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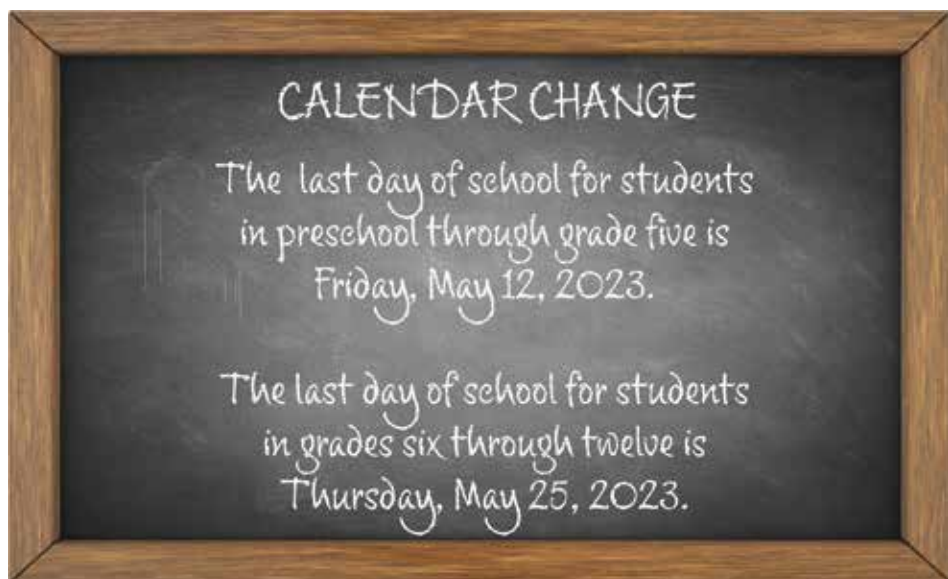


North Canton City Schools

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Message from Superintendent Jeff Wendorf

Opening two new school buildings is exciting for all of us as we anticipate the opportunities for our young students that these schools will offer. The weatherman has been good to us, providing us with a mild winter that has allowed our construction company to finish the exterior of the building efficiently and concentrate on tackling the offices, classrooms, and hallways inside in preparation for the opening in August 2023.

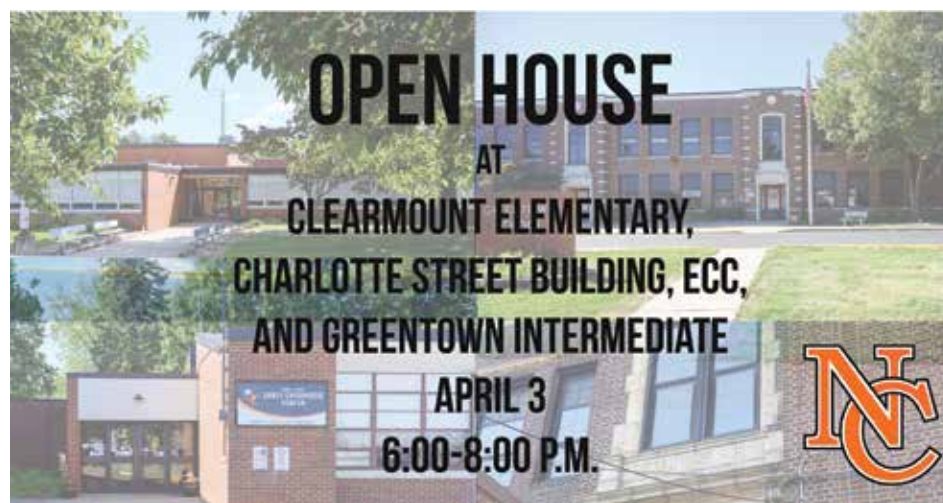
The move into the new buildings has created a change in the May calendar for our young students in preschool through grade five. Students in the Early Childhood Center, Clearmount Elementary, Northwood Elementary, Greentown Intermediate, and Orchard Hill Intermediate will end their school year on Friday, May 12. Students at North Canton Middle School and Hoover High School will conclude their school year Thursday, May 25.

This calendar change is due to a few challenges. First, our faculty and staff will be packing up their classrooms in anticipation of moving to the new buildings. Just as families accumulate possessions while living in their home, our educators have resources and supplies that will become an integral part of their new classrooms. Secondly, three of the existing buildings will be demolished this year, work that must be completed safely and away from our students and staff. Thirdly, the areas that were once school buildings will be transformed into parking lots and playgrounds for the new schools. We appreciate your understanding of the logistical challenge we face, but we assure you the new school buildings will more than make up for these inconveniences.

If you have a question or a concern, please reach out to your child's building principal.

Kindergarten Registration is open

Kindergarten enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year in the North Canton City School District will be open Monday, February 27, through March 17, 2023. Children who will be five years old on or before August 1, 2023, and reside in the North Canton City School District are eligible for kindergarten registration. Registration is completed online at www.northcantonschools.org. If you have any questions regarding the process, please feel free to call the school district office at 330-497-5600.



Construction on track for opening in August

As the winter months come to an end and we look forward to spring, we are excited about our new schools! The unseasonably warm winter has allowed work on the exterior of the buildings to continue even, as crews tackle the interior work. Over the last couple of months, the exterior brick has been completed along with the roofs at both buildings. Throughout the month of February, several windows and metal panels were installed. Crews continue to work at finalizing the exterior structures at both schools, so that site development can take place during the spring and summer.

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The Story Behind St. Baldrick's



Dave Pilati
 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

It's March which means the North Canton City School District is again deeply involved in its annual St. Baldrick's fundraiser. With funds raised so far this year by the North Canton City Schools teams, the total amount of money that our district teams have raised for the Canton St. Baldrick's over the last six years is now over \$390,000.

Why does St. Baldrick's exist? Because every two minutes, a child in this world is diagnosed with cancer; because cancer takes the lives of more children than any other disease; because 1 in 236 children in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer before the age of 20; and lastly, because funding for research to treat and cure childhood cancer continues to be funded at very low levels in the United States.

Why does North Canton City Schools get involved each year? Because it's an opportunity for the staff and students to collaboratively make an impact on our community and an opportunity for our students to learn the importance of helping others and helping to make positive change.

Worldwide, the event has raised \$325 million since 2005 to help fund research for childhood cancer cures. That money has funded 1,705 research grants in 31 different countries. One breakthrough that has resulted from research funded by St. Baldrick's is a radical change in how neuroblastoma, which is a type of childhood cancer, is treated which has significantly increased the survival rate of children who are diagnosed with this type of cancer. Another breakthrough resulting from research funded by St. Baldrick's is the FDA approval of the

first gene therapy in the United States.

The Canton St. Baldrick's event has raised approximately \$2.6 million since 2003, when the event was first held with 15 people raising approximately \$7,000. And starting last year, money raised by the Canton Area St. Baldrick's event supports the Abbey E. Foltz Fund which provides money for research grants right here in Northeastern Ohio that are focused on chemotherapy resistance with Osteosarcoma and supportive care research focused on emotional health during and following treatment. The fund is named in honor of Abbey Foltz, the daughter of Jeff and Nan Foltz of Canton, who passed away from Osteosarcoma on August 3, 2000, approximately 14 months after she graduated high school and four and a half years after she was diagnosed. It was the Foltz family who started the Canton St. Baldrick's event that now annually raises \$250,000 or more. From something so terrible that no one should have to experience, the Foltz family has created something so amazing, so wonderful, and so impactful for so many people.

So once again this year, we encourage everyone to get involved with the annual Canton St. Baldrick's event which will take place at the North Canton Racquet Club on Sunday, March 12 by either participating on one of our school teams as a "shavee" or a fundraising participant (you don't have to shave your head) or to donate on behalf of someone who is participating as a shavee or fundraising participant. Following are the links to each of our school teams if you wish to either donate money or to join one of our school teams to help us reach our goal of raising \$90,000.

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Job Availability



Todd Henne
DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS

The NCCS is currently looking for one or two people to join or mowing crew in late March. These employees can make their own schedule and work 20-40 hours per week. Need a day off? No problem. No experience necessary for the right candidate. All our mowers are riding mowers, so you can give your feet a rest and enjoy the Ohio weather. If interested in more information, please contact: todd.henne@northcantonschools.org or call 330.497.5600.

