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AUGUST 2023

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**200**  
**YEARS**  
*Roaring Strong*





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## Superintendent's Message

Welcome to a brand-new year in Canton Local Schools! We are glad to have you as part of our Wildcat family and hope you are looking forward to the 2023-2024 academic year.



**Brett Yeagley**

Canton Local Schools will celebrate its impressive milestone of reaching its 200th Anniversary in 2024! A celebration planning committee is working to create a series of events and activities that will commemorate the school's rich history and contributions to the community over the past two centuries. The committee has already begun outlining plans for the upcoming celebration, but there is still much to do. The next planning committee meeting is on Wednesday, September 6, at 4:30 pm in the Canton South High School Community Room. The meeting is open to all individuals who wish to participate and lend their ideas, skills and support to make the anniversary celebration successful. Whether you are a current or former student, a member of the staff, a parent or a community member interested in the school's history and future, you are encouraged to attend.

Every year, our students consistently demonstrate their dedication and excellence in various aspects of school life. They shine not only in academics but also on the athletic field, in the performing arts, and in their participation in extracurricular activities. Our employees care deeply about students' success, and our parents and community support our schools tremendously. We are incredibly proud of our schools' continued commitment to preparing our Wildcats to find their "E" – enrolled, employed or enlisted.

Stay connected with us through our district website, Facebook page, and Twitter account, where you'll find the latest updates, news, and announcements about our school's activities and accomplishments. It's an excellent way to remain engaged and be part of the ongoing conversations within our school community. Go Wildcats!

## CLSD Board Of Education

### Board of Education Members

- Rick Knight, President
- Tom Kovesci, Vice President
- Chris Cole, Member
- Annette Davis, Member
- Scott Hamilton, Member

### Board of Education Meetings

The board meetings are held at Canton South High School in the Performing Arts Center at 7:00 pm, the third Monday of each month (\*except as noted).

- August 21, 2023 (6:30am before convocation)
- September 18, 2023
- October 16, 2023
- November 20, 2023
- December 18, 2023

## New to the District?

New to the District? Online registration forms for students (K-12) new to Canton Local Schools can be found at [cantonlocal.org/Content/newstudents](http://cantonlocal.org/Content/newstudents). Parents can now upload the required documents to the program! Need help? Call 330-484-8010.

## First Day Forms Available

The district is once again using the First Day Forms online system. This process replaces hard copy student registration and permission forms typically sent home on the first day of school. Families should have received an email with their student's snapcode and link to the Powerschool enrollment system. All forms must be submitted prior to the first day of school. Those with questions can email online.enrollment@cantonlocal.org or call 330-484-8010.

## Immunizations Required

Students entering kindergarten, seventh, and twelfth grade in 2023-2024 will need the required ODH immunizations to be completed by August 22, 2023. Immunization records (or an exemption form) can be submitted to the school's clinic nurse/staff during Readyfest or the first day of school. If you have further questions or concerns, please contact the Canton Local Nurses.

Canton South Middle / Faircrest: [ashley.kandis@cantonlocal.org](mailto:ashley.kandis@cantonlocal.org)

Canton South High School: [lori.serafini@cantonlocal.org](mailto:lori.serafini@cantonlocal.org)

## Holiday Assistance Available

Even though there is still plenty of summer left, it's not too soon to be thinking about the upcoming holidays. If you anticipate needing assistance with a Thanksgiving meal, Christmas gifts for the kids or food for Christmas day and break, please let Family Support know NOW by emailing [ann-margaret.lambo@cantonlocal.org](mailto:ann-margaret.lambo@cantonlocal.org) or calling 330-484-8000, Ext. 1129 or 330-844-2111 and leaving a message. Ann Margaret will be in touch sometime in late September.

## Free Wildcat Preschool

The Wildcat Preschool offers early development learning for children that live in the Canton Local School District. The program is rated 5 Stars by the Ohio Department of Education. This is the highest rating a preschool can receive. Wildcat Preschool includes free meals and transportation to and from Faircrest Memorial Elementary School. Class rosters are filling up fast for the Fall of 2023. Call 330-484-8022 for more information or to put your child's name on the waitlist for next year.

## Student Mentoring Partnership

Faircrest Memorial Elementary and Canton South Middle Schools partner with The Legacy Project of Stark for school-based mentoring programs! Do you have one hour a week during the school year to dedicate time to building meaningful relationships with students from our community?

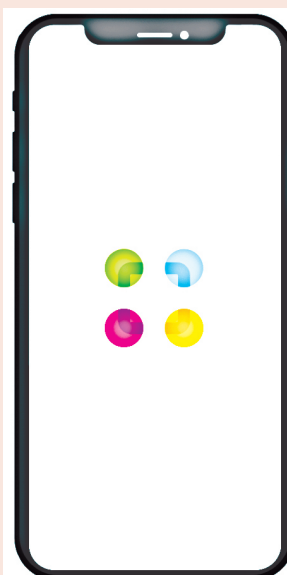
Sign up to mentor at: [forms.gle/rFGMWLPA2gU8gXzK6](https://forms.gle/rFGMWLPA2gU8gXzK6) or go to [lpstark.org/apply-to-mentor](http://lpstark.org/apply-to-mentor).

## District Uses ParentSquare for School Communications

Canton Local Schools is now using ParentSquare for District and school communication. An account is automatically generated for each parent/guardian, using contact information in Powerschool so that you can get important, urgent, and emergency communications. We encourage families to access their accounts so they can download the mobile app and update their preferences on when and how they are notified.

Here's what you can do with ParentSquare:

- Receive messages from the school via email, text, or app notification
- Choose to receive information instantly when it's sent out, or all at once in one message at 6 PM daily
- See calendar items
- Sign up to volunteer and much more, all in one centralized place!



