CARDINAL COMMUNIQUE

JULY 2025



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Madeline Accordino
Arnav Bhide
Nicolas Folsom
Mia Gaffney
Sean Harrington
Andrew Helmick
Aubrey Hermes
Zain Jadallah
Alexis Johnson
Michael Lefoer
Matthew Logan
Tarik Mashqbeh
Emily Miller
Sophia Nelson
Emelina Pappalardo
Hayden Price
Lauren Ross
Meredith Ross
Lucia Schaab
Ezra Stahl
Anna Venetti

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Whitney Miller
Ava Milligan Millich

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Superintendent's Message

Mr. Joe Knoll, Superintendent

Dear Canfield Community,

As we close the chapter on the 2024–2025 school year, I'm filled with immense pride and gratitude. This year's theme, Stronger Together, resonated throughout our district, carrying us through challenges, lifting our achievements, and bringing our community even closer.

Our graduating Class of 2025 is a shining example of that strength. They've led with heart, resilience, and determination—and they leave behind a legacy of excellence and unity. Whether earning state honors in the classroom, shining on stage and in competition, or lending a helping hand to younger students, they have made their mark. Congratulations, Class of 2025! We can't wait to see what you'll accomplish next.

This year, our students explored new academic pathways. They embraced opportunities in STEM, arts, and athletics, and celebrated milestones like top rankings on the State Report Card, national qualifiers in the arts, and an unforgettable spring musical. Behind these accomplishments are teachers, staff, and families working together to support and uplift each student.

As we look ahead, our focus remains clear: to build a future rooted in excellence, innovation, and opportunity. Facility planning will continue, alongside summer improvement projects and ongoing enhancements to our curriculum and services. We are grateful for your continued support and engagement in this journey.

Thank you for being part of what makes Canfield so special. We are, and will always be, Stronger Together.

Go, Cardinals!

Joe Knoll
Superintendent

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STRONGER TOGETHER



Curriculum Update

Mr. John Vitto, Assistant Superintendent

As we wrap up the school year, we want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible progress our students and staff have made—and to thank you for being such an important part of our school community.

This year, we added 12 exciting courses, such as Financial Literacy, College and Life Readiness, and Sports Officiating. Next year, we're expanding with classes for college credit, such as Business Law, Music Literature, and Sports Psychology.

More than 75 staff members have served on leadership committees, working together to strengthen learning across the district. We launched new reading and phonics programs in grades K–8, giving students stronger support and consistency. Teachers also received in-depth training in the Science of Reading, helping students build stronger literacy skills.

In math, students practiced over 874,000 questions on our digital platform, and our 4th graders placed #1 in Ohio and #4 in the nation through First in Math! Participation in Challenge 24 enrichment nearly doubled.

We continued to support students' well-being through expanded mentoring and small-group programs, including a new initiative at CVMS to support social-emotional growth. Thanks to dedicated teachers and high school mentors, our mentoring program reached nearly 400 students this year.

STEM learning also took off, with students using tools like hydroponics, robotics, and spectrophotometers to explore real-world science and technology. We introduced five new STEM courses this year and plan to add seven more next year, including Aviation and AP Computer Science.

Looking ahead, we'll continue improving reading and writing instruction, strengthening behavioral supports, and preparing students for college and careers with tools like Turnitin to promote academic integrity.

We are so proud of our students, teachers, and families. Thank you for your continued partnership and support. We can't wait to see what next year brings!

Facility Planning Update

The Canfield Board of Education remains committed to addressing the long-term facility needs of our district. Over the past year, we've taken important steps to continue this work in a thoughtful and transparent way.

Most recently, the Board requested an updated student enrollment projection from the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC). This data will help inform our next steps and ensure any future plans align with the current and projected needs of our students and community.

While the need for facility improvements, particularly at Canfield Village Middle School remains, the Board has decided not to place a bond issue on the November 2025 ballot. This pause allows us to continue gathering community input, review updated information, and work toward a plan that reflects both educational priorities and fiscal responsibility. The earliest a future bond issue would be considered is May 2026.

In the meantime, we're continuing to invest in necessary facility upgrades using available resources. This summer, our team will move forward with Phase II of the paving project at Canfield High School and begin roofing work at the middle school to address immediate infrastructure needs.

We appreciate the continued engagement and support of our families and community members as we work together to create safe, modern learning environments for all students.

Questions or feedback about facility planning are always welcome—please reach out to Superintendent Joe Knoll at JKnoll@CanfieldSchools.net.

Meet the Board of Education



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The Canfield Board of Education consists of five members, each elected to serve a four-year term of office. Board members are elected by registered voters residing in the district. Unless publicly announced otherwise, the Board meets the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the High School auditorium.



Special Services Update

Mrs. Shannon Miller, Special Services Director

The Special Services Department continues to strive for excellence in serving our students with exceptional needs, including gifted learners, English Language Learners (ELL), and students who meet eligibility for Section 504 and special education services. This year, the district had the privilege of serving over 1,000 students who met one or more of these eligibility categories.

The mark of a truly excellent district is how it meets the needs of all learners. The inclusive practices and excellent programming embedded in the services provided in the Canfield Local School District offer the platform for our students to demonstrate growth and succeed in their educational goals.

Canfield's Special Education Profile, which rates the district's performance in meeting the needs of students with disabilities, reflected high achievement levels for students with disabilities on state assessments. The district received a "met" status in all grade levels for the percentage of students with disabilities scoring proficient or above on standard state assessments in all academic areas measured. The Profile showed that 89% of students with disabilities in Canfield graduated by meeting the same requirements available to students without disabilities in 2024. The district far exceeds the state goal of 67% in this area by holding high standards for all students, providing quality instruction that is differentiated to meet the needs of all learners, and providing the appropriate, individualized support for each student within our care.

