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Crestwood Art Students Receive State and National Honors

For the third year in a row a Crestwood High School art student will travel to New York to receive an award at the National Scholastic Art & Writing Awards.

Crestwood Senior Megan Cowan has received the National Scholastic American Visions Medal for her photograph titled "Inside the Grainery." The American Visions Award is "The Best of Show Award" in the National Scholastic Art & Writing Competition. Megan will be receiving her medal at the National Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Ceremony at Carnegie Hall in New York City May 31. The two previous winners were Tyler Cline in Digital Art and Mary Defer in Oil Painting.

In the Governor's Youth Art Exhibition "The State Art Show" Senior Mike Zeleznik received "The Top 25 Award" for his Digital Artwork titled "The Mysterious Voyage." Mike will receive his award April 10 in the State Awards Ceremony at the Capital Theater in Columbus, Ohio. Also, in that same ceremony, Megan Cowan will receive another award for her Digital Artwork titled "Hopkins at Night." Megan's artwork was chosen for the State Department of Education Display in Columbus, one of only 25 works of art selected for this display.



Crestwood Senior Cody Ryba Wins Gold At State Wrestling Tournament

It's the thing that every high school athlete dreams of, to win the state championship in their respective sport. But for Crestwood senior Cody Ryba, being the best wrestler in the state of Ohio was more than just a dream. For Cody, winning the gold was a family tradition, and this was his last chance to make the dream come true.

In both 1982 and 1983, Cody's father, John, won gold as a wrestler at St. Peter Chanel High School in Bedford. Cody would have to wrestle not only the best 171-pounders in the state, but he would also have to beat a nationally-ranked high school wrestler in his quest.

"Cody probably had one of the toughest draws out of all the state champions," said Crestwood Wrestling Coach Dave Wrobel. "He pinned



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State Budget Impacts Crestwood

As we work through the new information being provided to us by the state, there are still looming questions about funding in specific areas, however, on the surface, it appears that the reductions in funding may not be as dramatic as feared. Unfortunately, the loss of the Federal Stimulus money previously given to districts over the past couple of years creates a financial void which is significant and for many of us even painful.

Due to the reduced overall revenue, I have notified the Crestwood Education Association that there may be a RIF (Reduction in Force) of eight teachers throughout the four buildings. Any official Board action related to these eight teachers would occur later in April. We anticipate reductions to administration and classified staff as well.

We look at this as a significant loss to our district, and it is our sincerest hope that we can reduce the layoffs or initiate some recalls once we get further clarifications on state funding and a better picture of our staffing needs. As in any district there is an ebb and flow of staff at the end of the year with people making decisions to retire, move out of state and even on to other districts. This natural movement may allow for us to lose fewer staff members due to RIFs. This is never an easy time for anyone, and even with prudent spending and planning for reductions, significant cuts in funding make these actions inevitable.

In order to minimize our staffing reductions, a group of staff members formed to create a "cost-reduction" committee. The committee identified potential reductions ranging from a minimum of \$200,000 per year to a high of nearly \$400,000 per year. I want to thank the committee members for their assistance and we will begin implementing some of the reductions as soon as possible so as to begin realizing their benefits sooner.

I also would like to extend a sincere thank you to our staff, board and community for your patience as we navigate the many changes taking place in education and public service across the state. We will continue to publish updates in Comments as we realize further impacts.



Mr. Joseph Iacano
Superintendent

- Joe Iacano

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Complete Our Online Survey

As part of our ongoing effort to engage the community and hear your thoughts, we invite you to take an online survey that can be found at our web site, www.crestwoodschools.org. The survey only takes about 5 minutes to complete. Thank you for sharing your thoughts and for your continued support of Crestwood Local Schools.

