



Continental Local Schools



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From the Desk of Mr. Kissell:

Before we look forward to the 2022-2023 school year, please take a moment to look back at the spring of 2021-2022 school year. From our woodworking classes to our art students, athletes, and everything in between, I want to say again how proud of our students we are here at Continental Local Schools.

It is exciting to think of what the future holds. The work being done by our principals and teaching staff to update, transform, and reinvigorate learning for the students of Continental is nothing short of extraordinary. Over the past three years, we have worked to update our Social Studies and Science curriculums. This year we will have an updated English Language Arts (ELA) curriculum as well. With the help of the Putnam County ESC and the Continental administrative team, our teachers have researched, evaluated, and developed a curriculum that will benefit our students well into the future. A vital component of these new curriculums is utilizing online features such as online books, tests, and other valuable resources. Students no longer have to carry multiple textbooks and now have access to resources and curriculum anywhere they have internet access. To view and learn more about the Continental Local School Curriculum Plan, please click the link below:

[CONTINENTAL CURRICULUM PLAN](#)

I would like to thank the Continental community for supporting the school system, from fundraisers to volunteering, coming out to athletics, arts, and drama productions. Our students are supported and loved. THANK YOU!

Danny F. Kissell
Superintendent

Regional Long Jump Podium



Congrats to Elijah Mayes, Jonathan Etter, Bryn Tegenkamp, and Rhaegan Marshall on their performances at the regional track meet. Rhaegan made the podium in the long jump!



The Board of Education conducting business around their new table, constructed by the high school woodworking students.

Wood I and II Classes Construct New Boardroom Conference Table

Students in Mr. Brian Stegbauer's Woods I and II classes crafted a new Board of Education conference table. Jonathan Etter, Dominique Hammond, Braxton Stegbauer, and Ethan Sullivan from the Woods II class were in charge of design, planning, main construction, and staining. Kaitlyn Bidlack, Brody Dockery, Addison Dungeon, Ashlyn Dungeon, Carson Etter, Bryce Galyk, Alex Heidenescher, Elijah Miler, Dominick Moore, Madison Rayle, Mason Rayle, and Brayden Wooten were in the Woods I class that did most of the sanding. If you would like to see the table in person, please stop by the administration office and we will be glad to show it off. **Great job students!**



Upcoming Dates of Interest

- June 20 Continental Band Performance at the Marching Band Spectacular held at the Putnam County Fairgrounds, 7:15 p.m.**
- June 28 Continental School Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.**
- July 12 Continental School Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.**
- July 16 3v3 #DavisStrong Outdoor Soccer Tournament, Continental HS Soccer Fields (Rain Date July 17)**



Continental School to Receive Two New Scholarship Opportunities for Students

Michael Walls Endowment Scholarship



Dr. Michael Walls

Michael Walls graduated from Continental High School with the Class of 1960. Mike was active in sports, drama, and was Class President. School was a sanctuary for him and he appreciated the personal caring and attention that the teachers provided. He was encouraged and supported by many, including the former superintendent's secretary, Lillian McKibben.

Mike was inspired by the teachers and the positive effect that they could have on the lives of students and was motivated to become an educator himself. He began teaching in 1965 and later earned a Master's Degree and a PhD in Educational Leadership. He became a Principal in 1968 and became the Superintendent of Schools in Beloit, Wisconsin in 1979 and Wilmington, Delaware in 1985. He takes pride in recognizing that the quality education at Continental encouraged many graduates over the years to become school administrators...Dick Kirkendall, Larry Bracken, Darwin Ziegler, Jim Grant, the Jones boys, and Gary Dowler, to name a few.

Mike was recognized by the Beloit Chamber of Commerce with its First Citizen Award in 1970 and was recognized by Executive Educator as one of America's Best 100 Superintendents in 1990. The Delaware State Board of Education presented him with the Outstanding Achievement Medal in 1989.

He appreciates that he has been incredibly fortunate and believes strongly in paying it forward. He has provided a scholarship for a graduating senior at CHS since 1992 and is presently endowing a scholarship through Bowling Green State University for a Continental High School graduate who will attend BGSU. Besides the Continental Endowment, he has endowed four other scholarships, three at Adrian College and one at the University of Michigan.