Canfield offers district-wide support for English Language Learners (ELL). The Ohio English Language Proficiency Assessment (OELPA) is administered annually to all ELLs in grades K-12. To help students achieve their goals, English learner plans outlining students' language proficiency levels and goals for the year are developed in line with Ohio's English language proficiency standards.

Canfield offers gifted services to over 600 students throughout the district. Services are provided in general education classrooms, where teachers have received high-quality professional development in gifted education. Students' individualized goals are serviced under Written Education Plans (WEP) that are developed in collaboration with the Gifted Coordinator, who facilitates services that are in line with the most recent developments in gifted programming.

It is truly a privilege to work with such a diverse group of talented and exceptional students.

This year, we have had the opportunity to celebrate our students' talents and provide them with enriching experiences in various ways. Pictured are just some of the experiences that our students enjoyed this school year. Have a wonderful summer! We look forward to seeing you next school year for another outstanding and enriching educational experience.

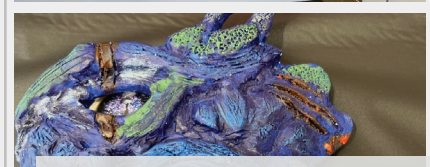




Students enjoy learning about various careers during Career Day.







Students display their artwork during the 3rd annual Cardinals Creative Expressions Art Show, organized by Mrs. Kathryn Antal.





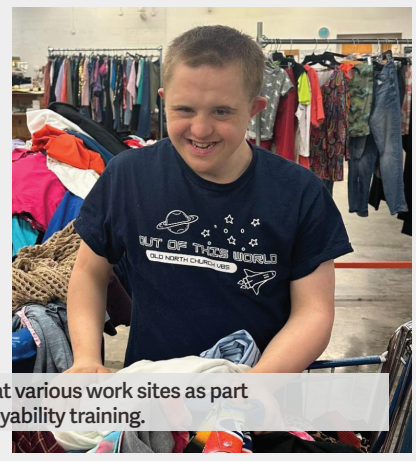




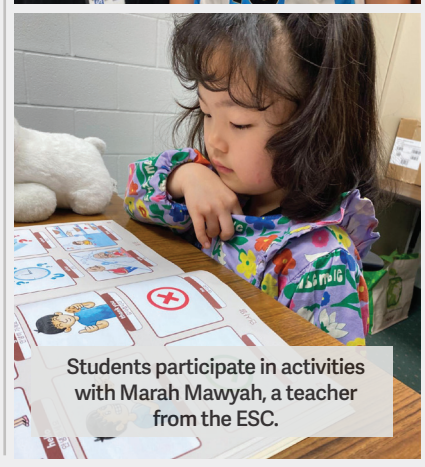








Students complete jobs at various work sites as part of their employability training.



Students participate in activities with Marah Mawyah, a teacher from the ESC.



Students design puzzle pieces to celebrate Autism Awareness Week. Pictured along with the students are their teachers, Nicolina Baker and Kristin Morgione.



Fiscal Update

Miss Patricia Prince, Treasurer

Canfield Schools: Strong Performance with Responsible Spending

We're proud to share that Canfield Local Schools continues to provide excellent service to our students, families, and community! Our district received a five-star rating on the 2023–2024 Ohio School Report Card—the only district in Mahoning County to earn this top honor.

Even more impressive, we've achieved this while spending less per student than the state average. Canfield's cost per student is $11,124, compared to the state average of $12,397. About 70% of those dollars go directly into the classroom to support instruction.

When compared to similar school districts, only two have slightly higher academic scores, but both spend significantly more per student than Canfield. We're proud that we're delivering strong results while being careful with our spending.

Our Board of Education and district leaders keep a close eye on our finances. We use a five-year financial forecast to help us plan and spend tax dollars wisely. If you're interested, the full forecast (with charts, graphs, and assumptions) is available at the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce's website:

education.ohio.gov/Topics/Finance-and-Funding/Five-Year-Forecasts

According to the forecast, we do expect our expenses to be higher than our revenue each year, but thanks to a strong cash balance, we're able to carry the district through all five years of the forecast.

It's also important to understand that the state's school funding formula doesn't provide additional base funding to districts like Canfield that have higher property values and income levels. That means we rely more on local support, and we're incredibly grateful for the continued backing of our community.

To keep things transparent, we host two financial Q&A sessions each year to keep families and community members informed about our district's financial picture. The next session will be held on August 13, 2025, just before the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. We encourage you to attend!



Food Services Update

Ms. Noelle Roth, Director of Food Services

The Canfield School District Food and Nutrition Services department is self-operated and participates in the National School Lunch Program. This past school year, we provided over 165,000 nutritious, well-balanced meals for all of our students in grades K-12. The cafeteria staff works hard to provide meals along with plenty of fruit and vegetable choices. Students also have a variety of main entrées and alternates to choose from on a daily basis. I encourage you to have your child buy their lunch from our cafeteria. Our success comes from your support! Please reach out to me with any questions, concerns or suggestions. My contact information is: Noelle Roth, nroth@canfieldschools.net, or 330-533-5507 ext 72411.

We will continue to use PaySchools Central for lunch accounts. Instructions on how to pay for your child's lunches are listed below. We operate on a debit system, so please try to always have money in your child's account. We accept cash or checks in the school, and PaySchools handles online deposits and credit card payments.

