Cedar Cliff Local Schools Superintendent's Newsletter August 2022



It is the mission of Cedarville Schools to "Provide students with the best well-rounded education that teaches, challenges and develops the mind, body and character and prepares responsible graduates who contribute within society."

Focus and Purpose

When I meet individuals outside of the educational profession ranks and when they find out my occupation, inevitably, schooling and how schools operate are the topic of conversation. The specific topics usually include: how schools are funded, testing of students, school policies, and most often, "how times have changed."

I am often struck by the frequency in which folks long for the "good old days" of how education and schooling "used to be." Usually, individuals make the comment to me, "When I was in school...." I usually walk away wondering if those individuals really mean they would like to return to those past moments and, more importantly, if they would want their children to be educated in that time and in those facilities.

We, as individuals, have a tendency to look back with fondness, thinking our childhood was better than it truly was. I suppose I am as guilty as anyone. We all have pleasant memories of what we did when we were in school, the teachers and coaches we connected with, or the activities in which we participated.

The truth of the matter is school has *evolved*, not *changed*, evolved. In my opinion, change is sudden, quicker, and takes place as a result of an immediate reaction to an event. The institution of public schooling, however, has evolved over many decades, in fact, over a century of time.

Consider the following example: As a student of educational history, I have learned first-hand how education has changed in its mere premise and purpose over time. In fact, Thomas

Jefferson once wrote in his notes on Virginia government, that education's true goal was to "rake the genius from the rubbish." In essence, to find the individuals who "deserved" an education and allow the rest to be governed by those who were truly educated—to discover who should be "learned" and who should serve as a "laborer."

Today, your public school has a far greater purpose. The purpose for schools today is to strive to educate all students, to teach all students the importance of character, to teach all students what it means to live in a democratic society, to teach all students how to choose and prepare for an occupation, to teach all students the joy and pride in life-long learning, and many other goals—in short, to leave no "rubbish" or a child behind.

I truly do not long for a past time; I embrace with passion today's educational mission and mandate, and I am proud of the students I work for, the staff I work with, and the community I reside in as we seek to accomplish this goal.

I hope you are looking forward to the start of the new school year as much as I. I hope each and every one of you can join me in the mission that is ours, to educate all, to care for all, and to celebrate all. We are truly blessed here in Cedar Cliff in our little school and in our special place—have a great year!

Best Regards,

Chad Mason, Superintendent Cedar Cliff Local Schools

Remaining Summer Office Hours:

The remaining weeks before school, the administrative offices at the elementary, high school, and central offices will be open from 8:00 am-3:30 pm.

Pass along the Information!

If you know of someone who would like to receive the newsletter, feel free to forward the information. We will also have copies available at the Board Office and the Senior Citizens' Center if someone would like the traditional paper copy. Once again, you can sign up to receive the newsletter from the Cedar Cliff Website at: http://www.cedarcliffschools.net/



Drivers Needed

Have you ever thought about driving a school bus? We are currently looking for substitute bus drivers who can be available on an as-needed basis. If interested in becoming a bus driver, please send an email to our transportation supervisor, Tom Morgan: tmorgan@ccliff.net



Substitutes Needed

In addition to the substitute bus drivers, Cedar Cliff is also in need of substitute Teacher Aides, Cooks, Secretaries, Teachers, and *especially*-custodians! To find out what is needed for each area, please contact the central office at: (937) 766-6000.



Let's Welcome the New Cedar Cliff Faculty and Staff!

Summer always brings movement in the educational profession. With this movement comes the opportunity to welcome new additions to the Cedar Cliff family. The following are this year's newest members and we can't wait to get started working with them!

New faculty joining the Elementary School include:

Mrs. Barb Cross (Alderson-Broaddus College and Adapted PE endorsement from Kent State University / K-12 Physical Education Licensure): Mrs. Cross will be serving as our new Elementary Physical Education teacher and she is also a member of the Cedar Cliff community with three children (two of which have graduated from CHS). She comes to us with ten years of professional teaching experience.