Bus Drivers Needed

The bus driver shortage is still affecting our district and many others across the country. Recently, we have had success with candidates that are using School Bus Driving as a “bridge” job. Perhaps after an early retirement at one job, another full or part-time job is needed before the person is ready for a full retirement. School bus driving offers many perks, such as no nights and

weekends, all holidays off, and a very nice summer vacation. And for our bus drivers that like to pick-up extra work, we have many field trips and athletic events nearly every day of the school year to keep them busy. The starting pay for next school year is expected to be over \$20.00 an hour, and higher rates are possible with experience.

Transfinder Plus

The NCCS is making plans behind the scenes this winter to upgrade and improve the bus routing software heading into the 2023-24 school year. The district is using funds obtained through a state grant to make this switch that includes several upgrades that we expect to make the experience better for students and parents. First, over the summer we will install a tablet in each school bus that will accomplish a few things. Each route will be available to the driver visually and auditorily - much like we experience every day when using our car’s navigation system. This may not be important for our drivers that run the route every day, but is extremely useful for our substitute drivers attempting to navigate a new route on a dark morning, or for our veteran drivers that are picking up an

extra route due to a driver shortage. Keeping our buses on schedule is important, but extremely difficult when the bus is not being driven by the normal driver. This navigation system should play a big role in reducing these issues. And when the bus stops at the bus stop, a list of the riders assigned to that stop will appear on the screen. The item that will appeal to parents the most will be the “find my bus” function. We understand no one wants their children waiting outside for the bus longer than needed, and with this function they won’t have to. Parents will be able to watch their child’s bus progress on the route as it approaches your child’s stop. If weather or construction significantly delays a bus, there won’t be a need to call the office for an update, you can see the progress if the bus in real time. We have been cautioned that this “find my bus” function will not be ready for the start of school, but will be in place well before the cold Ohio mornings set in. There are many more improvements behind the scenes that won’t be visible to parents, but we expect the changes to improve the transportation experience by allowing the mechanics and office staff to be even more efficient with their daily work.

NCCS receives state funding for school security

The State of Ohio has just released a new round of funding for school buildings, and this time the North Canton City Schools is a major recipient. All totaled, the district will receive over \$249,000 in funds to help students at all levels K-12.

The district, with the help of the North Canton Police Department, completed a vulnerability assessment of the district’s buildings last fall. That information was used to submit the grant with specific requests to improve safety for the students and staff. The state used a scoring rubric to determine which requests would result in the greatest improvement in school security.

The district was able to receive funding for the four elementary schools because the funds are earmarked for a safety system that will be able to be used this year and continue to be used in the future at the new buildings.

The main expenses for Hoover High School and the North Canton Middle School focus on improvements to the security camera monitoring system.

The North Canton City Schools will still be eligible to submit grant requests next fall to the state for Hoover High School and the Middle School. Hoover is still eligible to receive \$14,981 and the Middle School is eligible to receive \$31,444. These totals would put the schools at the state maximum of \$100,000 per building.

fees will must be paid before a student can receive their cap and gown for the graduation ceremony. All senior fees need to be paid in full by May 12th. Any positive balances can be transferred to a younger sibling’s account, refunded to the parent or donated to the “Full Belly” account. Please email Jill Lauter jill.lauter@northcantonschools.org or Amy Taylor amy.taylor@northcantonschools.org for any balance transfer requests.

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- Mary Evans Preschool Bald Vikes: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/baldvikes23>
- Clearmount Bald Vikes: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/ncclearmountbaldvikes2023>
- Northwood Bald Vikes: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/mypage/134499/2023>
- Greentown Bald Vikes: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/mypage/134349/2023>
- Orchard Hill Bald Vikes: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/mypage/134461/2023>
- North Canton MS Bald Vikes: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/NCMSBaldVikes2023>
- Hoover HS Bald Vikes: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/mypage/134357/2023>
- Hoover Swimming Bald Vikes: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/mypage/134569/2023>

Food and Nutrition Services updates



Jill Lauter
FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR

As we’re approaching the close of another school year, our lunch ladies (and man) start feeling a little bitter sweet. We’re looking forward to some lazy summertime days and getting our new kitchens set up. But we’ll miss seeing the students’ smiling faces ~ everyone smiles when you’re handing them food and not assigning homework!

Collecting delinquent meal account balances

This has been quite the transition year for us all. We went from all students receiving free school meals back to pre-Covid procedures of using free and reduced meal applications to determine family eligibility, for students that can receive free or reduced-price meals. The Food and Nutrition Services Department continues to send gentle reminders to parents of students that

have negative balances.

Unfortunately, because of the transition to full pay meals, we have more students than in pre-pandemic years that have negative meal account balances. North Canton City Schools policy is to never deny a student a meal, we do not shame or give an “alternate” meal to a student if they don’t have enough money in their meal account. Regardless of the amount of the negative balance, we don’t set a limit on how many meals a student can receive. Ultimately, we believe that it is the parent’s responsibility to pay the student’s meal debt. If the debt is not paid by the last day of the school year, the total meal debt will be transferred over to the student’s school fee account which will follow the student to the next year.

Senior Meal Account Balances

On May 1, any negative meal account balances for a student that plans to graduate, the negative balance will transfer to school fees. All school



Artificial Intelligence in the Classroom

North Canton City School District's latest professional development day included a session on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its impact on teaching and learning. Most Americans are familiar with AI now, thanks to online applications and the internet, in areas related to healthcare, product recommendations, customer chatbots, financial services, and fitness trackers. In a December study conducted by the Pew Research Center on Public Awareness of Artificial Intelligence in Everyday Activities," 15 percent of Americans are more excited than concerned about the increasing use of AI in their daily lives. Results show that 38 percent are more concerned than excited, while 46 percent feel an equal amount of concern and excitement. Interest in AI has become even greater with the launch of ChatGPT, a chatbot developed by Open AI in November 2022. ChatGPT is now the fastest growing consumer application in history with an estimated 100 million users in January.

AI has raised concerns over moral, ethical, and legal issues, and educators are studying the effects of AI on their classrooms. The most glaring issue is the threat of plagiarism. The North Canton City School District has decided not to ban ChatGPT. Director of Instruction Michelle Hostetler explains the district's decision. "The number one reason is that banning the app won't be possible because students have their own devices such as cell phones. Instead, the district will teach and model how to use AI responsibly by sharing both the pros and cons associated with the use of the tool. Also, teachers can access ChatGPT in innovative ways to support instructions and improve lesson planning efficiency. If we embrace the use of ChatGPT in our instructions, we are finding creative ways that we will be able to not only boost student motivation but also raise the level of thinking required by the students to levels such as analyzing, evaluating, and synthesizing."

Simply put, the North Canton City School District sees AI and ChatGPT

in particular as an opportunity, not a threat.

Denise Cooley, NCCS Gifted and Talented Coordinator, embraces that approach. "Personally, I think AI has the potential to deepen learning across the curriculum, and particularly in the humanities and world language. The technology is evolving at a fast pace and they are also still working out the bugs. For every news story about a new development in AI, there are just as many stories about blunders AI is making."

She adds, "As a former English teacher, I envision using AI/Chat GPT as a way to look critically at writing, and move students into analysis and revision which are deeper thinking skills. Just like the development of the calculator pushed math teachers to create problems that avoided simple calculations, the advent of AI/Chat GPT has the potential to bring problem-based learning to the forefront of the classroom. I also think programs similar to Chat GPT can be used to scaffold writing, studying, and to simulate world language conversations for students who need support."

Gretchen Leckie-Ewing, Hoover English teacher, says the English and Social Studies Departments have had informal conversations about AI, specifically ChatGPT. "It writes very well but lacks insights, connections, analysis, and critical thinking. We believe the key to combatting it is to ask better questions and make better assignments. Additionally, any time we see the work in progress, which provides proof of editing and handwriting, it is unlikely they are using AI. Similarly, flawless writing from many of our students is also a sign."

Mrs. Leckie-Ewing recently used an AI-generated essay in her classroom. "In December, my students wrote a timed writing based on an Advanced Placement prose prompt. We discussed the rubric, 'graded' exemplars, and assigned scores to their work. I gave them an AI-produced essay using the

same prompt, and they scored it just below passing because it failed to make any commentary that perpetuated a line of reasoning."

She points out a scenario in which AI is more of a concern. "We have teachers ~ in all departments ~ who ask for very basic writing at which the AI excels. For example, what are three reasons for the French Revolution? If that is a question on a Schoology test, it could be problematic."

