

# Crestwood **COMMENTS**

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## Board Considers November Operating Levy as District Faces \$1.4 Million Deficit

Continued state budget cuts and declining enrollment forced the district to revise its five-year forecast showing deficit spending beginning in 2012 and a deficit of \$1.4 million by June 2014. The revised forecast was approved at the May 7 regular board meeting. The deficit balance forced the board to consider an operating levy on the November ballot.

“The district has been planning for state funding reductions and declining enrollment by tightening district budgets and reducing staff through attrition,” said Joe Iacano, Superintendent. “Additionally, the past two years we offered retirement incentive packages and negotiated pay freezes with certified and classified staff, as well as administrative staff.”

Despite these ongoing reductions of expenditures (administration, staff, district budgets, equipment purchases, etc.) the district is showing deficit spending in 2012 through 2016. Without new revenue, this deficit in 2014 translates to the reduction of 20 teaching positions – 15 percent of the teaching staff.

A number of events led to the current situation.

- The loss of federal stimulus money created a reduction in revenues for 2012 of \$1.5 million and was not replaced by the state;
- The Tangible Personal Property reimbursement was reduced from \$780,000 in fiscal year 2011 to \$285,000 in 2012 and \$0 in 2013 – a reimbursement that was originally legislated to be phased out more gradually to 2017; and
- In February we learned that the October student numbers showed a loss of 70 students from last year to this year, resulting in a further reduction of \$350,000.

In summary, Crestwood lost about \$2.3 million per year in revenues that are not expected to be replaced in the near future. The additional reduction due to declining enrollment has the district losing approximately \$2.6 million, putting the district in a deficit position by FY 2014. A link to the current five-year forecast is available on the district’s website: [www.crestwoodschoools.org](http://www.crestwoodschoools.org) under the Treasurer’s department tab.

After analyzing a number of options, the board passed a preliminary resolution to consider a four-year emergency levy that would raise \$1.4 million dollars in each of the next four years. To actually place the issue on the November ballot, the Board would have to pass a second resolution at a special meeting scheduled for August 1, 2012. This meeting will be held at the Pupil Services Building on Prospect Street in Mantua at 6:00 PM. A \$1.4 million dollar levy would not completely eliminate the need for reductions and would build-in approximately \$200,000 in additional spending cuts.

## Congratulations Crestwood High School - Class of 2012



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# Superintendent's Letter . . .

## Crestwood Realigns Staff and Administration, Implements Other Reductions to Save Money

Owing to state funding reductions, the loss of Tangible Personal Property tax and declining enrollment, the Crestwood Local School District continues to face the realities of a projected \$1.4 million deficit for fiscal year 2014.

This past year, Crestwood lost approximately \$2.3 million in revenue. To combat this, we have already made significant reductions in staff, through both attrition and reduction in force. The district is also eliminating the position of Director of Administrative Services. This position oversaw the maintenance department, the permanent improvement process and classified personal. These functions will now be distributed among other administrators, including the supervisor of transportation, treasurer, superintendent and supervisor of grounds and maintenance.

In addition, the district will also be making the following cuts for the upcoming school year:

- Reduced special education tuition cost
- Reduced budget for textbooks
- No new technology purchases, replacements only
- Eliminated three supplemental contracts
- Reduced field trips
- Reduced building budgets by 10 percent
- Reduced library budgets by 10 percent
- Reduced maintenance budget by 10 percent
- Reduced superintendent and treasurer's budgets by 15 percent
- Reduced music budgets by 20 percent
- Reduced budget for paper, printing and mail
- Non-replacement of four teachers who retired or resigned
- 50% layoff of the Chinese position at the middle school

Along with the reductions in staff and reductions in salary and benefits already planned for fiscal year 2012, these cuts total \$997,664.

Without securing new revenue, the district will have to be prepared for drastic reductions, including an additional reduction of approximately 10 percent in staff.

The decision to make these reductions has not been an easy one, and we hope that we do not have to make any additional significant cuts in the coming year as we strive to maintain a standard of excellence for our students and the community.



