



Superintendent's Report

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First Quarter Ends Tomorrow

Tomorrow marks the end of the first quarter for the 2018-19 school year. Note that there will be no school this Monday, October 22 for the first quarter break. To see the 2018-19 school year calendar in its entirety, go to <http://cg.noacsc.org/> and click on "Calendars" in the left hand column.

Opioid Awareness Assembly Tomorrow

The Putnam County Sheriff's Department, in conjunction with our local law enforcement agencies, will again be conducting opioid awareness assemblies throughout the county school districts. They conducted these three years ago and the assemblies were well received. Columbus Grove will hold its assembly tomorrow at 8:45 a.m. in the gym. There are three scheduled speakers this year. Many thanks go to all of our law enforcement agencies in the county for making this worthwhile assembly a possibility for our students.

Fall NWC Dominance

This past fall's sports performances by a number of CG teams have been quite impressive. The volleyball team won a share of the NWC title with a win over Ada last week (they were also runners-up in the PCL). Our girls and boys' cross country squads both won the NWC title at the NWC meet last Saturday in Spencerville, beating two very competitive Lincolnview teams. The football team controls its NWC title destiny with two games left in the season. Congratulations to these teams for their accomplishments and good luck to our football team in their game at Allen East tomorrow night!

Freshman Class Attends Apollo Career Day

The freshman class recently spent an afternoon at Apollo Career Center to begin exploring career options. Upon arrival at Apollo, students unloaded the buses and were directed to a station. Each student received a label which assigned them to three different programs to begin making connections about available careers. Students on the Health Sciences tour were taught how to properly wash hands, take temperatures, and practice chest compressions. Students were able to explore how firefighters train and were shown the building where students practice. Students listened to a GROB employee share the electrical work which is an essential component in the manufacturing industry. Whether students plan to attend Apollo or not, attending this Career Connections field trip allowed all students to hear more about careers that are available in the workforce. Our students saw a variety of careers which included: Multimedia Technology, Cosmetology, CAD/Robotics, Spa & Esthetics, Floral Design/Interiors, Print and Graphics, Administrative & Medical Office Technology, Automotive Collision Technology, Construction & Equipment Technology, Carpentry, Building & Renovation, Sports Fitness & Exercise Science, HVAC, Phlebotomy, Automated Manufacturing Technology, Welding & Fabrication, Police Academy, Health Sciences, Electrical, Computer Information Support, Early Childhood Education, and Firefighter.

Elementary Parent-Teacher Conference Sign-Ups

We will continue the online sign-up process for parent-teacher conferences for our elementary students this year. We will again be utilizing Google Forms, as this looks to be the easiest manner to implement for our parents. Here's how it works- parents will need to sign up online in order to schedule a conference with their child's teacher. This sign-up process requests an email, student name, parent name, and then provides a drop down box for parents to select a time that works for their schedule. After parents select a date and time online, they will receive an email confirmation. Teachers will distribute the link to parents through the online communication method they use (usually email). This process allows for parents to sign up in a manner which helps them schedule their children's conferences, saves them time, and minimizes the time between their scheduled conferences. If you have any questions about this process, please contact the elementary office at 659-2631.

Community Trick or Treat Night

Columbus Grove will hold Halloween festivities on Thursday, October 25th beginning with the costume parade from 6:00-6:30 p.m. at Columbus Grove Memorial Park. Elementary Principal Brad Calvelage will emcee the event and several local community members will judge the costumes. Trick-or-Treating around the community will follow from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Many thanks go to Columbus Grove businesses and the village administration for supporting this fun-filled event.

Coats for Kids Starting Up @ CG

Columbus Grove Schools are once again a collection site for new or gently worn coats and outerwear for children sizes newborn through youth large/ex-large. There will be a collection box available until the end of October in the school health clinic for any donations you may come across as you go through your closets. Thanks for your support!

Did You Know:

Congratulations to our elementary students who sold over \$45,000 worth of products for the P.I.E. fundraiser this year. The profit helps fund many school activities and projects for the students. Below are the results and top sellers.

KG \$3,722.00

Gr. 1 \$5,082.50

Gr. 2 \$7,634.50

Gr. 3 \$6,566.50

Gr. 4 \$6,371.50

Gr. 5 \$6,598.50

Gr. 6 \$7,041.00

Online \$1,667.50

Top Grade: Grade 2

Top Class: Mrs. Brubaker

Total Items Sold: 2,821

Top 5 Sellers: Colton Sumney, Gabreal Day, Lausen Flores, Tia Stevenson, and Abby Greve

Thank you students for your efforts and many thanks to our community for your ongoing support!

Upcoming Dates:

Thursday October 18th

Boys JH Football @ Bluffton - 5:00 pm

Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. TBA (Sectional Finals) – 5:30 pm

Friday October 19th

Boys Varsity Football @ Allen East HS - 7:00 pm

Saturday October 20th

Coed Varsity Cross Country @ Districts - Ottawa Memorial Park - 1:00 pm

Boys JV Football vs. Allen East HS – 10:00 am