



# Superintendent's Report

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## Homecoming is Next Week!

Next week, the cheerleaders and student council members have a number of activities planned for Homecoming Week. The week begins with themed spirit days for each day of the week. Spirit days include Lazy Monday (PJ day), Tie-dye Tuesday, Wacky Wednesday (Costume Day), Hide Out Thursday (Dress in camouflage), and Bulldog Spirit Day on Friday. Next Wednesday evening, the students and community members are invited to a bonfire at 7:00 p.m. in the American Legion parking lot.

On Friday, the spirit assembly will begin with the walk around town during 9th period and end with an assembly in the high school gym. The Cheerleaders will be nominating a "Most Spirited" boy and "Most Spirited" girl from each grade and an overall "Spirit King" and "Queen" at the Pep Rally on Friday. The festivities will continue in the evening with a homecoming parade. Line up time is from 4:45-5:25 at the American legion. Parade time will begin at 5:30. Following the parade we will introduce the Homecoming Court and announce the 2018 King and Queen prior to the game. The festivities conclude with the Homecoming Dance on Saturday in the elementary gym beginning at 8:00 p.m. All high school students and alumni are welcome.

## Leo Club Members' Volunteerism Noted

On Saturday, September 22, Columbus Grove Leo Club members Olivia DeLaRosa, Grace Cassidy, Autumn Thompson, Madison Thompson, Madisyn Maag, Hailey Coleman, Kennedy Flores, and Emma Brown provided support to the Mennonite Memorial Home Communities' campus of Maple Crest in Bluffton for their Annual Fall Festival. The ladies assisted with grilling, preparing food, welcoming guests, cleaning and more!

The Fall Festival is their largest fundraising event that supports activities and programs benefitting nearly 350 elders within their four campuses. The Maple Crest staff joyfully sang the praises of these eight young ladies for their phenomenal volunteer efforts, as they were very impressive with not just their work ethic, but their interpersonal skills as well. Congratulations, ladies, on a job well done!

## Guidance Department Website Updates- Part II

Last week, we provided a couple new updates to the Guidance Department's webpage. School Counselors Mindy Losh and Brenda Bruce have added further information and links that will be helpful for our high students and parents. Parents and students looking at options to help pay for college should check out the "**Financial Aid**" tab. There are resources such as the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and Student Aid websites to help families prepare financially for college. It summarizes all the types of aid that are available, how to qualify and apply for aid, and how to manage student loans.

The "**Guidance News**" tab will be the resource center for all news, pictures, events, and postings happening with the CG guidance department. We plan to continually add new and useful information for parents, students, and teachers to keep everyone informed. Please contact Mrs. Losh or Mrs. Bruce if you have any questions or concerns.

\*Seniors and parents interested in learning more about filling out the FAFSA can attend the following Financial Aid Parent meeting: Monday, November 19th at 7:00PM in the Columbus Grove High School Library. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Losh at 419-659-4310

The "**Ohio Graduation Requirements**" tab explains requirements for a student to graduate from high school. Students not only need 21 high school credits, but now students are required to earn at least 18 points on seven end-of-course state tests, earn an Industry Credential and Workforce Readiness, OR earn remediation free score on the ACT.

The “OhioMeansJobs K-12” tab is a website that will be used in grades 6-12 for career exploration. Students will take career interest surveys to learn about themselves and different careers are matched with students depending on how students answer questions. Students are able to search careers and save the careers in their online backpacks on this site. Each year we will look at their likes and dislikes to help students with searching for a future career.

All scholarships that are emailed, mailed or hand delivered to the guidance office are placed on the guidance webpage under the “Scholarships” tab. Students should check this weekly for the most up-to-date list of local, state, and national scholarships.

The “Testing” tab provides students access to ACT, SAT and End of Course resources. Also, these webpages offer resources to register for the ACT or SAT and some offer practice tests.

Many colleges prefer we send transcripts electronically and not through the mail. All current high school students can order transcripts electronically by going to the “Transcripts” tab and ordering through Parchment. Any high school student can create an account, order a transcript, and track when and where the transcript was sent. Students and the guidance office are now able to monitor when the university receives the transcript and if it has been downloaded by the college.

### **Ninth Grade Principles of Business Class Visiting Whirlpool Today**

Mr. Schafer’s 9th Grade Principles of Business class is taking a trip today to Whirlpool to study manufacturing as part of the annual manufacturing week held throughout the country. We appreciate Mr. Schafer setting up this hands-on opportunity for these 24 students, as this will be a valuable learning experience for them today.

### **Congratulations Golf Team!**

Last Thursday, the golf team advanced to the District golf tournament at Bowling Green with a third place finish at Sectionals. This is just the third time in school history that the golf team has qualified for the District tournament. The team shot a 352 and were led by the 81 of Jacob Oglesbee and the 85 of Owen Macke. Zac Roberts added an 89 and Austin Macke shot a 97. Jacob Oglesbee, Owen Macke, Zac Roberts, Austin Macke, and Gabe Verhoff are at Bowling Green today competing in the District tournament. Congrats to the team and Coach Gallmeier for your accomplishments and good luck to you today at Bowling Green!

### **Did You Know**

Each year a number of students from surrounding schools open enroll to Columbus Grove Schools. Below are the current incoming open enrollment students by grade level.

KG	7
Grade 1	3
Grade 2	3
Grade 3	4
Grade 4	3
Grade 5	2
Grade 6	3
Grade 7	6
Grade 8	4
Grade 9	7
Grade 10	4
Grade 11	3
Grade 12	5
Total	54

### **Upcoming Dates:**

#### **Thursday October 4<sup>th</sup>**

Boys JH Football @ Crestview HS - 5:00 pm

Girls JH volleyball vs. Paulding – 5:00 pm

Girls Varsity and JV Volleyball @ Allen East HS – 5:30 pm

Coed Varsity Cross Country @ Kenton Invitational – 5:00 pm

Boys Golf @ Bowling Green – District Golf Tournament – 10:30 am

#### **Friday October 5<sup>th</sup>**

Boys Varsity Football @ Spencerville HS - 7:00 pm

#### **Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup>**

Boys JV Football vs. Spencerville HS – 10:00 am

Girls JH Volleyball @ Spencerville NWC Tournament – 10:00 am

Girls Varsity and JV Volleyball vs. Pandora-Gilboa HS – 10:00 am