

# Chardon Middle School



MAY 2017  
Newsletter

**Our Mission:**

The mission of the Chardon Local Schools is high achievement for all students, where learning is our most important work.

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

As we wrap up the 2016-2017 school year, we are actively preparing for the next school year. We are so proud of the accomplishments of our middle school students and staff during this past school year. The class of 2021 is an exceptional class with immense character and strength academically, athletically, and fine arts. Their leadership and inspiration will be missed. The class of 2022 will try to fill the void and we are confident in their abilities to do so. The incoming fifth grade class has demonstrated their desire to succeed at Chardon Middle School during orientations and we are extremely excited for them to join our team.

AIR testing has begun and our students are doing great. We are asking students to make sure their Chromebooks are charged and that they bring headphones to school for testing.

May 2, 2017 ... Science ... grade 8 only

May 4, 2017 ... Mathematics ... grades 6-8

May 2, 2017 ... Social Studies ... grade 6 only

May 4, 2017 ... Geometry and Algebra I

We will be testing during the morning hours. (All students will commence their test prior to 8:00 am ... Please make sure your child is at school and on-time.)

We will also be completing the spring MAP test administration:

May 8, 2017 ... Reading

May 9, 2017 ... Mathematics

Seventh Grade Chicago Trip ... May 10-12, 2017; Students not attending the trip will have the opportunity to attend field trips during their school day on these days (all fees must be paid).

Eighth Grade Washington DC Trip ... May 17-19, 2017; Students not attending the trip will have the opportunity to attend field trips during their school day on these days (all fees must be paid).

**SAVE THE DATE!** Eighth Grade Promotion ... May 25, 2017 ... will take place in the Chardon High School gymnasium and begin promptly at 10:00 am. Parents are asked to park at the middle school or carpool, if at all possible.

Please be sure to check our middle school website on a regular basis for up-to-date important information. If you need to meet with a school counselor, assistant principal, or myself, please do not hesitate to contact us. We suggest that parents call first to schedule appointments before coming in so that you will not experience any delays.

**DOUGLAS HIGHAM, PRINCIPAL**  
**CHARDON MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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# **\*\*\*SCIENCE OLYMPIAD\*\*\***

Congratulations to students participating in the Ohio State Finals Science Olympiad Competition on April 1st, 2017.

The C Division team (representing grades 9-12) placed 5th. The B Division Team, representing grades 6-9, placed 8th.

Chardon Science Olympiad thanks you for your support and encouragement!

State Finals Awards in Individual Events are as Follows:

## **Division B (grades 6-9)**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Wright Stuff (airplanes) – Evan Baker and Owen Vokoun

5<sup>th</sup> Place – Hovercraft – Sebastian Marker and Ethan Fuerst

5<sup>th</sup> Place – Invasive Species – Josh Campbell and Brady Williams

5<sup>th</sup> Place – Rocks and Minerals – Ethan Fuerst and Owen Vokoun

6<sup>th</sup> Place – Bottle Rockets – Ethan Fuerst and Paige Yamamoto

6<sup>th</sup> Place – Microbe Mission – Sara Conway and Lailah Pugh

### **Division C (grades 9-12) - 5th place trophy**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Astronomy – Nick Schragal and Heather Humbert

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Robot Arm – Drew Williams and Alex Schragal

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Helicopters – Halle Crtalic and Richie Wainio

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Materials Science – Nick Schragal and Richie Wainio

4<sup>th</sup> Place – Disease Detectives – Richie Wainio and Arman Bayat

4<sup>th</sup> Place – Rocks and Minerals – Asher Vokoun and Christen Niedzielski

5<sup>th</sup> Place – Electric Vehicle – Connor Fuerst and Alex Schragal

5<sup>th</sup> Place – Forensics – Emily Munoz and Emily Stern

5<sup>th</sup> Place – Hovercraft – Connor Fuerst and Halle Crtalic

5<sup>th</sup> Place Invasive Species – Asher Vokoun and Emily Munoz

5<sup>th</sup> Place Microbe Mission – Arman Bayat and Richie Wainio

6<sup>th</sup> Place – Game On – Colby and Drew Williams

6<sup>th</sup> Place Remote Sensing – Colby and Drew Williams

Top 6 - Wi Fi lab (trial event) - Connor Fuerst and John Meleski

# Science Olympiad Photos

Photos from State Competition

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B95bPJO5t02BT01wT0QzekxHdkU?usp=sharing>

