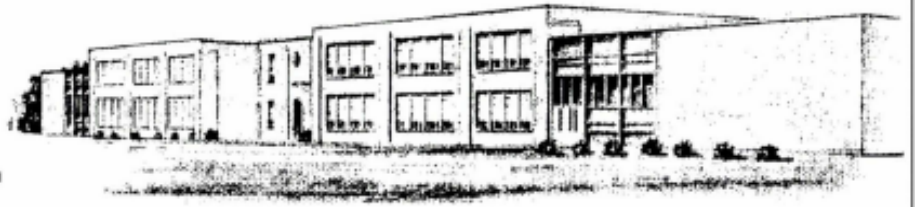


# Your School



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## From The Desk of Geoff Palmer, Superintendent



The winter weather is most certainly upon us, in fact, we have now used all five allocated calamity days. I fully understand the decision to open or close school in bad weather has a big impact on families of the district. I also understand that our students are better served—both academically and socially—by being in school. But, as always, my top priority is the safety of our students.

clear, travel elsewhere in the district may be dangerous. Also, we must consider the roads typically driven by both buses and our high school students who drive to school.

### HOW DO WE MAKE OUR DECISION?

Please understand the decision to open or close the school in bad weather is based on careful analysis of all relevant factors, such as:

- **Information on road conditions from transportation staff and the sheriff's department.** We have staff checking road conditions by 5:00 am. We give careful consideration to the most dangerous roads in the district. Even if your road looks

- **Amount of accumulated snow and/or ice.**
- **Likelihood of additional snow and/or ice.**
- **Building conditions (do we have heat, water and electricity).**
- **Parking lot conditions.**
- **Temperature and wind chill.**
- **Weather predictions.** While we prefer NOT to make our decisions based on weather predictions which are not always accurate, they must be considered.
- **What neighboring districts are doing.** We communicate with neighboring districts on conditions and their decisions to open or close.

### WHO MAKES THE DECISION?

As superintendent, I am responsible for the final decision, based on the factors listed above and input from our Transportation and Maintenance Supervisors.

### HOW IS THE PUBLIC NOTIFIED?

Notification is given to the following stations in the event of change in school schedule:

#### Radio Stations

AM 1600 WTTF (Tiffin)  
AM 1430 WFOB (Fostoria)  
AM 1330 WFIN (Findlay)  
FM 100.5 WKXA (Findlay)

#### Television Stations

WTOL Channel 11  
WTVG Channel 13  
WNWO Channel 24

### WHEN IS THE DECISION MADE?

The decision must be finalized no later than 6:30 am, though we always try to make it as soon as possible.

### WILL WE CLOSE IF CONDITIONS WORSEN?

Keep in mind that, even if weather conditions worsen, we cannot reverse our decision in the morning without endangering students. Once the decision to open schools is made, many parents rely on it and leave for work or other obligations. If we then send students right back home, many will return to unsupervised, empty homes.

If conditions worsen during the day, or some other emergency would arise resulting in the need for an early dismissal, we will use the media sources noted above to give as much advance notice as possible.

Although the staff and I do our absolute best in this process, we know that often no perfect decision exists. If you do not feel it is safe for your child to attend school on a day when school is in session, please notify the appropriate building principal as soon as possible.

I hope this explanation helps everyone understand the process our district staff uses to make the best possible decision for all.

### CALAMITY DAY MAKEUP

Due to the fact that we have used our five calamity days allowed by the State of Ohio, any additional days taken will be made up in the following order: May 27, May 31, June 1, June 2, June 3.



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## HOPEWELL HAPPENINGS



Welcome to winter! As the cold winter chill puts its hold on us, school activities have been heating up. The second semester is now under way, semester exams were taken January 12-14. As I mentioned in the last newsletter, the exam format had changed. I would appreciate any comments from the community with regards to the exam schedule.

Congratulations to all of the student members of the 2005 Winter Homecoming Court, and special congratulations to Mattie Smith and Zach Schalk on their selection as the Homecoming Queen and King.

We are already making preparations for spring and the upcoming school year's activities. Our sophomore students have taken a pre-test for the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT). In February our freshmen class will take the same pre-test. Our goal is to analyze the results of the pre-tests so we may determine area of strengths and areas we need to emphasize to prepare students for passage of the OGT.

For those parents and community members who are not as familiar with the OGT, I would like to provide you with some background information about this test. The ninth grade proficiency test has now been replaced by the Ohio Graduation Test or the OGT. The Ohio Department of Education, (ODE), for the past several years has set new standards for students across the state. The new content standards have implemented levels of achievement for students in the areas of writing, reading, math, science and social studies. At each grade level students are to meet the criteria in the curriculum for their specific grade.

In contrast to the proficiency test, the OGT is now taken in the spring of the student's sophomore year. Our test dates are March 14-18, 2005. Make-up tests

will be given as needed the following week. If there are any parents who would like to help prepare students for the OGT, please call the office and volunteer some of your time to help.

The senior class trip is almost upon us, and Mrs. Young and the students are preparing for their adventure to New York City. The students will be gone March 21-24, 2005.

Students will soon be preparing for scheduling of courses for the 2005-2006 school year. Tentatively our plan is to have students make schedule requests online while at school. I would ask that parents discuss the choices your son or daughter make when selecting classes. This is a very important decision for our students and one that I would hope parents would consider important too.

As the winter sports season rolls on, I encourage members of the community to come out and show your support for our young men and women who participate in any and all extra-curricular activities.

One final note to parents, please remember that our students are to arrive to school at 7:50 a.m. and must be picked up after school no later than 3:15 p.m. If your son or daughter participates in any extra-curricular activity, please make arrangements for them to go home after the event or practice has concluded. Thank you to all of the student body, staff and community for your support. Please feel free to call the school and I will be happy to listen to suggestions.

Bill Dobbins  
Principal

## From The High School Guidance Office

### ACT Testing Dates

The next ACT test is April 9, 2005 at Tiffin University. Registration deadline is March 4. The basic fee is \$28.00. Students who need ACT scores as a prerequisite to college admission should plan to take the ACT test. Registration packets are available in the guidance office, or you may go online to [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) and register. If you choose the online method, please be prepared to pay the registration fee by credit card. The optional 30-minute writing test was introduced with the February test. An additional fee is required for the writing test. Not all colleges have decided to make the writing test a requirement for college admission. The remaining test date is June 11, deadline is May 6.

### Apprenticeships

Apprenticeship training can sometimes bridge the gap or address the indecision between graduation and the college experience for seniors who remain undecided about their immediate future. Apprenticeships are on-the-job and classroom training of a specific trade while employed. Students receive a certificate of completion from the employer and the State of Ohio upon completion of the program. Apprenticeships can be available in one of several trades within a company or organization. Vaughn Industries is one of several companies who has taken an aggressive role in promoting apprenticeships. Apprenticeships are not for everyone, but the concept is intriguing for the "right person" who meets the criteria for training and employment.