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Regular Board of Education meetings are generally held the first Monday of the month, at the High School Library, 10919 N. Main Street Mantua, Ohio. Meetings are held at the Primary School during the summer months. The public is cordially invited to attend. If more information is needed about a Board meeting, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 330-274-8511.

the third-ranked kid in the quarterfinals and defeated a nationally-ranked wrestler from St. Paris Graham in the state semi-finals. Not only that, but his opponent was a two time-state finalist and a former state champion. For the title match, Cody defeated Oak Harbor's Jake Cramer by a score of 5-4."

The title match was a nail-biter in its own right. Cramer had come to the tournament as the projected state champion. After a scoreless first period, Ryba chose down and reversed his opponent to earn two points. He held Cramer off to keep his lead through the end of the second period. Cramer chose down to start the third period and reversed Ryba, tying the match at 2-2. Cody escaped to take the lead and took his opponent down to make the score 5-2. With victory in hand, Ryba gave up a precautionary reversal in the final eight seconds to close his lead at 5-4 and seal the championship. As the Crestwood crowd erupted in cheers, Cody was only looking for one person, his dad.

Overall, the Crestwood team finished in sixth place with 50.5 total team points and only five points out of fourth place. The team had seven total state qualifiers this year—a school record. Placing for the Red Devils in seventh place were Adam Horovitz (145lbs.) and Cheney Mattarese (160lbs). Joe Monroe (189lbs) finished in sixth place in his bracket.

Cody Ryba is the first state champion for Crestwood High School in 17 years. But in the Ryba household, the tradition lives on, but now they have three state championships.

Crestwood Community Ceramics Class

Location: Crestwood High School Art Department
Starting: Tuesday, May 3 – Thursday, June 2
Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm Tuesday and Thursday Nights
Cost: \$50.00

Students will learn basic and advanced techniques in hand built pottery, plus learn to use the potter's wheel. Students will learn to the proper techniques used to glaze their pottery.

Students need to bring work shirt or apron and a large plastic bag

Crestwood Community Ceramics Class
Register By Mail

Name: _____

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Phone: _____

Please include the course fee with this registration
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National Run a Mile Day May 6, 2011 5:00 p.m. Crestwood High School Track

Crestwood All Sports Boosters will sponsor Crestwood Youth Track in national Run a Mile Day for all students ages K-8th grade. This is a national event to honor the breaking of the 4 minute mile. The event is free and all participants will receive a certificate of completion. So come on out and run a mile with us!!! Information will be coming home with students and will be available at the schools. Questions can be referred to Mrs.Thigpen 330-274-2249 or Mrs. Ondash 330-274-3103.

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Other Happenings...

Eat Foods with Color in April

Our school is excited to be participating in a national healthy eating initiative called P.A.C.K. Week- Pack/Purchase Assorted Colors for Kids Week. This is a fun and educational program that is aimed at encouraging kids to eat more colorful fruits and vegetables.

The focus of P.A.C.K. Week is on eating a wide variety of colorful fruits and vegetables as each has its own nutritional benefits. To get the broadest range of nutrients, all colors are important- purple, white, red, yellow, orange and green. And kids love eating the rainbow. Each day of P.A.C.K. Week has been assigned a different color and we're asking you to pack a fruit or vegetable of that color in your child's lunch or purchase the school lunch which will offer a variety of choices of fruits and vegetables in that color. All forms of fruits and vegetables count so consider 100% juice, dried fruit or canned fruit or vegetable forms. Here are the days of P.A.C.K. Week with some packing tips to make it easy:

Monday, April 11 – Purple: Grapes, raisins, blueberries or 100% grape juice

Tuesday, April 12 – White: Cauliflower, bananas, white peaches or pears

Wednesday, April 13 – Green: Green apple slices, kiwi or celery sticks

Thursday, April 14 – Red: Tomatoes, red pepper slices, strawberries, red apple slices or dried cherries

Friday, April 15 – Yellow/Orange: Carrots, apricots, orange slices or pineapple chunks

There are lots of ways to be creative and get more healthy fruits and vegetables into your child's day. For more tips visit www.fruitsandveggiesmorematters.org

Please join us as we celebrate P.A.C.K. Week and fruits and veggies!!

