



Elmwood Local Schools

“From the Desk of the Superintendent”

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Community Update and Elmwood Tidbits:

While March and April has been cold, we have been lucky that the snow has missed us many times this month. As a result, we are caught up on our calamity makeup days. Now that we are back from spring break, we are in state testing season, which can last from April to early May. Each building will send home a letter informing parents of the days that their child will test. Remember when it is time for your child to test, they need to get a good night's sleep and to eat a healthy breakfast either at home or at school. These two things have been proven to help your child achieve a higher score on their test. To wrap up, I want to wish each student that is testing good luck and to remind you that your teachers have done a great job at preparing you for these tests.



The 8th graders had another successful trip to Washington DC. The trip to our nation's capital included 85 students and a group of dedicated chaperones. They visited many memorials and other famous places while they were there. Again this year, we had a group of students who helped lay the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Due to many factors, this will be the last year for the 8th graders to go to Washington DC through the school. I know that this was a difficult decision for the staff, but want to thank them for their dedication over the past 10 years that we were able to offer this trip.



In a previous edition of my newsletter, I told you about Shipley Morlock and his idea to help the families displaced by the California wildfires. He created his own logo called SHIP-See Hope In People. He created shirts to sell to make money for his idea. Here is a picture of Shipley's first grade class, taught by Mrs. Weiker, wearing their SHIP shirts.



The Girls Varsity Basketball team was Co-Champs for the NBC athletic league. This was a well-deserved honor.



For the second year in a row, our student spirit section was recognized statewide for their spirit, cooperation, and good sportsmanship. I am pretty sure that we are the only school to be recognized for two years in a row.

The high school band and choir participated in Solo and Ensemble contest in February and I would like to congratulate the following students on their ratings.

HS Choir Solo and Ensemble Contest:

- o Earning superior ratings in class A for solos: Morghan Strayer, Ben Armbruster, Jonah Houtz
- o Earning superior ratings in class B: Aleiya Douglas, Lizzie Hardy
- o Earning excellent ratings in class B: Garrett Hummel, Colleen Kreais
- o Earning superior ratings in class C: Michelle Wickersham, Abi Lee, Becca Rook, Nathaniel Ziebold
- o Earning an excellent rating in class C: Dylan Gheen
- o Earning a superior rating in class B: Troubadour Ensemble—Caleigh Instone, Abi Lee, Jonah Houtz, Dylan Gheen, Elijah King, Mason Coulter, Nathaniel Ziebold, Aleiya Douglas, Michelle Wickersham
- o Earning an excellent rating in class B: Troubadour Quintet: Lizzie Hardy, Colleen Kreais, Morghan Strayer, Garrett Hummel, Ben Armbruster

HS Band Solo and Ensemble Contest:

- o Ciara Brown, Clarinet Solo – Superior
- o Anna Gudakunst, Piano Solo – Superior
- o Colleen Kreais, Trumpet Solo – Superior
- o Isaac Donald, Soprano Saxophone Solo – Excellent
- o Audrey Dewey, Flute Solo - Excellent
- o Nikki Sweet, Flute Solo – Excellent
- o Joey Laborie, Euphonium Solo – Excellent
- o Karson Palmer, Snare Drum Solo – Excellent
- o Saxophone Trio (Adam Lewallen, Damion Ward, Keely Brooks) – Excellent
- o Saxophone Trio (Adam Lewallen, Damion Ward, Isaac Donald) – Excellent
- o Flute Trio (Madison Lyons, Nikki Sweet, Lizzie Hardy) - Excellent



The State Wrestling meet took place this month and I would like to congratulate Dylan Hinton and Kain Brossia for earning the right to represent Elmwood at State. Elmwood is super proud of Dylan for finishing second at State

in his weight class. I would like to send a special thank you to Coach Lee, who is retiring this year as the head coach of our program. Coach Lee led the program for over 30 years, and has more Dual wins than any other wrestling coach in Ohio.

Upcoming Events:

April 18-20th, 5th Grade Camp

April 19-20th, 2018-19 Kindergarten Screening

Thursday, April 26th, Jazz Band Concert at 7 PM in the auditoria

Saturday, April 28th, Father/Daughter Dance from 7-9 PM in the auditoria (presale tickets required)

Saturday, May 5th, Jr./Sr. Prom

Saturday, May 12th, Mother/Son Dance from 7-9 PM in the auditoria (presale tickets required)

Monday, May 14th, Elmwood Board of Education at 6 PM in the MS Media Center

Monday, May 28th, Memorial Day, NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, May 30th, Last Student Day as of now

Sunday, June 3rd, Elmwood 2018 Senior Graduation at 2 PM in the HS gymnasium

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