



Superintendent's Report

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Veterans Day Activities Set

In recognition of Veterans Day, the students and staff again are participating in the Jeans for Troops or Sweats for Soldiers this week. All staff and students who participated made a monetary donation, which will be donated to the Columbus Grove VFW. In addition to this activity, the high school students participated in a penny war between classes, which will conclude this Friday.

Students are learning about the history behind Veterans Day in their classes. Additionally, further information regarding Veterans Day is being shared via morning announcements, to reinforce the importance of this day for our students. We say thank you to all our veterans who have served our country and allow us to have the many freedoms we have in our lives!

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony Held

Last week, the Columbus Grove High School chapter of the National Honor Society held its induction ceremony in the elementary gym. Congratulations to the 25 new members inducted! These inductees met the four pillars of scholarship, service, leadership, and character to become members of the National Honor Society. Congratulations to the new inductees: Logan Bryan, Brandon Buescher, Josh Buescher, Sage Clement, Carys Donaldson, Landyn Dotson, Brynn Fortman, Hadassah Jones, Jared Kahle, Ellie Keehn, Tadd Koch, Gwen Langhals, Jevin Langhals, Ainsley McCluer, Hannah Nunn, Morgan Page, Cody Ricker, Isaac Ricker, Hunter Rode, Jaylen Sautter, Hanna Schroeder, Taylor Schroeder, Hannah Shaffer, Kirsten Williams, and Dalton Wurth. This group of 25 inductees joins the 25 existing members in the senior class.

Leo Club Again Organizing Leaf Raking Project

The Columbus Grove High School Leo Club is again organizing a leaf raking service project FREE of charge to help our senior citizens as well as those who need assistance raking leaves. Leaves will be raked on Sunday, November 21. If interested, contact the school office at 659-2156 and provide your name, address, and phone number. Please contact the school by Wednesday, November 17. Thanks again to our Leo Club for conducting this wonderful service project!

Alumni Brick Paver Orders Available

Looking for a great gift for the hard-to-buy-for individual this Christmas? Columbus Grove community members and alumni may purchase a personalized brick to be placed in this area to honor individuals or significant events in Columbus Grove Local Schools' storied history. Bricks are on sale for \$50 for a 4" by 8" brick. For an order form, please check out the Columbus Website at <http://cg.noacsc.org/> or you may pick up an order form at the school offices as well. These bricks make a perfect gift to commemorate a CG alumnus, faculty member, student accomplishment, or historical event in our district's history. In addition, a decorative postcard will be sent to recipients, notifying them of the brick purchased in their honor. If you have further questions, please contact the superintendent's office at 659-2639. Think about purchasing a brick for a gift this holiday season! All proceeds go to the CG Alumni Association's future project initiatives.

Fall Sports Teams Conclude/Continue Phenomenal Seasons

The boys' cross country team finished 4th at state championship meet at Fortress Obetz last Saturday. This 4th place finish is tied for the highest finish in school history, but certainly is the highest finish in the modern era of the 5,000-meter race. Grove's seven runners finished ahead of every other team's #5 runner as the pack of runners from #2 through #7 were separated by a mere 13 seconds! Trent Koch just missed making the podium but finished as an All-Ohio runner by placing 21st overall in the 182-runner race with a personal record of 16:22. Roy Langhals was the next Bulldog to cross the line, finishing 49th in 16:54. Caleb Stechschulte was 61st in 17:00; Carson Closson was 63rd in 17:01; Luke Ellerbrock was 64th in 17:02; Caleb Morman was 70th in 17:06 and Bryce Bonifas was 73rd in 17:07. Congratulations, runners and Coach Schnipke, on an excellent season!

Last Saturday evening, the CG football squad battled a very talented Liberty Center squad at Clymer Stadium in the second round of playoff football action. After falling behind 14-0 at halftime, the Bulldogs started off the second half with a bang as senior Braylon Baxter took the second half kickoff to the house to make it 14-7. The Bulldogs continued to battle, but ultimately came up short 21-13. The team ended their season with an 11-1 record, second consecutive playoff appearance, and a program first of a fourth consecutive NWC title. Congratulations to all the players and coaches on another awesome season!

Congratulations to our fall sports teams and marching band! You have made our community very proud!

Substitute Bus Drivers Wanted

Columbus Grove Local Schools is accepting applications for substitute bus drivers. This position has the potential of becoming a full-time bus driver in the future, if the applicant is interested. Substitute bus drivers are contacted to drive extracurricular and field trips and occasionally drive a regular morning or afternoon route. Certification requires the completion of attending a pre-service class, a written and driving test, CDL license, a medical physical exam, drug test, BMV check of driving record, and a background check. Cost for training will be reimbursed by the district for any individuals who serve as a substitute bus driver for Columbus Grove Local Schools. If you are interested in becoming a bus driver for Columbus Grove School, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 659-2639 for further information.

Upcoming Events

Monday, November 22nd

Parent/Teacher Conferences – 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 23rd

No School – Parent/Teacher Conferences

Girls Varsity and JV Basketball @ Shawnee – 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 24th – Friday, November 26th

No School – Thanksgiving Break