Mr. Joseph Iacano  
Superintendent



- Joe Iacano



### Crestwood Comments

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## Creative Construction Contest

Diana Warner's Crestwood Special Needs class at Hattie Larlham recently participated in a creative construction contest at the Center. Each team was given a bag with the same materials inside. Some of items included were cracked corn, small plastic bottles, buckeyes, cassette tapes, and a variety of random computer parts. The teams could use all the items or just some of them. Painting, coloring, and any kind of gluing was allowed but nothing could be added to the bag. Twelve teams vied for the top spots, with Mrs. Warner's class creation placing a respectable 4<sup>th</sup> place.



Charlie Warren is shown with the zoo that his class made as part of a Creative Construction contest.

# School News . . .

## Best Wishes 2012 Retirees



Standing - left to right

Debra Himes - High School Aide  
Theresa Boyle - Primary School Teacher  
Barbara Komoff - Intermediate School Teacher  
Karen McKittrick - High School Secretary  
Carol Corbett - Treasurer

Seated - left to right

Marcia Wallenfeldt - Intermediate School Teacher  
Betty Ostrowske - Intermediate School Teacher  
Roxann Gottardi - High School Teacher

Not Pictured:

Diane Caslin - High School Guidance Counselor  
Betty Miner - High School Teacher  
Audrey Kraynak - School Psychologist  
Don Bennett - Middle School Custodian

## CEA Presents Scholarship

On May 23, 2012 at the Senior Awards Night, the Crestwood Education Association was honored and proud to present it's annual \$1,000 Scholarship to senior Rachel Vaught. The CEA presents this scholarship to one deserving senior to put towards their post-secondary educational expenses. The recipient of this award must demonstrate to a panel of Crestwood teachers through application, essay and teacher recommendations that through their leadership, character, and academic success they are a standout student in their graduating class. This year there were six applicants, all deserving and demonstrating exemplary character, leadership and outstanding academic success. However, this year's panel of seven Crestwood teachers representing elementary, intermediate, middle and high school teachers, through a blind-rubric process chose Rachel as this years deserving recipient. Congratulations, Rachel!



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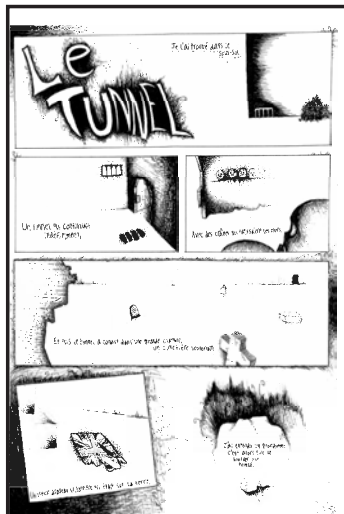
## Crestwood Celebrates Two Outstanding Students



*Pictured from L-R: Arden Sommers, Principal of Crestwood High School, Jackie Wagner, Honoree, Carolyn Diczazy, Honoree, Betty Miner, Honoree, and Angela Williams, Crestwood High School Teacher.*

On May 11, 2012 two Crestwood High School Students were honored and recognized as Outstanding Students for 2011-2012 school year for their achievements. The outstanding students were: Carolyn Diczazy, honored for her outstanding achievement in Community Service, and Jackie Wagner honored for her outstanding achievements in community service. The girls were hosted and honored at a luncheon sponsored by State Support Team Region 8 at St. George Fellowship Centre in Akron. Along with the girls, Mrs. Betty Miner was honored Outstanding Teacher for 2011-2012. (See additional story, page 11)

## Crestwood High School French Student Wins Award



Junior Xyl Lasersohn has won an award for Best Artwork in a comic strip contest through the Goethe-Institut Chicago and the Cultural Service at the Consulate General of France in Chicago. The contest was open to American high school or college/university students of French and/or German in the Midwest.

The topic was "European Adventures." Contestants were required to write in French, German, or both languages, and the comics had to include Paris, Berlin and at least one more European country.

Lasersohn's comic can be viewed online at [http://www.consulfrance-chicago.org/IMG/pdf/Xyl-\\_Lasersohn.pdf](http://www.consulfrance-chicago.org/IMG/pdf/Xyl-_Lasersohn.pdf).