ADDING FUNDS TO A LUNCH ACCOUNT

- Cash or check: Your child may pay with cash or check at the time of purchase. Please make sure your payment is in an envelope marked with your child's full name and grade. Checks should be made payable to Canfield Schools Cafeteria. They can be sent to school, dropped off in the office or sent via mail to Canfield Cafeterias, Attn. Noelle Roth, 100 Cardinal Dr., Canfield, OH 44406.
- Online deposits: For easy online deposits, parents/guardians are encouraged to set up an account at *www.payschoolscentral.com.* PaySchools Central is quick and easy to use. Add your child to the system by using their student ID number (this is different from their PIN number). The system will take you through a step-by-step registration process. Once your account is created, you will find a variety of features that will make the management of your account easier. For further questions regarding setup, visit the district website for tutorials or contact PaySchools Central at 1-877-393-6628.

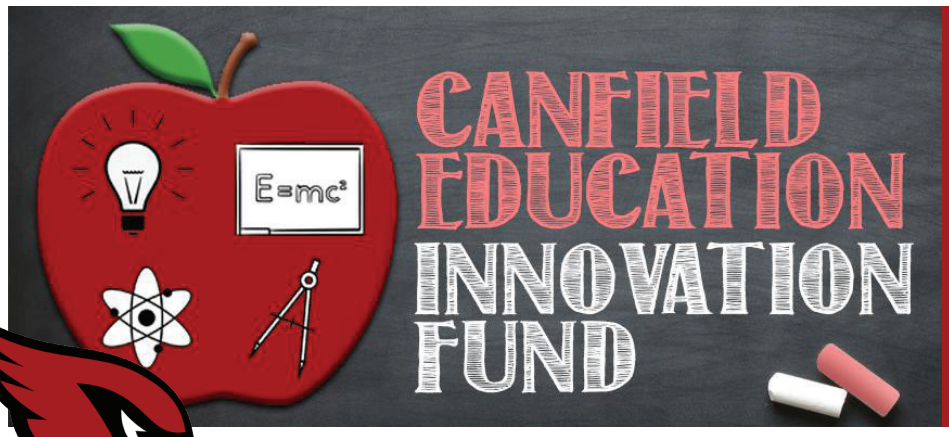
FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH PROCESS

Families receiving SNAP benefits and foster children automatically qualify for free lunches. Families with Medicaid benefits may qualify through the State of Ohio through the Direct Certification process. Letters notifying you that your students qualify for free or reduced meals will be sent before the start of school. If you do not get a letter and feel your family may qualify based on income, please fill out a paper application.

Applications are available in Final Forms, on the district website to download and print, at each of the school offices or you can request one to be sent to your home. Completed applications need to be returned to your child's school or mailed to Canfield High School, Attn. Noelle Roth, 100 Cardinal Dr., Canfield, OH 44406. Only one application per household is needed.

If you were approved for free or reduced meals for the 2024-2025 school year, your current application will expire on October 2, 2025. Please remember that a new application is needed every year.

Children ages 1-18 in your household are eligible to receive free meals during the summer at a summer meal site. You can call 1-866-3-HUNGRY or 1-877-8-HAMBRE (or text 914-342-7744 with the keyword "summer meals") to find the location closest to you.



The district has established the Canfield Education Innovation Fund to promote, encourage, and enhance educational opportunities that strengthen and enrich our students' experiences. Staff members may apply for grant dollars for creative, innovative activities.

The fund is dependent on donations (no taxpayer dollars). Donations may be made payable to the Community Foundation of the Mahoning Valley, memo line Canfield Education Innovation Fund. Scan the QR code, or visit *canfieldeducationinnovationfund.org* to donate now.



Transportation Update

Ms. Linda Cervello, Transportation Supervisor

We wish everyone a fun and safe summer break! Here in the Transportation Department, we're already preparing for another successful school year of safely "Carrying the Cardinals." This summer, we may need to condense additional routes, which means your student's bus schedule could change. Make sure you're signed up with the Stopfinder app to verify your student's bus details. Updated schedules will be available in mid-August, once routes are finalized.

The Canfield Local School District (CLSD) is currently hiring substitute bus drivers and bus/van aides. The district covers the cost of schooling and provides the training. This is a great opportunity to get more involved in your student's school life and also pursue an engaging and rewarding career. CLSD is currently paying 25% more than the average school bus driver in Ohio. We're also proud to welcome all of our new substitute drivers who came on board this year!

No new buses were purchased for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, as replacement costs continue to rise. Fortunately, more than 95% of repairs and maintenance are performed in-house, saving the district the $170-$210 per hour typically charged at local repair facilities. In Ohio, school buses are inspected at least twice a year by the Ohio State Highway Patrol and daily by the bus driver.

We look forward to another year of safely "Carrying the Cardinals." Please visit the district website for the latest forms, rules, and transportation guidelines for the 2025-2026 school year.

Parochial families: Please visit the Canfield Local School website to access the Parochial Bus Form, and email the completed form to lcervello@canfieldschools.net by August 1, 2025.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Transportation Office at 330-533-3832 or email Linda Cervello at lcervello@canfieldschools.net.

fun facts

18,000 bus drivers transported 742,600 students approximately 170 million miles in FY 2024.

Ohio's school bus safety record greatly exceeds that of automobiles, airlines, and even passenger trains.

The average cost to operate one school bus in Ohio for one year is over $52,000.

The average annual transportation cost per public school student in Ohio is $824; for non-public students, it's $3,740.



Beautiful Fall



Bus Safety Day



Christmas at the Bus Garage



Emergency Evacuation Practice



Drivers Wearing "Stronger Together" Shirts



Kindergarten Safety Day



Officers for Bus Safety Day



Our Judges for the Chili Cook-Off at the Bus Garage



Help us Carry the Cardinals



Our Wonderful Drivers for Kindergarten Safety Day



St. Patty's Day



Our Mechanics at CVMS Career Day




Canfield High School

From the Principals: Dr. Mark Potts and Mr. Mason Seachrist

As we look back at the 2024–25 school year, we want to take a moment to reflect on all that our students, staff, and community at Canfield High School have accomplished academically, athletically, musically, and beyond.

