

INSIDE CANTON LOCAL SCHOOLS

Pride. Innovation. Future.

Congratulations Class of 2019!

On May 24, Canton Local had the honor of celebrating this outstanding group of students during commencement ceremonies in the Red Ash Gym. The graduating class of 2019 achieved many noteworthy accomplishments and have so many reasons to celebrate including the successful completion of high school! These fine men and women are prepared to take the next step whether it be, career, college, work or military. We are so proud of them all and can't wait to see what the future holds. Once a Wildcat, always a Wildcat!



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Board of Education Upcoming Meetings

The Canton Local Board of Education conducts open meetings that are held at the Administration Center and school sites at 7:00 p.m. on the second Monday of each month (except as noted*).

June 10 - Canton South High School July 8 - Canton South High School August 19 - Canton South High School* September 16 - Canton South High School* October 21 - Multi-County Juvenile Attention Center* November 18 - Walker Elementary* December 9 - Canton South High School

Congratulations to our retirees!

These dedicated employees were recognized at the May 13, 2019 Board of Education Meeting.



Lisa Rogers, Rick Pontius, Brenda Pachan, Vicki Wilson

Lisa Rogers, 33 years Special Services Director - District

Rick Pontius, 32 years Psychologist - Special Services **Brenda Pachan, 12 years** Teacher - H. R. Walker Elementary School

Vicki Wilson, 30 years Bus Driver - Transportation Department

CLSD Teacher and Rookie of the Year Honored

Teacher of the year, **Kristen Smith** (CSHS), and Rookie of the Year, **Kody Edwards** (CSHS), were honored at the Education Celebration held at R.G. Drage Career Center in April. A banner honoring both teachers will be displayed at the entrance of Canton South High School.





Summer Meal Program

Meals are provided by Canton Local Schools at no cost to children ages 1-18 in our community.

Breakfast: 8:30-9:00 a.m. Lunch: 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Open to anyone ages 1-18

Adults: \$3.75

Location: Faircrest Middle School, 616 Faircrest St. SW Canton, OH 44706

June 10-13: Hawaiian Fun Theme June 17-20: Around the World Theme July 8-11: Animals/Natural Habitats July 15-18: Wildcat Pride July 22-26: Camp Invention

Meals are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.

Canton Local is sponsoring these programs at Faircrest and will provide the meals. The district will be reimbursed by the USDA. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

FREE INTEGRATED PRESCHOOL

The Canton Local Preschool program serves typically developing children and children with special needs who live in the District. Typical children must be four years of age by September 30, 2019. All three and four-year-old children with developmental delays are eligible. **Canton Local Preschool is rated 5-Stars by the Ohio Department of Education and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. This is the highest rating a preschool can receive.**

The Canton Local Preschool program includes free breakfast, lunch, and transportation to and from preschool. Class sizes are limited. Call 330-484-8022 for more information on qualification and

registration.



FIVE-YEAR Forecast

The Canton Local Schools Board of Education recently approved the five-year financial forecast presented by Treasurer Jason Schatzel. As required by law, all school districts across Ohio must create a financial five-year forecast in October of every year and an updated forecast in May which includes three years of actual and five years of projected general fund revenues and expenditures. Not only is it an important financial planning tool, it also offers community members an open and honest review of school district finances and operations. The Canton Local five-year forecast is available on the district website at www. cantonlocal.org/treasurer.

National Autism Awareness Month

Throughout the month of April, the Celebrating Abilities Together Team (CAT), formerly known as the District Autism Team, sponsored activities which celebrated not only students with Autism but students of ALL abilities. The staff wore t-shirts on Wednesdays celebrating kindness and acceptance of ALL.



Melanie Lias, Lisa Rogers, Christina Ricketts, Kay Clark, Lauren Tsaftarides

SPECIAL Services

Special Services represents a variety of student support programs and services focused on success for all students. The philosophy of the school district provides the foundation for programming and services to our students. Helping students make a good adjustment to school life, bringing families and schools together, and supporting students with individual needs is the focus of our special service programs. Special Services programs operate in each of the schools within our school district. We provide services to students ranging from age three to age 21. Special services staff members include teachers, aides, counselors, nurses, therapists, psychologists, interpreters, van drivers, administrative assistants, and other specialists. Special Education Programs are provided for all children who have a developmental disability. If you know of a child who is handicapped or at risk and NOT receiving service, please call Canton Local Schools Special Services Office at (330) 484-8022.

Hunger: The Bus Stopped Here





The Canton Local School district was pleased to participate in the county-wide initiative **"Hunger: The Bus Stops Here"** food drive campaign benefiting the Akron-Canton Regional Food Bank. Canton Local collected over 819 pounds of food and \$1,585 earning a bronze level award! For every \$1 donation received, the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank can provide four nutritious meals to individuals in our community through their partnership with area hunger centers and programs.

