



Superintendent's Report

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Thank You Columbus Grove Community!

We are thrilled to share the wonderful news about the success of our recent CG Elementary Partners in Education (PIE) gift card fundraiser, and it's all thanks to the incredible support from our parents and community members. Your support and dedication have truly made a difference.

A special shout-out to everyone who purchased gift cards from the local businesses that participated. Your contribution has not only supported our school but has also bolstered the ties within our community. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the following businesses: Aguirre's Fillin' Station, Shannon Theatre, Beads by Beth, Cancun Mexican Restaurant, The Dairy Whip, Farmhouse Market & Deli, Halker's Bar and Grill, Indian Trail Garden Center, The Pizzeria, Ooh La Latte, Lock 16 Steakhouse, Kira's Flipside Grill, The Red Pig Inn, Sycamore Lake, Shirley's Popcorn, and The Axe Handle. Your generosity has been instrumental in the success of this fundraiser.

A round of applause goes to the High School of Business classes for their exceptional coordination and hard work in making this project a reality. Your excellent planning and promotion played an integral role in making this project so successful.

The funds raised through this initiative will have a lasting impact on our school community. Proceeds will be directed towards essential items such as additional technology in the classroom, reward days for students, books for our library, and student assemblies, just to name a few items. Together, we are creating an enriched learning environment for our students. Once again, thank you to everyone who played a part in making this fundraiser such a success.

As a result of the students reaching the building wide sales goal, Mr. Calvelage will be duct-taped to a wall in the commons one afternoon the week before Christmas break, with the students having the pleasure of doing the taping!

CGHS Students Selected for Putnam County Band/Choir

Last Saturday, students from Putnam County auditioned for the Putnam County Band and Choir. CGHS had a strong showing as 22 students made the All-County Choir and seven students were selected for the All-County Band.

CGHS students qualifying for All-County Choir are Payton Bechtol, Hailey Vogt, Caidynce Schnipke, Laney Auchmuty, Addy Butcher, Ella Escamilla, Keelie Langhals, Katie Schumacher, Daisy Stechschulte, Autumn Stechschulte, Grace Verhoff, Jacob Ricker, Collin Sautter, Evan Verhoff, Holden Hartzog, and Conner Amstutz. All-County Band students are Delaney Winterstellar (alto sax), Kellan McCluer (trombone), James Rosengarten (baritone), Nick Johnson (tuba), and Erin Lugibill (percussion), and Will Horstman (percussion). The All-County Band and Choir will perform at the All County Arts Festival in March. Congratulations, students, on your accomplishment!

Boys' Basketball Game Rescheduled

The originally scheduled boys' basketball game at Ottoville for tomorrow has been rescheduled for Tuesday, January 2. Start time for JV is 6:00 p.m.

Upcoming Christmas Concerts

Please make plans to attend our high school's upcoming holiday concerts this month. This past Monday, our elementary grades 1-3 kicked off the holiday season with their holiday program in the auditorium. This Wednesday, December 13, CG Sounds (grades 5 & 6) and the 7-12 Choir will host its annual holiday concert in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m. On Monday, December 18, the 7-12 Band Concert will host their concert in the high school gym, beginning at 7:00 p.m. All concerts are open to the public. Please come out to see our students' musical talents on display and get into the holiday spirit!

Winter Bulldog Sports Available Online

The CG Athletic Boosters, CG Athletic Department, and the Columbus Grove High School of Business present live stream and on demand options to watch CG events. Just like what was done with football games at Clymer Stadium this past fall, all basketball games in the high school gym will be available to watch on any device including on a TV using Roku. This subscription-based service will be available to purchase before the event for a single purchase, monthly subscription, or annual subscription. An additional bonus is these online basketball games will have Z-Sports play-by-play accompany most games. While we do not want to have local residents and fans skip the live atmosphere of the game, this is a great alternative for those out of the area to support our students. The option of watching games later at your own convenience is another added benefit. Visit <http://fan.hudl.com/cgbulldogs> to watch highlights and subscribe to this service.

CGHS Basketball Alumni Versus Alumni Game Scheduled

Mark your calendars, as new Boys' Basketball Coach Connor Kohls is coordinating a CG Alumni vs. Alumni basketball scrimmage for Thursday, December 21.

Here are the tentative details:

- Festivities would start at 6:00 p.m.
- No current players will participate, just alumni.
- There will be a dunk and 3-point shooting contest, besides the scrimmage.
- Admission is \$3

Come on out, enjoy seeing if our former Bulldogs still have it, and help raise some money for the basketball program. It should be entertaining, to say the least!

Upcoming Events

Saturday, December 9th

JH Wrestling @ Wayne Trace – 9:00 a.m.

Varsity Wrestling @ Cory Rawson – 10:00 a.m.

Monday, December 11th

Boys Freshman Basketball @ Ottawa – Glandorf – 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 12th

Boys JH Basketball @ Crestview – 5:00 p.m.

Girls JH Basketball vs. Crestview – 5:00 p.m.

Girls Varsity Wrestling @ Ayersville Quad – 6:00 p.m.

JH Wrestling @ Ayersville Quad – 6:00 p.m.

Varsity Wrestling @ Ayersville Quad – 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13th

Grades 5-12 Choral Concert – 7:00 p.m.