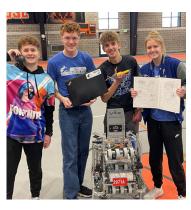
# THE Northwestern

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# April 2023

# Northwestern Robotics Competition at Mount Vernon

Luke Walton, Steven Lagoy, Tristan Miller and Kylee Purdy competed at Mount Vernon VEX Qualifier and won the Judges Award at the competition



Northwestern Robotics Students participated in the Mount Vernon Vex Qualifier on January 21, 2023. All three Northwestern Robotics Teams 2971A, 2971B and 2971C all competed exceptionally well. Team 2971A competed well during qualification rounds and finished with a 4-2 record and were seeded 9th. They were eliminated from the first round of the tournament even

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Morgan Murphy stands poised with a 2nd place finish in the qualifications round and subsequence 2nd selection for the tournament finals (Teammates include Gino Guidetti, Blake Good and Jacob Haley



though they won the match

due to an unfortunate disqualification of their alliance partner. Team 2971A did however win the Judges Award for the tournament. Team 2971B also competed exceptionally well. They finished with a 5-1 record in the qualification rounds and were seeded 2nd in the tournament. They too had a difficult first match in the tournament and were eliminated. Team 2971C also competed well during qualification rounds and finished with a 2-4 record. All three teams will be preparing for our next tournament at Wooster High School on February 18, 2023. We look forward to another successful tournament for our robotics teams.

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Hunter Sciortino and Johnathon Widdows (Teammate Josh Webel not pictured) ready to compete during one of the qualification matches at Mount Vernon VEX Qualifier



## HOSA

29 students from Northwestern High School attended the Ohio State HOSA Leadership Conference on Thursday and Friday, March 16 and 17, 2023 at the Columbus Convention Center. Two students qualified for the International Leadership Conference in Dallas, TX in June. Senior, Brailee Beun, won third place in the National Geographic Academic Test on Occupational & Health Safety and Junior Quinn Fast won third place in the Medial Law and Ethics Test. The other students that received the grand opportunity to compete in various competitions at the state level are Isaac Beun, Kirsten Boreman, Kara Burgan, Audre Franks, Madison Gray, Elaine Groves, Virginia Hamers,

We anticipate submission deadlines occuring at the following dates:
June 22 (printed, mailed copy)
July 28
October 27

On February 27th Northwestern FFA members attended Glen Oak High School for the Floriculture CDE invite. Floriculture is a career development event that allows students to learn how to properly make different floral arrangements. This CDE is designed for students to display their knowledge of arranging flowers, propagation, and preparation of foliage or floral products. Students also have to show their knowledge of flower identification as well as tools and other plant materials. At the competition the students had to arrange a bud vase as well as making a pin on corsage. Each of which had to include a carnation, a foliage plant, and a filler plant. The second part of the competition included plant and tool identification along with planting a few trays of flowers. The students who participated in this CDE were Taylor Wurst, Kate Johnson, Kayla Cutter, Mary Wellert, Makenna Connelly, Addy Connelly, Emma Connelly, Mallory Gilbert, and Kirsten Boreman. Good Luck to those who will be participating at the state level for Floriculture. **Taylor Wurst** 

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Hamey, Ella Harsel, Danyel Hyatt, Kelli Kearney, Lacey Mark, Savannah McConahay, Sydney McConahay, McKenzie McCoy, Kalyn Nelson, Gabriella Riedel, Alexa Riffel, Kelsee Smith, Jule Stoller, Alexandra Stoltz, Em-Thompson, Topp, Alysa Troyan, Isabella Vacco, Paige Walter, and Jailynn Woodruff. Congratulations to all of these students on a job well done.



District twitter account up and live! Log onto @NW\_ Schools Live Broadcast of Events: http://www.ustream.tv/channel/sportslive14



Husky Community,

This is a fun time of the year, with graduation, spring sports, I am personally spending more time with students through many scholarship interviews, and other enjoyable activities at the end of the SY. We are also attaining goals, continually striving to improve in all capacities, tying-up loose-ends (such as reports, audits, interviews, hiring employees and coaches), preparing for summer projects across campus and within buildings (such as asphalting, mowing, landscaping, athletic fields, painting, repairs, etc.). We are also updating some of our textbooks and materials, purchasing replacement Chromebooks, computers, our internet access, and updating software. Most of all, we are enjoying our students this final month of the school year and advancing them forward another grade level to start next school year!

strengthening of families and strengthening of our communities. Know that our school employees continue our efforts to provide the best possible education possible through the limitations and parameters provided to us. Also know that we continue staffing our offices for communications and supports. If there is anything we as a school district or I myself can do to help and support you and your family during these times, and always, please do not hesitate to contact me. Blessings to each of you and we will continue regularly communicating through text alerts, newsletters, our website, and our official school Mr. Jeffery Layton Northwestern Superintendent Work: 419-846-3151 Cell: 330-317-5175 Email: nrws\_layton@ tccsa.net

social media accounts relationships and creating opportunities for student every toward attainment of their potential. These are all import ant as are 21st century skills of developing well-roundeducated graduates, collaborative problem-solvers, leaders of tomorrow, and all around good people. We are entering what will be my 19th year at the helm of Northwestern. I am very proud of our accomplishments over this time and the fantastic opportunities which we provide for our students! With the Coronavirus having negatively impacted society as a whole and has posed challenges for schools - behaviorally, resiliency, and student peer relationships, we continuously strive to keep Northwestern as the great and special place we know we have. Through the leadership of our administrators, staff, students, and parents, strength of our families, faith, and support of our community we will move forward collectively.

I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful summer and we enter the 2023-2024 school year in August with optimism and appreciation of what we have in our very special community and in our very special school district. You will find current and past issues of The Northwestern at this link https://www.northwestern-wayne.k12.oh.us/THE-Northwestern.aspx located on the Northwestern District website. Anyone wishing to share information related to our schools and/or the betterment of our community please contact and

send information to Superintendent Jeffrey Layton nrws layton@tccsa.net Have a fantastic summer! I am so very proud of our students, our faculty, staff, administration, and outstanding Board of Education! I am proud of the academic and social success of our students! I am proud of the innovative and progressive, project-based and search-based programs & instruction we have here at Northwestern! I am proud of the fantastic school culture and climate we have throughout each of our buildings! A huge "Thank you" to ourparents and community who support the development of our children; to our faculty, staff, and administration for our ongoing collective efforts each day, and to our 5 Board of Education Members for your leadership and direction. Together we can continue to achieve so very much! I take great pride in sharing the continued accomplishments of our students, community, and schools. The supports and relationships throughout our community are unique. We can take great pride in our schools and together we can continue to strive for even greater heights. With our dedicated administrators, staff, and community we will continue striving for and achieving well-beyond expectations. We are all about excellence and increasing expectations

at Northwestern.

our Northwestern family

we will continue to focus on

the needs of our students.

We will continue to pre-

pare our students today for

tomorrow's opportunities!

I am always willing to lis-

ten to ideas, questions, and

concerns from students, par-

ents, and anyone in our com-

munity. It is only by asking,

sharing, and participating

that we can continue our

important work.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me for any reason and "thank you" for your ongoing support.

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# Northwestern All Sports Association

Northwestern All Sports continues to support our student athletes in numerous ways. The weight room renovation in the community building is almost complete. In addition to the money given by All Sports and the board of education to purchase all new machines and equipment, much of the old equipment was sold to help purchase additional supplies. \$1,000 was given to the high school baseball team for purchase of a new pitching machine, and \$2,000 was given to the middle school football team for reconditioning of their helmets.

In May new officers, replacing current president and secretary, will be elected. Also in May, scholarship money for graduating student-athletes who will be attending a school of higher learning will be awarded.

All Sport Association meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 7:30 in the high school library.



# Career Connections

It's never too early to start thinking about careers. There are many ways to start these conversations with our students. This can be at home, school or anywhere you are. There are plenty of careers around us at all times. Some ideas to start talking about careers at home:

your job with your student. Tell them what are some positive things you like about it. Point out jobs in our community. For example: You see a farmer plowing a field when driving by. Share with your student how that farmer is impacting our community with his/her job. Help your student explore their interests. If your student loves technology you can brainstorm jobs that use technology such as a computer programmer.

All 4th grade students had the opportunity to participate in a classroom career guidance lesson with Mrs. Donohoe. Students discovered interests and skills which relate to future career options. Students had the opportunity to explore why they would want a certain career. All students identified at least one career. Some of these careers include: zoo keeper, farmer, video game designer, baker, electrician and many more!



Olivia Humphrey represented NMS at the Wayne County spelling Bee on January 24.

