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Lunch Prices

High School/Middle School	. \$3	.00
W.S. Stinson/NW Primary	. \$2	.70
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2022 Valedictorian and Salutatorians



Brady Aneshansel Valedictorian



Bayleigh Lower Co-Salutatorian



Mary Paydock Co-Salutatorian

Summa Cum Laude Graduates

3.9-4.0 GPA, 4+ AP Courses or 30+ CCP Credit Hours or 4+ Credit Career-Tech Program



Brady Aneshansel



John Derry



Lucie Doubet



Amaya Evans



Samantha Gainer



Bayleigh Lower



Alivia Nair



Paige Owsiany



Marv Paydock



Carlv Spradling



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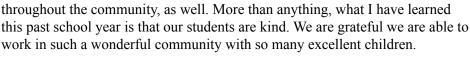
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From left: Adam Tohill, President Jim Gindlesberger, Rita Gearhart, Julia Barkey, Vice President Victor Colaianni.

Superintendent's Message

Hello to All in the Northwest Community!

The school year has officially ended! We are all so proud of the work our students have accomplished. This marks the end of my first year as superintendent of Northwest Local Schools, and I am ready to begin the 2022-2023 school year right now! I have seen so many great things in the classrooms from academics to the arts to athletics, and so many great things



I want to thank the community, the faculty and staff, parents, and – most importantly – our students for a great school year. I feel blessed to be part of such a special place. To all of the students out there, take time to enjoy the summer. Have fun! Get with friends! Be close to your family and church! And read books! Read a book or two or five from the library. You will be glad you did! To all of you: Have a peaceful and relaxing summer!

Please check the school website regularly for any upcoming events. Check your email, too, for any messages we may send to you. If you are on Twitter, follow me @shawn braman for any other school updates. If you need me for anything concerning school, call my cell at 330-573-9024.

Take care!

Go Indians!

Shawn Braman, Ed.D.

Title I/IDEA-B Flow Thru Notification

The Northwest Local School District receives notification of their entitlement of federal funds allocated in accordance with the Title I/ Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Public Law 92-142. Utilization of the funds is designated to provide services and programs for disabled students. Person who wish to comment on how to utilize these designated funds are welcome and encouraged to contact Debora Clark, Director of Instruction, at 2309 Locust Street, S. Canal Fulton, OH 44614. The phone number is (330) 854-2292.

2022-2023 Backpack Program

As we begin our summer vacation, it is also time to let you know about the backpack drive that occurs over these summer months. Families who need help purchasing school supplies have the opportunity to have a completed bag of school supplies available for pick up right before school begins this Fall. This year, registration for backpacks will be completely online. You may register your children from June 1-24. Please register each child separately. Just go to www.northwest.sparcc.org and find the link for the Backpack program on the home page. Again, the only way you can register for this program is to register online.

Backpack pick-up will be at Northwest Middle School on Saturday, August 6 from 10:00 am until noon or Sunday, August 7 from 1-3 pm. You will only get a backpack if you have signed up.

MS and HS Summer Required Reading

Please check the school's homepage for specific directions.

Middle School Students

Enter the Google class codes below to join the class (codes are also listed on the NWM homepage). Once students join the class, the assignments will be in Class Assignments.

ELA 6 (code c2ktabp) - *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen

ELA 7 and Enriched (code rww25op) - Ok for Now by Gary D. Schmidt

ELA 8 (code mgs7zfa) - *The Edge* by Roland Smith

English 9 middle school (50744lg) - The Last Lecture by Randy Pausch

High School Student

Comp. I - Fast Food Nation by Eric Schlosser OR American Dirt by Jeanine Cummins

AP Literature - *Haroun and the Sea of Stories* by Salman Rushdie

AP Language - The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot

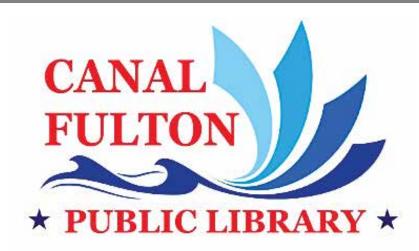
ELA 12 - Series of short stories - "The Interlopers" by H. H. Munro (SAKI),

"The Fly" by Katherine Mansfield, and "Desiree's Baby" by Kate Chopin

ELA 11 - The Orphan Collector by Ellen Marie Wiseman, OR Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate, OR The Memory Keeper's Daughter by Kim Edwards

ELA 10 - Feed by M.T. Anderson <u>OR</u> Luka and the Fire of Life by Salman Rushdie

ELA 9 - Dry by Neal Shusterman and Jarrod Schusterman OR The Compound by S.A. Bodeen



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Please view the Canal Fulton Public Library's online calendar or newsletter for more information regarding the following SUMMER 2022 events:

Children's Programs

Tots and Tales: Ages birth-2. Tuesdays and Thursdays 10-10:20 a.m.