Academically, CHS was the only high school in Mahoning County to earn a 5-Star State Report and ranked in the top 2% in the state. This achievement speaks volumes about the dedication of our students and the commitment of our educators.

In athletics, our teams had an outstanding year, producing 19 state qualifiers, four state placers, five league championships, and three league runners-up. Individually, 19 student-athletes were named All-Conference, 66 earned All-District honors, 24 were recognized as All-State, and 13 signed letters of intent to continue their athletic careers in college

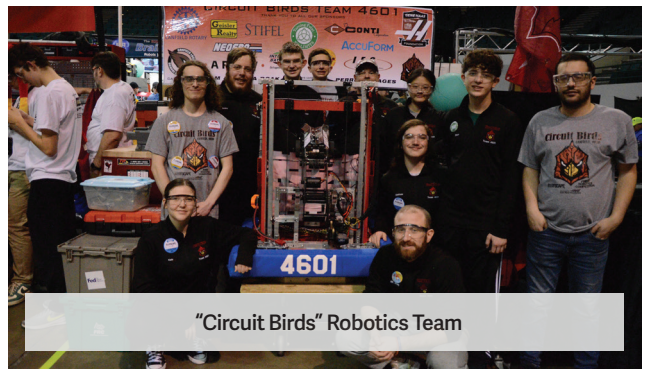
Our fine arts programs continue to thrive. In art, we had three national qualifiers, and multiple students advanced to competitions as state qualifiers. Our choirs impressed at every level: One Octave Higher earned a Superior rating at districts and an Excellent rating at the State Choir Competition, while our Chamber Choir earned Superior ratings at both. Ten students participated in the OMEA Honors Choir, and nine students in the Solo and Ensemble Competition earned Excellent and Superior ratings. The Concert Band earned Superior ratings at both the district and state competitions, and the Symphonic Band also earned a Superior rating at both district and state. We're also proud to share that one student was selected for All-State Band and another for All-State Orchestra. In total, 38 students competed in the OMEA Solo and Ensemble event, with 34 earning the highest possible rating of Superior.

Beyond the classroom and the stage, our Robotics Team, The Circuit Birds, qualified for the state tournament and competed in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, and Huntsville, Alabama. Our Speech and Debate Team finished 10th in the state (our 15th top-10 finish in 17 years) and celebrated one state champion and 22 state qualifiers.

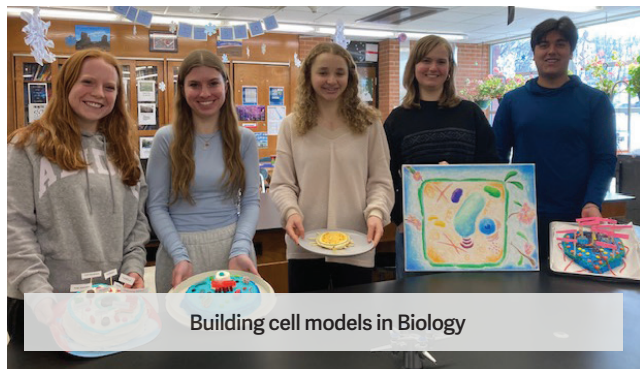
Looking ahead, we are excited to offer 13 new courses this fall, expanding our total offerings to more than 150. These include 18 Advanced Placement courses, 11 College Credit Plus courses through Kent State and Youngstown State, and a wide selection of honors-level courses. By pairing our rigorous academic program with vibrant opportunities in band, choir, performing arts, 25 varsity sports, student clubs, dances, and concerts, we aim to create a high school experience that is not only well-rounded but truly exceptional.



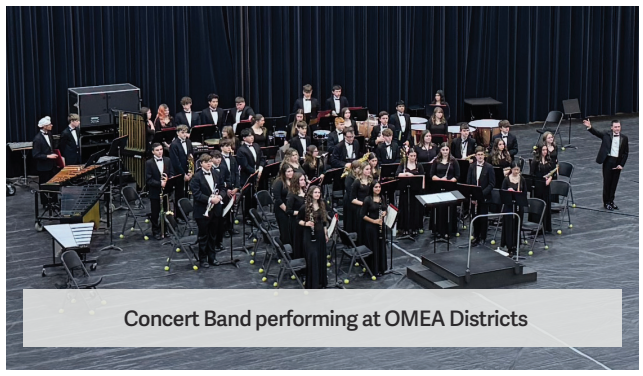
"Grease" was our weekend-long spring musical



"Circuit Birds" Robotics Team


Building cell models in Biology


Canfield Choir's Rockin' America Dinner Theater Show


Concert Band performing at OMEA Districts


Students dressed up for "The Great Gatsby"


Student athletes chose their Cardinal Game Changer staff members who made a positive impact on them.


Hands-on science in Medical Careers class


PBIS First Class Cardinals for February


Prom Court




Canfield Village Middle School

From the Principals: Mr. Judd Rubin and Mr. Joseph Maroni

It feels like yesterday we were highlighting all of the wonderful events from this past fall and winter. We are extremely proud of the hard work our students and staff have demonstrated throughout the school year.

Our PBIS team initiatives were a huge hit with our student body. The "Classy Cart," along with student vs. staff volleyball and basketball games, brought many smiles and excitement to CVMS. Our new after-school "Crafting Club," hosted by Mrs. Caporale, allowed students to add sewing skills to their growing list of talents. A special shout-out goes to our Student Council members who generously volunteered their time to support those in need.

