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## COVID-19

These are uncertain and confusing times for our nation, but also for our school district. This is uncharted territory for all of us. In times of crisis or stress, we would try to operate as close to normal as possible. That is not true during this COVID-19 pandemic. Our focus during this crisis is on our children, families and community.

Our decisions are impacted by the mandates and recommendations from the Federal Government, Governor DeWine, the Ohio Department of Health and other governing agencies. Change, at times, comes quickly and often.

In our effort to continue to provide learning experiences for our students, teachers developed enrichment activities for them to complete. We instituted “grab and go” meals for lunch, and arranged for parents to pick up medications for their children that were kept at school. In addition, we continue to provide services for our special education students and students with social and emotional needs. If you have a concern or need, please do not fail to contact us.

Due to the uncertainty of the magnitude of COVID-19 and its duration, we cannot predict the future relative to our district. We will continue to try to keep you informed. While school is not in session, we urge you to encourage your children to do the enrichment activities and follow health guidelines. We recommend that you check the district web page every day so you are aware when there are changes in our operation.



**Our advice: keep children active and learning during this extended time away from school.**

In the event of a longer closure, additional information will be provided regarding remote learning. Please check the district web page regularly for the latest updates.

Please Take Care,  
Dennis Lambes



## Stark County Math Tournament

The Stark County Math Tournament was held on Saturday, March 7, 2020, at Massillon Washington High School. Almost 900 students across Stark County competed in various categories including team problem solving, geometry and measurement, mental computation, number sense and algebra, data analysis and probability. Thank you to our team coaches **Pam Kurz, Tom Johnson, and Monica Street**; and the volunteers **Ann Brunner, Mary Beth Manns, Connie Masters, Cheryl Nash, Rhonda Oser, Natalie Sarbaugh, Laurie Traganza, Ashley Winston, and Becca Wirfel** who made this day possible for our students.

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Board of Education



From left: Vice-President Victor Colaianni, Julia Barkey, Board President Jim Gindlesberger, Rita Gearhart, Bob Schilling.

## Committed to an Open & Transparent District

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## Northwest Local Teams

### FIFTH GRADE

**Lalya Affolter, Carter Amstutz, Mia Booth, Lance Bowling, Adalie Horsfall, Natalie Kozlosky, Calvin Marshall, Landon O'Harrow, Briddick Rhoades, Rebecca Ross, Triton Schoenfeld, Elijah Schriener, Conner Stephenson, Angel Strausser, and Elijah Timmons.**

### SIXTH GRADE

**Luke Aneshansel, Jeremy Caudill, Dominic Crookston, Paul Fihue, Brandon Frase, Lincoln Garrett, Lily Golden, Alicia Henson, Patrick Lance, Braden Malcolm, Jon Miller, Kellan Reinford, Benjamin Schanz, Lily Shockley, and Landyn Stanich-Herron.**

### SEVENTH GRADE

**Luke Bahl, Rachel Baker, Callie Baughman, Lance Bibbee, Evey Cooper, Jasmin Cruz, Carolyn Foster, Jaxon Gohlke, Keri Hiner, Dylan Lorenz, Audrey Loudiana, Anna Metzger, Kiki Natko, Mary VanBlargan, and Emily Villers.**

## Special Congratulations to the following Students who Placed at the Tournament

### FIFTH GRADE

- **Mia Booth:** 6th place - Number Sense
- The team of **Natalie Kozolosky, Calvin Marshal,** and **Rebecca Ross:** 1st place - Team Problem-Solving

### SIXTH GRADE TEAM

- **Lily Golden:** 5th place - Algebra/Data and Probability
- **Benjamin Schanz:** 1st place - Geometry and Measurement
- **Brandon Frase:** 8th place - Geometry and Measurement
- **Landon Stanich-Herron:** 2nd - Mental Computation
- **Braden Malcolm:** 8th place - Number Sense
- The team of **Luke Aneshansel, Alicia Henson,** and **Kellan Reinford:** 3rd place - Team Problem-Solving

### SEVENTH GRADE

- **Luke Bahl:** 3rd place - Geometry/Measurement
- **Emily Villers:** 4th place - Geometry/Measurement
- **Kari Hiner:** 4th place - Number Sense
- The team of **Callie Baughman, Evey Cooper,** and **Jasmin Cruz:** 4th place - Team Problem-Solving

*Congratulations to all who participated!*

## Congratulations Heather Matoszkia



The Stark County Educational Service Center and Northwest Local Schools would like to congratulate **Heather Matoszkia** on being named to the 2020 Education Celebration County Teaching Team. Her dedication, enthusiasm, and compassion to and for our kids is inspiring!

## 6-12 English Language Arts Textbook Adoption

During the current academic year, the district is reviewing 6-12 English Language Arts materials with the intent of purchasing new materials for use in the upcoming school year. The materials being considered for adoption will be available in May at the Central Office for parents and community members who would like to review them. Please direct any questions or concerns to the Curriculum Department at the Central Office (330) 854-2292.

## 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. Persons 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 or phone (330) 854-2291.

## Title I Evaluation

Each spring, parents and teachers evaluate the Title I program. Comments and input from both are used as plans are made for services the following school year. If your child is not receiving services or you would like to provide input on the Title I program, please complete the survey that is available in all school offices or contact Debora Clark, Director of Instruction, at 2309 Locust Street S., Canal Fulton, OH 44614 or phone (330) 854-2291. Surveys may be returned to any Northwest School Office or the Central Office.



# Western Stark Area Services for Families in Need of Assistance

## CANAL FULTON/LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP AREA

### SALT BOX MINISTRIES

#### SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

408 West Market Street, Canal Fulton, OH 44614

(330) 854-2159 Voice

loveserveteach.org • stjoh336@att.net

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include providing a hot meal, food and clothing giveaway twice a month.

**SERVICES:** S.A.L.T. BOX KITCHEN COMMUNITY MEAL - 2ND AND LAST SUNDAY

Food Pantries • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a hot meal twice a month.

Generally has some type of food giveaway, such as canned goods, cookies, fruit or bread, for each family that attends the meal. Also distributes donated clothing, as available.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** No restrictions.

