

# THE MORGAN READER

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Due to the recent health concern of the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), all Morgan Local School District schools, events, activities, and athletics have been suspended until April 5th, 2020. At that time, Morgan Local Schools will determine the next steps. This closure is a directive given by Governor Mike DeWine.



It's opening night at the Harlequin Theatre, but everyone actually watching the play is missing out on the *real* show... the goings on of the lobby. This year's spring production by the Morgan High School Drama Club is the classic, fast-paced, mystery case we've all been waiting for. The cast includes a plethora of off-the-wall characters that mesh perfectly to create this highly humorous and action-packed comedy. While Neil Horne, the nervous wreck of a playwright is too busy running in and out of the bathroom to see even a wink of his show, everyone else is focused on the fact that the theatre is being sabotaged! And as fate would have it, they're being set up by one of their own. When the owner of the theatre shows up on account of a mysterious call to her house tipping her off that the fire marshall would be coming to her theatre, all chaos seems to break loose. Trust us when we tell you you'll fall in love with every character but the plot as well as you find out just "who" the mole is and why they've "dunnit". While everyone in the little Harlequin Theatre audience were shaking their heads watching the meeting between Mark Twain and Vincent Van-Goh, they probably should've been a little bit more focused on what was happening Down In Front! When the real show is in the lobby know that popcorn and snacks will be everywhere. **Submitted by Taylor Gorrell**

# MORGAN HIGH SCHOOL

Time to cheer! Morgan High School has eleven of its very own students who are a part of the SkillsUSA program competing in the State level at the Columbus Convention Center on April 7-8th. SkillsUSA is a collaborative group of students and educators that come together to develop a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student strive for greatness and allows them to showcase their skills through regional, state and national competitions. Starting us off is Emilee Konkler, daughter of Amy Konkler of Stockport. She will be competing in the cabinetry competition representing the carpentry program under the instruction of Ted Garber. Representing Aaron Dulaney's Interactive Media program is Cody Price, son of Rusty Price of Malta, who placed third at the regional level. Cody is competing in the Information Technology division. The Robotics program under the instruction of John Robbins will be represented by Josh Wells, son of Jerry and Shannon Wells of McConnelsville, and Rhett Shook, son of Randy and Crystal Shook of Chesterhill. The two are teaming up for the Robotics and Automation Technology competition. The Cosmetology program under the instruction of Charlene Eckert will be represented by senior student Abbigail Quinn (Abbi), daughter of Pat Quinn III and Andrea Garrett of Zanesville, along with model Krystal Ashbaugh, daughter of Tanya and Shawn Ashbaugh of Malta. This team placed third at the regional level and is competing in the Esthetics portion of the competition. Senior student Cynamon Summerfield, daughter of Sherrie Williams of McConnelsville, and her model Leandra Watts (Andi), daughter of Stacy Hill of Malta and Jeff Haas of Coshocton, also placed third at the regional level in the nail care portion of the competition which earned their right to the state championship. Senior student Che' Venoy, daughter of Michele Venoy of McConnelsville, will conclude the cosmetology portion of the competition by being the first Morgan student to participate in the newly added barbering competition. Precision Machining students, Brent Calendine, son of Greg and Crystal Calendine of McConnelsville and Derek Little, son of Darren Little of McConnelsville and Amber Little of Marietta, will be representing their program. Brent will compete in CNC Turning. Derek, after placing second at the regional competition, earned his right to advance on to the state level in the CNC Milling division. Brodie Morrow son of Eric and Carrie Morrow of McConnelsville is competing in the Precision Machining competition which is held at Sinclair Community College in Dayton Ohio. These three students are under the instruction of Brian Simms. If you have the opportunity to see or talk to these students, be sure to congratulate them for a job well done and wish them luck! Written by Abbigail Quinn.



First Row, left to right: Emilee Konkler, Abbi Quinn, Krystal Ashbaugh, Andi Watts, Cynamon Summerfield and Che' Venoy. Second row left to right: From left: Cody Price, Brodie Morrow, Rhett Shook, Derek Little and Josh Wells (Absent Brent Calendine).