Feed Me a Story: Ages 3-5. Wednesdays 11-11:30 a.m. Petting Zoo: For all ages. Friday, June 3 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Akron Zoo: Ages 3-12. Tuesday, June 7 • 2-3 p.m.

Ocean Animal Suncatcher: Ages 6-12. Thursday, June 9 • 6-6:45 p.m.

Flower Pot Painting: Ages 3-12. Friday, June 10 • 12-1 p.m.

Wonderful World of Bubbles: For all ages. Monday, June 13 • 1-2 p.m. **Interactive Movie Night:** Ages 3-12. Tuesday, June 14 • 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Tropical Gem Art: Ages 6-12. Thursday, June 16 • 6-6:45 p.m. **Lego Free Play:** Ages 6-12. Friday, June 17 • 11-11:45 a.m.

Swim Safety with the Goldfish Swim School: Recommended Ages 3-7. Monday,

June 20 • 10 a.m.

Kids Cookbook Book Club: Ages 6-12. Wednesday, June 22 • 12-1 p.m.

Sea Life: Ages 3-5. Thursday, June 23 • 1-2 p.m.

Life in the Sea: Ages 6-12. Thursday, June 23 • 2:15 p.m. **Ocean Bingo:** Ages 6-12. Friday, June 24 • 2-2:45 p.m.

We Don't Eat Our Librarians: Ages 3-12. Saturday, June 25 • 11 a.m. and

Monday, June 27 • 2 p.m.

Kids Book Discussion: Ages 8-12. Tuesday, June 27 • 10-10:45 a.m.

Painted Tote Bags: Ages 3-12. Monday, June 28 • 2-3 p.m.

Family Story Night: For all ages. Wednesday, June 29 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Under the Sea Slime: Ages 6-12. Thursday, June 30 • 6-6:45 p.m.

Mason Jar Aquarium: Ages 6-12. Tuesday, July 5 • 3-3:45 p.m.

Whiz Bang Science Show Sails the Seven Seas: Wednesday, July 6 • 2-3 p.m.

On the Beach: Ages 3-5. Monday, July 11 • 10-11 a.m.

Black and Blue Oceans: Ages 6-12. Monday, July 11 • 11:15 a.m.

Decorated Treasure Chests: Ages 3-12. Tuesday, July 12 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Kids Cookbook Book Club: Ages 6-12. Wednesday, July 13 • 1-2 p.m.

Ocean Animal Sand Art: Ages 6-12. Thursday, July 14 • 6-6:45 p.m.

Family Movie Afternoon: For all ages. Saturday, July 16 • 2-4 p.m.

Kids Book Discussion: Ages 8-12. Monday, July 18 • 2-2:45 p.m.

Painted Wind Chimes: Ages 3-12. Thursday, July 21 • 2-3 p.m.

Clean It Up: An Oil Spill Experiment: Ages 6-12. Friday, July 22 • 11 a.m.

Lego Free Play: Ages 6-12. Monday. July 25 • 2-2:45 p.m.

Family Story Night: For all ages. Wednesday, July 27 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.



IT'S TIME TO JOIN THE Y!

At the Y, you'll find more than just a place to work out. With opportunities to connect with neighbors and give back to your community, you'll discover a greater sense of purpose, too.

Membership info:



Swim Lesson info:



Or give the Schalmo YMCA a call at: (330) 970-0123 976 Canal St S, Canal Fulton, OH 44614

Teen & Adult Programs

Registration is required for these programs – please call the library at 330-854-4148, or stop by the Information Desk to sign up.

Summer Reading Program for Teens and Adults: Wednesday, June 1 through

Saturday, July 30

Lots of Locks – A Canal Story©: Saturday, June 4 •10:00 a.m. Summer Craft for Adults: Monday, June 6 • 6:00 p.m.

Art Attack for Toons!: Tuesday, June 7 • 5:30 p.m.