**HOURS:** Offered the on 2nd and last Sunday of the month from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### CANAL FULTON COMMUNITY CUPBOARD

#### TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

8101 Manchester Avenue Northwest • Canal Fulton, OH 44614

(330) 854-6381 Voice

irdomm@sbcglobal.net

**OVERVIEW:** Provides food to residents of Canal Fulton.

**SERVICES:** Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a monthly food pantry for people in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service. If a client is unable to go to the pantry themselves, then someone may go on their behalf.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Residents of Canal Fulton whose income is at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.

**HOURS:** Held the last Thursday from 10:00am to Noon.

Except in November and December when it is on the 3rd Thursday.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Photo ID, proof of residency if photo ID doesn't show current address. If a client is unable to go to the pantry, their representative must provide their own photo ID and a completed Letter of Proxy form.

### CHAPEL OF THE CROSS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

14411 Orrville Street Northwest • North Lawrence, OH 44666

(330) 832-6885 Voice • chapelcrossoffice@gmail.com

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include a food pantry, a monthly community dinner and a Thanksgiving meal.

**SERVICE 1:** TUSLAW FOOD PANTRY - 3RD FRIDAY AND BY APPOINTMENT • Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a food pantry for individuals and families in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service. If urgent need for food and have not visited the pantry in the same month, phone Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 1:00pm to schedule an appointment.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Residents of North Lawrence, Massillon, Canal Fulton, or Dalton. Household income must be at or below 200% of the federal poverty level. Clients may receive assistance once a month.

**HOURS:** Held the 3rd Friday from 9:00am to 10:00am.

By appointment in emergencies.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Photo ID, proof of residency, completed application.

**SERVICE 2:** COMMUNITY DINNER - 3RD SATURDAY

Food Pantries • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a monthly community dinner.

Offers a box of food items to meal participants if they reside in the food pantry's area served and are unable to visit the regular food pantry in the same month.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** No restrictions for the meal. For food pantry, must be a resident of North Lawrence, Massillon, Canal Fulton, or Dalton and household income must be at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.

## MASSILLON AREA

### SAINT JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

101 Tremont Avenue Southeast • Massillon, OH 44646-6637

(330) 833-5322 Voice

saint-johns-ucc.org • stjohsuccmassillon@gmail.com

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include a monthly community meal and food pantry.

**SERVICES:** COMMUNITY MEAL - 3RD TUESDAY

Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a monthly community meal.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Served the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MASSILLON

730 Duncan Street Southwest • Massillon, OH 44647

(330) 833-4395 Voice • (330) 833-5366 FAX

www.massillonkids.org • vpedro@massillonkids.org

**OVERVIEW:** Provides after-school and all-day summer programs for school-age at-risk youth in Stark County.

**SERVICES:** Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a hot meal for those in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Serves residents of Stark County.

**HOURS:** Served every Tuesday at Noon.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None

### SAINT JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

101 Tremont Avenue Southeast • Massillon, OH 44646-6637

(330) 833-5322 Voice

saint-johns-ucc.org • stjohsuccmassillon@gmail.com

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include a monthly community meal and food pantry.

**SERVICES:** COMMUNITY MEAL - 3RD TUESDAY

Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a monthly community meal.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Served the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

47 2nd Street Northeast • Massillon, OH 44646

(330) 832-7455 Voice

massilloncpc.org • cpc@sssnet.com

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include a monthly CPC Door Ministry - Tuesday to Thursday

**SERVICE 1:** Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides canned goods to people in need. Offers "personal care kits" containing personal grooming supplies when available.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Clients may use service twice a year. If personal care kits are available, the limit is one (1) kit per family.

**HOURS:** Tuesday - Thursday: 9:30am to 11:30am.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Photo ID.

**SERVICE 2:** Need a Lunch Community Meal - 2ND

Saturday • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a hot meal and clothing to people in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service. Supplies based upon donations received.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** No restrictions.

**HOURS:** Held the 2nd Saturday from 10:45am to Noon.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### PERRY HELPING PERRY

(330) 418-4148 Voice Mail

perrylocal.org/perryhelpingperry/

and Facebook Perry-Helping-Perry-Inc

perryhelpingperry@yahoo.com

**OVERVIEW:** Provides food, clothing, and bicycles to residents of Perry Township who are in need.

**SITE:** PERRY HELPING PERRY - FOOD PANTRY

3757 Lincoln Way East • Massillon, OH 44646

(330) 418-4118 Voice Mail

Public transportation accessible.

**SERVICES:** PERRY PANTRY - 3rd Saturday • Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a food pantry for families in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service. Check website for list of needed items.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Serves residents of Perry Township whose household income is at or below 185% of the federal poverty level.

**HOURS:** Held the 3rd Saturday from 9:00am to Noon.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Provide the following at the first visit to the food pantry or clothing closet: completed application form, photo ID, proof of residency if photo ID doesn't show current address. If household does not have a child enrolled in Perry Local Schools AND receives free or reduced lunches, must provide proof of income - 2 consecutive pay stubs, child support, W2 form. The church has a copy machine and will copy the needed documents for their records.

### SAINT PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (MASSILLON)

127 Cherry Road Northeast • Massillon, OH 44646

(330) 832-7409 Voice

stpaulsmassillon.org • anna@stpaulsmassillon.org

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include a monthly community meal and clothing closet.

**SERVICES:** ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN COMMUNITY MEAL - 2nd Friday • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Serves a hot meal monthly to people in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Held on the 2nd Friday of the month from 4:30pm to 6:00pm.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - SAINT JOSEPH'S CONFERENCE (MASSILLON)

322 3rd Street Southeast • Massillon, OH 44646

(330) 833-4907 Voice - Parish Center

(330) 844-2714 Voice Mail - Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry

**OVERVIEW:** Provides a weekly soup kitchen, food pantry and clothing giveaway.

**SERVICES:** Food Pantries • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a weekly hot meal.

Distributes any groceries and clothing following the meal. NOTE: groceries and clothing not a consistent service.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in to the cafeteria of the former Saint Joseph's school for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** No restrictions.

**HOURS:** Held on Monday from Noon to 1:00pm. Groceries and clothing are distributed following the meal.

- Closed on holidays that fall on Mondays.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None for the meal. Photo ID required for groceries or clothing.

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## CANAL FULTON PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPANSION

VIEW FROM HIGH STREET



154 Market St. N.E. • Canal Fulton, Ohio 44614 • P: 330-854-4148 • F: 330-854-9520 • [www.canalfultonlibrary.org](http://www.canalfultonlibrary.org)

The Canal Fulton Public Library expansion project was scheduled to begin the week of March 30th.