Mike continues to be involved in educational ventures today and is presently Chair of the Board of IM4U Learning, IM4U Learning was founded and created by Jim Mayer, the bass player in Jimmy Buffett's Coral Reefer Band. Mike is also a Strategic Advisor to Mindfulness Matters, a program based on the principles of meditation to bring calm and harmony to the stressful lives of teachers.

He credits the professionalism and commitment of the teachers at CHS in providing him with a foundation for what success he has had in life.

This year's first recipient of the Dr. Michael Walls Endowment Scholarship, and receiving \$1,000, is Andrew Hoeffel son of Chris Hoeffel and Annette Hoeffel. Andrew plans to attend BGSU and aspires to become a history teacher.

Thank you Dr. Michael Walls for your generous ongoing support of our students!

Rettig Scholarship

We are pleased to announce that Kevin and Vivian Rettig have established the O.Virl & Mildred (Halbgeuoks) Wagner Memorial Scholarship at Defiance College to honor Vivian's parents.

O. Virl and Mildred were long-time residents of Putnam County and the Rettig's wishes are to continue to keep their legacy alive in the Continental community.

This year, they are offering a \$500 scholarship award to a deserving graduating senior of Continental High School who will be attending Defiance College in 2022-2023.

This year's recipient of the first Rettig Scholarship, and receiving \$500, is Elijah Mayes, son of Eugene and Michelle Mayes. Elijah plans to attend Defiance College and major in computer science.

Thank you Mr. and Mrs. Rettig for your generous support of our students!



Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Rettig



From the Desk of Mr. Eding, JH/HS Principal

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@Pirates_CHS and @CHSAthleticDept

We made it!

We have successfully made it to the end of another school year! As we wrap up the 2021-22 school year, I want to extend a huge THANK YOU to the students, parents, staff, and community for your hard work, help, and support throughout the school year. Continental Schools are great because of the level of cooperation we have between all of our stakeholders, and I just can't thank everyone enough!

As we enter the summer months, school is usually the furthest thing from everyone's mind and that is completely understandable. Please pay attention, however, to alerts, mailings, emails, and social media posts as we move through the summer so you don't miss any important information. We do our best to post information in as many places as possible, so please check our website regularly as well just to make sure you don't miss anything. Please do not put off immunization and sports physical appointments—August will be here before you know it and those things will be harder to schedule in August than they are now.

A very sincere good luck and best wishes to the *Class of 2022* as you move on to the next chapter of your lives. We are proud of you and know that you will be successful in whatever is next for you. Remember that CHS will always be home, and please keep in touch and let us know how things are going and what you're up to! We love hearing from our graduates!

-Mr. Eding



Class of 2022





Danny Kissell
Superintendent



Tim Eding
Principal



Brian Badenhop
Class Advisor



Gavin Huff
President



Jensen Armey
Vice President



Kiersten Moran
Secretary



Peyton Stauffer
Treasurer



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Continental High School

Continental, Ohio

Class of 2022



Brandon
Boecker



Annika
Bowers



Kristen
Brecht



Madison
Burkhardt



Kayden
Centers



Wyatt
Davis



Nathaniel
Hull



Andrew
Hoeffel



Ethan
Hunter



Ethan
Kreischer



Jude
Marshall



Elijah
Mayes



Mckenzy
Mayes



Nicholas
McDougale



Patricia
McMonigal



Dominick
Moore



Lillie
Nienberg



Alexis
Nunez



Kenna
Okuley



Zackery
Okuly



Lexi
Ordway



Jacob
Quigley



Lucas
Recker



Paloma
Rivera



Hunter
Rue



Alex
Sharrits



Brooklyn
Smith



David
Speiser



Kyla
Sprague



Dalys
Tice



LeAnne
Warnimont



Brayden
Wooten



Congratulations!



Graduation brought an end to high school days for thirty-nine members of the senior class. Gavin Huff, 4.0 Honor Graduate speaker and Class President; Jensen Armey, Class Vice President; and Dr. Scott S. Grant, Assistant Professor of Education at the University of Findlay and a 2000 CHS graduate himself, addressed those in attendance. Some statistics of interest for the *Class of 2022*: out of 39 graduating seniors, 17 or 46% plan to enter the workforce (most have full-time employment already lined up); 21 or 54% have plans to attend college (either at a 4-year university or a 2-year community college); and one will be entering the military.

Good Luck Graduates!