Jennifer Bujak-Hirsch, Food Service Director
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CEA Accepting Applications for Summer Camp Scholarships

Again this year, Crestwood Education Association (CEA) is offering Summer Camp scholarships to Crestwood Middle School students. Any student interested in attending a summer camp is encouraged to submit an application for the scholarship. Through CEA fundraising efforts, three \$100 scholarships are available to middle school students.

To apply, simply fill out the application, which can be found on the middle school Web page of www.crestwoodschoools.org. Return the completed application to Mrs. Kim Marfy at Crestwood Middle School in a sealed envelope by May 1, 2011. Applications can also be picked up at the Middle School office.

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Other Happenings . . .

Dedicate a New Tree at the Crestwood Elementary Buildings

What a great way to honor a family members' life, an inspirational teacher, a major milestone, or the life of a special someone. . . . plant a tree that will continue to grow and flourish and represent all of these. The Outdoor Education Committee established the Memorial Tree Garden at the Primary and Intermediate Schools in 2005 and is continuing this great tradition.

Garden Girls, Inc., a local landscape company, has made available a selection of native trees for the area. These trees will be planted on the Elementary Schools Campus. The cost of each tree is \$250. The price includes the planting of the tree, care and a plaque. The permanent plaque will state the species of the tree, the date, and the name of the person, family, group or event that is being honored.

If you are interested in placing an order for such a wonderful gift, please fill out the bottom portion of this form and return to the Primary Building in care of Lee Dean by **Friday, April 22, 2011**. Please make checks payable to Crestwood Primary PTO (Outdoor Education Committee in memo line).

Thank you for being part of such an extraordinary way of honoring that special person or event in your life and for becoming part of the Crestwood Elementary Tree Garden. For additional information, please contact either **Lee Dean at 330-422-3100 or ndean@crestwoodschoools.org or Jo Walsh-Cobb at CIS.**

Please circle your tree preference (s):

- | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| 1. Autumn Blaze Maple | 1.50" caliper | 5. Chestnut Oak | 1.75" caliper |
| 2. Valley Forge American Elm | 1.75" caliper | 6. Yellowwood | 1.50" caliper |
| 3. Black/Sour Gum | 1.50" caliper | 7. Sugar Maple | 1.75" caliper |
| 4. White Oak | 1.75" caliper | 8. Sunburst Honeylocust | 1.75" caliper |



Name of Person making donation: _____

Phone Number: _____ Address: _____

Name of the person/event being honored (up to 2 lines, 20 characters each) _____

Note: Caliper is the size of the trunk

Measuring Body Mass to Help Prevent Disease

Ohio Senate Bill 210, known as the Healthy Choices for Children Act is aimed at reducing childhood obesity by ensuring that students have access to healthy meals and beverages at school and by providing students and parents with information about student health. A requirement of this bill is the annual screening of Body Mass Index (BMI) for all students in kindergarten, third, fifth and ninth grade. We have completed the measurements and the results from our screenings will be sent home before the end of the school year.

A BMI below the 5th percentile may mean that the child is not growing well. Children with a BMI over the 85th percentile are considered overweight and those above the 95th percentile are considered obese. These youngsters are at risk for type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure and high cholesterol. Overweight can cause wear and tear on the joints resulting in pain or arthritis; sleep apnea, when a person temporarily stops breathing during sleep) which not only interrupts sleep but leaves them tired and can affect their ability to concentrate.

Since BMI is a tool to see how a child is growing, it is important to follow up with a complete evaluation with a physician if your child's weight is not in the healthy range. BMI is only one screening and it cannot tell the difference between muscle and fat. An athletic child with a lot of muscle may have a high BMI but not be overweight. You can talk with the doctor about growth, nutrition, activity level, sleep and fluid intake- the things that most affect your child's health.

