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From the Desk of Mr. Kissell, Superintendent...

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! I hope you had an enjoyable summer and are excited to get back to school. Again this year, we have many exciting and wonderful opportunities for students to excel. As you read through this newsletter, please take some time to learn more about our Positive Behavior Intervention Systems (PBIS) at the elementary and the junior high/high school. We also have 5th and 6th grade students going to Camp Wilson and our high school marching band is competing at various competitions this year. We will also have many art competitions, quiz bowl, and athletics for students be involved in. Please encourage your child to get involved.

We have made some modest but significant changes here at Continental this year. With the addition of our PBIS program, we also added more technology classes to the high school and introduced a Makerspace lab at the elementary. We developed a Career Technical Pathway at the high school through our Industrial Arts program called Construction Design and Management. This pathway helps student to see that not only can they get a job in construction design but there are also other career opportunities and post-secondary opportunities in the construction field.

This school year is going to be exciting and wonderful! I look forward to see all the amazing contributions your children bring to Continental Local Schools and the Continental community. Thank you for your continued support of your children. #ProudtobeAPirate

OAEA Emerging Artists High School Exhibition



Ellie Schwarzman

Ohio Art Education Association is proud to announce that **Ellie Schwarzman** has artwork accepted in the annual Emerging Artist Exhibition. The art exhibited was created for Ohio students in grades nine through twelve. These works are on display at the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) building, 275 East Broad Street, in Columbus, Ohio on September 9th through October 19th. The exhibition is sponsored by the Ohio Art Education Association which is the professional organization for art teachers in Ohio with a membership of close to 2,000 educators. Among its many endeavors, OAEA works to promote art education and recognizes quality student art through various exhibits sponsored during the year at both the state and regional levels.

One hundred sixty six out of two hundred pieces of artwork was selected for this juried show from the nine OAEA regions in the state of Ohio. The show is designed to help motivate and inspire new artists to excel in areas of drawing, painting, sculpture, crafts, computer art, photography and printing. Everyone involved should be proud of the students and teachers who inspire creative thinking, problem solving, and skillful techniques.

To celebrate the teachers and students, there will be a reception on October 19th at the STRS building. The ceremony will begin at 2:00 p.m. and end around 3:00 p.m. The students will be awarded with certificates, prizes and some works will be selected in different categories for special awards.

THE BEST PREPARATION FOR TOMORROW IS DOING YOUR BEST TODAY – H. JACKSON BROWN, JR

Certificate of Recognition

AEP Ohio Recognizes

CONTINENTAL LOCAL SCHOOLS

For their commitment to energy efficiency and the environment & taking part in AEP Ohio's savings incentives programs for businesses in 2018.

As a result of their leadership they will save 104,118 kWh or 78.47 Tons of CO2 annually, which is Equivalent to:

17 CARS OFF THE ROAD PER YEAR

ANNUAL CO2 GENERATION OF 9 SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES

1,298 TREE SEEDLINGS GROWN FOR 10 YEARS

AEP Ohio thanks you for being an energy efficiency leader By participating in our programs for businesses.

June 13, 2019



Raju Sankaranarayanan
President & CEO - AEP Ohio

Newsletters, past and present, are posted on our website and we will be sending out alerts as each newsletter becomes available. If you know of anyone that has not signed up to receive alerts but would like to do so, please inform them to visit our website at www.continentalpirates.org to complete the simple registration to receive both school and athletic alerts.

There are positive things happening every day at Continental School and that is why we are #ProudtobeAPirate. Please continue to ask your children about these happenings and do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments you may have. I can be reached by phone at 419-596-3671 or email at d.kissell@continentalpirates.org.

2019-2020 Cafeteria Information

Cafeteria prices for the 2019-2020 school year are as follows:

Optional Breakfast, Grades K-12	\$1.75
Grades K-6 Lunch	\$2.50
Grades 7-12 Lunch	\$3.00
Ala Carte Plate Lunch	\$3.35
Reduced Price Meals, Grades K-12	\$.40
Reduced Price Breakfast, Grades K-12	\$.30

Free and Reduced Lunch Applications have been sent home with students and are available in the school offices. If you have been notified that you were approved through direct certification, you do not need to complete this application.