Ohio's Operating Engineers Apprenticeship and Training Program is available to high school students who are at least 18 years of age. Interested students should see the high school counselor or contact the Ohio Operating Engineers Training Center, 9435 Cygnet Road, Cygnet, Ohio 43413. Phone 419-655-3282, or toll free: 888-634-6880.

### Student Testing

Sophomores are scheduled to take the five sections of the Ohio Graduation Test beginning on Monday, March 14. Students will need to pass all five sections of the test in order to receive a high school diploma. The five areas include writing, reading, mathematics, social studies and science. Students will take one test each day during that week. All testing including make-up testing will need to be completed by March 24.

The Ninth Grade Proficiency Test is scheduled during the week of March 7-11 for those juniors and seniors who need to pass one or more sections. The seventh and eighth grade achievement tests will be administered March 7-11.

### Scholarships and Deadlines

Several scholarships have arrived in the guidance office. Seniors should make time to pursue this information if you are planning college enrollment later this fall. See the high school counselor for details.

### Healthy Communities - Healthy Youth

The Search Institute has identified forty developmental assets or building blocks of healthy development that help young people grow into healthy, caring, and responsible citizens. These "assets" are powerful influences in our students' lives that help protect them from many different problem behaviors and help promote positive attitudes and behavior.

Best wishes to all for a healthy and successful new year!  
Roger Beaudet, High School Counselor

### High School/Junior High School Honor Roll

#### All A's

**Grade 7** - Codee Adams, Elizabeth Bentz, Alyssa Cleveland, Ethan Fuller, Morgan Hill, Adrienne Hohman, Alexandra Hossler, Brook Kracher, Mary Ellen McAllister, Ashley Miller, Dustin Reinhart, Stevie Shook, Ryan Wood

**Grade 8** - Alexandria Bishop, Alexander Cramer, Mitchell Dandurand, Randi Dewald, Madison Herman, Joshua Hoover, Zachary Ickes, Jessica Lynch, Monica Otte, Amber Perrine, Daniel Romanko

**Grade 9** - Nicole deVlugt, Nicole Dull, Alexandria Herman, Alisha Hoover, Kelly Hopple, Megan Kapelka, Katelyn Lang, Brianna Lucius, Alexander Martishius, Kaitlyn Ranker, Megan Reinhart, Mandy Saalman, Jessica Schetter, Stephanie Scholl, Nathan Siebenaller, Audrey Smith, Nicholas Steyer, Patrick Sulken, Janelle Tanner, Abby Yoakum, Matthew Zoeller

**Grade 10** - Kaylee Adams, Kory Bishop, John Fruth, Kimberly Hohman, Jay McAllister, Bethany Miller, Emily Morrow, Courtney Ritzler, Tyler Smith, Kristen Stahl

**Grade 11** - Haili Arbogast, Rachel Brown, Jenna Dandurand, Andrea Engelmann, Janelle Kimmet, Jill Kreais, Jordan Reinhart, Melia Reinhart, Jordan Siebenaller, Charlotte Tiell, Natasha Weiker, Nicole Wilcox

**Grade 12** - Emily Bodart, Jenna Brenamen, Shannon Brickner, Aaron Brickner, Meaghan Dandurand, Amanda Fruth, Scott Gerritsen, Sarah Gosche, Ashley Hammer, Nicole Harper, Amanda Hohman, Cory Lang, Paul Mates, Nicole Nichols, Jonathan Reinhart, Travis Whipple, Derek Williams, Heather Zoeller

#### A's and B's

**Grade 7** - Noel Anese, Lauren Bair, Brandi Boes, Krystal Brant, Brandon Burns, Brittany Egbert, Cody Feathers, Joshua Fox, Justin Fox, Alexa Frank, Ashley Harrison, Madelyn Heslet, Aric Hoover, Aaron Kapelka, Kaitlynn Kirkpatrick, Casey Lang, Carli Maldonado, Derick McGee, Matthew Painter, Brianna Richey, Megan Risner, Rachael Saldusky, Stephanie Smith, Hudson Smith, Megen Snyder, Justen Snyder, Daniel Steyer

**Grade 8** - Colin Andrews, Aaron Arbogast, Ashley Benner, Matthew Bouillon, Heath Brickner, Katie Britton, Tyler Brown, Amanda Cholodewitsch, Bradley Daniel, Paul Fruth, Yordano Loreda, Nathan Richey, Nouran Salem, Brennen Schleiter, Samantha Siebenaller, Nicholas Steve, Jay Yost

**Grade 9** - Brittany Armbruster, Joseph Biller, Anna Bodart, Sarah Brenamen, Ethan Brickner, Kaitlyn Covert, Jose Degollado, Jennifer Fox, Jacob Harper, Eric Hohman, Mariel Huss, Ryan Miller, Robert Oldaker, Anthony Reinhart, Matthew Ritter, Lukas Schalk, Troy Weaver, Travis Wise, Nicole Wood

**Grade 10** - Doug Bouillon, Faith Brickner, Rodney Brickner, Sean Brickner, Corey Britton, Lauren Chapman, Kimberly Clouse, Samantha Daniel, Seth deVlugt, Justin Dieter, Randi Hossler, Emily Kuhn, Nikkole Malone, Carrie Ritzler, Derick Romanko, Derek Schleiter, Amber Smith, Laura Spangler, Kyle Tanner, Zach Yost

**Grade 11** - McKenzie Brickner, Tim Brickner, Lorrel Clouse, Theresa Guay, Katie Hickle, Kara Jesse, Laterha Lear, Dustin Lucius, Michael Ritter, Hailey Saalman, Jill Schumm, Ryan Smith, Audrey Spangler, Stefan Tiell, Jessica Ward, Kerry Wertz

**Grade 12** - Danielle Brown, Jason Donaldson, Rachel Johnson, Doug Kelbley, Kyle Killam, Sarah Lowery, Jeremy Lucius, Chris Mack, Jacob Phillips, Karim Salem, Mattie Smith, Danie Jo Smith, Jessica Ward

### Notes From the Music Department

The fruit and poinsettia sale in December was a huge success. A special thank you to all who supported this fundraiser. The Music Boosters and Mrs. Candace Haack have donated an electric digital piano to the music department. The Music Boosters are also ordering a bass amplifier. Look and listen for these at the next music performance.

The band is raising money for new marching band uniforms. The goal is to have them purchased by the fall of 2006. Please continue to support this effort through upcoming fundraisers. Thank you!!

The following students auditioned and were selected for the District II Music Festival Choir: Sopranos - Anna Bodart, Rachel Brown, Laterha Lear, Kristen Stahl; Altos - Jenna Dandurand, Nikki Malone, Nicole Wilcox; Tenors - Tyler Smith, Patrick Sulken; Basses - Seth deVlugt, John Fruth, Jordan Reinhart, Jordan Siebenaller.

