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Our mission is to inspire and guide each student to his or her maximum potential.



A MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT ANGIE HAMBERG



While we still are living in a time of uncertainty, I am so excited to return to school this year with a bit more normalcy than last year's start. I will continue to ask for your flexibility and patience as we may need to make changes throughout the year; however, as of publication, here is what we are planning for the 2021-22 school year:

- **Masks are welcome for all and are recommended for unvaccinated individuals**, but not required for school, sports, and extracurricular activities
- **Masks ARE REQUIRED by Federal Order on school buses** until at least September 13, when the current order expires
- Increased hand washing and sanitizing practices from last year will remain in effect
- Assigned seats/seating charts will be utilized as much as possible to assist our nurses as they work with the Delaware Public Health District on any quarantine requirements
- Families are encouraged to continue symptom screening and should keep ill students at home
- As shared earlier, we will not be offering the Virtual Learning Program this year

On the right is information on our staggered start, Meet and Greet (PreK-8), and Eagles' First Flight (BWHS new students and freshmen). See our website for additional information on Covid-19.

We are so excited to see our students in less than two weeks!

BACK-TO-SCHOOL EDITION



BACK-TO-SCHOOL DATES

All events and dates are subject to change if any new restrictions are implemented at the state level.

STAGGERED START INFORMATION

Based on positive feedback this year, and in order to best serve our students, we will again use a "staggered start" approach for **all K-12 students** in August. This allows our students to get to know their teachers and acclimate to their new surroundings in smaller groups. During the staggered start days, each teacher will have only a small group of students from his or her class. Each student will attend ONE staggered start day, and ALL STUDENTS will begin together as a whole class on **Monday, August 23**.

AUGUST 18: STAGGERED START DAY (LAST NAMES BEGINNING WITH A-G)

AUGUST 19: STAGGERED START DAY (LAST NAMES BEGINNING WITH H-O)

AUGUST 20: STAGGERED START DAY (LAST NAMES BEGINNING WITH P-Z)

AUGUST 23: ALL STUDENTS ATTEND SCHOOL

EAGLES' FIRST FLIGHT (EFF)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

7:40 a.m.-11:00 a.m. (BWHS FRESHMEN & NEW STUDENTS)

Additional details will be communicated soon to students who are invited to EFF.



MEET AND GREET

MONDAY, AUGUST 16

MIDDLE SCHOOL

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. (LAST NAMES A-K)

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (LAST NAMES L-Z)

INTERMEDIATE

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. (LAST NAMES A-K)

1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. (LAST NAMES L-Z)

ELEMENTARIES

2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. (LAST NAMES A-K)

3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. (LAST NAMES L-Z)

PRESCHOOL

1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. (LAST NAMES A-K)

2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. (LAST NAMES L-Z)

Staggered start information will be communicated through Schoology and email

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Brad Schneider

Division. It is everywhere. I have spent most of my day today replying to emails of concerns that people have about issues which are dividing our community today. The year on the calendar has changed, but these issues have always persisted.



Doug Crowl, Vice President Liana Lee, President Brad Schneider, Sherri Dorsch, Stephen P. Fujii

I thought this would be a good time to share my observations from the front lines in our district over the last 7+ years in a Board seat.

The first observation is this: I've enjoyed working with two superintendents who always made decisions thinking about the student in the seat as the primary motivation. They have always made those decisions regardless of the thoughts of other districts, leaders, politicians, or any other influence.

My second observation: those administrative decisions have always been with the best interest of the community in mind. While every decision can be traced to a particular student need, these decisions were made with a revered sense of community and this District's unique role in bringing us together. Whether or not the intended outcome was achieved, I knew our mission to inspire and guide to maximum potential was at the heart of our decisions.

My third observation: the staff of this District is 100% dedicated to grow academically, socially, and emotionally.