# Northwestern Grant Update

As our community well-knows we strive to control costs by seeking and securing grant funds to pay for many of our needs, which reduces potential costs from our district funds and thus helps the district to live within our means and not increasing school taxes. Sometimes this effort and organization becomes mindboggling, to say the least!

We may well receive more than \$1,000,000 in grant funds this year, which is remarkable!

Our ongoing success in securing and managing these many major grant awards is a testament to all involves and is monumental achievement!

Below is a summary of this year alone:

Recent Grant Awards totaling \$174,570:

\$128,570 Safety Grant (fobs, locks, security doors, security cameras, handheld radios, digital bus

and vehicle radios with a digital base unit)

\$10,000 EPA (water bottle refill stations and water foun-

tains)

\$16,500 Targeted ARP Homeless Grant

\$20,000 Attorney General School-Law Enforcement

**Technology Linking Safety Grant** 

### 2022-2023 SY Grant Awards total \$705,866!

- LoPresti Grant Husky Buddies
- School Bus Purchasing Grant
- •Title XX JFS Grant Student Supports
- •High Schools That Work Grant Professional Development
  - ARP Homeless Grant
  - •ARP Homeless II Grant
  - •ARP Homeless Targeted Grant
  - •Reaching All Student Literacy Grant
  - •Transportation Collaboration Grant
  - •BWC HVAC Grant
  - Attorney General
  - •AEOP Army Jr. Solar Sprint
  - STEM Preschool
  - •Reading Under the Lights
  - E-Rate Technology
  - •E-Rate Network Special Equipment
  - •Juul Settlement Vape Detector Grant
  - •Career Technical CTE Transitions grant
  - •Transitions Student Supports Grant

In addition, we are awaiting notifications regarding these grants:

## SUBMITTED, AWAITING AWARD NOTIFICATION...

BWC Workplace Innovation and Safety \$15,000 Innovation for workplace worker safety - early in pro-

cess

Student Connections Grant \$60,000 2024

Student connections to curriculum and student supports

LoPresti Mentorship Grant \$2,500 2024 Adult and Student Mentorship Costs

2024 CTE Transitions Grant \$11,400

Will pay for PD, stipends as job coaches, internships software.

IN PROCESS...

2024 Foodservice Grant \$150,000

Local, fresh produce, salaries, updating equipment, salad bars

2024 Literacy Grant Varies Literacy Coaches and possibly new Literacy Text books

In addition, Northwestern received \$592,807.63 in Fed-

eral Entitlement Grants (the most of which is Title I and IDEA Special Education funding) which we manage and use the vast majority for staffing.

Northwestern is also blessed with many individuals, organizations, and foundations which contribute thousands of dollars annually for specific program, needs, and student scholarships.

Thank you for these contributions as well! Huskies Rule!



The climate and condition goal reflects community and family participation and engagement along with behavioral and social emotional supports for students in order to reduce discipline referrals.

This picture represents the Literacy Team working with Elementary Literacy Coach Angie McCullough during our delayed-start days. The content area team on this particular delayed start is organizing data from diagnostic assessments, documenting strategies that are working and collaborating with grade levels kindergarten through fifth grade. The Title Team is a vital piece to monitoring the progress that students are making.



VACCINES	FALL 2023 Immunizations for School Attendance
DTaP/DT Tdap/Td Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis	<ul> <li>K-12</li> <li>Four or more doses of DTaP or DT, or any combination. If all four doses were given before the fourth birthday, a fifth dose is required. If the fourth dose was administered at least six months after the third dose, and on or after the fourth birthday, a fifth dose is not required.*</li> <li>Grade 7-12</li> <li>One dose of Tdap vaccine must be administered on or after the tenth birthday. **</li> </ul>
POLIO	K-12  Three or more doses of IPV. The FINAL dose must be administered on or after the fourth birthday, regardless of the number of previous doses.***
MMR Measies, Mumps, Rubella	K-12 Two doses of MMR. The first dose must be administered on or after the first birthday. The second dose must be administered at least 28 days after the first dose.
HEP B Hepatitis B	K-12  Three doses of hepatitis B. The second dose must be administered at least 28 days after the first dose. The third dose must be given at least 16 weeks after the first dose and at least eight weeks after the second dose. The last dose in the series (third or fourth dose) must not be administered before age 24 weeks.
VARICELLA (Chickenpox)	K-12 Two doses of varicella vaccine must be administered prior to entry. The first dose must be administered on or after the first birthday. The second dose should be administered at least three months after the first dose; however, if the second dose is administered at least 28 days after the first dose, it is considered valid.
MCV4 Meningococcal	Grade 7 One dose of meningococcal (serogroup A, C, W, and Y) vaccine must be administered on or after the tenth birthday.
	Grade 12 Two doses of MCV4. Second dose on or after age 16 years. If the first dose was given on or after the 16th birthday, only one dose is required.****

- or additional information, please refer to the Chio Revised Code 3313.67 and 3313.67 if or school attendance and the CDH <u>Director's Journal Entry</u> on required vere and school. These documents list required and recommended immunizations and indicate exemptions to immunizations.
- Please contact the Ohio Department of Health Immunization Program at 800-282-0546 or 614-466-4643 with questions or concerns
- ded DTaP or DT minimum intervals for kindergarten students are four weeks between the first and second doses; and the second and third doses; and six months beti and the fourth and fifth doses. If a fifth dose is admini
- \*\* Tdap can be given regardless of the interval since the last tetanus or diphtheria-toxoid containing vaccine. Children age seven years or older with an incomplete history of DTaF should be given Tdap as the first dose in the catch-up series. If the series began at age seven to nine years, the fourth dose must be a Tdap given at age 11-12 years. If the third dose of Tdap is given at age 10 years, no additional dose is needed at age 11-12 years.
- \*\*\* The final polio dose in the IPV series must be administered at age four years or older with at least six months between the final and previous dose. Only trivalent OPV (tOPV) count toward the U.S. vaccination requirements. Doses of OPV administered before April 1, 2016, should be counted (unless specifically noted as administered during a campaign). Doses of OPV administered on or after April 1, 2016, should not be counted. If any combination of IPV and OPV are sneeded, but obses of either vaccine are required.

\*\*\*\* Recommended MCV4 minimum interval of at least eight weeks between the first and second doses. If the first dose of MCV4 was administered on or after the sixteenth birthday, a second dose is not required. If a pupil is in twelfth grade and is 15-years-old or younger, only one dose is required. Currently, there are no school entry requirements for meningococcal

# NORTHWESTERN STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

1.Northwestern is adding a Full-Time Asst. High School Principal for next school year!

We have separated our Asst. High School Principal and Athletic Director responsibilities so that we can have a full-time Asst. High School Principal beginning next school year.

2. Northwestern is adding two additional guidance counselor positions for next school year!

We will be increasing our guidance counselors from our current 1 ES/MS and 1 HS to a new structure of 1 ES, 1 MS, 1 HS, and a part-time 5-9 guidance counselor to support students in a variety of ways, with the focus on transition support between buildings, positive relationships, and overseeing an adult-student mentorship program.

Our guidance counselors have numerous roles. Every year the demands from the state have strained our guidance counselors. We currently have a shared guidance counselor between the ES and MS. We have one guidance counselor in the HS. We also have a Pupil Services Support Team and a PBIS Team, among others. We have been discussing for some time the need to increase guidance and other support services. The repercussions of COVID and our changing society has made this a growing need. We feel our revised structures will help tremendously as outlined below.

This past Wed. the North-western Board of Education approved the addition of 1 full-time and 1 part-time guidance counselors. We are also looking into the OHuddle adult mentoring program next month.

and may pursue purchasing services from OHuddle for an individual to oversee this program as well. Our new guidance structure next year will be:

- •1 ES guidance counselor
- •1 MS guidance counselor
- •1 HS guidance counselor
- •1 part-time transitions Gr. 5-9 guidance counselor We also have the absolute

best School Psychologist who is full-time as well! Northwestern also contracts outside agencies who provide individual counseling and small group counseling and has for many years

3. Training and Professional Development Opportunities

Northwestern provides several training opportunities for our staff in a variety of areas and aim to expand the training and drive a strong PBIS initiative next school year and further develop our student relationships and conflict resolution, and Bullying Prevention efforts. Our staff have many additional trainings on a plethora of topics annually. We have the best trained administrators and staff anywhere.

4.Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is a systematic approach of handling behaviors. The system includes 3 tiers- Tier I, Tier II, and Tier III, which begins at the most basic level of implementation (i.e.: all classrooms, busses, etc.) and moves to the highest level of support (i.e.: individual interventions based on specific needs). This takes time to train and implement. We have been working through Tier I and have had some training of Tier II. We have elements for all tiers; however, have not fully implemented the entire system with fidelity. spond. This is open to all staff; however, select individuals are also chosen to have this The district has adjusted some of the demands on Curriculum

Director Julie McCumber, who will lead this district-wide effort here at Northwestern beginning next school year as we advance this initiative!