#### Upcoming Events

2-17-05	First and Second Grade Program at 7:00
3-11-05	District Large Group Adjudicated Event (Band and Choirs)
4-14-05	Ohio Jazz Summit TBA
4-16-05	Junior High Solo and Ensemble at Willard Middle school
4-29-05	State High School Adjudicated Event TBA
5-12-05	High School Spring Concert at 7:00
5-16-05	Music Honors Banquet at 6:00
5-17-05	Junior High Spring Concert at 7:00
5-19-05	Elementary Spring Concert at 7:00
5-23-05	Traveling Ensemble Try-outs



**Good luck to all performers in the upcoming months!!**

### FFA News

Former Hopewell-Loudon FFA members Brad and Stephen Fruth received their American Degree at the 77th National FFA Convention held in October in Louisville, Kentucky. Nearly 20,000 FFA members from throughout the nation were in attendance. Representing Hopewell-Loudon were advisor Jerry Boes, members Ivory Stull, Amanda Fruth, Lorretta Hoschar, and Lisa and Roger Fruth, parents of Brad and Stephen. The American Degree is the highest FFA degree. Only a handful of the population have received this prestigious award. Recipients must complete many hours of farm work, their FFA materials and teacher materials, and have received their State Degree.

Brad Fruth, a 2002 H-L graduate, received his college degree at UTI in Arizona and is employed by the Trane Corporation.

Stephen Fruth, H-L class of 2003, is majoring in accounting at Bowling Green State University and is a member of the American Marketing Association.

Past recipients of the American Degree include: C. LeVerne Wertz, Dan Fraver, Lee Dewald, Ben Kelbley, Nathan Hohman, Travis Hohman, John Margraf, Nick Kelbley, and Brian Brickner.

### Jr. High/High School Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following students who were selected as students of the month for November and December:

#### November



Audrey Spangler



Tim Brickner



Rachel Brown



Patrick Sulken

#### December

### National Machinery Award Winners

The National Machinery Awards Night will be held March 21 at Bettsville High School. The music program begins at 7:30 p.m. and the main program begins at 8:00 p.m. The following Hopewell-Loudon High School students have been named recipients of the National Machinery Citizenship Award for the 2004-2005 school year:

**Seniors** - Emily Bodart, Jenna Dandurand, Shannon Brickner, Meaghan Dandurand, Amanda Fruth, Scott Gerritsen, Sarah Gosche, Ashley Hammer, Amanda Hohman, Jonathan Holman, Katie Jacobs, Douglas Kelbley, Cory Lang, Paul Mates, Nicole Nichols, Jonathan Reinhart, Karim Salem, Danie Jo Smith, Mattie Smith, Travis Whipple, Derek Williams, Heather Zoeller

**Juniors** - McKenzie Brickner, Rachel Brown, Jenna Dandurand, Andrea Engelmann, Kara Jesse, Janelle Kimmet, Laterha Lear, Dustin Lucius, Donald Ray, Jordan Reinhart, Melia Reinhart, Hailey Saalman, Stephanie Seibert, Jordan Siebenaller, Ryan Smith, Audrey Spangler, Charlotte Tiell, Nicole Wilcox

**Sophomores** - Kaylee Adams, Donovan Birkmire, Kory Bishop, Faith Brickner, Lauren Chapman, Kimberly Clouse, Samantha Daniel, Seth deVlugt, John Fruth, Kimberly Hohman, Emily Kuhn, Jay McAllister, Bethany Miller, Emily Morrow, Kyle Risner, Carrie Ritzler, Courtney Ritzler, Andrea Schetter, Laura Spangler, Kristen Stahl, Kyle Tanner, Zachary Yost

**Freshmen** - Anna Bodart, Sarah Brenamen, Ethan Brickner, Kaitlyn Covert, Nicole deVlugt, Nicole Dull, Eric Hohman, Alisha Hoover, Megan Kapelka, Brianna Lucius, Ashley Nichols, Deanna Nichols, Kaitlyn Ranker, Danielle Reinhart, Megan Reinhart, Jessica Schetter, Nathan Siebenaller, Patrick Sulken, Janelle Tanner, Troy Weaver, Travis Wise, Nicole Wood, Matthew Zoeller

### Read All About It

News from the Library Media Center



December brought many activities to the Library Media Center. The elementary hosted the Santa's Workshop, and the combined libraries hosted the Christmas gathering for the faculty and staff. Santa paid his annual visit during Christmas week and read to the primary grades.

The high school library has been working with the eighth grade language arts classes on library usage skills and research and citation techniques. The second gathering of "Pizza and Pages" took place to introduce the next book, "The Last Treasure" and will conclude on February 10 with food and enticing book discussion.

The Family of Rick Herge has generously donated a substantial amount to the new Library Media Center in memory of Rick. With these funds, we will be able to purchase numerous historical books as well as books on golf and model airplanes, which, besides his family, were some of Rick's greatest passions. We sincerely thank the family for including us in their memorials.

In the elementary library, Mrs. Johnson has been reading stories about hibernation, winter ice storms and blizzards. The children have many of their own stories about playing in the snow and also coping without electricity. One of their favorite stories was *Birthday Blizzard* by Bonnie Pryor.

We are very thankful for the following donations to the library, and apologize if we missed anyone.

Book Title	In Memory of:	Donated by:
<i>The Polar Express</i>	Robin Brickner	Aaron Brickner & Theresa Scherger
<i>A is For Abigail</i>		
<i>A Wrinkle in Time</i>		
<i>Why Flip A Coin?</i>		
<i>Beginner's Guide to Reike</i>		
<i>Mother Teresa</i>		
<i>Bear Stays Up For Christmas</i>	Rick Herge	Ron Gosche Family
<i>Grandfather Twilight</i>	Rick Herge	Tom Wilhelm
<i>The Faerie's Gift</i>	Barb Turco	Adkins Family
<i>Snuggle Mountain</i>	Maria Alvarado	Thomas Daniel Family

A monetary donation has been given in memory of Rick Herge by the Ed Clouse Family.

Book Title:	In Honor of:	Donated by:
<i>Principal's Night Before Christmas</i>	Elaine Nye	Tom Wilhelm
<i>Teachers' Night Before Christmas</i>	Tracey Hossler	Tom Wilhelm

*The Umbrella, On Noah's Ark, and John Philip Duck* were donated by Gloria Warrington, and *Chicken Soup for the NASCAR Soul* was donated by Dean and Gaye Berrier.