My fourth observation: every controversial or tense Board discussion/action or issue has resulted from people or pressures from outside of our community. Those issues increase in intensity when we (all of us, Board and District included) make assumptions and choose to retreat to our own beliefs instead of seeking to

understand the perspectives of others.

Whether it has been Common Core, economic development, revenue issues from growth, Covid-19 closings and graduations, being in school full time during a pandemic (just to name a few); we have always been at our best when we work as a community to focus on all of the students who are sitting in our seats.

Be curious. Question decision making. Ask about things you have heard about in other communities. Listen to the responses. Consider the perspectives of all of our students and the community. It's what our District has taught and will continue to teach.

When we do this, we grow and stay connected as a community.



BUS ROUTES & SCHEDULES

Bus routes and class schedules will be available in PowerSchool by the end of the day on August 11.

**Due to the mid-year move of high school students, all 5-12 buildings will have their own bus routes, but will still have the same start times.*



MENUS & ACCOUNTS

Menus for each building can be found at tinyurl.com/BWLSMenus

To add money to your child's account for extras and a la carte, go to www.payschoolscentral.com



SCHOOL FEES

Preschool Tuition (typical peers- 4 days)- \$200/month*

Full-Day Kindergarten Tuition- \$200/month*

Grades PreK-4 School Fee- \$55.00

Grades 5-8 School Fee- \$65.00

Grades 9-12 School Fee- \$100.00

** Monthly tuition is due on the first of each month for nine months (beginning in September and ending in May). Security deposit will be applied to final month (May) of tuition. If health guidelines or mandates for COVID-19 change, the preschool program may be moved to two days a week, and tuition will reflect this change.*

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH IS AGAIN FREE FOR ALL STUDENTS, PROVIDED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA)



The USDA has extended the waiver allowing ALL STUDENTS to receive daily FREE breakfast and FREE lunch for the 2021-2022 school year, regardless if they qualify for free/reduced meal status.

If you believe you qualify for free/reduced meal benefits, it is very important that you still complete a Free and Reduced Price Meal application because the eligibility status from the Free and Reduced Price Meal application is one of the factors used for waiving or reducing school fees and pay-to-participate fees. Even though all students are temporarily receiving free breakfast and free lunch, fees may only be waived if you qualify based on the Free and Reduced Price Meal application, and you completed the form. Additionally, eligibility for P-EBT benefits can only be determined based on the Free and Reduced Price Meal application. A la carte items or extras are sold at current pricing. Please apply money to your student's lunch account for these items by going to www.payschoolscentral.com. To read the full notice on Free and Reduced eligibility, and to access the Free and Reduced Price Meal application, visit the Food Service page of our website. Contact Linda Klamfoth at lindaklamfoth@bwls.net or (740) 965-8958 with any questions.



STAYING SAFE AT BIG WALNUT



**Assistant
Superintendent
Mark Cooper**

Last year was quite an eventful year with many challenges, but within each of those challenges so many opportunities. While there was no doubt a different view on safety with regard to the pandemic and state orders, we did not forget about the traditional concerns for safety within our buildings each day. We continue to focus on our Safety Committee's recommendations as we plan for the future. Our Safety Committee includes several community members with experience in law enforcement and emergency management organizations, as well as parents and staff members.

We love having volunteers in our buildings and look forward to having volunteers back on a limited basis, as pandemic restrictions change. All school volunteers are required to have background checks done prior to helping in our buildings. More information is available on our website at www.bwls.net by selecting "Volunteer Information" under "Parents/Community."

Safety in our schools also includes a focus on mental health, which was designated as a top priority by the Safety Committee. Over the last two years, we added a district mental health specialist and a social worker with state and local grants. In planning for the future, we anticipate the need to add several other mental health specialists to align with national recommendations. I am excited to share that we added two elementary counselors and a behavioral specialist for our district this school year and have plans to add several more school counselors in the coming years. We will be watching our district finances very carefully with these additions, but also know at some point in the near future, the District will require additional funding to sustain this support for our kids.

