Parades are FUN! It was a beautiful day last Saturday in spite of the weather reports showing rain and very cold temperatures most of the week. When we gathered at Mopar, it was a bit chilly (at least in some people’s opinion), but the sun was fighting to break through the clouds.

Little ones and adults alike who lined the route had smiles from ear to ear, especially when candy was tossed their way. A few of our kids showed me their pockets that were filled with candy. I heard laughter throughout the parade route and was so thankful to be a part of such a special tradition, shared with wonderful people, excited students, and this unique and amazing community.

The pomp and circumstance surrounding the homecoming celebration is just one of the many events and celebrations our staffs facilitate for our children throughout each school year, and we hold them as important experiences for our children. Celebrating their youth and allowing them opportunities to shine socially is a critical balance to their academic achievement.

I LOVED seeing Center Line alumni, former parents of alum, retired staff, current staff, and so many kids all together to celebrate this exciting and precious tradition.

Thank you for your part in all of the activities surrounding the homecoming.
With count day just finishing, I thought I would share the importance of student count and the impact of school of choice. The number of student FTEs (full-time equivalents) determines our funding from the state. We currently receive $9,863 per student FTE. Although that is towards the top end in the state, we still receive $171 per student less than what we received in the 2008-09 school year. This year we have approximately 80 fewer student FTEs than last year. Most of the loss is due to the closure of our homeschool partnership. When we created our initial budget for this year, we had been counting on a 30-student increase because at the time, a neighboring homeschool program had closed and we were expecting a bump in that population. The change in revenue is a reduction of just under $1,000,000.

However, through our limited school of choice program, we were able to bring in 21 students to our district. These students’ parents care enough about their children’s education to drive them to school each day so they can receive a better education here at Center Line Public Schools. We are grateful that the parents of these students along with all of our parents have entrusted their children’s education and futures to us.

I am always mindful that we provide a service, and if we do not do an exceptional job, lots of schools nearby would love to provide that service in our place. It is critical that we continue to have our marketing hats on and strive to show the great things the staff and students are doing at this wonderful school district. Next month I will share information on our annual audit, which is as fun as it sounds, and is something I am sure you will look forward to.

**In the District**

District administrators and teacher leaders work collaboratively to examining evidence of student learning in order to make learning visible to our students.

We resumed our monthly Coffee Club Community Conversations this past Monday at CLHS, discussing our work toward become a Ford Next Generation Learning (NGL) Community. Mark your calendars now for the next meetings—Monday, November 25th at 9:00am at Wolfe and 6:00pm in the Board room.

The mission of Center Line Public Schools is to provide all students relevant and challenging learning experiences to inspire success and empower them to be leaders of tomorrow.
What is the main purpose of your organization?
To provide the staff support throughout the school year and help the students make cherished memories of their time at Crothers.

What are some of the things you accomplished last year?
A new play structure was installed, and we held several family events along with staff.

Who are your officers this year?
President Tara Sides
Vice President Cheryl McHenry
Secretary Tonisha Dixon
Treasurer Lisa Garriott

We can be contacted at crothersptc@clps.org.

What are some of your goals for this year?
Do more events that are for the entire family. Get more parent involvement/participation. Help the school and have a great time doing it!

Do you have any current/upcoming fundraisers?
Box Tops, and Kroger Community Rewards are ongoing. We just completed our Little Caesar’s Pizza Kits.

Do you have any social media sites for the club?
https://www.facebook.com/PTCCrothers

When/where do you meet, and what is the process for joining your group?
We meet the 2nd Wednesday of every month in the Crothers' media center at 5:15pm. There isn’t a formal process of joining our group--just come to the meetings.!

Teacher Grants—and Vacation Raffle!
The CLPS Educational Foundation is offering teacher grants totaling $23,000 this fall--and the application period is now open!

Teachers can write for any amount up to and including the full $23,000. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis and judged on creativity, connection to the curriculum, ability to impact instruction and learning, and long term impact on our students. Teachers, go to www.clps.org/apps/pages/teachergrants or check your email for instructions. Deadline for your "intent to submit" is THIS MONDAY!

Support the teacher grant/student scholarship fund by purchasing your 2020 Vacation Raffle, now on sale! Tickets cost $100 each and are entered into monthly drawings. See our Vacation Raffle page for more information. Staff can purchase tickets through payroll deduction!
See more pics on the CLHS and CLPS Facebook pages!

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Dollars for Scholars has been a partner with Center Line High School for the past 3 years, providing scholarship money, college preparation, FAFSA assistance, college visits and SAT prep for our students. To date they have awarded kids from CLHS $40,000 in scholarship money! Come out and support both a local business and our kids by eating at Joe’s Coney Island on Monday October 21st from 4-9 pm. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Dollars for Scholars generously by the business.

Congrats to our football team for their awesome homecoming victory over New Haven and to our Homecoming Court, King & Queen!

Everyone looked lovely at the dance. See more dance pictures on the CLHS Facebook page.

DFS Fundraiser

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Coach Williams, Andrew, Chase, Dakota and Gabriel represented CLHS at tennis regionals.
Division I!

Congratulations to the Center Line High School Marching Band, who received a Division I rating this week at the MSBOA marching band festival, held at Stevenson High School. The band’s performance of their Disney halftime show earned many good grades and comments from the judges. From Director Kolar: “I am so proud of all of our students! Many thanks to our parents, boosters, and chaperones for their support. Go CL!” Check out a great video of their performance by Mike Austerman on the CLHS Facebook page!