Crisis Prevention Institute Training (CPI). This training is for Nonviolent Crisis Intervention, teaching individuals how to de-escalate a situation and how to appropriately retraining who may work closely with students who have increased behavioral incidents (i.e.: Intervention Specialists, In-School Supervision Staff, Paraprofessionals, Administrators, etc.). This training has to be conducted annual-

Student Relationships, Conflict Resolution, and Bullying Prevention. We have offered bullying prevention in-service for staff; however, new Vector training will be able to monitor the There is so much more Vector has to offer. We are planning to implement additional research-based programs for staff and students next year as well.

5. Student Relationships Northwestern is not immune from challenges our young people are facing in regard to forging positive relationships with one another, building self-esteem, and problem-resolution. Where young people, adolescents, teens are together there will be conflict. The stressors and isolation during COVID has certainly not helped the difficulties our young people encounter. Northwestern continues our ongoing efforts to proactively provide skills and training opportunities with students, staff, and administrators as well as provide the supports for our students to be successful as they develop and mature. We are all in this effort together so let's keep the 2-way conversations and dialogue active between students-staff, parents-principals!

# APRIL IS ESOPHAGEAL AWARENESS MONTH IN OHIO

Esophageal Cancer is one of the fastest increasing cancer diagnoses in the United States—up more than 700 percent in recent decades—and fewer than one in five who are diagnosed will survive five years. In America, this devastating disease is usually caused by persistent heartburn or acid reflux disease. Many are shocked to learn that Heartburn can cause Cancer. Someone dies of this disease in our nation every 33 minutes. These are some of the reasons that Becky Burkholder gave Governor Mike DeWine, who has proclaimed April to be Esophageal Cancer Awareness Month in the state of Ohio in 2023. In a proclamation dated April 1, 2023, Governor DeWine designated this special observance because "Esophageal Cancer awareness, along with improvements in prevention, early detection, and treatment strategies will enhance the health and wellbeing of all the citizens of Ohio." Becky also contacted the organization that lights the Terminal Tower in Cleveland in honor of special causes, and the Tower will be lit in periwinkle and fluorescent green on April 3 to raise awareness. The designation of April as Esophageal Cancer Awareness Month is part of a nationwide movement to bring attention to this often-ignored disease. Families throughout the United States who have been touched by Esophageal Cancer are working with the Esophageal Cancer Action Network (ECAN) to raise public awareness of the fact that Heartburn can cause Cancer. Former NHS principal Mike Burkholder was diagnosed in September 2018 with Esophageal Cancer. Since Mike's passing in May 2020, Becky has gotten involved in building awareness because she wants to prevent other families from experiencing the pain that Mike endured. Esophageal Cancer has such a poor survival rate largely because it goes undiagnosed until treatment is rarely effective. That's why ECAN's early detection message is so important. With early detection, new medical procedures for those with a clear risk have produced cure rates of 98%. Until 14 years ago, there was no national advocacy organization fighting to end Esophageal Cancer. Today, the Esophageal Cancer Action Network (ECAN)—led by top physicians, business leaders, and families touched by this devastating disease— is taking this deadly disease head on. Most recently, ECAN's advocacy efforts led to an additional \$11 million in additional Esophageal Cancer research funding by successfully advocating with the U.S. Congress for the inclusion of Esophageal Cancer in the multi-million-dollar Peer-Reviewed Cancer Research Program of the Department of Defense. ECAN also convinced the National Cancer Institute to include Esophageal Cancer in the groundbreaking research conducted by The Cancer Genome Atlas of NCI which was published in 2017. The findings of that research led to approvals for immunotherapy for patients with Esophageal Cancer. In 2009, ECAN launched the drive to make April Esophageal Cancer Awareness Month and has been relentless ever since in efforts to make more Americans aware that Heartburn can cause Cancer. Find out more at www.ecan.org. Mindy Moritz Mordecai, the Chairman and CEO of ECAN, asked Becky to be the honorary chair of this April's Steps to Save Lives campaign. Becky has created "Burk's Bunch", a team of volunteers who plan to raise money and awareness. Team members will try to get donations, but they will also participate in a 5K during the last week of April. If anyone is interested in donating in Mike's memory, or joining the team to walk on his behalf, visit https:// p2p.onecause.com/steps2savelives4-23/team/burks-bunch

# Northwestern: Leading Innovation in Education...

Want Innovation?

-Northwestern has been one of a few select "Future Ready School Districts" since 2017!

Northwestern Middle School and Northwestern High School were two of the original 16 school buildings earning the Battelle STEM Learning Network/Ohio Dept. of Education STEM designation in 2015. In 2019 Northwestern Elementary School became the first elementary school earning the Battelle STEM Learning Network/Ohio Dept. of Education STEM designation. We are proud to also have become the first K-12 STEM School District in Ohio in 2019!

Northwestern has been the "pro exemplar" of STEM and 21st Century Education for over a decade! We have not only been the rural school model, but more-so the model for all schools! In Dec., 2020 Northwestern had its 1,000 visitor touring our STEM, Career, and Academic Programs. We have been conducting tours since 2015 for school leaders throughout Ohio and even educators, administrators, legislators, and state-level public officials from other states. These tours have included school teachers, administrators, board members, as well as public officials, community leaders, legislators, college leaders, community organizations, and business leaders! Our community members are welcome as well. Please contact Director of Curriculum & Personnel Julie McCumber if you are interested in joining a fall, 2023 tour!



Leadership and school culture create the foundation of schools that are future ready. As such, district leadership provides a vital pillar for transformation.

Future Ready District Leaders:

- •invest in collaborative leadership
- •create a dynamic culture of innovation
- •lead the development and support of a vision for teaching and learning that is both individualized, personal and authentic
  - •work diligently to model desired outcomes
- •work diligently to remove unnecessary roadblocks while modeling a culture grounded in relationships and trust
- •empower school-level leaders and every employee to collaborate in creating and implementing their school's vision for teaching and learning while providing the opportunities, time, and needed resources for them to grow professionally

More than 260 incoming open enrolling students each year over the past 10 school years are not wrong – Northwestern has the reputation for being one of the very best schools in Ohio!

Just one more way Huskies are leading the pack in quality education!







#### **Bus Drivers and Van Drivers Needed!**

We have a small number of sub bus drivers and van drivers, but several have limited availability – so we can always use more and keep you busy!

Great hourly rate!

Contact Northwestern Transportation Dept. if you have an interest in the district-paid training, a very good salary, and opportunity for future employment as a van or bus driver! We traditionally have hired from our substitute personnel for full time positions when they occur.

Come substitute for us and get in line for a full time position!

Substitute Teacher Aides, Food Service, and Custodians Needed!

We have need for substitutes in these areas as well. We traditionally have hired from our substitute personnel for full time positions when they occur.

Come substitute for us and get in line for a full time position!

Retirees from any career welcome to apply as well for these and other district positions – your experience is valuable!



# Northwestern FFA Greenhouse Sales

Northwestern FFA is holding its annual greenhouse sale! Our greenhouse is filled with over 1000 pots with many different varieties of flowers and plants. The sale begins April 24th and 25th for Family and Friends. On May 1st-3rd we will be holding a "Bring Your Own Flower Pot" day where you may bring an empty pot and our students will organize a decorative basket or arrangement of flowers to your liking. May 6th, 8th-10th, and 13th the greenhouse will be open to anyone in the public wishing to purchase and help support our FFA chapter. Weekdays, our greenhouse will be open from 2:30PM-6:30PM, and on weekends from 9AM-2PM. Parking will be available behind the High School in front of the greenhouse. Cash and checks are accepted!

Flowers and Herbs are \$4, Succulents are \$8, Ferns are \$20, Terracotta arrangement (small) are \$15, Terracotta arrangement (large) are \$22, Hanging baskets (small) \$15, Hanging baskets (large) \$20, Window Baskets are \$15, and succulent arrangements are \$25. Please stop by and help support our FFA!



**April** 

**TheNorthwestern** 

This year Northwestern Local Schools and Northwestern Ruritans are recognizing 2 Business/Organization Partnership Award Winners for their contributions and support of our Northwestern students, schools, and community!