We wrapped up the year on a high note with special end-of-year field trips: 5th graders headed to Camp Fitch, 6th graders enjoyed On Target, 7th graders visited the zoo, and our 8th graders traveled to Washington, DC. The school year concluded with our popular talent show/awards assembly on the last day of school.

Thank you to our staff, families, and community for making CVMS a special place for our students. We wish everyone a safe and healthy summer and look forward to seeing many of you back in the fall!



Students enjoyed games, treats, and fun with classmates on the PTA-sponsored Student Appreciation Day.



The annual 8th grade Career Fair highlighted many careers and professions for our students to explore.



Our winter athletes were recognized in front of our entire student body, celebrating the achievements and successes of their athletic season.



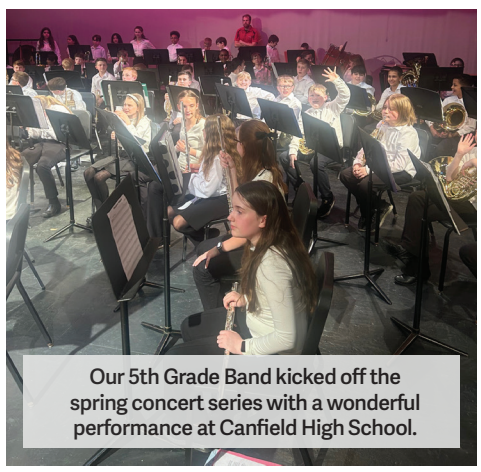
2025 kicked off with our "First Friday" collaboration with Old North Church.



The CVMS staff retained their undefeated record against our 7th and 8th grade students.



We welcomed Ellie, our therapy dog, in the fall. She continues to bring joy and happiness to CVMS.



Our 5th Grade Band kicked off the spring concert series with a wonderful performance at Canfield High School.



Congratulations to our 7th and 8th Grade Drama Club and Delaney Pallo for a fantastic "Beetlejuice" spring production, showcasing the many singing and performing talents of our future actors.



Student Council had the opportunity to meet Judge Durkin during their visit to the Mahoning County Courthouse.



Congratulations to our 7th grade boys and girls basketball teams for winning the AAC championship this winter.



Students enjoyed a beautiful spring day in May to kick off summer break!



C.H. Campbell Elementary School

From the Principal: Mr. Travis Lavery

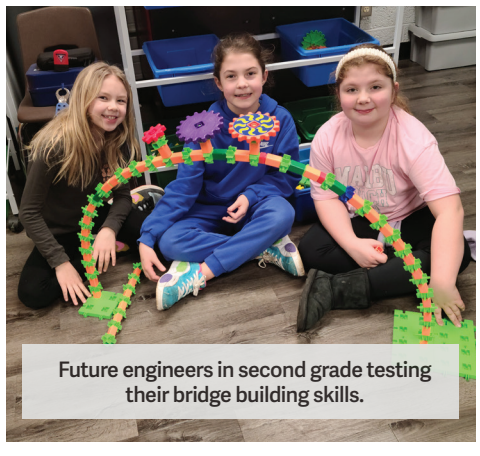
As the school year draws to a close, we find ourselves reflecting on a year filled with learning, growth, and plenty of fun. One of the highlights was S.T.E.M. Week, where students explored science and engineering concepts in exciting, hands-on ways including a thrilling ride on a homemade hovercraft created by our very own S.T.E.M. teachers! It was a week full of curiosity and collaboration as students learned about air pressure, design, and problem-solving through engaging activities that encouraged teamwork and creativity.

This year also brought the introduction of a new reading curriculum, Wonders, which focused on building stronger comprehension skills. Our teachers worked incredibly hard to implement this new curriculum and have already seen meaningful progress. Students dug deeper into texts and shared thoughtful insights during class discussions.

Beyond academics, our school community placed strong emphasis on personal growth and positive behavior. Through ongoing character-building activities and our P.B.I.S. (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) initiatives, students learned and practiced key values such as respect, responsibility, and kindness. These values came to life in classrooms, hallways, and playgrounds, creating a welcoming and supportive environment for everyone.

We also enjoyed wonderful musical performances from our kindergarten, first, and fourth grade students, who truly dazzled us with their talent and enthusiasm.

We are so proud of all our students and staff for their hard work and dedication this year. We wish everyone a safe, relaxing, and fun-filled summer! Go, Cards!



Future engineers in second grade testing their bridge building skills.



Our third grade boys enjoyed a fun lunch on a beach towel for Beach Day.



Girls in first grade enjoying a picnic-style lunch for Beach Day.



First grade girls enjoying a bowling incentive for reaching their P.B.I.S. goal.



Mallak Nasr running the gauntlet during Field Day at the high school stadium.



Students rode on a homemade hovercraft while learning about how air impacts the world around us during S.T.E.M. week.



Mrs. Sikora and her students sing their morning song to get ready for the day ahead.



First graders celebrated 100 days of learning with a fun performance.



Leprechaun traps weren't able to catch the leprechaun that pranked our kindergarteners this year on St. Patrick's Day.



First grade students after a hard day of work planting vegetables in the raised beds of our outdoor classroom.



Our fourth grade students stole the show at their performance of Destination: America this year.



Redex Industries, makers of Udderly Smooth lotion, hosted our third grade students to demonstrate the technology behind a modern-day assembly line.



