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FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT.....

I have a feeling that we will appreciate spring this year, if it ever gets here. We were closed 11 days and in addition had numerous two hour delays, resulting over 100 hours of lost learning. Recent legislation granting four additional calamity days, after making up four contingency days, puts us back on course. The Good News: by using three e-days when closed and being in session on President's Day we will not have to make up any additional days. As scheduled, the last student day is Thursday May 22, 2014 and graduation will be held Sunday, May 25, 2014.

However, we are concerned that with the Ohio Graduation Tests (OGT) staying on schedule we know we lost a lot of instruction. Research shows that for every ten days lost there is a significant drop in student performance on assessments. We should know by the end of May. The state did add one week to the Ohio Achievement Assessments (OAA) testing window, but we still have the deficit of 100 hours of lost instruction. We should know OAA results by the first of July. The later reporting also impacts student retention in the third grade per state legislation on the "third grade reading guarantee"; and a shorter window for remediation.

We will share details in our summer edition of Tiger Talk. Again, please do not hesitate to contact me (<u>pfisterc@wgschools.org</u> or 419-568-9104) if you have ideas, suggestions, or concerns...we want the best opportunities and learning experiences for all of our students.

New Office Security Measure

A new security measure has recently been added to the entry doors in both the Elementary and High School offices. Beginning soon, all office doors at the Elementary and High School will be locked throughout the entire day. Anyone wishing to enter the building during the day will need to be "buzzed" into the office. Several other schools in the area have been using this same procedure for a while and now Waynesfield-Goshen can join them thanks to a grant from the Ohio School Facilities Commission.

An intercom system has been placed at each office entrance featuring a call button. Once the visitor presses the call button, they will be able to speak with office personnel. Office staff will need to clearly identify and see the visitor before allowing them entry into the building. This would apply to any visitor coming to W-G during the school day.

Please be aware of this change and let us know if you have any questions by calling either school office or the Superintendent's office at 419-568-9101.



Waynesfield-Goshen Local School **District** is always looking for ways to be more efficient and effective in our fiscal policies. While it may seem like a minor issue to some, the collection of non-sufficient fund (NSF) checks is a time consuming and costly issue. As with any Waynesfield-Goshen Local School business, District has an obligation to our clients and the community's taxpayers, to be fiscally accountable. Collecting returned checks can take valuable time from the school district personnel. To manage this process, our District began using checXchangeTM on March 1, 2014.

checXchangeTM utilizes the federal and state laws allowing the electronic recovery of NSF checks which results in a high rate of recovery at no cost to the School District. The cost becomes the responsibility of those who wrote nonsufficient fund checks with the electronic recovery of the face amount of the check and the electronic recovery of the state fee from the bad check writer's bank account. Utilizing checXchangeTM is an effort by the School District to be fiscally accountable in a more efficient and cost effective manner.

Waynesfield-Goshen Local School District will gladly accept checks. No longer will the district or school staff arrange for the repayment of returned checks. Should your check be returned for insufficient funds, you expressly authorize your account to be electronically debited or bank drafted for the amount of the check plus any applicable fees. The use of a check is your acknowledgement and acceptance of this policy and its terms and conditions.

Please include the following information on your check:

- Full name
- Street Address
- Home phone number
- Cell phone number

MEALS PLUS - A Convenient Way to Pay

If you currently don't have a Meals Plus account, go to www.lunchprepay.com, to sign up for a free account that allows you to put money on your child's lunch account from your own home! You can use a credit card to apply as much as you want to your child's account eliminating having to send in a check or cash with your child. You can also

view your child's balance and receive emails to let you know when your child's lunch balance falls below a specified amount. All that is needed is your child's student identification number to enroll. If you have any questions, contact the Treasurer, Tonia Hovest at 419-568-9100.

Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA) Testing Schedule

Students in grades 3 through 8 will be taking the OAA's this coming spring. Please do not schedule appointments or vacations during these testing dates. Students should get plenty of rest, eat a good breakfast and get to school on time. All testing will be administered in the mornings.

Tuesday, April 29: Grades 3 & 4 - Reading

Wednesday, April 30: Grades 5 & 8 - Reading

Thursday, May 1: Grades 3 & 4 - Math

Friday, May 2: Grades 5 & 8 - Math

Tuesday, May 6: Grades 5 & 8 - Science

Friday, May 9: Grades 6 & 7 - Math

Parent resources for this state testing can be found on the ODE website at www.ode.state.oh.us.

OPEN ENROLLMENT POLICY

Applications for participation in the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Program may be obtained at the Waynesfield-Goshen Local District Board Office, by calling 419 568-9101 or on line at wgschools.org. One application shall be submitted for each student who requests a transfer to Waynesfield-Goshen Local Schools under the Open Enrollment Program. Completed applications can be submitted to the Office of the Superintendent. Applications will be acted upon, and the student's school district of residence notified. Once a student is accepted as a participant in the Open Enrollment Program, the student needs to initiate and complete the required enrollment procedures.

School Items Up For Auction

Waynesfield-Goshen is embarking on a new era! Items that the Waynesfield-Goshen School District is no longer in need of will be posted on the Public Surplus Auction website at www.publicsurplus.com.

As a member of the community, you can register to use this site for free. You may browse this website at your convenience. Once you register you can set your profile to receive certain notifications of items you may be interested in purchasing.