Art Attack for Teens!: Tuesday, June 7 • 5:30 p.m. **Gardening with Poultry:** Saturday, June 11 • 10:00 a.m. **Beekeeping for Teens:** Wednesday, June 15 • 3:00 p.m.

Trivia Night for Adults Using the Kahoot! App: Wednesday, June 15 • 5:30 p.m.

Juneteenth Film for Teens and Adults: Saturday, June 18 • 12:00 p.m.

Teen Anime Club: Monday, June 20 • 5:30 p.m.

Third Tuesday Book Discussion: Tuesday, June 21 • 6 p.m. **Anime Art Workshop for Teens:** Wednesday, June 22 • 3:00 p.m.

Summer Craft for Adults: Monday, June 27 • 6:00 p.m. **Teen Pizza and Game Night:** Tuesday, June 28 • 5:30 p.m. **Summer Craft for Adults:** Tuesday, July 5 • 6:00 p.m.

Pokemon Card Transformations: Wednesday, July 6 • 5:30 p.m.

Teen Anime Club: Monday, July 18 • 5:30 p.m.

Third Tuesday Book Discussion: we will discuss The Book Woman of Troublesome

Creek by Kim Michele Richardson, Tuesday, July 19 • 6 p.m. Black Light Party for Teens: Tuesday, July 26 • 5:00 p.m. Third Tuesday Book Discussion: we will discuss *Hamnet* by

Maggie O'Farrell, Tuesday, August 16 • 6 p.m.

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The 68th Commencement of Northwest High School was held on Monday, May 23 at First Christian Church in Canton. The Symphonic Band played *Pomp and* Circumstance under the direction of Mr. Stephen Imler. A beloved annual tradition, senior choir members joined Chorale to sing The Lord Bless You and Keep You under the direction of director Mr. Chad Pittman. Valedictorian Brady Aneshansel and Salutatorians Bayleigh Lower and Mary Paydock addressed their families and peers with words of gratitude, remembrance, and inspiration. Principal Larry Tausch and Superintendent Dr. Shawn Braman presented diplomas. Completing his first year as Superintendent of Northwest Schools, Dr. Braman had the honor of decreeing The Class of 2022 graduates of Northwest High School, as 161 seniors moved their tassels from right to left, becoming alumni. Congratulations and best wishes to our graduates!



"We are gathered here tonight to celebrate the culmination of over 13 years of hard work in which we have grown from wide-eyed kindergartners who would do anything to get out of nap time, to awkward fledgling adults who would do anything to go back to sleep! . . . Just as quickly as the last four years have gone by, so will the next four, and so on. Forever is composed of a series of nows, all of which will come and go in an unremarkable fashion if you let it. So, as we stand at the beginning of our lives, I implore you all to live with passion and purpose, making every day one worth remembering. Carpe diem! Thank you for everything, Northwest."

-Brady Aneshansel, Valedictorian

"We are a class of athletes, actors, debaters, engineers, artists, and so much more. We have struggled together for the past 12 years, but we have also thrived together. School has taught us many things, whether it was how to find the value of x, how to get ready in 5 minutes, or how to play 2048 on a Chromebook even though it was blocked. . . . Class of 2022 as you go on your journey, remember your roots and the lessons you learned while here at Northwest. Remember to give back and to embrace those who are different from you. I wish you the best and hope you all become the person you've always dreamed of being!"

-Bayleigh Lower, Salutatorian



Class

Graduating with Honors

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

3.75-4.0 GPA, 2+ AP Courses or 15+ CCP credit hours or 4+ credit career-tech program

Jayden Berry Mackenzie Brown Sofia Chittaro **Kylee Cottrill Emily Crookston Kate Cunningham** Karli Czartoszewski **Rachel Deininger Kendall Demchock Olivia Ellis** Victoria Friedrichson Rayah Gasior- Drage Mary Grace Huth Amanda Keith **Zachary Kurz** O'rion McAvinew Jacob Metzger **Alexis Pitsch** Nicolas Quezada **Abby Sharrer** Colin Sokolowski **Madison Zellers**

CUM LAUDE

3.5-4.0 GPA

Karli Adkins **Emma Barnes Marisa Bennett** Elizabeth Caldwell William Campbell Kendall Carpenter **Christopher Davis** Alexis Decker Caitlynn Edwards Taylor Fightmaster Blake Knore **Brooke Kovacs Cody Logan** Gabriella Lyons **Anna Nicholson Alexander Prexta Emma Ritchey Zachary Ross** Jayla Smith Megan Swogger Anna Thompson Lydia Woodward









"Believe it or not, most of you don't need to know what the inside of a eukaryotic cell looks like. You don't need to know how to solve a quadratic equation, and you won't necessarily need to know the name of every literary device used in poems. But if you've learned anything over the past 13 years, you've learned the valuable skill of learning. Please, never stop learning. As you take to the world to adventure in a much more independent way, I encourage you to be responsible for your own learning. Your intuition and hard work have gotten you here; you are limitless. Class of 22, I am proud of you. Everyone here is incredibly proud of you. And vote: Paydock for President, 2052!"