# MORGAN HIGH SCHOOL

## Morgan High School Athletic Physicals

The Morgan High School Athletic Physicals for the 2020-21 sport season will be held on Monday, May 4, 2020 and Wednesday, May 6, 2020 from 8am to 11am, at Morgan High School. Genesis Health Care will be performing the physicals. The cost is \$15.00 per student athlete.



## College Credit Plus Letter of Intent

The College Credit Plus Letter of Intent forms are available in the Morgan High School Office. If your student is interesting in taking college courses in the 2020-21 school year., the letter of intent must be completed and returned to the Morgan High School Office no later than April 1, 2020. There will be no exceptions.



## Scholarship Forms are available in the Morgan High School Guidance Office.

The 2019-2020 scholarship forms are available. Several scholarships have deadlines. For a complete list, schedule an appointment with the Guidance staff, by calling 740-962-2944.

ACT Test Dates for the 2019-20 School Year

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
April 4, 2020	February 28, 2020	March 13, 2020
June 13, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 22, 2020
July 18, 2020	June 19, 2020	June 26, 2020



April 1st-CCP Intent Forms Due	April 16th-Study Club Awards-7:00 pm Auditorium	May 20th-Varsity "M" Awards-6:30 PM
April 1st-30th-End of Course Testing	April 25th-Prom-7:00 pm –10:00 pm	May 22nd-Graduation-Football Stadium
April 3rd-Spring Fling Dance	May 11th-Spring Choir Concert-7:00 pm Auditorium	May 25th-Memorial Day-No School
April 10th and 13rd-No School	May 15th-Scholarship Awards-8:00am Auditorium	May 27th-Last Day for Students

# MORGAN JUNIOR HIGH

## 8th Grade visit to Career Technical Education Area at Morgan High School



On March 6, the 8th grade students from Morgan Junior High School went to Morgan High Career Technical Education building for a walk through. At that time, the Junior High students were given presentation from the instructors and students taking the Career Technical Education programs. The programs include Automotive Technology, Cosmetology, Construction Technology, Electronics/Robotics, Health Technology, Precision Machining, and Programming. Each program offers many options for the students.



Automotive Technology prepares student with all ten ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) and OSHA ten hour certification. Test will be given in May and is free to students.

Cosmetology students earn the Ohio Cosmetology License. Beginning in the 2020-21 school year, students can earn a 200 hour Manicuring/Nail Technician credential.



Construction Technology students earn OSHA 10 hour safety certification and certificates of completion from the Carpenter's Union that earn graduation points.



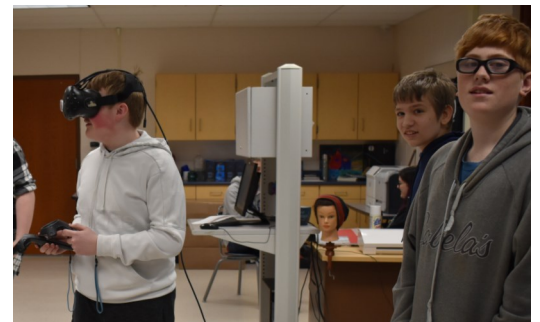
All Robotics, Electronic, and Computer Hardware students earn OSHA 10 hour safety certification. A/C and Digital Electronics students earn Articulated credit in Engineering at Zane State. Computer Hardware students earn Articulated credit in Engineering at Washington State College and prepares students for TestOut PC Pro, CompTIA 220-1001 (Core 1) and CompTIA 220-1002 (Core 2). Industrial Robotics students earn 8 College Credit Plus credits at Zane State, industry credential from FANUC America Robotics Industry in Handling Tool Operations and Programming and iRvision 2D.



Precision machining students earn OSHA 10 hour safety certification and NIMS (National Institute of Metalworking Skills) Level 1 certification.



Health Technology offers junior students 7 college credit hours and seniors 5 college credit hours at Washington State College. Juniors earn OSHA 10 hour safety certification, American Heart Association CPR and First Aid, and State-Tested Nurse Aide. Seniors earn course completion certificate for Phlebotomist and ECG Technician and ability to sit for certification exam for both certifications.