Over 350 students in the Canton Local School District directly benefit from the Akron Canton Foodbank through the Wildcat Backpack food program. The district greatly appreciates the generosity of students, staff and community members. Canton Local is always one of the top donating school districts in the county!

Summer Camps Camp Invention Camp

When: July 22-26, 2019 from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Age: For children entering grades K-6

Where: Faircrest Memorial Middle School

Cost: Register for \$35, thanks to generous donations from The Belden Brick Company and American Electric Power Foundation. Scholarships are available on a first-come, first served basis. Register by calling 800-968-4332. Breakfast and Lunch provided

Girls Tennis Summer Camp

When: June 24-28

Age: Girls entering grades 2-5, 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Girls entering grades 6-8, 10:30 a.m.noon

Where: Canton South Girls Tennis Courts

Cost: \$20 includes t-shirt. Checks payable "Canton South Girls Tennis." Bring water and tennis racket (if you have one).

Canton South Boys Summer Basketball League

When: Skill Day July 2, 10-11:30 a.m. Game days July 9,11,16,18 and tournament on July 23.

Age: Boys entering grades 6-8

Where: Red Ash Gymnasium from 9 a.m. to noon

Cost: \$15 includes team t-shirt

Canton South Youth and Middle School Football Camp

When: July 15 & 16; 6-8 p.m. Age: Students entering grades 2-8 Where: Canton South Brechbuhler Stadium

Cost: Free

Do you have a newborn and reside in the Canton Local School District?

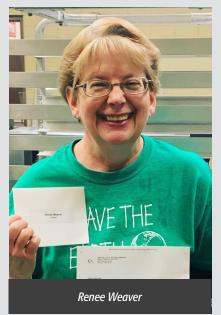
If so, we want to welcome your new addition into the Wildcat Nation by providing you with a Welcome Literacy Packet for you and your family!! Please call the Administration Department at 330-484-8010 to make arrangements to receive your gift! As parents, you are your child's first teacher, and it's never too early to begin the learning process with your baby! For more information about the Canton Local School District and all that we offer, please visit www.cantonlocal.org.



Wellness Challenge Winners

Congratulations to the overall 2019 Wellness Challenge Winners Renee Weaver, CSHS Nutrition Services staff member and Aaron Rexrode, CSHS student! The goal of the wellness challenge is to create a community culture of health and well-being by supporting the whole individual: physically, emotionally, socially and intellectually.







Faircrest ReadyFest

Thursday, August 15 from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

5th Grade Parent/Student Meeting: 5:30 p.m.

8th Grade DC/Gettysburg Trip Meeting: 5:45 p.m.

Class rosters will be posted on Wednesday, August 14 after 3 pm.

New to the District?

All students new to Canton Local Schools MUST enroll through the District Office located at:

Canton South High School 600 Faircrest St SE. Canton, OH 44707 Inside Door #2

Students do not need to attend. A list of items to bring can be found under the "Parents" tab at cantonlocal.org. Appointments can be made by calling 330-484-8010.

PARKING AT FAIRCREST MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE PROVIDED BY LED

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CANTON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY DAY

BREAKFAST AT COMMUNITY CENTER

JUNE 29, 2019

-EVENING AT FAIRCREST PARK:

-CANTON SOUTH ALUMNI BAND

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BEGINNING AT 5:00 P.M.

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WILDCAT KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FAIR

The Canton Local School District held its first annual Wildcat Kindergarten Registration Fair at Walker Elementary School in March. At the event, parents enrolled their children in the district's all-day every day kindergarten program. They also received a variety of resources from community partners, agencies and organizations to help them prepare their child for school.

Every student received a Walker Wildcat t-shirt sponsored by the Scott and Edie Hamilton Foundation, a book from the Canton South Rotary Club and **"Home of a Walker Wildcat"** yard sign sponsored by Once Upon a Child. There were pictures with Willie the Wildcat mascot by Lifetouch photography, child identification cards, crafts and fun sponsored by Brown Insurance Company.



SAVE THE DATES!

New Kindergarten students will participate in Kindergarten Readiness Assessments (KRA) prior to the start of school. Students need an appointment and can schedule this by calling Wendy Busnick at 330-484-8010. The assessment takes about one hour, and parents need to wait. The dates and times are Thursday, August 8, from 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and Tuesday, August 13, from 1:00-7:00 p.m.