Parents are asked to send cafeteria money in an envelope with your children's names, and cafeteria lunch numbers. You may send one check for multiple children as long as you note the amounts going to each child's account.

If you want to use the online payment option, you will need to use your child's student ID#. *This is not the same number as their cafeteria number.* Your child's student ID# (the number assigned to them in ProgressBook) is the number that you will use for online cafeteria payments. If you do not know this number, please contact the office or cafeteria manager and they will be glad to give it to you.

In an effort to keep lunch accounts up to date, students who have a negative balance will not be permitted to purchase "extras". Students having a negative balance of \$15.00 will not be allowed additional charges and will instead receive a "sack lunch". All lunch accounts can be accessed online, where parents can monitor their child's purchases and balances.

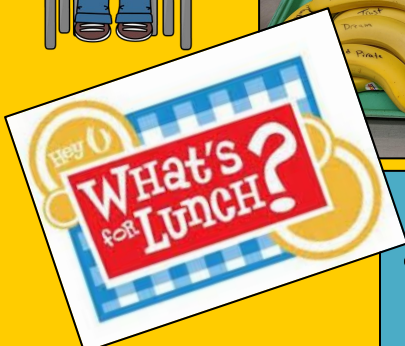
We are fortunate to have a great cafeteria staff who prepare daily meals for your children that meet the requirements set by the USDA. If you have any questions regarding meals/pricing, please contact Cafeteria Manager Sarah Goedde at s.goedde@continentalpirates.org or 419-596-3860. Your concerns are our concerns!



Sarah Goedde,
Cafeteria Manager



Inspiration Fruit!



Lunch menus and student
lunch account information
can be found on the school's
website at
www.continentalpirates.org

Workbook Fees

Workbook fees can be paid at any of the school offices. Please make checks payable to Continental Local School.

Grades K-6	\$40.00
Grades 7-12	\$2.00 Student Planner
Grades 7-12	Fees will vary per individual class requirement
Grades 9-12	\$50.00 premium for use of iPads.

Happenings Around Continental Local School

- Sept 8 Band to Kalida Pioneer Parade
- Sept 10 Srs to Defiance College, College Fair
- Sept 17 JH Fundraiser Orders Due
- Sept 18 Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept 20 First Quarter Midterms
- Sept 22 Fall Fest Parade, 1:00 p.m.
- Sept 27 ASVAB Testing - Juniors
- Sept 28 Band Competition at Ottawa-Glandorf
- Oct 9 Fall Picture Retakes
- Oct 9 Financial Aid Parent Night, 6:30 p.m.
- Oct 12 Band Competition at Columbus Grove
- Oct 16 PSAT, 8:15 a.m.
- Oct 18 End of First Quarter
- Oct 18 Sadies Hawkins Dance, 7:00 p.m.
- Oct 22 Jostens Meetings with Freshman/Srs
- Oct 23 NHS Red Cross Blood Drive
- Oct 29 Practice ACT at Defiance College
- Oct 30 Jostens Orders Due
- Nov 1 No School - Professional Development
- Nov 11 Veterans Day Assembly
- Nov 4 Fall Sports Awards, 6:30 p.m.
- Nov 8 & 9 School Play, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 10 School Play, 2:30 p.m.
- Nov 25 & 26 No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov 27-29 No School - Thanksgiving Break

Parent Teacher Conferences are November 25 & 26.

2019-20 Athletic Department Passes

All-Sports Passes

All Sports Passes grant entry into all regular season home sporting events for the entire 2019-2020 school year for both junior high and high school sports

Adult All-Sports Passes -\$100

Reserved Seats for JV/Varsity home basketball games-additional \$10

Student All-Sports Passes -\$25

Reserved Seats

Reserved Seat Passes grant entry into all regular season home JV and Varsity boys basketball games for the 2019-20 season ONLY. Reserved seats do not grant entry for any other sport or any other level.