Students in Ms. Kramer’s science class are learning about body systems!

Academy 21 might receive up to $750.00 from the Macomb Schools and Government Credit Union!

Please vote for a very cool and exciting project, “Learning How to Make a Difference.”

Students will have learning opportunities through a series of speakers. These are young and innovative community leaders who are involved in projects ranging from fighting discrimination to protecting the environment. Students will attend two field trips that support making a difference in our communities.

VOTE UP TO 5 TIMES A DAY
EVERY DAY FROM OCTOBER 15TH TO OCTOBER 25TH!

Here is how to vote:
Register at the Classroom Cash Grant website (classroomcash.org). You will receive a personal voting code that may be used up to five (5) times a day to vote for your favorite projects. Search for “Academy 21” and the project will be listed. It’s as simple as that! Thank you for your support!

Questions? Contact Russanne Bucci at buccir@clps.org
Family Meetings

Wolfe acknowledged students that have displayed Outstanding Collaboration at their grade level “Family Meetings.” Students were chosen as the Student of the Month by their teachers and celebrated during the grade level assemblies. Each month, teachers will choose students that stand out and show the different skills that are part of the Graduate Profile. We are so proud of our Warriors and look forward to celebrating more Warrior Students of the Month next month!

6th grade Warriors led the way during our October family meeting!!!

7th grade Warriors were amazing during our October family meeting!

Our 8th graders did a great job during our October family meeting!!

Crothers’ Corner

Celebrate Writing!

Crothers is celebrating writing with Author of the Month. Each month a student is selected and that author publishes one of their writing pieces. The next outstanding Panda Author will be chosen on November 1st.
Hall of Fame

Kelsey S. in 4th grade completed this excellent exit ticket in music class, reflecting on her own progress toward success criteria. Kelsey says they were learning, "When you go in a group, you have to do a lot of work to make your music sound really good. [We were learning] how our voice is supposed to sound and how being in a music group is supposed to look like." Kelsey’s next step will be to play her group’s original song on a xylophone! Wow! Way to go, Kelsey!

Elizabeth D. says "[We were learning] how to write, look at pictures and be an author." Elizabeth did such a nice job that her work in now in Peck’s Hall of Fame. Her next step? "writing a lot!" We can't wait to read what you write, Elizabeth!

Peck Points

Peck's second graders traveled to Father Murray’s Nursing Home last week for a joint fire safety presentation by the Center Line Public Safety firefighters for fire safety week. The students made posters with fire safety rules, learned about firefighter uniforms, and fire engine equipment.

Double Duty Field Trip

Our 2nd grade classes practiced their writing skills by writing thank you letters to the Center Line Firefighters after their presentation at Father Murray. These four students wrote such detailed, thoughtful letters that they're now in our Hall of Fame! Left to right: Piphani J., Dominick L., Blair K., and Caylee A. Piphani says, "[We were learning about] how not to go inside and hide, but 'Once out, stay out!'" Dominick adds, "We went to Father Murray and we got to see all the tools and hoses." Caylee says her next step is to "write a book because I love to make books." Way to go, second graders!
Ms. Lamers asking students if they want a handshake, hug, or high five before they go in each morning.

Students eating pre-Halloween treats during lunch.

Ms. Davis filled in for Ms. Lamers to lead our students in an end-of-day connecting activity.

Ms. Hamilton’s students showed off their creativity and penmanship.

**Apple Orchard Trips**

Last week, students from the ECC and their families took pleasure in the great fall tradition of visiting apple orchards. Our GSRP classes explored Westview Apple Orchard on Thursday. ECSE and TBPS students enjoyed a beautiful day at Blake’s Big Apple Orchard on Friday.

Children were taken on a hay ride to pick apples and check out the pumpkin patch. There were many outdoor activities for them to enjoy, and of course, they were treated to delicious cider and fresh donuts.
Upcoming Events

10/21/2019  
Roose PTC  
Open Swim for All @ CLHS Pool  
6:30pm  
7:15-8:00pm

10/22/2019  
Wolfe PTC  
6:00pm

10/23/2019  
CLHS Parent Teacher Conferences  
4:00-7:00pm

10/24/2019  
Trunk or Treat @ Roose  
5:30-7:30pm

10/25/2019  
Halloween Trunk and Treat @ Peck  
Trunk or Treat, Popcorn & Play @ Crothers  
6:00-8:30pm  
6:00-7:00pm

10/28/2019  
Open Swim for All @ CLHS Pool  
7:15-8:00pm

10/29/2019  
Meet & Greet Info Night with Special Education Department @ CLHS  
5:00-7:00pm

10/30/2019  
Fall Band Concert @ CLHS Auditorium  
7:00pm

Please help us raise awareness!

Teachers at Crothers are helping raise awareness for Men’s Health!

Mr. Provost, Mr. Ross, Mr. Wickersham, Mr. Landoski, Mr. Flanigan, Mr. Nielsen, Mr. Hamilton, and Mr. Waz will be participating in “Movember”!

They ALL will be growing mustaches over the month of November and raising funds to support Men’s Health and Cancer Research.

- Donate at https://mobro.co/139848687mc=1 or send in money in care of a Crothers’ classroom teacher.
- Those who donate $5 or more will receive a bracelet to promote the fight against cancer.

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Submissions are welcome and encouraged; email your pictures and news to Sue Pauling at paulings@clps.org by Thursday noon to guarantee inclusion in that week’s edition.