Poetry Contest Winner

Congratulations to **Reese Cole**, a third grader at Walker Elementary. Reese participated in the Stark County Library's 20th Annual Poetry Contest and won a Top Achievement award. She was invited to the Youth Poetry Cafe on May 2, to present her poem. Reese entertained the audience with her poem titled, *"Meatloaf, No Thank You."*



Meatloaf, No Thank You I just don't like meatloaf. Don't be upset with me. It feels real funny in my mouth. You get it. Don't you see? It tastes like feet and crusty toes. There's gravy that goes on top, eww, I have to plug my nose. I really prefer chicken nuggets and fries. Just don't tell my mom. It might make her cry.

Fourth Grade Field Trip

Walker's fourth graders completed their formal elementary education this year and will be heading to Faircrest in the fall. Students attended Beech Creek Botanical Gardens and spent the day hiking, viewing animal habitats, gardening with root vegetables, studying the effect of erosion, identifying leaves, plants, and trees. The day was capped off with each student creating a nature craft to take home with them.



Bryce Green on a swing bridge

NEW Readyfest!

This year, we are switching up Walker's Readyfest. Kindergarten teachers will have an informational meeting from 5:15–5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, August, 14. Parents will learn about their child's Kindergarten experience, expectations, and answer all questions. Families should bring all supplies.

Students in Grades 1-4 are invited to bring their families to Readyfest from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 14. Families are encouraged to visit the classroom, meet the teacher, and deliver student supplies.

As always, vendors will be there to share community services and activities that are available to all families.

Brian Mohn New FMMS Principal

Brian Mohn will become the new Principal at Faircrest Memorial Middle School beginning the 2019-2020 school year. Mr. Mohn has been the Assistant Principal at Faircrest since August 2017. Mohn began his career at Faircrest in 2006 after student teaching in the building. He taught science and math until his promotion to Assistant High School Principal at Canton South in August 2014.

Mohn earned his Bachelor Degree in Education from the University of Akron and his Masters in Educational Leadership from Ashland University. He and his wife Kendra have two children, Kinslee and Camden.

Mrs. Welker will return to Faircrest to serve as Assistant Principal for the 2019-2020 school year. The Canton Local School District is thankful for Mrs. Welker's commitment to serving Faircrest during this transitional year.

Community Support for Veterans Day Continues

Faircrest Middle School recently received a generous donation of \$1,500 from the GPD Group Employees' Foundation in support of the school's annual Veterans Day celebration.

The contribution will allow Faircrest staff and students to continue the tradition of honoring local veterans at our annual event.

Darrin Kotecki, Chair of the Foundation Executive Committee states, "The GPD Employees' Foundation looks forward to continuing support of Veterans Day at Faircrest Memorial Middle School."

Through this event, the school not only has the privilege of recognizing local veterans but also demonstrates to students the importance of bravery, respect, and tradition. If you or your business is interested in supporting the Veterans Day event, please contact Michelle Helms at FMMS, michelle. helms@cantonlocal.org.

WATERSHED FIELD TRIP

Before spring break, 65 seventh graders and nine chaperones traveled to Cuyahoga Valley National Park to dive deep into the topic of watersheds. The trip reinforces the seventh grade standards and offers students the opportunity to experience learning first hand.



GENIUS Project

The sixth-grade team of Katie Arena, Kristen Babik, Aiden Long, Abby Moore, Gracie Haddad, John Norris, and Kyle Hein competed at the annual Genius Project Rally on April 11th at the Cultural Center. Led by Mrs. Katie Kreitzer and Mrs. Melissa Kalb, and coached by 8th grader, Kaden Dickinson, this 9-week challenge touches on math, science, art, and financial literacy and fosters creative thinking, team building, and problem-solving.

Math Team Boasts First Place Winners

The FMMS Math Team competed in the Stark County Math Tournament for Grades 5-7 against six teams in our division. Congratulations to 5th grader, Landon White, and 6th grader, John Norris, for their 1st place finish in Mental Computation! Twenty-five of our 45 participants received an award or ribbon for their effort. The group pictured here was recognized at the Canton South Rotary Club meeting.





