



Updates from the Wildcats

February 2024

Message from the Superintendent

February is in the books and Spring is right around the corner! Winter sports are ending, and all our athletes and coaches represented Jeff Cat Nation with pride. Congratulations to Denise Lindeman and her Lady Cats basketball team as they completed an amazing four-year run with a “4-Peat” winning the Northwest Conference and Sectional Titles in four consecutive years.

The Delphos Jefferson choir and band programs had an excellent January as well. Directors Tammy Wirth (choir) and Cam Reed (band) each had three members who shined at the OMEA Competition. Choir members Cheyenne Weber, Payton Plescher and Carli Sommer received Superior ratings. Band members Tommy Stanton, Katie Knepper and Kierstynn Rose earned Excellent and Superior ratings as well. They move forward to the next level in the OMEA events next month.

The biggest topic on the horizon for 2024 is the April 8th Solar Eclipse. We have decided to use that day as a planned education day in the Delphos City Schools. Students and staff will work and educate from home on that day to avoid the chaos predicted by local experts. STEM Teacher Matt Spencer received a grant which will get every student and staff member a pair of rated Solar Eclipse Glasses and information worksheet. Experts predict that the population of Allen County could triple for the three-day weekend. Keeping our buses and parent traffic off the roads creates a safer environment for all. I do believe this is a great opportunity for families to learn together during a once in a lifetime event. The last total Solar Eclipse in Ohio happened in 1806 and the next will occur in 2099.

March 7th will be our next 2-hour delay Professional Development Day for our staff. The district just observed FFA Week with many great activities. Scott Elwer and his Officer Team do a really nice job representing Delphos. The Delphos FFA continues to win awards and represent the school and community in state events. March 24th is the FFA’s Annual Banquet. Keep your fingers crossed for excellent weather as Spring Sports get underway. As always, feel free to email or call if you have questions or concerns.

Go Jeff Cats!

Jeff Hobbs

Superintendent

TAKE NOTE:

March 7— 2 hour delay—Teacher Inservice

March 15—End of 3rd Quarter

March 27—Early Release 1:30 dismissal

March 28– April 1– No School

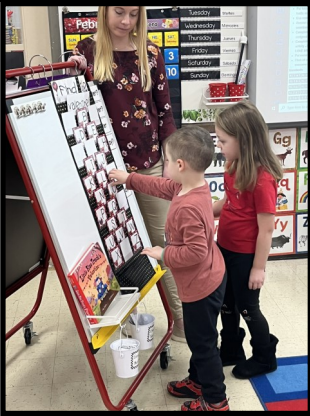
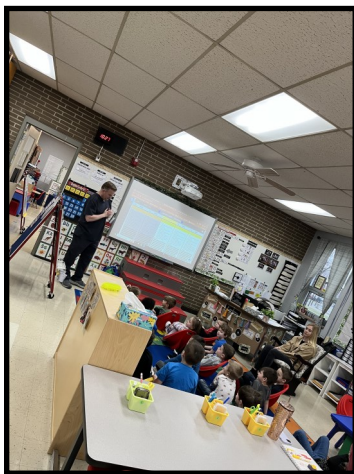
April 2– School Resumes

April 8– No School on Campus

April 19—4th Quarter Interims

Delphos Preschool

The preschoolers enjoyed various Valentine's activities including bringing in Valentine's boxes and passing out Valentine's to their classmates.



The preschoolers would like to thank Dr. Mohr for coming in to talk to them about the importance of keeping their teeth healthy.

Franklin

Please help us congratulate the January Students of the Month for Franklin Elementary. Congratulations to Faye Trujillo, Charlie Cunningham, Walter Wells, Gunnar Noftz, Claire Allen, Zane Krasky, Hunter Joseph, Kinsley Feathers, Charlee Spieles, Corbin Scales, Levi Rahrig, Jaciee Lambert, Kellin Tracy, Cameron Niles, Brenden Gillett, Skylar Parker, Gianna Richards and Nora Wisher.



Dr. Mohr made a visit to Franklin to teach students how to keep our teeth healthy.