Hilltop Elementary School

From the Principal: Mr. Michael Flood

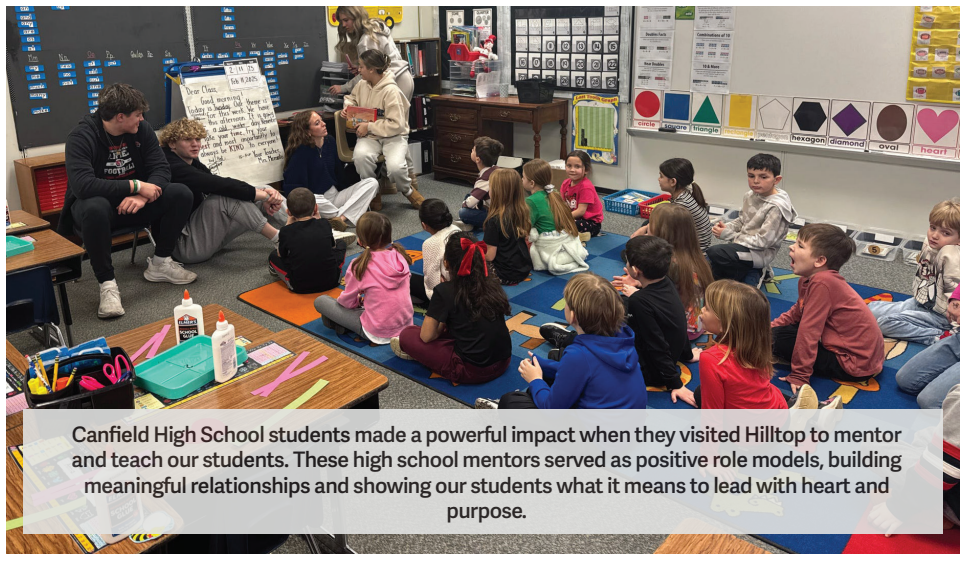
As the 2024-2025 school year comes to a close, I want to take a moment to express my sincere appreciation for your dedication, hard work, and the incredible partnership we've shared. This year has been a true testament to the resilience, perseverance, and spirit of our students, staff, and families. I am honored to be part of such a remarkable community.

Throughout the year, we have celebrated growth, learning, and achievement. Our students have excelled in academics, athletics, and the arts, showcasing their talents with remarkable dedication and passion. I am incredibly proud of each and every one of them.

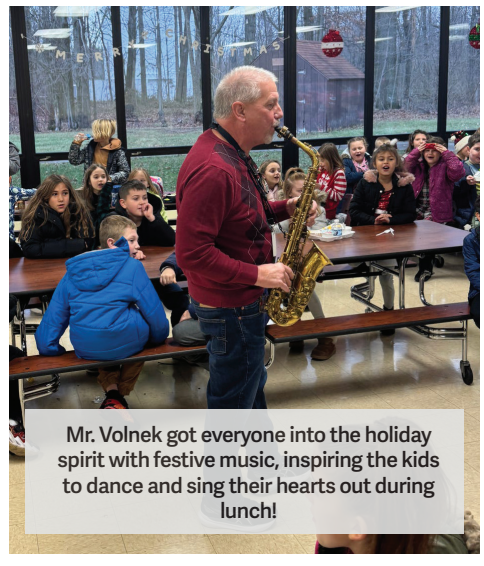
Our teachers and staff have gone above and beyond to create nurturing and engaging learning environments. Thanks to their unwavering commitment, our staff has created opportunities for every student to learn, grow, and thrive, leaving a lasting impact for which I am truly grateful. A heartfelt thank you to our PTA for your constant support and devotion to providing special opportunities for our students. Your efforts have enriched their school experience in countless ways, and we truly appreciate all that you do.

As we head into summer break, I encourage everyone to take time to relax, recharge, and enjoy special moments with family and friends. May your summer be filled with joy, adventure, and new experiences.

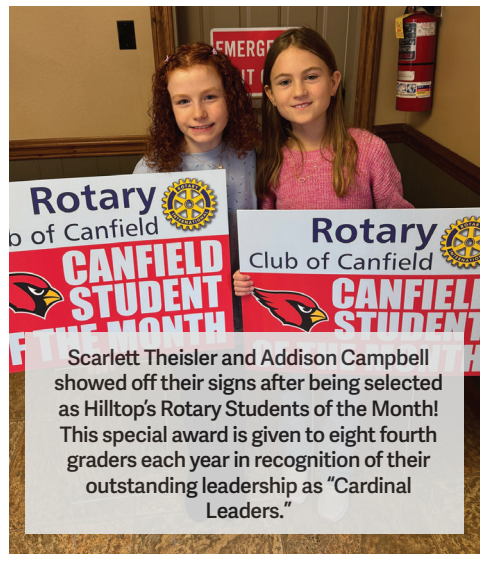
I look forward to all we will accomplish together in the upcoming school year.



Canfield High School students made a powerful impact when they visited Hilltop to mentor and teach our students. These high school mentors served as positive role models, building meaningful relationships and showing our students what it means to lead with heart and purpose.



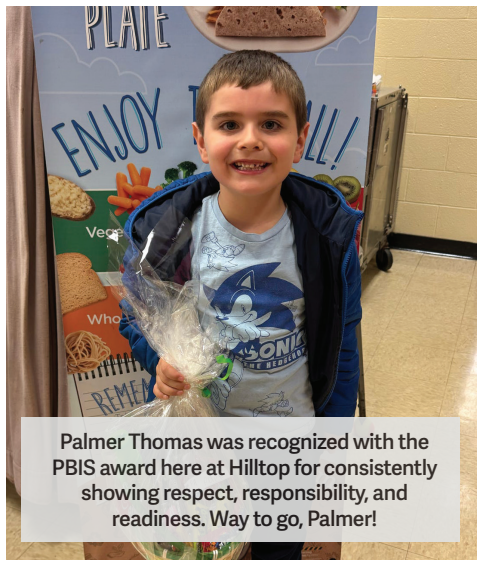
Mr. Volnek got everyone into the holiday spirit with festive music, inspiring the kids to dance and sing their hearts out during lunch!