### News from the Red and Grey Cafe



March is National Nutrition Month. It's important to exercise and to eat right. The earlier this is learned in life, the easier it is to stay on track and make eating right and exercise a natural part of life. It helps children do well in school and also prevents childhood and adolescent health problems. Here are some guidelines recommended by the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health and Human Services:

**Aim for Fitness** - \*Aim for a healthy weight \*Be physically active each day

**Build a Healthy Base** - \*Let the Pyramid guide your food choices \*Choose a variety of grains daily, especially whole grains \*Choose a variety of fruits and vegetables daily \*Keep food safe to eat

**Choose Sensibly** - \*Choose a diet that is low in saturated fat and cholesterol and moderate in total fat \*Choose beverages and foods to moderate your intake of sugars \*Choose and prepare foods with less salt

The cafeteria staff works to provide nutritious meals for your child. Feel free to stop in and eat lunch. We would love to have you!

**23RD ANNUAL  
DICK SCHULTZ TRACK & FIELD INVITATIONAL  
APRIL 30, 2005**

**PLEASE HELP!!**

Once again, we will be hosting this event. As costs increase, your donation becomes even more important. In this meet a total of 180 plaques and 300 ribbons will be distributed. Would you consider sponsoring this event?

For a donation of \$25.00 your name will appear in the program as an event sponsor. There are a total of 34 events to sponsor. Your name will also be listed in the program for contributing lesser amounts (\$5, \$10, etc.) Another large need at this meet is workers. Track meets proceed rain or shine. Nearly 50 workers are needed in order for this meet to run smoothly. Please consider helping us by giving your time. Knowledge of track & field is not necessary.

Please complete the form below and indicate your desire to contribute time and/or money. Please return this form by Tuesday, April 26, 2005 to Brad Britton, PO Box 400, Bascom, 44809.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(as you would like it to appear in the program)

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to be an event sponsor- here is my \$25.00 donation.  
\_\_\_\_\_ is my event preference. (Every effort will be made to honor this request)

\_\_\_\_\_ I am willing to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_ in order to defray the costs of this meet.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am willing to work. I prefer: \_\_\_\_\_ morning (9:00-12:30)  
\_\_\_\_\_ afternoon (12:00-3:30)  
\_\_\_\_\_ all day

THANK YOU!

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO HOPEWELL-LOUDON SCHOOL

**Hopewell-Loudon Athletic Booster News**

Hopewell-Loudon Athletic Boosters would like to invite any parent of an athlete, or any other community member interested in supporting the athletic programs at Hopewell-Loudon School to become a member. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 at the school.

**Mark your calendar for these upcoming Booster events!**

Spring Reverse Raffle  
**April 23, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.**

- Please note the date change
- Located at Meadowbrook Ballroom
- Tickets available from any officer beginning March 1

Danger Brothers Concert  
- August 13, 2005  
- Meadowbrook Park

H-L Athletic Booster Officers  
President - Terry Babcock 939-3501  
Secretary - Deb deVlugt 447-8946  
Treasurer - Dave Miller

**HOPEWELL-LOUDON CHIEFTAINS  
SPRING SPORTS' SCHEDULE 2005**

**VARSITY BASEBALL**  
Head Coach: Tony Swanagan

M	3/28/05	Woodmore	H	4:30
T	3/29/05	Arcadia	H	4:30
W	3/30/05	Fostoria	H	4:30
R	3/31/05	Edison	A	4:30
S	4/02/05	U. Sandusky	A (DH)	11:00
M	4/04/05	Carey*	H	4:30
T	4/05/05	Mt. Gilead	A	5:00
W	4/06/05	Bettsville*	H	4:30
R	4/07/05	Van Buren	A	4:30
S	4/09/05	H. Northern	H (DH)	12:00
M	4/11/05	Calvert*	A	4:30
W	4/13/05	Old Fort*	H	4:30
R	4/14/05	McComb	A	5:00
S	4/16/05	Lakota	H (DH)	11:00
M	4/18/05	N. Baltimore*	A	4:30
W	4/20/05	St Joseph*	H	4:30
R	4/21/05	Gibsonburg	A	4:30
M	4/25/05	Seneca East*	A	4:30
W	4/27/05	St. Wendelin*	A	4:30
M	5/02/05	New Riegel*	H	4:30
W	5/04/05	Mohawk*	A	4:30
R	5/05/05	B. Central	H	4:30
T	5/10/05	Monroeville	A	5:00

**VARSITY SOFTBALL**  
Head Coach: Alvin Mireles

M	3/28/05	Woodmore	H	4:30
T	3/29/05	Arcadia	H	4:30
S	4/02/05	U. Sandusky	A (DH)	11:00
M	4/04/05	Carey*	H	4:30
W	4/06/05	Bettsville*	H	4:30
R	4/07/05	Van Buren	A	4:30
F	4/08/05	Lakota	A	4:30
S	4/09/05	Arlington	H (DH)	10:00
M	4/11/05	Calvert*	A	4:30
W	4/13/05	Old Fort*	H	4:30
R	4/14/05	McComb	A	5:00
F	4/15/05	Lib. Benton	H	5:00
M	4/18/05	N. Baltimore*	A	4:30
W	4/20/05	St. Joseph*	H	4:30
M	4/25/05	Seneca East*	A	4:30
W	4/27/05	St. Wendelin*	A	4:30
M	5/02/05	New Riegel*	H	4:30
W	5/04/05	Mohawk*	A	4:30
R	5/05/05	B. Central	H	4:30
T	5/10/05	Monroeville	A	5:00

\*denotes league game  
games may be added to schedule

\*denotes league game

**VARSITY TRACK**  
Head Boys' Coach: Doug Brickner  
Head Girls' Coach: Paul Jones

T	3/20/05	Lakota	A	4:30
S	4/02/05	Carey Relays	A	10:00
T	4/05/05	St. Wendelin/	A	4:30
		Carey/N Riegel		
S	4/09/05	Ridgedale Inv.	A	10:00
T	4/12/05	Calvert	A	5:00
S	4/16/05	St. Wend Inv.	A	10:00
T	4/19/05	Margaretta	A	4:30
S	4/23/05	Fostoria Inv.	A	10:00
T	4/26/05	Calvert/Carey	A	5:00
		L-Benton		
S	4/30/05	Dick Schultz	H	9:30
		Invitational		
T	5/03/05	Elmwood	H	4:30
F	5/06/05	O. Hills Relays	A	4:00
S	5/14/05	MAL Meet	A	TBA

**JUNIOR HIGH TRACK**  
Head Boys' Coach: To Be Announced  
Head Girls' Coach: Teresa Jones

M	4/04/05	Lak./Woodmore	A	4:15
R	4/07/05	Old Fort	A	4:30
M	4/11/05	St. Wend/Calvert	A	4:30
M	4/18/05	Carey/Sen. East	A	4:30
F	4/22/05	H-L Inv.	H	4:30
M	4/25/05	U. Sdsky/Kenton	A	4:30
F	4/29/05	L. Benton Inv.	A	TBA
M	5/02/05	Upper Sandusky	H	4:30
R	5/05/05	N. Balt./V. Buren	A	4:30
T	5/10/05	MAL Meet	A	TBA



**Congratulations 2005 Winter Homecoming King and Queen,  
Zach Schalk and Mattie Smith!**

**2005 Winter Homecoming Court**

Freshmen Attendants: Nicole Dull and Eric Hohman  
Sophomore Attendants: Carrie Ritzler and Derek Schleiter  
Junior Attendants: Kara Jesse and Josh Hammer  
Senior Attendants: Emily Hess and Kurt Hess,  
Sarah Lowery and Aaron Brickner

## Results of Community Survey

Last fall, the Board of Education committed to seek opinions of the community on several aspects of the operation of the school district. During mid-December, Stan Odesky and Associates completed a phone survey of 300 registered voters in the Hopewell-Loudon School District.

