

Elmwood Happenings 2/22/2023

Greetings Elmwood Community,

February is drawing to a close and the winter sports season is wrapping up. The year is going so fast right now. At the last meeting the board approved many items at its monthly meeting. One item the Board approved was spending \$107,000 to rebuild one of our chillers that cools the building. We had to fix the first one a few years ago, and now this one is up for a rebuild. As the building ages, these types of projects are becoming more common. The district is always looking at ways to maintain our building for as long as possible.

1. The following students participated in the OMEA Honors Festival in January. This event was chaired by our very own band director, Mrs. Megan Hayes. The bands are made up of students from all over Northwest Ohio. They rehearsed together for two days prior to the concert. Elmwood had two students qualify to participate in the honors band. They were, Isabella Donaldson, a member of the Middle School Honor band, playing clarinet and Luke Armbruster, a member of the High School Honor band, in the percussion section. We are so proud of them!





2. "Who needs a SILVER lining when your Yearbook is as awesome as yours!" A quote from Jostens when they gave us the following honor. On Tuesday, January 31st, the 22-23' Yearbook Staff achieved the "Silver Level" in the National Yearbook Program of Excellence! They are well on their way to earn the GOLD rating! They have also achieved other milestones throughout the school year including the following badges:

- **"Enroll With It" Badge** (Enrollment number has been updated)
- **"Gotcha Covered" Badge** (Cover and endsheet specifications submitted on time)
- **"Buzz Builder" Badge** (3 Plan and Promote Emails sent)
- **"Sales Guru" Badge** (Halfway to meeting sales goal)
- **"Commanding Coverage" Badge** (A student has been covered in the book at least 3 times)
- **"You're In the Book" Badge** ('In the Book' Flyers have been created)
- **"Follow the Ladder" Badge** (Page deadlines have been sent)
- **"One Down" Badge** (First page has been submitted)

-**"List Maker" Badge** (Student list has been updated)

Only four more badges yet to capture that will be achieved closer to the end of the Spring!
Keep up the great work Yearbook Staff!



3. Elmwood had four students audition to be part of the musical “Moana Jr” at the Marathon Center of Performing Arts with the Youtheatre! They had over 80 students from the area audition and all four of our own students were selected to perform in the musical. The students from Elmwood are Bronx Swiecicki (3rd grade), Jase Myers (4th grade), Maggi Pitchford (5th grade) and Briley Oestreich (5th grade). If you would like to see our students in action, showtimes are March 10th @ 7pm and March 11th @ 2pm at the Marathon Center of Performing Arts!



4. Every year, the State of Ohio recognizes one exemplary teacher for their Teacher of the Year Award. We know we have an amazing staff here at Elmwood Local Schools. We would like to encourage you to consider nominating a teacher who goes above and beyond to provide a great education for our students. There are a couple of eligibility rules that can be found on the Ohio Department of Education website. To be nominated, the teacher must have a minimum of 10 years of teaching. The nomination form can be found at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/24_OTOY_Nom. The nomination form includes writing a narrative explaining why the teacher is deserving of the award. Thank you for considering nominating one of our wonderful staff members!



Here are a few upcoming events for students and/or family that you may want to be aware of:

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| • Friday, February 24 th | 5 th /6 th Grades Dance 2:45 - 4:15 PM |
| • Friday, February 24 th | 7 th /8 th Grades Dance 5:30 - 7:30 PM |
| • Thursday, March 2 nd | Winter Band Concert @ 7 PM |
| • Friday, March 3 rd | FCA for MS and HS @ 7:15 AM |
| • Friday, March 3 rd | 5 th Grade Wax Museum @ CC 2 PM |
| • Tuesday, March 7 th | Elementary PTO meeting @ 7 PM |
| • Saturday, March 11 th | St Patty Shamrock-N-Roll Father/Daughter Dance
@ 7 - 9 PM in the Auditoria |
| • Sunday, March 12 th | Daylight Savings Starts |
| • Monday, March 13 th | Board of Education meeting @ 5:30 PM |
| • Wednesday, March 15 th | Preschool Informational Night 5 PM |
| • Friday, March 17 th | HS Musical at 7 PM in Auditorium |
| • Saturday, March 18 th | HS Musical at 7 PM in Auditorium |
| • Sunday, March 19 th | HS Musical at 3 PM in Auditorium |
| • March 25 th - April 2 nd | Spring Break- NO SCHOOL |
| • Tuesday, April 4 th | Elementary PTO meeting @ 7 PM |
| • Friday, April 7 th | Good Friday, NO SCHOOL |
| • Monday, April 10 th | Board of Education meeting @ 5:30 PM |
| • Thursday, April 13 th | Music Boosters meeting @ 7 PM |

- Friday, April 14th FCA for MS and HS @ 7:15 AM
- Saturday, April 15th Elementary PTO Bakery Bingo
- Thursday, April 20th Choir Charity Concert @ 7 PM in Auditorium
- Saturday, April 22nd JR/SR Prom
- Saturday, April 29th FFA Banquet in the Auditoria

*Bus Drivers Needed: Would you like a part time/as needed position? (Could lead to a full-time route in the future, if desired.) Do you like attending Elmwood sporting events? Would you be interested in being paid while attending? If so, maybe bus driving is for you! Sub drivers also cover regular routes when needed. Don't have a CDL? No problem! We can provide the training necessary to meet all the federal, state and local requirements. If you would like more information, please contact Laurie Lee, Transportation Supervisor. (419-655-2583 ext 347 or leel@elmls.net).

*Custodial and other substitutes needed: In addition, we are also looking for substitutes in the area of custodial, aides, café', and teaching. Please email Mr. Borton at bortt@elmls.net if you would like more information.

Tony Borton, Superintendent