We have also implemented Threat Assessment Teams in each building and at the district level. Our teams have been trained through a state-approved organization. These teams have provided a huge boost of support in addressing any threatening statements or actions within our schools. We have been trained in working through specific protocols for reviewing any concern, no matter how small, to make sure our team has a plan in place for a student, if necessary. Our district team is available immediately if a building needs additional support, but also meets on a regular basis.

We continue to make efforts to promote a safe, welcoming environment for all students, but we also need your help in keeping our schools safe. We use the Safer Schools Ohio anonymous tip line for students and families to share information with school officials and law enforcement about threats to student safety -- whether a threat of a mass incident or harm to a single student. To report a concern, call or text 1-844-SAFEROH (1-844-723-3764). The system will send your anonymous report to the appropriate people to address the concern.

Back-to-School Teen Vaccination Clinics



WHERE: BWHS & BWMS

WHEN: SEPTEMBER 15

BWHS STARTING AT 8:00 A.M.

BWMS STARTING AT 9:00 A.M.

VACCINES OFFERED:

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MENINGOCOCCAL B

HPV

HEPATITIS A

PFIZER COVID-19 (AGE 12 & OLDER)

Additional information and online consent forms will be available on our website soon.



At Big Walnut, Schoolology is used as our district's communication tool, as well as an avenue for parents to check their child's school work, due dates, and upcoming events.

TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR YOU...

Parents do not need to join or leave groups this year! Simply log in, and all school and district information will be on the newsfeed.



If you don't have an account, create one by using the Parent Access Code (Don't know what the code is? Ask your child's building secretary or email schoolology@bwls.net)

NEED ASSISTANCE?

Watch our short video tutorials at bwls.net/schoolology.aspx or email schoolology@bwls.net

Back-to-School Information

Big Walnut High School



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Andy Jados**



**Assistant Principal
Kelley Bloomer**



**Assistant Principal
Jim Hall**

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Big Walnut Middle School



**Principal
Josh Frame**



**Assistant Principal
Joe Rucker**

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Big Walnut Intermediate School



**Principal
Sarah Sandrock**



**Assistant Principal
Nick Powell**

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Important dates

August 9 Boys' Golf Match @ Virtues GC 8:30 a.m.

August 10 Girls' Golf Match @ Blacklick GC 11:00 a.m.

August 10 Girls' Tennis Match @ BWHS 4:00 p.m.

August 12 BWHS Fall Athletics Picture Day

August 13 Futbol Friday Night vs. Marysville @ home (soccer)

**Girls play at 6:00 p.m. & boys play at 8:00 p.m. - Food trucks*

August 18 BWMS Fall Athletics Picture Day

August 20 First Varsity Football game @ home 7:00 p.m.

August 24 First Volleyball Match vs. Westerville North @ home 5:00 p.m.

August 28 First Cross Country Meet @ Whitehall Community Park 9:00 a.m.

September 15 7th/8th Football DH vs. New Albany (Games at BWHS @ 5:30 / 7:00 p.m.)

**Youth Night - Big Walnut Youth Football players attend free if wearing jerseys*

September 17 BWHS & BWMS Fall Pay-to-Participate Fee Deadline

September 24 Homecoming Parade and Football Game

Athletic Information



**Athletic Director
Brian Shelton**



Important links

Big Walnut Athletics Website: bigwalnutathletics.net

Final Forms: tinyurl.com/BWfinalforms

Physical Form: tinyurl.com/BWathleticsphysical2021

BWHS & BWMS Athletics Season Passes:

tinyurl.com/BWtickets2021

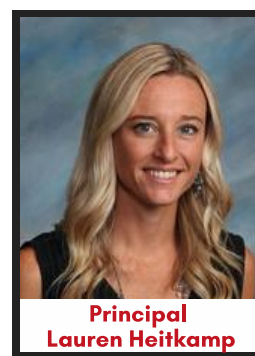
**To get BWHS online game tickets,
visit bigwalnutathletics.net/**