Ms. Alexa Rednour (The Ohio State University / Agricultural Science Education Licensure): Ms. Rednour will be taking charge of our FFA program. This will be her first year in the district as well as the first year in the education profession after graduating in May of 2022.

Ms. Katherynn McKay (Cedarville University / K-12 Special Education Licensure): Ms. McKay will be working our Special Education department in both the Elementary and MS programs. This will be her first year in the district, as well as the first year in the educational profession.

Mrs. Allison Hisey (University of Cincinnati / Mathematics and Science Grades 4-9 Licensure): Mrs. Hisey will be teaching our MS students in the area of Mathematics. She has over ten years of teaching experience most recently serving as a teacher in the Bethel School District.

Mrs. Julie Lowe (Indiana Wesleyan University / B.S. Business Management): Mrs. Lowe will be taking the reigns as our new district Treasurer. This is her first stint as a Treasurer but she has been working in the Treasurer's department for Dayton City Schools, Northwestern Local Schools, and most recently with MVECA in Greene County doing payroll duties for the Greene County Educational Service Center.

New support staff members include:

Mrs. Karen Tobias: (Associate's Degree Clark State College in Business) Mrs. Tobias will be working in our food service department as well as serving as an Aide in the district. She has two children who recently graduated from CHS and has been a visible member of our community for many years.

Ms. Emily Ellis (Associate's Degree Clark State College in Early Childhood Education): Ms. Ellis will be assisting as an Aide in both the classroom and in the Transportation Department. She comes to us with three years of experience in the Xenia Community School District.

Mrs. Jordan Hawkins: Mrs. Hawkins will be serving as our Head Cashier as well as overseeing all Federal Lunch Programming. Mrs. Hawkins has four children who currently attend Cedar Cliff Schools.

Mrs. Theresa Hamer: Mrs. Hamer started working for the district last year as a classroom Aide and served as a substitute in the Transportation Department. This year, she will serve as a full-time Aide in the Elementary School.

Mrs. Kim Herron: Mrs. Herron started working in the district last year as well as a substitute and then helped the district by moving into a Classroom Aide position. This year, she will be back fulfilling those classroom aide duties.

We welcome all of these new folks and thank them for joining our ranks!



News from the Nurse!

The following information regarding immunizations and the adopted rules for school vaccinations is now posted on the district website at:

https://www.cedarcliffschools.net/uploads/7/1/4/7/71477499/ohio_immunization_summary_2022.pdf

Important information is highlighted below. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact your doctor or pediatrician.





Immunization Information

Incoming 7th graders for the 2022-2023 school year are reminded that they must show proof of the following immunizations before they may enter school. This coming fall, incoming 7th graders will be required to have documentation of 1 dose of **Tdap vaccine**. In addition, **Meningococcal vaccine** will also be required for the upcoming school year prior to entry to the 7th grade. Please check with your family physician if you have any questions.

Proof of these immunizations may be delivered to the office any time. This will need to be completed before students may enter school for the 2022-2023 school year. Once again, immunization documentation can be turned in beginning this week, through the summer months.

Seniors (those entering 12th grade) will need an additional Meningococal Immunization (2 doses).

Emergency Phone System

The Cedar Cliff Local School District utilizes the ONECALLNOW phone alert system for emergency/active response purposes or for weather alerts regarding school activities. If you do not receive these alerts and wish to do so, contact the central office at (937) 766-6000, and ask that your name be added to the list.



District moves to New On-Line Student Registration Program



The Cedar Cliff local School District will be moving to a new Student Registration program. The program "*Final Forms*" will now be the service whereby parents register students, complete all necessary Emergency Medical Authorization Paperwork, as well as complete all necessary Athletic Participation forms. There are several important items to note regarding this migration to the new system:

- We will not be "live" until August 8th. This is a week into the Fall sports season, so we will be slightly behind on paperwork for the sporting season. That makes is imperative that we get a good completion return once the district moves to the new program.
- We believe this new system will be superior to the program utilized in the past and will serve
 us well moving forward, however, many items may need to be newly entered into the system,
 please be patient if you have additional time to fill out forms in this first year of the transition.
- Online registration will begin August 8 for both new and existing students. You will receive
 an email from Final Forms giving you steps you will need to follow to step up your new
 account. Please make sure to also check your spam folder for the email from Final Forms.
- Cedar Cliff students will be receiving an email (grades 7-12) to update their information, as well. This will go to their email address from school.
- If families have any changes during the school year, please make certain to keep the system updated. The district will receive daily updates as changes are made for families.