MR. MS.



Zachary Kurz, Mr. Northwest Carly Spradling, Ms. Northwest



Mary Paydock, Salutatorian









Class of 2022 **Local Scholarship & Award Recipients**

Aultcare Scholarship – **Kylee Cottrill**

Jordan Ayers Memorial Scholarship - Chris Davis & Cody Logan

Be the Example Award – Amaya Evans & Mary Paydock

Robert A. Beichler Memorial Scholarship - Oliva Ellis

Canal Fulton Chamber of Commerce Scholarship – Emma Barnes & Lucie Doubet

Gary Dial Memorial Scholarship – Zachary Kurz

Gavin Griffith Memorial Scholarship – **Zachary Kurz**

Joe Harbour Memorial Scholarship – Alex Prexta

Tom and Dorothy Healey Memorial Scholarship - Rachel Deininger & Mary Paydock

Thomas Holl Memorial Scholarship – Lucie Doubet & Bayleigh Lower

Ryan Hudson Memorial Scholarship – Jayla Smith

Carmen Ketz Memorial Scholarship – O'rion McAvinew

Canal Fulton McDonald's Scholarship – Alyssa Cope

Military Recognition - Brandon Anderson, Navy & Ben Schilling, Marines

Ryan Moore Memorial Scholarship – Karli Czartoszewski

Northwest Band Scholarship – Robyn Rowles

Northwest Lions Club Scholarship - William Campbell & Cody Logan

Northwest Teachers Association Scholarship – Brady Aneshansel & Lucie Doubet

OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award – Lucie Doubet & Jacob Metzger

Ryan Ostronisky Memorial Scholarship – Brigham Hunter, Amanda Keith, Zachary

Kurz, Bayleigh Lower, Alivia Nair, Alex Prexta, Anna Thompson, Lydia Woodward, & Madison Zellers

Paul Swigart/Mary Fletcher Rotary Scholarship – Olivia Ellis, Amaya Evans, Emily Crookston, Zachary Kurz, & Alex Prexta

Ryder Realty Scholarship – Hallie Lowther

S & T Bank Scholarship – Lydia Woodward

Herb and James D. Schalmo Memorial Scholarship – Amanda Keith

Richard J. Slivinski Foundation Scholarship – Samantha Gainer

Speech and Debate Outstanding Senior Scholarship – Mary Paydock

Superintendent Citizenship Award – Brady Aneshansel & Mary Paydock

Touchdown Club Scholarship – Jason Greenfield, Cody Logan, & Alex Prexta

Vitalant Scholarship - Brady Aneshansel, Emma Barnes, Emily Crookston, Olivia

Ellis, Zachary Kurz, Brandon Macko, & Colin Sokolowski

Mr. Northwest – Zachary Kurz

Ms. Northwest – Carly Spradling

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Celebrating our Seniors! A myriad of activities, celebrations, and traditions mark the milestone of the K-12 journey for our graduating Seniors. Northwest honored the Class of 2022 throughout the month of May. This year's Prom, appropriately themed The World Awaits, was held on May 7th at La Pizzeria. On May 15th, the seniors paraded through town and attended Senior Sunset activities at the stadium. Senior Walk day was held on May 16th. This tradition literally gives students the opportunity to retrace their steps through the Northwest campus where they are greeted by former teachers, congratulated by younger students, and take one last spin on the playground! Finally, SWORD (Senior Work Outreach Day) gives seniors an opportunity to give back as they provide a day of service helping out throughout the community; the work day concludes with a picnic. These are just some of the ways that seniors are recognized leading up to their big day!

