Superintendent’s Reflections

Forgotten people. It floors me to learn that some of the people that live in the assisted living complex where Marty’s mom lives never get visitors. My heart breaks in large part because I lost my parents at a young age and would love to be able to visit with them. One of the aides told me that they don’t have any residents who get the visitors that my mother-in-law gets. Marty visits at least once per day and most days goes over twice. I visit when I am able to get there before 8 am.

It then occurred to me that we have some children in our system who are also forgotten and are left to fend for themselves, find their own food, and get themselves to school or anywhere else they want to be.

I remember that I had a little guy in second grade who arrived to school at all different times, depending on when he woke up. His hair was matted and often his clothes smelled of urine, but I sure was happy to see him arrive. I felt so angry at his mom, but after meeting her I understood that she could barely take care of herself and truly wanted a better life for her son. We were able to get many social agencies involved to help, but they were stretched thin, so that little man had to grow up quickly.

It is very sad that there are young and old people who have no one to love and protect them, no one to talk to, and no one to celebrate special events with. Children should be surrounded by a loving, kind, protective family, and older people should be honored, listened to, and valued.

I know that my perspective comes from having wonderful parents and grandparents who were so easy to love and that not everyone has the same experience, but there are plenty of us to fill in the gaps. I am trying to reach out to the folks living around my mother-in-law and let them know that they matter. I love our kids and reach out to them as much as possible. If we all did the same, we would likely not have to worry about being lonely and forgotten at the end of our lives.
The Teacher Evaluation Process

In October, building principals and their staff begin thinking about the evaluation process. This process has changed (per the state) over the past several years. The requirements have become more specific and more rigorous. Below are the highlighted portions of the teacher evaluation law:

- Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, 40% of the annual year-end evaluation will be based on student growth and assessment data.
- Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, for core content areas in grades and subjects in which state assessments are administered, 50% of student growth must be measured using the state assessments.
- The MDE will provide student growth percentiles (SGPs) as the state measure of student growth starting with the 2015-16 state assessments.
- Student assessment and growth data not based on the state measure must be measured using multiple research-based growth measures or alternative assessments that are rigorous and comparable across schools within the school district.
- The portion of a teacher’s annual year-end evaluation that is not based on student growth and assessment data will be based primarily on a teacher’s performance as measured by the observation tool developed or adopted by the school district.
- The system must assign to each teacher an effectiveness rating of highly effective, effective, minimally effective, or ineffective.
- Midyear progress reports are required for teachers who are (a) in the first year of the probationary period or (b) received a rating of minimally effective or ineffective on the most recent annual evaluation.
- There must be at least two classroom observations of the teacher each school year. Beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, at least one observation must be unscheduled. Within 30 days after each observation, the teacher must be provided with feedback from the observation.

That all being said, there is a current bipartisan bill in the Michigan legislature that will reduce the student test score portion to 25% (from the current 40%). The change could go into effect THIS YEAR and will ultimately change our process. However, many of the provisions will stay the same. No matter what, we will keep you updated and make sure that we are following the law.

The track lanes have been painted! Soon (after a temporary fence is put up to protect the growing grass) the track will be open to the community again!

**POOL IS OPEN**

**YAY!**

**Mondays October 1 - December 17**

Senior Citizens Only Swim: 7:00 to 7:45pm
Open Swim: 7:45 to 8:30pm

**FREE** to community members who live in the Center Line Public Schools district and families of CLPS students.

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.
Johnny Cash sang, "I've Been Everywhere" and revealed the life of a traveler. We can see pictures of places, but until we go there, we don't know "there." Last Friday 75 of our ITI Academy students participated in the national Manufacturing Day program. Businesses nationwide open their doors to high school students so they can see for themselves what skilled trades jobs look like. Sometimes just seeing someone doing a job is enough to spark the curiosity of a student. "That job looks cool! What is he doing?" "What job does she have? It looks very interesting." It's questions like these that our students ask on these trips. They would never know without going and seeing for themselves.

Weldaloy Products and GM Transmission graciously opened their doors to our students and provided tours, Q & A, and activities. Those two companies and hundreds of others nationwide were able to spread the word that jobs are out there, and we need you students. Our students came away with a clearer vision of their future.

**Academy 21**

**Positive Life Skill: Cooperation**

Academy 21 learned about the importance of cooperation in a "Pause for Positivity" life skill activity this month. Students are working together to decorate and deliver pumpkins to residents at Father Murray Nursing Center at the end of the month.

Kevin is learning how to use a quill pen as part of his US History lesson!
Cadets practicing for rifle team.

Cadets doing their weekly PT.

Cadets being inspected on uniform day.

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**CLHS Happenings**

**JROTC Action!**

Emma Berndt, Bella Marsh, and Jordan Miyamota represented CLHS well last Saturday at the meet at Stony Creek!