Mrs. Leckie-Ewing sees AI as a valuable editing tool. "There are also uses for it as a teacher. If you paste in student work with the heading 'give feedback as if from a high school teacher to a student,' the feedback is pretty spot on! In the future, I may teach my students to do this with their own writing."

Mr. Rob Motz, a social studies teacher at Hoover, looks at the topic in a broad sense, saying he believes a discussion of AI presents three specific issues:

1. A refocus on the arts and humanities. As AI becomes more and more pervasive, there will be a desire to explore things that are uniquely human. Music, history, literature - anything that tries to capture or describe the human experience . . . authentic human experience will have more value.
2. Asking better questions. If we can get answers to any with relative ease, the quality of the question will determine the quality of the answer. To do this, I think we will have to refocus on building semantic knowledge without technology so that we can effectively interact with technology through quality questioning.
3. A refocus on human interaction. Simple things, like conversation, recess, play, will take on greater importance in education so that our kids are not totally enveloped in tech from the time they wake until the time go to bed.

Educators in the North Canton City School District continue to grow as technology brings challenges as well as rewards. Thanks to their dedication and professionalism, they will continue to adapt and advance their skills as they prepare NCCS students for the future. In addition, they will be mindful of their students' social and emotional well-being.



Outsmarting AI

An article entitled "Outsmart ChatGPT: 8 Tips for Creating Assignments It can't Do" appeared in the February 14 issue of *Education Week*. Alyson Klein recommends that teachers ask students to

- 1.) Write about something deeply personal,
- 2.) Center the assignment around as issue specific to the local community,
- 3.) Direct students to a recent news event,
- 4.) Have students show or explain their work,
- 5.) Ask students to give an oral presentation in addition to their written work,
- 6.) Ask students to handwrite their essay,
- 7.) Put project-based learning to work, and
- 8.) Run the assignment through ChatGPT before giving it to students.

To read the article, go to <https://www.edweek.org/technology/outsmart-chatgpt-8-tips-for-creating-assignments-it-cant-do/2023/02>.



(L-R): Isabella Meysembourgh (10), Hannah Laing (12) Makenzi Priddis (12), Joy McCune (12), Alayna "A.C." Marks (12), Veronika Popova (12), Ella Kamyszek (9), Jeremy Kish (12).



Veronika Popova, NC Jaycee Fair (Silver)



Tam Grandjean



Melanie Mesmer

Two NCCS Educators honored

We are pleased to let you know that the finalists for the Art Educator of the Year and Music Educator of the Year have been announced. Hoover's Tam Grandjean is a finalist for Art Educator of the Year, and Northwood's Melanie Mesmer is a finalist for Music Educator of the Year!

These awards recognize public, private, and parochial Art and Music Educators in the region served by the Stark County Educational Service Center who have positively impacted their students and communities, and who have shown great dedication to the field of Art and Music Education. We present the awards in partnership with the Canton Museum of Art and Canton Symphony Orchestra. The winner of each award receives a \$500 check.



Joy McCune (Gold Key)



Sarah Weitzel, Silent Generation (HM)



Addison Kern, Wearing Away (Gold)



Makenzi Priddis, Masquerade (Gold)

Art Student Awards

National Scholastic Art Awards

Hoover students in Mr. Chris Triner and Mrs. Tam Grandjean's classes were recently awarded honors by the National Scholastic Art and Writing Awards. We are very proud of our industrious visual artists.

Joy McCune won a gold key for her portfolio, "Chemical Emotions." Receiving gold keys for individual art pieces were Addison Kern, Jeremy Kish, Joy McCune, Veronika Popova, and Makenzi Priddis.

Receiving silver keys for individual art works were Hannah Laing, Joy McCune, and Veronika Popova.

Receiving honorable mention for individual pieces were Jeremy Kish, Hannah Laing, Alayna Marks, Isabella Meysembourgh, Veronika Popova, and Sarah Weitzel.

MLK Art Competition 2023

Three students in Mrs. Grandjean's Art II class were selected as winners for the Art competition for the 2023 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Art, Essay & Multimedia Contest, hosted by the Ohio Civil Rights Commission. The students are Hannah Bender (9), Mica Bell (10), and Henry Hu (11).

Grandparent Caregiver Group

We recognize that there are many grandparents raising their grandchildren and it brings about its own set of circumstances, worries, and blessings.

Come together and share your insights, hopes, worries, fears and find connection, support, and resources with others raising their grandchildren.

EVERY 3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
10 AM AT ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
349 LINDY LANE

Meetings take place from 10am-11:30am, please feel free to bring a bagged lunch if you'd like to stay and chat more after the meeting.



Viking Spotlight

Viking Spotlight Podcast provides glimpse into the NCCS District and Community

Learn more about the North Canton City School District through Superintendent Jeff Wendorf's weekly podcast, *Viking Spotlight*. Recent podcasts have featured interviews of School Board President Dr. Bob Roden, Video Productions Coordinator Tom Wilson, North Canton Middle School Principal David Eby, and 1976 Hoover Graduate Charlie Grandjean, to name just a few. *Viking Spotlight* is available on Spotify, Google Podcasts, the NCCS YouTube channel, and our district website at www.northcantonschools.org.



**NORTH CANTON CITY SCHOOLS
2023-2024 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
WILL BE OPEN FROM
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023,
THROUGH
FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023.**

Kindergarten registration for the 2023-2024 school year will open in February. Children who will turn five on or before August 1, 2023, and reside in the North Canton City School District are eligible for enrollment. We're excited to have your child become a student at the new North Canton Primary School!

Our registration process is online at www.northcantonschools.org.

Follow the directions on the right to begin the registration. Please remember that if your child attends the ECC, your child is already enrolled for kindergarten.

1. Click on *Department* and select *Registration of New Students*.
2. Scroll down to the link for kindergarten registration.
3. Create an account and follow the directions to enroll your child.

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Northwood's Stephanie Dukeman January Educator of the Month

Northwood Elementary Principal Matt Donaldson introduced January's North Canton Chamber of Commerce Educator of the Month as "a selfless teacher who has shown her dedication to the students of Northwood by doing whatever is necessary to help ensure success for all students, has shown leadership and helped to mentor new staff and new grade level staff. She has led efforts to co-teach and create flexible and fluid groupings during Vike Time in an effort to meet many students' needs. She has been willing to take on any and all students. Our students and we at Northwood are all better because of this year's Northwood Educator of the Month, second-grade teacher, Stephanie Dukeman."

Child Find



Each year school districts throughout Ohio participate in an effort to identify, locate and evaluate all children with disabilities, birth through 21; for age birth to 3, an established condition known to result in delay or documented developmental delay; for ages 3 through 21, identification of one or more of the following conditions: Autism Spectrum Disorder, developmental disability, deaf-blindness, hearing impairment - including deafness, intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, emotional disturbance, specific learning disability, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury and/or visual impairment - including blindness. Parents are not always aware that there are programs and services available for children identified with a disability.

If you know of a child who may have one or more of the above suspected disabilities, including preschool age children, please contact the Special Services Office at (330) 497-5665.



North Canton Primary School
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Kindergarten Readiness Skills

We're getting ready for KINDERGARTEN!

Children who will be five years old on or before August 1, 2023, are eligible to be registered for kindergarten. Kindergarten readiness is critical for early success. Please refer to this pamphlet for prerequisite skills. These necessary skills should continue to be developed, practiced, and reinforced with your child prior to starting school. Should you have questions about whether your child is ready or should register for kindergarten, please feel free to call the District Office at 330-497-5600.

Throughout the state of Ohio, school districts adhere to the Ohio Learning Standards to ensure that all students will be college and career ready upon graduating from high school. It takes the school, student and family working together to accomplish this goal.

Below is a list of essential skills your child would benefit from having at the start of kindergarten in the fall. Take some time to practice these in a fun way this summer.

The more comfortable your child is with these basic skills, the easier the transition into kindergarten will be. We will also provide lots of practice with these skills and many more throughout the year.

The staff of North Canton City Schools is ready to "ignite a passion for learning" in your child.

Kindergarten Readiness Skill Expectations

Kindergarten is an exciting time for students and parents as children begin an educational journey to become self-confident and more independent. We recognize that every child has different skill levels and these lists are merely guidelines.