The **American Legion Ladies Auxiliary** went above and beyond to show their appreciation to our staff during **Teacher Appreciation Week**! They provided Super Hero T-shirts for our teachers (shown above) to wear in recognition of the extraordinary powers they use to help our students and to bring out their best efforts. They also delivered delicious treats throughout the week to keep energy levels up for maximum engagement during their lessons. We are thankful for their support of our staff, students and our whole community; which makes them Super Heroes too!

Our **students and staff** then showed their appreciation to the Continental community during our **Community Service Day** on May 12. You may have seen service projects being done at local businesses, fire trucks being washed, and landscaping and maintenance projects being done at area churches, town parks and senior citizens' homes. Students learn that community improvements can be accomplished when we all work together!





Time to Immunize



JH/HS Immunizations Required for 2022/2023 School Year

According to the Ohio Department of Health rules for the 2022-2023 school year, students entering as:

7th graders are required to have one dose of both a Tdap and Meningitis (MCV\$) vaccine.

12th Graders are required to have one or two doses of the Meningitis (MVV4) vaccine.

A Tdap vaccine protects against three diseases: Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis.

The MCV4 vaccine protects against four strains of Meningitis (A, C, W, Y).

Please consider scheduling an appointment early in the summer to avoid the back to school rush. August is typically a busy time when many parents are getting their children up to date on their vaccinations before the school year starts. Appointments can be scheduled by calling the Putnam County Health Department at 419-523-5608. Area pharmacies and medical offices also provide the vaccines. Please send a copy of your child's immunization record to the high school office or have your student present it on their first day of school.

JH & HS All A's Honor Roll

7th Grade

Kaylee Boecker
Grant Clementz

8th Grade

Jackson Bidlack
Rhettik Bowers
Camren Burgei
Cole English
Quinn Tegenkamp

9th Grade

Cade Backhaus
Raegen Clemens
Gradie Fuller
Grady Huff

10th Grade

Chelsea Jones

11th Grade

Rhenn Army
Mya Bishop
Alyssa Burgei
Reese Knowles
Madison Rayle
Janae Smith
Bryn Tegenkamp

12 Grade

Jensen Army
Kristen Brecht
Wyatt Davis
Andrew Hoeffel
Gavin Huff
Jacob Quigley
Brooklyn Smith



Perfect Attendance Awards:

11th Grade

Reese Knowles
Olivia Logan





Mya Bishop's Acrylic titled "Rock"



Jacob Quigley's Digital Art titled "The Viridian Vixens"



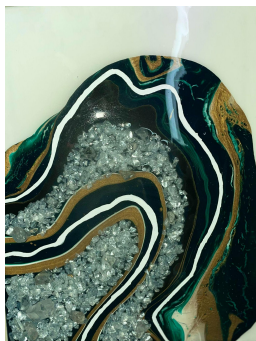
Reese Knowles' Photograph titled "Winter - 2022"



Mr. Jacob Palte,
Continental School K-12 Art Teacher

Congressman Latta said that Mya's rooster reminded him of growing up on the farm. He stated that Reese's photo was stunning and captured this winter wonderfully. He also inquired whether Jacob was going to become a famous designer one day.

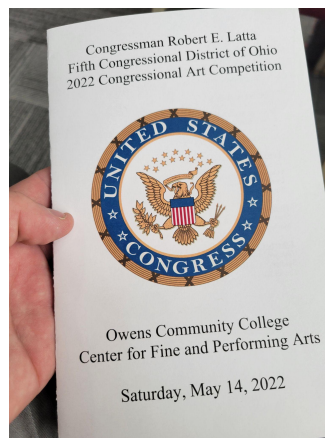
We are so proud of these students!



Kristen Brecht's resin and acrylic piece titled "Bergamont Rock".



Kristen Brecht receiving a certificate and compliment from Congressman Robert E. Latta for her artwork. *Congratulations Kristen!*



Mya Bishop, Jacob Quigley, Reese Knowles, and Kristen Brecht had their artwork submitted and displayed at the 2022 Congressional Art Competition held at Owens Community College Center for Fine and Performing Arts on May 14, 2022. Congressman Robert E. Latta was on hand to honor the students.



Britten Smith's artwork was submitted to the 2022-2024 Ohio House of Representatives High School Student Art Exhibit and was selected to be hung at the Riffe Center, in Columbus. One artwork is chosen from each district and is hung and displayed for two years.

