



Superintendent's Newsletter – Fall 2024

It is the mission of the Cedar Cliff Local School District 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.

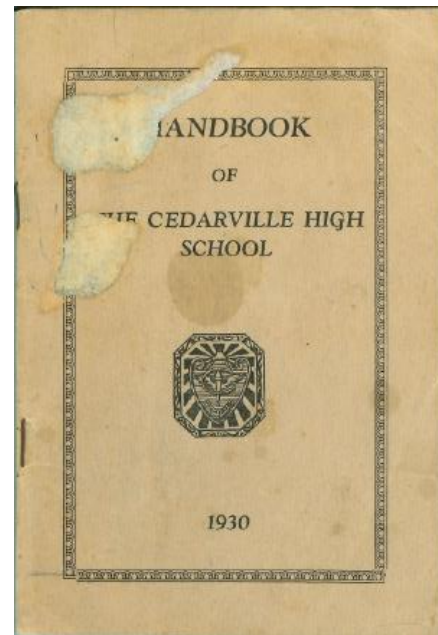
Embrace Times of Transition

Fall is a time of transitions. Trees transition from green leaves to bare branches. The weather transitions from hot and muggy to cool and crisp. We also experience a quick transition in athletics and activities; parents and students hardly catch their breath from one season before starting the next. Retail stores make these transitions feel even more abrupt, jumping from Halloween to Christmas with little consideration for Thanksgiving. These transitions are more pronounced for parents of seniors who are suddenly cognizant of the life transitions about to happen in their child's life over the next year as they encounter the first in a series of final school-age experiences.

Transitions can feel unnerving, but the beautiful oranges, reds, and yellows of fall remind us that change can be positive. Change and transition are a natural part of life; they add interest and opportunity for growth and maturity. As a school system, we love watching the development that happens in our students at these transition points. Unassuming students one season emerge as leaders the next, unmotivated students one school year discover a passion and begin to excel the next, and almost always students mature into an appreciation for their school community by the time they graduate.

Transitions are easier to navigate in a stable context. One thing I have grown to appreciate about Cedar Cliff is the stability afforded by its commitment to tradition, family and community values, and multi-generational interest and involvement. This doesn't mean we should never seek change or improvement, but it does mean the intangible foundation below these changes or improvements should remain solid. Our students can try new experiences and take risks necessary

for personal growth because this stability provides the safety and security to do so.



Recently we discovered a copy of the 1930 Cedarville High School student handbook, the first such printed handbook. In reading through this handbook, I was surprised by how little the intangibles have changed. Moral character, community involvement, school pride, academic achievement, diverse participation in activities, and care of the facility are all things emphasized in this handbook, things still foundational at Cedar Cliff today!

As fall is upon us, I would encourage you to embrace the beauty of transitions while celebrating the sources of stability in your life and this community!

Brian R. Masser

Brian Masser, Superintendent

Students of the Month

Each month MS/HS staff select a student of the month at each grade level who embodies the Tribe Trait being emphasized that month.

Character development is as important to us as academic achievement, so we are extremely proud of the following students:

September Tribe Trait – Kindness

- 6th Grade – Elias Foerch
- 7th Grade – Addie Godlove
- 8th Grade – Lila Cook
- 9th Grade – Chris Hamer
- 10th Grade – Karah Mack
- 11th Grade – Logan Lewis
- 12th Grade – Zoe Digel

October Tribe Trait – Inclusivity

- 6th Grade – Xander Stewart
- 7th Grade – Kellen Stewart
- 8th Grade – Bailey Hawkins
- 9th Grade – Anna Becknell
- 10th Grade – Wyatt Marsh
- 11th Grade – Joscelyn Evans
- 12th Grade – Willa-Kate Porter

Fall Music Moments

This year's marching band dazzled crowds with four shows: 1) *Holding Out for a Hero*; 2) *Broadway Blockbusters*; 3) *Haunting of the 'Ville*; and 4) the Senior Show. The band closed out the season in style, with senior drum major Will Kate Porter signing the spoken portions of the final show and senior James Brooks integrating blue smoke effects into one of the final songs – *Megalovania*.