CONGRATULATIONS TO THE

Valedictorian:

Andy Cheng

Outstanding Senior Girl and Boy:

Sadie Owens Andy Cheng



Sadie Owens and Andy Cheng

Summa Cum Laude:

(Students earning 4.0+ alphabetical order)

Brianna Boron
Ariel Bryan
Taylor Catlett
Andy Cheng
Mia Culberson
Kelsie Madden
Nikole McGee
Megan Mitchell
Madison Oldfield
Sadie Owens
Ruby Stover
Sophia Talkington
Nina Treacher
Dinah Ward

Academic Honors Diploma:

Ariel Bryan Andy Cheng Mia Culberson Quinn McCabe Megan Mitchell Morgan Norris Sadie Owens Ruby Stover Sophia Talkington Nina Treacher Dinah Ward Sharon Williams

Career Tech Honors Diploma:

Brianna Boron Andy Cheng Megan Mitchell Morgan Norris Madison Oldfield Dinah Ward

Arts Honors Diploma: Dinah Ward

National Honor Society: Officers:

Dinah Ward-President Nina Treacher-Vice President Nikole McGee-Secretary

Members:

Logan Bennett Nicholas Blackmer **Cierra Brown** Ariel Bryan **Taylor Catlett** Mia Culberson Lydia Greavu Kelsie Madden **Ouinn McCabe** Megan Mitchell Morgan Norris Madison Oldfield Sadie Owens **Ruby Stover Sharon Williams** Samuel Wood Nickolas Wyant

National Technical Honors Society: Officers:

Andy Cheng-President Morgan Norris-Vice President Haley Walker-Historian

Members:

Logan Bennett Jacob Comer Hannah Huffman Nikole McGee Megan Mitchell Madison Oldfield Nicole Polsinelli Dinah Ward Samuel Wood

Tri-M Honors Society:

Officers: Sadie Owens-President Dinah Ward-Vice President Ariel Bryan-Treasurer Nikole McGee-Historian/Secretary

Members:

Logan Bennett Morgan Norris Nina Treacher Samuel Wood

4 Year Honor Roll:

(3.5 GPA every 9 weeks all 4 years) Brianna Boron Taylor Catlett Andy Cheng Mia Culberson Nikole McGee Megan Mitchell Morgan Norris Madison Oldfield Sadie Owens Ruby Stover Nina Treacher Dinah Ward

4 Year Merit Roll:

(3.0 GPA every 9 weeks all 4 years) Cierra Brown Ariel Bryan Lydia Greavu Hannah Huffman Kelsie Madden



WILDCAT CLASS OF 2019!

Kelsie Silvestro Kade Soderstrom Sophia Talkington Sharon Williams

Canton Repository Teen Board Representative: Gracie Andrews

Perfect Attendance: (All 4 years) Andy Cheng Morgan Norris

Nina Treacher Perfect ACT and SAT: Dinah Ward

MILITARY AWARDS: United States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award: Dinah Ward

United States Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award: Megan Mitchell

Semper Fidelis Award of Music Excellence: Mitchell Blue

Ohio National Guard Award: Hunter Morrow

ATHLETIC AWARDS: OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award: Nina Treacher, Nicholas Blackmer

NFHS Nation Award of Excellence: Megan Mitchell, Dalton Frey

OHSAA Courageous Student Award: Sophia Talkington

Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award: Gracie Andrews, Jalen Merriweather

OHSAA State Award for Sportsmanship, Ethics, and Integrity: Lisa Blackmer

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS: Charles "Red" Ash Scholarship: Megan Mitchell, Riley James

Aultcare Team Spirit Award: Gracie Andrews

Babik Scholarship: Nina Treacher



Wayne E. and Elizabeth Ann Brechbuhler Scholarship: Nikole McGee, Riley James

Canton South Alumni Scholarship: Riley James

South Stark Career Academy Scholarship: Nikole McGee

Student Leadership Team: Kelsie Silvestro

Canton South Advanced Education Foundation:

Taylor Catlett, Riley James, Nikole McGee, Madison Oldfield, Ruby Stover, Nina Treacher, Dinah Ward, Sharon Williams

Academic Booster Club Scholarships:

Ruby Stover, Kelsie Madden, Taylor Haney, Miss Megan Ayers-Haut

Canton South Athletic Booster Club: Gracie Andrews, Riley James, Nina Treacher, Sharon Williams

Canton South Junior Guild Health Career Scholarship: Ruby Stover

Canton South Rotary Service Above Self Scholarship: Sadie Owens, Nina Treacher

Canton Township Fire Department Association Scholarship: Megan Mitchell James H. and Shirley L. Green Scholarship: Madison Oldfield, Dinah Ward

Scott and Edie Hamilton Scholarship: Elijah Hill

Dr. Jeffrey L. Jay Memorial Scholarship: Ruby Stover

Kevin G. Baylor Memorial Athletic Academic Scholarship: Megan Mitchell

Wildcat Pride Scholarship: Megan Mitchell, Kelsie Madden

Bridgepoint Points of Hope Building Faith Scholarship: Morgan Norris

Kempthorn Motors Educational Excellence: Sadie Owens

Zach Davis Foundation: Sharon Williams

Lady Wildcats Softball Scholarship: Taylor Catlett, Sharon Williams

CLEA/Mary Lou Barclay Scholarship: Riley James

First Commonwealth Bank Scholarship: Dinah Ward

Horatio Alger Scholarship: Lydia Greavu



- Commemorative shirt & finisher medal for each participant guaranteed if registered by July 1.
- Extra shirts and medals may be available if registered after July 1, but not guaranteed.
- Prizes to top three male & female runners. Age category prizes sponsored by Schumacher Homes.