•CR Blooms
•Wayne Co. FOP
Lodge 94

About Northwestern **Ruritans:** Northwestern Ruritan meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00PM in the Northwestern High School commons. Each meeting begins with a catered meal, followed by a presentation and meeting. Visitors are welcome and new members are encouraged to participate. Ruritans are about "servant leadership" and about "bettering our community". New Members are welcome! Current Presi-Wellert dent Kim Past President Chuck Beck President Dwight Wasson Stay up on the latest Northwestern News by joining our facebook page at "Northwestern Ruritan Club-W. Salem, Oh" or visit on the link through our Northwestern website. This past year, 2022, Northwestern Local Schools and Northwestern Ruritans recognized 2 Business/Organization Partnership Award Winners for their contributions and support of our students, Northwestern schools, and community!

•The American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Post 523 Lodi/West Salem •Frito-Lay, Wooster

Manufacturing Facility
The prior year, in 2021,
Northwestern Local
Schools and Northwestern Ruritans recognized 3
Business/Organization Partnership Award Winners:

•Wayne County Commissioners

•CongressTownship Trustees

•PerryTownship Trustees Northwestern Schools-Ruritan Schools-Ruritan Schools-Ruritan Northwestern Ruritan Northwestern Northwestern Ruritan Northwestern Rurita

Business Recognition Award Business Award of Merit Nomination Form (our 16th year!) Name of Business: CR Blooms Address: 1494 E. Smithville Western Rd., Suite A, Wooster, OH 44691

Phone: (330) 345-1503 Owners: Cheryl and Rick

Boreman

Contributions to school and/or

community:

CR Blooms has been an outstanding partner for Northwestern High School during all 28 years of business in the Wayne County community. Every year, CR Blooms donates the beautiful roses for our homecoming court and any necessary plant décor for our prom grand march. Senior night flowers for all athletic teams and graduation flowers are provided at a minimal cost to the school. Discounts are offered to students for the purchase of homecoming and prom arrangements, while fundraising efforts by student council are supported, as well. In summary, CR Blooms has supported Northwestern Local Schools in every capacity possible when the need arises.

Cheryl and Rick Boreman, and CR Blooms, have shown exemplary community-mindedness towards Northwestern Local Schools during the past several decades. Their contributions toward this district are greatly appreciated by all in Husky Nation.

Name of Business: Wayne Co. FOP Lodge 94

Address: PO Box 717 Wooster OH 44691

Phone: 330-464-3343

Contributions to school and/or

community:

The FOP sponsors Reading Under the Lights and is very generous in helping in any way they can. They have helped with supplying shoes for students in need. Every year they donate backpacks full of school supplies. They help out with Christmas gifts for children and their families. They also sponsor teen driver safety.

# Northwestern Schools-Ruritan Businesses Recognition Award winners over the past 12 years include:

Lodi Lumber Koenig's Korner Scot Industries LuK, USA

Hagans Construction, Inc.

New Pittsburgh Fire & Rescue
Central Farm & Garden, Inc.

American Legion Post #499

Commodity Blenders

West Salem IGA

Town & Country Co-op
Cutter Oil

Romich Foundation/Prentke Romich

Heffelfinger Meats, Inc.

Wellert's A.C. Parts (2015) Owner Kim Wellert Friendly Wholesale Company of

Wooster

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Rice Farms Milk Cartage 300 Tire & Auto George's Alignment American Augers

Congress Township Trustees Wayne County Commissioners

Perry Township Trustees

The American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Post 523 Lodi/West Salem

Frito-Lay, Wooster Manufacturing Facility

The Northwestern Ruritan Club is an organization dedicated to the betterment of our community. Our mission is "to make our community a better place in which to live."

The Ruritans raise funds in three primary ways – by manning the gates of the Wayne County Fair, manning Congress recycling, and through the annual Sausage & Pancake Breakfast held in conjunction with the Northwestern Washington, D. C. Auction the second Saturday of March. There are also several additional projects held in order to raise funds.

The Ruritans provide ongoing community service projects that include:

- •Awarding \$8,000 in Scholarships this spring, 2023 for Northwestern Graduates and hundreds of thousands in scholarships over the years!
- •Northwestern Husky Brigade Distributing donations to active military from our community
- •Northwestern Husky Brigade Annual Golf Outing
- •Community Parade of Flags new this spring, distribution and setting-up United States Flags
- •Providing numerous Northwestern Scholarships each year
- •Sponsoring students for various leadership projects and activities
- •Community Recycling
- •Roadside clean-up
- •Donations for families and organizations in need
- •Buckeye Boys State & Buckeye Girls State Leadership weekend contributions
- •Recognizing area businesses & volunteer organizations for community and school support
- •Cemetery clean-up
- •Support for our Northwestern Schools
- •Support for the Old School House in West Salem
- •Support for the West Salem Town & Country Festival
- •Numerous ongoing and special activities to support our community
- •Northwestern Choir and Drama Program support

# About Northwestern Ruritans:

Northwestern Ruritan meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00PM in the Northwestern High School commons. Each meeting begins with a catered meal, followed by a presentation and meeting. Visitors are welcome and new members are encouraged to participate.

Ruritans are about "servant leadership" and about "bettering our community". New Members are welcome!

Current President: Kim Wellert PastPresident: Chuck Beck Prior President: DwightWasson

Stay up on the latest Northwestern News by joining our facebook page at "Northwestern Ruritan Club-W. Salem, Ohio" or visit on the link through our Northwestern website.

# NORTHWESTERN RURITAN CLUB MEETING NEWS RELEASE:

"Helping Our Community Be a Better Place to Live"

The Northwestern Ruritan Club met on May 8 at 6:30 p.m. for the club dinner/meeting at Northwestern High School (NWHS). President Kim Wellert welcomed members and guests Kevin Coheiser and his wife Paige representing the FOB Lodge #94. The group joined in singing "America" and the invocation was given by Jim Johnson. The dinner served by the NWHS Chefs was enjoyed.

Chuck Beck's treasurer's report was approved subject to audit. Chair Jamie Bowman appreciates members' help with the "Parade of Flags" project. Flags are to be put out about a week before the holiday and taken back in about a week after the holiday. Beck reported that "Husky Brigade" packages will soon be sent to NW area overseas soldiers. He appreciated the "goodies" members brought in this evening for the packages. Beck also reported the Spring roadside trash pickup along Rt 301will be Sat., June 17.

Members have signed up to "man" the recycling bins at the Congress Township House assisting folks from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays (May 6, May 20, June 3, and June 17). A motion was passed that the club donate \$350.00 to the "Brightside Project" in Salem, OH specifying that it go toward East Palestine where the horrible train wreckage occurred. Beck announced the "Reading Under the Lights" program will be held this Summer at NWHS. He appreciates club members who are helping.

With no more business, following the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was adjourned to the HS auditorium for awards & scholarship presentations. Club member/School Superintendent Jeff Layton presented plaques for the two Ruritan/Northwestern Business Recognition Awards. He also presented an Ohio School Board Assoc. Business Honor Roll certificate to each of them. The businesses are:

"Wayne Co. FOP Lodge 94" sponsors "Reading Under the Lights" and are very generous in helping in any way they can. They have helped with supplying shoes for students in need and every year donate backpacks full of school supplies. They help with Christmas gifts for children and their families and sponsor teen driver safety.

"CR Blooms", under the guidance of owners Cheryl and Rick Boreman, has been an outstanding partner for Northwestern High School during all 17 years of business in the Wayne County community. Every year they donate beautiful roses for our homecoming court and any necessary plant décor for our prom grand march. Senior night flowers for all athletic teams and graduation flowers are provided at a minimal cost to the school. Discounts are offered to students for the purchase of homecoming and prom arrangements, while fundraising efforts by the student council are supported, as well.

Layton also presented a Business Honor Roll certificate from the Ohio School Board Assoc. to "Vibe ISO" for their strong support of Northwestern Schools. The NW school board, staff, students, and community also extend their appreciation. Local businesses play a strong role in supporting their community's schools while students get "real world" experiences. It is important that schools and communities support their local merchants and service providers also!

Club member/NWHS Principal Tyler Keener presented certificates to graduating seniors who were selected for scholarships: Brett Alberts, Braiden Barthalow, Florida Blake, Jesse Evans, Audrey Franks, Anna Gendron, Madison Grey, Nolan Hartsel, Brooke McNeil, Gavin Phillips, Kylee Purdy, Jacob Wakefield and Paige Walter. They will be sent their checks this Oct., provided they are attending a school of higher education. These scholarships will total \$8,000.00 to be given this year, which will make a grand total of \$176,180.00 given to 455 students over the last 38 years! Following the presentations, the meeting was adjourned for a "punch & cookies" reception in the cafeteria.

The next Club dinner/meeting will be at 6:30 pm., June 12, 2023, at Northwestern High School. The Director's meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. that evening.