**Download the ParentSquare mobile app**

Send and receive school communications on the go



All district and school, grade level and classroom information will now be sent to your computer or phone via email and/or text. For even more convenience, download the ParentSquare app.

Have questions? Click the question mark in the top right corner of the desktop version or the Help tab on the app (tap the triple bar icon at the top left) to find answers.

## Welcome Newborn Wildcats

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 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!



## Mark Your Calendars

### August

- 22 First Day Grades 1-9
- 23 All Students Attend Prek-12 - (except K)
- 25 First Day of Kindergarten (See FMES page for details)

### September

- 1 No School
- 4 Labor Day - No School

### October

- 9 Teacher Day - No School
- 27 Waiver Day - No School



## Residents Pay Less Tax, Utility Companies Pay More

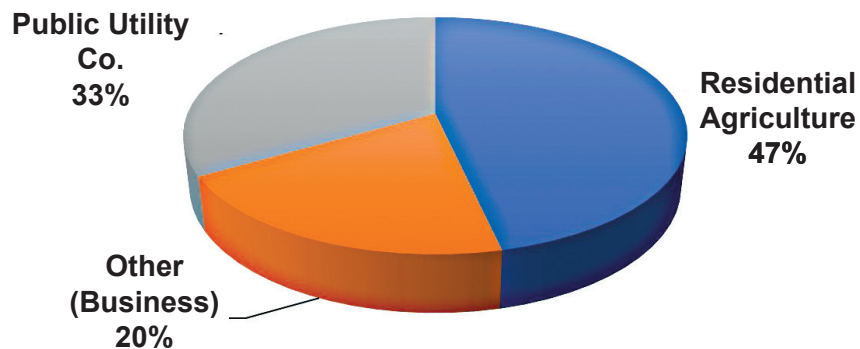
Assessed property values are the basis for property tax collection in the State of Ohio. Many school districts, including Canton Local, rely on local property taxes as a significant source of the annual budget. Property taxpayers are broken up into three categories, each paying a different effective tax rate: Residential/Agricultural (homeowners and farmers), Other (mainly businesses), and Public Utility Personal Property (electric and gas/oil companies).

Think of the entire tax obligation of the district's taxpayers as a whole pie, with each of the three categories paying a certain percentage of the pie. As one group increases or decreases, the other types pick up a smaller or larger portion of the pie.

Public utility valuations (company worth) have nearly doubled in the past five years due to legislative changes and improvements made to power facilities in our District. What this means is that our public utility companies are paying a significantly larger percentage of the district's taxes. This shift has resulted in lower tax rates for residential taxpayers over the same period. The effective tax rate paid by residential taxpayers in 2014 was approximately 38 mills. In 2023, the effective tax rate dropped to just slightly over 26 mills, saving homeowners nearly 12 mills.

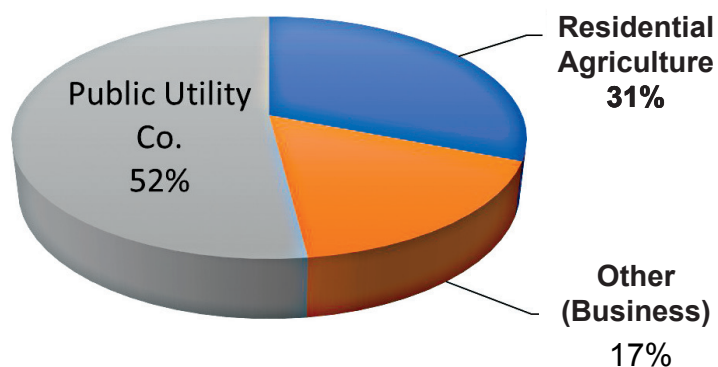
The tables below show the change in tax percentages from 2014 to 2023.

**PERCENTAGE OF DISTRICT TAXES BY CATEGORY IN 2014**



In 2014, homeowners paid the highest percentage of the district's taxes by a considerable margin.

**PERCENTAGE OF DISTRICT TAXES BY CATEGORY IN 2023**



In 2023, public utility companies are paying the highest percentage of the district's taxes. This is due to legislative changes and improvements made at local power facilities.

These changes have a significant impact on the Bond Levy that passed in 2013 at an estimated 8 mills, or about \$248 per year for a \$100,000 homeowner. Since our public utilities are paying more, the actual 2023 rate being collected to repay the bonded debt is only 4.1 mills, or about \$125 per year for the same \$100,000 homeowner – a savings of \$123 per year.

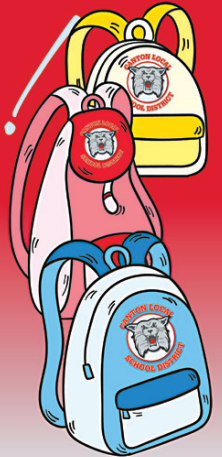
Although there are no guarantees, our hope is that this trend continues and that the residents of Canton Local will continue to be responsible for a smaller portion of the tax pie.

## Back to Class! READYFEST

**Canton South Middle School (Grades 6-8)**  
August 17 • 4:30-6:30 pm

**Faircrest Elementary School (Grades 3-5)**  
August 17 • 4:00-6:00 pm

**Faircrest Elementary School (Prek-2)**  
August 21 • 4:00-6:00 pm



## EV Charging Station at CSMS

The charging stations at Canton South Middle School provide an option for local electric vehicle drivers. The units installed in the front parking lot are available for public use. Customers will pay a per-hour fee based on current electric rates. The station is capable of charging four vehicles at any given time.

The EV stations are part of the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission requirement that each school building it funds seek LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver certification. The rating system looks at design and construction practices, including daylighting, classroom acoustics, indoor air quality, sustainable building materials, and energy efficiency.