On January 12, Mr. Odesky summarized the results of the survey as "some of the most positive numbers" he has seen while presenting to the Board at its monthly meeting. Of those surveyed, approximately 85% gave the district an overall grade of A or B.

Areas listed as strengths of the district included community involvement and quality teachers. Also over 50% of those surveyed felt the schools have improved over the past five years.

The Board and administration plan to use the results of the survey as a baseline to gauge community opinions and concerns as well as an aide in future decisions. If you have any questions or comments about these results, please feel free to call Superintendent Geoff Palmer at 937-2216, Ext. 312.

### Survey Questions

1. Most registered voters have lived in the Hopewell-Loudon School District ten years or more (63.3%) or all their lives (22.3%).

	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>
Two years or less	3.3	5.6
Three up to five years	3.7	4.6
Five up to ten years	7.3	10.2
Ten years or more	63.3	57.4
All their lives	22.3	22.2

2. The biggest issues facing Hopewell-Loudon Schools today are:

	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>
School funding	42.0	38.9
Don't know	35.3	28.7
Grounds/facilities	7.7	13.0

3. When the school system is graded on the quality of its work, almost eighty-five percent (84.7%) grade A (37.0%) or B (47.7%). When A = 5.0, Hopewell Loudon is graded 4.31. Parents grade the system 4.34.

4. The elementary schools graded 4.38 in meeting the academic needs of its students (A = 37.7%; B = 39.7%). Parents grade is 4.36.

5. The high school/middle school is graded 4.33 (A = 36.4%; B = 41.3%). Parent grade is 4.27.

6. The image of Hopewell-Loudon Public School System is:

	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>
Good education	43.3	45.4
General positive comments	33.0	34.3
Good curriculum	10.7	8.3

7. Key strengths are:

	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>
Community/parent involvement	26.7	25.0
Excellent teachers	20.0	21.3
Class sizes/small school district	15.3	20.4
Outstanding education program	14.7	11.1

8. Weaknesses noted include:

	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>
Don't know	39.7	28.7
None	9.7	10.2
Funding	7.7	11.1
Quality of education	7.3	8.3

9. Over half (51.3%) say Hopewell-Loudon Schools have improved in the past five years.

	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>
Improved	51.3	56.5
Stayed the same	36.3	35.2
Worse	4.0	4.6
Don't know	8.3	3.7

- 9A. Rationale cited is:

	<u>%</u>
Improved	
Improved tests scores	21.4
Quality of education	14.9
Always improving	11.7
New Supt./Admin.	9.1
Same	
Have not seen changes	70.6
Don't know	8.3
No kids in school/no contacts	6.4

10. Respondents are evenly split on whether another school issue will be on the ballot in 2005 (34.3%), later (36.0%) or don't know (29.7%).

	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>
Primary	18.3	20.4
Fall	16.0	17.6
Later	36.0	37.0
Don't know	29.7	25.0

- 11A. If a permanent improvement levy were held tomorrow almost half (46.7%) think their neighbors would be favorable. About three in ten (28.0%) say neighbors would be against and one in four (25.3%) are undecided. Parents are more positive (50.9% for, 25.9% against, 23.1% undecided).

- 11B. Respondents themselves are:

	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>
For	70.3	75.0
Against	14.3	10.2
Undecided	15.3	14.8

- 11C. Respondents who were favorable were asked preference for a property tax issue or an income tax issue. Most (50.2%) prefer income tax vs. property tax (32.7%). One in five (17.1%) were undecided. Parents prefer income tax (53.1% for) to property tax (32.1%).

				Overall Average	Avg. Parents of HL Students
11D.	The main reason why respondents think voters will support a permanent improvement levy are:				
		<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>		
	Buildings need improvement	27.7	27.8		
	Don't know	16.3	11.1		
	Necessary/money is needed	10.7	13.9		
	Have children in schools	10.0	8.3		
	Community pride	9.7	8.3		
11E.	Reasons cited against are:				
		<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students %</u>		
	Impact on people with fixed income	34.0	29.6		
	Higher taxes/tired of taxes	29.7	27.8		
	Don't know	10.7	12.0		
	Unnecessary spending	8.3	11.1		
	Don't have kids in school	7.7	9.3		
12.	Respondents were asked whether they strongly agree(5.0), somewhat agree(4.0), neither agree nor disagree(3.0), somewhat disagree(2.0), or strongly disagree(1.0), with each of the following school related issues.				
		<u>Overall Average</u>	<u>Avg. Parents of HL Students</u>		
A.	A good public education is one of the most important legacies we pass onto our children.	4.90	4.92		
B.	Hopewell-Loudon students deserve the very best teachers	4.90	4.90		
C.	Hopewell-Loudon teachers deserve the communities strongest support.	4.81	4.76		
D.	The excellent school system has a direct impact on the quality of life in our community.	4.75	4.74		
E.	The Hopewell-Loudon School District has improved on the state report card.	4.69	4.76		
F.	Americans have responsibility to support public education.	4.68	4.68		
G.	America will fall behind our foreign competitors if we cannot maintain a strong public education system.	4.52	4.44		
H.	Hopewell-Loudon Schools have done a good job in absorbing open enrollment status.	4.39	4.26		
I.	The real problem with finances in Hopewell-Loudon Schools is the way the state funds education.	4.37	4.29		
J.	The Hopewell-Loudon newsletter does an excellent job of representing the School System.	4.33	4.20		
K.	In America, we take care of each other. Just as younger taxpayers pay Social Security for older citizens, older citizens should support schools.			4.12	4.00
L.	Hopewell-Loudon Schools and grounds are in excellent condition.			4.08	3.79
M.	The School Board is handling its responsibilities well.			4.03	3.90
N.	Hopewell-Loudon's elementary guidance program does an excellent job.			3.96	3.78
O.	School administrators listen to ideas offered by community representatives.			3.65	3.48
P.	Teachers are not sufficiently paid for the job they do.			3.64	3.55
Q.	Hopewell-Loudon high school/middle school's guidance program does an excellent job in preparing students for college careers.			3.49	3.11
R.	I'm aware of the Hopewell-Loudon Schools web page.			3.43	3.88
S.	Administrative salaries are too high in this school district.			3.30	3.11
T.	The number of students in H-L Schools is much higher than five years ago.			3.20	3.06
U.	It is not a bad idea to make the school district come back to voters every year or so for approval of a new levy.			2.81	2.79
V.	Teachers are overpaid for what they do.			1.75	1.82
12.5.	Those who somewhat or strongly disagree that Hopewell-Loudon Schools and grounds are in excellent condition were asked why. Of the 34 respondent, two thirds (22) said buildings in poor condition and one third (11) said buildings are old. Sixteen of the twenty-two were parents who commented about buildings in poor condition.				
<b><u>SUPERINTENDENT</u></b>					
13.	Almost nine in ten (86.7%) are aware Hopewell-Loudon Schools has a new Superintendent. Over ninety percent of parents (94.4%) were aware.				
14.	One in three (36.2%) could name Geoff Palmer. Forty one percent (41.2%) of parents could name Palmer.				
15.	Half (49.5%) approve the job the new Superintendent is doing. Less than one in ten (6.2%) disapprove and the rest (44.2%) don't know. Parents indicate a higher approval (57.8%).				