# **State Floriculture**

On April 17th Northwestern Wayne FFA traveled to the Ohio State Fairgrounds for the State Floriculture CDE. The chapter had four members participate at the state level competition. The purpose of the Floriculture Career Development Event is to teach individuals how to construct floral arrangements. Students learn to carefully make corsages, bud vases, and boutonnieres. The members who participated in this CDE were Mary Wellert, Kayla Cutter, Mallory Gilbert, and Kate Johnson. The Floriculture team placed 10th overall in the state. Congratulations to the students who participated in this CDE and represented our chapter!



# **Spring Fling**

On April 3rd Northwestern Wayne FFA hosted a Spring Fling for the chapter. This event was an evening for the chapter members to gather together for an eventful night of fun. Throughout the event members could play cornhole, card games, giant janga, and dance to music. Hotdogs and chips were provided for everyone. The members who attended were Evan Cuthrell, Chase Graham, Luke Wilkinson, Riley Graham, Taryn Stoller, Victoria Aicone, Brooke Hershey, Noah Kolp, Kade Tegtmeier, Hanna Wilson, Mel Imhoff, Mallory Gilbert, Taylor Wurst, Ava Stoller, Addy Connelly, Emma Connelly, Makenna Connelly, Evan McKay, Kaleb Badger, Jacoby Gilbert, Chet McNeil, Alivia Welch, and Jesse Kimble. This was a very casual and relaxing, yet fun, evening for everyone to join together and have some fun!

# Northwestern FFA Sausage Fundraiser

The Northwestern Wayne FFA chapter held its annual sausage fundraiser. The sausage consisted of whole hog sausage that was never frozen and made fresh the day of delivery. Members of the chapter made and bagged the sausage on Januarry 28st and delivered the bags within the same day. The bags came in 5 pounds with the option of spiced (salt and pepper) or non spiced (no seasoning). Each bag was sold at \$20. The chapter sold a total of 893 bags. The students who helped make sausage were Mallory Gilbert, Hanna Wilson, Mel Imhoff, Jacoby Gilbert, Brooklyn Buzzard, Mary Wellert, Kade Tegtmeier, Kirsten Boreman, Kaleb Badger, and Addy Connelly. Thank you to Val Imhoff, Craig Wellert, Randy Tegtmeier, Kyle Wharton, Zane Dilyard, Lee Kimmich, and Lynn Bridenstein who were our Alumni helpers. Carter Gilbert also joined the FFA package sausage, and he is an Early Field Experience Student from ATI. Thank you to those who purchased sausage from our chapter to help with our fundraiser and thank you to Heffelfinger Meats and alumni for allowing Northwestern FFA to make sausage for our fundraiser.



It is hard to believe that the school year is winding down! I been so impressed to learn all that Northwestern has to offer our students over the past six months. We have a multitude of opportunities for each student. We desire to help all individuals find and pursue their passions as we prepare our students for success as they graduate and enter the community.

As we come to the end of this year, we want to congratulate our seniors as they embark on their next venture. We are confident that the skills learned at

Northwestern students com-

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District Science Fair on

March 25 at Ashland Uni-

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Madison Gray, and Steven

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Lorelai Nelson, and Cash

Russell. Of the state qual-

ifiers, many received perfect or near perfect scores.

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# **Tyler Keener Northwestern High School Principal**

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Northwestern High School

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Chupp and Jacob Wake-

field received the Gover-

nor's Award in Advanced

Materials accompanied by

a \$50 award. Paige Walter

received the Governor's

Award in Alternative En-

ergy, Wooster Chemistry

Society Award, and the

Outstanding Student Award

accompanied by \$50, \$75,

ly. Braillee Beun received

the Governor's Award in

Biotechnology and the Dr.

Josh Poorbaugh Award accompanied by \$50 and

\$250 awards respectively. Madison Gray received the Charles River Award accompanied by \$125 award.

awards respective-

# High School

tinually making a commitment to find ways to increase student involvement, engage our learners, and build critical and creative thinking. We look forward to partnering with our families to provide an excellent experience for all our students.

We ask for your support as we build the citizens of tomorrow and I encourage our families to reach out if they have any suggestions to make this high school better for all our students.

I am looking forward to next year as we continue to make this an awesome place for our students. Just as Huskies strive for excellence, will get there together! Let's have a great rest of the year- Go Huskies!

Steven Lagoy received the

Governor's Award in Infor-

# mation Science and Technology and the Naval Academy Award accompanied by \$50 and \$50 awards respectively. In total, Northwestern High School students received \$1130 in cash awards at District Science Fair. Northwestern Elementary School student Ruger White also won the Ohio Soybean Bio Science Award accompanied by \$100 award. Northwestern High School also received the school award for the most students qualifying for State Science Fair as well as the highest percentage of students qualifying for State Science Fair. Overall,



Northwestern had a very

strong showing and earned

many special awards at this

year's District Science Fair.

# **Career Technical Education (CTE)**

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# Senior Showcase and Drama Awards - ONE NIGHT ONLY!

Please join the Northwestern High School Drama Club on Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 7pm for the Class of 2023 Showcase and Drama Club Awards. The show will feature beloved show tunes from prior Northwestern Drama Club shows including Schoolhouse Rock Live, Hello Dolly!, Legally Blonde, The Wizard of Oz, Guys and Dolls, as well as a few surprises! The show is free and open to the public and the house will open for general seating 1 hour prior to show time. Come out and enjoy an evening of cabaret as we wish our incredibly talented seniors well in their future endeavors!







# WINTER SPORTS AWARDS

#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

JV Certificates Nihad Al-Jamal James Cassady Jacob Ebert Asher Erf Wahied Fasihi Caden Grier Will Hamey Payton White

1st Year Letter Winners **Easton Thomas** 

2nd Year Letter Winers Brandon Barnette Owen Ferriman Jacob Ward Anthony Welch

3rd Year Letter Winners Gavin Phillips

4th Year Letter Winners **Brett Alberts** 

WCAL Awards

First Team -**Brett Alberts** 

Honorable Mention-Owen Ferriman Brandon Barnette

District 4 Awards 1st Team - Brett Alberts

Special Awards

Most Points and Most Assists - Brett Alberts

Most 3PT FG - Owen Ferriman and Easton Thomas

Most Rebounds/Blocks -Jacob Ward

Most Assists Best FG% -Anthony Welch

Best Defensive Player-Brandon Barnette Dave Jones Awards -Gavin Phillips



# Girls Basketball

JV Certificates Addy Connelly MaKenna Connelly Sami Herman Kate Johnson Taelyn Lambert Savannah McConahay

1st Year Letter Winners **Emily Thompson** Jailynn Woodruff Kelsee Smith

2nd Year Letter Winners Sydney McConahay Alexis Shepler Alysa Troyan Lillian Wakefield

3rd Year Letter Winners Mariah Thompson Caydence Scale Josie Wright

Special Awards Best FG% - Josie Wright

Best FT% - Caydence Sclae

Best 3 PT% - Jailynn Woodruff

Most Rebounds - Lillian Wakefield

Most Assists- Caydence Scale

Sharon Kline Award -Lillian Wakefield

District 4 Awards

First Team - Caydence Scale

Honorable Mention - Josie Wright

WCAL Awards

First Team - Caydence Scale

Second Team - Josie Wright

Honorable Mention -Sydney McConahay & Lillian Wakefield

#### Cheerleading JV CERTIFICATES

Riellie DeSanto

1st Year Letter Winners Addie Cassidy Ellie Hanshaw Olivia Scarbough

Special Awards

Rising Star - Ellie Hanshaw

Most Spirited - Kierstin Skelly

Miss Northwestern - Kayla Hummel

# Wrestling Awards JV Awards

Claire Buchholz Carter Burgan

1st Year Letter Winners Kaylee Cherry Alberto Collado Will Hamey Caden Holliday Hayden Sigler Daniel Sponseller

2nd Year Letter Winners Ashton Good Blake Good Cole Loy Kevin Mosher

4th Year Letter Winners Collin Good Anthony Huber Trent Sigler

Staticians Claire Buchholz Kaylee Cherry

Special Awards

Most Improved Wrestler -Ashton Good

Coaches Award-Anthony Huber

Life Time Achievement-Trent Sigler

Runkle Award -Collin Good

MVP -Collin Good and Trent Sigler

# NORTHWESTERN LOCAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR

Northwestern

their local science and en-

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26, 2023. The local science

and engineering fair includ-

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area businesses (Schaef-

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Center, Scot Industries,

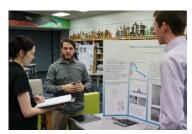
Sherwin Williams). The

judges evaluated the science

fair projects and provided

great feedback for all of the

conducted



Gabe Chupp and Jacob Wakefield present their **Engineering Capstone** Project to Judge Sarah Hinton