SESA (Science Enhancement for Science Advancement) came in to talk to Beginndergarten and Kindergarten classrooms about water and weather. It was a fun, hands on lesson!



The 100th day of school was celebrated and brought on many fun learning activities. Students practiced counting to 100 by making necklaces, hunted for 100 Hershey kisses, made tall towers and completed 100 exercises. Yay for 100 days of school!

DJMS



Delphos Jefferson Middle School is proud to announce their January Students of the Month as nominated by staff. They are: Front Row l to r; 5th Graders: Tristan Weber and Sophia Spencer, 6th Graders: Ryleigh Richardson and Brody Hoffman. Back Row l to r; 7th Graders: Dalton Welker and Kate Brinkman, 8th Graders: Addison Eickholt and Zach East. Thanks to Van Wert Cinemas for providing each Student of the Month with a 30 day movie



168 Delphos Jefferson Middle Schoolers were recently rewarded at Delphos Recreation Center. Qualifying students exhibited excellent grades, attendance, behavior, and homework skills during the 2nd - 9 weeks.

Go Bowling!



DJMS 6th Grade Life Skills students get busy washing dishes, pots, and pans in preparation for their next big project!



"The 5th graders in Mr. Jettinghoffs science class continued learning about Light Energy today when Mrs Smith from the Allen County SESA program came and put the students through 5-6 experiments. The experiments were testing lights ability to Reflect, Refract, Absorb, or Transmit."



Jefferson Middle School

Cookie Dough & Gourmet Food Fundraiser

Hello Families - We Need Your Help!

Today we kick-off our School's Fundraiser. We can't reach our goal without your support and participation. **We are raising money for the benefit of EVERY student.** Thank you for your support!

We are asking **EVERY Student to Participate**. Please **REGISTER ONLINE TODAY** at www.FundPrizes.com, it only takes a minute. This will allow you to share via any Social Media platform, Text and Email. The more **YOU** spread the word, the **MORE** our school **EARNs**!

**PLEASE SELL AT LEAST
7 ITEMS AND WE WILL
HIT OUR GOAL!**

Middle School Fundraiser

Raising Money For:



**STUDENT
REWARDS AND
INCENTIVES**



**classroom
resources**



Make Checks Payable to: Jefferson Middle School
Family & Friends Nationwide Can Shop Online at ShopFund.com

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Feb. 25	26	27	28	29	March 1
		Gourmet Food & Cookie Dough Kick-Off!	Register & Share At FundPrizes.com	Register & Share At FundPrizes.com	Register & Share At FundPrizes.com
3	4	5	6	7	8
10	11	12	13	14	15
		All Orders & Payment Due!			

See Back Side For Student Rewards & Incentives!

Fundraiser Rewards!

REGISTER & SHARE FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN @ FUNDPRIZES.COM

\$100,000 in prize giveaways!

Plus, our school will benefit from Every Order!

Step 1



REGISTER TO ACCESS YOUR DASHBOARD
@ FundPrizes.com



SHARE FUNDRAISER NATIONWIDE WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS



TRACK YOUR SUPPORTERS AND SALES



SEND EMAILS RIGHT FROM THE DASHBOARD



REDEEM TICKETS AND SEE IF YOU ARE A WINNER

FRIENDS & FAMILY CAN SUPPORT ONLINE BY SHOPPING @ www.ShopFund.com



HOMEROOM PIZZA PARTY COMPETITION

The Homeroom with the Highest Participation of students who Register at FundPrizes.com and Share the Fundraiser with at Least 7 People Before 7:00 am this Friday, March 1st will earn a Pizza Party!



END OF SALE CUMULATIVE PRIZES! THE MORE YOU SELL THE MORE YOU EARN!