## APRIL 2012 STUDENTS AND ATHLETES OF THE MONTH



*Back: Josh Parr (12th),  
Front: Terri Warren (12th), Holly Hoffman (9th),  
Tori Chiller (Track), Matt Monroe (Track),  
Brittany Donell (11th), Lauren Bissell (10th)*

## Crestwood Welcomes New Head Football Coach

The Crestwood Local School District would like to welcome Charles "Pete" Thompson as its new head football coach.

Thompson comes to Crestwood from the Kenston Local School District, where he has spent 16 years as a coach in its football program. Twelve of those years were spent as a defensive coordinator, and he has been head coach there for the past year.

Thompson will maintain his teaching position at Kenston High School where he teaches social studies and AP American Government and US History.

Thompson grew up in Cuyahoga Falls, and graduated from Hiram College. During his time at Hiram, he received field experience at Crestwood.

"I'm looking forward to being back in the Crestwood community and working with Crestwood's outstanding students and staff," he said. "Ultimately, my goal is to develop a competitive football program from the high school down to the younger teams. I'm a process-oriented coach, and want my students to learn what it takes to be successful not only in football but in life."

Thompson's philosophy: "Be better tomorrow than we were today."

# High School Honor Roll . . .

## 3.5+ SENIORS

Samantha Anderson  
Lauren Apicella  
Erika Atkinson  
Huntre Bates \*  
Kaile Benner  
Rachel Blankenship  
Ian Bokesch \*  
John Bruyere  
Dan Buchanan  
Julianne Calapa  
Talia Cobb  
Erin Dobies  
Sean Dockery  
Nicholas Fejedelem  
John Franks  
Stephen Green  
Cara Grove  
William Gyongyos  
Amber Henwood  
Gretchen Hilty  
Samantha Hunt  
Allison Hurd  
Kala Istre  
Jarupat Kannula  
Rachel Lann  
Karlie Lieberth  
Michael Long  
George Love  
Barbara Lyons \*  
Joshua Mann  
Courtney McGee  
Nicholas Onuska  
Joshua Parr  
Jocelyn Pearce  
Grace Pender \*  
Kaitlyn Phillips \*  
Olivia Phillips  
Thomas Pochedly  
Hanna Rollin  
Jessica Schmies  
Matt Schwesinger  
Leah Sheaffer  
Zachary Sluka  
Andrew Soltisz  
Angela Spencer  
Jena Tekavec  
Tyler Tibbs \*  
Rachel Vaught  
Lindsey Vicha  
Nathan Wagler \*  
Grace Waickman \*  
Tyler Zigman  
Celeste Zimmerman

## 3.0 - 3.49 SENIORS

Andrew Auble  
Katherine Bica  
Nicholas Bongalis \*  
Dylan Briscar  
Cora Joy Carson \*  
Jenna Chism  
Erica Chiudioni  
Shannon Conard  
Kaley Cooley  
Derek Coontz  
Joshua Cristall  
Aaron Dallner \*  
Justin Demattia \*  
Thomas Dunkin  
Brianna Etling  
Michael Fixel  
Noland Fortin \*  
Jon Hannan  
Tonya Hartwig \*  
Brandon Houpt  
Aaron Jackson  
Galya Janakovich  
Dannise Johnson  
Rachael Jones \*

Tyler Jones \*  
Jessica Jordan \*  
Leah Krause  
Elizabeth Lax \*  
Mariasa Lewandowski \*  
Meighan Little  
Angel Long \*  
Devin Milam  
Dylan Morgenstern \*  
Ashley Nielsen  
Lauren Painley  
Molly Pochedly  
Ryan Reddick  
Josette Roach  
Antonio Sargiovanni  
Patrick Scarl  
Giovanni Schieda  
Robert Seneff  
Zachary Shea  
April Sike  
John Skala \*  
Sara Spilker  
Niklaus Thut  
Kyle Turnbull  
Stephanie Tyler  
Jesse Unger  
Chelsea Varga \*  
Sarah Wegman

