

Elmwood Happenings 11/10/2021

Greetings Elmwood Community,

What a great time to be a Royal!! I want to take a minute to update our community on a few great things going on in the school system. I hope everyone enjoyed their day off. The fog was really thick this morning. If you are keeping track, this was our first day this year we closed due for weather. Finally, I would love to hear ideas that you would like me to address in a future Elmwood Happenings email.

1. Our Elmwood Royals football team is doing a fantastic job and has won its first two games in the OHSAA playoffs. In the first game, we easily won over Brooklyn Schools and then last Saturday, the team beat Liberty Benton in a nail biter, 41-40. Up next, this Saturday, November 13th at 7 PM we play Elyria Catholic. The game is at a neutral site and will take place at Tiffin Columbia High School. We are so proud of our Royal football team and how they are representing our community.
2. All three buildings have done a great job to handle our COVID case and our resulting quarantines. It is not easy, but we are managing. We continue to follow the direction of the Wood County Health Department. A couple weeks ago, the State and the County had revised the quarantine rules. We now can keep students who would have been quarantined in school by having them wear a mask for up to 14 days. The parents can also get a negative test for their child after a given date, which allows the child to remove the mask sooner. If you have questions on a quarantine, let me know and I am happy to address. Please note this does not apply to a case where the student is a close contact at home. Home contacts must follow the old rules of staying home during the quarantine. The changes only apply to school exposure.
3. On a yearly base, our sophomores travel to Penta, our career center. The goal is to showcase the career tech skills that kids can learn if they choose to go to Penta. Penta is a great partner, and if a student chooses to attend Penta, they are still an Elmwood student and can still take part in all of Elmwood's activities on campus. Students who attend Penta learn a career skill that they can use in their life after graduation. Many of these in-demand jobs are taught at Penta and give our students a head start on the job market.

I will try to push these Elmwood Happenings out weekly. I am so proud of our staff and students here at Elmwood. We have a great school system, and it is our goal for the community pride to show it. Have a great rest of the week.

Mr. Tony Borton
Superintendent, Elmwood Local Schools