“The expansion will address several needs. Foremost is the need for a program room for educational and recreational library programs. It will also address accessibility issues, and our current insufficient work area for library staff members,” said David Brown, Library Director.

The construction is scheduled to be complete in October. Until then, library patrons will need to enter the parking lot from Walnut Street. The parking lot entrance on E. High Street will be closed. The book and A/V materials drop boxes will be relocated in the parking lot for easier access.

This project provides for the construction of a new expansion adjacent to the historic Sullivan house portion of the library. The addition includes 2,266 square feet on the first floor, and 1,039 square feet on the second floor, for a total of 3,305 square feet.

To view a 3D model of the addition, go to the library’s website: [www.canalfultonlibrary.org](http://www.canalfultonlibrary.org) and find the January posting “2020 Expansion Project.”

The library has contracted with IAP Government Services Group to manage the building project. IAP then helped the library to select and hire the architect, K2M Design, which did the design work. Johnson Laux Construction will be doing the construction work.

The approximate \$1.3 million project will be funded from money that the Library has set aside for several years, and from a loan. For additional information contact David Brown, Director, at [david@canalfultonlibrary.org](mailto:david@canalfultonlibrary.org), 330-854-4148 ext. 306 or Bob Richmond, President Canal Fulton Public Library Board of Trustees at [rkr4351@yahoo.com](mailto:rkr4351@yahoo.com) 330-833-2106.





### **SALVATION ARMY - MASSILLON**

315 6th Street Northeast • Massillon, OH 44646

(330) 833-6473 Voice • (330) 833-2685 FAX

www.use.salvationarmy.org

**OVERVIEW:** Offers emergency help with utility payments, rent assistance, food, clothing and shelter for residents of Western Stark County.

**SERVICES:** CHOICE FOOD PANTRY - By Appointment Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a food pantry for low-income individuals and families. Diapers may also be distributed, based on availability.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Call the office Monday through Friday 9:00am to 11:30am and 1:00pm to 3:30pm to schedule an appointment. If a client is unable to go to the pantry themselves, then someone may go on their behalf.

Must have a proxy form filled out before visiting the pantry. Call the agency and request a “Letter of Proxy”

**FEES:** Free.

**ELIGIBILITY:** - Serves residents of Western Stark County with the following ZIP codes: 44646 and 44647 (Massillon), 44614 (Canal Fulton), 44608 (Beach City), 44613 (Brewster), 44662 (Navarre), 44689 (Wilmot), 44666 (North Lawrence).

- Income must be at or below 300% of the federal poverty level.

- Clients may use service once every 30 days.

**HOURS:** By appointment only.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Proof of residency • Photo ID Social Security card • Income verification.

- If a client is unable to go to the pantry, their representative must provide: their own Photo ID and a completed “Letter of Proxy.” Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides weekly meals for people in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** Free.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Served every Friday from 11:00am to Noon.

**NOTE:** No meals in November or December.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### **SERVING AREA MILITARY AND VETERANS CENTER**

413 Lincoln Way East • Massillon, OH 44646

(330) 956-6162 Voice

servingareamilitary.com • samcenter413@gmail.com

**OVERVIEW:** Provides a free commissary for veterans in need. Programs include a clothing room, lodging kit distribution, Quilts of Love, veterans’ resource information.

The organization hosts an annual Veterans’ Assistance event.

**SERVICES:** SAM CENTER COMMISSARY - MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY • Food Pantries \* Active Military Food Pantries \* Veterans

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides non-perishable food, cleaning products, paper products and hygiene products, bedding, linen, food and school supplies to Stark County residents who are veterans, military widows, and service members in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Call the office Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm to schedule an appointment or for more information.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Stark County residents who are veterans, military widows, and active service members.

**HOURS:** By appointment only.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Proof of military service.

### **FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH (MASSILLON)**

107 6th Street Southwest • Massillon, OH 44647-6523

(330) 832-0573 Voice

faithlutheranmassillon.com • faith-lutheran@SBCglobal.net

**OVERVIEW:** A place of worship whose ministries include a food pantry for people in need.

**SERVICES:** FAITH FOOD CUPBOARD - By Appointment Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides food for people in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Call the office Monday from 9:00am to 1:00pm for intake to schedule a Wednesday appointment.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Clients may visit once a month. There are no other restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** By appointment only on Wednesday from 9:30am to 10:30am.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Photo ID and proof of residency.

### **FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD OF MASSILLON**

325 Lake Avenue Northeast • Massillon, OH 44646

(330) 833-3121 Voice • firsttagmass@sssnet.com

**OVERVIEW:** A place of worship whose ministries include a food pantry and soup kitchen.

**SERVICE 1:** BOWLS OF BLESSINGS - Last Saturday

(Except in November and December) • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a hot meal to individuals in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service. Call the office Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00am to 3:00pm for information. Food cannot be delivered.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Held the last Saturday of the month from 11:00am to 12:30pm (except in November and December).

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

**SERVICE 2:** Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a food pantry for people in need. Provides non-perishables and occasionally includes meat, dairy and produce.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service. Call the office Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00am to 3:00pm for information. Food cannot be delivered.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Serves residents of Western Stark County, including Massillon, Perry, Tuslaw, Navarre, Canal Fulton, and North Lawrence. Clients may use the pantry once a month.

**HOURS:** Held the last Saturday of the month from 11:00am to 12:30pm (except in November and December).

Held during Bowls of Blessings soup kitchen.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** State-issued photo ID.

### **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (MASSILLON)**

301 Lincoln Way East • Massillon, OH 44646-8401

(330) 833-8529 Voice • fumcmassillon.org • fumc@sssnet.com

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include serving a monthly hot meal to people in need.

**SERVICES:** HEAVEN’S KITCHEN - 3rd Saturday

Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a hot meal to individuals and families in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Served the 3rd Saturday of every month from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Enter through the double glass doors on the Third Street side of the building.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### **LINK CHURCH**

1128 Walnut Road Southwest • Massillon, OH 44647-7733

(330) 833-1200 Voice • facebook.com/LinkChurch

**OVERVIEW:** Provides a place of worship whose ministries include serving a monthly hot meal, clothing giveaways and a bi-annual summer event for the neighborhood with food and games.