## 3.5+ JUNIORS

Sara Amport  
Kelly Baker  
Madeline Becker  
Nichole Bencie  
Courtney Berish  
Steven Bokesch  
Katie Bretland  
Carla Cabellero Moreno  
Cody Campbell  
Victoria Chiller  
Emma Cline  
Mallory Czuchra  
David Defer  
Jacob Dobies  
Amt Dunkin  
Kira Edic  
Nicholas Erway  
Ryan Fedor  
Sydney France  
Zakary Goldinger  
Jacob Graves  
Allyson Groves  
Gina Harmon  
Tara Hilverding  
Sally Hoffman  
Francis Hosey \*  
Tori Jeffries  
Aleya Judd  
Dylan Kager  
Jacob Klock  
Jenna Kodash  
Olivia Kotkowski  
Xyl Lasersohn  
Mallory Lorence  
Cortny Lower  
Sean McDermott  
Alexandria McKinley  
Kayley Michuta  
Brooklynn Moodie \*  
Tia Nuti  
Heather Pahoresky  
Valerie Pfaff  
Jeremiah Poole  
James Quesenberry  
Julie Remus  
Allison Riley  
Nicholas Ruggeri \*  
Katrina Schenck  
Kathleen Shaffer  
Summer Stephens

Kelly Summers  
Emily Youngblood

## 3.0 - 3.49 JUNIORS

Cole Benjamin  
Gabrielle Caddell  
Jeffrey Daugherty  
Brittany Donell  
McKenzie Faust  
Tyler Fear  
Morgan Felker  
Derek Fenrich  
Ryan Fiorille  
Brett Fisher  
Warren Harbaugh  
Donald Harmon  
Jenna Head  
Kristen Jackson  
Alexandra Latva  
Logan Little  
Holly Rogers  
Rebecca Sapp  
Danielle Smallwood  
Summer Stephens  
Jean-Pierre Thut  
Breanne Travis  
Daniel Vaughn  
John Vechery  
Jordan Vizzini \*  
Marcus Weatherbee  
Emma Wolff

## 3.5 - 4.0+ SOPHOMORES

George Baran  
Landis Bates  
Lauren Bissell  
Charles Blankenship  
Sarah Bridgman  
Erin Calvey  
Olivia Cobb  
Matthew Czerny  
Morgan Engelhart  
Jessica Felker  
Brian Ferguson  
Michael Fletcher  
Amanda Fosnight  
Cheyenna Frederick  
Nathan Green  
Mackenzie Gregoire  
Carley Gross  
Monica Groves  
Amber Harrison  
Sierra Hobbs  
Cody Imars  
Taylor Jenkins  
John Kilbourne  
Allison Little  
Randi Lyle  
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Alaina Nuti  
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Rachel Quesenberry  
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Melissa Skocdopole  
Abigail Soltisz  
Emily St Hilaire  
Reanna Szarka  
Allison Vannoy  
Amber Vargo

## 3.0 - 3.49 SOPHOMORES

Jacob Agle  
Victoria Andexler  
BreAnna Benner  
Carrigan Benoit  
Brittany Campbell  
Samantha Cannella  
Madison Cochrane  
Carolyn Diczazy

Erin Dunkin  
Julianna Forster  
Angela Goodrich  
Meaghan Green  
Alyssa Jaehn  
Kristen Jones  
Hannah Kelley  
Samantha Kulish  
Shawnee Kvasnicka  
Nicholas Labas  
Elizabeth LaMarca  
Jacob Lovick  
Matthew Lyons  
Samantha Moore  
Jenna Morgenstern  
Kathleen Murray  
Connor Nemec  
Jonah Onuska  
Katey Paxton  
Chad Randall  
Carley Reid  
Joseph Reyes  
Daryl Riley  
Challis Roberts  
Anna Marie Romano  
Tyler Roth  
Skylar Scala  
Kaitlyn Shahan  
Ariel Sherry  
Kaitlin Slaker  
Makenzie Snodgrass  
Zachary Strenk  
Emily Turner  
Jacquelyn Wagner  
Marissa Zoligus  
Sarah Zoligus  
Logan Zuponic