CANTON LOCAL

## NUTRITION SERVICES

*Fuel Up for Life*

### Ashley Morena, Nutrition Services Director

We have seen tremendous success in our program over the last few years and are happy to announce that we can provide FREE breakfast to all Canton South High Students through the universal free breakfast program during the 2023-2024 school year. All students at Faircrest Memorial Elementary and Canton South Middle Schools will receive FREE breakfast and lunch under the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP).

### More than free lunch!

It is imperative that ALL families complete the free and reduced meal application, also known as the meal benefits application. When a parent/guardian completes the meal application, it can potentially assist with school fees, increase funding to support our schools and more. Help yourself and our district qualify for additional funding opportunities by applying for free or reduced meals for the upcoming school year. \*Paper applications will be mailed home, however, the recommended way to complete the application is online at [payschoolscentral.com](https://payschoolscentral.com). Email [ashley.morena@cantonlocal.org](mailto:ashley.morena@cantonlocal.org) for your student's ID number.

\*If your student attends Faircrest Elementary or Canton South Middle Schools, your student will receive free meals through the CEP program. However, completing the meal benefits form is still important even though all students at those buildings receive free meals.

### What Makes a Meal?

Did you know that all students can take an entree, 2 fruits, 2 vegetables, and milk for lunch?

### Meal Prices

#### Breakfast

PreK-12: FREE  
Non Student: \$3.00

#### Lunch

Prek-8: FREE  
Grades 9-12: \$3.75  
Reduced: FREE\*\*  
Non Student: \$5.25  
Extra Milk: \$.60

\*\*Under the newly signed Ohio Budget bill, reduced priced meals will now be fully reimbursed by the State of Ohio.

### Stay connected:

Instagram @csnutritionserv

Facebook @CSNutritionserv

*This institution is an equal opportunity provider.*

**My School  
MENUS**



### What's on the menu?

My School Menus is the fastest and easiest way to view your child's school lunch and breakfast menu! Favorite Features:

- Most up to date menu
- Nutrition Information
- Carb Counts
- Filter by Allergens

We expect supply chain challenges receiving food and paper products to continue this year. Please know that even though the menu is subject to change (at times last minute), we will always provide delicious foods that students love.

### Download the app!

Paper menus will not be printed. Access all menus on the district website or download the "My School Menus" app by scanning the QR code below.







Connecting People with Hope

# Bridge Point



## The New Home of Bridge Point

Bridge Point is excited to continue our ministry in a new home that has represented ministry to Canton South for decades! Follow us on Facebook @bpserves!

## WE ARE GROWING! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Interested in joining our team?

We are looking to add to the following positions:

Receptionist  
Cashier/Customer Service  
Cleaning Crew  
Small Repair Projects

Donation Sorter  
Learning Center Helper  
Maintenance Helper  
Digital Research

APPLY AT:  
[BRIDGEPOINTCS.ORG/VOLUNTEER](http://BRIDGEPOINTCS.ORG/VOLUNTEER)

CONTACT US  
330-484-3644

[BRIDGEPOINTSERVES@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BRIDGEPOINTSERVES@GMAIL.COM)



**SAT. AUG. 19**

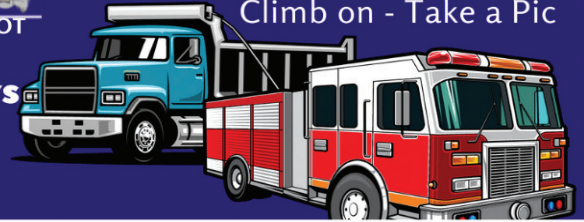
**4:30-6:30 pm**

FREE Family Activities!

**Touch A Truck!**  
Climb on - Take a Pic

**CANTON LOCAL SCHOOLS**  
PARKING LOT

**YARD GAMES  
FREE GIVEAWAYS  
SNACKS  
FUN ART  
AND MORE!**



## FREE BIKE RAFFLE!



All proceeds benefit Bridge Point Community Services

**SAT. AUG. 19**

TICKETS  
**\$18**



COMEDIAN  
**MIKE GOWIN**  
Refreshingly  
FUNNY.

**FAMILY  
FRIENDLY  
EVENT**



[bridgepointcs.org/events](http://bridgepointcs.org/events)

# Canton Township Faircrest Park

Come join us at Canton Township's Faircrest Park as our township joins in collaboration with Stark Parks and the Canton Symphony Orchestra to host this event. The date is August 17th with a 6:30 p.m. start. Enjoy sounds from the Brass Quintet!



## Enjoy the CSO live and outside for FREE!

Summer Serenades return in 2023. Join us for this free, collaborative series from the Canton Symphony Orchestra, Stark Parks, and the Mary Renkert Wendling Foundation. No registration is required ... just show up!

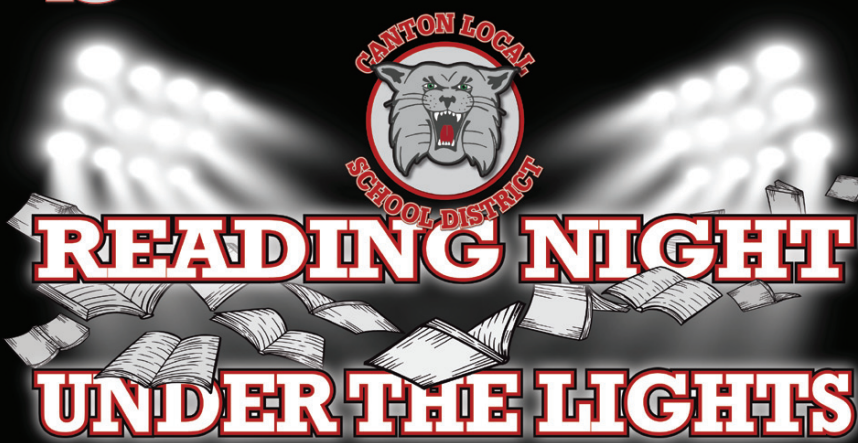
Enjoy the spontaneous sounds of nature with the orchestrated sounds of music! Summer Serenades is a family-friendly series of instrumental ensembles performing all over Stark County.