Portage County Health Department partners with countywide services and programs to promote healthy lifestyles that include good nutrition and physical activity. One of these is the FLIGHT Program which is a family centered program offered by PCHD and Kent State University Nutrition Outreach Program to children and their families living in Portage County. It is a free program held at the PCHD and available to children ages 3-18 years old. Call the PCHD- 330-298-4490 or KSU 330-672-2063 to schedule an appointment. The Portage Park District also has many free opportunities for physical activity in its 10 parks and trails. Check out their website.



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<p>April is the official month for celebrating pecans, cancer awareness, gardens, stress awareness, soy foods & soft pretzels.</p> <p>April 4th Waiver Day! No School!</p>	<p>*Fruits and vegetables can be great sources of key nutrients that promote good health such as Folate, Fiber, Magnesium, Potassium, Vitamin A & Vitamin C.</p> <p>April 5th Pop tarts Trail Mix Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Corn Dog Bites Fries Various Veggies Assorted Fruits Scooby Doo Grahams</p>	<p>P.A.C.K. Week is April 11th - 15th P.A.C.K. = Pack/Purchase Assorted Colors for Kids</p> <p>April 6th Egg & Cheese Omelet Sausage Links Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Personal Pan Pizza Garden Fresh Salad Mixed Fruit Cook's Choice Treat</p>	<p>For more information on fruits and vegetables visit www.fruitsandvegquestionsmatters.org and www.mvdramid.com</p> <p>April 7th Nutri-Donut Holes Yogurt Fruit Jerky/Roll-up Milk Chicken Patty Sandwich Fries Various Veggies Ice Juicee</p>	<p>Exercise Tip: Get outside and enjoy the sunshine! Dig into the yard work as a family! -Juli Robine, PTA, BA. Advanced Rehab & Health Specialists</p> <p>April 8th Waffles w/syrup Sausage Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Cook's Choice</p>	<p>K-5 Breakfast \$1.50 6-12 Breakfast \$1.75 Extra Milk \$.50 Menu subject to change.</p>
<p>April 11th Assorted Cereals Milk Veggie Quesadilla Tortilla Chips w/ salsa Purple Fruits: Grapes, raisins or blueberries Ice Juicee P.A.C.K. Week- Purple Day</p>	<p>April 12th Granola Bars String Cheese Milk Chicken Strips/Nuggets White Veggies: Cauliflower, Potato White Fruits: Bananas, "white" peaches or pears P.A.C.K. Week- White Day</p>	<p>April 13th Pillsbury Fudgel (Cherry or Apple) Cheese Wedge Milk Gionino's Pizza Green Veggies: Garden Salad Green Apples Red Fruits: Strawberries, Red apple slices or Kiwi Jello Cup P.A.C.K. Week- Green Day</p>	<p>April 14th Breakfast-on-a-stick Milk Cheeseburger & Potato Red Veggies: Tomatoes, red pepper slices Fruits: Apricots, pineapple chunks P.A.C.K. Week- Red Day</p>	<p>April 15th Egg & Cheese Bagel Sandwich Cook's Choice Yellow/Orange Veggies: Carrots Yellow/Orange Fruits: Apricots, pineapple chunks P.A.C.K. Week- Yellow/Orange Day</p>	<p>*When it comes to good nutrition, all forms of fruits and veggies matter! Whether fresh, frozen, canned, fried or 100% juice, eating more fruits and veggies are a delicious and convenient way to keep you healthy year round!</p>
<p>April 18th Assorted Cereals Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Homemade Macaroni & Cheese Bread w/ Peanut Butter Various Veggies Assorted Fruit Meatless Monday</p>	<p>April 19th Assorted Cutie Pie Fruit Turnover Milk Turkey Pot Pie Mashed Potatoes Various Veggies Assorted Fruit No-Bake Cookie</p>	<p>April 20th Pillsbury Mini-Cinni's String Cheese Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Stuffed Crust Pizza Garden Fresh Salad Mixed Fruit Pudding Cake April 27th Egg & Cheese English Muffin Sandwich Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Dominos' Pizza Garden Fresh Salad Mixed Fruit Fresh Baked Cookie</p>	<p>April 21st Breakfast Burrito Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Cook's Choice</p>	<p>April 22nd Good Friday! No School!</p>	<p>*Fruits and veggies provide a combination of great taste, nutrition and variety. They are nature's perfect convenience food! *Eating more fruits and vegetables helps maintain a healthy weight.</p>
<p>April 25th Assorted Cereals Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Pasta Marinara w/Cheese Breadsticks Various Veggies Assorted Fruit Meatless Monday</p>	<p>April 26th Cheese Wedge Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk Submarine Sandwich Chips, Fruit Cup, Bug Bites Grahams</p>	<p>April 29th Pillsbury Mini-Pancakes Sausage patties Assorted Fruits/Juice Milk National Pancake Day! Chili w/ Scramble Creech-It's Variety of Veggies Assorted Fruit</p>	<p>April 29th Cook's Choice</p>	<p>April 29th Cook's Choice</p>	<p>IN-DEMAND CAREER TRAINING! Diploma and Degree Programs Offered Financial assistance available for those who qualify. Placement Assistance Available.</p>