Photos from 2016-2017 Season

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B95bPJO5t02BbDBFd1NDMWVuVEk?usp=sharing>

<http://chardonscienceolympiad.org>



# Attention all parents of 7th and 8th graders traveling to Chicago and Washington DC:

There will be an important informational meeting on Thursday, May 4th in the LGIR for all parents with children traveling on these trips!

The 8th grade DC parent meeting will be at 6:00 pm and the 7th grade Chicago parent meeting will be at 7:00 pm.

We will be going over the itinerary, necessary forms, medical information, what students should bring, and other important details about the trip.

If you have any questions about the 8th grade trip, please contact Mrs. Mysyk at [beverly.mysyk@chardonschools.org](mailto:beverly.mysyk@chardonschools.org)

If you have any questions about the 7th grade trip, please contact Mr. Dipofi at [jim.dipofi@chardonschools.org](mailto:jim.dipofi@chardonschools.org)

# Middlefield Historical Society Art Show Awards

First Place ~ Hunter Greco

Second Place ~ Lauren Gessel



Honorable Mention ~ Lauren Alexander, Alex Baggott, Kinsela Blaskins, Tyler Carroll, Caitlyn Dorka (2), Lauren Gessel (2), Melanie Gittins, Hunter Greco, Norah Hardesty (2), Maci Jahnke, Malina Malnar, Jackson Perry, James Pettyjohn, Juan Pinzon, Samantha Sittnick, Ainsely Smith, Keeley Sneek, Meghan Solich, Kenzie Tobin, Jenna Toutant, Owen Vucetic, Emma White, Jillian Zeigenfuss.



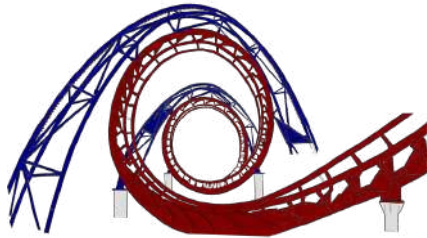


# BAND NOTES



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**MAY 9--SPRING CONCERT--ALL BANDS 7 PM CMS GYM**  
**MAY 12--TRILLS and THRILLS (8TH GRADE)--DEPART 6:30 AM**  
**MAY 13--TAG DAY (8TH GRADE)--TIME TBA CHS BAND ROOM**



## CONCERT REPORT TIMES

**8TH GRADE + JAZZ BAND: 6:30 PM**

**7TH GRADE: 6:40 PM**

**6TH GRADE: 6:45 PM**

**8th Graders going to Cedar Point: We are leaving at 6:30.**

**Be here before we leave between 6:15-6:25. Refer to the information packed for detailed info!**

**ALL 8TH GRADERS: REFER TO THE LETTER SENT HOME REGARDING TAG DAY FOR DETAILS.**

We will continue to play in band after the concert for as long as possible. I will give you several days to take your instruments home before summer break. All instruments must go home over the summer. If you play a school instrument, you can keep it over the summer.



# TAG DAY



Please show your support for the Chardon Music programs on May 13 by donating to the Crescendo Club as members of the bands and choirs visit your homes in the morning hours!

Any amount is greatly appreciated and helps us bring high quality musical training to your children K-12 every day!

If you are not going to be home, please contact Tracy Paroubek to let her know you'd like to make a tax-deductible donation.

[tracy.paroubek@chardonschools.org](mailto:tracy.paroubek@chardonschools.org)

## TAG Day To Benefit Chardon Schools Music Program



Saturday, May 13 from 9 am - noon is TAG (Thank a Giver) Day in Chardon to support the music program of all Chardon students in grades K-12. Students in grades 8-12 will be going door to door to ask for donations to Crescendo Club. Cash and checks payable to Crescendo Club are accepted. Crescendo Club uses the funds for sheet music, instrument repairs, uniforms, scholarships and other general support of the music program. Crescendo Club thanks Sunrise Springs for their generous donation.

