



Superintendent's Report

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CGHS Students Awarded Academic Letters

Last Friday, Columbus Grove High School recognized 75 students in grades 10-12 who earned the Academic Letter based on their academic performance last school year. The Academic Letter Program is designed to acknowledge excellence in the classroom by giving a Letter, similar to an Athletic Varsity Letter, to students who maintain a 3.5 grade point average or higher for the entire school year. Students were called down to the commons where they received their Academic Letter. In addition, students were treated to donuts and juice as a small token of appreciation for their hard work and dedication in the classroom. Those students who received this Letter are as follows:

Sophomores: Abigail Buescher, Ella Dotson, Saige Frobase, Cade Garmatter, Karsyn Garmatter, Emily Grigsby, Sara Henige, Audrey Keehn, Keelie Langhals, Ethan McDougale, Clara McKanna, Ty Meyer, Amber Michel, Grace Morman, Gavin Schroeder, Daisy Stechschulte, and Delaney Wintersteller

Juniors: Loudon Auchmuty, Devin Barnt, Bo Birnesser, Kaitlin Dipnarine, Steven Dunbar, Gabriella Escamilla, Ryan Hardeman, Hallie Hermiller, Payton Hoorman, Erin Lugibill, Jacob Lyons, Kirsten McCauley, Logan Mershman, Zach Reynolds, Abby Stechschulte, Hailey Vogt, and Isabella Wilson

Seniors: Dillon Bryan, Logan Bryan, Brandon Buescher, Sage Clement, Carys Donaldson, Brynn Fortman, Shep Halker, Hadassah Jones, Jared Kahle, Ellie Keehn, Todd Koch, Gwen Langhals, Jevin Langhals, Levi Maag, Jaelyn Mangas, Ainsley McCluer, Andrew Morman, Isaac Ricker, Hunter Rode, Jaylen Sautter, Hanna Schroeder, Taylor Schroeder, Hannah Shaffer, and Dalton Wurth

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 18 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, Gabby Bogart, Macey Dunlap, Chelsea McKanna, Myrisa Schumacher, Hannah Shaffer, Grace Verhoff, Hailey Vogt, Laney Auchmuty, Addy Butcher, Ella Escamilla, Keelie Langhals, Katie Schumacher, Daisy Stechschulte, Jacob Ricker, Collin Sautter, Evan Verhoff, Holden Hartzog, and Josh Gannon. All-County Band students are Ainsley McCluer (clarinet), Delaney Winterstellar (alto sax), Levi Schroeder (trumpet), Kellan McCluer (trombone), James Rosengarten (baritone), Nick Johnson (tuba), and Erin Lugibill (percussion). The All-County Band and Choir will perform at the All County Arts Festival in March. Congratulations, students, on your accomplishment!

Busing Changes Beginning Monday, December 12

Our district's bus mechanic and bus driver, Bernie Kleman, is retiring and his last day on the job is Friday, December 9. Bernie has served our district for over 20 years and thank him for his years of dedicated service to our district.

As a result of Bernie's retirement, we have a number of changes to our busing procedures, beginning this Monday, December 12. Please see the following bus changes in both drivers and bus numbers:

Bus #4 (previously driven by Bernie) will now be driven by Brad Anderson. Brad's current route will be taken over by driver Joanne McKanna on Bus #3. Joanne's current route will be taken over by Jeff Gertsen on Bus #12. All pick-up and drop off times for these routes will remain the same. Additionally, the new drivers and buses will be located in the same position as the previous buses were in the bus line-up at school to minimize confusion.

Letters were sent to affected families earlier this week and the letters included the new bus driver's cell number. If you have any questions about these changes, please contact the Superintendent's office at 659-4301.

Boys' JV/Varsity Basketball Game versus Ottoville Rescheduled

JV/Varsity boys' basketball games vs. Ottoville have been rescheduled for Saturday, February 4. This rescheduling was due to the football team's extended run in the playoffs this season.

Parents- Breakfast with Santa this Saturday at Turner Hall

Turner Hall (208 South High St.) will host its second annual Breakfast with Santa this Saturday, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Cost is \$5 per ticket and will include a pancake and sausage breakfast, hot chocolate bar, a holiday craft and, of course, Santa Claus! Tickets may be purchased at Carl's Hardware, Tabler's Drive Thru, and Farmhouse Market and Deli. Many thanks go to the Columbus Grove Chamber of Commerce for hosting this event.

Upcoming Christmas Concerts

Please make plans to attend our high school's upcoming holiday concerts this month. On Wednesday, December 14, the 7-12 Choir will host its annual holiday concert in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m. On Monday, December 19, the CGHS Band 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!

Upcoming Events

Thursday, December 8th

Boys Freshman Basketball vs. Ada – 5:00 p.m.

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

Girls Varsity and JV (2 Qtr.) Basketball @ Ada – 6:00 p.m.

Friday, December 9th

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

Saturday, December 10th

JH Wrestling @ Allen East Invite – 9:00 a.m.

Varsity Wrestling @ Lancer Invite – 9:00 a.m.

Boys JV & Varsity Basketball @ Arlington – 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 13th

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

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

Girls JV & Varsity Basketball @ Kalida – 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 14th

7-12 Choral Concert – 7:00 p.m.