**SERVICES:** MONTHLY LUNCH - 1st Saturday • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a monthly hot meal for people in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Held the 1st Saturday of every month from 11:00am to 1:00pm. The 1st Saturday meals in November and December are holiday meals (see Thanksgiving Meals and Christmas Meals).

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### **SAINT JOHN’S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

101 Tremont Avenue Southeast • Massillon, OH 44646-6637

(330) 833-5322 Voice • saint-johns-ucc.org

stjohnsuccmassillon@gmail.com

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include a monthly community meal and food pantry.

**SERVICE 1:** COMMUNITY MEAL - 3rd Tuesday • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a monthly community meal.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Served the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

**SERVICE 2:** HEART MINISTRY - 3rd Tuesday

Food Pantries • Food Stamps/SNAP Recipients

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a food pantry.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in during service hours.

Call the office Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 1:00pm for information.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Serves residents of Massillon, age 18 years or older, who have an Ohio Direction Card.

**HOURS:** Held the 3rd Tuesday from 7:00pm to 8:00pm, following the community meal.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Proof of residency, photo ID, Ohio Direction Card.

### **TRIUMPH OVER SATAN MINISTRY**

1118 Beckman Street Southeast • Massillon, OH 44646

(330) 830-4042 Voice Mail • rupertwing1@yahoo.com

**OVERVIEW:** Provides a mobile food pantry.

**SITES:**

TRIUMPH OVER SATAN MINISTRY AT CHRIST’S

COMMUNITY CHURCH

4363 Manchester Avenue Southwest • Navarre, OH 44662

TRIUMPH OVER SATAN MINISTRY AT LIVING WATER

CHURCH

1135 Lincoln Way East • Massillon, OH 44646

TRIUMPH OVER SATAN MINISTRY AT BOYS AND GIRLS

CLUB OF MASSILLON

730 Duncan Street Southwest

Massillon, OH 44647

TRIUMPH OVER SATAN MINISTRY AT FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST

CHURCH

920 3rd Street Southeast • Massillon, OH 44646

TRIUMPH OVER SATAN MINISTRY AT L.C. JONES PARK

1731 Osage Avenue Southeast • Massillon, OH 44646

**SERVICES:** Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a mobile food pantry.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service or phone (leave a message) for information. If a client is unable to go to the pantry themselves someone may go on their behalf.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Residents of Stark County. Income must be at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.

**HOURS:** - Christ’s Community Church Location:

Wednesday from 5:00pm to 5:30pm.

- Living Water Church Location: 1st Wednesday

from 10:00am to 11:30am.

- Boys and Girls Club of Massillon Location: 2nd

Wednesday from 10:00am to 11:30am.

- Friendship Baptist Church Location: 4th Wednesday to

2:00pm to 3:30pm.

- L.C. Jones Park Location: 3rd Wednesday from 2:00pm to

3:30pm.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Completed application form for first visit and, for other visits, photo ID and proof of residency, such as current utility bill. If a client is unable to go to the pantry, their representative must provide: their own Photo ID and a completed Letter of Proxy form.

**SITES:** 1 2 3 4 5

### **FAIRLESS/NAVARRE AREA**

#### **FAIRLESS FOOD CUPBOARD**

#### **ST. THERESE’S HOLY FAMILY PARISH**

546 Wabash Avenue South • Brewster, OH 44613

(330) 936-4274 Voice

**OVERVIEW:** Provides a food pantry and clothing bank for residents of the Fairless Local School District. • Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a food pantry for people in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Serves residents of the Fairless Local School District whose income is at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.

**HOURS:** Held 4th Thursday from 10:00am to Noon (except in

November and December when open the 3rd Thursday).

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Completed application, proof of residency, photo ID, and proof of income, such as a recent paystub or verification of other income.



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## OTTERBEIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6025 Shepler Church Avenue Southwest • Navarre, OH 44662

(330) 484-2776 Voice • (330) 484-2779 FAX

otterbeinconnection.org • secretary@otterbeinconnection.org

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include a monthly community meal.

**SERVICES:** COMMUNITY DINNER - 3rd Tuesday • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a free meal to the community.

Gluten-free and lactose-free meals are also available.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service. Meals are available to eat on site or to carry out.

**FEES:** None. Accepts donations.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There are no restrictions for this service.

**HOURS:** Served the 3rd Tuesday from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

## CANTON AREA

### LIFEHOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

7096 Hills and Dales Road Northwest • Canton, OH 44708

(330) 837-5188 Voice • lifehopechurch.org

**OVERVIEW:** Place of worship whose ministries include a food pantry.

**SERVICES:** COMPASSION MINISTRY - 1st and 3rd Tuesday Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a food pantry for individuals and families in need. Toiletries may be available. Clients make selections from a list.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in during service hours.

Call the office for more information. If a client is unable to go to the pantry their representative must provide their own photo ID and a completed Letter of Proxy form. The form can be picked up during food pantry hours. Or it can be mailed.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Stark County residents with income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level. Clients may use service once a month.

**HOURS:** Held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Doors open at 4:00pm. Call ahead in inclement weather to verify that agency is open.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Completed application form, photo ID, proof of residency if photo ID doesn't show current address.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES SERVING PORTAGE AND STARK COUNTIES - STARK COUNTY SERVICES

McKinley Center • 800 Market Avenue North • Suite 1150

Canton, OH 44702

(330) 491-0896 Voice • (330) 491-1298 FAX

https://www.ccdoy.org • info@catholiccharitiesps.org

**OVERVIEW:** Provides a variety of social services, including emergency rent and utility assistance, emergency food pantry, adult day services, caregiver support, First Step Center for Family Support and parenting skills training. One of 3 social service agencies operated by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Youngstown.

**SERVICES:** Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides food as a last resort to people who are in an emergency situation. The program is coordinated by Catholic Charities and the Akron/Canton Food Bank.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Call the office Monday through Friday from 10:00am to 4:30pm to schedule an appointment or for more information.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Income must be at or below 200% of the federal poverty level. Clients may visit the food pantry once every month.