Isabella Vacco presents her Clean Energy Capstone Project to Judge Dan Kaufman



Audrey Franks presents her Biomedical Capstone Project to Judge Charlie Hamilton

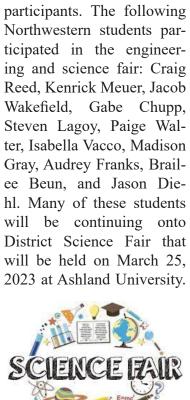


Madison Gray presents her Biomedical Capstone Project to Judge Bobby Neer

Kendrick Meuer and Craig Reed present their

**Engineering Capstone** 

Project to Judge Katie Peters





Jason Diehl prepares to present his Biomedical Project at local science fair



Steven Lagoy presents his Computer Science



# Capstone Project to Judge Jimmy Pooler



# **April**

As we move into the fourth quarter, we are looking forward to celebrating the end of the 2022-2023 schoolyear with our students. Our eighth grade students have several upcoming events, including an amazing trip in May to Washington D.C. to visit our nation's capital. We will also be celebrating our eighth grade students at their Promotion on Friday, May 26 at 8:00am in the Middle School Gymnasium. Our sixth and seventh grade students will also be completing the end of the year with awards and celebrations. We are so proud of our students and their accomplishments. While we complete this school-year, we are working on plans for next year. Students have already completed their scheduling forms and will be able to pick up their schedules in August. Pending Board approval, we are looking to make some changes with the Middle School master schedule, moving from a nine period day to an eight period day. Making this change will allow for more minutes per class period, giving our staff and students more time in each class. When making a change like this, there will be several adjustments we will need to make in order to fit all of our classes in so that our students can experience a great balance of their core academic classes with their wonderful elective courses. Our building leadership team has recently reviewed our student handbook, making some changes for the 2023-2024 school-year. We will be submitting the new handbook to our Board of

# Mrs. Rachel Beun Northwestern Middle school Principal

Education for final approval. We are hopeful that the changes will help to provide clarity to our expectations and school rules. We will continue to focus on Husky PRIDE- Performance, Respect, Integrity, Determination, and fort with Enthusiasm and our other positive behavior incentives and systems. With summer approaching, please continue to watch your child's academic performance through Progress Book. As the weather improves and the sun is shining, sometimes students have trouble staying focused and motivated through May. Please be sure to remind students to finish strong! For any students who have struggled academically this year, we will be offering a summer school during the week of June 5. Students and parents will be notified during the week of May 30 if summer school will be needed to complete the 2022-2023 school-year. This school-year has been wonderful. Thank you to our students and staff for an amazing year, filled with much success and many accomplishments. Thank you to our community and families for your continued support in all that we do at the school. Wishing everyone a safe, healthy, and fun summer! Continue to show your Husky PRIDE in all you do! Go Huskies!

Mrs. Cutter's World Studies class learning to paint like Michelangelo.





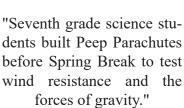






Mrs. Gortner's math class discovering pi using different circles on 3/14.

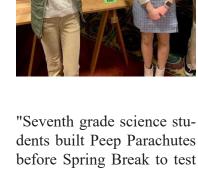












8th grade science fair

superior winners Sophia

Morris and Brookelyn

Nolletti.



# Northwestern FFA Gives Presentation to the Wayne County Fair Board

On January 21st five members of Northwestern Wayne FFA delivered a Recycling presentation to the Wayne County Senior Fair Board. During the presentation the students educated the board members and guests about the recycling program that takes place during the Wayne County Fair. The presentation allowed for the board members to have a better understanding of the process and benefits of this activity. Not only is recycling a yearly event for local Wayne County FFA Chapters, but it is an opportunity for the community to learn about recycling and clean up the local fairgrounds throughout the event. As the FFA motto states, "Living to Serve", hard working FFA members helped with this community service project. The members who delivered the presentation were Hanna Wilson, Kade Tegtmeier, Ava Stoller, Makenna Connelly, and Emma Connelly. Since the start of the recycling program in 2008, the program has recycled 105 tons of recyclables such as plastic, metal, and cardboard. Thank you to Kelly Riley and the Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District and Northwestern FFA members who helped educate the Wayne County Senior Fair Board about the yearly tradition of our Wayne County Fair Recycling Program.

**April** 

**TheNorthwestern** 

# Northwestern Middle School Honor Roll

6th Grade

Leah Altman, Rowan Cottrell, Landon Ellerbrock, Lily Farnsworth, Aubreigh Flack, Grace Hawkins, Karsten Kline, Cash Lindeman, Madeline Morris, Lyric Ogden, Keegan Schaefer, Nora Wakefield, Stephanie Widdows, Leonora Zemancik

7th Grade

Nathaniel Baker, Courtney Cline, Jordan Cline, Dakota Constance, Emma Doll, Grady Ellerbrock, Caleb Gilman, Cara Graham, Leo Guidetti, Colt Hall, Jesse Hanshaw, Maxx Herman, Elcey Imhoff, Case Keener, Kate Keener, Grant Koch, Keagan Kostohryz, Madison Miller, Alexa Perry, Madilyn Smith, Brayden Swank

8th Grade

Emma Altman, Riley Damon, Reed Hamey, Brooke Hershey, Cara McKay, Sophia Morris, Brookelyn Nolletti, Alexia Ridenbaugh, Clara Saal, Taryn Stoller, Alivia Welch

# Merít Roll 2nd Níne weeks

6th Grade

Tessa Buzzard, Jacelyn Cherry, Quinn Conley, Olivia Ellis, Ashlynn Haven, Journey Haven, Mercedes Lorenz, Miya Loy, Jacob Morris, Elliana Murphy, Dominic Nolletti, Keaton Penthany, Austin Pierson, Kaylee Roberson, Blake Sigler, Anabella Smith, Marissa Smith, Miles Terwilliger, Kade Traylinek, Brayden Turnage, Emerson Ulrich, Isabella Virgili

7th Grade

Emily Beeghley, Alexis Black, Deacon Boreman, Lillian Boreman, Taylor Carpenter, McKenzie Cutter, Justin Ebert, Hayden Erf, Breonna Favara, Bruce Grier, Braden Gump, Taryn Hall-Cravens, Cole Herrmann, Kendra Houghton-Smith, Hoyt Hutto, Michael Ivan, Wyatt James, Isabella Justus, Aubrey Kimble, Shiloh McConahay, Colton Morris, Addison Moser, Natalie Posta, Vanessa Rinkes, Bronson Rogers, Elle West, Kashmiere Woods

8th Grade

Victoria Aicone, Garrett Diehl, Franklin Donnelly, Emma Fricke, Riley Grier, Haley Harper, Jacob Howman, Daniel Lee, Aiden Mausolf, Bryce Nussbaum, Aubrey Peeples, Joy Phillips, Mason Salem, Nichole Troyan, Kezia Weaver, Abigail Webel, Grace Wilson

How can support your student to navigate social media appropriately:

- •By friending or following your student's social media account.
- •Limiting screen time: Example: No phone at the dinner table
- •Reminding your student not to share personal in formation online: address, phone number, pass words, etc.
- •Teaching them: Think before you speak. Being mindful about what you say on social media.
- •If you see something speak up: Encouraging students to tell a trusted adult if they see someone post something that may impact a student's safety.





NMS November & December Students' of the Month





7th & 8th grade girls basketball pictures







December spirit day pictures for the middle school.







# Ohio | Department of Education

# Ohio Summer Food Service Program

## **Contact Information**

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Rossalyn Gordon, Education Program Specialis

(614) 752-9799 rossalyn.gordon@education.ohio.gov



All children ages 1 through 18 are eligible to receive free meals during the summer months at participating program sites. Individuals ages 19 through 21 who have been identified as having mental or physical disabilities and are following Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) through their current enrollment in educational programs also are eligible for free summer meals For more information call 1-866-3-HUNGRY (486479).

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Mr. Douglas Hopkins Northwestern Elementary Principal



Mr. Rowe Northwestern Elementary Vice Principal

Believe it or not we are getting to the end of our school year. It has been a fun and busy year for both staff and students. We are proud of everything our staff and students have accomplished this year. A few things have been happening in our building the past couple of months. Our students have been working hard to get ready for the state tests, and they are giving it their all. Our building is excited to see the results this coming summer, and show their hard work paying off. In March, many students were able to show off their vocal skills with our building having three separate concerts. This included our third, first, and second graders doing an amazing job. Thank you to our amazing art teacher Mrs. Orr for putting up creative and fantastic backdrops for our shows. Thank you to grade level teams for coming to the concerts and helping get our students ready. Last but not least, thank you to both Mr. Andrews and Mrs. Crabtree for putting together these amazing shows for our parents.