16. Most get their information about the schools from:

	<u>Total %</u>	Parents of <u>HL Students %</u>
Word of mouth	49.0	40.7
Hopewell-Loudon newsletter	44.3	45.4
Students	34.0	50.9
Advertiser-Tribune	13.3	7.4
Personal experience	12.0	16.7
Teachers	11.0	10.2
Review Times	8.0	5.6

17. The one source considered most believable is:

	<u>Total %</u>	Parents of <u>HL Students %</u>
Word of mouth	30.7	21.3
H-L newsletter	27.0	29.6
Students	13.0	21.3

18. Most would prefer to receive news about the schools from:

	<u>Total %</u>	Parents of <u>HL Students %</u>
Direct mail	86.7	90.7
Newspaper	67.7	53.7
Television	44.7	39.8
On the web	43.7	51.9
By e-mail	27.3	37.0

19. A. School aged children – yes % 39.3

B. Attend Hopewell-Loudon Schools % 91.5

C. (If not) What school do they attend? Number

St. Wendelin	3
Other	2
Calvert	2
Out of area	2
Home schooled	1

D. Reasons given for attending other than Hopewell-Loudon:

Religious education	5
Out of town/spouse	2
Other	3

E. Grade when decision made to go elsewhere.

Pre-K	5
K-Grade 2	4
Grades 3-6	3
Grades 7-12	1

20A. Of those currently without school aged children, seven in ten (69.8%) ever had children in the Hopewell-Loudon system.

20B. Of those over six in ten (63.0%) went on to college, one in five (22.8%) who had multiple children had some go on to college and some to a career and on in ten (13.4%) went on to a career.

20C. Eight in ten (78.0%) said the children were adequately prepared.

20D. Are as where those who indicated “No” (18.9%) cited the following as areas of least preparedness

	<u>#</u>
Math	10
English	6
Other	5
College prep	5
Science	3
Study skills	2
All areas	2

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

21. A. In the next six months do you think your personal economic situation will be:

	<u>%</u>	<u>Total %</u>	<u>Parents of HL Students</u>
Better		19.0	28.7
Same		71.7	63.0
Worse		8.0	7.4

B. Age:

18 – 24	2.3	-
25 – 34	9.0	11.1
32 – 44	24.7	52.8
45 – 54	26.0	34.3
55 – 64	15.7	0.9
65 and over	21.0	-

C. Gender:

Male	40.7	37.0
Female	59.3	63.0

D. Income:

Under \$30,000	20.7	6.5
\$30,000+	72.7	89.8
Refused	6.7	3.7

E. Respondent/spouse attended Hopewell-Loudon Schools 58.0 63.9



### From the Desk of Elaine Nye, Elementary Principal

I hope that you and your family had a safe and happy holiday. We have just completed our first semester of school and it certainly has flown by!

While conferences were held in November, if you feel the need for an additional conference at this time in the year, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or myself in order to schedule one. Another good way to keep in touch with your child's teacher is through email. If you do not have teacher email addresses you can find them on the school website:

<http://www.hopewell-loudon.k12.oh.us>

Please note that all staff email addresses have changed recently. You will find the updated list on the school website.

**Congratulations** to all of the Third Grade students! We recently received the results of our Third Grade Reading Achievement Tests and the students did a great job. While our results were not as good as the previous year, we still are on the right track. We certainly appreciate the support that you, as parents, provide to us as a staff and to your students at home. We could not do it without you.

We will once again be providing incentives to the students who do well on the achievement/proficiency tests. If you own or work at a business that would be willing to donate any prizes to our incentives they certainly would be greatly appreciated.

Recently I have had to speak to several students about behavior on the bus. Please speak with your student at home about sitting in the same seat on the bus and keeping their hands and feet to themselves. Any assistance you can provide in this area is greatly appreciated.

We are trying to streamline and make safer our student drop-off and pick-up before and after school. Please adhere to the signs and pavement markings in the parking lot when dropping off and picking up your students. Also, please have your students exit the car on the curbside to avoid getting out into traffic.

As always should you have any questions regarding school procedures or policies please do not hesitate to call, 419-937-2804 or email [enye@hopewell-loudon.k12.oh.us](mailto:enye@hopewell-loudon.k12.oh.us).

### Elks Hoop Shoot



Recently students in grades 3-8 had the opportunity to participate in the Elks Hoop Shoot Contest. Each participant attempted twenty-five foul shots. Students were divided into three age groups (8-9, 10-11, 12-13). The one girl and one boy in each age group making the most shots were declared winners and represented Hopewell-Loudon in the Tiffin Elks Lodge Contest held in Tiffin at Seiberling Gymnasium.

Our local winners representing us in Tiffin were 8-9: Aleta Daniel and Bryan Scherger; 10-11: Maggie Yost and Adam Black; 12-13: Brittany Egbert and Jacob Schuld. (Due to an injury, Jacob was unable to shoot. Kevin Wertz was our representative.) Placing in Tiffin were Aleta - 1st, Bryan - 2nd, and 3rd, Adam and Maggie. Aleta represented the Tiffin Elks Lodge in competition in Perrysburg.

Congratulations to all of the students who participated at Hopewell-Loudon and to our local winners who did an outstanding job!

### Elementary Students of the Month

Each month the elementary teachers are given the opportunity to select a Student of the Month. Each student receives a certificate describing the reason they were selected.