PARADE & SUNSET

















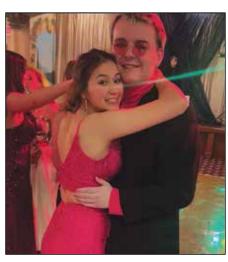
















Class of 2022

SENIOR WALK



















































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Northwest High School



Speech & Debate Team

At the Congressional Debate National Qualifier, Mary Paydock lead the Northwest Speech and Debate team to a first place Team Sweepstakes win, the first in team history. She is the District Champion in Congressional Debate and won Best Presiding Officer. In addition to her qualification to the National Tournament, we have two alternates to Nationals, Abigail Meighen and Carson Fox, for a total of three finalists at the Eastern Ohio NSDA National Qualifier. Congratulations and best of luck to these dedicated and talented students as they travel to Kentucky for the National Tournament June 12-17.



Mary Paydock

Students of the Month

Each month, four students (one from each grade) are selected as Students of the Month. Each month holds a different theme. Students are featured on Mr. Tausch's Twitter, the *Northwest News*, the announcements, and on a bulletin board in the Commons. They will also be given a premium parking spot in the front and a gift card for free drinks at the café.

Congratulations to the "Open-Minded" April Students of the Month

Open-Minded students appreciate their own culture and personal history. as well as the values and traditions of others. The seek and evaluate a range of points of view, and they are willing to grow from the experience.



Kathryn **Pandrea** Freshman



Nathaniel **Amiot** Sophomore



Null Junior



Amanda Keith Senior

Congratulations to the "Communicators" May Students of the Month

Communicators are students who express themselves confidently and creatively in many ways including in more than one language. They also collaborate effectively, listening carefully to the perspectives of other individuals and groups.



Luke Bahl Freshman



Brooke **Snelick** Sophomore



Tate Miller Junior



Ben Zink Senior





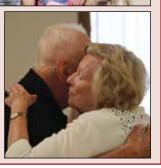






Serving our Seniors

Northwest High School Interact Club was excited to return to hosting its annual Senior Citizens' Prom in 2022! The event was held at the Northwest Senior Center on April 24. The 25+ area senior citizens who attended were entertained by the GROOVY dance moves of our Interact students and treated to a truly professional DJ experience by Jake Schwendiman of Flash and Sound Events. Games and refreshments courtesy of Interact and Peace, Love, and Little Donuts were a hit, and the vintage VW Bus crafted by the Fightmaster family made for great photo opportunities! Mr. Woods and his team of elite party planners are already looking forward to next year's bash! The event was open to all seniors free of charge as a service to the Northwest community by the Northwest High School Interact Club.













Northwest Choirs Tour the Big Apple

Northwest Choir students traveled to New York City in the spring. In three jam-packed days, the students toured Times Square, Rockefeller Center, St. Patrick's Cathedral, the One World Trade Center, the September 11 Memorial Museum, Fifth Avenue, Little Italy, Chinatown, and Top of the Rock. They took the Staten Island Ferry to view the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, and they attended Wicked and Dear Evan Hanson on Broadway. Students had a chance to participate in a Musical Theater Song and Movement Workshop and sang in the Cathedral of Saint John. A special opportunity for students every four years, this trip is definitely one that students will remember for a lifetime!

The choirs concluded their school year with a Spring Concert and the fanfavorite Spring Showcase. In addition, all choirs earned a superior rating of 1 at OMEA State Contest at Jackson High School. Director Mr. Chad Pittman definitely had a busy and successful first year at Northwest.











Northwest Band Wraps Up their Season

Spring season was certainly busy as the Northwest Band wrapped up a successful year. The band earned an Excellent rating of 2 at OMEA State Contest at GlenOak High School. They performed in Bands in a Round, a special concert featuring all bands grades 5-12. Their final concert packed the commons! In a unique and new tradition, the high school students performed with the Canal Fulton Community Band in a Cinco de Mayo Concert. They concluded the year with a Quarter Auction to raise funds for their Disney trip next school year. Director Mr. Stephen Imler, who is concluding his first full year at Northwest, is proud of this group of hardworking students: "The band and I hit the ground running from the first day I worked with them, and we haven't stopped since. I am thankful for the support from the community and administration, and I can't wait for what the future holds for Northwest Band!"

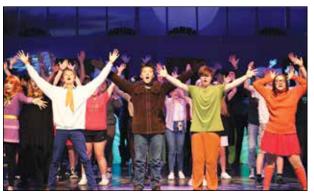
STEM Day at Cedar Point

Northwest physics students and science club members took their first annual trip to "Physics Day" at Cedar Point on May 12. Joining other physics, calculus, and chemistry students from around the area, our students participated in multiple STEM enrichment opportunities with labs, robotics, and experiments throughout the park! The students also enjoyed riding the 17 world-class roller coasters, of course!