SELL 3 LOCAL BUSINESS INCENTIVE Gourmet Cupcake School Delivery from Ali's Sweet Treats	SELL 7 LOCAL BUSINESS INCENTIVE The Creamery Ice Cream You Choose the Flavor Delivered During Lunch!	SELL 15 FIELD TRIP TO Hero Day Including Pizza Lunch!	SELL 20 LOCAL BUSINESS INCENTIVE Lee's Famous Chicken Delivery for Lunch (Entrée, Side & Drink)
SELL 25 1 POUND MILK CHOCOLATE BAR FIND GOLDEN TICKET TRADE FOR 5 LB. BAR!	SELL 30 FREE COOKIE DOUGH Box of Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough Included with Order	SELL 40 BRING A FRIEND ON HERO DAY FIELD TRIP Bring a friend!	SELL 50 CASH CLIMBER SELL 50 = \$25 CASH SELL 75 = \$50 EXTRA (\$75 Total Cash) SELL 100 = \$75 EXTRA (\$150 Total Cash)

DJHS



NWC ALL LEAGUE SELECTIONS

Junior Karder Agner was selected to the All NWC Boys Basketball 1st Team and Senior Isaac Gallmeier an Honorable Mention.



GIRLS NWC ALL-LEAGUE RESULTS

The League selected Lyv Lindeman **PLAYER OF THE YEAR** and Denise Lindeman **COACH OF THE YEAR!** Awesome accomplishments for the mother and daughter duo. More honors for the 19-3 Wildcats included HONORABLE MENTIONS for Lauren French, Kyrstin Moore, and Madison Burris! Great work!!

OUTSTANDING IN THEIR FIELD!

Last week Vantage hosted over 600 students from Northwest Ohio for competitions in various career tech programs. I received an email from Mr Jim Fischer, School Counselor at Vantage, stating that "....Jefferson did awesome. I am proud of all three of these awesome students."

Jadrick Buffin - 2nd place in Job Demonstration

Katie Knepper, Kayden Slygh - 2nd place in Welding Fabrication

All three will be going on to the State tournament in Columbus!



HONORING DJHS ATL STUDENTS FOR 3RD Q!

DJHS employs the Above The Line (ATL) cultural paradigm that encourages all to be positive, accountable, and respectful. This is the cornerstone upon which we build the relationships and learning environments for student and teacher success. These students were nominated by their teachers and the ATL Student Team as ones that demonstrated ATL characteristics in action for January and February. The honorees are: (L-R) Carlie Sommers, Lani Warnement, Lucas Clay, Kellen Carder, Aubrey Dudgeon, Landon Belanger, and Lyv Lindeman. Honored but not pictured: Kearah Cain. Each student won an ATL T-Shirt. Aubrey Dudgeon and Lyv Lindeman were

QUIZ BOWL GOES TO COLLEGE

The sophomore & junior quiz bowl team represented Delphos Jefferson at the Wright State- Lake Campus Scholastic Bowl. Students from twenty-four area schools competed in answering questions about science, geography, history, math, art, language, sports, and much more! DJHS students had a great time touring the college campus, competing in academics, and, of course, eating pizza! Team members include Gweneth Wagner, Alex Groch, Kierstynn Rose, Dominic Boughan, and Tommy Stanton. We thank coach, Mrs. Rebekah Dubey, for all her time and efforts in reintroducing the opportunity for our students to compete!



FFA



Delphos FFA recently participated in subdistrict public speaking career development event at Hardin Northern High School. The purpose of this contest is to help students gain experience in public speaking as well as develop that art that it takes to address a group of people in a professional manner. Ella Wilson placed 2nd overall in the FFA prepared contest with a gold rating and will compete this this week at the District 4 contest at Spencerville High School for the right to compete in State Competition. Alex Groch competed in FFA beginning preapred speaking contest and placed 2nd overall with a gold rating and competes at districts as well.

FFA Week was Feb 19– Feb 23rd.

Interesting Facts about FFA

- The National FFA Emblem was adopted in the first national convention in 1928. The emblem consists of five symbols, along with the words "Agriculture Education" and "FFA," to tell the history, goals, and vision of the organization.
- Famous celebrities like Jimmy Carter, Bo Jackson, Matthew Fox, Tim McGraw, Taylor Swift and Easton Corbin were all members of the FFA
- In the beginning of the National FFA Organization, membership dues were only 10 cents. Today they are now \$25!
- There are more than 945,988 FFA members in the country and 9,163 chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands