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CFCSD Dates To Remember:

- Apr. 22 **Schools Closed**
All Schools
- Apr. 25 **Incoming 6th Grade Parent Night**
6:00pm, Bolich and Roberts MS
- May 2 **Spring Into ART!**
5:00pm to 8:00pm, Downtown

Need more info? Check out cfalls.org

A Special Section Dedicated to Black Tiger Headlines & Achievements

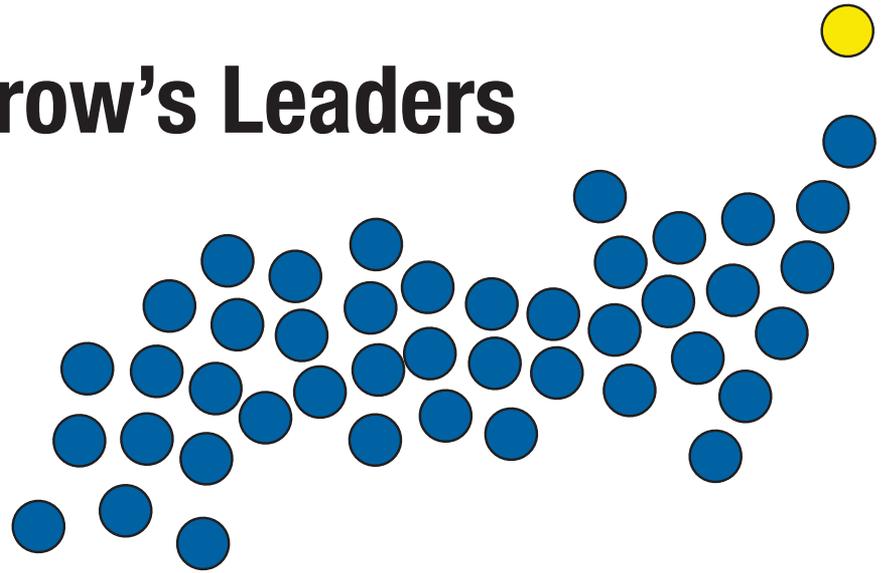
April 2019

Black Tiger Leadership Symposium Helping Develop Tomorrow's Leaders

On March 20, 38 fifth- and eighth-grade students from across the District hopped on a bus provided by CFHS Administrative Principal, Miss Bogdan, and were brought to the High School to participate in the Black Tiger Leadership Symposium. The goal of the day's workshop was to help the younger students develop leadership skills that they could, in turn, take back to their home school and share the knowledge with their classmates.

The event was put on by Tiger Voice, a group of approximately 40 students from the High School with faculty leadership by CFHS teachers Anne Rogers, Ryan Petraitis, and Shane Parker. Tiger Voice is a student led and student driven group dedicated to improving the leadership of Black Tiger students as well as improving upon Black Tiger Culture and Pride. These students ran the event that included various stations within the workshop in which the elementary and middle school students participated. In total, there were six stations that were broken into more fun and tangible concepts and each focused on leadership skills to develop the young leaders. Some of the stations' topics included breaking down walls, establishing comfort, verbal and non-verbal communication, and responsibility, among others.

The theme of this all-day event was $E+R=O$, or *Event + Response = Outcome*. According to Parker, "The theory behind this is that by controlling how you respond to the events in life, you can help control your outcome to be more favorable." The day started upon arrival as the younger students spent



their morning taking part in ice-breakers prior to taking part in the six stations. For lunch, the younger students were able to purchase a high school lunch and eat with the HS students. The remainder of the day was capped off in the library with some skits that had to include at least one of the skills the students learned about during the workshop.

Due to the information that the younger students gained during the day, Roberts Middle School is preparing to integrate $E+R=O$ in their building. Other school administrators have reported that they loved the idea and the event as a whole, and it is their goal to help implement some of the concepts learned through the workshop into what they're already doing.

Spring Into ART!

On Thursday, May 2, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm, the 5th Annual CFCSD All-City Art Walk "springs" into various locations downtown.

This event showcases artwork created by our student artists grades kindergarten through twelve at ten different locations in downtown Cuyahoga Falls. This celebration of the arts also features the musical talents of our students from elementary through high school with performances happening at various locations along your walk. Professional guest artists will also be on-hand demonstrating their craft, answering questions, and interacting with the community. Make-N-Take stations will be located throughout so guests can join in with the creating. Photo booths, an interactive glow room experience, and audience participation art projects will also be found along your path. At the event's main hub at the Falls River Square Pavilion, Western Reserve Hospital has provided groceries for the CFHS FCCLA culinary program, enabling students to prepare food for a free reception for attendees. The CFHS

cosmetology program will be providing a design your own hair wrap station. Elementary, middle, and high school artists teamed up with the CFHS ID/MD functional program to grow plants from seedlings in student designed planters. These plants will be for sale at the pavilion and proceeds will be split between the art walk fund and the ID/MD program.

2019 CFCSD All City Art Walk Locations:

- Falls River Square Pavilion
- Cuyahoga Valley Art Center
- First Christian Church
- Chamber of Commerce
- Celia's Boutique
- Jean and Lou
- Metropolis Popcorn
- Yum Yum Sweet Shop
- Harps and Thistles Yarn Emporium
- City Hall

SO much fun has been packed into one night-you won't want to miss it!

For more information about things going on before and during the art walk, check out: cfallsartwalk.weebly.com



Thank you to all of the amazing sponsors and supporters of the 5th Annual All-City Art Walk!

Remembering the Past Brings Pride to the Future

Special Profile Section:

In the CFCSD, one of the top priorities is to strengthen Black Tiger Pride throughout the District. With PBIS, Top Tigers, and Friends of Education initiatives, to name just a few, we believe this Pride can spread community-wide.