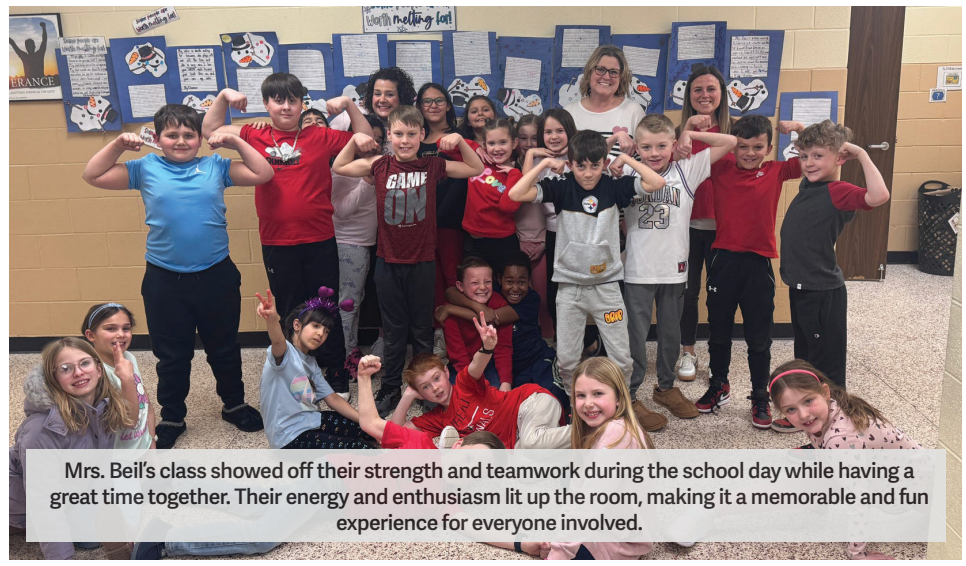
Scarlett Theisler and Addison Campbell showed off their signs after being selected as Hilltop's Rotary Students of the Month! This special award is given to eight fourth graders each year in recognition of their outstanding leadership as "Cardinal Leaders."



Mr. Tokash showed off his daughter Julia, known around Hilltop as "Little Tok," during this year's Supper with Superman event!



Palmer Thomas was recognized with the PBIS award here at Hilltop for consistently showing respect, responsibility, and readiness. Way to go, Palmer!



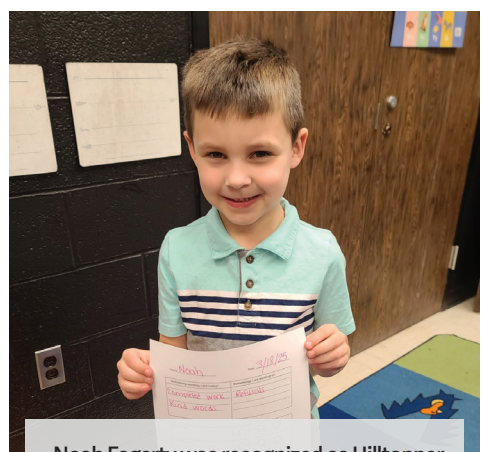
Mrs. Beil's class showed off their strength and teamwork during the school day while having a great time together. Their energy and enthusiasm lit up the room, making it a memorable and fun experience for everyone involved.



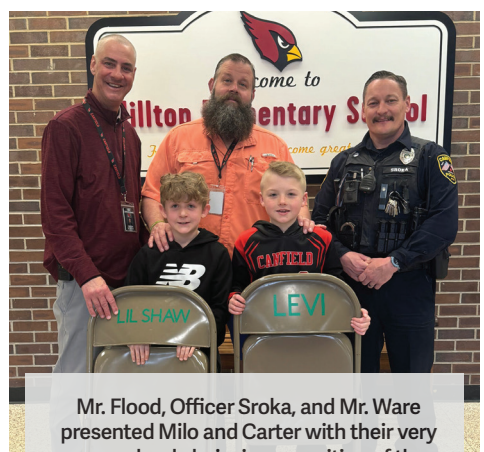
Ms. Rivera and Fil wore blue to show their support for Autism Awareness. Their thoughtful gesture helped spread kindness, understanding, and inclusion throughout the Hilltop community.



Remy and her dad, Bob DiMaiolo, snapped a sweet photo together during the Supper with Superman event. It was a heartwarming evening where families came together to enjoy good food, fun moments, and quality time with one another.



Noah Fagerty was recognized as Hilltopper of the Month at Hilltop! His kindness, hard work, and positive attitude truly stood out, making him a shining example for his classmates. Good work, Noah!



Mr. Flood, Officer Sroka, and Mr. Ware presented Milo and Carter with their very own school chairs in recognition of the positive impact they've made at Hilltop. Both students have become examples for their peers through their kindness, leadership, and outstanding behavior.



Athletic Update

Mr. Bob Beam, Athletic Director

As we wrap up the 2024–2025 winter and spring sports seasons, the Athletic Department would like to take a moment to extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who helped make these past months such a success. From the courts and fields to the stands and sidelines, our student-athletes, coaches, staff, families, and supporters all played an essential role in creating a season of hard work, resilience, and school pride.

Whether it was the thrilling victories, personal bests, or the everyday commitment to teamwork and sportsmanship, each moment reflected the spirit of our school. We celebrated championships, honored senior athletes, and created memories that will last far beyond this past season.

Thank you for your unwavering support and enthusiasm. We're proud of all that we've accomplished together and excited for what lies ahead. Here's to a restful summer and an even stronger 2025–2026 season!