General Skills

Children should be able to answer the following questions:

- What is your first and last name?
- What is your address?
- What is your phone number?
- What is your birth date (month & day)?

Identifying Body Parts

Children should be able to identify these body parts:

- Where are your heels?
- Where are your ankles?
- Where is your jaw?
- Where are your shoulders?
- Where are your elbows?
- Where are your hips?
- Where are your wrists?
- Where is your waist?

Fine and Gross Motor Skills

Children should be able to perform the following tasks:

- Hold scissors correctly.
- Hold a pencil or crayon properly.
- Run, jump, and skip.
- Walk backwards toe to heel four steps.
- Stand on one foot for ten seconds.
- Stand on one foot momentarily with eyes closed.

Social Skills

Children should demonstrate the following skills:

- Use words instead of being physical when angry.
- Share, take turns, and play with other children.
- Follow simple directions.
- Express feelings and needs.
- Go to the bathroom by him/herself.
- Enjoy having books read to him/her.
- Dress and undress self.

Academic Skills

- Children should be able to recognize the following colors: Red, Orange, Pink, Blue, Green, Yellow, Purple, Brown, Black, Gray
- Children should be able to copy common shapes.
- Children should be able to draw a picture of a person that includes the following body parts: Head, legs, ears, arms, trunk, eyes, nose, neck, hands and mouth.
- Children should be able to print his/her first and last name.
- Children should be able to count to 20.
- Children should be able to group similar objects.
- Children should be able to name and recognize uppercase letters.
- Children should be able to name and recognize lowercase letters.
- Children should be able to speak in complete sentences of five words.
- Children should be able to recognize some common sight words.

Orchard PTO does it all



Have you ever pulled up to McDonald's ready to order dinner for your family and heard your child's math teacher taking your order? Or pulled up to the drive thru and had your child's language arts teacher hand you your food? Have you ever seen a McDonald's entrance way shoulder to shoulder with kids, parents, and dancing teachers? Well our PTO made that happen this year. Before the days of Orchard Hill come to a close, we want to take this opportunity to thank the current and previous PTO members for their contributions over the years.

The Orchard Hill PTO has been hard at work every year engaging students through fundraising, movie nights held on the Orchard Hill playground, and Read-a-Thons over Holiday Break. The girls dance the night away at the My Guy and Me dances and the boys play competitive games at the My Gal and me events which have a different theme every year. Students get involved in after school enrichment activities two times a year which have included and are not limited to ASL classes, Art Club, Book Club, Sports Club, Lego Club, Chess Club, and STEM Club. When the sign-up forms go out, the kids eat them up with a spoon. So many kids have signed up that our PTO has offered additional sessions to make sure everyone can be included.

PTO stands for Parent Teacher Organization, but the Orchard Hill PTO does a tremendous job of adding family engagement aspects to each event. Families have come together with both their students and school staff members in tailgating events, school dances, the St. Baldrick's event, and classroom holiday parties. The PTO has held contests to make snow creations at Orchard Hill on snowy days, had the students decorate Marco's pizza boxes for families to pick up with a pizza, and



hosted dinner at several restaurants like Best Burger. At the end of the year, the PTO helps provide parent volunteers to help run our Field Day that is put on by our "specials" teachers. Through quarantine and COVID, the PTO also supported many families.

Teachers feel the love from the PTO as well. The PTO provides funding for eSpark, Flocabulary, and ConnectEd subscriptions, movie licensing, reimburse staff for some classroom expenses, conference dinners, PBIS rewards, and several other small reward opportunities throughout the year. They also try to make sure staff feels the love with birthday cards, recognizing special days, gifts, snack carts, celebrating Staff Appreciation Week, and keeping the staff beverage cooler stocked.

Next year with Greentown and Orchard Hill merging into North Canton Intermediate, both PTOs have made it a priority to come together as one. Meetings have been held with both sets of officers this year already to prepare. With both sets of officers working together, the PTO of the new building will surely be a powerhouse of ideas and support.

Orchard Hill's PTO has been led by Michelle Groninger for the last three years. Her officers include vice president Cassidy McCann, secretary Sara Brown, and treasurer Nicole Watts. Michelle has recently been chosen for the Education Endowment Citizen Award and will receive this award on March 17th. This is awarded for a significant contribution to the goals and accomplishments of education in the North Canton City Schools by a citizen.

This group of ladies has gone over and beyond and we are forever grateful for them. From dance parties on the playground, swimming in a sea of 3,000 mums, to selling spirit wear, our PTO does it all.

NCMS Speech and Debate Team

Missy Stertzbach

Hoover High School has a long-standing tradition in speech and debate, dating back to the mid 1960's, the team has had state champions, national semi-finalists, and thousands of students who have found their "home" on the speech and debate team. Four years ago, with the support of Mr. Eby, North Canton City Schools made speech and debate a part of the middle school extracurricular offerings and expanded our "home" to sixth-eighth-graders.

The ability to communicate effectively is one of the most sought after skills of the 21st century workforce and that is just one of the things that speech and debate programs teach. Beyond communicating well, participating in speech and debate activities teaches students to look at issues from multiple perspectives, engage in the democratic process, seek answers from reliable and unbiased sources, and most of all, teaches students how to be a member of a team, how to be humble when they succeed, and how to be gracious when they do not.

Currently the NCMS team boasts 14 members and is enjoying great success. The students compete in Congressional Debate, Declamation, or Interpretation at tournaments in the Stark and Summit Counties. Students had the opportunity to compete in six middle school tournaments this season and will have the opportunity to compete in the Ohio Speech and Debate Association Middle School State Finals in March. Under the guidance of two appointed high school students who serve as Middle School Co-Directors, Emma Curd ('23) and AnnaSophia Bates ('24), the team is flourishing. Curd and Bates, along with other high school members, mentor and coach the middle school students; the success has been tremendous. The middle school team consists of Rowan Bilker, Owen Casper, Caiden Davidson, Cole Davidson, Sofia de Freitas, Avery Dempsey, Sasha Hillard, Emma Holt, Prudence Manship, Lydia McHolm, Olivia Mott, Elyse Rome, Micah Robinson, and Hattie Rosler. Each of these students has achieved success competitively, but more importantly has grown exponentially in ways not measured by trophies.

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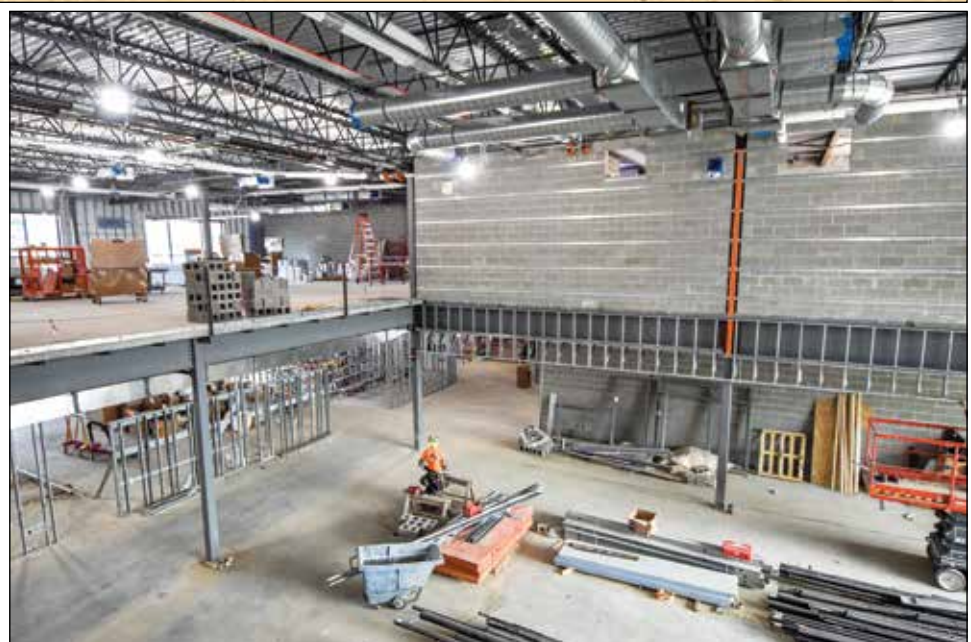
Meanwhile, consistent progress is being made on the interiors of both buildings. While each part of the building is at a different stage, mechanical contractors, electricians and plumbers continue working each day on the building systems. During the month of February, most every stud wall in the building has been completed and the drywall has been installed in both buildings. Some areas of the buildings have even progressed to the paint stage, following the finishing of

the interior block and drywall. The buildings continue to be on track for August completion that will allow for the start of the 2023-2024 school year.