Our student musicians performed in costume at the Fall Concert on October 22, an every-other-year tradition. Guests enjoyed performances from the Cedarville High School Concert Choir, Choralation, Jazz Band, and the Marching Band.



Fall Athletic Accomplishments



Cheerleading

- Nicole Awabdy – 1st Team OHC, Coaches Award
- Chloe Miller – 1st Team OHC
- Zoe Digel – 2nd Team OHC, MVP
- Emily Bush – Honorable Mention OHC
- Savannah Cason – Most Improved
- Adeline Spracklen – Most Spirited

Cross Country – Boys'

- Team – State Qualifier (10th Place)
- Archer Holston – 1st Team OHC, Ind. State Qualifier, MVP
- Stewart Kroh – 1st Team OHC, Ind. State Qualifier
- Josiah Knoerr – 2nd Team OHC, Academic All-Ohio, Ind. State Qualifier
- Nathan Sultan – 2nd Team OHC, Academic All-Ohio
- Bradyn Long – Honorable Mention OHC, Academic All-Ohio, Coaches Award
- Josh Sultan – Honorable Mention OHC, Academic All-Ohio
- Joshua Wallace – Honorable Mention OHC, Academic All-Ohio

Cross Country – Girls'

- Ellie Mark – 1st Team OHC, Academic All-Ohio, Ind. State Qualifier, MVP
- Mandy Mark – 2nd Team OHC, Ind. State Qualifier
- Emma Minor – Honorable Mention OHC
- Abby Conover – Coaches Award

Football

- Colt Coffey – 1st Team OHC, MVP
- Isaiah Christian – 1st Team OHC
- Micah Burr – 2nd Team OHC
- Will Mossing – 2nd Team OHC

- Derek Orr – 2nd Team OHC
- Nathan Terrell – Honorable Mention OHC
- Wyatt Jolliffe – Coaches Award

Golf

- Luke Wallis – 1st Team OHC, MVP
- Xavier Pauling – 2nd Team OHC
- Luke Moore – Honorable Mention OHC
- Cooper Hardy – Coaches Award

Tennis

- Lauren Wiesert – OHC Player of the Year, 1st Team OHC, MVP
- Anabelle Adams – 1st Team OHC
- Faith Steward – 1st Team OHC
- Addie Vaughn – Coaches Award

Volleyball

- Mia Burr – 1st Team OHC, MVP
- Zoe McKinion – 1st Team OHC
- Ellie Schulte – 2nd Team OHC, Coaches Award
- Ayden Rodgers – Honorable Mention OHC

Athletic Ticket Prices and Passes

As communicated previously in a One Call message, effective October 24, 2024 ticket prices in the Ohio Heritage Conference (OHC) changed in response to legislation requiring a different, lower ticket price for students than adults. The OHC's full statement on this change is attached to this newsletter.

Accordingly, ticket prices for OHC events – home and away – are now:

- Varsity Events - \$8 for adults; \$6 for students (K-12)
- Middle School / Stand-alone Lower Level Events - \$6 for adults; \$5 for students (K-12)

Athletic Passes are unimpacted by this change and can still be purchased on the district website at:

- <https://www.cedarcliffschools.net/ticket-s-sports.html>

Annual Climate Survey

Each year the district conducts a *School Climate Survey* of all stakeholders to evaluate its Social Emotional Learning (SEL) program and gauge the climate of the current school culture.

As such, the district has a current survey instrument placed on the district website. Parents/Guardians can follow the link on the front of the website and complete the 52-question survey. The questions are the same as previous years, so we can do year-over-year comparisons.

The picture below is on the front of the site and will initiate the survey form. We *Thank You* for your time and truly do value and desire your responses.



Save the Date – Graduation

Our 2025 Graduation Commencement Ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM in the Cedarville University Dixon Ministry Center. This is a change from the originally scheduled date, so mark your calendars accordingly!



Pictures from Around the District

Elementary School Costume Parade



Career Awareness Event



Vocabulary/Spelling Practice



FFA Achievements

Cedarville High School FFA members Olivia Townsley and Kendal Bertelson recently competed in the State Context for Aquarium and Animal Management. Olivia placed 18th out of 166 students and earned 2nd place in our District! Kendal placed 99th and earned 3rd place in our District!