Reserved Seats -\$50

If you wish to purchase an All-Sports Pass or a Reserved Seat, please do one of the following:

-Order by phone: Call the High School Office at 419-596-3871.

-Order by email:

j.streicher@continentalpirates.org

-Have your child bring the order/money to the high school office. Please make checks payable to Continental School.

Breakfast Reminder

Parents and students are reminded that students are able to purchase a breakfast upon their arrival at school. The cost is \$1.75. Those who qualify for reduced meals may purchase breakfast for \$.30.

Welcome back! On behalf of the JH/HS staff, I want to welcome all the new 7th graders and welcome back all of the rest of the students to the JH/HS building. We had a great first week of school and cannot wait to see what the rest of the year has in store!

A few reminders for JH/HS students and their parents as we start the school year:

- Please pay your book bills and iPad premium as soon as possible.
- Please check lunch accounts regularly and be sure to have enough money in the account at all times.
- Parents and Students are encouraged to monitor student grades through ProgressBook on a regular basis.
- Students should charge their iPads overnight and make sure to come to school with them fully charged every day. A dead battery is not an excuse to not turn in your homework!
- The Student/Parent handbook is available to download from the High School page of the district's website.
- We hope all students get involved in one of our many student activities. If nothing else, come out and support your classmates on our fall sports teams! GO PIRATES!!

If we can be of any help to students and parents, please let us know. We look forward to working with everyone and recognize that successful partnerships between teachers and parents lead to greater success in the classroom. Please email, call, or stop in if we can ever be of any help or if you have any concerns.

Sincerely,
Mr. Eding
JH/HS Principal
#ProudtobeAPirate

Follow the JH/HS Building on Twitter
@Pirates_CHS and @CHSAthleticDept

New Staff Member:

Mrs. Tia Vogt has joined our staff as a teacher aide. She will be assisting Mrs. Schmidt and Mr. Homier's students. She lives in Continental with her husband, Tim. They are expecting the birth of a son in November. Tia previously worked at an International Preschool in Okinawa, Japan. Welcome Tia!



Yearbook Class

From the left: Shelby Collier, Alex Hoeffel, Hannah Soto, Trinity Prowant, and Maddi Potts



Marching Band News:

The Pirate Marching Band will showcase their skills in musical and drill performance by participating in the following upcoming parades and competition band shows. We hope you'll plan to support the band with your presence at these events while enjoying the community events.

- Sun., Sept. 8, Kalida Pioneer Day Parade, 1:30 pm
- Sun., Sept. 22, Continental Fall Fest Parade, 1:00 pm
- Sat., Sept. 28, Ottawa-Glandorf Band Competition Show, 5:00 pm
- Sat., Oct. 12, Columbus Grove Band Competition Show, 7:00 pm

JH Fundraiser Begins Tuesday, Sept. 3

Do you appreciate the convenience of tasty cookie dough you bake at home? Do you look forward to browsing snack and gift brochures to find treasures for family and friends? Our junior high students will be able to provide you with tempting choices from their *Great American* brochures to assist you in doing just that.

Please consider placing an order as you help our students gain life skills, self confidence and monetary funds for their class expenses. Thank You!

****When writing checks for orders, please make them payable to Continental Local School.**



Home Maintenance and Woods Classes Visit Van Ham Dairy Farm



Students in Mr. Stegbauer's Home Maintenance and Woods Classes recently took a field trip to the Van Ham Dairy to witness a large concrete pour for silo bunkers. Students in these classes have learned or will learn about residential concrete foundations and other concrete technologies.

This was a unique opportunity to watch a very large pour right in our own backyard. The purpose of this bunker is to house 420,000 ton of silage to feed the 2500 head of cattle on site. This bunker will span a space of 750' x 350' and is 8" thick. Attached to the bunker is a large water runoff pond to insure that no polluted water makes it into the fresh water table.

