



# COPLEY-FAIRLAWN CONNECT

AUGUST 2024

## IMPORTANT DATES

### August 20

First Day of School Grades 1-12

Board of Education Meeting  
5:30 p.m.

### August 22

Kindergarten First Day

### September 2

No School, Labor Day

### September 17

Board of Education Meeting  
5:30 p.m.

### October 11

No School, NEOEA Day

### October 14

No School, Professional  
Development Day

### October 15

Board of Education Meeting  
5:30 p.m.

### October 18

End of First Grading Period

### October 28

District Family First Night

### November 19

Board of Education Meeting  
5:30 p.m.

### November 28 to December 2

No School

## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Aimee Kirsch, *Superintendent*



### Welcome back!

As we embark on a new school year at Copley-Fairlawn City Schools, I am thrilled to welcome all of you back to our wonderful community. Serving as your new Superintendent is an absolute honor, and I embrace this role with great enthusiasm and a deep commitment to our collective goal of making our schools the best they can be.

Having served this community over the past seven years as Director of Pupil Services and then as Assistant Superintendent, I have witnessed firsthand the power of our district's open communication and collaborative efforts. This experience has given me a profound appreciation for the positive changes we can achieve together – so know that my door is always open!

This year brings exciting developments, including renovations and upgrades to our facilities which you can read more about in this newsletter. We are also looking forward to the ribbon-cutting ceremony for our newly renovated Copley High School Stadium.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all new families and students. Copley-Fairlawn City Schools is a tremendous place to learn and grow. I am very excited to watch you on your journey with us. I would also like to formally welcome all new staff to our district. A special welcome to Kelly Weitzel who will be serving as the Coordinator of Special Education and Dylan Ruff, Copley High School Dean of Students. We are thrilled to have them on board.

Mark your calendars: August 20th is the first day of school for Grades 1-12. August 22nd will be an exciting day as we welcome the newest members of our Copley-Fairlawn family, our kindergarteners and Class of 2038! Please be sure to watch for important communication from the building principals as these days approach.

Thank you for your continued support of our district. I am ready to hit the ground running, embracing the challenges and celebrating the achievements that lie ahead. Together, we will continue to build on our district's legacy of success and create a future filled with even more opportunities for all our students!

*Aimee*

Aimee Kirsch, Superintendent  
Copley-Fairlawn City Schools



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# C CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

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## Exciting School Renovations and Upgrades

**Many changes have taken place over the summer!**

With the passage of our November 2022 bond levy, we have successfully made progress on multiple projects this summer. While there is still work to be done, we will continue to work closely with the construction companies to ensure that we have the quality materials and craftsmanship our students deserve.

Arrowhead, Fort Island, and Herberich Primary schools will be equipped with new restrooms. The blue and gold tiles in each restroom are looking amazing!

Improved parking lots and traffic flow have been designed for each of the five buildings. Due to the number of construction vehicles this summer, the parking lot work will be completed during the summer of '25.

At Copley-Fairlawn Middle School, students will enjoy a new, inviting cafeteria with upgraded tables and chairs. They will also enjoy school lunches prepared in a new kitchen.

Nearly all the restrooms throughout the building have been renovated to include all new fixtures and a cool gray-beige color palette. Locker rooms will share this same color palette when they are completed this fall.

The middle school track and field are coming along with new lights, turf, fencing, and bleachers being installed. The project is scheduled to be completed in mid-September.

Copley High School has been incredibly busy with the renovation in full swing. Due to a delay in getting the necessary permits, we have asked Infinity Construction to prioritize the areas that need to be completed to ensure a safe return of students on August 20th, including restrooms, the cafeteria, and the kitchen.



We ask for your patience as we continue to work with the contractors to complete the renovations in our district.



**Copley High School Stadium  
Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony**  
Tuesday, August 20th  
at 6:30pm  
Please join us! We look forward to seeing you there.

## DID YOU KNOW...

- Our school buses travel an impressive 1,807 miles a day.
- Daily we transport 1,611 students.
- We proudly serve an average of 928 lunches each day.

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