**HOURS:** By appointment.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Photo ID.

### COMMQUEST

625 Cleveland Avenue Northwest • Canton, OH 44702

(330) 452-6000 Voice

Emergency/Crisis Intervention Center of Stark County

(330) 455-0374 Voice

General information and Administration

(330) 453-6716 FAX

Administration (601 Cleveland Avenue office)

(330) 455-2101 FAX - 625 Cleveland Avenue office

www.commquest.org

**OVERVIEW:** Provides alcohol and drug education, prevention and treatment services, and basic needs services.

**SITES:**

**COMMQUEST - SAMARITAN'S TABLE**

717 McKinley Avenue Northwest • Parish Hall • Canton, OH 44703

(330) 455-0374 CommQuest Canton Office

**SERVICES:** SAMARITAN'S TABLE - Thursday • Soup Kitchens

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Serves a weekly hot meal.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** NOTE: Due to Covid-19, takeout meals only. No sit down meals until further notice. • Walk in for service.

**FEES:** Free.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Serves anyone in need. Drugs, alcohol and weapons are not permitted.

**HOURS:** Served Thursday from 11:00am to 1:00pm.

Closed on Thanksgiving Day.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** None.

### STARK COUNTY HUNGER TASK FORCE

**KEN WEBER COMMUNITY CAMPUS**

408 9th Street Southwest • Canton, OH 44707

(330) 455-6667 Voice

(800) 942-3577 Ext. 1112 Toll-Free • (330) 454-9465 FAX

www.starkhunger.org • info@starkhunger.org

A pamphlet is on file.

**OVERVIEW:** Provides a food pantry for individuals and families in Stark County.

**SERVICES:** Food Pantries \* COVID-19

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides a food pantry to individuals and families in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Due to Covid-19, this service is temporarily offering an expanded service. Must pick up a ticket at the Ken Weber Community Campus to receive services. Walk in for service. Check in at the Goodwill receptionist's desk. Tickets are handed out starting at 7:30am. Available on a first come, first served basis. Tickets run out early. If the client will arrive after 7:30am, then the client should phone first to check on availability. No client will be accepted without first receiving their ticket from one of the Goodwill receptionists. Clients unable to go to the pantry can designate a proxy to pick up their groceries on a properly completed Proxy Form. Proxy forms are available at the pantry. Must be completed before obtaining a time ticket. Call the office Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm for information or for a proxy form.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** NOTE: Due to Covid-19, clients may visit twice per month through April 3rd, 2020. This will be reassessed in April. Serves residents of Stark County whose household income is at or below 200% of the federal poverty level. Clients may visit once per month.

**HOURS:** Food Pantry Hours:

- Monday and Wednesday: 9:15am to 3:35pm.

- Tuesday: 9:15 to 2:35pm.

- Thursday and Friday: 9:15am to 1:35pm.

- Closed on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day (4th of July), Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve Day, Christmas Day.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Photo ID (does NOT have to be a valid, state issued ID - can be expired - can be an employer/work photo ID, school/student photo ID or other, such as Sam's Club or BJ's Club photo ID). If a client is unable to go to the pantry, his or her representative must provide: his or her own photo ID and a completed Letter of Proxy form.

### URBAN ARK MINISTRY

701 Walnut Avenue NE, Lower Level • Canton, OH 44702-1030

Walk-in Only Service

**OVERVIEW:** Provides a food pantry and clothing giveaway for people in need.

**SERVICES:** Food Pantries

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides food and clothing for people in need.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service. NOTE: Agency does not have a phone number, email or website for the public.

**FEES:** Free.

**ELIGIBILITY:** - Serves residents of Stark County with income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guideline Level.

- Clients may visit once a month.

**HOURS:** - Tuesday: 11:45am to 2:00pm.

- 1st and 3rd Thursday: 6:45pm to 8:00pm.

Located in the basement and the entrance door is on Walnut Street, close to the city bus stop. The entrance is wheelchair-accessible.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** Photo ID, if available, or proof of residency if no photo ID.

### VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION – STARK COUNTY

2955 Wise Avenue Northwest • Canton, OH 44708

(330) 451-7457 Voice • (330) 451-7469 FAX

starkcountyohio.gov/veterans

**OVERVIEW:** The Stark County Veterans Service Commission is legislated by the State of Ohio under the Ohio Revised Code 5901 and funded by Stark County property taxes. The Stark County Veterans Service Commission provides assistance to veterans and their dependents.

**SERVICES:**

Food Pantries \* Veterans

**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Provides short-term financial assistance to eligible veterans, spouses and widows, and dependent children who have demonstrated a need for the following: rental and/or mortgage payments, food assistance, personal hygiene and clothing items, assistance in paying utility bills, emergency medical expenses.

**INTAKE PROCEDURE:** Walk in for service.

**FEES:** None.

**ELIGIBILITY:** - Serves Veterans who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

- Must have been on active duty for reasons other than training. Or must have received a VA-recognized service-connection disability and was discharged under honorable conditions.

*Additional Eligibility Requirements:*

- Must reside in Stark County for three (3) months immediately prior to application for financial assistance.

- To be eligible for financial assistance, a definite need must be demonstrated. NOTE: The wording of the law states that assistance is intended for the "indigent" (meaning veterans suffering a level of poverty in which real hardship and deprivation are suffered and comforts of life are lacking).

**HOURS:** Monday - Friday: 8:00am to Noon and 1:00pm to 4:00pm.

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH:** None.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:** DD 214, proof of residency, proof of all household income, original of all current monthly bills, marriage, divorce and/or death certificates, birth certificates of all dependent children, Social Security cards.

### NOTES:

- 1) You may want to call a site to verify service availability before heading out.
- 2) Some services list family eligibility under 200% of poverty level – here is the breakdown for qualification
  - 1 - \$25,520
  - 2 - \$34,480
  - 3 - \$43,440
  - 4 - \$52,400
  - 5 - \$61,360
  - 6 - \$70,320
  - 7 - \$79,280
  - 8 - \$88,240

Above poverty data taken from The Department of Health and Human Services 2020.

### McKinney-Vento Act

It is the policy of Northwest Local School District to enroll, educate, and not segregate or stigmatize children on the basis of their status as homeless. Debora Clark is the Northwest Local School's Homeless Liaison and can be reached at (330) 854-2291. Any person suspecting a child is homeless should notify Miss Clark to ensure that homeless children enroll in school and have the opportunity to succeed academically.





# CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019

Ohio

Department  
of Health

Please continue to protect yourself from all infectious diseases by using these precautions.

## PREVENTION

For additional information visit [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov).



