Superintendent’s Reflections

Friday night lights, the best band in the land, enthusiastic cheerleaders, excited parents, kids, and community members, oh what a night!!!!

I love being at athletic events and watching our students as they give their all. I can envision what they see in their heads as they line up against other teams and prepare to take them on. My neighbor’s son is a senior and is playing football for the first time ever. She said that she cannot understand why he likes it so much and how he developed a commitment to the team so quickly. We talked about the interdependence of football players to not only contribute to the win but to protect each other physically. The game is a rough one, and the quarterback and then the player who receives the ball are very hopeful that the players on the line do their jobs.

Speaking of team and commitment, the marching band begins working together in July and performs an amazing choreographed presentation in early September!!! That is positively amazing and speaks to the commitment each of them make to each other.

Then there are the “flying” cheerleaders. I’ve been told that cheerleading is one of the leading sports for injury. It takes time to learn to work together and guts to attempt to “fly.” Their enthusiasm and support for the team does make a difference.

Supporting each other and really watching out for each other is common in athletics, but it is not always common in life. Our students need us to have their backs. They need to know that they can be vulnerable with staff and that confidentiality, and support will always be our response.

Go, Panthers! Go, Center Line! Go, students, staff, families, community! TOGETHER WE CAN!!!
Recently more laws have been passed to try to ensure safety at school. There are traditional responses and recommendations that discuss safety (such as locking classroom doors, practicing drills with students, not covering classroom windows, etc.). These are important and necessary when ensuring safety at school.

This summer, each of our buildings had a Risk and Vulnerability Assessment (this is a new requirement as directed by the law). This assessment was performed by a group of police officers and teachers hired by Macomb County. Our building principals participated in the assessments as well. The assessment provided areas to improve upon (in terms of safety) and things that are buildings are already doing well. At Center Line, we are always thinking about keeping our staff and students safe. And, we use the latest research in keeping us safe (as evidenced by our most recent ALICE training).

In doing some personal studying about school safety, one of the articles I read discussed creating a safe classroom. This article seemed out of place to me at first but then when I read on – it made so much sense. When thinking about school safety, we must start with the classroom. Our students must feel safe in their classroom – with the people they trust the most, their teachers.

Some of the suggestions regarding creating safe classrooms provided by the article include:

- **Community Build All Year Long.**
- **Remain Calm at All Times.** Take deep breaths.
- **Take Every Opportunity to Model Kindness.** They will follow.
- **Follow Through with Consequences.** Students need to know there's a consequence for those serious infractions. They need evidence to believe they are safe in each classroom.
- **Smile Often.** The more smiles we offer to students, the more we will receive.
- **Use Every Opportunity to Model Patience.** They will notice.
- **Art and Music Feed the Soul.** Incorporate both of these routinely in your lessons.
- **Laugh with your Students.** Learning doesn't have to always be so serious, nor do we.

From my perspective, these are great tips in creating a safe classroom. And, it's the first step in creating safe schools. We will all continue to work together to make Center Line safe for our students and staff. We all have an important role to play in school safety.

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**Community Connections**

**Drive 4 UR School**

Many thanks to our generous friends at Crest Ford for once again finding a way to work with us to support our students! Alum Sam Haynes and staff were on site all day yesterday with many awesome new Ford vehicles and are donating $20 to the high school for every vehicle test driven!
The main purpose of the CLHS Band Boosters is to support the middle and high school band programs, primarily by fundraising to pay for items and services outside of what the band budget allows. Last year the group raised enough money (in addition to what had been saved over the years) to purchase new marching band uniforms! Thanks to our band parents, the community, the Moms’ and Dads’ Club, and the CLPS administration, the Boosters earned roughly $25,000 in one school year.

This year, fundraising efforts will be focused on purchasing new raincoats to keep our beautiful, new uniforms protected from the elements. Students will also be fundraising to help finance their educational/performance trip to Toronto in April. At the end of September/early October students will be selling sheet sets and cookie dough. In mid to late October, they’ll be selling evergreens (wreaths and garlands). March will be the annual Quartermania fundraiser.

The Band Boosters typically meet the third Tuesday of each month in the band room at the high school at 7pm. All are welcome to join!

You can find more information on the Band Boosters including meeting dates, performance dates, and Kroger rewards on the CLHS website at https://clhs.clps.org/apps/pages/bandboosters. You can also join the Center Line High School Band group on Facebook as the boosters are very active at posting pictures, information, and performances. Contact the group at BandBoosters@clps.org

Band Booster officers pictured with Director Kolar at last spring’s banquet:
Rachel Harris - President; Jennifer Penucevski - Vice President; Shannon Chappell - Secretary; Lori Changaris and June Gorman - co-Treasurers.

The Center Line Public Schools Educational Foundation, founded in 2002 by Dr. Terry Follbaum to enhance education in the district, has awarded over 160 grants worth over $264,000 to CLPS teachers and buildings. Funds have gone to improve classroom technology, libraries, curricula, and to fund exciting classroom projects. In addition, the Foundation provides student scholarships to graduating seniors. The foundation has two major fundraisers each year:

- The annual Golf Outing (held Sept. 29th at Sycamore Hills). It’s not too late to put in your foursome, or just join us for dinner and raffle/auction fun!
- 2020 Vacation Raffle tickets are 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!
CLHS Happenings

Our awesome marching band in action—in their new uniforms!

Kickoff meeting for SANP - October 1 at 6:30 in the media center. Join us as we plan a great final celebration for our seniors!

CLHS Spirit Wear—On Sale Now!
Are you interested in some embroidered CLHS spirit wear? Now is your chance! Check out our selections of jackets, pullovers, polos, backpack, and hats online (https://centerlinehighschool.itemorder.com/sale). Orders are due by October 10th and will be delivered at the end of October.

Online store will close on October 10, 2019. All products will be delivered by the end of October directly to Center Line High School for distribution. Please note that the logo below will be embroidered on each item. Please pay careful attention to sizing guides as refunds or exchanges will not be accepted.

Center Line High School Official Gear
Wolfe Middle School held its Meet the Teacher Night last week to a full house. It’s going to be a great year!

8th grade science students are learning the routines, roles, and expectations to promote safety and prioritize engagement and learning.

Mr. Martin helps his 8th grade US History students find the reason they do what they do by examining their Why. Once students have a purpose and a shared understanding, they can truly learn and grow.

How do you create a system in order to accomplish a bigger goal? Seventh grade students in Mrs. Baaso’s Science class created “Scribble Bots” in order to learn about systems.
Did you know that Wolfe now has a YouTube channel? Announcements are being videoed and posted daily. Become a

Proud WEB leader doing what WEB leaders do...helping students find their classes!

Roose Roundup

Welcome to the Family

Last Friday, Roose held an all-school assembly and “clapped in” the kindergartners to welcome them to the Roose family. How cool is that? Check out the Facebook video posted by Jillian Rode.

Caring Is Sharing

Peck Elementary received a generous donation from their neighbors at Villa at City Center, a senior citizen’s living community just around the corner from them. Yesterday Ms. Mary delivered the collected school supplies that were lovingly packed into backpacks to Principal Evoy. The kids who will receive them will be very grateful. We are thankful for our new friends!
Meet the Teacher

Crothers’ Corner

Crothers Open House
The Week in Review is published every Friday during the school year.

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.

The City of Warren Parks & Recreation Department is offering a youth basketball program. If your child is interested in playing basketball with their friends from school, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 586-268-8400 for more information.

You can register online at www.cityofwarren.org/departments/parks-and-recreation/ or in person at the Warren Community Center.

**Upcoming Events**

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