Winter/Spring All-American Conference Selections and Honors

Wrestling, Girls Basketball, and Boys Tennis - League Champions

Boys and Girls Basketball - District Champions

Baseball - District Champions

Wrestling - 4 State Qualifiers

Boys and Girls Swimming - 12 State Qualifiers

Go, Cards!











Girls Swimming

All AAC
Fallon Amedia
Katie Weibling

All NEAC
Fallon Amedia
Adele Colona
Gianna Gamberate
Layla Gray
Madelyn Gray
Emelia Korom
Mena Monroe
Josie Protain
Jillian Palusak
Matea Ronyak
Katie Weibling

All Ohio Honors
Fallon Amedia
Adele Colona
Matea Ronyak
Katie Weibling

Northeast District Division II Girls' Coach of the Year
Stacy Sowers

Boys Bowling

All AAC
Matt Logan
(Player of the Year, OHSAA Honor Roll)

Wrestling

1st Team AAC
Quinn Gaca
Nick Joseph
Gabe Miller *(Most Valuable Wrestler)*
Tristan Miller
Joey Pannunzio
Tyler Scharrer

2nd Team AAC
Carson Cutrer
Cain Mlinarski
Joel Rogers

All EOWL
Quinn Gaca
Arius Gingerich
Nick Joseph
Gabe Miller *(EOWL Most Valuable Wrestler)*
Tristan Miller
Cain Mlinarsik
John Nagy
Joey Pannunzio
Joel Rogers
Tyler Scharrer

AAC & EOWL Coach of the Year
Craig Shaw

Boys Swimming

All AAC
AJ Helmick
Hayden Price *(Swimmer of the Year)*
Ryan Weibling
Anthony Zoccali

All NEAC
AJ Helmick
Karsten Miller
Zachary Mullane
Hayden Price *(Swimmer of the Meet)*
Ryan Weibling
Anthony Zoccali

All Ohio Honors
AJ Helmick
Hayden Price
Ryan Weibling
Anthony Zoccali

Boys Basketball

1st Team All AAC
Bryce Roberts
Drew Shapiro

2nd Team All AAC
Jake DeLisio
Ben Weaver

1st Team OHSBCA District 1
Jake DeLisio
Bryce Roberts
Drew Shapiro
Ben Weaver

All NEO Inland
Jake DeLisio
Bryce Roberts
Drew Shapiro
Ben Weaver

All-State Honors
Bryce Roberts
Drew Shapiro

OHSBCA District 1 Coach of the Year
Andy Vlajkovich

Girls Basketball

1st Team All AAC
Carly Fleming
Jenna Triveri *(Player of the Year)*

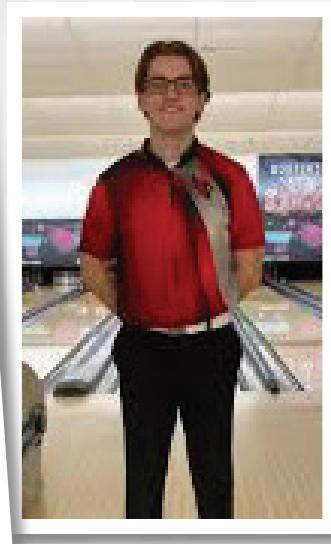
2nd Team All AAC
Sofia Castronova
Marina Koenig

District 1 Division IV All District
Jenna Triveri

All Ohio
Jenna Triveri

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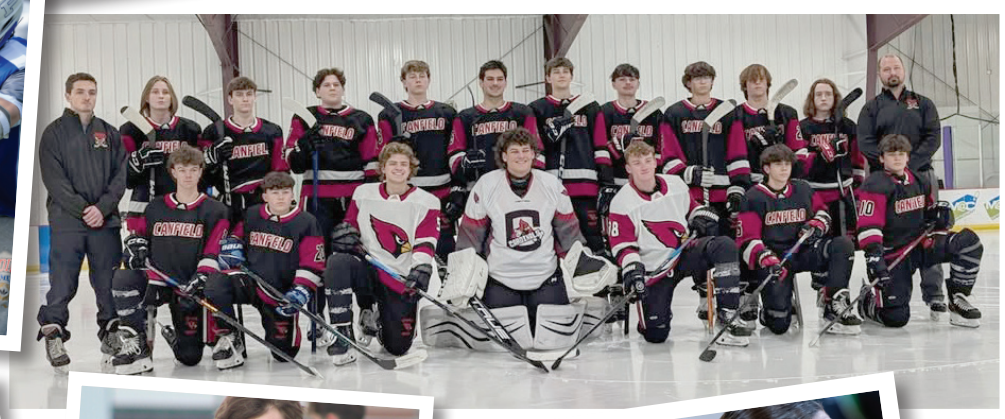




















Boys Tennis

1st Team All AAC
Carson Arfaras
Drew Shapiro
Michael Pantelakis
Nick Lavanty

2nd Team All AAC
Faheem Monda

Baseball

1st Team All AAC
Dylan Mancini
Zain Jadallah
Anthony Groner

2nd Team All AAC
Joey Gabriel

Softball

1st Team All AAC
Marina Koenig
Sydney Lutz
Jenna Triveri

2nd Team All AAC
Leah Figueroa
Alexis Johnson
Caylee Ortiz

Boys Track

All AAC
Amir Ali

Boys Lacrosse

OHSAA State Record
Charlie Boris
178/208 on Face-offs (85.57%)
Second All-Time in OHSAA History in Face-off Win Percentage

Girls Lacrosse

Karley Gerst
Scored over 100 career goals
Lainie Modarelli
Over 200 career saves

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