Schumacher Homes will sponsor our FREE KIDS FUN RUN ... a noncompetitive run for children 8 & under. This race is all about fun and friends while teaching them the importance of exercise and fitness! Each participant will receive a Kids Fun Run medal and tee shirt. In order to participate, a waiver MUST be signed by parent/guardian. There will also be inflatables for the kids to enjoy.





FMMS Band

Eight students participated in the Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Contest at Tuslaw High School on Saturday, April 6. The students who performed were: Julian Powell, Kaitlyn McKinney (who played two solos on two different instruments), Cici Nance, Skylee Tanner, Kastyn Stewart, Arianna Rose, Leo Covill and Erin Foster. The group earned five Superior ratings, two Outstanding ratings and two Festival ratings (chose not to be rated).





Eighth Grade Assembly held May 29

Perfect Attendance Awards were given to the following students: Gage Montgomery, Zoom Robbins, Alysha Fritz and Verity Palaski.

Archie Griffin Award for best female and male athlete: Marissa Haynam and Jack Talkington (pictured above).



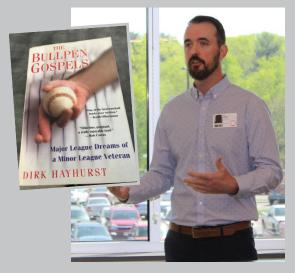
Presidential Gold Award of Academic Excellence - Maintain GPA 4.0 to 3.5

Alyssa Arena Roxanne Cole Kaden Dickinson Jacob Duncan Lyric Fields Marissa Haynam Abigail Hein Allison James Dakota Johnston Amanda Katz Evan Keener Kaitlyn McKinney Cireiona Nance Cory Noll Rachel Reed Isabella Roach Zoom Robbins Connor Schaffner Skylar Skinner David Smith Nicholas Stewart Grant Treacher Aiden VanFossen Braden Vorshak Ashley Yoho

ALUMNI ENCOURAGES STUDENTS TO FOLLOW DREAMS

Canton South class of 1999 alumni Dirk Hayhurst visited CSHS, sharing his story with theater, middle school applied arts and other guest students. Hayhurst offered an overview of his life growing up in Canton South, his time as a minor and major league baseball player and life experiences that led him to write four books, including two on the New York Times Bestsellers list.

Hayhurst urged students to consider how to use their successes, and most importantly failures, to propel them to seek their life's work and be the best they can be no matter their background or where their talents lie.



SCHOLASTIC WRITING STUDENTS RECOGNIZED

Sadie Owens received two silver keys in recognition of her writing; one for her poem "Girl," and the other for her personal essay/memoir "The Boy Next Door."

Skylar Dent received two honorable mention awards for both of her critical essays: "The Myth of Logic versus Emotion," and "A Room of One's Own."

Both students were invited to the **"Scholastic Celebration in Three Acts"** at the Iowa Memorial Union in the University of Iowa on Sunday, March 10, 2019.

Sports Med Students Earn Trip to Nationals

Canton Local School District students recently embarked on a fun, educational tour Future Health Professionals, formerly known as Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), is a national career and technical student organization endorsed by the U.S. Department of Education and the Health Science Technology Education Division of ACTE. Students compete in a variety of categories ranging from skill-based to leadership and team-based. Canton South students represented the school extremely well in the state competition:

- Eight Canton South Sports Medicine students competed
- The team of Megan Mitchell, Madison Oldfield, Kelsey Bibey, Jenna Haynam, and Kiannah Sarver placed second in the anatomy contest
- Junior Sierra Searfoss placed 3rd in Health Career Photography
- Junior Jenna Haynam earned a 1st place finish in Medical Terminology

Haynam and Searfoss (pictured below) will be traveling to Orlando to compete at the HOSA International Leadership conference at Disney World on June 18-22.



Jenna Haynam, Sierra Searfoss

Immunizations Needed for 7th and 12th Graders

The state of Ohio requires that proof of the following immunizations be provided to the school prior to the start of the school year: 7th grade-Tdap and Meningococcal; 12th grade-Meningococcal booster A,C,Y,W-135) after the age of 16. Please forward questions and updated immunization records to Lori Serafini at lori.serafini@cantonlocal.org.