Congratulations Britten!



An annual project that our art students have participated in for the past several years is ODOT's *Paint the Plow* contest. Area schools compete against each other with the winner being determined from online voting.





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

Follow the elementary building on Facebook @ContinentalElementary

Another year has gone by and we are sliding into summer full of knowledge and joy! On behalf of the teachers and myself, we are thankful for another year with the students and we look forward to what the future holds. Thank you for your support!

As always our students were busy at the end of the school year. They participated in many experiences from field trips to our *Make a Difference Day* activities.



Pirates Make A Difference Day

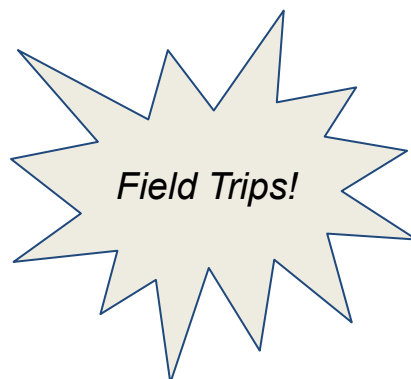
Formally known as Relay for Life, *Make a Difference Day* received its name in 2021 so the students could raise money for different causes. This year, the money raised went to two local families.

The Parents of Pirates provided the students with a variety of activities including games, blow ups and a snack. We are very fortunate to have an organization that supports student activities.



Camp Willson

In late April the 5th and 6th grade students attended Camp Willson. They participated in many educational activities.



4th Quarter
Golden Ticket Winner
Toby Tressler



PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Brayden Cole-3rd Grade
Eythan Risner-5th Grade

Continental Elementary students qualifying for All A's Honor Roll for the 2021-2022 school year:

1st Grade

Wade Branham
Lucas Geren
Louisa Heitzman
Victoria Kauffman
Aubree Matson
Liam Slattman

2nd Grade

Asher Deken
Brock Horstman
Mallory Salisbury
Norah Streicher

3rd Grade

Shaylen Bidlack
Dane Heitzman
Claire Homier
Fynn Slattman

4th Grade

Danielle Clementz
Grady Dirr
Alexi Slattman

5th Grade

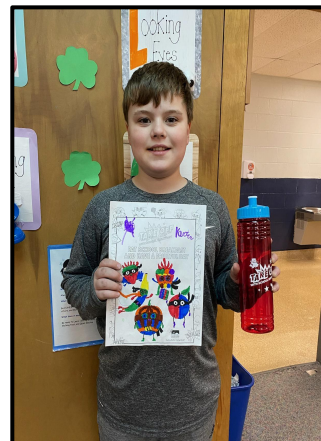
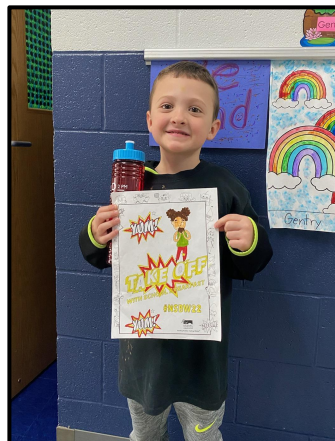
Wesley Huff
Kinley Stegbauer
Denali Hiltner

6th Grade

Cassie Pier
Maeci Dockery
Ava Homier
Rebecca Sullivan



Sarah Goedde,
Director of Food Service



Dear Fellow Pirates,

Another year has come and gone in a flash! This year has proved to have its own challenges and we conquered them with flying colors. As in the past years, I have tried to improve the cafeterias and save money where I can. Next year, the high school will have a dishwasher which will allow us to spend less money on costly paper products.

As we look toward school year 2022-2023. it's very important for me to stress that we will **NO LONGER BE HAVING FREE MEALS FOR EVERYONE**. The Federal waiver program with the USDA, that gave us free meals for the past two years, will be ending June 30, 2022. This waiver program was very beneficial to Continental Schools and I will certainly miss the opportunity that it gave our kids to receive well-balanced, free meals for breakfast and lunch each day. With that being said, it will be important for parents to fill out the free and reduced lunch application for next school year. This will greatly helps those who qualify to continue receiving free or reduced price meals. As food costs continue to increase, I will be putting on my thinking cap to come up with healthy, clever ways to get nutritional food to your children in the most economical way.