**Click on the sport, then select the game to
purchase tickets*

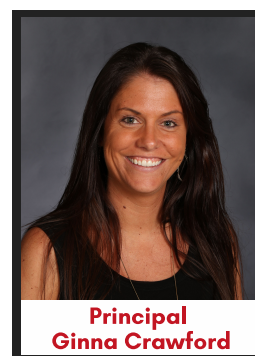
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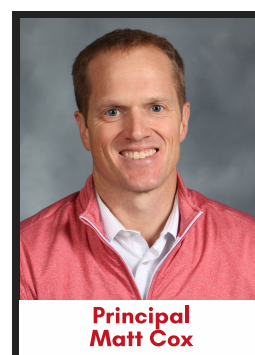
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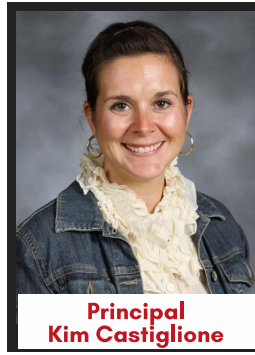
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School Hours:
Elementary: 8:45 - 3:35
AM KG/Pre-K: 8:45 - 11:30
PM KG/Pre-K: 12:50 - 3:35
Intermediate: 7:45 - 2:25
Middle School: 7:40 - 2:20
High School: 7:40 - 2:20

District Website:
www.bwls.net
PowerSchool:
<http://tinyurl.com/BWparentportal>
Schoolology:
www.schoolology.com

AGE-FRIENDLY Delaware County

News for an Age-Friendly Community Small Steps. Big Impact.



This September, Age-Friendly Delaware County and AARP team up with 8 80 Cities to explore ways we can create healthier, age-friendly parks and public spaces in Delaware County.

8 80 Cities is a nonprofit organization that brings citizens together to enhance mobility and public space so that, together, we can create more vibrant, healthy, and equitable communities.

Follow Age-Friendly Delaware County on social media to stay up-to-date on our projects and progress!



Try the
Mindfulness Walk
at Gallant Woods! Eight
stations provide ways
to practice mindfulness
along the 1.1-mile
Pheasant Run Trail.

Preservation Parks is proud to participate in Age-Friendly Delaware County, improving our community's outdoor spaces. The first step was to give park benches arms—a small, but effective change. It is one more piece of the puzzle that allows our parks to be enjoyed by a wider range of people of all ages and abilities.

It also makes us eager to explore what else we can do. We are always looking for ways we can make the parks more enjoyable and accessible to visitors. We encourage visitors to reach out to us through a variety of channels to share their thoughts about how we can make the parks more age-friendly.



Based on the current population of Delaware County, it's estimated there are approximately 12,000 local people impacted by Alzheimer's Disease, including persons living with the disease and their caregivers.

That's why this fall, we are proud to introduce Dementia-Friendly Powell.

Our mission is to create a welcoming, inclusive, compassionate community, where people living with dementia and care partners are supported in the City of Powell.

“ Maybe it's offering a special time during less-frequented times of day for a restaurant or a special day that people living with dementia, as well as their caregivers, can patronize local businesses and feel welcome and at ease.



Saturday, Oct. 2, 2021

14 W. Winter St., Delaware

Registration at 8 a.m., Ceremony at 9, Walk at 9:30

For more information, contact Jason Abady at 614-643-2130 or jrabady@alz.org.

HOMEWORK HELP AT THE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

It's been a few years since I was in school, so when my kids ask for help with homework I first need to spend more time than I'm willing to admit researching a topic to get up to speed. Even after that, the assistance I provide is arguably lacking. Just ask my kids.