Bring your chair or blanket, favorite picnic food, and games; explore the parks and listen to the music!

Scan for more information.







## READING NIGHT UNDER THE LIGHTS

FMES will host the first Reading Under the Lights event on the turf of Brechbuhler Stadium, on Thursday, October 5 from 6:30 to 7:45pm bringing children from kindergarten through fifth grade together for a celebration of reading and community! The evening will feature celebrity readers, a book swap, scavenger hunt and much more! Midway through the event, there will be a "halftime huddle," when children and their families are invited to sit together in the middle of the field and read together.

Organizations interested in sponsoring or having a literacy-themed table at the event can contact [karen.vrabec@cantonlocal.org](mailto:karen.vrabec@cantonlocal.org).



## Lessons Learned at Safety World

Incoming kindergarten and first-grade students had a great time learning about all-things safety from district School Resource Officer Ousley, Canton Twp. Fire Department, Stark County Sheriff's Office, Stark County Prosecuting Attorney, Stark County Health Department, Goldfish Swim School and the Wheeling Lake Erie Railway. Thank you to the Canton South Rotary for sponsoring shirts and Smith's Waco Market for proving pizza. The weeklong event would not be possible without the help of our staff and student volunteers!

## Faircrest Start Dates Set

For the 2023-24 school year, first through fifth grade students will start school on August 22, with our preschool students. Students will come to school at the regular start time by riding the school bus or being a parent drop-off. At FMES, early drop off starts at 7:50 am, regular drop off starts at 8:20 am. The tardy bell rings at 8:35 am. Students will be dismissed at 3:00 pm.

Kindergarten students will start their school year on a different schedule. Each kindergarten student must be signed up for testing on either August 22, 23 or 24. The adult that brings the student must stay for the duration of these activities. All kindergarten students will have their first full day of school on Friday, August 25. If you have not scheduled your kindergarten student's date/time please call the school office, 330-484-8020, to schedule a time.



## Classes Prevent Summer Slide

Select students took advantage of our summer school learning programs. These programs utilize our excellent teachers working with children to help close learning gaps.

Thank you to Summer School Coordinator Amy Hogue and the elementary staff of **Jordan Murphy**, **Trinity Houze**, **Allie Wilson**, **Rachel Gibson**, and **Nikki Osborne**.

Special appreciation to **Ashley Morena** and the food services crew who diligently provided breakfast and lunch options each day during summer school, as well as **Joyce Kirkpatrick** and her transportation crew for making learning accessible for so many



## Camp Invention Features STEM

Forty-five students in kindergarten through fifth grade attended Camp Invention July 17-21 at Canton South Middle School. The camp was taught by **Melissa Brooks**, **Nicole Westfall**, **Corrine Thompson**, and **Jen Williams** (director).

The program is designed by the National Inventors Hall of Fame and features a STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) curriculum that challenges kids to build creative inventions through collaborative, creative problem-solving activities.





Front l-r: Addy Karovic, Easton Perrine, and Reign Morris. Back: Callie Difiori, Alivia Lab, Kya Froelich, Jessica Whalen, and Jza'Nyah Hill.

## Cheerleaders March in HOF Community Kickoff Parade

Canton South Middle School cheerleaders participated in the Pro Football Hall of Fame Community Parade on Sunday, July 23. The event included nearly 100 diverse parade units, including youth groups, marching bands, antique vehicles, and more. Thank you to CSHS senior cheerleaders **Callie Difiori** and **Jza'Nyah Hill** for their help!

## Hall Named Assistant Principal



Canton Local Schools is pleased to announce the hiring of **Adam Hall** as the Assistant Principal at Canton South Middle School. Hall is currently the Dean of Students at Canton South High School and head coach of the Wildcats girls basketball team. He will replace Assistant Principal Jaimie Brown, who served Canton Local for the past five years. The Board of Education approved

Hall's move to the middle school at the special June 27 meeting.

"We are fortunate to have someone with Adam's administrative experience and passion for education join our middle team," said Superintendent Brett Yeagley. "Adam has the ability to connect with students and encourage them to reach their maximum potential both in the classroom and on the court. He brings a wealth of knowledge and ideas that will enhance the great opportunities available to our middle school students."

Hall received his bachelor's degree in special education in 2008 from Malone University and his master's degree in educational leadership from Muskingum University in 2014. He has served in various educational leadership roles, including Director of Special Services at Buckeye Career Center, Middle School and High School Principal at Strasburg-Franklin, and Superintendent of the Strasburg-Franklin Local School District.

Hall will continue as the head coach of the Wildcats girls basketball team.

## Important Dates to Remember

- **Back to School Readyfest**  
Grades 6-8                      Thursday, August 17                      4:30-6:30 pm
- **First Day of School**                      Tuesday, August 22  
Students may enter CSMS at 7:15 am, the tardy bell will ring at 7:30 am and first period will begin at 7:35 am. School will end at 2:25 pm.