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Crestwood High School Events for APRIL 2011

Friday, April, 01

Spring Break--no school

5:00PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Tournament @ Lakewood High School

Saturday, April, 02

9:00AM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Home Don Faix Invit.
10:00AM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Tournament @ Lakewood High School (2 games)

Monday, April, 04

Spring Break--no school

*4:15PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Ravenna
*4:15PM Boys JV Baseball Home Ravenna
*4:15PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Ravenna
*4:15PM Girls JV Softball Home Ravenna
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Away Woodridge

Tuesday, April, 05

4:00PM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Home Rootstown
*4:15PM Boys Varsity Baseball Home Ravenna
*4:15PM Boys JV Baseball Away Ravenna
*4:15PM Girls Varsity Softball Home Ravenna
*4:15PM Girls JV Softball Away Ravenna
4:15PM Boys Varsity Tennis Away Aurora
4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Ravenna @ City Park

Wednesday, April, 06

4:15PM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Aurora
4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Home North (Akron)

Thursday, April, 07

4:30PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Garfield
4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Chardon

Thursday, April, 07

4:30PM Boys JV Baseball Home Garfield
4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Garfield
4:30PM Girls JV Softball Home Garfield
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Home Ravenna

Friday, April, 08

2:15PM Home Spring Sports Pep Assembly (School)
4:30PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Windham
4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Twinsburg
4:30PM Boys JV Baseball Home Windham
4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Windham

Saturday, April, 09

9:00AM Home Crestwood Open Wrestling Tour
10:00AM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Away East Canton Invitational

11:00AM Boys Freshman Baseball Home St. Ignatius High School/DH Game 1

1:00PM Boys Freshman Baseball Home St. Ignatius High School/DH Game 2

Monday, April, 11

3:00PM Drama Tech Week in Gym
*4:15PM Boys Varsity Baseball Home Springfield
*4:15PM Boys JV Baseball Away Springfield
*4:15PM Girls Varsity Softball Home Springfield
*4:15PM Girls JV Softball Away Springfield
4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Aurora
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Away Norton

Tuesday, April, 12

3:00PM Drama Tech Week in Gym
*4:15PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Springfield
*4:15PM Boys JV Baseball Home Springfield
*4:15PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Springfield
*4:15PM Girls JV Softball Home Springfield
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Home Coventry
*4:30PM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Home Springfield

Wednesday, April, 13

3:00PM Drama Tech Week in Gym
4:30PM Boys Varsity Baseball Home Aurora
4:30PM Boys JV Baseball Away Aurora
4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Home Aurora
4:30PM Girls JV Softball Away Aurora