Much work will take place on the building sites over the next few months! Teachers and staff are also busy planning for the packing up of the existing buildings in preparation for the move this summer. It is sure to be a busy five months ahead, but the wait is almost over, and the new buildings will be a reality in just a few short months! North Canton City Schools is so thankful for the support of our community as we see these schools become a reality the next generation of Vikings!

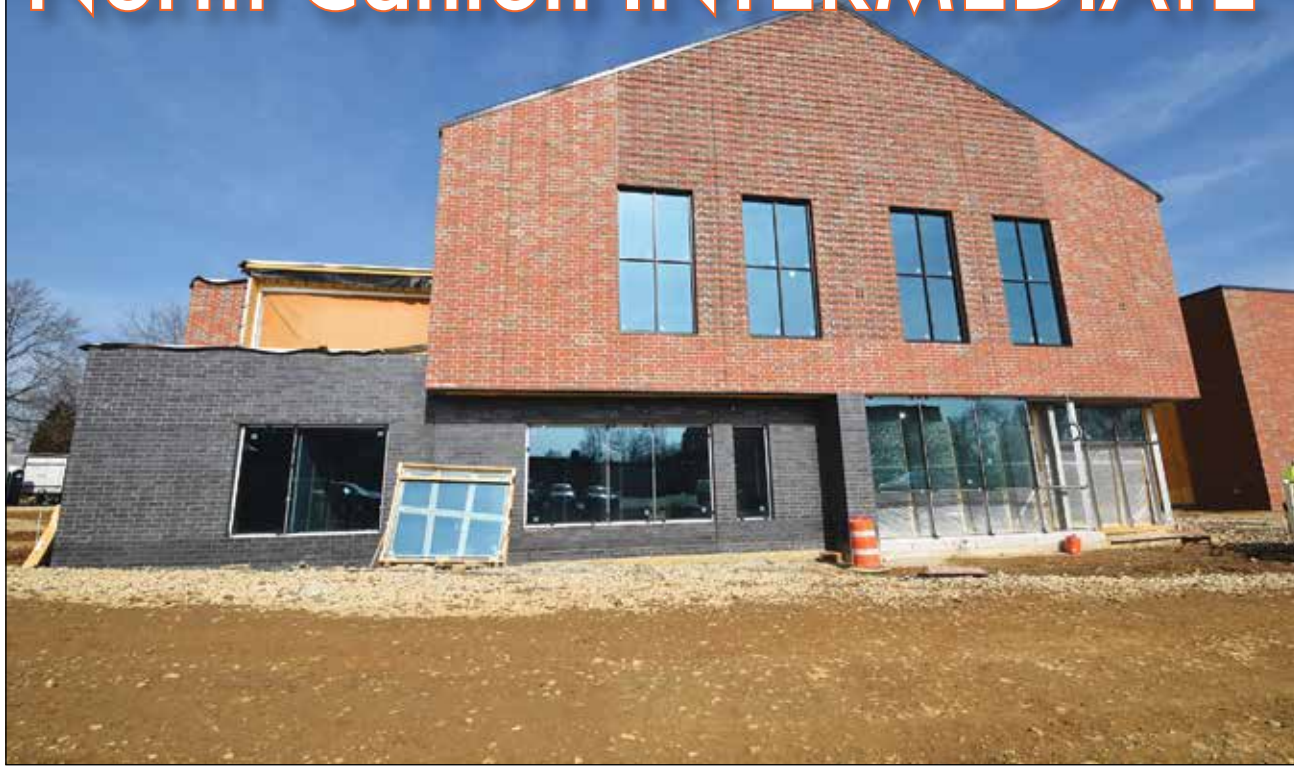


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Advanced Placement Studio Art



In most advanced placement (AP) classes, students take an exam for assessment by the AP Program of the College Board. In AP Studio Art, in contrast, requires students to submit a digital portfolio of their work. The name, "Advanced Placement," denotes the challenge presented by all AP classes, and AP Studio Art students must follow what Mr. Chris Triner, their instructor, calls, "an 'inquiry-based' art making." The curriculum calls for self-guided research and study, a research sketch book, art creation, and written self-reflection, resulting in a portfolio that is uploaded and submitted to the AP Program for review and scoring.

Whew. Sounds like quite a bit of work for high school students who are likely taking other challenging classes as well. So why take AP Studio Art?

Anna Jones appreciates the opportunity to study art in-depth. "I wanted to take an art class that differs from the rest of the visual art program here at Hoover. In AP art, there's a lot of freedom to create artwork that you enjoy making. In Art 1-4, there are individual projects/units, whereas in AP art the "unit" lasts an entire year so a deeper investigation can be sustained." She adds, "Mr. Triner has pushed me beyond the limits that I thought I had."

Hannah Laing plans to study Art Education and American Sign Language at Kent State University and hopes to return to Hoover someday to teach. Hannah, who loves painting with acrylic, says her mother, who is an artist, has inspired her and remains her biggest supporter.

Makenzi Priddis loves art and wanted to embrace the challenge of all Hoover art classes. Her mother has had a big impact of her love of art through her own love of art history. Makenzi plans to go to college to get a degree in animation and illustration.

Sarah Weitzel plans to major in illustration in college, and AP Studio Art allows her to further her knowledge and push herself further into the art world. Sarah appreciates her fellow students in art class who inspire her to try new media and topics in her artwork.

Veronika Popova chose AP Studio Art because she decided to challenge herself as an artist. She says that Mr. Triner and Mrs. Grandjean inspired her over the past four years as "they taught me a lot in their classes, pushed me through work and overcoming myself." As she matures as an artist, she wants to learn to use new techniques in her artwork.

Rylee Whitt says simply, "I wanted a challenge, and a challenge it has been. But it's been worth it." Rylee, who plans to study industrial design or engineering in college, says Mr. Triner has "inspired me to take risks and put myself into my art."

Jeremy Kish, who says Mr. John Huston kickstarted his enjoyment of art, took the class because of his desire "to do more art and get better at it all around." Jeremy plans to go to Ohio State and study biology or industrial design.

Over the years, Hoover AP Studio Art students have excelled in the assessments of their portfolios, thanks to the instruction from their K-12 teachers, support from parents, and their own willingness to take on the challenges of a rigorous advanced placement course.



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EXPLAINING
AP STUDIO ART
PORTFOLIO

WHAT MAKES A PORTFOLIO?
A portfolio is defined as a cohesive body of work focusing on the growth of the artists to better understand their personal craft.

PORTFOLIO CONTENT

AP FINAL COMPOSITE SCALE:
1-5

SUSTAINED INVESTIGATION / 60%
15 INQUIRY-BASED IMAGES to The College Board website that include works of art AND process documentation (sketchbook pages, process photos, etc.) Each work requires an **INQUIRY-BASED APPROACH** and **WRITTEN RESPONSES** to each entry.

INQUIRY QUESTION AND REFLECTION
At least one inquiry question that guided your entire portfolio, and a written reflection that explains your inspiration, process, and final products.

SELECTED WORKS / 40%
5 INQUIRY-BASED artworks uploaded AND physically mailed to The College Board with written responses describing the materials, processes, and ideas used. These could be from the sustained investigation portion OR include other technically strong work

WHAT'S "INQUIRY-BASED" ART MAKING?*

IN-DEPTH SELF-GUIDED RESEARCH
Study contemporary artist's processes, important/relevant social influences to develop visual answers to inspire your own art-making

BIG IDEA as GUIDED ESSENTIAL QUESTION(S)
ALL student learning will be guided by overarching question(s); as an artist, what questions or ideas direct your creative process.

KEEP RESEARCH SKETCH JOURNAL
Record visual ideas, research, written reflection, photo references, etc. Journal pages CAN be submitted as part of total sustained investigation works.

ART MAKING
Creating approximately 10-15 works of art that reflect high levels of technical skills, refined craftsmanship, & ideas that show college-level work and thinking.

WRITTEN SELF REFLECTION
Reflection for each completed work of art guides further inquiry to complete the next work OR editing of previous work to refine for stronger results.

*All criteria outlined are according to The College Board/Advanced Placement program required to be an accredited school program.