## SAVE THE DATE

**37th Annual  
Canton South Rotary  
Girls Basketball  
Preview**

**November 13, 2023  
Canton South  
High School  
6:00 p.m.**

**Rotary**  
Club of Canton South



## CANTON SOUTH ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

# Wildcats



## MEET THE TEAMS

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 2023 • 5:00pm  
CANTON SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL**

### Food Trucks

Adult Booster Club selling apparel - Old football jerseys available for \$10.  
Football Feed The Team Moms selling popcorn and drinks concession stand.  
Introductions start at 5:30pm

### Youth Sports

Football • Cheer • Soccer

### Middle School Fall Sports

Volleyball • Golf • Soccer • Football • Cheer • XC • Tennis

### High School Fall Sports

Tennis • Volleyball • Football • XC • Cheer • Boys & Girls Soccer • Boys & Girls Golf • Band  
Senior athletes will be introduced.

*Stay to support the girls soccer scrimmage vs Sandy Valley following introductions!*

*Come on out and scream for your team!*



## ‘Annie’ Auditions Announced

The Canton South Theater Department is thrilled to announce the staging of the ever-popular Broadway musical, “Annie,” on November 10, 11 and 12, 2023. This delightful production promises to be a remarkable showcase of talent and entertainment for all!



**Auditions and Casting:** All students in grades 3-12 are invited to audition. The show needs a large chorus, and everyone interested is encouraged to participate. The audition schedule is as follows:

- Grades 6-12 Auditions: Tuesday, August 29 from 3:00 - 6:00 pm in the PAC at Canton South High School
- Grades 3-5 Auditions: Wednesday, August 30 from 3:00 - 5:00 pm in the Faircrest Elementary Music Room
- Callbacks: Students auditioning for main parts will have callbacks on Thursday, August 31, from 3:00 - 5:00 pm, in the PAC at Canton South High School

**Audition Preparation:** Students planning to audition must prepare a song of their choice or may choose from familiar songs available at the auditions, such as “The Star-Spangled Banner,” “My Country ‘Tis of Thee,” “Silent Night,” and more. For those auditioning for the role of Annie, please prepare either “Tomorrow” or “Maybe.” Mr. Zamarelli will be glad to email the music to those who need it.

The auditions will be brief, taking approximately 5 minutes for each student. After singing, the students may leave.

**Contact Information:** For any questions or further information, please feel free to email Mr. Zamarelli at [john.zamarelli@cantonlocal.org](mailto:john.zamarelli@cantonlocal.org).

## Support Wildcat Sports

### Meet the Teams Night Friday, August 11, 5:00 pm

We will be recognizing youth, middle and high school sports and our Wildcat Marching Band! Refreshments will be available for purchase.

### Athletic Tickets On Sale

Individual Ticket Prices for Athletic Events

Canton South Middle School	Students/SR \$2.00	Adult \$5.00
Canton South High School	Students/SR \$4.00	Adult \$7.00

### Senior Citizens Pass

Canton Local residents, age 60 or older, may request a Canton Local Senior Citizen Pass at the Board of Education office located at Canton South High School 600 Faircrest St. SE Canton, Ohio 44707. This pass entitles senior citizens to free admission to all non-reserve seating school events held within the district with the exception of tournaments and licensed musicals/theatrical performances.

Reserve seating basketball season tickets are available to senior citizens for \$11.

### 2022 Fall Sports Season Pass

\$75.00 - General seating at home Football games and free admission to all Fall middle school and high school sport events (excluding tournament games)

## Mistletoe Hall Craft Show & Breakfast with Santa

### Mistletoe Hall Craft Show

Saturday, November 25 from 9 am to 3 pm

### Breakfast with Santa

Watch for details. Tickets will be available in the athletic department.



Canton South High School

# FIND YOUR “E” EVENT!

Open to the public! For those looking for a job or interested in learning more about career and work opportunities!

**September 28, 2023 - 5-6:30pm**

*Employed • Enrolled • Enlisted*

## Mark Your Calendars

### Canton South High School Upcoming Events

Tuesday, August 15	CTE Orientation 6:00 - 7:30 pm, CSHS Performing Arts Center (PAC)
Tuesday, August 22	Freshman Orientation Day
Wednesday, August 23	All HS students attend
Thursday, August 24	CSHS Open House 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Saturday, September 9	ACT testing at CSHS deadline August 4th
Tuesday, September 12	Picture Day (All students for school ID)
Saturday, September 16	Homecoming Dance
Thursday, September 28	Find Your E Event Military/College/Employer Fair 5:00 - 6:30pm
Thursday, September 28	Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:30pm
Wednesday, October 25	Picture retakes
Saturday, October 28	ACT testing at CSHS, registration deadline September 22
Saturday, November 11	CSHS Quarter Auction

## Wildcat Academic Achievements Recognized

Congratulations to Canton South HS students receiving honor and merit roll honors for the 2022/23 school year! Qualifying students will receive their certificate and bar/letter (if applicable) at the start of the 2023/24 school year.

### Honor Roll

Honor roll status is obtained with a weighted grade point average of 3.5 or above with no D's, F's, or U's all four 9 weeks of the 2022/23 school year. Students who qualified for four (4) nine-week honor roll status will receive

an academic letter unless an academic letter was previously awarded, then the student will receive an academic bar.

### Merit Roll

Merit roll status is obtained with a weighted grade point average of 3.0 or above with no F's or U's all four 9 weeks of the 2022/23 school year, in some combination of merit or honor roll status. CCP courses cannot be used for honor/merit roll calculation because those courses do not assign nine-week grades.

