soup

### Sept. 17—21

Monday Chicken Patty Sandwich, Potato Puffs, Steamed Broccoli  
 Tuesday Mini Corn Dog, Tri Tators, Baked Beans  
 Wednesday BBQ Rib Sandwich, Sweet Potato Fries  
 Thursday Chicken Strips, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans  
 Friday Pizza Burgers, Pretzel Sticks, Lima Beans, Corn

### Sept. 24—28

Monday Hamburger Sandwich, Seasoned Fries  
 Tuesday Chicken Nuggets w/Dip, Sweet Potatoes, Peas  
 Wednesday Pizza, Tossed Romaine/Spinach Salad  
 Thursday Roasted Turkey w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes Green Beans  
 Friday Taco in a Bag w/Tortilla Chips, Shredded lettuce, cheese, salsa, corn, Black Bean Salad

## Intermediate—Primary Lunches serving grades K-7

Instead of main entrée a big salad is offered to students in grades 4 through 7 with tossed romaine lettuce, seasonal vegetables, sliced egg, and grilled chicken. White milk will be low fat. Chocolate milk will be fat free. All breads, rolls, and pasta will be whole grain or wheat. Fruit included with meals.

### Sept. 3—7

Monday Labor Day No School  
 Tuesday Sloppy Jo on Whole Wheat Bun, Sweet Potato Fries  
 Wednesday Mexican Pizza, Romaine Salad, Pretzel Rod  
 Thursday Taco Salad w/chips, Black Bean Salad  
 Friday Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Corn, Baked Lays Chips

### Sept. 10—14

Monday Hamburger Sandwich, Pickles & Cheese, Seasoned Potatoes  
 Tuesday Chili Soup, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Pretzel Rod  
 Wednesday Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Fresh Tossed Salad, Garlic Toast  
 Thursday Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Mix Veggies  
 Friday Pepperoni & Cheese Bosco Sticks, Green Beans & Corn

### Sept. 17—21

Monday Baked Chicken Legs, Scalloped Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts  
 Tuesday Mini Corn Dogs, Macaroni & Cheese, Carrots w/Dip  
 Wednesday Taco Salad w/Chips, Black Bean Salad  
 Thursday Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Roll w/Butter  
 Friday Popcorn Chicken, Sweet Potato Wedges

### Sept. 24—28

Monday Hamburger Sandwich, Potato Cubes, Carrots w/Dip  
 Tuesday Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Romaine Salad, Wheat Roll  
 Wednesday Pepperoni Pizza, Green Beans, Pretzel Rod  
 Thursday Roasted Turkey w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes  
 Friday Pepperoni & Cheese Bosco Sticks w/Dipping Sauce

## September 2012 Activities

Sept 3 Labor Day No School  
 Sept 4 HS Blood Drive  
     VVB New Lex A 5:30  
     JHVB New Lex A 5  
 Sept 5 FVB Philo/John Glenn H  
     JHVB Philo H 5  
 Sept 6 VVB Philo H  
     CC Logan A 4:30  
 Sept 7 VFB Miller A 7:30  
 Sept 8 RFB Miller H 10  
     JHVB Miller A 10  
 Sept 10 JHVB West M H 5  
 Sept 11 VVB West M H  
     CC John Glenn/Maysville H 5  
 Sept 12 JHFB Sheridan H 6 Village Park  
     FVB @ Sheridan/Waterford  
     JHVB Maysville A  
 Sept 13 HS Individual Pictures

Sept 13 VVB Maysville A  
 Sept 14 VFB Sheridan H Parents Night  
 Sept 15 RFB Sheridan A  
     CC Meadowbrook A 10  
 Sept 17 JHVB Morgan H  
 Sept 18 VVB Morgan H Parents Night  
     CC Tri-Valley A 5  
 Sept 19 JHFB Tri-Valley H Village Park  
     FVB @ West M/Maysville  
     JHVB Sheridan A  
 Sept 20 VVB Sheridan A  
 Sept 21 VFB Tri-Valley H Champs Nite  
 Sept 22 RFB Tri-Valley A  
     VVB John Glenn H 10  
 Sept 24 JHVB New Lex H  
 Sept 25 VVB New Lex H  
     Board of Education Meeting 630  
     Athletic Booster Meeting 6:00  
     Room 101 CHS

Sept 26 JHFB Maysville A  
     FVB @ Nelsonville York w/  
         Morgan  
 Sept 26 JHVB Philo A  
 Sept 27 VVB Philo A  
     CC West M 5  
 Sept 28 VFB Maysville A  
 Sept 29 RFB Maysville H 10  
     CC Rio Grande A 10