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Northwest Middle School









Choirs Recreate Classic Caper

The middle school choirs closed the year with a spring show based on the classic story of Scooby Doo and the Mystery Gang! Under the direction of Mr. Conner Busby, seven choirs "pulled out all the stops" to bring the story of Scooby Doo and the Mystery of the Creeper to the stage. One of the most well-known episodes from the cartoon's original series, the show featured a fleet of classic characters like Scooby Doo, the full mystery gang, Scrappy Doo, the Hex Girls, Yabba Doo, the Creeper, and more! The show impressed audiences with choreographed dance numbers, a 'full stage' professional set, and classic rock music from the 60s, 70s and 80s! What a way to close a successful year!







A Day of Epic Challenges

On March 25, seventh-graders participated in the Greek Olympics competition, a cross-curriculum annual event that is based on Ancient Greek history, mythology, and literature. Students formed six teacher-lead teams which were named after Greek city-states and given a team color: Mr. Maculaitis, Team Troy (Black); Ms. Lane, Team Macedonia (Yellow); Miss Clark, Team Sparta (Orange); Mr. Jones, Team Corinth (Red); Mrs. Thompson, Team Athens (Blue); and Mrs. Martin/Mrs. Tirbovich, Team Thebes (Green). This year's competition included a Kahoot team trivia event based on class curriculum for each core class, multiple team relays, a Tug-o-War contest, an obstacle course, and a dodge-ball tournament. Each team accumulated points based on their finish in each event. When all events were final, Mr. Mac's Team Troy won the championship! The winning team members were Liam Betty, Graydn Sillman, Calvin Marshall, Molly Cook, Sylar Legg, Landon Wenzel, Callie Curnette, Kiersten Kress, Kira Syrios, Marianna Garrett, Xylaa Akers, Marlie Magyrics, Alyse Trent, Jakob Garber, Hailey Allen, Ayden Duncan, Trey Lower, Conner Stephenson, and Jace Zemla. (Not Pictured: Natalie Kozlosky)











Sixth Grade Camp Returns!

It's a tradition, a rite-of-passage, a long-awaited and anticipated spring ritual! For the first time in three years, Northwest sixth-graders were able to return to Leesville Lake in Carroll County for a three-day stay at Sixth Grade Camp on April 6-8. During their stay at FFA Camp Muskingum, students learned about nature, conservation, geology, and biology. Traveling in outdoor education field groups, students explored, hiked, dabbled in archery, slept in large bunkhouses, and enjoyed an overall muddy, fun experience. Thanks to our awesome team of eighth-grade teachers for helping to make this trip a success!

W.S. Stinson Elementary



S-P-E-L-I-N-G C-H-A-M-P-S

On May 19, 30 Stinson Elementary students gathered with their parents and peers to compete in the 2022 5th grade spelling bee. All students did a great job. Congratulations to our runner up Stella Frase and the 2022 fifth-grade champion, **Ellory Trent**.

Full STEAM Ahead

Stinson was alive with activities—all things STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Math. The pandemic gave families limited access to the schools for the past two years, so Stinson staff decided to turn their annual Art Walk into an end-of-year extravaganza STEAM Night. The students and their families were able to view their art work, shop at the Book Fair, complete fun activities in the Art and STEM rooms, play traditional family games, run through our large inflatable obstacle course, and punch a card at each station

to earn tickets for many different raffle baskets with books, art supplies, and a Sphero robot. This free event, sponsored by the Betterment League, included Kona Ice and walking tacos for all. This night was a huge success, attended by nearly 700 people! Stinson STEAM Night will most definitely become an annual event!



























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Dodging for Dollars

The Northwest High School Girls' Golf Team held their first annual Dodgeball Tournament fundraiser in March, hosted by golf coach Laurie Traganza. Students and staff came together to compete, raise funds, and have some fun. The event was a huge success with a total of 32 teams competing and a supportive group of fans cheering them on! A special thank you to all who participated.







Northwest Primary

After 21 years as the elementary and the Primary principal, I believe it is time to retire from my position as of July 1, 2022. I'm a firm believer that God called me here and is now calling me to leave. This calling is bittersweet as I leave students, staff, and community whom I pray for and cherish deeply. The individuals that have prayed for me and influenced me to be a better principal and person are too many to name at this time. I want to thank you and pray for His blessing upon each one of you.