We also wanted to say a big thank you to our parents for helping with all of our fundraisers, parties, and spirit days. Our family book fair night was a success because of all the parents coming in, and purchasing great books for your kids. Also, a big thank your ro the parent volunteers that helped the book fair be a big success during the school day where kids could shop. Volunteers are needed, and make our events run smoothly. Spirit days have been a huge success with our students, and they love dressing up for these days. We, Mr. Hopkins and Mr. Rowe, enjoy having fun with this as well, and enjoy seeing the smiles on our students' faces when they see what we are dressed as that day. Last big thank you is for the help with our school parties which included our Valentine's Day party this past February. Thank you for helping with bringing in snacks, and helping in the classroom. Our students love this just as much as you do seeing them at school. Our parents have been absolutely amazing this year, and we appreciate all the support you give or building.

We have a few things remaining for this school year. We have two Grandparent Days left which are our fifth graders and our kindergarteners. We have our band and art shows on Tuesday, May 9th. Also, on Tuesday May 23rd and Wednesday, May 24th we have our field day. Fifth grade awards and promotion is on Thursday, May 25th. Friday, May 26th will be our last school day of the year!

We are so proud of our students and staff and how hard they work each day. We have had a lot of obstacles this year, and our building has endured each one, and always making sure we are doing what is best for our community. Thank you again to my amazing staff, and the wonderful parents/caregivers that help our students everyday! Husky pride is definitely in our school. Go Huskies!

# ELEMENTARYSCHOOL

# **Staff Spotlight: Kathy Fortune**





Kathy Fortune is a spectacular 4th grade math teacher, and she has decided that this will be her final year at Northwestern Schools. Mrs. Fortune is the type of teacher that not only thrived in what she taught, but she thrived in how she taught. She did not just want students to remember things, but to learn and apply what they know. Mrs. Fortune wanted to reach her students, and help them to succeed in any way possible. Hearing her in meetings she loved to be positive and even tease some of her team members. One could tell the respect her team has for her, and they also had positive interactions when they were around one another. Mrs. Fortune was a driving member of our math team, and worked hard to understand the curriculum, and the best way to teach our students. She wanted our kids to succeed so much that she helped run our after school tutoring program to support those students who needed it. Mrs. Fortune loves math so much, she even reminded me of a very important math holiday. I, Mr. Hopkins, learned that I will never skip pie day (March 14) ever again because she reminded me of the importance of this day. To say we are going to miss Mrs. Fortune is an understatement. She was respected by her coworkers, supervisors, and students. She is a one in a million type of teacher, and we truly wish you all the best. We would like to end with these words, thank you, Mrs. Fortune, for your years of dedication to education, to Northwestern schools, and especially for all the lives that you have impacted over the years! Enjoy the retirement life!

5th grade
Our SRO Deputy Chellis and the students with their certificates of completion of the Dare Program.







Kindergarten Screening Please call the school if you missed kindergarten screening. We will have a makeup screening on May 10th. Please call for an appointment

The child needs to be 5 by Aug 1st.

Stem Preschool 2023-24 School Year

School Year: August thru May - Application under Printable Forms on the Elementary website. Please call the elementary for more details or if you have any questions.

We have a few seats available, please get your application in soon.

Different Payment Options Available: \$240.00 Per Month for 10 months or \$200.00 for 12 months.

APRIL - Elementary PEP-PERONI ROLLER FUND-RAISER - Back by popular demand!

Delivery will be in May. Please contact an elementary student or call the school, 419-846-3519

"Northwestern Elementary is offering Fresh Pepperoni Rollers as a delicious fundraiser! Just \$2.50 each or purchase by the case of 13 rollers to freeze for later! Great snacks for the kids, or easy dinners! Also now available, New Specialty Rollers for \$3 each. We make \$1.25 profit on each roller sold!

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ON WINNING THE BOOKMARK CONTEST!

The top three winners per grade level have won the bookmark contest

# Kindergarten

1st place- Kaceigh Flack 2nd place- Ava Knapp 3rd place- Brock Jackson

#### 2nd Grade

1st place- Kynsley Cherry 2nd place- Hattie Martinez 3rd place- Colton Harden

#### 4th Grade

1st place- Kimmy Jeffery 2nd place- Benjamin Humphrey 3rd place- Sarah Small

#### 1st Grade

1st place- Kaley Badger 2nd place- Hadley Dickens 3rd place- Elise Mickolick

#### 3rd Grade

1st place- Graham Hawkins 2nd place- Joe Sloan 3rd place- Oakley Kopronia

#### 5th Grade

1st place- Jaylynn Nixon 2nd place- Adley Harbaugh 3rd place- Arianna Miller



# **Community Pantry Box**

Northwestern Local Schools, Wooster Community Kitchen, and the wooster hope center are proud to offer items to anyone in our community who needs them.

No forms, No questions. Take waht you need! Located At the south side of Northwestern Elementary in the drive that goes to the ball feilds.

Items restocked by the NHS national honor society every monday and friday (or as needed-including holdiday breaks) 2022-23 Safety Patrol received certificates and enjoyed a pizza party to conclude the year. These students helped daily to keep their classmates safe.









Mrs. Harbaugh's 2nd grade class did a stem activity using q-tips to make symmetrical skeletons based on the book Bonaparte Falls Apart.

# Northwestern FFA Participates in State Parliamentary Procedure

On Saturday, December 17th, Northwestern FFA participated in the State Parliamentary Procedure CDE at Delaware Area Career Center. The Advanced Parliamentary Procedure team competed at the state level and placed 2nd in their room. They placed in the top 10 of the state. The students had to conduct a meeting with the following requirements: it must include all of the discussion items on the card for the meeting within 12 minutes. The meeting is scored on the abilities that are accomplished, the debates, along with receiving points for the finished motions. During the meeting the students have to display a knowledge of Parliamentary Law as well as their ability to present logical, realistic, and convincing debates and motions. The members had to conduct a meeting just as they did for districts. The team consisted of Hanna Wilson (President), Mallory Gilbert (Secretary), Kade Tegtmeier (Member), Preston Wilcox (Member), Kirsten Boreman (Member), Kayla Cutter (Member), and Evan McKay (Member). Northwestern FFA is very proud of those who participated at the state level to represent Northwestern FFA. Congratulations to our competitors.

# Feed a Farmer

The Northwestern FFA held Feed a Farmer on November 4th at Commodity Blenders LLC. Feed a Farmer is an event where our local farmers can come and receive a warm meal served by our Northwestern FFA Chapter officers. The food prepared was cheesy potatoes, greenbeans, hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, brownies, and water. The Officers who attended Feed a Farmer were Kirsten Boreman, Hanna Wilson, Emma Connelly, Addy Connelly, Mackenna Connelly, Kate Johnson, Chet McNeil, Kade Tegtmeier, and Ava Stoller. Northwestern FFA greatly appreciates all of the farmers who put their time into putting food on the table for us. Northwestern FFA was able to feed 60 community farmers. Our chapter had a great time serving our local farmers along with a chance to thank them in person for their hardwork.



# Spanish Class

























# Job Openings

For the 2023-2024 school year: To apply submit an application, letter of interest and resume to the person listed by Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., or until filled **Elementary School** 4th Grade Teacher Appropriate licensure required Salary: Per Negotiated Salary Schedule Contact: Douglas Hopkins, Principal nrws dhopkins@tccsa.net Middle School 8th Grade Science Teacher Appropriate licensure required Salary: Per Negotiated Salary Schedule Contact: Rachel Beun, Principal nrws\_beun@tccsa.net High School Boys Head Soccer Coach Girls Head Soccer Coach Salary: Per Negotiated Salary Schedule Contact: Anita Jorney-Gifford, High School Athletic Director/Assistant Principal nrws\_ajgifford@tccsa.net For the 2022-2023 school year. To apply submit an application, letter of interest and resume to the person listed by Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. Administrative Secretary Central Office 206 days/year Duties are split between Transportation and EMIS reporting Salary: This is an Exempt position Contact: Jeffrey N. Layton, Superintendent



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Ag in the Preschool

On March 23rd Northwestern Wayne traveled to Panda Preschool for an Ag in the Preschool Day. During this time the officers set up three different stations for the kids to enjoy. The kids were divided into three groups and the kids spent 20 minutes at each station. This first station consisted of a chicken craft. The children had to glue on pieces of pre-cut paper for the beak of the chicken, then glue on googly eyes, and the officers traced the kids hands and cut them out for the comb of the chicken. The next station consisted of story time, the children were able to sit in a circle and listen to the officers read a book to them with a few fun questions mixed in. The last station was loved by all the children, being the petting zoo. The officers brought young animals such as goats, sheep, pigs, and rabbits for all the children to pet. Once all the children had gone through the stations the officer team passed out cupcakes that were decorated as pigs and then handed out cups of chocolate milk. The officer team had a great time sharing the FFA experience with the younger children, and the team hopes to have sparked an interest for the future generations of the organization.