Thursday, April, 14

3:00PM Drama Tech Week in Gym
4:30PM Boys Varsity Baseball Home Rootstown
4:30PM Boys JV Baseball Away Rootstown
4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Home Rootstown
4:30PM Girls JV Softball Away Rootstown
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Home Field

Friday, April, 15

3:00PM Drama Tech Week in Gym
4:00PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Spring Showcase @ Firestone Stadium (2 games)
4:00PM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Away Rough Rider Invit @ Kent
4:30PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Garfield @ KSU Stadium
*4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Home Woodridge
4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Away Barberton High School
7:30PM Home Spring Drama Production

Saturday, April, 16

10:15AM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Aurora @ Roosevelt Park

11:00AM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Southeast
11:00AM Boys JV Baseball Away Garfield/DH Game 1
1:00PM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Southeast
1:00PM Boys JV Baseball Away Garfield/DH Game 2
7:30PM Home Spring Drama Production

Sunday, April, 17

2:00PM Home Spring Drama Production
3:00PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Spring Showcase vs Independence @ Firestone Stadium

Monday, April, 18

*4:30PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Norton
4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Marlington @ Butler Rodman Pk
*4:30PM Boys JV Baseball Home Norton
*4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Norton
*4:30PM Girls JV Softball Home Norton
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Away Kent Roosevelt

Tuesday, April, 19

*4:30PM Boys Varsity Baseball Home Norton
*4:30PM Boys JV Baseball Away Norton
*4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Home Norton
*4:30PM Girls JV Softball Away Norton
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Home Woodridge
*4:30PM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Home Southeast and Field

Wednesday, April, 20

3:00PM Home Spring Sports Picture Day
4:15PM Boys Varsity Tennis Home Aurora

Thursday, April, 21

4:00PM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Away Aurora Invitational
4:30PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Woodridge
*4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Home Ravenna
4:30PM Boys JV Baseball Away Woodridge
4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Woodridge
4:30PM Girls JV Softball Home Woodridge
4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Home Twinsburg

Friday, April, 22

4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Home Chardon
4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Streetsboro
4:30PM Girls JV Softball Home Streetsboro

Saturday, April, 23

*11:00AM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Field/DH Game 1
*1:00PM Boys Freshman Baseball Away Field/DH Game 2

Monday, April, 25

4:30PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Alliance
4:30PM Girls JV Softball Away Alliance

Tuesday, April, 26

*4:15PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Kent Roosevelt
*4:15PM Boys JV Baseball Home Kent Roosevelt
*4:15PM Girls Varsity Softball Away Kent Roosevelt
*4:15PM Girls JV Softball Home Kent Roosevelt
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Away Ravenna
*4:30PM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Home Coventry and Ravenna

Wednesday, April, 27

*4:15PM Boys Varsity Baseball Home Kent Roosevelt
*4:15PM Boys JV Baseball Away Kent Roosevelt
*4:15PM Girls Varsity Softball Home Kent Roosevelt
*4:15PM Girls JV Softball Away Kent Roosevelt
*4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Home Norton

Friday, April, 29

4:00PM Boys/Girls Varsity Track Away Orange Relays
4:30PM Boys Freshman Baseball Home Aurora
4:30PM Boys Varsity Tennis Away Painesville Harvey

Saturday, April, 30

11:00AM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Twinsburg/DH Game 1
11:00AM Boys Freshman Baseball Home Twinsburg/DH Game 1
11:00AM Boys JV Baseball Away Twinsburg/DH Game 1
1:00PM Boys Varsity Baseball Away Twinsburg/DH Game 2
1:00PM Boys Freshman Baseball Home Twinsburg/DH Game 2
1:00PM Boys JV Baseball Away Twinsburg/DH Game 2



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High School . . .