If you would like to mail a contribution please send it to: Chardon Schools Attention: Crescendo Club, 151 Chardon Avenue Chardon, OH 44024.

For questions please contact Bridget Mullaly at [440-226-9112](tel:440-226-9112).

# From CMS Clinic:



## Immunizations Required for 7th Graders in 2017/18

Sixth grade parents: Your child is required by state law to have BOTH a meningococcal and a Tdap immunization before the start of 7th grade next school year. Through the aid of an online state immunization registry, I was able to obtain these records already for about half of the class. If we do NOT have your child's immunization record, you will receive periodic reminder phone calls and emails from us. If you receive these messages, that means you need to provide us with immunization records from your child's physician. We are accepting these immunizations records now. It is not too early to immunize your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at [lori.strickland@chardonschools.org](mailto:lori.strickland@chardonschools.org) or call me at (440) 286-0457. Lori Strickland, RN

## **Geauga Co. General Health District Special Vaccine Clinics**

For Parents of 6th Graders:

Tdap and Meningitis Immunizations Only (required for next school year)

**Monday, May 1** - Geauga County Health District - 470 Center Street, Building #8

Chardon from 3:00-6:00 pm (440) 279-1950

**Monday, May 8** - Middlefield First United Methodist Church-14999 S State St, Middlefield -  
3-6 pm

Bring current immunization record and insurance card.

Can self-pay with cash or check (Tdap \$50 / Meningitis \$117)

Vaccines available for uninsured / Medicaid.

# FOOD SERVICE NEWS



**Don't forget to start your day with a healthy breakfast. Breakfast is available daily at Chardon Middle School.**

**Breakfast cost is \$1.50 for full pay or \$ .30 for reduced pay. We have included some of your child's favorite foods for breakfast.... Cereal, Bagels, Nutri Grain bars, Banana Bread, Muffins, Fresh Fruit, Breakfast Sandwiches, Milk, Juice and Yogurt. If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 440-286-0425.**

## ***Help Wanted in Food Service***

Chardon Schools has current openings for a great part-time job for people looking to make a little bit of extra cash in the middle of the day while working with kids as a Food Service Cashier, Monitor and Server. Chardon Local Schools Food Service maintains a list of substitutes to be called in when our regular employees are out. Substitutes are a vital part of our program. Using subs gives us the help that we need when employees are unable to work and lets you explore job opportunities with the Chardon Local Schools Food Service department.

Online **Job** Application <http://www.chardon.k12.oh.us/JobSearch.aspx>

- Work as needed. Salary is \$10.00 per hour

# Counseling Corner



## SCHEDULING

BY NOW, STUDENTS HAVE MADE ALL THEIR REQUESTS FOR CLASSES NEXT YEAR AND SCHEDULING IS UNDERWAY! BEFORE THE END OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR, EACH STUDENT WILL RECEIVE A LETTER DETAILING THEIR REQUESTED COURSES FOR NEXT YEAR. THEY WILL NOT RECEIVE THEIR COMPLETE SCHEDULE UNTIL CLOSER TO THE START OF NEXT SCHOOL YEAR, DUE TO LAST MINUTE ADJUSTMENTS AND CHANGES THAT ARE MADE OVER THE SUMMER. WE DO OUR VERY BEST TO GET STUDENTS INTO THE CLASSES THEY WANT TO TAKE, HOWEVER, WE ARE NOT ALWAYS ABLE TO GET EVERY STUDENT INTO EVERY CLASS THEY WANT. THIS IS BASED ON SIZE OF CLASSES, POPULARITY OF THE COURSE, AND WHEN THE OTHER CLASSES THEY HAVE SIGNED UP FOR ARE OFFERED.

## NEXT YEAR

PRIOR TO NEXT SCHOOL YEAR WE WILL HAVE A NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION AS WELL AS A 5TH GRADE ORIENTATION. WE WILL OUTLINE ALL GUIDELINES/EXPECTATIONS AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT JOINING US HERE AT CMS IN THE FALL. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

MRS. COLLINS, MRS. HILLMAN, AND MRS. STUART HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A WONDERFUL AND RELAXING SUMMER

# Yearbook It!™

It's the biggest story of the year.