If you need immunizations—You can Do it Locally!



Hours of Operation:

Monday–Friday 9 a.m.–6 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Sunday Closed

Vaccine Services

CedarCare Village Pharmacy offers vaccine services to the community. Ranging from back-toschool vaccinations to COVID-19 and influenza, we are here for all your needs. We are offering the following immunizations for this upcoming fall.

Influenza Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) Varicella
Tdap Meningococcal (Meningitis) Hepatitis B

Ohio School Immunization Requirements

The state of Ohio requires children to be vaccinated against certain communicable diseases as a condition for school attendance. These requirements apply to both public and private schools.

Four common childhood vaccines —DTaP/DT Tdap/Td (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis), MMR (measles, mumps, rubella), polio, varicella (chickenpox), and HEP B (hepatitis B)— are required to enroll in kindergarten. The first dose of the meningococcal vaccine is also required for entry into the 7th grade, with a second dose required for the 12th grade.

Billing & Payment

There are a few options for billing vaccine services. CedarCare can bill as you go after each individual vaccine. We can also bill per claim to your insurance contract's pharmacy benefit manager, or we can put an invoice together and send it to you the next day. If you are interested in paying in cash, please contact us at 937-766-2273 for pricing.

Scheduling

Contact CedarCare Village Pharmacy via phone at 937-766-2273 or by email at director@cedarcarerx.com to schedule an appointment.

2022-2023 School Calendar

The 2022-2023 school calendar can be found on the front page of the district website under the "District" tab (see below):





In order to have any kind of medication distributed to your child at school, a Medication Administration Consent Form must be completed and turned into the office prior to the distribution of the medication. (This includes over-the-counter medicines, cough drops, antacid tablets, etc.) Forms are available upon request in the office or from the Nurse, Mrs. Melanie Estepp.

Athletic Boosters Say "Thank You" and ask that we Support our Local Businesses!



The following businesses have graciously agreed to advertise and support our Athletic Booster Program. We join them in saying, "Thank you so much!" and ask that you consider them when doing any business in the coming weeks/months.

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C & M Cakes and More US Bank Cedarville Brentwood Builders

ZCI General Contracting Hearthstone Inn Hotel and Suites Sheridan's LLC

CedarCare Pharmacy Intersection 42/72 News WT Baise and Son Construction

Cedarcliff Ministerial Assoc. 2nd Act of Cedarville Ferguson Legal Group LTD

Kent's Feed Barn Better Images Anderson Williams Insurance

Keast Escavating & Plumbing Blocher Bulk Water Countryside Propane

Cedarville Self Storage Hagler Orthodontics Cutting Edge of Cedarville

Nationwide Insurance: Kelly Jones Insurance LLC S&D Trucking LLC

Spradlin Brothers Welding Danis Construction Erin Riffle Real Estate / Keller Williams Realty

Greene County Eye Care The Garage of Cedarville Ed Frizzell Law

Cedarville United Presbyterian Church Ride 1 Powersports

Domicone Printing, Inc Detmer and Sons HVAC Grace Baptist Church

Aurhause Renovation and Construction Diesel City Automotive

C-3 group McIlvaine Realtors Buckeye Tents and Events

In Case You are in Need or Know of Someone Who is!

Feed the Ville



Caring for our Children

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Are you familiar with **Food the Ville? Food the Ville** is a weekly effort intended to help contribute to the nutritional requirements and development of our community's growing children. For students who participate, we provide a bag of food for them to take home each weekend that includes 2 breakfasts, snacks and 2 lunches at no additional cost to you or the school district. Mrs. Curlette and Mrs. Walker tell us the number of bags that are needed and will see that they are delivered to the students. This is handled in a discreet way so as not to embarrass the children. The information will be confidential! Only the school will have the names of students participating in this program.