Hershey Track Camp June 13-18 Crestwood High School Track

Crestwood All Sports Boosters will sponsor Crestwood Youth Track in hosting a Hershey Track camp and meet in June. This 4 day camp culminates in 2 meets. Friday will be ages K-8 and Saturday will be ages 9-14. We will work on skills in a variety of events and athletes will choose up to 3 events for the meet. Ages 9-14 can qualify for the Hershey State Meet in Columbus by winning their event on Saturday. Information will be coming home with students and will be available at the schools. Questions can be referred to Mrs. Thigpen 330-274-2249 or Mrs. Ondash 330-422-4103.



Senior "Spirit" Mentors Bring Cheer

At a recent Crestwood-Field Basketball game, senior Marissa Weatherby mentored Carolyn Dichezy and Jackie Wagner in spirit and cheerleading.

CHS STUDENTS & ATHLETES OF THE MONTH



Back Row Left to right:
Karlie Lieberth, 11; Zach Fejedelem, 12; Wes Skupski, Basketball; Courtney Berish, Bowling; Kayla Nida, 12
Front: Rebecca Pochedly, 09
Not Pictured: Marcus Weatherbee, 10; Mike Long, Bowling

CMS MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



6th Grade: Gabrielle Campana, Megan Cymanski, Michael Picone, Logan Thut, Ashley Prater, Jacob Krupp

7th Grade: Audrey Kulish, Jarek Manners, Brittany Caldwell, Samuel Oliphant, Sydney Nemece, Alexander Bowser

8th Grade: Ashley Adkins, Dane Etto, Kaitlyn Benjamin, Michael Nally, Madison Sara, Jeremy Hand

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8th Graders Visit Washington DC

A group of approximately 100 students visited Washington, D.C. last March. Students enjoyed the American History and Air & Space Museum, the Washington Monument, the Capital Building and White House; Arlington Cemetery; Lincoln, Jefferson and Roosevelt Memorials; WWII, Vietnam and Korean War Memorials; and the Peterson House. Students were moved by finding family members listed on the war memorials, and were able to make connections to history learned with sights visited. To view more photos, visit the website.



Middle School . . .



Three Middle School Students Qualify for State Power of the Pen Contest

Results for the state qualifiers of the Power of the Pen have gone public. Congratulations to Hannah Hilty, Sam Oliphant and Cate McSwain who will represent CMS in May at Wooster College. Additional praise goes to Hannah Hilty for yet another award, the Director's Choice Award for a story she wrote at the Kent State University competition in February titled, "Off to War We Go."

7th Graders Replicate Ancient Roman Achievements



Front Row (L – R) Brittany Pich, Keri Fisher
Back Row (L – F) Noah Stuczynski, Morgan Faldowski,
Sammi Boross, Autumn Battiest, Sydney Nemece

While learning about the ancient Roman Empire, Ms. Reed's 7th grade Social Studies classes replicated some Roman ideas and accomplishments. Included were architectural and technological advances, battle strategies and weaponry, daily life including food eaten, and of course, gladiators and the Colosseum.



Cameron Mordue, Nathan Pallotto,
& Adam Atkinson



Robby Connors & Chris Colbetzor



Middle School Students Mimic French Artists

Crestwood Middle School French students held an art exhibit of their own works, inspired by Vincent Van Gogh and Paul Gauguin. They drew from life, like Van Gogh, and also from imagination, like Gauguin. At the exhibit, French students left comments for each other in French, while teachers and staff also wrote feedback for participants.

Intermediate School . . .

GeoBoards Make Geometry Real

The fourth graders are currently working on a Geometry unit. Recently, the students in Mrs. Franks' math classes worked with GeoBoards to create polygons. Pictured are students from Mrs. Cobb's homeroom working with the GeoBoards.



Speech Therapy Includes Social Skill Groups

Speech therapy is not just "speech" anymore. Speech Services are now focused on "total communication." Beyond just "speaking correctly," therapy includes listening skills, writing skills, social skills, reading skills, and at the Intermediate School, the "Lunch Bunch."