### 9th Grade Honor Roll

Jenna Allatzas  
Ellie Ayers  
Bree Boyd  
Payton Brown  
James Bryson  
Dillon Chessman  
Keandra Clark  
Abigail Collins  
Logan Covert  
Annastazia Covill  
Leah Cramer  
Joseph Daugherty  
Miles Fornash  
Katelyn Haddad  
Aniyah Hall  
Joshua Kendrick  
Benjamin Kuhn  
Ronan Lang  
Blake Leighley  
Booke Lockhart  
Peyton McKenzie  
Samuel Miller  
Ava Nolen  
Lily Noll  
Karson Rowe  
Cecelia Snyder  
Miley Spencer  
Landon White  
Madison Willis  
Blayten Young

### 10th Grade Honor Roll

Korryn Baddeley  
Sierra Beiter  
Madison Blile  
Donnie Boswell II  
Abigail Bryan  
Chloe Burt  
Dylan Dalton  
Storm Egnot  
Liberty Glover  
Sophia Greavu  
Avriana Griffith  
Gracelynn Haddad  
Joslyn Harsh  
Jacob Hawk  
Hannah Hawk  
Kyle Hein  
Bryan Horning II  
Luke Johnson  
Chase Kennedy  
Allison Kuhn  
Cirene Minor  
Abigail Moore  
Mikayla Ousley  
Alyssa Walker  
Marissa Zaleski

### 11th Grade Honor Roll

Victoria Barcus  
Sydney Comer  
Callie Difiori  
Erin Foster  
Ethan Fricke  
Cloie Greene  
Delaney Kruger  
Rowan Laughlin  
Joseph Meyer  
Kailey Morton  
Ariana Murphy  
Elliott Rambaud  
Austin Sickafoose  
Hunter Smith  
Ava Smith  
Jack Snyder  
Emily Thompson  
Caitlyn Wilkinson  
Mia Zellers

### 9th Grade Merit Roll

Nala Blankenship  
Lila Covert  
Ellie Difiori  
Delaney Hughes  
Camryn Isla  
Julianna Kieffer  
Ellianna Mayle  
Levi Pence  
Gabriel Pike  
Francesca Stevens  
Brayla Torrence  
Wyatt Tucker  
Serra Villella  
Max Wackerly  
Jacob Zellers

### 10th Grade Merit Roll

Marissa Anderson  
Kaitlyn Arena  
Kristen Babik  
Samantha Breitmeier  
Ariyonna Hackworth  
Cason Hale  
Laken Hale  
Mar'Tayja Hill  
Zachary Kendrick  
Tryston Kimberlin  
Antonia LaMotta  
Grady McGuyrt  
John Norris  
Dylan Payne  
Makya Pierce  
Matthew Rowe  
Natalie Smith  
Avery Tender  
Brooklyn Waidman  
Emmalii Wheeler  
Jacob Yoho

### 11th Grade Merit Roll

Camden Brooks  
Raena Campbell  
Mackenzie Davis  
Kaylynn Egan  
Aiden Geer  
Mason Kirkham  
Tovah Lacour  
Mikayla McInnes  
Zane Sonntag  
Shelby Wayble  
Haley Walters  
Alyssa Williams  
Logan Zerby



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### Athletic Booster Club

The Athletic Booster Club meets the last Monday of each month August through April at 6:30pm in the CSHS cafeteria. Learn more at [cantonsouthwildcats.com/canton-south-athletic-booster-club](http://cantonsouthwildcats.com/canton-south-athletic-booster-club).

### Fall Head Coaching Staff

**Football:** Matt Dennison

**Cheerleading:** Jessica Pipher

**Cross Country:** Scott Stayer

**Boys Golf:** Moe Daniska

**Girls Golf:** Dave Mullett

**Boys Soccer:** Ricky White

**Girls Soccer:** John Henkel

**Girls Tennis:** Rob Doerschuk

**Volleyball:** Troy Haight



For the most up-to-date schedules,  
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**[cantonsouthwildcats.com!](http://cantonsouthwildcats.com!)**

### FOOTBALL

8.18.23	St. Clairsville	H	7:00 PM
8.25.23	Dover	H	7:00 PM
9.1.23	Sandy Valley	A	7:00 PM
9.8.23	Orrville	H	7:00 PM
9.15.23	CVCA	H	7:00 PM
9.22.23	Manchester	A	7:00 PM
9.29.23	Triway	A	7:00 PM
10.6.23	Fairless (SR Night)	H	7:00 PM
10.13.23	Tuslaw	A	7:00 PM
10.20.23	Northwest	A	7:00 PM

### JV FOOTBALL

8.19.23	St. Clairsville	A	10:00
8.27.23	Dover	A	10:00
9.2.23	Northwest	H	10:00
9.9.23	Orrville	A	10:00
9.16.23	CVCA	A	10:00
9.23.23	Manchester	H	10:00
9.30.23	Triway	H	10:00
10.7.23	Fairless	A	10:00
10.14.23	Tuslaw	H	10:00
10.21.23			10:00

### CROSS COUNTRY

8.24.23	Jackson (Dual)	A	
8.30.23	East Canton Invite	A	
9.9.23	Wooster Invite	A	
9.16.23	Jackson Invite	A	
9.23.23	Sandy Valley Invite	A	
9.30.23	Stark County Invite (Glenoak)	A	
10.7.23	Tuslaw Invite	A	
10.14.23	PAC Invite	A	
10.21.23	Districts @ Glenoak	A	
10.28.23	Regionals @ Boardman	A	
11.4.23	State @ Fortress Obetz	A	