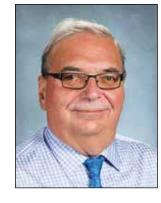
I have no regrets and have been blessed to serve in the Indian Nation for over two decades full of memories that I will treasure for the rest of my life. I have been proud to work daily alongside professionals that take great pride in their work and serve their students beyond their contracted work day. It has been a privilege to work alongside the administrative staff from other buildings and the central office. I respect the thankless job of each Board member and Superintendent Dr. Braman.

The parents and community members I have met and formed relationships with have changed my life and have made it so much richer. I thank you for welcoming me, from Youngstown, and treating me as one of your own. Our friendships will last beyond the time of me being your principal.

Finally, but most importantly, I thank the students that I have had the privilege to encounter. The hugs, the greetings, the waves in the hallways, and the

football games at recess have made each day special. I have learned more from them than in all my college education classes. I will continue to cheer for you and know that you will always have a fan in your

There are several options I am exploring at this time for future positions that may present themselves. Despite this current decision, I promise to work hard throughout the rest of my tenure and to prepare for next year so the transition will be smooth and the new principal can take off running.



I will miss everyone, but I am excited to enter His next calling. I stand on my favorite Scripture, "Trust in the Lord with all thy heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."-Proverbs 3:5-6.

I love you all and I ask God to bless you all!

Your Principal,

Dr. LaRiccia

Drum Roll, Please...

The second grade PE Showcase is a longstanding tradition at Northwest Primary, but



it was a first for new P. E. teacher, Miss Ellis. Her first gym show was a huge success. Students demonstrated their skills while showing how fun fitness can be! Miss Ellis created this "Drumming with Fitness" unit specifically designed for Physical Education based on the Drums Alive program. It is a fun way to motivate kids to move and groove as well as provide health benefits physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially. Most of all, though, it is FUN! Students learned several different drumming routines throughout the two-week unit, such as a cognitive question and answer drumming routine, circle drumming routines, and a really cool scarf drumming routine. The students had a BLAST participating in this very unique and energetic unit, and parents truly enjoyed the showcase.





















Munchin' with Mom

The annual Munchin' with Mom dinner was held at Elmridge Party Center on May 12. Moms and their second graders enjoyed an evening of dinner, activities, and bonding! Students filled out papers describing their moms, and winners were randomly selected from the box to see who would be queen. The queens were given a bag of candy, some flowers, and a tiara. This year's winners were **Isaac Mooney's mom, Cindy Mooney**; **Arden James-Rodriguez's mom, Allison James**; and **Leah Batten's mom, Anna Batten**. A special thank you to the PTO for collecting raffle baskets and the generous parents and businesses who donated. Baskets included items such as games, massages, coffee, candles, nail products, a variety of restaurant gift certificates, hair bows, Northwest gear, self-care items, and numerous local business gift certificates. This special evening has become a wonderful tradition for Northwest Primary students and their mothers!

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Athletics - Spring Teams and Signings



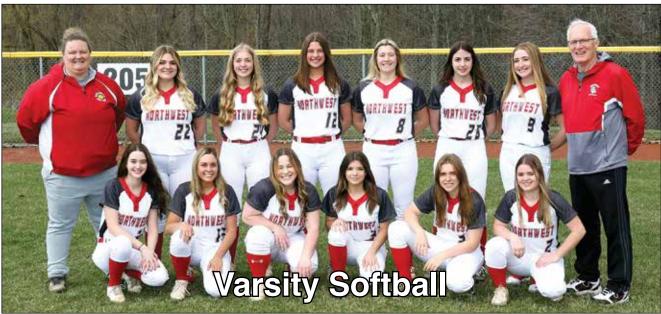
VARSITY BASEBALL - Front Row (l to r): Jake Metzger, Evan Cannon, Braden Mick, Trevor Szekely, Hunter Langenfeld, Joshua Smith, Sean Ritchey; Back Row: Head Coach Donnie Macko, Zach Kurz, Carter Magyarics, Jack Czartoszewski, Aidan Robinson, Jacob Wells, Aidan Roncaglione, Beau Bleakley, Tyler Ogozalek, Coach Chris Macko, Coach Greg Geiger.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASEBALL - Front Row (l to r): Gabe Donnenwirth, Parker Craft, AJ Sandoval, Kyler Miraglia, Brandon Miller, Landon Martin, Andrew Jones, Dylan White; Back Row: Jimmy Cunningham, Sean Bloom, Sam Cook, Aidan Robinson, Mikael Paulson, Ethan Blankenship, Jacob Jones, Brady Finn, Head Coach Jake Szurgot.