Over the years, the CFSFAA has done a lot of great things for the CFCSD. One of those things is recognizing our Distinguished Alumni with an annual reception. The first recognition of ten Distinguished Alumni was announced in 1985. Since that time, 117 alumni have been honored.



**James Stahl,
Class of 1967**

After graduating from CFHS as a member of the class of '67, Mr. James Stahl earned a Bachelor of Music and a Bachelor of Music Education from The University of Akron. From there he attended the Cleveland Institute of Music where he earned his Masters in Music.

Currently, Stahl is president and CEO of the Central Instrument Co. (CIC) that opened its doors in Cuyahoga Falls in 1979, and serves over 40 school districts in a ten-county area. CIC provides band and orchestra instruments and accessories for students to affordably rent with the option to own. Throughout his professional career, Stahl was appointed and has served on the Board of Directors for the National Association of Music Merchants where he chaired their New Horizon Band Committee. He also belongs to and sponsors the Venner Clarinet Choir, a 13-member group that has performed with Franklin Cohen, an alto clarinet performer with the Cleveland Orchestra.

Stahl regularly gives back to his alma mater as a generous supporter of the CFHS Instrumental Music Program (IMP). Over the years, he has sponsored different music program events including the *Jazzin' the Falls Concert* that featured Rusty Higgins and Wayne Bergeron and continues to be a passionate advocate for music education.

DeWitt Elementary: Celebrating 50 Years!

Early in May, DeWitt Elementary will be hosting a two-day celebration for 50 years of educating kids of Cuyahoga Falls! Beginning on Friday, May 3, DeWitt students will be attending an assembly where they will learn about why it is important to celebrate their history and learn about the past. On Saturday, May 4, the school will be hosting an open house from 2:00pm to 4:00pm for former teachers, administrators, alumni, and community members that are interested. Attendees will be invited to take a walk back down memory lane by viewing memorabilia from over the past 50 years that includes photos and documents. A photo of the current students will be on display, as well as projects from each grade level commemorating the day that include birthday cards and a recycled material birthday cake! There will also be guest books there for attendees to sign as well as a special 50th birthday t-shirt for sale by Young's Screenprinting. According to DeWitt Principal, Ms. Catherine Perrow, "Our PTA and PTA Council have been extremely helpful in getting this amazing event organized and we are extremely grateful for all of their help."

In 1969, just as DeWitt was under construction and a transition was being made from Broad Street School, Mrs. Margaret Quirk (Woods at the time), was a fifth-grade teacher at Broad and then DeWitt. Inspired by her travels, Quirk introduced the idea of creating a time capsule with her students that was intended to be opened 100 years later. The time capsule includes photographs, newspaper clippings, as well as a reel-to-

reel audio tape of the fifth-grade students' predictions of what life would be like 100 years from then.

Fast-forward to about four years ago, a group of DeWitt alum from '69 started a Facebook group that discussed opening the time capsule in 50 years instead of waiting for the 100 years. Leading the charge to locate the time capsule are Quirk and Mrs. Peggy 'Margaret' Halter. Halter was one of the fifth-grade students involved in creating the time capsule, and both have been working tirelessly in trying to help find it. As a part of the two-day festivities, there were hopes of locating and opening the time capsule, but no one is exactly sure where it is buried. Legend has it that Mr. Frank Barber, who was principal at the time, buried it under the flag pole, but there is nothing currently documented that confirms it is there. "We have reached out to the City and they have been amazing in trying to help locate this time capsule!" said Perrow. "We are also working closely with the Cuyahoga Falls Historic Society, looking through old photos and newspapers in hopes of getting a better idea of where it is." According to Perrow, and pending BOE approval, the Historic Society has even offered to help finance the excavating once it is located.

"It has been a privilege to be a part of this quest with these awesome women (Quirk and Halter), and I hope we can make it happen for them and the DeWitt family" said Perrow.

If there is anyone in the community that has any info that might help, or has, or knows someone that has a ground penetrating radar to help locate the time capsule, please reach out to DeWitt Principal, Ms. Perrow at cf_perrowc@cfalls.org.

Parent Night for Incoming Sixth-Grade Students

On Thursday, April 25, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm, parents that have incoming sixth-grade students are invited to attend an hour-long meeting where parents will hear important information regarding middle school goals, procedures, and expectations. There will also be an overview of their student's "First Day of Middle School." The meetings will take place in the gymnasium at each of the middle schools.

Open enrollment requests may not be approved by this meeting, so parents should attend the middle school designated for their neighborhood.

If you are not a Cuyahoga Falls resident, it is not necessary for you to attend. More information will be sent once open enrollment ends and arrangements can be made at a later date to visit the buildings once open enrollment is approved.

If you have any questions:

Mr. Ryan Huch, Principal - 330-926-3801

Bolich Middle School is located at 2630 13th St.

Mr. Kris Gaijer, Principal - 330-926-3809

Roberts Middle School is located at 3333 Charles St.

Interested in Joining the Sixth-Grade Band?

If you are or have a student(s) interested in joining the sixth-grade band, the deadline is quickly approaching! Registration ends Friday, April 26, 2019.

Information and the registration form can be found and completed at www.cfbands.com. Once the form is submitted, a confirmation letter will be sent home with students in early May.

Questions? Contact Mrs. Amy Bertleff at Bolich at cf_bertleffa@cfalls.org or 330-926-3801 x502311, or Mr. James Lang at Roberts at cf_langj@cfalls.org, or 330-926-3809 x502441.



Show Your Black Tiger Pride!

As a part of the CFCSD's goal to embrace all newly enrolled students to the District, **Black Tiger Pride** signs are free and available to kindergarten parents and students who register at the central office. A limited number of these signs are also available at the main office of each of the schools throughout the District.