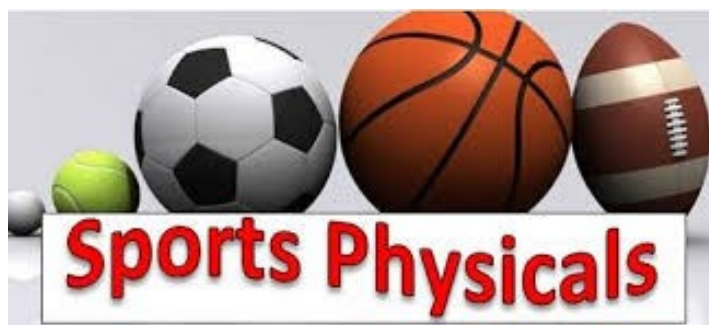
Students learn Virtual Reality, Animation, and Computer Networking in the Programming Pathway.



# MORGAN JUNIOR HIGH

## Morgan Junior High School Athletic Physicals

The Morgan Junior High School Athletic Physicals for the 2020-21 sport season will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 8am to 11am, at Morgan Junior High School. Genesis Health Care will be performing the physicals. The cost is \$15.00 per student athlete.



## Morgan Junior High 8th Grade Celebration Scheduled

The Morgan Junior High School 8th

Grade Celebration is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26th, 2020 at 8am. The Celebration will be held at the Morgan High School Gymnasium.



## Morgan Junior High Mathletes finish First at area competition!!!



Thirteen 8th grade mathletes performed today at the Muskingum Valley Chapter Mathcounts competition! There were 13 schools competing with 108 students in attendance. Malayni Clemens placed 8th individually while our School Team placed FIRST! The Morgan Team qualified for the State Competition in Columbus on March 7! Morgan's 8th graders are coached by Mr. Fleming. Students pictured first row, left to right: Klaire Cain, Logan Niceswanger, Elliott Votyko, Trey Mendenhall, Shelby Compton, and Paige Lanning. Second row, left to right: Kole Searl, Malayni Clemens, Jada Strelec, Chloe Zumbro, Cutter Myers, Aleah Bogue, and Christina Davis.

## Upcoming Events

April 10th and 13th-No School

May 5th-2020-21 Sports Physicals 8:00 am-11:00 am

May 11th- Spring Choir Concert

May 18th-Spring Band Concert

May 25th-Memorial Day-No School

May 26th-8th Grade Celebration 8:00 am at Morgan High School Gym





# MORGAN EAST

## Preparing for the Spring Test

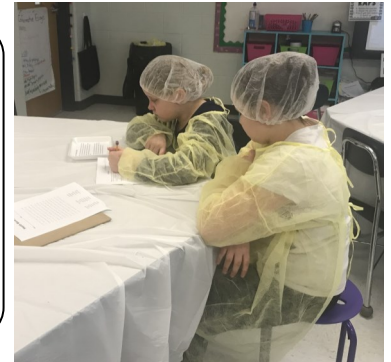
Mrs. Roush-Herron's fifth grade language arts class is preparing for their state test by having themed Fridays. Each Friday has a new theme to help make reviewing fun! A few examples of the themes are Doctor Day, Chef Day, and Escape Room Day.



Chef Day-The students are ready to cook up some figurative language examples! .



Doctor Day-The students are all scrubbed up to perform Point of View surgery!



Abigail Morris (on the left) and Jaclyn Stonerock (on the right) are operating on the practice test.

## Preschool students learn about weather and plants

Mrs. Patterson's PreK students doing science experiments with Miss Tia. Students experienced rain, snow, and tornado in a jar.



Pictured fro Left to Right: Emma Curtis, Haris Hooper, Bentley Haynes and Miss Tia.



Pictured from Left to Right: Kasen Simmons, Bentley Haynes, Emma Curtis, Jillian Strelec, Kinsley Wright, and Cyrus Lappin.