Stadium Brick Pavers

The renovations and updates happening at Canton South's Brechbuhler Stadium will generate a renewed sense of pride for the Canton Local community, giving students, parents and alumni a long-awaited gathering space on campus for forging friendships and championships.

Commemorating this historic project, Canton Local offers you the opportunity to add your legacy to this structure by purchasing an engraved brick paver in the new entrance way to the stadium. **Brick sizes are as follows:**

- 4"x8" for \$125 (3 lines and 20 characters each)
- 12"x12" for \$675 (8 lines & 15 characters each)
- 24"x24" bricks are no longer available

Should you wish to speak to someone about this opportunity, please contact Christine Smith at **christine.smith@cantonlocal.org** or (330) 484-8005.

YES! I am interested in purchasing a laser-engraved brick paver. Please see below.

What to include in the engraving:

Line 1:		
Line 2:		
Line 3:		
Purchaser's Information:		
Business Name (if applicable):		
Contact Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	Email:	

Complete and mail this form along with a check payable to the Canton Local School District and send to the attention of: Paver Brick Project, 600 St. SE, Canton, Ohio 44707.

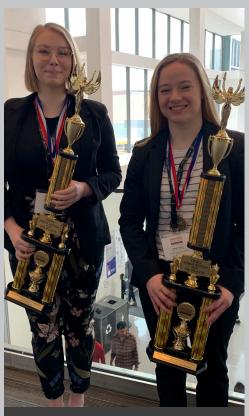
www.cantonlocal.org

BPA NATIONAL QUALIFIERS

At the Business Professionals of America (BPA) State Leadership Conference held in Columbus on March 17, South Stark Career Academy students competed in a variety of business-related competitions.

- Morgan Dalton earned 1st place in Fundamental Word Processing
- Dinah Ward earned 3rd place in Digital Publishing
- The Website Design team, consisting of Chad Budd, Jadzia Eddy, and Ty Crowther earned a top 10 finish
- RaeAnna Snyder finished in the top 10 in Fundamental Desktop Publishing

Dalton's championship earned her the honor of competing in the National Championship on May 3 in Anaheim, CA where she placed 40 out of 78.



Dinah Ward, Morgan Dalton

Canton Local School District Fine Arts Festival

In April, the Canton Local Fine Arts Department held an Arts Festival at Canton South High School. Artistic works from students of all grade levels were showcased and community members delighted in performances from middle and high school vocal and instrumental music groups. The annual Faircrest Fashion Show was a highlight of the two-day extravaganza.



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Students of the Month Stark County High March



Mia Culberson



Taylor Catlett





Nikole McGee



Gracie Andrews

May



Sophia Talkington



School Art Exhibit

At the recent Stark County High School Art Exhibit, hosted by the Canton Art Museum, three Canton South students earned awards. Senior Briana Salvers (painting), Junior Mia Lee (digital drawing), and Freshman Abigail Bergert (photograph) all won Honorable Mention. Canton South was the only school with three student winners. Over 150 art pieces by 17 Stark County Schools were submitted this year.









BAND EARNS Excellent rating

The Canton South band attended the OMEA Large Group Adjudicated Event in March received an Excellent (II) rating for the second year in a row! The band received its first Superior (1) rating from one of the floor judges, an Excellent (2) rating from another and an Excellent (2) rating in sight reading for our overall combined rating of Excellent (2). "I am extremely proud of the work they have put in and they have represented themselves and Canton Local to the best of their abilities," added Instrumental Music Director Matt Stemple.





Senior Prom

Back row : Nathan Blevins, Brian Tucke, Chris Fontes, Jalen Merriweather, Elijah Hill Middle row : Tiara Downing, Hannah Huffman, Megan Ayers-Haut, Madison Oldfield, Liberty Clark, Karissa Kager, Michela Halsey First row : Riley James, Tanner Unklesbay

Athletic Highlights



Senior Megan Mitchell was selected as Division 2 First Team Academic All Ohio for basketball! Only 10 girls in each division are selected in the State of Ohio.



On March 10, the Canton South Cheerleaders competed at the 27th annual OASSA state cheerleading championships held at Ohio State University. Varsity Cheer Coach Meghan Fricke added, "This team of amazing young women took the state floor with excitement, confidence, and love for each other as strong as one could imagine!" The team placed 12th in the state.

State Track Qualifiers:

Megan Mitchell (Shot Put), Toni Denmark (High Jump), and Jacob Comer (330 meter hurdles).

State Wrestling Qualifier: Hunter Miller

Canton South 9th Grade boys basketball teams won EBC Championships.

Case and Quinn McCabe were District Qualifiers in Boys Tennis.