The food items are either purchased or donated, then packaged and delivered by us to the school. Some items include easy-open, single-serve containers of meat, fruit, vegetables, pudding and microwaveable pastas, as well as snacks, granola bars, juice and milk. This program is meant to help provide your family with a dependable food source for your child during weekends, and help him or her benefit and learn from healthy eating practices.

Participation in this program is completely optional. If you would like to participate in this program, please complete this form and return it to school.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Curlette at 766-3811 or Mrs. Walker at 766-1871.

Program Participation Request:

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Student's Full Name	Teacher
Student's Full Name	Teacher
any additional names on the back.	

In case you need Sports Physicals/Immunizations!



Sports Physicals

\$25

Well Child Check

(with Sports Physical included) covered by insurance

It's a dual race to both enjoy the summer and get things completed before the school year begins. Well-child checks, sports physicals, and kindergarten screenings comprise much of summer bookings in Primary Care offices across the country.

What is the difference between a well-child check and sports physical? The American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American College of Sports Medicine, and other governing bodies have recommended that a preparticipation physical evaluation be a part of a student's health screening visit. Whether this visit is completed in a primary care office or at a screening center, expect questions to be asked such as history of concussion, family history of heart disease, anxiety, sleep, and nicotine use (vaping or cigarettes). In a sports physical setting, your child will be seen by a provider and form completed.

At a well-child check, your doctor's provider can be a little more comprehensive. Milestones are measured, immunizations checked to make sure all is in order, and additional interventions that keep your child healthy are ordered or discussed. With a focus on prevention and personalized care, many parents find that scheduling a well-child check allows the unique needs of their child to be assessed. The visit allows for forms turned in within the year to be completed by the office staff.

Children entering kindergarten also need a visit and likely some immunizations to complete the screening requested by the child's school. A well-child check ensures you and your child have a chance to review a growth chart and ask personalized questions about health concerns you or may have. Let your child know about immunizations just ahead of time and have some fun surprises to help celebrate growing up.

Call and schedule the visit most appropriate for your child. We would love to answer any questions that you may have. In an uncertain year, we want to help make the most of the summer memories you spend with your family and help be prepared for the year ahead.

Cedarville Family Practice 29 Kyle Drive Cedarville, OH 45314 (937) 766-2611 Providers:

Denise Kennedy, MD Angela Paugh, CNP Thomas Stock, CNP Marcia Williams, CNP

Accepting new patients of all ages and insurance types!

Keeping You Informed!

Kindergarten KRA Testing	August 9-10	
New Teacher Orientation	August 12	All Day—Admin. Offices
First Day for Teachers/Staff	August 15	Meetings/Room Preparation—All Day
MS Orientation (Students Only)	August 15	Middle School Orientation - Students only (6 th Grade1:00-3:00 / 7 th Grade—1:30-3:00)
Freshmen / New Student Orientation * (Students Only)	August 15	(6:30-8:00)
Elementary / MS Open House	August 16	(6:00-8:00)
First Day of School (Students)	August 17	Welcome Back!

^{*} This is for 9th graders and those High School students new to the district.

FYI--Back to School Tax Holiday!

Ohio's sales tax holiday for back-to-school shopping will take place this weekend. Shoppers can make purchases without paying state sales tax for:

- Clothing items costing \$75 or less;
- School supplies costing \$20 per item or less; and
- School instructional materials priced at \$20 per item or less.

The holiday opens at 12 a.m. Friday, Aug. 5, and ends at 11:59 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7.

Refer to this link for further information: Sales Tax Holiday https://tax.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/tax/help-center/faqs/sales-and-use-tax-sales-tax-holiday

Work Permits

All work permits are issued from the Cedar Cliff Board of Education offices. Applications are available in the hallway outside the Superintendent's office. Please contact Martha Campbell, Secretary to the Superintendent, to assist you in having your work permit completed.

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Notification Rights Under FERPA

You have a right to review your student's records by making a written request to the principal. The request will be honored within a reasonable period of time (no more than 10 working days). Exceptions to this time frame may be made, if necessary, during school vacation periods. Review of student records may be prohibited by a court order or other legally binding document.