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Note: Always visit the athletics webpage for the most up-to-date sports schedule as game date/times sometimes change or need to be rescheduled.

- <https://cedarvilleindians.com/>

November 21, 2024

- Quick Recall vs. Greeneview
- 9:30 AM – Neola 43.1 Update Board of Education Policy Liaison Meeting

November 23, 2024

- 7:30 PM – Girls' HS Basketball @ Legacy

November 25, 2024

- 5:30 PM – Girls' MS Basketball @ Greeneview

November 25-29, 2024

- Thanksgiving Break

November 26, 2024

- 6/7:30 PM – Girls' HS Basketball vs. Catholic Central

November 29, 2024

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys' HS Basketball vs. Emmanuel

December 2, 2024

- Quick Recall vs. Southeastern
- 5:30 PM – Girls' MS Basketball vs. Southeastern
- 5:30 PM – Boys' MS Basketball @ Southeastern

December 3, 2024

- 4:45/6/7:30 PM – Boys' HS Basketball @ Arcanum

December 4, 2024

- Quick Recall @ Greenon
- 5:30 PM – Girls' MS Basketball @ Madison-Plains
- 5:30 PM – Boys' MS Basketball vs. Madison-Plains
- 6/7:30 PM – Girls' HS Basketball @ Greeneview

December 5, 2024

- 6:00 PM – Christmas Concert

December 6, 2024

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys' HS Basketball @ Southeastern

December 7, 2024

- 1:30 PM – Girls' HS Basketball vs. Madison-Plains
- 4:30/6/7:30 PM – Boys' HS Basketball @ East Clinton

December 9, 2024

- Quick Recall @ West Liberty-Salem
- 5:30 PM – Music Boosters Meeting
- 5:30 PM – Girls' MS Basketball vs. Catholic Central
- 5:30 PM – Boys' MS Basketball @ Catholic Central
- 6/7:30 PM – Girls' HS Basketball vs. Graham
- 6:00 PM – Regular Board of Education Meeting
- 7:00 PM – Athletic Boosters Meeting

December 10, 2024

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys' HS Basketball @ West Liberty-Salem

December 11, 2024

- 6/7:30 PM – Girls' HS Basketball @ Greenon

December 12, 2024

- Quick Recall vs. Northeastern
- 7:00 AM – Strategic Planning Design Team Meeting
- 5:30 PM – Girls' MS Basketball @ Greenon
- 5:30 PM – Boys' MS Basketball vs. Greenon

December 13, 2024

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys' HS Basketball @ Greeneview

December 14, 2024

- 7:00 AM – FFA Pancake Breakfast
- 12/1:30 PM – Girls' HS Basketball vs. Southeastern
- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys' HS Basketball @ Bethel

December 16, 2024

- Quick Recall vs. Madison Plains
- 5:30 PM – Girls' MS Basketball @ Northeastern
- 5:30 PM – Boys' MS Basketball vs. Northeastern
- 6/7:30 PM – Girls' HS Basketball vs. National Trail

December 17, 2024

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys' HS Basketball @ Mechanicsburg

December 18-20, 2024

- 2:00 PM – Early Dismissal (K-12); Exams (9-12)
- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball @ Fairbanks

December 18, 2024

- 8:30 AM – Middle School Spelling Bee (streamed online)

December 19, 2024

- 8:15 AM – Elementary School Spelling Bee (streamed online)
- 5:30 PM – Girls’ MS Basketball vs. West Jefferson
- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball @ West Jefferson

December 20, 2024

- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Greenon

December 21, 2024

- 10:00 AM – Girls’ MS Basketball @ Triad
- 10:00 AM – Boys’ MS Basketball vs. Triad
- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball vs. Triad

December 23, 2024 – January 3, 2025

- Christmas Break – No School

January 2, 2024

- 5:30 PM – Girls’ MS Basketball vs. West Liberty-Salem
- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball @ West Liberty-Salem

