



Superintendent's Report

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It's Homecoming Week!

This past Monday marked the beginning of Homecoming week. Spirit Week activities this year have included:

Monday- Pajama Day

Tuesday- Generation Day

- Teachers: dress as teenagers
- Seniors and 8th Graders: dress as elderly
- Juniors and 7th Graders: dress as middle-aged
- Sophomores and 6th Graders: dress as young kids/toddlers
- Freshman and 5th Graders: dress as babies
- K-4th Graders: dress as elders

Wednesday- Barbie vs. Ken dress up

Thursday- Adam Sandler Day

Friday- Bulldog Spirit Day

Additionally, a pep assembly, along with a high school student parade through the town (weather permitting) 9th period on Friday is scheduled. The 2023 CGHS Homecoming Parade will take place on Friday, October 6. The parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. and start from the American Legion. Please see further information regarding the Homecoming Parade below. Come out and support the Bulldogs for a critical NWC showdown versus the Crestview Knights. Go Dogs!

Homecoming Parade Planning

The 2023 CGHS Homecoming Parade will take place this Friday. The parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. and start from the American Legion. Advance planning to coordinate the parade participants has begun. In an effort to make this process as safe and smooth as possible, a number of guidelines have been set for all participants to follow.

- Floats arrive at the American Legion parking lot prior 4:45 p.m.
- There will be a parade coordinator stationed at the entrance to the American Legion who will direct floats to their designated location.
- Beginning at 4:45 p.m., Plum Street will be blocked off at the intersection with the alley. The traffic will be one way at Plum Street and moving towards the American Legion. Parents with children are asked to enter at Plum Street and drop their children off at the alley intersection before exiting down the alley.
- If children are too small to walk the distance to the American Legion by themselves, a student council representative will be available to walk with them.

If you have any questions, please contact Student Council Advisor Katie Stechschulte at cg_kstechschulte@cg.noacsc.org.

Homecoming Court



Front Row Left to Right: Natalie Langhals, Sophia Olivo, Abby Stechschulte, Claire Kiene, Payton Hoorman, Grace Myers.

Back Row Left to Right: Zane Stechschulte, Zach Reynolds, Loudon Auchmuty, Everett Palte, Bo Birnesser, Ryan Hardeman.

Eyes with Pride Thanks

The 33rd Eyes with Pride Band Show took place last Saturday evening at Clymer Stadium. We want to express our thanks to the many CG Band parents who volunteered their time to make this event such a success. Many thanks go to our Band Boosters, who spent countless hours planning and coordinating for this event as well. The CG Marching Band concludes its regular marching band competition season with a trip to Piqua at the Piqua Band Invitational on October 14 and conclude with the Maumee Band invitational on October 21. Good luck, band!

Fifth Graders take Field Trip

Last week, CG Elementary fifth grade students went to Ottawa Memorial Park and the Ellerbrock Dairy Farm in Ottawa. During this trip, students got to learn about soil, water, insects, and every day farm needs. Students were given the opportunity to see a tarantula, eat a worm (what?!?!), pet a cow, and experience how erosion works. Thank you to the Putnam County Soil and Water Conservation Team along with Dan Ellerbrock for these valuable learning experiences!

CG Cross Country Teams Make Trip to Pennsylvania

Last weekend, members of both the girls' and boys' high school cross country teams took a weekend trip to Pennsylvania. Stops on the trip included visits to the Andy Warhol Museum, the Duquesne Incline, Gettysburg, the Johnstown Flood site, and Shanksville, PA (site of Flight 93 crash). The Bulldogs even scheduled a 10K road race in the midst of all these attractions. Leaving early Friday morning and arriving back on late Sunday evening made for a long trip, but one filled with a great deal of history and education for the student athletes as well. Many thanks go to coaches Terry Schnipke and Jason Jay for organizing this worthwhile trip for our runners.

Military Night Video Available to Watch Online

Columbus Grove Football team celebrated Military Night with a win against in conference rival Allen East on September 22. Each year the team celebrates military night by honoring and playing for family, friends, and neighbors that served our country. The players select a veteran either serving or that served and wears that person's name on the back of their uniform. This year's game was special with the addition of a POW/MIA chair dedicated and installed next to the flagpole by the Columbus Grove VFW. Please go to our district website at <https://cg.noacsc.org/> or our district's FB page to view a short video commemorating the dedication of this special chair.

2003 State Championship Football Team to be Recognized October 20

Believe it or not, it's been 20 years since the 2003 Columbus Grove Football Team went a perfect 15-0 to cap off a magical state championship season. At halftime of our home football finale versus Bluffton on October 20, we plan to recognize the players and coaches of this team. As we spread the word about this recognition, we ask for your help. If you know a player or coach from the 2003 team, we ask that you have them contact our Athletic Department at cg_schnipke@cg.noacsc.com or 419-659-4331. Athletic Director Terry Schnipke is working on a count for this special occasion. Come out and join us on October 20, as we recognize a team that provided much excitement and many wonderful memories for our school and community!

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, October 5th

JH Football vs. Bluffton – 5:00 p.m.

JH Volleyball vs. St. Peter and Paul – 5:00 p.m.

Friday, October 6th

Varsity Football vs. Crestview (Homecoming) – 7:00 p.m.

Homecoming Parade

Saturday, October 7th

Cross Country @ Coldwater Lions Invitational – 9:00 a.m.

JV & Varsity Volleyball @ Pandora -Gilboa – 9:00 a.m.

JV Football @ Crestview – 10:00 a.m.

Varsity Soccer @ Ottoville – 10:00 a.m.

Homecoming Dance – 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Monday, October 9th

JH Volleyball @ Delphos Jefferson – 5:00 p.m.

Varsity soccer vs. Crestview – 5:00 p.m.

JV & Varsity Volleyball @ Kalida – 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 10th

JH Football @ Bluffton (7th grade) – 5:00 p.m.

JV & Varsity Volleyball @ Bluffton – 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 11th

JH Football @ Delphos Jefferson – 5:00 p.m.

JH Volleyball vs. Pandora-Gilboa – 5:00 p.m.