Summa Celebration set for March 14

The Sideliners' Summa Celebration will be held Tuesday, March 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the Barrette Business Center at Walsh University. Congratulations to the seniors who attained a cumulative grade point average of 4.325 at the end of seven semesters. We also extend congratulations to these seniors and the two individuals they have chosen as inspirations in their educational journey.



Nathan Andrews



Kate Bird



Olivia Brosch



Taylor Crookston



Jacob Davidson



Brennan DeGuzman



Abigail Dimengo



Halle Ellis



Janet Eriksen



Gavin Finley



Spencer Fry



Ava Gardner



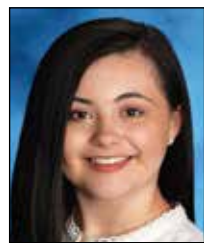
Thomas Girdlestone



Shannon Griswold



Cameron Guiley



Olivia Hanson



Alexa Hapstak



Sophia Hillyer



Cecilia Holben



Jocelyn Householder



Madison James



Regann Jeffries



Noah Johnson



Anna Jones



Nathan Kimbell



Angelina Koinoglou



Anna Kuntz



Griffin Maxim



Julia McCartney



Ethan McKelley



Molly Mead



Mya Miller



Sophia Muhlenkamp



Nathan Osborne



Spencer Osborne



Rhiley Paskoff



Sydney Pike



Makenzi Priddis



Akshita Priyadershi



Tess Rosler



Kaden Schans



Lexie Shugarts



Brandon Snyder



Drew Stangelo



Mitchell Thomas



Mario Tortorella



Kaitlyn Turner



Kosta Volas



Sarah Weitzel



Rylee Whitt



Camden Wolfe



Claire Wood



Zoe Zollinger

Important Dates for Hoover High School

MAY

- 10-12 **Senior Exams**
 - 11 **Senior Recognition Assembly** in Hoover Hall.....6 pm
 - 12 **Senior Class Meeting/Activities**
Chromebook return, cap/gown distribution, senior class meeting
 - 13 **Junior/Senior Prom**
La Pizzaria, 3656 Dressler Rd NW, Canton, OH 44718
 - 21 **Commencement/Graduation practice**.....1 pm
Memorial Stadium
 - Commencement/Graduation***7 pm
Memorial Stadium
- Graduates must arrive by 6 pm*

**Tickets are not required to attend graduation. We have set rain dates of May 22, May 23, and May 24, all at 7 pm. In the event of such a cancellation, we would make the decision by 5 pm on the event date and would use our phone call-out system to notify graduates and their parents. If it becomes necessary, we have also secured a facility for an indoor graduation on May 24.*



Congratulations to Hoover's cast, crew, and directors for the outstanding performance of Titanic the Musical!

Hulse named February Educator of the Month

The North Canton Chamber of Commerce Educator of the Month is Mr. Tim Hulse of North Canton Middle School. NCMS Principal David Eby praised his dedication to students and rapport with colleagues. "Mr. Hulse is being recognized by his colleagues for his dedication to the art of teaching and



passion for his students. He has been a leader in the building by running our after-school program the past two school years. Mr. Hulse collaborates well with his math colleagues and his teaching team to target student needs. Mr. Hulse has served many teaching positions in the building such as Viking Online during 2020 and has taught math at all three grade levels at the middle school. As such, Mr. Hulse is highly regarded by his peers."

National Junior Honor Society at NCMS

By Sofia Tula and Julia Zollinger

The National Junior Honor Society is a service organization that is similar to the National Honor Society at the high school level. The NJHS group is composed of students who are in eighth grade who meet the application requirements for admission, during their seventh-grade year. The students must maintain a high grade-point average, exhibit good behavior in the classroom, and possess a general interest in helping others. This year, which is the first year for the organization, over twenty active members are making a difference in their community.

Julia Zollinger, Grade 8, states that "NJHS helps me get more involved in the community by providing service opportunities. It is a great way to build service into your life, starting at a young age. I've volunteered at a marathon water station, cared for animals at the Humane Society, and helped with after-school tutoring. I recommend trying out as many volunteer opportunities as possible, even before joining NJHS. Working with others to help the community is a rewarding experience that gives you a way to meet new people and try new things." Her statement is profound in the way that service has impacted her, as well as those she has helped along the way.

Sofia Tula, Grade 8, describes NJHS in her own way by stating, "Last year, I chose to take a chance and become involved with the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS). Since then, I have obtained knowledge regarding numerous aspects of life. It has revealed a deeper meaning of being involved in

the community. I have seen a different perspective on creating a better environment and setting an example for others. In other words, it has given me an urgency to take action and create a better life for those around me.

NJHS is a program that is filled with students who are willing to help people and support concerns that matter. I have evolved to become more aware of the need for people in service opportunities. One area that I have chosen to participate in is the North Canton Cares food pantry. Another includes the monthly food giveaway at the North Canton Church of Christ where I help distribute groceries. A different project was volunteering with the local Humane Society to play with animals and give assistance. Through NJHS, I have expanded my experience in various service projects.

Since joining, I have learned what NJHS means to me. It is a place where I can give back to the community and better my character. Through diverse service activities, I have been able to demonstrate character by helping others in need. That, however, is not where it ends. While all of the volunteering is helpful, it remains important to outwardly show character to those around me on a daily basis. Also related to character is citizenship. As a member, I have a deeper connection to the community. It is easy to focus on the accomplishment of a goal and overlook the steps to get there. NJHS is an example of a step in the process. Being a member is about gaining experience and working towards something that

deserves attention. Pursuing these steps of action and developing positive attributes are what NJHS means to me.

As some may know, this is a new program. As a member of this first-year group, I can confidently say there are steps you can take to join this organization. Taking action is displayed by striving to do your best. This can be whether you are in school, on a sports field, or at home. To start, doing your best in school is not being perfect. One of the requirements to apply is meeting a certain GPA. This can be intimidating but focus on progress. This includes active participation, respecting others, and managing homework assignments. While these are not a guarantee of acceptance, they will certainly help you to be successful. In addition, explore opportunities where you can demonstrate and practice leadership skills. Leadership relies heavily on character and is setting an excellent example for your peers. This can be shown on a sports field, in school, or even to younger siblings. As a volleyball player for the 8th-grade team, each player, including me, had an expectation to encourage one another on the court. Finally, I recommend you stand out. Find something unique about yourself and utilize it. Do not let the skills and attributes that set you apart from others be hidden. A diverse group of skills in NJHS is vital, so use these skills in opportunities inside or outside of school. Based on my experience, NJHS has influenced me in ways that I would recommend to others."



NCMS Math Counts Team headed to State

Congratulations to the NCMS Math Counts team of Brady Hostetler, Chase Hostetler, Gabe Geiselman, and Tessa Ackerman for placing in the recent tournament. Seventh-grader Ben Gaskell finished in the top eight finishers for the individual competition! These students will move on to the State Competition which will take place on March 11 in Columbus, Ohio.



Hoover Speech and Debate sets new record

The Hoover speech and debate team competed in the state qualifying tournament Saturday, February 4. The team set a new school record by qualifying 34 students to the state tournament, which was held at Austintown Fitch High School on March 3-5.



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Aidan Blackburn



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Buckeye Boys and Girls State

Lessons in Governing

The American Legion's Buckeye Boys State started in 1936 with the intention of teaching students that have completed their junior year about the operation of a democracy, the organization of political parties, and the relationship of these components. Today the organization draws 1,200 participants from nearly all 600 Ohio school districts plus representatives from online schools and home school community for the week-long experience. The American Legion Auxiliary's Buckeye Girls State began 11 years later, and the program stresses the education of young women in the duties, privileges, rights, and responsibilities of good citizenship. Both organizations engage students by placing them in two political parties as they become involved in the political process in local, county, or state government. Students can apply to become participants through the local American Legion Post #436, whose members will sponsor and interview applicants for both programs.

In the summer of 2022, Hoover High School's **Aiden Blackburn**, **Nico Pitinii**, and **Kosta Volas** participated in Buckeye Boys State, which was held at Miami University in Ohio, and one Hoover student, **Isabella Dennison**, participated in Buckeye Girls State at Mount Union University. As part of the experience, students assume responsibilities in government through campaigns or appointments. Kosta Volas, who was President of the Senate, summarized the lessons learned. "You get to understand the governmental process, why it takes a long time, why certain things must be done in a certain way. You are responsible for moving bills through the Congress. You discover it is very tedious and frustrating." Isabella Dennison, who served as a Sargent of Arms and policy advisor, stressed the value of Buckeye Girls State. "I would encourage it as a great opportunity to understand government because it helps kids learn to speak out, knowing their voices can be heard."