## 3.5 + FRESHMEN

Ryan Ambler  
Amy Auble  
Lena Baldwin  
Reba Ball  
Miranda Beatty  
Hannah Bennett  
Alexandra Bigler  
Terance Brunty  
Savannah Burkett  
Sarah Cheyenne Caddell  
Carlie Cofojohn  
Lauren Crislip  
Craig Davis  
Makenna Delgado  
Nicole Derthick  
Dane Etto  
Leannah Frances  
Adriana French  
Morgan Gaiimo  
Amber Gibbons  
Miranda Gregoire  
Melody Griffith  
Gregory Haas  
Austin Harris  
Bryanna Herbold  
David Hill  
Hannah Hilty  
Holly Hoffman  
Kira Judd  
Alyssa Lamb  
Ashley Lutz  
Paige Markuzic  
Megan McDivitt  
Cameron Moodie  
Nicole Nero  
Nathan Nielsen  
Ross Nielsen  
Rosalie Novotny  
Daniel O'Sickey  
Maia Pancost  
Tyler Reese

Christian Rosenfeldt  
John Scotton  
Autumn Sike  
Joseph Slechta  
Jordan Smith  
Madeline Sorrick  
Morgan Strenk  
Anthony Stuber  
Austin Usher  
Samantha Vojtush  
Hayley Zigman

## 3.0 - 3.49 FRESHMEN

Ashley Adkins  
Kaitlyn Benjamin  
Emma Jane Carson  
Taylor Chism  
Benjamin Cooley  
Dessie Donat  
Chelsea Evans  
Jeremiah Fitzgerald  
Katie Gregory  
Noah Gula  
Jeremy Hand  
Taylor-Paige Happel  
Danielle Kess  
Landon Klem  
Rick Kollman  
Lindsey Marshall  
Chase Miller  
Sarah O'Laughlin  
Megan Oswald  
Haley Rohland  
Madison Sara  
Jared Sayre  
Andrew Shahan  
Noah Shannon  
Mckenzie Shea  
Samantha Spencer  
Allanah Swan  
Camilla Tyrpak  
Tucker Urban  
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Jacob Yeatts  
Jaclyn Young

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All forms are available at the schools, Transportation office or on the school's website: [www.crestwoodschools.org](http://www.crestwoodschools.org).

**PLEASE PRINT**

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DAYCARE/SITTER ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
DAYCARE/SITTER AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

If approved, I understand that the child listed above will be picked up and dropped off at the requested above alternate stop address until I request in writing for this service to end. I understand the Transportation Manager reserves the right to deny this request if the location of the stop or request is deemed impractical or inconsistent with policy.

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## BUS ASSIGNMENTS AND SCHEDULES

All bus schedules will be mailed out the third week of August. It is imperative that you review all personal information and contact our office with any discrepancies or if you have not received your child's schedule by the fourth week of August. Bus schedules will not be posted at the schools.

## TRANSPORTATION FORMS

All transportation forms are available at the school's transportation office and on the Crestwood website. Go to [crestwoodschools.org](http://crestwoodschools.org), click on Forms & Links – locate appropriate form. Forms can be submitted directly to the transportation office via U.S. mail, fax e-mail or dropped off at the transportation office (please call ahead, our summer hours fluctuate).

## ALTERNATE BUS STOP FORM (Students who use a sitter or daycare)

Alternate Bus Stop forms is used only to request your student to be picked up and/or dropped off somewhere other than their legal residence. This form must be completed each school year and must be received by July 31st of the current school year. If not received by July 31st, please allow three (3) business days to process your request.

## ENDING ALTERNATE BUS STOP FORM

You must submit this Ending Alternate Bus Stop Form to the Transportation office if you choose to end an Alternate Bus Stop request that is currently on file. Once processed, your student is automatically added back to the Bus Route to and from their legal residence unless another Alternate Bus Stop Form is turned in for processing. Allow three (3) business days to process your request.

## JUNIOR/SENIOR REGISTRATION

If you have a junior or senior that will be riding the school bus for the 12/13 school year you must register him/her for this service. Student registration must be received by July 31st of the current school year. If not received by July 31st, please allow three (3) business days to process your request.

## HOW BUS PASSES ARE ISSUED AND WHAT INFO IS NEEDED

Bus passes are issued on an emergency basis only. Approval is issued from the building administrator, secretary, or transportation office. A detailed note must be sent or a phone call to the school office from the parent or guardian with all pertinent information to have a bus pass issued. Information needed: Name, Grade, Reason, Bus #, and Name and Address of person at emergency stop. Sleepovers, parties, school projects, carpooling, evening groups, clubs or lessons etc. are not considered an emergency and will not be authorized. If your emergency arises after school hours and will affect the morning route please contact the transportation office at 330.274.2776. Feel free to leave a message. Bus passes will be monitored for abuse.