**Homecoming Is This Saturday!**

Join us at noon on Saturday for the homecoming football game! The Moms’ & Dads’ Club has announced that in addition to the normal hot dogs, pizza, subs, nachos and pretzels, the concession stand will have hamburgers and sausages with or without all the toppings! They will also be doing 50/50 raffle and selling CLHS apparel. The parade starts at 10:30am!

**Save the date!**

**Saturday, January 26, 2019**

**Moms’ & Dads’ Club**

**BOWLING FUNDRAISER!**

Check in at 8:30pm; bowling begins approximately 9:45pm (post league play). Sponsorship opportunities also available! For more information, see the CLHS website - Bowling Fundraiser page under Parents/Moms’ & Dads’ Club!

Congrats to the CL Girls Swim Team who finished a perfect 4-0 to capture the MAC Silver Division Championship!
Football Team - Rocking the Season!

Last weekend’s victory over New Haven last week has guaranteed them at least a share of the division title, the first since 1996. A win at the homecoming game this Saturday will make them solo champs. Read the Macomb Daily article for more facts on the season!

The successful season is earning some of our individual athletes recognition as well! Congrats to Nick Hastings and Davon Sears on receiving offers to continue their football careers at the collegiate level.

Marching Band Receives Top Honors

Congratulations to the CLHS Marching Band! They performed this week at a very wet MSBOA marching festival held at Warren Mott High School, earning good comments and grades from all the judges, and receiving an overall Division I rating (six years in a row!). See their performance on the Center Line Band Facebook Page!

Many thanks to our students (and the parents who helped out) for their efforts and for representing our school and community. Last chance to see their show will be at the homecoming game this Saturday!
Spirit Week Fun!


What’s Up at Wolfe

Cooking Club

Attention to any students interested in the Wolfe Cooking Club! The first cooking club session will be on Thursday, October 18 from 3-4pm in Room D104. You must have your own transportation home. You can pick up a permission slip from Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Torres, or the main office. Permission slips AND $1 are due by Tuesday, October 16. Spaces are limited, so the sooner you turn in your slip and money, the better! Hope to see you there!

The Figurative Language “Scoot” in 7th grade Language Arts!
Peck Points

Bowling Lessons

Peck students learned about bowling in PE class this week. We are thankful to our friends at Sterling Lanes for making this possible.

Fire Safety Lesson at Father Murray’s

Peck’s second grade classes took a walking field trip over to Father Murray’s Nursing Home where they joined the residents at a fire safety presentation presented by two Center Line volunteer firefighters! The students have been studying fire safety in class and had made fire safety posters that were sent to the nursing home last week. After the presentation, the kids got to see the fire truck and its equipment up close! See more pictures on the CLPS Facebook page!
Rotary Dictionaries Are Here!

Every year, the Warren Rotary Club purchases a dictionary for every third grade student in Warren and Center Line. Roose’s third graders love using their dictionaries and want to shout a big THANK YOU! to our local Rotarians for their generosity.

PTC Fundraiser

Roose’s fall fundraiser ends Monday the 15th. View the products on the Roose PTC Facebook page To order, reach out to a Roose student or email rooseptc@gmail.com or send a message to their Facebook page.

Trunk or Treat & Monster Mash

Join Roose PTC on
Friday, October 26, 2018
6:00-8:00 pm
Trunk or Treating Fun

Followed by DJ and Dance, tattoos, and games; concessions available for purchase.

**If you are setting up for Trunk or Treat, please park and set up from 4:30-5:30 p.m.**
Trip to the Big Red

The GSRP preschool classes enjoyed a field trip to Miller’s Big Red Apple Orchard. The children and their families went on a tractor pulled hay ride, picked apples from the trees, and enjoyed some cider and donuts. Many then ended the trip by petting some farm animals and climbing the haystack pyramid with some of their teachers. See more pictures on the ECC Facebook page!

ECC teachers discuss early childhood literacy and share hands-on literacy activities. General education and special education teachers work together to tailor literacy activities to engage all children.

In Mrs. Keel’s GSRP classroom, students start their morning routine by recognizing, tracing, and writing their name.
# Upcoming Events

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**HOLIDAY PAINT PARTY**

Saturday, October 27th 1:00 - 3:00PM  
Center Line Parks & Rec Building  

Looking for a fun and festive activity? This is an instructional art class for kids ages 5 & up, teens and adults! Come together or let the kids paint while you get some errands done!  

Prices are per person and painted on an 8x10 canvas. Choose from all four options:  
- Pumpkins, Frankenstein, Ghost, or Spider Web!  
Paint your favorite: $15 (one canvas)  
Choose 2 favorites: $25 (two canvases)  
Paint all 4 options: $40 (four canvases)  
*Prices include instruction & all supplies, plus a light snack.  
Registration needed to secure a spot. Limited spots may be available day of event.  

Call (313) 209-1779 or email: mypaintpartychicago@gmail.com for more information or find the event on our Facebook page: My Paint Party Michigan  

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