All EBC 1st Team Selections:

Track Toni Denmark - High Jump Jacob Comer - 300 Meter Hurdles

Baseball JC Philippi

Softball

Morgan Dalton - Player of the Year Taylor Catlett Ashley Zwick

South Stark Career Academy Stark Parks Recycling Project

Construction Technology students partnered with Stark Parks on a recycling project commemorating Earth Day. Students fabricated a metal fish surrounded in mesh to hold plastic and aluminum recyclable materials. Students in the Small Animal Science program volunteered at the event.

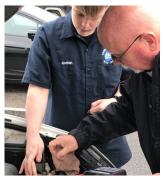


National Skills Signing Day

The South Stark Career Academy is proud to recognize students in the Canton South High School Construction Technologies program on National Signing Day 2019! The event, sponsored by Klein Tools and SkillsUSA, was coordinated across the nation to raise awareness of skilled trade careers and to help close the U.S. skills gap.

"After 40 years as an electrician, I've seen how the industry has changed and know that it's more important than ever for us to encourage young people to explore a career in the skilled trades," said Tony Garoppolo, father of NFL quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo. "The students who participated in the SkillsUSA National Signing Day today are fortunate enough to have someone help them understand the many benefits of a career in the trades. We hope that this day will help even more people understand the growing demand for skilled trade professionals and how vital these careers and future workers are to our economy."

Auto Students Partner with AAA



Students from the automotive technologies program housed at Canton South High School helped AAA Ohio Auto Club with vehicle maintenance inspections at Sandy Valley High School. The program is held in coordination with the prom. During the 15-minute inspections, technicians inspect vehicle belts, hoses, tires, lights, fluids and batteries. They discuss any problems they detect and provide the drivers with maintenance checklists to share with their parents. Courtesy inspections such as the one at the high school are designed to help avoid roadside breakdowns and help avoid maintenance-related accidents. Pictured is Korbin Brown with a AAA team member.

SMALL ANIMAL SCIENCE AND CARE

Students in the Small Animal Science and Care career technical education program are consistently involved in activities that improve their professional skills and involve them in their communities. Seniors Megan Ayers-Haut, Taylor Bragg, Chantaé Foster, and Taylor Haney participated in internships directly related to their career paths. Ayers-Haut and Haney earned 40 hours at Thompson's Animal Hospital and are now headed into veterinary technician school at Kent State-Tuscarawas. Avers-Haut also attended canine training classes and applied what she learned to train a German Shepherd named Roxy. Bragg earned a coveted and highly competitive internship with the Akron Zoo and had some unforgettable experiences that included training a skunk, enriching an armadillo, and being privy to many exotic animal veterinary exams. Foster worked on a dairy farm all year and learned about the hard work that goes into animal production.



Chantaé Foster

OWENS EARNS 1ST PLACE LAW DAY

Sadie Owens and Logan Bergert participated in the Stark County Bar Association Law Week Moot Court Competition. The case was Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlemeier. Logan placed 3rd in the Appellate Division, and Sadie 1st in the Appellee Division, with the highest overall score! Congrats Sadie and Logan!



REUNION:

CSHS Class of 1969 will hold its 50th Class Reunion on Saturday, October 26 at Arrowhead Golf Club in North Canton. Contact: kayfliger69@ gmail.com

Wildcats Compete at Exceptional Olympics

The Canton South Wildcats were well represented by student-athletes at the 34th Annual Exceptional Olympics held at Perry High School Stadium on Friday, May 10, 2019. Competing on the team were: Tiara Downing, Nayriah Ezell, Chris Fontes, Hunter Holcomb, Riley James, Haley Kuhel, Jalen Merriweather, Megan Mitchell, Madison Oldfield, JC Philippi, Arianna Poole, Rachel Porter, Sophia Talkington, Caleb Taylor, Sharon Williams and Destiny Winans.



Canton South Boosters Launch Patron Drive

The Canton South Athletic Booster Club will hold its annual Patron Drive on July 28 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The cost to become a patron is \$5.00 family/individuals and \$25.00 for businesses. Deadline August 4, 2017. The patron drive supports all athletic teams. Complete and return this form with payment to: Canton South Athletic Booster Club PO Box 80348, Canton OH 44708. More information at cantonlocal.org/athletic-booster-club.

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Featured Figures in CLSD HistoryMargaret Clapper HartmannEd Welker

Margaret began her teaching career at East Sparta Elementary. She taught at Amos McDannel for 32 years and retired from Canton Local in 1974. Although she resided in East Canton, her blood ran red and gray. She absolutely loved working at Amos and spoke often of how exciting it was to move into the building when it was first built.