The project will happen in three large pours with the first and largest pour being 1300 cubic yards of concrete. Students were able to witness multiple trucks pouring into a conveyor/pump truck that stretched approximately 100 feet, 40 yd power screed, dozens of concrete workers in action, and an empty large water pond.

This trip not only opened the eyes of students about the immense size of the project but also allowed the students to see the many, much needed career opportunities available in our area. **Thank you to Van Ham Dairy for this awesome experience!**

FUN FACT: The first concrete highway was built in 1909.

The first concrete road was built in 1909 on Woodward Avenue between Six and Seven Mile Roads in Greenfield Township, which is now part of northwest Detroit. The mile-long road cost \$13,492.83 and was built by the Wayne County Road Commission, whose membership included Henry Ford.

Up until that point, non-dirt roads had been built using bricks or cobblestones, or a mix of tar and stones called macadam – all of which made for a bumpy ride!

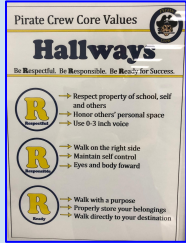
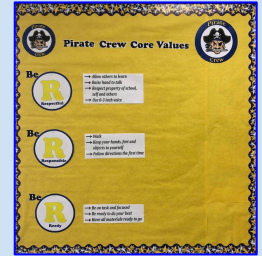


Did you know... Thomas Edison held 49 unique concrete-related patents. He hoped to design more unique concrete objects — like pianos! — but never got around to it. Luckily, people today are very creative, and Edison would probably be proud.



From the Desk of Mrs. Potts, Elementary Principal...

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! The elementary staff and I are looking forward to embarking on another year filled with positive educational opportunities for all students. To help provide an environment that allows students to achieve their academic goals the elementary staff are implementing Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS). PBIS is a positive behavior management system of clear school-wide expectations. The three main Pirate Core Values (expectations) the students are practicing include: Be **R**espectful, Be **R**esponsible and Be **R**eady.



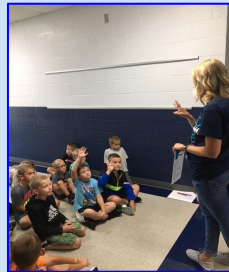
All students in grades K-6 have been divided into one of five houses (red, purple, green, gray and orange). As students learn to be responsible, respectful and ready in all school settings they can earn crew cards for their house. Students place their crew cards inside their assigned house displayed in the lobby showcase. The cards are counted every two weeks and the students in the house with the most crew cards are able to pick a coupon from a choice board. The winning house at the end of the month will receive ice cream at lunch. Whereas, the house with the most crew cards at the end of the quarter will have a house party.

Students can also earn a



by exhibiting all the Pirate Core Values. Students enter these tickets into a quarterly drawing.

To kick off the PBIS program students participated in the *Pirates in Training Boot Camp* in August. Student groups learned about Pirate Core Values in each of the school areas (cafeteria, assembly, hallway, arrival/dismissal, bus, library, etc.) The Bootcamp ended with an assembly and house time. Each house designed a house flag, chose a house song and created a house chant. The houses will gather quarterly to work as a team to complete service projects.



Walk the Plank

Sometimes students and adults need a break to regroup, re-energize or refocus. The "Walk the Plank" sensory walk was created for that purpose.

Introducing...

**Mrs. Van Ham,
 Kinderstart Teacher**



It is with great pleasure we announce Kelly Van Ham as the new Kinderstart teacher at Continental Elementary. Mrs. Van Ham resides in Continental with her husband Mark, and children Kate and Blake. She attended BGSU and graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Education, majoring in Early Childhood Studies.

Mrs. Van Ham

Kelly comes to us with 12 years of teaching experience, the past nine years being at Defiance City Schools where she taught first grade. Please help us welcome Mrs. Van Ham to our teaching staff!

Welcome aboard!

Camp Wilson Fundraiser

The 5th and 6th grade students will be attending Camp Wilson at the end of October. To help pay for the overnight trip, students will be selling *Brinkman's Canned Meats* in late September.