Therapy that focuses on communication that addresses all these areas is essential for students to succeed in the classroom and in society. Collaboration with general education standards is also extremely important to support speech students in their classroom settings. This means using grade-level vocabulary words and practicing the sequences that they need in math, writing, and reading.

Therapy has moved from small group sessions in the speech room to the classroom, cafeteria, and at recess to carryover skills acquired in those sessions. Memory and processing skills are coordinated between the Speech/Language therapist, Mrs. Braden and the Music teacher, Mrs. Jarvi.

The "Lunch Bunch" and Social Skills groups are fun approaches to get to know students better, work on manners, and talk about school issues. These groups are organized and implemented by the Speech/Language therapist, Mrs. Braden; Guidance Counselor, Mr. Traveny; and School Psychologist, Dr. Kraynak.

The newest approach for "Social Skills" consists of groups at all three grade levels with 10-15 students per group. There have been three sessions, so far, focusing on listening skills, making friends, and comparing personalities and interests. Students have enthusiastically participated in the planned activities.

It is exciting to try new approaches in therapy to help students become good citizens and responsible community members. Different types of therapy styles are essential in order to address the many challenges that our students are facing today.



Third Graders Learn Musical "Families"

The third grade classes are finishing their unit on musical instruments. Students now can divide the instruments into family groups based on characteristics. They have learned how each family produces a sound and have experimented with how size and length effect pitch.

Brennan Vaughn, Nolan Teece and Leah O'Laughlin demonstrate how to 'buzz' their lips through a mouthpiece to produce a sound on our "brass" instruments.

Crestwood Lil' Red Devils Football & Cheerleading

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Primary School . . .

Dr. Seuss Week in First Grade!



Mrs. Trivelli reads a Dr. Seuss book to Mrs. Picone's class.



Theoren, Aidan and Kelsey show off their animal paintings based on the book *If I Ran the Zoo* by Dr. Seuss.



Mrs. Picone's class in their "cat hats" based on the story, *The Cat in the Hat* by Dr. Seuss

The first grade students in Mrs. Picone's and Miss Benton's classes celebrated the books of Dr. Seuss during the week of his birthday, March 2. Some stories read were: *Green Eggs and Ham*, *The Cat in the Hat*, *If I Ran the Zoo* and *There's a Wocket in My Pocket*. Both classes integrated that week's lessons and skills into learning about the books of Dr. Seuss. We had a great time learning rhyming skills, long vowels, painting animals that we would put in the zoo and eating green eggs and ham too. Mrs. Trivelli came in and read a Dr. Seuss book to our class, titled *I Can Read With My Eyes Shut*.

Young Entrepreneurs make their Start with Philanthropy



Although many wealthy entrepreneurs create a name for themselves through their generous philanthropy, our young entrepreneurs are creating a business solely to raise money for a cause.

The young entrepreneurs in Ms. Boyle's and Mrs. Grebb's second grade classes have been busily crocheting to meet the demand of their new business, Friendship Bracelets.

The business began after the students expressed an interest in helping one of their friends, Emily Ziska, who until recently had been a student in Mrs. Grebb's class. Emily's baby sister, Isabella, was born with a rare autoimmune disease. Isabella is currently being treated in Cincinnati and Emily's family has relocated to be near her.

The students wanted to do something to help Emily and the idea of using their new found crocheting skills to make friendship bracelets to

sell was born. Many different skills go into making a bracelet. The children had to measure the length of yarn to be used. They had to advertise their business by making posters and doing announcements over the loud speaker. They had to count money and make change during the sale.

Many economic terms were also reinforced with this project. For example, the classes experienced a scarcity of bracelets when they sold out on their first day of the sale, even though they had made over 300 bracelets! This experience made the topic of supply and demand and the difference between producers and consumers more concrete for the students. Most importantly, students are learning to think of others and they are having fun learning.

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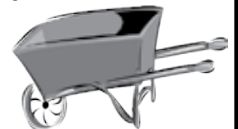
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