Mrs. Patterson's preschool class has been growing flowers from seed and charting their growth with their student teacher, Miss Tia.



Mrs. Patterson is helping Kasen Simmons measure the plant growth.

## East Raider Youth Academy went Bowling at River Valley Lanes

Mrs. Snedden and Madison Harney enjoy the after school activities.



Isaiah Clawson is getting ready to pick the right ball.

Pictured left to right: Star Gay, Shianna Duncan, Dylan Garrett and Mrs. Jadwin are playing the jukebox.



Ms. Kutscherenko keeps the score for Wyatt Shaw.



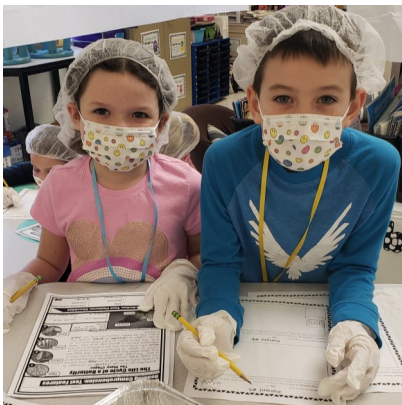
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Wednesday, February 26th, East Elementary participated in the annual Jump Rope For Heart fundraiser. Students raised over \$1500 in their efforts to support the American Heart Association. Mr. Marty Henderson has been leading this event for several years.



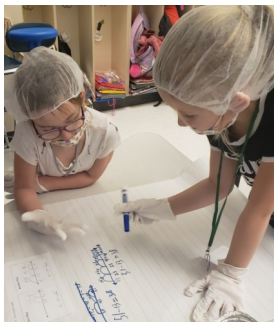
## Second Grade Students Prepare for Language Arts and Mathematics, in a Surgical Way

On March 2, 2020, Mrs. Gifford's 2nd grade class was transformed into a hospital operating room. Students completed text feature surgery. Then they completed writing "rounds" while using an editing checklist. Finally, they conducted "clinical" on math test questions to determine the problem with the given answer and treat it with the correct answer.



Raina Harlow and Josh Griesmyer.

Ali Hann.



Peyton McCutcheon and Layla Reed.



Allis Hooper and Bryce Searles.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

March 20th-End of 3rd Nine Weeks

March 23rd-AIR Testing Begins

March 24th-Mentor Play at Morgan High School

March 25th-Preschool Registration 1:00 pm-3:00 pm

April 10th and 13th-No School

April 14th-East PTO Meeting-3:30 pm

April 15th-Bookmobile

May 8th-Panoramic Picture

May 11th through 15th-Staff Appreciation Week

May 12th-East PTO Meeting-3:30 pm

May 14th-3rd Grade Wax Museum (School Showing)

May 19th-Hook Lake Field Trip-whole school

May 20th-Track and Field Day (3rd-6th grade)

May 21st-Fun Day (preschool-2nd grade)

May 21st-Parade of Graduates

May 22nd-School Dance

May 25th-Memorial Day-No School

May 27th-Kindergarten Graduation-10:00 am/Last Day of



# MORGAN SOUTH



Jump Rope for Heart Participants (Left to Right):

Top Row: Clayton Blackburn, Zach Smith, Noah King, Melena Mayle, Jaden Dille.

Third Row: Jordan Blackburn, Kenley Young, Brayden McGrew, Madison Simmons, Khloe Kincaid, Madeline Christman.

Second Row: Michaela Holland, Maci Shockley, Blake Carpenter, Ava Page, Brooke Taylor, Ana Hernandez.

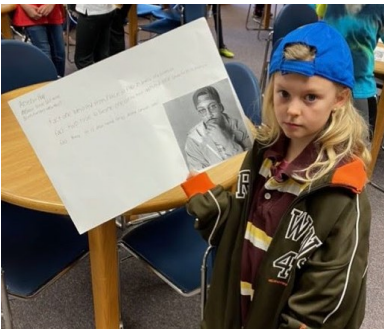
Bottom Row: Cylus Gheen, Grayson Gheen, Monroe Holland, Macy Taylor, Charlee Hensley.