BOYS TRACK - Front Row (1 to r): Matthew VonBonin, Colby Simone, Jerry Plumb, Jonas Calderhead, Kenny Stewart, Han Ludwick, Jack Downs, Ross Everhart, Jaxson Gohlike, Abraham Shrock, Dylan Easterling, Jayden Berry; Back Row: Coach Andrew Trewin, Coach Brian Armstrong, Mario Zito, Tony Michaels, Alex Prexta, Issac LaFay, Landon Bottomley, Colton Sparks, Cameron Kalla, Nate Pugh, Luke Bahl, James Friedrichsen, James Newton, Coach Lauren Michel, Coach Bryan Jones.





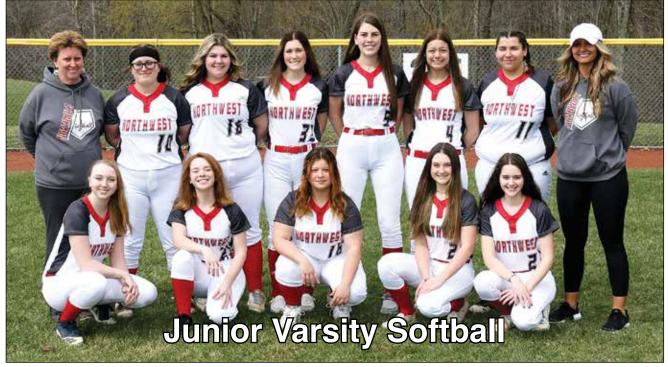
Caitlynn Edwards signs her Letter of Intent to play softball at Notre Dame College.

VARSITY SOFTBALL - Front Row (1 to r): Dayanaira Midcap, Alexa Bell, Ella Lyons, Kelsi DeFrank, Lisa Ortscheid, Caitlynn Edwards; Back Row: Coach Megan Levengood, Reese Sanford, Autumn Kennard, Gianna Kuhn, Caroline Metzger, Peyton Stark, Lola Bleakley, Coach Dan Levengood.



Emma Barnes signs her Letter of Intent to cheer at The University of Akron.

JV SOFTBALL - Front row (l to r): Madillyn Jennings, Sydney Kunkel, Kylee Hummel, Carly Harris, Dayanaira Midcap; Back Row: Coach Cheryl Nash, Gianna Malagrida, Sierra Meeker, Delanie Carmany, Emily Donaldson, Kierston Horn, Bella Ortega, Coach Abbie Swaino.





GIRLS TRACK - Front Row (l to r): Ashlyn Stark, Andrea Rohn, Keyonna Moore, Abby Zantow, Lucie Doubet, Charlette Knicely, Ellie Grinder, Audrey Loudina, Eve Null, Madison Smith; Back Row: Coach Andrew Trewin, Coach Brian Armstrong, Natalie Byler, Taylor Fightmaster, Sophia Chittaro, Anna Everhart, Olivia Lazuras, Anika Okolish, Emma Weaver, Jayla Smith, Camille Fowler, Brooke Barrett and Ciara Criss, Coach Lauren Michel, Coach Bryan Jones.

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Northwest Local Schools 2022-23

<u>August</u>

15 Teacher Day - No School First Student Day 16

September

Building Inservice - No

School

5 Labor Day

October

10 Teacher Day – No School 14 End of 9 weeks (41 days)

November

23-25 **Thanksgiving Break**

No School 28

December

23-30 Christmas Break

<u>January</u>

Christmas Break 2-4

13 End of 9 weeks (52 days) 13 End of semester (93 days)

Martin Luther King Day

February

16

17 Waiver Day (No School)

Presidents Day 20

<u>March</u>

17 End of 9 weeks (43 days)

<u>April</u>

3-7 No School 10 No School

<u>May</u>

25 **Last Student Day** 25 End of 9 weeks (44 days)

25 End of semester (87 days) 26 Teacher Day- No School

Memorial Day

Calamity Day Make-Up Schedule: 1st Day - May 26, 2023 - consecutive weekdays as needed

Teacher Day - No School for Students

First & Last Student Day

No School

■ Teacher Exchange Day – No School

Student Days 180 **Teacher Days 184**

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