**If you plan to stop in, our summer hours vary so please call ahead.  
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## To Parents/Guardians of an upcoming Junior or Senior student:

If your Junior or Senior student will be riding the bus to/ from school during the school year you must register him/her for this service. This Registration Form must be completed to ensure your Junior/Senior is scheduled on a route.

Bus schedules will be mailed out the third week of August. It is imperative that you review all personal information and contact our office with any discrepancies or if you have not received your child's bus schedule by the fourth week of August.

All Transportation Forms are also located on the Crestwood website: [www.crestwoodschools.org](http://www.crestwoodschools.org).

Please allow three (3) business days to process this form.

Any questions please contact the Transportation office at 330.274.2776 or contact us by email [transport@crestwoodschools.org](mailto:transport@crestwoodschools.org)

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# High School Sports Wrap-Up

## Crestwood Spring Sports 2012 All P.T.C. Recognition

### Baseball

#### First Team

David Brock  
Andy Auble  
Antonio Sargiovanni

#### Second Team

Cody Miller  
Aaron Jackson  
P. J. Scarl

#### Honorable Mention

Ryan Fedor  
Justin Goss

### Softball

#### First Team

Jenna Head  
Erica Chiudioni

#### Second Team

Emma Wolff  
Heather Pahoresky

#### Honorable Mention

Alex McKinley  
Jenna Kodash

### Boys Track

#### First Team

Steve Green  
Jeremiah Fitzgerald  
Mike Long

#### Second Team

Matt Monroe  
Justin Spurlock  
Traven Stephens  
Dylan Kager

#### Honorable Mention

Trevor Sweet  
Austin Usher  
Matt Kula

#### Honorable Mention

Derek Fenrich  
Brendan Fannin

### Boys Tennis

#### Second Team

Justin Vaughn

#### Honorable Mention

Tyler Roth  
Travis Tyler

### Girls Track

#### First Team

Olivia Phillips  
Karlie Lieberth  
Tori Chiller  
Hayley Zigman  
Taylor Rector  
Marissa Midgley

#### Second Team

Tori Chiller  
Abby Soltisz  
Olivia Phillips  
Chalis Roberts  
Marissa Midgley  
Taylor Michael  
Karlie Lieberth

#### Honorable Mention

Courtney Berish  
Brittany Donell



## CHS Sports Completes a Successful Spring Season

Varsity Baseball 15 - 13, 9 - 5 in PTC Metro. 2nd place in Division.  
Varsity Softball 14 - 11, 7 - 7 in PTC Metro. 5th in Division.  
Boys Track 7 - 0 in PTC Metro Div. League Champs.  
Girls Track 7 - 0 in PTC Metro Div. League Champs.  
Tennis 2 - 10 in PTC. Sixth place in the League.

The track team sent five girls and one boy to the state meet.  
PTC Metro Division Track Athlete of the Year: Mike Long

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## Crestwood Scholar/Athlete Winners: Spring 2012

Baseball (4)	Ryan Fedor Antonio Sargiovanni	Jeremiah Poole	P. J. Scarl
Softball (9)	Kaile Benner Tori Jeffries Alex McKinley	Jenna Head Jenna Kodash Heather Pahoresky	Sally Hoffman Cortny Lower Reanna Szarka
Boys Track (11)	John Bruyere Stephen Green Dylan Kager Josh Parr	Nick Fejedelem Gregory Haas John Kilbourne Austin Usher	Nathan Green Austin Harris Michael Long
Girls Track (19)	Courtney Berish Makenna Delgado Leanna Frances Karlie Lieberth Rosalie Novotny Challis Roberts Hayley Zigman	Tori Chiller Kira Edic Jenna Head Taylor Michael Alaina Nuti Abby Soltisz	Carlie Cofojohn Amanda Fosnight Kira Judd Marissa Midgley Olivia Phillips Madeleine Sorrick
Boys Tennis (1)	Michael Fletcher		

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## APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH CRESTWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL



6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Zoe Catcott, Ashley Wieclaw, Gavin Hysing,  
Gage Garner, Jessica Roman, Kyle Zigman  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Emma Dockery, Emily Graves, Derek Crislip,  
Maxwell Nuhfer, Morgan Chesla, Kenneth Haynie  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Lauren Smith, Noah Stuczynski, Eliza Soukenik,  
Jacob Ondash, Lindsay Thut, Justin Harvey

## Six Summer Camp Scholarships Awarded

Crestwood teachers know that it is important to be involved with the community. Last September, Crestwood Education Association had a booth at the Potato Festival where teachers worked the booth and sold tickets for several lovely “theme” baskets donated by teachers. Profits from the basket raffle went to support Middle School and Intermediate School Summer Camp Scholarships.