Margaret thought of all of her students as family. She would spend countless hours writing notes, calling, and visiting with her former students. At her 90th birthday party, she was blessed with visits from many of her former students whom brought report cards, pictures, and notes that Margaret had written them. She never forgot a face and could even tell you where that particular student sat in class.

Margaret enjoyed the simple things in life. Raising orchids, gardening, quilting, and reading her bible. She valued life and people far above any material possession.

Margaret leaves behind twin sons, Richard and Robert Clapper, and a stepdaughter, Martha Hartmann. She had seven grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, and 11 great-great grandchildren.

She was an inspiration for five of her grandchildren to go into the field of education.



Pictured above is Mr. & Mrs. (Margaret) Clapper (left) with granddaughter Debie (Clapper) Davidson, who currently teaches at H.R. Walker Elementary School.

William Edward Welker, fondly known as 'Ed', turned 101 years old on December 28.

Born in Canton Township in 1917, Ed attended Canton Township schools and graduated from Canton High School in 1936. He then attended and graduated from Bowling Green University, and was a stand-out athlete on both the football and baseball field. After working at Uniontown High School and at Wingfoot Lake building blimps during WWII, Ed returned to his hometown in 1948, to teach and coach in Canton Local Schools. Teaching Industrial Arts and Health at the high school, coaching football, managing athletic tickets, and assuming both Assistant Principal and Principal duties at Walker Jr. High, served the students and families of Canton Local for 39 years until he retired in 1977.

Ed married his high school sweetheart, Velma Hothem (also a Canton Township graduate), and celebrated 63 years of marriage before Velma's passing. He is the father and father-in-law of Tim (Gay) Welker, Pat (Nemer) Esber, and the late Jerry (Jeanne) Welker. His children, his nine grandchildren, and five great grandchildren appreciate Ed's love of family, his wisdom and advice, and certainly the Welker stories of old! He also has wonderful memories of the staff and students that he had the privilege of serving and working with in the Canton Local School District. **Ed continues to be 'proud to be a Wildcat'!**



Ed and Velma (Hothem) Welker



WALK WITH A DOC

Over 350 staff members and students participated in this year's Walk With a Doc (WWAD). The group spent a sunny afternoon with Dr. Rene Cuadra. The event featured raffle prizes, protein power balls, and cups of grapes. WWAD, sponsored by Aultman Health Foundation, is hosted annually at Canton Local. The program is a nationwide, held in communities all across America and abroad to encourage healthy physical activity for people of all ages.



Nina Treacher, Rachel Porter

CSHS band and choir students' trip to Chicago

In May the CSHS Band and Choir performed at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago.



Senior Citizen Prom

The Student Leadership Club hosted the 25th Anniversary Senior Citizens' Prom on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at Canton South HS. Guests were served delicious food prepared by Benson's Catering. The night included dancing to musician/singer Steve Dallas, a trivia game, portraits, and a raffle of various gifts donated from the community.

Student Leadership members spent months preparing for the prom, and the night was a success. Thank you to our students and community members for an enchanting evening.

Stark Strikers Dance

Teachers Melanie Lias and Lauren Tsaftarides hosted a dance the Friday before spring break for Canton Local students and guests throughout the county from the Stark Strikers bowling league! The students enjoyed the Mexican themed event, especially the nachos and the fog machine.





Freshman Chosen for NASA Day

Canton South freshman Caden Smith was accepted to participate in NASA's Job Shadow Day.

High school students experienced a day at NASA Glenn, visiting research labs and spending time with scientists, technicians, engineers and business professionals to explore different career opportunities.



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Senior Scholars, Invited Educators

The 24th Annual Senior Scholar Recognition Dinner, held at Kent State University Stark, was sponsored by the South Stark Career Academy.

SENIORS

Sharon Williams, Dinah Ward, Nina Treacher, Sophia Talkington, Jade Strohl, Ruby Stover, Kade Soderstrom, Sadie Owens, Madison Oldfield, Morgan Norris, Megan Mitchell, Nikole McGee, Kelsie Madden, Lydia Greavu, Mia Culberson, Andy Cheng, Taylor Catlett, Andrew Cassler, Ariel Bryan, Brianna Boron

INVITED EDUCATORS

Andy Harms, Melissa Kalb, Phil Forshey, Eric Brickwood, Kody Edwards, Aaron Hernandez, Kara Wines, Kristen Smith, Matt Stemple, Larry Kinnard, Chris Bergert, Jacki Cain, Meghan Fricke, Rachel Torgersen, Cassie Stanford, Lori Howenstine, Lauren Tsaftarides, Amy Bush, Brian Allerding