Review of your student's file shall take place in the presence of the school principal or his designee. The request for review of your student's records will be placed in the student file as well as the date, time, and a list of individuals present at the time of the review.

A nominal copying fee will be charged if copies of student records are needed, and a receipt will be provided.

Parents and adult students have the right to amend a student record when they believe that any of the information contained in the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the student's privacy. A parent or adult student must request the amendment of a student record in writing and if the request is denied, the parent or adult student will be informed of his/her right to a hearing on the matter.

Parents have the right to inspect upon request any instructional material used as a part of the educational curriculum for their student. See Board Policy 2416 for the procedures for making such a request. Any parent or student who believes that the School District has failed to comply with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA") or the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment ("PPRA"), may file a compliant directly with the Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20202-8520. This Notice will be transmitted to disabled parents and students or to non-English speaking parents and students in a format designed to accommodate their disability or in their native language.

Feel free to contact the Office of the Superintendent at (937) 766-6000 with questions regarding parental rights with respect to FERPA or for any assistance.

2022-2023 School Building Starting and Ending Times

School Hours
Elementary 8:00-2:50
Middle School 7:55-3:00
High School 7:55-3:00

New Volleyball Elementary Program Started!



Sponsored by the Cedarville Athletic Boosters

The Cedarville Athletic Boosters are excited to announce the launch of a new Pee Wee Volleyball League for girls in 3rd-6th grades. The registration deadline is Friday, Aug 19.

- The registration cost is \$25 per student. (A volleyball t-shirt jersey is included in the fee.)
- Practices will start the last week of August. The season will begin on September 11, with 5 weeks of play, and the 6th week a tournament.
- Practice days/times will depend on coach and gym availability.
- Games will be played Sunday afternoons between 1-6 PM at area schools (such as Cedarville, Shawnee, Madison Plains, etc.)
- Admission to games will be \$2 per adult and \$1 for senior citizens.
- Players will be provided a t-shirt jersey, but should purchase their
 own shorts (any black comfortable athletic shorts will do!) and knee pads. If each player also has a
 Volley-Lite Volleyball (or equivalent of other brand) that would be helpful. A volley-lite is 25%
 lighter than regulation-sized balls, and great for beginners!
- The registration deadline is Friday, August 19. Register here or scan the QR code.

Contact Karen Mossing or April McKinion with any questions: chssports@ccliff.net



Remember This Image????

Apparently, Google Earth still has the old school building when you do a search —this is the picture that was passed along to me. Just for those who remember the "Good Old Days!" But I have to admit, I, for one, am glad our students and staff go to an air-conditioned building in August when they return!



Route 72 Road Project Slated!

We wanted to give everyone ample opportunity to plan and be aware. State Route 72 will see some work over the next few months in and around the towns of Cedarville and Clifton. The following was reported to the district by ODOT in terms of timelines and repairs:

- Bridge work on the two bridges on SR72 on the south side of Clifton (between Water Street and Clifton Road). Construction on this phase will start July 18, 2022 and finish in early to mid-November.
- Resurfacing of SR72 from the Greene/Clark County line to just north of Turnbull Road. This phase will also the replacement of curb ramps along the project corridor. This phase is scheduled to begin in April of 2023 and be finished by the end of June.

During all phases of the project, traffic will be maintained, however there will likely be some delays as traffic will be down to one lane in the immediate area of work.

- For the first phase, temporary traffic signals will be used that will alternate the traffic in the area of the two bridges. This is a short work zone, so signal cycle times should be relatively short.
- For the second phase of the project, the work area will change daily. Flaggers will be used to maintain traffic for the resurfacing work.

In case you (or someone you know) is interested!







Emergency Broadband Benefit

What is it?

The Emergency Broadband Benefit is a temporary FCC program to help households struggling to afford internet service during the pandemic. The benefit provides:

- Up to \$50/month discount for broadband services;
- Up to \$75/month discount for households on qualifying Tribal lands; and
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet purchased through a participating provider.

Who is eligible?