Northwestern FFA District and State Agriculture Sales

On February 28th Northwestern Wayne FFA competed in district Agriculture Sales at Crestview High School. Agriculture Sales is a Career Development Experience that is developed to gain students experience and skills for the marketing and sales of Agricultural products. Each team consists of four team members. The individual's score goes towards the final results as a team for placings. Each team is assigned a product that is being sold by the team to their customers. This year the Ag Sales team had to sell Val6 space heaters. The students had to be educated to the best of their abilities about all aspects of the heaters such as the cost, the size, how much fuel is needed, and which heater suits the space being heated. The team consisted of Evan Cuthrell, Logan Garman, Taylor Liedgh, Kade Tegtmeier, Mary Wellert, Taylor Wurst, and Ava Stoller. Taylor Leidigh, Kade Tegtmeier, Ava Stoller, and Mary Wellert represented Northwestern FFA at the district competition. As a team Northwestern placed 2nd in district competition.

On March 14th the Agriculture Sales team competed at the state competition at the Ohio FFA Expo Center. As a team they placed 4th in the state. The team consisted of Kade Tegtmeier, Taylor Wurst, Ava Stoller, and Mary Wellert. Taylor Wurst placed 5th in the state as well as Mary Wellert placing 10th



On February 8th Northwestern Wayne FFA competed at GlenOak High School for the Public Speaking CDE. Public speaking may be feared by many, but Northwestern FFA had two students take the lead to deliver a speech and recite the FFA Creed. Public speaking is a great way for students to gain confidence in their abilities, and to be able to speak infront of people. Jamison Gilbert delivered a Beginning Prepared speech about world hunger. Jamison had to write his own speech which had to be six to eight minutes long. His speech had to be informative as well as creative to be presented to a panel of judges. Jake Howman recited the FFA Creed. The FFA Creed was written by E. M. Tiffany as a guideline to the FFA. Jake had to recite it from memory followed by a few questions on the FFA Creed. Jamison placed 5th place for his Beginning Prepared speech, and Jake placed 4th for reciting the FFA Creed. Just as the FFA Creed states, "I believe in leadership from ourselves and respect from others" both Jamison and Jake have displayed their leadership



in the Public Speaking CDE.





Greenhand and Chapter Degree Ceremony

On February 15th Northwestern FFA hosted their annual Greenhand and Chapter Degree Ceremony. This ceremony is to recognize and award the first and second year members in FFA for their hardwork and time in the program. The Greenhand Degree is awarded to those who have completed their first year as an FFA member. The students had to show that they had a thorough understanding of the FFA program as well as its history and its purpose. These students also had to have a Supervised Agricultural Experience project of their choice. Lastly, students had to recite the FFA Creed and answer questions concerning the Creed. The members who received their Greenhand award were Christian Aguilar, Victoria Aicone, Trenton Becerra, Corbin Chanay, Evan Cuthrell, Natalie Dobbins, Elaina Donnelly, Logan Fiala, Madison Fraizer, Chase Graham, Riley Graham, Cameron Howell, Jake Howman, Shaun Jacklin, Andi Jackson, Lucas Jenkins, Brayden Knapp, Noah Kolp, Taylor Leidigh, Colton Mark, Arian Means, Lucas Mooney, Jackson Morris, Grace Noble, Keith Pierson. Mckenna Ramsier, Rylie Ramsier, Olivia Scarbrough, Logan Shriver, Ian Sklenicka, Audrina Smith, Bricen Snow, Ravenna Stiegelmeyer, Taryn Stoller, Alaric Trimble, Kelsey Walkuski, Alivia Welch, Allison Wellert, Audrey Wilcox, and Luke Wilkinson. Each Greenhand member received a bronze pin for their award. Congratulations to those who received their Greenhand award.

Jake Howman recited the FFA Creed by E. M. Tiffany to those who attended the ceremony and the recipients of awards.

The chapter also had several members who achieved the Chapter FFA Degree. The recipients of the Chapter award had to meet the requirements of two years active in FFA, demonstration of skills of a Greenhand and additional skills set by the chapter, state, and National Organization, present a six minute speech, lead a class discussion, and lastly

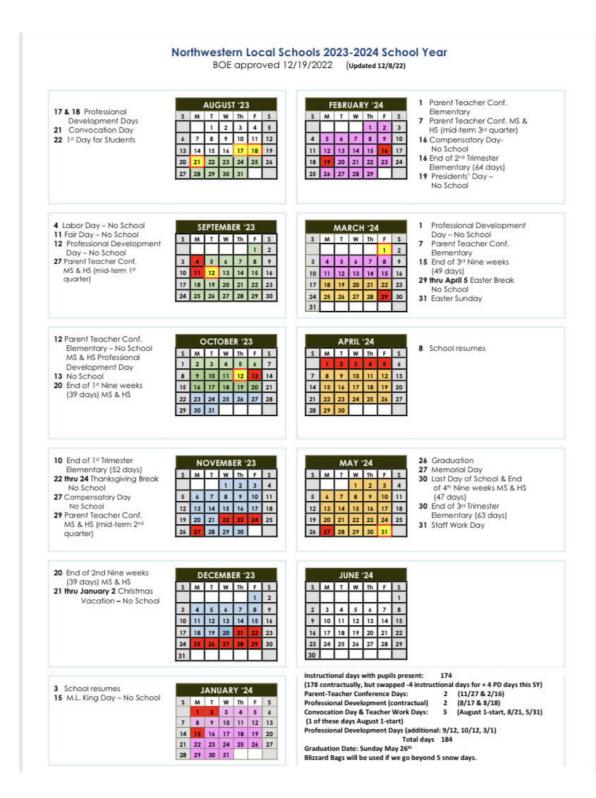
obtaining 50 hours or earning \$150 in a Supervized Agricultural Experience. The students who received the Chapter Degree award were Mallory Bloom, Addie Cassidy, Kaylee Cherry, Alberto Collado, Addy Connelly, Emma Connelly, Makenna Connelly, Harper Flores, Braiden Franks, Cheyenne Friend, Kate Johnson, Kace Hixson, Nevaeh Kirk, Evan Mckay, Chet McNeil, Gabriella Riedel, Kelsee Smith, Chloe Starcher, and Easton Thomas. Each Chapter degree member received a silver pin for their chapter degree. Congratulations to the recipients of the Chapter Degree award.

Northwestern FFA had Mr. Tyler Keener who spoke at the ceremony. Tyler Keener is the Principal of Northwestern High School, and previously served as a consultant and coach to Ohio school districts in State Support Team Region 9, focusing on school improvement and principal coaching. Tyler is a 1997 graduate of Northwestern High School, where he was active in FFA as a member and officer. His speech included a meaningful message about the FFA organization and the path you choose to follow. Thank you to Mr. Keener for sharing his words of wisdom to our chapter. After the ceremony sweet treats and punch were served. Northwestern FFA is very grateful to have so many incredible members who are passionate and dedicated to FFA. Congratulations to these hard working members for their dedication and awards.









Heather Tegtmeier received the Owl Award (Our beloved Veteran Ag. Teacher Heather Tegtmeier has been recognized for her knowledge, experience, and efforts teaching & guiding our students in leading our extraordinary Agricultural Science program here are Northwestern! Heather has been recognized as 1 of 10 Ohio FFA Owl Award finalists today at our 1:30 FFA pep rally. She has a great shot at earning the state award and deserves this!)



We have FOUR state qualifying entries.

Anna Gendron (12)- Clay Bust - Ceramics Anna Gendron (12)- In My Dreams and Solitude -Painting Dani Wilkes (12)- Those Good Old Days - Ceramics Dani Wilkes (12)- Her Revelation - Ceramics





#### DON'T MISS OUT!!

Board of Education Meeting Board President John Smith 3rd Monday each month 6:30 p.m.

**HS** Library

All Sports Association President Bill Arthur 1st Monday each month 7:30 p.m.

**HS Commons** 

Music Boosters President Audrey Pollizi 3rd Tuesday each month 7:00 p.m.

( Do not meet June, July, December)

HS Band room

Ruritans President Kim Wellert 2nd Monday each month 7:00 p.m.

**HS** Commons

Football Club President Tommy Guidetti 3rd Monday each month 7:00 p.m. HS Commons

Soccer Club President Steve Wellert 1st Tuesday each month 6:00 p.m.

Elementary Cafeteria

Elementary PTO
President Alison Fiala
Meetings 3:45 ES Library TBA



We had a student, Braydan Springer, sing with the All Ohio Choir at the Governor's Inauguration

**April** 



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