STAY HOME  
WHEN YOU ARE  
SICK



AVOID CONTACT  
WITH PEOPLE  
WHO ARE SICK



GET ADEQUATE SLEEP  
AND EAT WELL-  
BALANCED  
MEALS



WASH HANDS OFTEN  
WITH WATER AND SOAP  
( 20 SECONDS  
OR LONGER)



DRY HANDS WITH  
A CLEAN TOWEL  
OR AIR DRY  
YOUR HANDS



COVER YOUR MOUTH  
WITH A TISSUE OR  
SLEEVE WHEN  
COUGHING OR SNEEZING



AVOID TOUCHING  
YOUR EYES, NOSE,  
OR MOUTH WITH  
UNWASHED HANDS  
OR AFTER  
TOUCHING SURFACES



CLEAN AND DISINFECT  
"HIGH-TOUCH"  
SURFACES OFTEN



CALL BEFORE VISITING  
YOUR DOCTOR



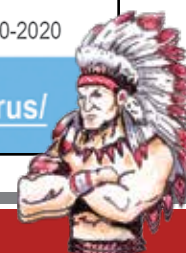
PRACTICE GOOD  
HYGIENE HABITS

## CLEAN ALL "HIGH-TOUCH" SURFACES EVERY DAY

High touch surfaces include counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones, keyboards, tablets, and bedside tables. Also, clean any surfaces that may have blood, stool, or body fluids on them. Use a household cleaning spray or wipe according to the label instructions. Labels contain instructions for safe and effective use of the cleaning product including precautions you should take when applying the product, such as wearing gloves and making sure you have good ventilation during use of the product.

03-10-2020

Additional information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/>



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## Northwest High School

Dear Parents and Families,

These are unprecedented times in our world, for your families and for Northwest High School. In the last 10 days, we have gone from business as usual to closing the schools as we transition to online learning. Our high school and campus is eerily quiet, with just a few of us still in the buildings. Indeed, our daily schedules and way of life are on hold.

Your students will see their expectations for the last nine weeks significantly altered. It is important to point out that we remain committed to delivering the high-quality and personal education that your students expect from Northwest High School. Your students remain on track to earn their credits and graduate on time. I've been truly impressed by the efforts of our faculty and staff throughout this transition, and the resiliency of our students. The district is currently in a campaign to ensure all students have access to a device and wifi, and your teachers have been developing new lessons to be launched beginning April 6th in Google Classroom.

It goes without saying that this is not the way any of us hoped to enter into the final nine weeks, in particular the Class of 2020. For that I am very sorry. I want to make it clear to the families of our seniors that we remain committed to hosting a graduation ceremony for the Class of 2020. Without knowing where COVID-19 will take us in the coming months, we are exploring possible dates into the summer so our seniors

can have closure to their senior year. Although we can make no guarantees, I and my team will do everything possible to honor and recognize our seniors. As our planning develops, we will share information with you.

If I were to find the silver lining in this cloud, it would be to find the joy in having families back together. My own sons are back home. One home from college and my high school senior, with his hectic schedule, home at the dinner table with mom and dad every night. This isolation allows all to re-engage with your children and strengthen the family bond, remembering the truly meaningful things in life, and, possibly, readjust and align priorities that, in this incredibly fast paced world, became distorted.

Thank you for trusting Northwest with your child's education. We are praying for the health, safety, and well-being of your students and families.

Larry Tausch



### Delivering Comfort and Hope

#### Members of Pep Club Deliver Chemotherapy Bags

Members of Pep Club, under the direction of **Mrs. Shannon Stacy** and **Ms. Cara Crawford**, designed bags and collected donations to comfort patients at Aultman Hospital. The 100 bags were overflowing with the generous donations of pep club members and other students as well. Among the special items donated, each bag contained a hand-knitted headband or hat. The patients have sent cards, emails, and notes expressing their gratitude! It was truly a work of love for the students and a meaningful surprise for the recipients.



*Richard Wood's first response seeing through his new glasses. Photo courtesy of Eileen Robinson.*

### Seeing the World Anew

For so many years I have tried to show students the world as I see it; today, my kids all came together to give me the gift of seeing the world as they see it.

For those who don't know, I am colorblind. My three clubs came together to present me with color vision glasses today. I was understandably a mess as they spoke very kind words about my influence on their lives and then presented me with this very special gift. My heart is so incredibly full! Thank you to **Northwest Interact**, **Teen Institute**,

and **Speech & Debate** for the incredible words and the gift of color vision. Words cannot express what your grand gesture means to me.

P.S. Yes, the mayor was there, too! Thank you, **Joe Schultz**, for your kind words, and for being a part of this special moment.

Richard Woods



## Into the Woods

On February 7, 8, and 9, the Northwest High School musical led guests *Into the Woods* on a magical, fairyland adventure. The Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine's *Brothers Grimm* inspired musical followed the stories of The Baker and his wife, Cinderella, and Jack and his cow. *In the Woods*, audiences also met Little Red, the Wolf, Rapunzel, an evil witch, an angry giant, and princes. The musical was a huge success for the cast and crew who rehearsed for months learning music, choreography, staging, scene changes, and light and sound cues. The production was directed by **Mrs. Maria Beery**.





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## Athletics



L to R: Seventh grade coach **Seth Hippli**, **Ian Ziegler**, **Jon Olien-Lewis**, **Josh Baker**, **Hunter Langenfeld**, **Kyler Miraglia**, **Ayden Albright**, **Conner Satterfield**, **Ian Spencer**, **Carter Daly**, eighth grade coach **Nate Haut**; back: **Cody Tackett**.

## Slam Dunk!

### The Basketball Season in Review

The eighth grade boys' basketball team won the PAC-7 Championship! The boys finished the season 10-9 and made a Cinderella run to the championship game, first knocking off number one seed Triway, and then defeating Fairless in the championship game, 29-28. Ian Zeigler made the game-winning free throw with just a few seconds remaining to give the boys the title.



## An Exciting Season!

The varsity girls' basketball team had an exciting season. They finished in a 3-way tie for first place in the PAC-7 with Tuslaw and CVCA. They were also runner up in the District tournament, losing to Norton in the district championship game. They were led by junior **Jordan Marecek** who was named Special Mention All Ohio. Jordan was also named First Team All-Northeast Inland District Basketball. Sophomore **Carly Spradling** was named to the Third Team and senior **Carrie Wyman** was named Honorable Mention. Congratulations, girls!