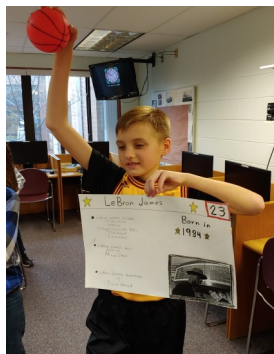
South Third Graders in Mrs. Kidd's and Mrs. McDermott's classes have been learning about the diverse cultures in Ohio and their contributions to American culture. The students each chose a person to represent in our Famous Ohioans Living Wax Museum. They researched their person and also dressed the part. Each homeroom presented their information to the other homeroom.

Aidan Mayle portrays James Ingram.

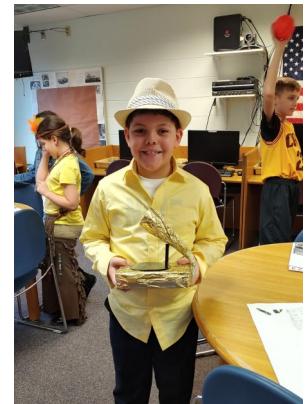
Cole Smith, aka LeBron James.



Loretta Clawson chose Arsenio Hall.

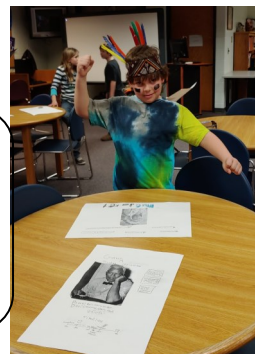


Ari Dulaney, as Garrett A Morgan.



Ava Thomas is representing Zelma Watson George.

Steven Farnsworth (Orville Wright), Kyiesha Gardner (Zelma Watson George), and Abigayle Riggs (Yvette Nicole Brown).



James Wilson displays the headdress of Blue Jacket.

UPCOMING  
EVENTS

March 24th-Spring Pictures

April 10th and 13th-No School

May 6th-Panoramic Picture Day

May 18th- Field & Track Day (Rain Date May 20th)

May 21st-1st Grade Paly 2:00pm

May 26th-Kindergarten Graduation 10:00am

May 27th-Last Day for Students

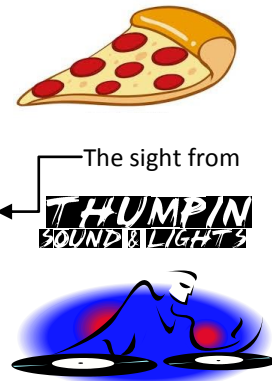


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South participated in Pennies for Patients throughout February. Through every class's efforts, over \$500 was raised for the cause! Mrs. Lang's 4th grade class raised the most money for the event earning them a free pizza party. Thank you to all of the students and adults who helped make the event such a success.



South wants to welcome our newest Little Raiders to the South Family! Our First Grade Teacher, Mrs. Duhamel, welcomed her first child, Miss Lilliana Jane Duhamel, on January 13, 2020, weighing 7lbs. and 10 oz. and measuring 20.5 inches long. Our Principal, Mr. Fox, welcomed his second child, Mr. Parker Joel Fox on February 28, 2020, weighing 7lbs and 8 oz. and measuring 21.5 inches long! Welcome to the Raider Family, Little Ones!



Luke Coleman, Witten Schaad, Clayton Blackburn, Rhett Travis, Jude Garber, and Peyton Coleman stop dancing to have a photo opt.

South Elementary's fourth, fifth, and sixth graders enjoyed a dance on February 21st with Thumpin Sound and Lights, John and Leslie Robins. The students had a great time socializing, snacking, and of course...dancing the night away!



Paul Norman, William Ridings, Isaac Marquis and Austin McMillen are having a great time with friends.



Myka Augustein, Chloe Baker and Nevaeh Mayle are enjoying the dance.