### VOLLEYBALL

8.22.23	St. Thomas Aquinas	H	5:30/6:30
8.24.23	Canton McKinley	H	5:30/6:30
8.29.23	Triway	H	5:30/6:30
8.31.23	Manchester	A	5:30/6:30
9.5.23	Fairless	H	5:30/6:30
9.7.23	Orrville	A	5:30/6:30
9.11.23	Carrollton	A	5:30/6:30
9.12.23	CVCA	H	5:30/6:30
9.14.23	Tuslaw	A	5:30/6:30
9.16.23	Minerva	A	11:00/12:00
9.18.23	Sandy Valley	A	5:30/6:30
9.19.23	Northwest	H	5:30/6:30
9.21.23	Triway	A	5:30/6:30
9.25.23	Kingsway Christian	H	5:30/6:30
9.26.23	Manchester	H	5:30/6:30
9.28.23	Fairless	A	5:30/6:30
9.30.23	Waynedale	A	10:00/11:30
10.2.23	Alliance	A	5:30/6:30
10.3.23	Orrville	H	5:30/6:30
10.5.23	CVCA	A	5:30/6:30
10.10.23	Tuslaw	H	5:30/6:30
10.12.23	Northwest	A	5:30/6:30

### GIRLS GOLF

8.4.23	Northwest (CCC)	A	12:00
8.7.23	LCC	H	11:00
8.8.23	Pre-Season Tournament @ Pleasant View	A	9:00
8.9.23	Alliance	A	12:00
8.10.23	Marlington	A	12:00
8.11.23	PAC Invite	A	8:30
8.14.23	Minerva (Rootstown)	A	9:00
8.15.23	Alliance Tournament	A	9:00
8.16.23	Louisville (Minerva)	A	3:30
8.21.23	CVCA	H	4:00
8.22.23	West Branch	H	4:00
8.23.23	Carrollton	A	4:00
8.24.23	CVCA	A	4:00
8.28.23	Canton McKinley	H	4:00
8.29.23	Canton McKinley	A	4:00
9.5.23	Fairless	A	3:30
9.11.23	LCC	A	4:00
9.12.23	Northwest	H	4:00
9.14.23	Minerva	H	4:00
9.18.23	Fairless	H	4:00
9.20.23	Post Season Tournament @ Zoar	A	9:00

### BOYS GOLF

8.4.23	CANTON MCKINLEY	H	10:00AM
8.8.23	ORRVILLE/FAIRLESS	H	11:00AM
8.9.23	NW INVITE (LYON'S DEN)	A	10:00AM
8.11.23	MANCHESTER/TRIWAY (SPRING HILLS)	A	1:00PM
8.14.23	DALTON INVITE (THE PINES)	A	8:00AM
8.15.23	MANCHESTER/TRIWAY	H	4:00PM
8.16.23	NORTHWEST	A	3:00PM
8.18.23	NORTHWEST	H	12:00PM
8.21.23	TUSLAW/CVCA	H	3:00PM
8.24.23	TUSLAW (THE ELMS-FRONT)	A	3:30PM
8.28.23	FAIRLESS (THE ELMS-MIDDLE)	A	3:30PM
8.30.23	TRIWAY/MANCHESTER (WOOSTER CC)	A	3:30PM
9.5.23	ORRVILLE/MANCHESTER (THE PINES)	A	3:30PM
9.6.23	MALVERN (GREAT TRAIL)	A	3:30PM
9.11.23	ALLIANCE (ALLIANCE CC)	A	4:00PM
9.12.23	CVCA	A	3:30PM
9.15.23	CVCA	H	4:00PM
9.18.23	PAC CHAMPIONSHIPS	A	10:00PM
9.19.23	TUSLAW	H	4:00PM
9.21.23	MINERVA (GREAT TRAIL)	A	3:30PM
9.25.23	WEST BRANCH (FLYING B)	A	4:00PM
9.30.23	STARK COUNTY INVITE	A	12:30

### BOYS SOCCER

8.23.23	Fairless	H	7:00
8.26.23	Minerva	A	1:00
8.29.23	Manchester	H	7:00
8.31.23	Sandy Valley	H	6:00
9.6.23	Orrville	A	6:30
9.11.23	Tuslaw	H	7:00
9.16.23	Tusky Valley	H	12:00
9.13.23	CVCA	A	
9.20.23	Northwest	A	7:00
9.23.23	Springfield	H	3:00
9.25.23	Triway	H	7:00
10.1.23	PAC Tournament	TBA	TBA
10.3.23	PAC Tournament	TBA	TBA
10.7.23	PAC Tournament	TBA	TBA
10.12.23	Massillon	H	7:00
10.14.23	Kenmore-Garfield	H	1:00

### GIRLS SOCCER

8.11.23	Sandy Valley	H	7:30pm
8.23.23	Fairless	A	7:00pm
8.29.23	Manchester	A	7:00pm
8.31.23	Canton McKinley	A	7:00pm
9.2.23	Holy Name	H	1:00pm
9.6.23	Orrville	H	7:00pm
9.9.23	Firestone	A	1:00pm
9.11.23	Tuslaw	A	5:00pm
9.13.23	CVCA	H	7:00pm
9.20.23	Northwest	H	7:00pm
9.23.23	Villa-Angela St. Joseph's	H	1:00pm
9.25.23	Triway	A	7:00pm
10.2.23	PAC Tournament	TBA	TBA
10.4.23	PAC Tournament	TBA	TBA
10.7.23	PAC Tournament	TBA	TBA
10.9.23	Ellet	H	7:00
10.11.23	CCC	H	7:00

### GIRLS TENNIS

8.8.23	Norton	A	4:30
8.9.23	Woodridge	H	
8.10.23	Triway	H	4:30
8.14.23	Massillon	H	4:30
8.16.23	Dover	A	
8.17.23	Marlington	A	4:30
8.21.23	Manchester	A	4:30
8.22.23	Lake	H	4:30
8.24.23	Central Christian	H	4:30
8.28.23	Canton McKinley	A	4:30
8.31.23	Orrville	H	4:30
9.7.23	Chippewa	H	4:30
9.9.23	Dover Invite	A	
9.11.23	Alliance	A	4:30
9.13.23	Claymont	A	
9.21.23	NET Tournament	A	9:00
9.25.23	Jackson	A	





# HALL OF DISTINCTION

## Class of 2023

Canton Local Schools will honor a select group of individuals who have had a profound effect on the district and community by inducting them into the Hall of Distinction. The members of the class of 2023 will be celebrated at the Hall of Distinction Recognition dinner and ceremony at Canton South High School on Thursday, September 14, 2023. Tickets for the dinner are \$45. There is no cost to attend the ceremony. RSVP at [tinyurl.com/CSAFFClassof2023](https://tinyurl.com/CSAFFClassof2023) or email [karen.vrabec@cantonlocal.org](mailto:karen.vrabec@cantonlocal.org) for ticket information.