L to R: Kneeling - Ball Boy **Noah Cooper**; Standing Coach **Mike Lower**, **Jesse Pastoria**, **Isaac Willis**, **Austin Wright**, **Reed Pritchard**, **Tyler Dias**, **Carter Magyarics**, **Caden Biechler**, **Isaac LaFay**, **Noah Harper**, **Ethan Nickey**, **Ray Stokes**, **Luke Metzger**, Coach **Dave Cooper**.

## 2020 PAC Championship

The freshman boys basketball team defeated CVCA 31-27 to win the 2020 PAC championship! The third championship in a row for this class, the boys held off a strong Royals team in the final minutes. Northwest finished the season 18-1 and 13-0 in the PAC Conference.



## VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

(l to r) Kneeling - Ball Boy **Noah Cooper**; Standing Coach **Mike Lower**, **Jesse Pastoria**, **Nick Dinkins**, **Ethan Hyrne**, **Mason Woodruff**, **Nick Leeders**, **Trey Miletich**, **Davin Harness**, **Alex Goddard**, **Kyle Luhning**, **Nick Smith**, **Brady Schenz**, **Remington McClung**, Coach **Mac Ferrell**, Coach **Dave Cooper**.

## Another Season Comes to an End

The varsity boys' basketball team finished the season 12-12. They hosted and won their first playoff game before losing in the sectional final.



## Varsity Wrestling

Congratulations to sophomore **Cody Logan** who finished in fourth place at 220 lbs at the Alliance district tournament which qualified him for the state wrestling tournament. Senior **Jacobi Smith** finished in sixth place in the district tournament.



**Austin Hunter** signing his Letter of Intent to play baseball at Ohio Northern University.



# Northwest Middle School

Middle School Students,

It's always been clear that when Northwest Middle School students put their minds on a goal they can do anything. Our current challenge is no different. I encourage you to treat this time as an opportunity to learn something new every day: read a new book, research a different concept, or do something creative. Even though we have not been able to be together, your teachers have worked hard to prepare learning activities that will keep you thinking. Thanks to you and to our staff for making the best of a tough situation and working together to make learning a priority. We will get through this and come back stronger than ever. Go Indians!

Mr. Ramos

## Eighth Graders' Field Trip

All eighth graders visited the R. G. Drage Career Technical Center campus to get an idea of what programs are available and to get them thinking about future careers.

Programs range from auto collision, machining, building, HVAC/refrigeration, welding, and engineering to sports medicine, health technologies, agriculture, animal science, sports turf and landscape management, graphic communications, and cosmetology. R.G. Drage also proudly houses a student-operated restaurant and a preschool. Our students were able to take a tour and get a quick overview of each program.



## Kindness Matters!

Northwest Middle School celebrated *Kindness Week* February 10-13. As part of the tradition, students participated in special theme days. Monday was Nothing Beats Kindness (Favorite Team/Jersey Day), Tuesday was Peace, Love, and Kindness (Tie Dye Day), Wednesday was Shine Your Light (Neon Day), and Thursday was Be Comfortable in Your Own Skin (PJ Day). Also, as a part of the week, we collected items to be donated to One of a Kind Pet Rescue.





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## W.S. Stinson Elementary School

Dear Stinson Families,

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying this extra time with your family! Stinson students are considered family, so we want you to know that we are here for all of you. Please do not hesitate to reach out to any Stinson employee for any support you may need. The teachers and tutors are dedicated to their students and want to make sure this is a successful school year for all!

Thank you for your support and all the kind messages you have sent to the staff. It means a lot to them. Seeing all of you during the "parade" was something I will never forget. It was a town coming together for the betterment of our children! It was awe-inspiring and made me so grateful to be a part of the Northwest community!

Again, do not hesitate to reach out even if it's just to have your child send an email to say hello. I'd love to hear from them! Take care and we look forward to the day we are all back at Stinson Elementary!

Ms. Mariani  
Principal



## Dogs are a Man's Best Friend

At Stinson, Chesney is a child's best friend! Chesney is a beautiful English Labrador who visits Stinson Elementary at least once a week to spend time with the students. The children read books to Chesney in the library. His handler, Debbie Weber, volunteers her time to provide this wonderful opportunity. The students and staff light up when we see Chesney come into the school. Debbie has shared that he lights up as well, as he starts whining as soon as he gets on campus, anxious to get inside the school and spend time with the students. Our day is always a little lighter and a little brighter after spending time with Chesney.



## Stinson Computer Club

**Laurie Traganza**, a fourth grade teacher, has been running an after school Computer Club for fourth and fifth grade students for the past three years. The club's goal is for the students to share their passion for technology in a safe and fun environment, while learning new skills and methods. Mrs. Traganza introduced Google Sites to the students, where they will create an online student portfolio that will travel with them through high school graduation. Kira, a fifth grade student, built her site around her interest in preserving our environment. She has done extensive research on the environment and tied it together with what she has learned in Computer Club. Her Google Site will be an ongoing project and will showcase her computer abilities for years to come. Several Stinson teachers, **Becca Wirfel**, **Stephanie Hall**, and **Lori Skrjanc**, also assist with computer club and promote student learning and collaboration in all things related to computers and technology.





## Students Explore Careers

Stinson elementary hosted its fourth annual career day on January 24, 2020. This year we had guests from all over Northeast Ohio, many of which are parents of our fifth grade students or local business owners.

Guests are given space in our gymnasium to set up supplies or materials they might use on their job. Students then rotate from one guest to another with specific questions they are assigned. This allows for interaction with many of our guests and guests do not need to feel pressured to have prepared presentations.

Career day has become an integral part of Stinson's overall mission in providing our students the means to reach their potential. Through collaborative efforts with events such as career day, it is our hope that our students will become responsible, contributing, caring, and well-rounded individuals.

We sincerely thank and appreciate the community members and parents who gave up their time to be career day guests. If you or someone you know would want to share your career with our fifth grade Stinson students as a future guest, please contact Marcy McKendry, the school counselor, at [mckendry.m@northwest.sparcc.org](mailto:mckendry.m@northwest.sparcc.org). Next year our career day will be scheduled on January 22, 2021 from 8 am – 11:30 pm.