A household is eligible if one member of the household:

- Has an income that is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guide lines or participates in certain government assistance programs;
- Receives benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch or breakfast program;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year;
- Experienced a substantial loss of income due to job loss or furlough since February 29, 2020; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income or COVID-19 program.

THREE WAYS TO APPLY

Contact your preferred participating provider directly to learn about their application process. Go to GetEmergencyBroadband.org to submit an application and to find participating providers near you. Complete a mail in application and send it along with proof of eligibility to: Emergency Broadband Support Center P.O. Box 7081 London, KY 40742

HAVE QUESTIONS? NEED HELP?

Contact the **Connectivity Champions** directly by webform at https://www.ohio-k12.help/remotedx, by email or text at connectme@ohio-k12.help, and by phone at 844-k12-OHIO (844-512-6446).

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Upcoming August Events

Monday, August 1

Greene County Fair

Elementary Summer School (8:30-11:30)

Tuesday, August 2

Greene County Fair

Elementary Summer School

Wednesday, August 3

Greene County Fair

Elementary Summer School

Thursday, August 4

Greene County Fair

Elementary Summer School

4:30pm—HS Volleyball (H) vs. Southeastern HS

Friday, August 5

Greene County Fair

Elementary Summer School

Saturday, August 6

Greene County Fair

Monday, August 8

Elementary Summer School

Athletic Booster Meeting (7:00)

Music Booster (7:00)

4:30pm—HS Golf @ Greeneview HS

Tuesday, August 9

Elementary Summer School

KRA Testing

4:30pm—HS Golf @ Catholic Central High School

Wednesday, August 10

Elementary Summer School

KRA Testing

MS/HS Fall Sports Pictures (4:00)

MS/HS Meet the Teams for Fall Sports (6:00)

Thursday, August 11

Elementary Summer School

High School Schedule Change Day --(9:00-11:00) and/or (12:00-3:00)

1:00--Mandatory Drug Testing---All Fall Athletes

4:30pm—HS Golf (H) vs. Madison-Plains High School

Friday, August 12

Elementary Summer School

Monday, August 15

9th Grade Orientation (6:30-8:00)

First Day for Teachers

Middle School Orientation for 6th & 7th Grade (6th grade—1:00-3:00 / 7th grade 1:30-3:00)

Regular Board Meeting (7:00)

4:30pm—HS Golf @ Greenon Jr/Sr High School

Tuesday, August 16

Elementary & Middle School Open House (6:00-8:00)

Second Day for Teachers

4:30pm—HS Golf (H) vs. Mechanicsburg High School

Wednesday, August 17

First Day of School

Thursday, August 18

4:25pm—HS Golf @ Northeastern High School

Friday, August 19

7:00pm—HS Football (A) vs. Fayetteville High School

Monday, August 22

PTO Meeting

4:30pm—HS Volleyball (H) vs. Fairbanks High School

5:30pm—MS Volleyball (A) vs. Southeastern

Tuesday, August 23

4:30pm—HS Golf @ Triad High School

5:00pm—HS CC @ Northeastern High School (Finish "no" Timing XC Inv.)

5:30pm—HS Volleyball (A) vs. Southeastern HS

Wednesday, August 24

5:30pm--MS Volleyball (H) vs. Greenon Jr/Sr High School

Thursday, August 25

4:30pm—HS Golf (H) vs. West Jefferson High School

5:25pm—HS Volleyball (H) vs. Catholic Central High School-Springfield

5:30pm--MS Football (A) vs. Madison-Plains High School

Friday, August 26

7:00pm—HS Football (H) vs. East Clinton High School

Saturday, August 27

9:00am—HS CC @ Milton-Union High School (Invitational)

Monday, August 29

4:30pm—HS Golf @ West Liberty Salem MS/HS

5:30pm--MS Volleyball (A) vs. Madison-Plains

Tuesday, August 30

4:30pm—HS Golf @ Southeastern HS

5:30pm—HS Volleyball (A) vs. Greeneview HS

Wednesday, August 31

5:30pm--MS Volleyball (H) vs. Catholic Central