For more information on these programs, please visit <https://www.ohiobuckeyeboysstate.com> or <https://buckeyegirlsstate.org>.

Studio525 announces next Exhibit

The next exhibit of Studio525 of Hoover High School is *The Foundations we Build*. This show will feature artwork by kindergarten through grade 12 NCCS students as they celebrate their memories of the past schools and envision the future. At the show opening on March 16 from 5:30-7:00 p.m., visitors will be given a chance to add their own "brick" of memories or thoughts about our district's growth to continue to foster our mission statement to the unfinished brick wall. The exhibit will be open March 16 - April 7, 2023, during normal school hours.

Studio525 student curators are Aidan Blackburn, Hannah Laing, Sarah Weitzel, Rowan Ellis, Anna Palombo, and Alec Pilati.



Wheelchair Basketball new to NCCS

The North Canton City School District partnered with Adaptive Sports Ohio (ASO) to begin a team in the North Canton. Julie Stingel, Coordinator of Special Services and Response to Intervention, stressed the importance of this collaboration. "The partnership allows districts to afford the athletic wheelchairs needed for such a sport. ASO obtains the wheelchairs, their maintenance and storage, and provides coaches training. Our district 5 was responsible for the recruitment of a coach and student athletes."



Mrs. Stingel explained the rules regarding team members. "The team can consist of both students with physical disabilities as well as able-bodied players, spanning grades 1-12. We recruited students with physical disabilities by reaching out to families and to teachers. We held a parent information night for the district and spread the word through social media and school announcements."

Currently, North Canton's team competes in the Adaptive Sports Ohio League, which includes teams from Massillon, Tallmadge, GlenOak, Jackson, Wadsworth, and Wooster.



2023 Athletic Hall of Fame

North Canton Hoover High School Athletic Director, Tom Oakes, is pleased to announce the Hoover High School Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2023.

- Mrs. Abbey (Moore) Allarding ('02)
- Mr. Jeff Esmont ('78)
- Mr. Bryan Ashby ('88)
- Carrie DiMickele Reagan ('95)
- Ms. Susie (Johnsen) Celek ('99)
- Mr. Daniel Shetler ('77)

The inductees will be announced at halftime of the home football game on Friday, September 1, 2023 at North Canton Memorial Stadium. The Induction Social Hour and Program will begin at 5:15pm on Saturday, September 2, 2023 at North Canton Hoover High School. Tickets and more information will be available in the Hoover High School Athletic Office at the beginning of August.



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The North Canton Athletic Department has a website with great information available at HooverVikings.com at the Varsity News Network (VNN). On the website you will find athletic department information as well as team rosters, schedules, athletic forms, directions, photos, ticket prices and more. At the bottom of the web page, you can also sign up for Team Alerts to receive game scores and information for your favorite teams.

SPRING SCHEDULES

Please remember that all schedules are subject to change due to weather or other factors. Looking for the schedule of your favorite NCCS team? Go to <https://hoovervikings.com> for the most current schedule.

(S) = Scrimmage

Boys Varsity Baseball

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/16/23	5:00PM	Wooster (S)	H
3/20/23	5:00PM	Walsh Jesuit (S)	A
3/22/23	5:00PM	Louisville (S)	H
3/25/23	11:00AM	Brunswick	H
3/28/23	5:00PM	GlenOak	A
3/29/23	5:00PM	GlenOak	H
4/1/23	12:00PM	Wadsworth	A
4/4/23	5:00PM	McKinley	H
4/5/23	5:00PM	McKinley	A
4/8/23	11:00AM	Stow	A
4/11/23	5:00PM	Jackson	H
4/12/23	5:00PM	Jackson	A
4/14/23	5:00PM	Louisville	A
4/15/23	12:00PM	Mentor	A
4/18/23	5:00PM	Perry	H
4/19/23	5:00PM	Perry	A
4/22/23	11:00AM	Dublin Jerome	A
4/22/23	3:00PM	New Albany	A
4/25/23	5:00PM	Green	A
4/26/23	5:00PM	Green	H
4/28/23	5:00PM	Central Catholic	H
4/29/23	11:00AM	Solon	H
5/2/23	5:00PM	Hiland	H
5/3/23	5:00PM	Dover	H
5/6/23	11:00AM	Holy Name	A
5/9/23	5:00PM	Lake	A
5/10/23	5:00PM	Lake	H
5/12/23	7:00PM	Hudson	A
5/13/23	11:00AM	Strongsville	H
5/20/23	11:00AM	TBA	H

Boys Junior Varsity Baseball

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4/12/23	5:00PM	Jackson	H
4/14/23	5:00PM	Louisville	H
4/15/23	12:00PM	Mentor	H
4/18/23	5:00PM	Perry	A
4/19/23	5:00PM	Perry	H
4/21/23	5:00PM	Central Catholic	A
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5/3/23	5:00PM	Dover	A
5/6/23	11:00AM	Holy Name	H
5/9/23	5:00PM	Lake	H
5/10/23	5:00PM	Lake	A
5/12/23	5:00PM	Hudson	H
5/13/23	11:00AM	Strongsville	A

Boys Freshman Baseball

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/16/23	5:00PM	Wooster (S)	A
3/20/23	5:00PM	Walsh Jesuit (S)	H
3/22/23	5:00PM	Louisville (S)	A
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3/28/23	5:00PM	GlenOak	H
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4/4/23	5:00PM	Massillon Washington	A
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Girls Varsity Lacrosse

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/18/23	1:30PM	Brecksville-Broadview Heights (S)	A
3/25/23	12:30PM	Avon Lake	H
3/28/23	7:00PM	Saint Joseph Academy	H
3/30/23	7:00PM	Gahanna Lincoln	H
4/1/23	12:30PM	Green	A
4/6/23	7:00PM	Avon	H
4/13/23	7:00PM	Hudson	A
4/15/23	1:30PM	Dublin Coffman	H
4/18/23	7:00PM	Lake	H
4/22/23	11:30AM	Brunswick PlayDay: Shaker Heights	A
4/22/23	2:00PM	Brunswick PlayDay: Perrysburg	A
4/25/23	7:00PM	Jackson	H
4/27/23	7:30PM	Revere	H
5/4/23	7:00PM	Wadsworth	A
5/6/23	12:30PM	Hathaway Brown	A
5/8/23	6:00PM	GlenOak	H
5/11/23	7:00PM	Wooster	A

Girls Junior Varsity Lacrosse

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/18/23	12:00PM	Brecksville-Broadview Heights (S)	A
3/25/23	11:00AM	Avon Lake	H
3/28/23	5:30PM	Saint Joseph Academy	H
3/30/23	5:30PM	Gahanna Lincoln	H
4/1/23	11:00AM	Green	A
4/6/23	5:30PM	Avon	H
4/13/23	5:30PM	Hudson	A
4/15/23	12:00PM	Dublin Coffman	H
4/18/23	5:30PM	Lake	H
4/25/23	5:30PM	Jackson	H
4/27/23	6:00PM	Revere	H
5/4/23	5:30PM	Wadsworth	A
5/6/23	11:00AM	Hathaway Brown	A
5/11/23	5:30PM	Wooster	A

Girls Varsity Softball

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/29/23	5:00PM	GlenOak	A
3/31/23	5:00PM	Massillon Washington	H
4/1/23	12:00PM	Brecksville-Broadview Heights	H
4/1/23	2:00PM	Brecksville-Broadview Heights	H
4/4/23	5:00PM	Lake	H
4/5/23	5:00PM	Green	A
4/7/23	12:00PM	Aurora	A
4/8/23	11:00AM	Softball Tri Tourn (Marlington)	H
4/8/23	3:00PM	Softball Tri Tourn (Champion)	H
4/11/23	5:00PM	Jackson	H
4/12/23	5:00PM	McKinley	H
4/15/23	1:00PM	Mentor	H
4/17/23	5:00PM	Louisville	H
4/18/23	5:00PM	Perry	A
4/22/23	1:00PM	Canfield	A
4/24/23	5:00PM	Hoban	H
4/25/23	5:00PM	GlenOak	H
4/26/23	5:00PM	Lake	A
4/28/23	TBD	Previs Tournament	
4/29/23	TBD	Previs Tournament	
5/2/23	5:00PM	Green	H
5/3/23	5:00PM	Jackson	A
5/5/23	5:30PM	South Range	H
5/6/23	11:00AM	Triway	A
5/9/23	5:00PM	McKinley	A
5/10/23	5:00PM	Perry	H