Inductees in the Hall of Distinction must demonstrate an outstanding record of achievement spanning his or her professional career, distinguished service to their community or sustained activities that show an exceptionally strong commitment to the Canton Local community and must be of the highest integrity. Honorees do not need to be alumni of Canton South High School.



**Dr. Jon Ash:** Canton South High School 1983 graduate. Dr. Ash attended The University of Akron on a basketball scholarship and graduated with his bachelor's degree in 1987. He earned his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from The Ohio State University and the Academy of Operative Dentistry award in 1991. In 1991, he returned to Canton to open his private practice in general dentistry. Dr. Ash immediately immersed himself in professional, civic, and community organizations to begin giving back to the Canton South community and the community at large. In 1990, he and the Ash family started a scholarship program for Canton South scholar athletes to give back to Canton South High School and honor their father, Charles "Red" Ash.

Professionally, Dr. Ash has volunteered with programs like Give Kids A Smile, Canton Community Clinic, Mercy Dental Residency, and at local schools, ensuring that underserved children and adults receive access to dental care. He, his wife Dr. Dorene Ash, and family are members of the Chapel at Green, where through the church, have frequented the Yucatan Peninsula for dental mission trips to serve the Mexican and Mayan people. In 2015 he was also elected as a Fellow of The Pierre Fauchard Academy, an International Dental Honor Organization.



**Marty Bowe:** Canton South High School 1988 graduate and valedictorian. Bowe attended the Air Force Academy, graduating in the top 2% of his class with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He received his Master of Science degree in Industrial and Systems Engineering in 1994 from The Ohio State University, becoming the first person to have completed the program in 12 months. After 8 years as an active-duty Air Force Officer, Bowe became a champion for students and public education, starting his career in education in 2001 with the Perry Local School District serving as IT director, business manager, assistant superintendent, and superintendent.

In 2015 he joined the Stark County Educational Service Center as assistant superintendent. He is involved in many civic activities, including serving on the Boards of Canton South Rotary, Better Business Bureau, YMCA, and Aultman College, among others, and is a now-retired Lt Col from the US Air Force Reserves.



**Tim Miller:** Canton South High School 1960 graduate, CSHS teacher, and head baseball coach 1965-1993. Coach Miller is a 1964 graduate of Ohio Northern University, where he won two letters in football and four letters in baseball. He was captain of the baseball team during his senior year. In 1970, he received his master's degree from the University of Akron. In honor of his success and commitment to the CS baseball program, the Board of Education named the CS baseball field in his honor in 2013.

Coach Miller taught math, science, and physical education at Walker Elementary and Faircrest Memorial Middle School for 29 years. During that time, he served as

Canton South's head baseball coach, with a total record of 404 wins and 244 losses. Coach Miller's teams won the regional title four times, won the Federal League eight times, and earned one NBC championship.

Selected as Stark County Coach of the Year (1975), he coached in the 1984 All-Ohio Series. Coach Miller was inducted into the Stark County Baseball Hall of Fame in 1987 and the OHSBCA in 1991. He was very active in the OHSBCA as a member of the Board of Directors, director of the All-Ohio Series, Clinic Director, and past president of the Association.



**Nancy Kienzie Utterback Ph.D.:** Teacher and Canton South Speech Coach 1969 – 1986. Dr. Utterback earned a bachelor's and master's degree in Speech Communications and her Ph.D. in Education from the University of Akron. She taught English and speech at Canton South High School, earning honors such as Ohio Outstanding Speech Teacher (1980), Northwestern University Top Ten Outstanding Teachers in the U.S., and the Double Diamond Award for Speech Coaching Excellence, presented by the National Forensic League. In 1999 Dr. Utterback was inducted into the Ohio Speech and Debate Hall of Fame.

In 1986, she made a difficult decision to leave Canton South and establish Communicate Institute, a private enterprise, to spread her beliefs about effective communication and the reach of human potential. She would spend the next 25 years not only as a leading authority and presenter to hundreds of school districts throughout the Midwest, but she led management training to the highest levels of executive leadership across Ohio.



**Commissioner Bill Smith:** Bill Smith is a resident of Canton Township, where he has made significant contributions to the community and school district. For 14 years, from 2002 to 2016, he served as a Canton Township Trustee. Smith was elected as a Stark County Commissioner in 2016 and reelected in 2020 to serve an additional 4-year term.

A graduate of East Canton High School in 1974, Smith has been an integral part of the Canton business landscape since 1976, when he took over Smith's Waco Market. His involvement extends beyond his market, as he expertly manages multiple commercial properties under Smith Properties. Throughout the years, Smith has been a member of numerous local organizations, such as the Rotary Club of Canton South, Canton South Jaycees, Canton South Athletic and Band Booster Clubs, and the Canton South YMCA, actively contributing to their mission.

Smith's commitment to education and planning for Canton Local is evident through his dedicated service on the Canton Local Long Range Planning Committee and his vital role as a Levy Chairman. With his selfless dedication and diverse contributions, he remains a beacon of positive change for our schools, township, and the greater community.