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From the SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

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BULLDOG SPIRIT SHINES ACROSS THE DISTRICT IN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SEND-OFF

Our cross country runners received a special send-off on Friday, Nov. 6, as students and staff came together to celebrate their achievements and wish them luck at the OHSAA State Cross Country Championships! The high school kicked off the celebration with a spirited, building-wide clap-out.

The celebration continued as our runners visited school buildings throughout the district, where our younger Bulldogs were ready to cheer them on! Students greeted the athletes with handmade signs, enthusiastic cheers, high-fives, and plenty of smiles.

Congratulations to our runners and coaches on an outstanding season! We are so proud of all you have accomplished and the wonderful example you set for our younger Bulldogs.



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOLS

Last week, our community demonstrated its continued commitment to public education with the passage of Issue 8. On behalf of our students, staff, administration, and Board of Education, I want to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who participated in this important process. We are grateful for the continued support and partnership of our families and residents.

We recognize the trust our community has placed in us, and we remain committed to fiscal responsibility, transparency, and keeping students at the center of every decision we make.

To express our appreciation, our school leaders, teachers, and staff have shared a special video message of thanks. We hope you'll take a moment to watch!

Watch our Thank You video here.

Reminders!

- **STUCO's Veterans Day Breakfast - Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 8:30 a.m.:** This event is open to all veterans. See below for more information.
- **Veterans Day - Wednesday, Nov. 11:** Classes are in session. We will be recognizing the day throughout the district.
- Kimpton presents **Alice in Wonderland, Jr.** on Friday, Nov. 13 and Saturday, Nov. 14 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 15 at 1:30 p.m. Purchase tickets through the Hometown Fan App.
- **SMFHS Orchestra at the Holiday Tree Festival on Monday, Nov. 16:** Our orchestra will perform from 12 to 12:30 p.m. at the John S. Knight Center in downtown Akron.
- **BOE Meeting - Monday, Nov. 23:** The Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. at Echo Hills Elementary.



LET JOSHUA'S RESTAURANT HELP WITH THE HOLIDAY

Make your Thanksgiving preparations a little easier while supporting our talented culinary arts students! Joshua's Restaurant, part of our Career-Technical Education program at SMFHS, is offering prepared Thanksgiving dishes and dessert for purchase.

Enjoy delicious holiday favorites while supporting hands-on learning for our future culinary professionals! Orders are being accepted now through Friday, Nov. 13. Download the order form here or visit SMFSchools.org.

SMFHS STUCO INVITES VETERANS TO BREAKFAST

The Stow-Munroe Falls High School Student Council is proud to host its annual Veterans Day Breakfast on Tuesday, Nov. 10, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. at the high school. All veterans are welcome to attend and are invited to bring an SMFHS student, if applicable.

This special event is an opportunity for our students and school community to recognize and thank the men and women who have served our country. We look forward to honoring our veterans and expressing our gratitude for their service and sacrifice.

Register here!

STUDENTS SHARE THEIR VOICES AT NEONET

Stow-Munroe Falls students joined representatives from Tallmadge, Kent, and Nordonia for a student panel at NEOnet's Metropolitan Regional Service Council Assembly. They shared their perspectives with superintendents, treasurers, and technology directors on classroom technology, artificial intelligence, student well-being, and how technology influences their education and preparation for the future. Thank you to our students for representing the district and contributing to these important conversations!



KIMPTON PRESENTS ALICE IN WONDERLAND, JR.

Get ready for a trip down the rabbit hole! Kimpton Middle School students will bring Alice in Wonderland, Jr. to the stage Nov. 13–15, showcasing the talents of our student performers and production crew. Performances are Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Purchase your tickets here.

INDIAN TRAIL CONNECTS WITH KIMPTON BUILDERS

Kimpton Middle School's Builders Club recently visited Indian Trail Elementary to build connections with second- and third-grade students. Our eighth graders had the opportunity to lead activities, mentor younger Bulldogs, and experience what it takes to be a teacher! It was a wonderful way to strengthen relationships between our schools while developing leadership skills.



FISHCREEK'S POTATO HEAD CHALLENGE

Fishcreek Elementary is making school attendance fun with a creative Mr. Potato Head challenge! Classes earn pieces to build their Mr. Potato Head when everyone is present, encouraging students to work together toward a shared goal while reinforcing the importance of coming to school every day.





ECHO HILLS CELEBRATES KINDNESS & PAWS

Echo Hills Elementary students celebrated Kindness Month by creating playdough collages with Ms. Swinsburg and contributing to a "Stick Together, Just Be Kind" banner. Students also celebrated positive choices by shopping at the school's PAWS Store, where they redeemed tickets earned for demonstrating positive behaviors, including preparing for success, acting responsibly, working hard, and staying safe!

HOLIDAY CARD CONTEST - DEADLINE NOV. 20

Calling all Bulldog artists! Students in grades K-12 are invited to submit original winter-themed artwork for a chance to have their design featured on the district's official holiday card. The top three artists will also be recognized at a Board of Education meeting.

Entries are due to school offices by **Friday, Nov. 20.** See the contest flyer for details and submission requirements.