Girls Junior Varsity Softball

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/29/23	5:00PM	GlenOak	A
4/1/23	12:00PM	Brecksville-Broadview Heights	H
4/1/23	2:00PM	Brecksville-Broadview Heights	H
4/4/23	5:00PM	Lake	H
4/5/23	5:00PM	Green	A
4/7/23	12:00PM	Aurora	H
4/8/23	11:00AM	JV Softball Tri Tourn (Marlington)	H
4/8/23	3:00PM	JV Softball Tri Tourn (Champion)	H
4/11/23	5:00PM	Jackson	H
4/12/23	5:00PM	McKinley	H
4/15/23	1:00PM	Mentor	H
4/17/23	5:00PM	Louisville	H
4/18/23	5:00PM	Perry	A
4/22/23	1:00PM	Canfield	H
4/24/23	5:00PM	Hoban	H
4/25/23	5:00PM	GlenOak	H
4/26/23	5:00PM	Lake	A
4/27/23	5:00PM	Tallmadge	A
5/2/23	5:00PM	Green	H
5/3/23	5:00PM	Jackson	A
5/5/23	5:30PM	South Range	H
5/6/23	11:00AM	Triway	A
5/9/23	5:00PM	McKinley	A
5/10/23	5:00PM	Perry	H

Boys Varsity Tennis

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/29/23	4:30PM	Wooster	H
3/31/23	4:00PM	Quad Match	A
4/1/23	TBA	St. Edwards Tournament	A
4/3/23	4:30PM	Jackson	A
4/5/23	4:30PM	Green	H
4/6/23	4:00PM	Akron Hoban	H
4/10/23	4:30PM	Lake	H
4/12/23	4:30PM	GlenOak	A
4/14/23	4:00PM	CVCA	H
4/17/23	4:00PM	Louisville	A
4/18/23	4:30PM	Beachwood	H
4/19/23	4:30PM	Perry	H
4/20/23	4:30PM	Ashland	A
4/25/23	4:30PM	McKinley	A
4/26/23	4:00PM	St. Edward	H
4/27/23	4:30PM	Canfield	A
4/29/23	9:00AM	FL Tournament	A
5/1/23	4:30PM	Boardman	H
5/2/23	4:00PM	St. Vincent-St. Mary	A
5/3/23	4:00PM	Alliance	H
5/4/23	4:30PM	Brecksville	A

Boys Junior Varsity Tennis

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/29/23	4:30PM	Wooster	A
3/31/23	4:00PM	Quad Match	A
4/1/23	TBA	St. Edwards Tournament	A
4/3/23	4:30PM	Jackson	H
4/5/23	4:30PM	Green	A
4/10/23	4:30PM	Lake	A
4/12/23	4:30PM	GlenOak	H
4/14/23	4:00PM	Cuyahoga V. Christian Academy	A
4/17/23	4:00PM	Louisville	H
4/18/23	4:30PM	Beachwood	A
4/19/23	4:30PM	Perry	A
4/25/23	4:30PM	McKinley	H
5/1/23	5:15PM	Boardman	H
5/2/23	4:00PM	St. Vincent-St. Mary	H
5/4/23	4:30PM	Brecksville	H

Boys Varsity Lacrosse

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/15/23	6:00PM	Kenston (S)	H
3/17/23	7:00PM	Hilliard Davidson	A
3/18/23	1:00PM	Olentangy	A
3/21/23	7:00PM	Chagrin Falls	A
3/29/23	7:00PM	Lake	H
3/31/23	7:00PM	Wadsworth	A
4/6/23	5:00PM	Shaker Heights	A
4/11/23	7:30PM	Hudson	H
4/14/23	7:00PM	Hoban	A
4/19/23	7:30PM	St. Ignatius	H
4/21/23	7:30PM	Green	H
4/29/23	2:00PM	Avon	H
5/2/23	7:30PM	Walsh Jesuit	H
5/6/23	1:00PM	Medina Senior	A
5/9/23	7:30PM	Louisville	H
5/12/23	7:30PM	Jackson	H

Boys Junior Varsity Lacrosse

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/15/23	5:00PM	Kenston (S)	H
3/17/23	5:30PM	Hilliard Davidson	A
3/18/23	11:00AM	Olentangy	A
3/21/23	5:00PM	Chagrin Falls	A
3/29/23	5:00PM	Lake	H
3/31/23	5:30PM	Wadsworth	A
4/6/23	6:30PM	Shaker Heights	A
4/11/23	5:30PM	Hudson	H
4/14/23	5:00PM	Hoban	A
4/19/23	5:30PM	St. Ignatius	H
4/21/23	5:30PM	Green	H
4/29/23	12:00PM	Avon	H
5/2/23	5:30PM	Walsh Jesuit	H
5/6/23	11:00AM	Medina Senior	A
5/9/23	5:30PM	Louisville	H
5/12/23	5:30PM	Jackson	H

HS Boys & Girls Track & Field

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
3/28/23	5:00PM	Green	A
4/4/23	5:30PM	GlenOak	H
4/8/23	10:00AM	Dave Clegg Invitational	H
4/11/23	4:30PM	Lake	A
4/15/23	9:00AM	GlenOak 2nd Sole Eagle Elite (Girls)	A
4/25/23	TBA	Perry	A
4/27/23	5:30PM	Jackson	H
5/2/23	5:30PM	McKinley	H
5/6/23	10:00AM	Hornet Relays	A
5/12/23	4:00PM	Federal League Championship	A

MS Boys & Girls Track & Field

Date	Time	Event	Home/Away
4/5/23	5:00PM	Green	H
4/12/23	5:00PM	GlenOak	H
4/15/23	9:00AM	Lake Meet of Champions	A
4/17/23	5:00PM	Lake	A
4/21/23	4:30PM	Stark County Middle School Classic	A
4/24/23	5:00PM	Perry	H
4/26/23	5:00PM	Crenshaw	H
5/1/23	4:45PM	Jackson	A
5/5/23	4:30PM	Green	A

North Canton City Schools

2022-23 Calendar

REVISED 12/21/22

May

- 12** Last Student Day grades P-5
- 15-19 P-5 Staff Days to Prepare for Move
- 22-26 P-5 Staff Collaboration Days
- 25 Last Student Day grades 6-12
- 26 Staff Work Day

May 2023						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

NORTH CANTON CITY SCHOOLS 2023-24 School Calendar



August

- 21-24 Staff work, PD, & meeting days
- 25 First day grades 6 & 9
- 28 First day grades 7-8 & 10-12
- 30 First day grade 5
- 31 First day grades 2 & 4 (grade 5 does not attend)

AUGUST 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

FEBRUARY 2024						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

February

- 16 No school students (Staff PD Day)
- 19 No school (Presidents Day)

September

- 1 First day grades 1 & 3 (grades 2, 4, & 5 do not attend)
- 6 First day preschool & kindergarten

SEPTEMBER 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

MARCH 2024						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

March

- 22 End of 3rd marking period
- 25-29 No school (Spring Break)

October

- 6 No school students (Staff PD Day)
- 9 No school (Columbus Day)
- 27 End of 1st marking period
- 30 No school students (Staff PD/Work)

OCTOBER 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

APRIL 2024						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

April

- 1 No school students (Staff PD/Work)

November

- 22-27 No school (Thanksgiving Break)

NOVEMBER 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

MAY 2024						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

May

- 19 Hoover High School Graduation (Alternate dates are May 20, 21, & 22)
- 27 No school (Memorial Day)
- 30 Last student day & End of 4th marking period/2nd semester
- 31 Staff Work Day

December

- 21-29 No school (Winter Break)

DECEMBER 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

JUNE 2024						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

January

- 1-2 No School (Winter Break)
- 11 End of 2nd marking period/1st semester
- 12 No school students (Staff Work Day)
- 15 No school (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

JANUARY 2024						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

	First and last student days
	No school students only
	No school students and staff