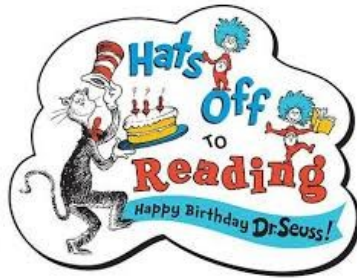
Kobi Harlow, Zach Smith, Layton Coleman and Keira Parsons take a break from dancing to enjoy a slice of Riviera pizza and a Mountain Dew.



# MORGAN WEST



Read Across America was celebrated at West this week with guest readers Dr. Barker, Mrs. Amanda Pierce and Kathi Spencer. Students in many classes learned more about Dr. Seuss and heard some great reading. Thanks for sharing your time with our students!



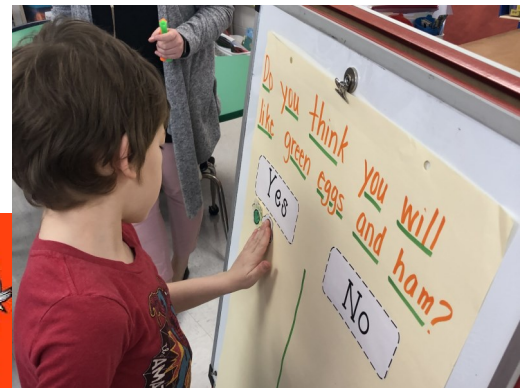
Miss Fleming and Miss Robinson's classes participated in a green eggs and ham day. They had a special visitor to read the story of Green Eggs and Ham. They were then able to predict if they felt they would enjoy green eggs and ham. We charted the answers and talked about which choice had a greater number of students. The students were each able to crack an egg, which was a first for many of the students. We then cooked the green eggs and ham on a griddle and served it to the students. They then made a new opinion about green eggs and ham. Some of the students talked about how trying the green eggs and ham changed their opinion of it.



Mrs. Fleming is helping a student get started on making Green Eggs and Ham.



Devarous Allen is adding his prediction to the chart before trying Green Eggs and Ham.





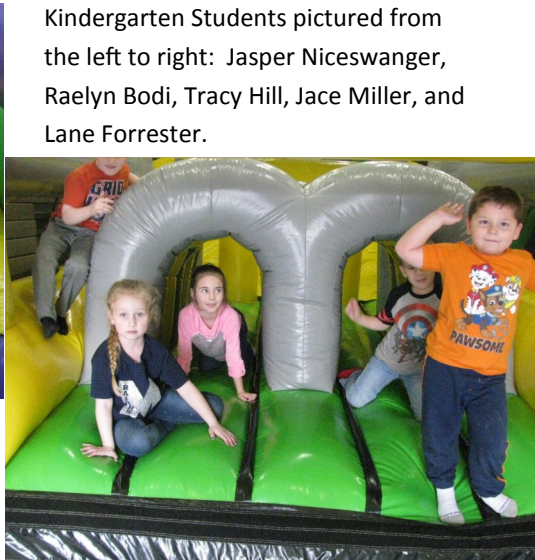
# MORGAN WEST



Morgan West Elementary students participated in Jump Rope for Heart.



Kindergarten students, Averie Powell and Scarlett Thomas, enjoy the slides.



Kindergarten Students pictured from the left to right: Jasper Niceswanger, Raelyn Bodi, Tracy Hill, Jace Miller, and Lane Forrester.



Abigail McCumbers and Bristol Golcar are all smiles and having fun.

Kaitlyn Thompson and Cody Nichols finish the same time.



First Grade students are racing through the obstacles. They are racing the clock and their friends.

West PTO brought in the inflatables from Main Event to bring some smiles and extra exercise for our students since the weather has been so dreary. Students were able to run through the three obstacle courses and strengthen those muscles!!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

March 19th-West PTO Meeting-4:00 pm

March 23rd-Panorama Picture-10:00 am

March 27th-Music/Talent Show (5th & 6th Grade)-2:00 pm

April 4th-West Festival

April 10th and 13th-No School

May 25th-Memorial Day-No School

May 27th-Last Day for Students

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