#### December Students

Seated: Sheyenne Livesey, Bobbi Taylor, Colin Shaver, Chandler McLaughlin  
Kneeling: Brooke Fruth, Austin Hossler, Katelynn Brickner, Michael Heimrich  
Row 3: Ashley Rohe, Dillion Risner, Adam Bour, Brendon O'Connor, Dalton Park  
Row 4: Logan Sendelbach, Jennifer Lucius, Emily Gilbert, Robin Bloom, Julia Jordan, Wesley Armon



Trent Ardner

### Elementary Honor Roll

\*Denotes All A's

**Grade 4** - Aubrey Affholder, Allison Andrews, \*David Beleny, Katelyn Brickner, Eli Clouse, Kailey Coleman, Kevin Coppus, Annette Cramer, Logan Frank, Katelin Freeman, Erin Gilbert, \*Jenna Gosche, Alec Gregg, Hailee Hill, \*Cassandra Hohman, Shelby Hulse, Kaleigh Kessler, Kyrsten King, Marissa Kirian, Robert Kniss, Aaron Maxwell, Tyler McConaha, Nathan McCormack, Nick McCormack, Reed Nagley, \*Marissa Reinhart, Dillion Risner, Ciera Roe, \*Alayna Rowell, \*Tyler Ruble, Brendan Wildman

**Grade 5** - Drew Ardner, \*Robin Bloom, A.J. Burns, Tayler Bustillos, Rachael Cowell, \*Emily Cramer, Macy Dell, Eric Depinet, \*Jessica Dull, Kali Fittro, Richard Fox, Alicia Frank, Samantha Greenwell, Deana Halcomb, Katie Hale, Zoe Keckler, Logan Kirby, Austin Kuhn, Justin Leiter, Alexa Ley, Kaylee Loy, Aaron Lucius, Becka Mock, Jennifer Molotla, \*Joe Ranker, Alex Ratchen, Skylar Reffner, \*Jordan Reinhart, Michaela Riley, Trevor Risner, \*Logan Sendelbach, Dylan Shellhouse, \*Kasey Siegel, \*Eric Tanner, \*Eva Tanner, Makenzie Watkins, Kendra Welly, \*Miriah White, Brandon Wise, Leanne Wood

**Grade 6** - Erica Adkins, \*Frank Begue, Taylor Bishop, \*Jocelyn Black, Natalie Brandt, \*Josh Breidenbach, Chance Brickner, Lucas Brickner, \*Sarah Brown, \*Joe Coppus, \*Rachel Covert, Cole Fittro, Kyle Foss, Kyle Frank, Annie Fruth, Emily Gilbert, \*Mitch Gosche, Lauren Hartsel, Macey Heslet, Jacob Hohman, Cody Ickes, Kourtney Jesko, Julia Jordan, \*Andrea Kuzma, Jessica Livesay, Darren Lored, Jenny Lucius, Chelsey Miller, Ashley Mock, \*Tyler Parkins, \*Meghan Scherger, Alexa Six, \*Tyler Wise, Maggie Yost

## Hopewell-Loudon PTO

Hopewell-Loudon Parent Teacher Organization meetings are held the first Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested in becoming involved with the PTO, please plan to attend. Current officers are: Sue Bodart, President; Julie Adkins, Secretary. New officers are needed for election in May.

The PTO is currently raising money to purchase new playground equipment. Please consider supporting the PTO's monthly fundraiser Market Day. Market Day offers a wide variety of quality foods at competitive prices. Ordering is easy! Order forms are available in both school offices or order online at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com). Payment is due when you pick up your food during the regularly scheduled pick up day. Other arrangements can be made if you are unable to pick up your items on that day. Volunteers are needed for Market Day pick-up days, please contact an officer if you are interested in helping.

## Project Flight



TAG students have been learning about the principles of flight both inside the classroom and outside of the classroom. Students have invented their own aircraft, designed fact-filled mobiles, written poetry, recreated Leonardo Da Vinci's early ideas and drawings regarding flight, hosted a successful "LIFT-OFF LUNCHEON" to celebrate the 101<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Wright Brothers' first flight, and have recently toured the Tiffin airport. TAG students have expanded their knowledge about the effects of weather on flight while examining the planes that are housed at the airport. The culminating event for this unit of study was a guest speaker, Dick Scheiber. Mr. Scheiber is a World War II veteran who has remained an expert in the field of flight. We thank Mr. Scheiber for sharing his expertise with our students. The sky is the limit for students at H-L!

## January Students of the Month



Seated: Katie Arnold and Lileigh Heiser  
 Kneeling: Marissa Twigg, Leah Reinhart, Jill Fox, Ashtyn Ley  
 Row 3: Tyler Parkins, Kassie Welly, Kailey Coleman, Nathan McCormack  
 Row 4: Makenzie Watkins, Hannah Lytle, Shailee Bentz, Sarah Brown, Brock Hill  
 Not Pictured: Brett Lombardy, Jordan Stewart, Jordan Reinhart

## From the Tech Desk

*Steve Acton, Technology Coordinator*



Hello Hopewell-Loudon. A lot has happened since the last newsletter. A new email server is in place and because our main server has been running strong 24/7 since Summer 2001 (thanks to Gary Hawk), it is time for a new one. I will be doing some testing and setup functions with the new server from now through May and plan to go online in June. The school webpage will change in June also and the final newsletter will reflect the new web address for the web server. In March, teachers will be working with a new program called Progress Book. This Progress Book will help facilitate teacher grade books, progress reports and grade cards. Teachers have limited time and I will tell you that their main effort is to get the right resources for your son or daughter. I have seen teachers spending hours after school preparing handouts, lesson plans, grading papers and recording scores. When progress report time comes around, all of that data has to be manually put into a document. Progress Book automates all those activities into one. We will train through December 2005 and once we are comfortable with the program we can assign parent access, hopefully in spring 2006. You will be able to go online and see your student's assignments, progress and any problems that the teacher feels you need to know about. It is a really great tool that will enhance the learning process here at Hopewell-Loudon.

Since asking farmers for help in the last newsletter I have had students approach me on the technology that they or family members use at their farms. I guess I know what I will be doing after hours this spring. Thank you for the quick replies.

In closing I would like to bore you with spyware. If you have read my tech tips on the school web page and followed the maintenance instructions you may still find that you have problems. You need two things to keep you safe. The latest updates and a spyware removal tool. If you have windows XP it is a little easier. You can download the Microsoft anti-spyware for free at <http://www.microsoft.com/> look for Windows AntiSpyware Beta in the popular downloads link. Then install Service Pack 2. If you have dial-up I have Service Pack 2 CD's that can be signed out from me by your student or yourself (Windows XP users only). If you are running Windows 98 you will need to download a freeware version of a spyware removal tool and then do your updates. A good resource is called Spybot Search and Destroy for Windows 98 and is located at the following address: <http://www.safer-networking.org/en/index.html>. You will notice a big increase in system performance and vendors will not be able to track your buying habits on the internet. If you have any questions, please email me at [sacton@hlschool.org](mailto:sacton@hlschool.org).