Due to the efforts of the Crestwood teachers, six summer camp scholarships have been funded and awarded to middle school and intermediate school students. Eighth grader Rebecca Rowe will receive \$100 scholarship so that she can attend Lakeside Institute. Two sixth graders, Caleb Gula and Daniel Painley also get \$100 scholarships towards their attendance at Camp Manatoc Boy Scout Camp.

From the Intermediate School Isaac Munson, Leah O’Laughlin and Alex Kramer were each awarded money to help pay for their attendance at the summer camp of their choice. Isaac will be attending a British Soccer Camp. He loves playing soccer and is excited to learn from professional soccer players to become a better player and to make his dad proud. Leah is very excited about spending time in nature and having a campout by attending the Hiram Adventure Naturalist Camp. Alex will be attending Camp Christian in Magnetic Springs, Ohio, where he has met many friends.

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## Teachers Secure More Than \$100,000 in Supplemental Funding for Crestwood Students

Every year, teachers and staff in the Crestwood Local School District devote a great deal of their spare time to applying for various grants in an effort to bring additional money to the schools. Over the last several years, the hard work of these teachers and staff has secured more than \$100,000 to provide students with new materials and fund field trips and other programs.

“All school districts are facing program reductions because of the loss of state funding,” said Rosemary Krupar, Intermediate Elementary teacher. “And the students are the ones that lose out on great educational opportunities. By securing grant dollars, we are able to still provide them with additional resources and activities.”

This year, Crestwood Primary, along with Woodridge Primary, and James A. Garfield High School and Middle School, won a \$100,000 Teacher Planning Grant from the eTech Ohio Commission. Hiram College students studying to be teachers will help educators at these four schools integrate technology into their classrooms.

Additional grant dollars include:

### Intermediate School

- \$10,000 from Dominion East Ohio Gas for science programs and materials

### Primary and Intermediate Schools

- \$12,000 from Hiram Community Trust for Nature’s Classroom
- \$9,000 from Hiram Community Trust for nature camp, tables and materials
- \$25,000 from Portage County Soil and Water for storm water site improvement
- \$3,000 from Martha Holden Jennings for the prairie garden and materials

### Middle School

- \$1,000 from Hiram Community Trust for Right to Read Week

### High School

- \$5,000 from Maison Francaise de Cleveland Fund provided funding for a trip to France

These are just a few examples of the many terrific grants secured by Crestwood’s teachers and staff that give students the opportunity to participate in new educational experiences in and outside of the classroom.

# Enjoy the Summer Curriculum, the Outdoors!

By MaryAnn Strenk, Coordinator of Curriculum and Instruction

How many of you remember the days when your parents barely whisked away the breakfast dishes before announcing that we should, “Go outside and play?” We grabbed our sneakers and imaginations and were off for a day of adventure. It may have involved skipping stones along the creek while pretending to be Huckleberry Finn, or swinging a bat as a member of the major leagues (physics), or etching a hopscotch frame on the sidewalk with the edge of a stone (geometry). It didn’t seem to matter what we chose, a healthy dose of vitamin D was always coupled with an extremely valuable skill . . . learning. Not just learning facts and information, but learning to problem-solve and think critically. When only 9 kids showed up for the football game, how did we make teams fair? When we only had 5 bicycles, how did we quickly get 8 of us to the swimming pool? And my childhood favorite, how do we remove the croquet ball from the basement, after shooting it through the window, without mom finding out? Not all learning, after all, came without a price, and usually a strict consequence. In fact, lots of learning happened when we had to figure out how much allowance money was needed to replace that window (money sense).

