



# Superintendent's Report

Submitted by Nick Verhoff

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## Reed Schumacher Named Senior in the Spotlight

Congratulations to Reed Schumacher for being selected as the December Senior in the Spotlight. Reed is the son of Randy and Roxanne Schumacher. Reed was nominated by several staff members for his excellence in the classroom as well his leadership in school and community organizations. While taking some of the most challenging classes Columbus Grove High School offers, he is an outstanding student academically, maintaining a 4.0 GPA. He has been a very active member in the building as senior class president, member of the Leo Club Board of Directors, and National Honor Society member. Reed has been a member of the marching band throughout high school, including being field commander. According to the band director, Mr. Blymyer, "Reed was the 2021 season's Field Commander, meaning he taught the band marching fundamentals, and conducted them through their state performance. His leadership kept the students motivated through the season to succeed with 3 consecutive state-level qualifying performances." Additionally, the LEO Club Advisor, Mrs. Birnesser noted, "Reed has been an active Leo Club member all four years of high school. He is also an elected member of the Leo Club Board of Directors. Reed has demonstrated his leadership skills by helping organize many projects already this school year such as the Veterans Day Penny War, the community leaf raking day, Christmas basket raffle, and the Hilty Home Holiday Drive to collect items for their residents.

Reed has a natural ability to communicate with others in the group and a strong work ethic to complete tasks on time." Lastly, Reed has been active in the Columbus Grove Livestock 4-H Club for many years, including being the current club president. This past summer, he took time out of his busy schedule to help one of the younger 4-H Club members with her feeder calf. He spent many hours showing her how to take care of the calf along with showmanship techniques for the fair.

While working with Reed, you will find him to be extremely friendly, humble, dedicated and always wanting to challenge himself. With these positive qualities constantly on display, the Columbus Grove High School Guidance is pleased to award the December Senior in the Spotlight to Reed Schumacher. After graduation, Reed plans to attend the University of Toledo to study Computer Science and Engineering. Congratulations, Reed!

(Written by Tadd Koch and Mrs. Losh)

## Upcoming Recognitions at Boys' Basketball Games

As we have done in the past, we look forward to taking time to recognize the accomplishments of our student athletes over the past year. Here is an updated schedule for upcoming recognitions:

**January 14** vs. Lincolnview: 2021 State Champion Wrestler Jeff Meyer, 2021 Football- A.J. Schafer & Rece Verhoff, 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Ohio

**January 29** vs. Continental: 2021 Boys' Cross Country Team

**February 11** vs. Delphos Jefferson- Senior Night

## January is School Board Appreciation Month!

School board members exemplify local citizen control and decision-making in education. They volunteer hundreds of hours and an immeasurable amount of energy to ensure that our schools are providing the best education possible for the children of our community. For all their dedication, we are taking this opportunity to show them our appreciation during School Board Recognition Month.

School board members are citizens whose decisions affect our children —what they learn, who will teach them and what kinds of facilities house their classrooms. These are men and women elected to establish the policies that provide the framework for our public schools. They represent you, and they take this responsibility seriously by attending lengthy —sometimes challenging — meetings, conferences and institutes where they broaden their knowledge about education; during numerous conversations about the schools; and sessions before the Ohio General Assembly.

Our school board is one of more than 700 such boards across the state. These boards enable us to have local control of public schools, meaning that decisions on school programming are made by local, elected representatives who understand the community's unique problems, values, culture and circumstances. With the advice and counsel of the educational professionals they hire, our school board has an impact on virtually every aspect of our schools.

Too often, we neglect to recognize the dedication and hard work of these men and women who represent us. The staff and students of our school district are asking all local citizens to take a moment to tell a school board member “thanks for caring about our children’s education.”

So, thank you to the dedicated individuals who make it possible for local citizens to have a say about education in our communities. We salute the public servants of Columbus Grove Schools whose dedication and civic responsibility make local control of public schools in our community possible. We applaud them for their vision and voice to help shape a better tomorrow.

Brad Brubaker (26 years)

Brian Jones (14 years)

Darrick Oswald (1 year)

Ned Stechschulte (15 years)

Derek Vance (2 years)

## 2022-2023 Kindergarten Registration Now Open

Kindergarten registration for the 2022-2023 school year is now open. If your child will turn 5 years old prior to September 30, 2022, they are eligible for kindergarten. You can register on our website ([cg.noacsc.org](http://cg.noacsc.org)) by clicking the link in the Parents/Student/Community tab or you may contact the school at 419-695-2631 and we will walk you through the registration process.

## COVID-19 Statistics Update

Here are the district’s statistics in terms of students and staff currently impacted by COVID-19 as of Tuesday afternoon, January 11:

- **Cases: 3 positives**
- **Tracing: 17 students**

New tracing guidelines adopted by the Ohio Department of Health have helped in minimizing the number of quarantined students. If your child is experiencing any COVID-like symptoms, please keep him/her home until he/she is symptom free. If you have any questions regarding school operations during COVID, feel free to contact Mr. Verhoff @ 659-4301 or [cg\\_verhoff@cg.noacsc.org](mailto:cg_verhoff@cg.noacsc.org).

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup>**

Boys Freshman Basketball vs. Lincolnview – 5:00 p.m.  
Boys JH Basketball vs. Fort Jennings – 5:00 p.m.  
Girls JH Basketball @ Ottawa Elementary – 5:00 p.m.  
Girls Varsity & JV Basketball @ Lincolnview – 6:00 p.m.

### **Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

Boys Varsity & JV Basketball vs. Lincolnview – 6:00 p.m.

### **Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

JH Wrestling @ Ayersville – 9:00 a.m.  
JV Wrestling @ Bluffton – 9:00 a.m.  
Varsity Wrestling @ Coldwater – 9:00 a.m.  
Boys JH Basketball @ Arlington – 10:00 a.m.  
Girls JH Basketball vs. Arlington – 10:00 a.m.  
Girls Varsity & JV Basketball @ Miller City – 1:00 p.m.  
Boys Varsity & JV Basketball @ Kalida – 6:00 p.m.

### **Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

Girls Varsity & JV Basketball @ Fort Jennings – 6:00 p.m.  
No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

### **Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

Boys JH Basketball @ Bluffton – 5:00 p.m.  
Girls JH Basketball vs. Bluffton – 5:00 p.m.  
Boys Varsity & JV Basketball – 6:00 p.m.

### **Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

JH Wrestling @ Elmwood – 4:15 p.m.  
Varsity Wrestling @ Elmwood – 5:30 p.m.