## January Students of the Month



Tristan Molotla      Alaina Gosche

### *From The Desk of Veronica Reinhart, Treasurer*

Recently, with the help of the technology department and Senior students, a new link was added to the Hopewell-Loudon Web Page ([www.hopewell-loudon.k12.oh.us](http://www.hopewell-loudon.k12.oh.us)) - a treasurer department link! The goal of this page is to keep you updated on financial information for the district, give you links to other informative school finance sites, and help our employees have quick access to forms.

If you decide to visit this site, click on the first menu 'district' and then click on 'treasurer'. Once at this web page, you'll find another page with links to many items. You can review the previous month's financial information, review our 5-year forecast, review last year's financial data, investigate grants we have, etc. At this writing, the board minute page is not working correctly, but we hope to have that fixed soon!

We would hope that there is something out there that interests you, or can help you understand our finances a little better. I would really appreciate any kind of feedback on the site that you might have so that we can make it better. Maybe there is other information you would like to see, or some things that just don't seem right to you. Feel free to call me (419) 937-2216 ext. 320, or email me at [vreinhart@hopewell-loudon.k12.oh.us](mailto:vreinhart@hopewell-loudon.k12.oh.us) (you can link that right from the web page) with feedback or comments!



***Have you ordered your 2005 yearbook yet? The deadline for orders is March 1, 2005. For more information, please contact Mrs. Lucius, yearbook advisor, at the high school.***

### **Board of Education Meeting Highlights**

**October 10, November 17, December 8, 2004**



**Classified Staff Approved:** Carol Vaughn, sub. secretary; Kathleen Yost sub. secretary, sub. cafeteria; Carol Fruth, sub. cafeteria; Shana Hambrey, sub. custodian; Jeff Ritzler, elem. girls' basketball; Nate Keller, varsity boys' basketball asst.; Tracey Hossler, Mary Britton, Jan Brickner, Linda Gosche, ticket sellers/takers; Evelyn Weller, ticket taker; Unpaid volunteers: Steve Brickner, boys' basketball, Kelly Floriana, cheerleading; Randy Fry, asst. girls' JV basketball; Doug Brickner, head boys' track; Paul Jones, head girls' track; Helen Coleman, asst. boys' track; Teresa Jones, jr. high girl's track; Alvin Mireles, varsity softball

**Certified Staff Approved:** Karen Rumschlag, jr. high quiz bowl; Brad Britton, elem. boys' basketball; Jackie Parkins, Karen Irving, Diane Jesse, Cathi Kelbley, ticket sellers/takers; Mary Lucius, Ohio Reads Coordinator; Brett Swanagan, asst. athletic director 1/2 to full time, varsity baseball; Brad Snyder, asst. varsity baseball; Marie Coleman, asst. girls' track; Brian Colatruglio, weight room supervisor, winter and spring

**Certified Staff Resignation:** Brian Colatruglio, asst. athletic director 1/2 time

**Donations Accepted:** \$66.00 to Athletic Dept. from anonymous donor; \$312.00 to boys basketball from Posey Excavating; \$2348.75 for cheerleading uniforms, \$2907.00 for boys basketball uniforms from H-L Athletic Boosters; \$150.00 to boys basketball from anonymous donor; \$20.00 to band from anonymous donor; labor for tile project from David Hossler, Tony Swanagan, Jerry Boes; used computer equipment valued at \$1025.00 from TEM-CON; digital piano valued at \$3600.00 from H-L Music Boosters; \$800.00 for memorial books from the Rick Herge family; \$11.00 for memorial book from Jack & Vickie Berrier; \$10.00 for library book from anonymous donor

**Other Action:** Awarded bus bid to lowest and best bid submitted by Myers Equipment for a Thomas Built Bus; accepted Ohio Reads grant; approved the Class of 2005 trip to New York City



March 2005							April 2005						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
	March 1	2	3	4	5
				ACT Registration Deadline	
7	8	9	10	11	12
7th Gr. Math Achievement Test					Class '06 Talent Show 4:00
8th Gr. Math & Reading Achievement Test					
9th Gr. Prof. Test for Gr. 11 & 12					
Gr. 3, 5, 6 Proficiency Test		Bd. of Ed. Meeting 6:15		Dist. Band and Choir	
PTO Meeting 6:30		Gr. 3,4,5,6 Prof. Test		Gr. 3,4,5,6 Prof. Test	
14	15	16	17	18	19
Gr. 10 OGT Test					
Gr. 3,4,5,6 Prof. Test		Athletic Boosters 7:00		Gr. 4 Prof. Test	
Music Boosters 7:00		Gr. 3,4,5,6 Prof. Test			
					Sr. Class Trip
					V Track Lakota A 4:30
21	22	23	24	25	26
Sr. Class Trip					Spring Break
Elem. Prof. Make-up					
	Market Day Pick Up 3:00		End of 3rd nine weeks		
					Spring Break
28	29	30	31		
Spring Break					
V BB/SB Woodmore H 4:30	V BB/SB Arcadia H 4:30	B V BB Fostoria H 4:30	B V BB Edison A 4:30		

April 2005							May 2005						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	22	23	24	25	26	27	28

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
				April 1	2
				Spring Break	V BB/SB Uppe Sand, OH A 11:00
					V Track Carey A 10:00
					Spring Break
4	5	6	7	8	9
JH Track Lakota A 4:15	B V BB Mt. Glead A 5:00	2-hr. Delay (Inservice)	V BB/SB Van Buren A 4:30	G V SB Lakota A 4:30	B V BB H. North, OH H 12:00
PTO Meeting 6:30	V Track St. Wend. A 4:30	V BB/SB Bettsville H 4:30			G V SB Arlington H DH 10:00
School resumes					V Track Ridgedale A 10:00
V BB/SB Carey H 4:30					
11	12	13	14	15	16
JH Track St. Wend. A 4:30		Bd. of Ed. Meeting 6:15	V BB/SB McComb A 5:00	G V SB Lib. Benton H 5:00	B V BB Lakota H DH 11:00
Music Boosters 7:00		V BB/SB Old Fort H 4:30			Jr. High Solo & Ensemble
V BB/SB Calvert A 4:30					V Track St. Wend. A 10:00
18	19	20	21	22	23
JH Track Carey A 4:30	V Track Margaretta A 4:30	Athletic Boosters 7:00	Kindergarten Screening		V Track Fost. Inv. A 10:00
V BB/SB N. Balt. A 4:30		V BB/SB Frem. St. Jos. H 4:30	B V BB Gibsonburg A 4:30	Bakery Bingo	
				JH Track HL Inv. H 4:30	
25	26	27	28	29	30
Right To Read Week					V Track D. Schultz H 9:30
JH Track U. Sen. A 4:30	Market Day p/u	B V BB St. Wend. A 4:30		Midterm	
V BB/SB Sen. East A 4:30	V Track Calvert A 5:00			State Band & Choir	

**IMPORTANT REMINDER!** There will be a 2-hr delay for teacher inservice on Wednesday, April 6, 2005.