## Have a Heart, Do Your Part

For several years, Stinson Elementary has participated in Akron Children's Hospital "Have a Heart, Do Your Part" as change bandits. Since it began in 2000, the "Have a Heart, Do Your Part" Radiothon has raised more than \$11 million for the patient care, education and research efforts at Akron Children's Hospital. Just this year alone 98.1 KDD "Have a Heart, Do Your Part" Radiothon and Change Bandits raised \$386,557 in two days, bringing the event's historic total raised to more than \$11.8 million.

Our school are asked to support many amazing causes throughout the school year. **Mrs. Mariani** has always supported as many non-profits as possible, but as anyone knows the needs are greater than the supply. At times, we have to be selective in choosing which charities we can help support despite all the great causes that are in need. When asked why we choose Akron Children's hospital, Mrs. Mariani responded without hesitation, "So many of our students are patients and rely on their services for medical, emotional, and behavioral issues." One hundred percent of funds raised directly go to patient care. The largest fund that benefits from the radiothon is the Children's Fund, which is used for patient programs and patient care.

We are so proud of our students and staff for raising an all time record high this year of \$1,020.50!





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## Northwest Primary School

Dear Parents,

I want to take a moment to encourage you through all the fears, uncertainties, and questions and to remain confident to know we are all in this together and we will all get through this together and be better from it.

I shared with your teachers and staff the story of the queen who had to make a very challenging decision. Even though she was put into a situation due to no fault of her own, I'm sure she was anxious and fearful of uncertainty, but through her resolve she believed she was placed in a position "for such a time as this."

The resolve of your teachers and staff is remarkable. They are using all resources available to make distance learning effective. They are communicating across grade levels on lesson plans, objectives, and on-line curriculum that you can view and download for your children. Most lessons are designed to be interactive allowing for necessary teacher feedback. Each teacher website can be located at <https://www.northwest.sparcc.org/4/home> which includes additional student sites for review, remediation, and/or enrichment.

Thanks for your cooperation and for being the best parents to turn lemons into lemonade.

Take Care,  
Dr. LaRicca



### Comfort in the Clinic

**Sharon Blankenship** donated a bench to the NWP clinic. She was our PTO president last year, and she continues to be an active parent and substitute in our district. Thank you for your creative and generous donation!

### Tips for Healthy Teeth



**Dr. Todd Barnett** and his team visited Northwest Primary to teach the second graders about good oral health. Located in Barberton, Barnett Orthodontics welcomes patients from Akron, Canal Fulton, and all neighboring communities. Dr. Barnett and his team gladly shared their knowledge, giving our students valuable tips for healthy, beautiful smiles!

### Child Find

In an effort to serve young people with disabilities, Northwest Local is continually in the process of locating and evaluating children from 3 to 21 years of age who are suspected as having a disability. Disabilities may include developmental delays, health impairments, autism, and traumatic brain injury.

Individuals may contact the building Principals or Director of Special Services about children suspected as having a disability that may qualify for special education services. Information is available about special education policies and procedures in each building by contacting the building Principal.

Northwest has a child identification process that includes the location, identification and evaluation of a child suspected of having a disability within and outside of district buildings. The Department of Special Services coordinates the child identification process. The Northwest evaluation staff uses a variety of community resources and systematic activities in order to identify children requiring special services. Included in this effort is consultation with appropriate representatives of private school students attending private schools located within the boundaries of the Northwest Local District to carry out this process.

Northwest ensures that this process for students attending private or religious schools located in Northwest Local Schools is comparable to activities undertaken for students with disabilities served in the public school setting. If you have questions about the process, please call Scott Burnett, Director of Special Services, at 330-854-2292.





## Family Science Night

Students and parents showcased their learning discoveries on Family Science Night. On February 27, students were eager to share their work with their peers and their families. The children answered questions about their project choices, their data collection, their project outcomes, and what they learned throughout the process. And, of course, pizza and snacks made the evening complete!



## 2020 Science Fair Participants & Projects:

Adeline Novak	Walking Rainbow
Amelia Fogle	Sink or Float
Asher Webel	Mixing Colors
Ashton Ross	Sinking Objects
Barrett Moore	Volcano
Bridgette Webel	Mixing Colors
Brielle Barkan	Skittles Color Science
Brooklynn Weininger	How to Clean a Penny
Caleb Morgan	Floating Orange
Colin Ankrom	What Makes the Strongest Fossil?
Conan Clark	Tornado
Devin Smith	Potato Clock
Everly Bounce	Flower Power
Gracelyn Freeman	Can a Walrus Be our Class Pet?
Harper Mayher	Rock Candy
Jeremiah Bostwick	Toothbrush Bots
Logan Pfefferle	Building a Greenhouse
Norah Sanderson	Edison & Energy
Owen Betty	Elephant Toothpaste
Preston Scheuffer	Holy Moldy
Reece Holbrook	Magnets & Metals
Ryan Brown	Air Pressure Hot Wheel



## A Kiss for a Cause

Thanks for grabbing all your spare change to benefit the several charities. These funds help thousands of injured warriors returning from the battlefield through the Wounded Warriors Project, by providing assistance to their families, to Akron Children's Hospital (which works with many in our school and community), and to Bountiful Gifts (which helps families in need). Teachers from each grade who collected the most money were rewarded with the traditional "KISS THE PIG" honor! Congratulations and thank you for your generosity!





# NORTHWEST NEWS

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August 2020						
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## Northwest Local Schools Calendar 2020-21

### August

17 Teacher Day – No School  
18 First Student Day

### September

4 In-Service Day - No School  
7 Labor Day

### October

12 Teacher Day – No School  
23 End of 9 weeks (46 days)

### November

25-27 Thanksgiving Break  
30 No School

### December

21-31 Christmas Break

### January

1 Christmas Break  
15 End of 9 weeks (46 days)  
15 End of semester (92 days)  
18 Martin Luther King Day

### February

12 Waiver Day  
15 Presidents Day

### March

19 End of 9 weeks (43 days)  
29-31 Spring Break  
No School

### April

1-2 Spring Break No School  
5 No School

### May

27 Last Student Day  
27 End of 9 weeks (43 days)  
27 End of semester (86 days)  
28 Teacher Day – No School  
31 Memorial Day

Calamity Day Make-Up Schedule:  
1<sup>st</sup> Day – June 1, 2021 –  
consecutive weekdays as needed

- Teacher Day - No School for Students
- First & Last Student Day
- No School
- Teacher Exchange Day – No School

Student Days 178  
Teacher Days 184

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