## And you're in it.

2016-17 Yearbooks are  
scheduled for  
distribution on  
**Monday, May 20th.**

Students who prepaid for  
yearbooks will receive them  
during Advisory.

A limited-number of  
yearbooks are available  
for purchase after  
school on Monday, May  
20th in room 216.

The cost is \$25.  
(checks made payable to  
“**Chardon Local Schools**”)



# CLASS OF 2021



Ok...

this is not the Class of 2021,  
but you may purchase your  
very own 20" X 30" panorama  
of your 8th grade friends by  
visiting [photos.pastorphoto.com](https://photos.pastorphoto.com)

The cost is \$28.

# Geauga Lyric Theater Guild Spring Class Flyer

Please click the link to view classes:

<https://www.geaugatheater.org/education/theatrical-arts-classes>



# GEAUGA SOCCER FEDERATION

## SPRING SESSION



### **Spring session starting soon!**

We are gearing up for our spring session and looking for players! Specifically, we have roster spots open on our U10 Boys (coed) team (players born in 2007), U12 Boys and U12 Girls (2005 and the earlier half of 2006), U13 Girls (2004), and U13-15 Boys (2004-2002) squads. If you have a player that is interested in an age bracket listed (or even not listed) here, please contact us. Games begin in April and run through early June. If you are a coach who might be interested in getting involved with the Geauga Federation, please let us know.

### **Who Are We?**

Gauga Soccer Federation is a new, non-profit, travel-level soccer club formed in cooperation with the Recreational Soccer Programs of Chardon, Newbury, Middlefield, and other Geauga County communities.

### **What is "travel soccer"? Where do we play?**

Travel soccer is simply the next competitive level up from recreation league soccer. As a member of the Ohio Travel Soccer League ([www.ohitsl.com](http://www.ohitsl.com)), the largest travel league in Northern Ohio, most games are within 30 minutes of the players' hometowns. Our home fields are located at Oberland Park next to Newbury High School.

**For more information on our travel club as well as a list of local recreation soccer programs, visit us at**

**[www.GeaugaSoccer.com](http://www.GeaugaSoccer.com)**

Questions? Contact us at [info@geaugasoccer.com](mailto:info@geaugasoccer.com) or call Stephanie Simpkins at 440-564-9277

# CHARDON LIBRARY BOOK BUDDIES

## Chardon Library Book Buddies

The Chardon Library is looking for Book Buddies volunteers for the summer. You can encourage a child who has just finished 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to keep reading over the summer by meeting with him or her for **6 – one hour sessions** at the Chardon Library. The program dates are June 1 through August 8. The Chardon Library Book Buddies Program is funded by the Chardon Rotary and continues to be a success with the help of Chardon Middle & High School students. If you would like to be involved with this community program (and earn Community Service hours!), please call the **Chardon Library @ 285-7601**. Please plan to attend **ONE MANDATORY informational meeting** at the Chardon Library on Monday, May 15 at 7:00 **OR** Tuesday, May 16 at 3:00. Student and adult volunteers are welcome! Thank You!

Thank You!

Debbie Seufer  
286-6909 – home  
285-7601 – library



# Hilltopper Football Camp



The 2017 Future Hilltopper Fundamentals Football Camp will be held May 30-31-June 1-2 at Chardon Memorial Field from 9-11 am. This camp is open to student-athletes from the age of 6 to those entering the 6th grade. Registration information and flyers can be found at <http://cmsteam6a.weebly.com/mr-franciss-athletics-page.html>.

The 2017 Chardon Hilltoppers Football Team Camp will be held May 30-31-June 1-2 at Chardon Memorial Field from 12-2:30. This camp is open to student-athletes entering grades 6 - 9. Registration information and flyers can be found at <http://cmsteam6a.weebly.com/mr-franciss-athletics-page.html>.

Please contact Bob Francis at [bob.francis@chardonschools.org](mailto:bob.francis@chardonschools.org) if you have questions about either camp.