If you're in the same situation, you'll be happy to hear that starting September 1, the Community Library in Sunbury will be offering a new online service, **Tutor.com**. Tutor.com connects students in kindergarten through 12th grade with expert tutors, giving them access to one-on-one homework help. Tutor.com also offers professional writing help and test prep resources for the ACT and SAT. The service will be available daily from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

In addition to Tutor.com, we have other great online resources available through the library. Following are just a few:

EBSCO Explora

An easy way to research full-text magazine and journal articles by keyword or topic.

Gale in Context: Elementary

Reliable, curriculum-related educational topics for elementary-age students.

Literature Reference Center

A foundation of literary information about authors and their works.

Points of View Reference Center

Resources that present multiple sides of current issues.

Science Reference Center

Hundreds of science encyclopedias, reference books, periodicals, and other sources.

Very Short Introductions

Concise introductions to a diverse range of subject areas.

These resources, along with many more, can be found at <https://students.yourcl.org>. Also, don't forget that you have access to thousands of free ebooks through the library. Links to ebooks can be found on our website at <https://www.yourcl.org>. To sign up for a library card, visit <https://register.yourcl.org>.

Whether you're looking for a book or need help on a project, the Community Library is here to help your family throughout the school year. And don't forget to try Tutor.com starting September 1.



Chauncey Montgomery
Director/ Fiscal Officer



This space was paid for by the Community Library.

CALLING ALL BOYS AND GIRLS IN KINDERGARTEN TO 5TH GRADE

DO ANY OF THESE ACTIVITIES SOUND LIKE FUN TO YOU?

- MAKING NEW FRIENDS
- ROCKET LAUNCHING
- HIKING
- HELPING OTHERS
- SUMMER CAMP
- CAMPING
- WALKING IN A PARADE
- PINWOOD DERBY RACING
- FISHING
- LEARNING A NEW SKILL

HAVING LOTS OF FUN!

We meet on Monday nights starting in late August from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Sunbury Christian Church (870 Admiral Drive Sunbury, 43074)

Join us at our open house August 30th at 6:30 pm

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
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Meet Our *New* Principals

Ginna Crawford General Rosecrans Elementary

Hometown: Mount Vernon, Ohio

Family: I've been married to my husband, Jason, who also teaches and coaches for Big Walnut, for 13 years. We have two children, both who will attend General Rosecrans Elementary: Reagan, who will be a 4th grader; and Maverick, who will be a kindergartener.

Hobbies: I enjoy working out, running, reading, and spending time with friends and family.

Work Experience: I was a 3rd grade teacher at a previous district. When I came to Big Walnut 10 years ago, I taught 3rd grade at General Rosecrans Elementary before becoming an instructional coach for the District. Last year, I served as the district's VLP coordinator.

What does #InspireAndGuide mean to you? Inspire and Guide means giving each and every child a chance to learn how to be their best self in a safe, nurturing, and encouraging environment.

Lauren Heitkamp Big Walnut Elementary

Hometown: Warwick, Rhode Island

Family: My husband, Matt and I have three kids, Grace (14), Claire (11), and Jack (8). We can't leave out our four-legged family member- our dog, Skye.

Hobbies: When I'm not at school, I enjoy running, reading, cooking, and watching my kids participate in sports and other activities. My family also loves to travel and explore new places.

Work Experience: I taught in an elementary school in a small community near Dayton, Ohio for 11 years. During that time, I taught 4th and 1st grade and was a literacy coach. Five years ago, I moved to the Columbus area and have been a curriculum supervisor at Olentangy Schools. In this role, I coordinated the gifted program and worked with teachers and principals to design high-quality learning opportunities for all students.

What does #InspireAndGuide mean? Young children are naturally curious. To me, "inspire and guide" means igniting that natural curiosity and wonder and guiding students' growth through discovery, inquiry, collaboration, and joyful learning.



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Sunbury Chiropractic would like to wish all Big Walnut teachers, staff, and students a safe and healthy start to the 2021-2022 school year. Good luck to all student athletes in their competitions! Go Eagles!!!!

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