Nowadays it seems that all of the thinking has been replaced by neat and tidy packages. For example, we once were thrilled to have a neighbor purchase a new appliance because this meant we could play with the box. We invented houses, and rockets, and tanks, and boats and numerous other items that kept us entertained for days (engineering and storytelling). That box transformed so many times that it eventually self-destructed and took care of recycling itself (ecology). Now Step 2 and Little Tikes manufacture these items. They look nicer and last longer, but the child is robbed from the experience of figuring out how to make a door that opens and closes (measurement). Once the door is conquered, how can we add a window? And with a box of markers, a window box full of flowers emerged (art). It was almost heaven to have two boxes where you could add a garage or an actual roof like a “real” house.

I actually feel bad for our children today. They are so used to having so much that they are totally bored when they find themselves with no “toys.” I remember riding in the car and counting trucks (math) and looking for license plates from different states (geography). I knew landmarks and directions because I spent so much time looking out the window (mapping). I learned about changing seasons, and land formations, and urban vs. suburban. While riding bikes I learned that if I left my house at 12:00, and my friend left her house at the same time, we would meet at the Brindley house at exactly 12:08 (story problems). If it happened to be Tuesday we could then ride to Master Pizza, where small cheese pizzas were half-price (fractions), and combine our allowance to share some lunch. A loose dime on the sidewalk was never ignored because it meant a piece of candy for dessert.

We, as parents, need to step back and allow our children the opportunity to become problem solvers. We need to let them take ownership for their learning, even if this means failing once in awhile. Sometimes the best learning stems from failure. Don’t be so quick to swoop down and save the day. We need to stop losing learning to the battle of the screen. Television screens, game screens, and phone screens should be replaced by open door screens. More than anything, we need to tell our children to “Go outside and play.”



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## Crestwood Primary School Offers Safety Town for Kindergarteners

Incoming Crestwood kindergarteners will have the opportunity to learn how to be safe at home, at school and at play thanks to a Safety Town program offered this summer at Crestwood Primary School and its PTO.

Safety Towns are realistic, child-sized towns designed to provide complete hands-on safety education for children. The town has streets, working traffic signals and miniature buildings, all designed to be as authentic as possible.

The program will run from August 6-10 at Crestwood Primary from 9-11:30 a.m. each day. The Safety Town program will cover topics such as:

- Bus and playground safety
- Stranger awareness
- Fire safety
- EMS & 911

Students registered by July 20 will receive a reduced rate of \$20 per child. If space allows, late registrations will be taken on August 6 at a cost of \$30.

The Primary School received a generous grant from the Hiram Community Trust to help fund the Safety Town program.



## Betty Miner Is Selected As Outstanding Educator

High School teacher Betty Miner has been selected as an Outstanding Educator for Medina, Portage and Summit County. Betty was honored on May 11, 2012 at an Awards Luncheon in Fairlawn.

From the beginning of her career until the present time, Betty Miner has demonstrated a strong commitment to students and her profession. While working as a teacher at Crestwood High School, she has been instrumental in developing a comprehensive co-teaching model that includes differentiated instruction and a variety of intervention strategies coupled with small group and individual instruction. Throughout this effort, Betty has been a person who worked tirelessly, assessing the needs of staff and students and building relationships that were necessary to ensure success.

In addition to her work on inclusion, Betty organizes a comprehensive OGT tutoring program which requires creative approaches to time management. This includes two week cram sessions so students are prepared for the exams. She also established a credit recovery program that led to a higher graduation rate while helping at-risk students succeed. Finally, Betty has been actively involved in the building curriculum design and professional development team.

Betty's classroom has an atmosphere of mutual respect where students are encouraged to question, probe, think and discover. She forms positive and personal relationships with her students so they are motivated to learn. She brings out-of-



the-box thinking coupled with endless energy to her classroom. Betty is a tremendous asset to Crestwood High School and will be missed by staff and students alike when she retires at the end of this school year.

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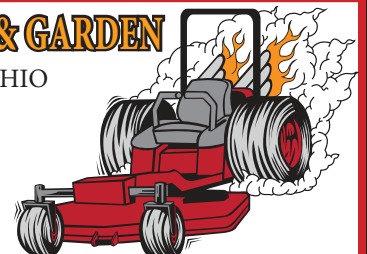
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