January 3, 2025

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball @ Madison-Plains

January 4, 2025

- 11:00 AM / 1:00 PM – HS Girls’ Basketball vs. Northeastern

January 6, 2025

- Quick Recall @ Greeneview
- 5:30 PM – Girls’ MS Basketball @ Mechanicsburg
- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball vs. Mechanicsburg

January 7, 2025

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Triad

January 8, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball @ West Jefferson

January 9, 2025

- End of 1st Semester
- Quick Recall @ Mechanicsburg
- 5:30 PM – Girls’ MS Basketball vs. Fairbanks
- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball @ Fairbanks
- 5:45 PM – 2025 Organizational Board of Education Meeting
- 6:00 PM – Regular Board of Education Meeting

January 10, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Catholic Central

January 11, 2025

- 12/1 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball vs. Mechanicsburg
- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Legacy

January 13, 2025

- Quick Recall @ Southeastern
- 5:30 PM – Girls’ MS Basketball vs. Greeneview
- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball @ Greeneview
- 5:30 PM – Music Boosters Meeting
- 6:00 PM – PTO Meeting
- 7:00 PM – Athletic Boosters Meeting

January 14, 2025

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Fairbanks

January 15, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball @ Catholic Central

January 16, 2025

- Quick Recall vs. Greenon
- 5:30 PM – Girls’ MS Basketball @ Southeastern
- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball vs. Southeastern

January 17, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Southeastern

January 18, 2025

- Quick Recall Tournament @ West Liberty-Salem
- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Greeneview

January 20, 2025

- MLK Day – No School

January 21, 2025

- 5:30 PM – Girls’ MS Basketball vs. Madison-Plains
- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball @ Madison-Plains
- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Northeastern

January 22, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball @ Madison-Plains

January 23, 2025

- 5:30 PM – Girls’ MS Basketball @ Catholic Central
- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball vs. Catholic Central

January 24, 2025

- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Greeneview

January 25, 2025

- 10:00 AM – Girls’ MS Basketball vs. Greenon
- 10:00 AM – Boys’ MS Basketball @ Greenon
- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball vs. Greenon

January 27, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball @ West Liberty-Salem

January 29, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball @ Shawnee

January 30, 2025

- 5:30 PM – Boys’ MS Basketball vs. Greeneview

January 31, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball @ Greenon

February 1, 2025

- HS Solo and Ensemble Contest
- 2/3:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball @ Southeastern

February 3, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball vs. Blanchester

February 4, 2025

- 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM – Blood Drive
- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. West Jefferson

February 7, 2025

- 1:00 PM – Early Dismissal
- 5/6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Madison-Plains

February 8, 2025

- 12/1:30 PM – Girls’ HS Basketball @ Kenton Ridge
- 7-8:30 PM – PTO Daddy Daughter Dance @ CedarLand
- 8:00 PM – HS Winter Formal

February 10, 2025

- 5:30 PM – Music Boosters Meeting
- 6:00 PM – PTO Meeting
- 7:00 PM – Athletic Boosters Meeting

February 11, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball vs. Fairfield

February 13, 2025

- 3:15-6:45 PM – K-5 Parent-Teacher Conferences

February 14, 2025

- 6/7:30 PM – Boys’ HS Basketball @ Catholic Central

February 15, 2025

- 7:30 PM – Jazz Band @ Opera House w/CU

February 17-21, 2025

- FFA Week

February 17, 2025

- President’s Day – No School

February 18-28, 2025

- Scholastic Book Fair

February 20, 2025

- 3:15-6:45 PM – K-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Winter Concert for HS Ensembles

February 25, 2025

- ACT for Juniors

Public Notices

Required public notices can be located on the district website at:

- <https://www.cedarcliffschools.net/public-notice.html>

Examples include the district’s Wellness Policy (8510), Title One Policy on parent notification/participation (2261.01), and the district’s SB29 General Notice.

If you know of someone who would like to receive the newsletter, feel free to forward the information. We will also have print copies of the newsletter available at the Board office and Beans-n-Cream if someone would like a paper copy. You can also sign-up to receive the newsletter electronically from the Cedar Cliff Website at: <http://www.cedarcliffschools.net/>