The auction information is also available on the W-G school website (wgschools.org) under Home and Current Auction Items.

Fourth and Fifth Grade Science News

The annual Science Super Bowl was held the week of February 17th. At the beginning of the year, students in Mrs. Spees' science classes chose NFL teams they wanted to represent. They participated in board races about science topics following the real NFL schedule to compete for the best spots in the play-offs that began in January.

In the fifth grade, Peyton Spencer, representing the Tampa Bay Buccaneers faced off against Claire Valenti, representing the New York Giants. Peyton won the championship. She was a repeat champion, having won the



championship in the fourth grade as well. Both teams finished with a 16-5 record.



Steinke, representing the Diego Chargers San competed against Leah Werner, representing the New York Giants. Cole won the championship and both of these teams also finished with 16-5 a record. Congratulations to all Super **Bowl**

In the fourth grade, Cole

participants!

Elementary Art News

Elementary art students have been busy at work creating masterpieces! Their favorite projects will soon be shared with their family and community members at the Elementary Art Show on May 8 from 4 to 6 PM in the school auditeria. There you will see a wide selection of projects they have completed throughout the year. If you haven't gotten a chance to

see their amazing projects in the display case, there are pictures of samples on my teacher web page (Mrs. Kiefer). Take a look!

30 elementary works of art were chosen to be displayed at the Riverside Art Center in Wapakoneta

during the months of January and February. The chosen artwork belonged to Bella Fry, Macey Tippie, Tait Petrosky, Charlotte Maxwell, Isaac Fent, Raegan Hutchison,



Taryn Fraley, Haley Faulder, Kyra Sutherland, Devyn Dotson, Gracie Hayes, Rylie Barrington, Nick Buchanan, Savannah Spain, Graham Knerr, Hunter Craig, Cassidy Bigelow, Ryleigh Bigelow, Krisalyn Kohlreiser, Emily Moran, Kayla Myers, Noah Dotson, Addie Tudor, Kort Sutherland, Aurora Belew, Molly Zechman, Victoria Gossard, and Maddie Flinn. It was very inspiring to see my students' art hung in a gallery setting. Many of them attended the opening ceremony and received a certificate and a bag of art goodies to encourage the use of their creativity.



The Muchinippi WinterFest Committee sponsored a poster contest for the third, fourth, and fifth grade students. The students designed posters that advertised the day.

location, and the activities that would be offered to the community during the WinterFest. Poster winners for the third grade were first place Kyra Sutherland, second place Madison Ewing, and third place Kennedy Bigelow. Fourth grade winners were first place Kyleigh Bigelow, second place Molly

Zechman, and third place Savannah Spain. Fifth grade poster winners were first place Kort Sutherland, second place Peyton Spencer, and third place Maddie Allen.



All posters entered into the contest were displayed at the WinterFest for all attendees to see. A special thanks to Sue Spencer for creating the display of posters!

Although the school year will soon be winding down, the glass cases will remain fully decorated with the students' artworks. We welcome you to stop in and take a peek at what they have been up to!

Waynesfield-Goshen Spelling Bee

Classroom Spelling Bee winners in grades 4-8 participated in the Waynesfield-Goshen Schools Spelling Bee on February 21, 2014. Congratulations to the students that accomplished making it to the school competition. The winner of this year's Spelling Bee is Taryn Fraley. She is in the fourth grade and the daughter of Shaun and Jennifer Fraley. The runner up



was Claire Valenti and she is in the fifth grade, daughter of Chad and Krista Valenti.

Congratulations to Taryn and Claire! Taryn went on to the



Regional competition on March 22 at Lima Senior HS.

Student Recognition

Army National Guard Pvt. Spencer Case has graduated

from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, core



values and traditions. Additional training included development of basic combat skills and battlefield operations and tactics, and experiencing use of various weapons and weapons defenses available to the infantry crewman.

Spencer is the son of Brad and Jill Case and is a senior at W-G.

News from the Music Department

Waynesfield-Goshen Local Schools was well-represented at the Ohio Music Education Association District III Junior High Festival. 8th



Education graders Kaitlyn Allen (soprano), Justin Agnew (baritone). and seventh grader, Veda Knerr (alto) were accepted into the Honors Choir; Dawson Carmean (8th grade,

saxophone) was selected into the Honors Band. On Friday, March 7, the ensembles rehearsed from 6 pm-9

pm. The following day, the ensembles rehearsed for another 3½ hours before presenting the Festival Concert, Saturday, March 8th at 3pm at Wapakoneta's beautiful Performing Arts Center. The concert was a great success, so please congratulate our young student musicians for their wonderful accomplishments!

Junior High Festival members were selected based on recommendation of their respective directors. OMEA DIII is comprised of schools from Allen, Auglaize, Hancock, Hardin, Paulding, Putnam, Mercer, and Van Wert Counties.

Tiger suds and softener sale



~~~don't forget to order your detergent and softener~~~

# SALE STARTS – APRIL 4 THRU APRIL 17 Order forms may be picked up in the Elementary/HS Offices at that time.

W-G Academic Boosters
appreciate your support!!!!!!
All proceeds go toward scholarships,
items for student rewards and
classroom needs.

### THANK YOU!

The Academic Boosters thank all the volunteers that helped out in the concessions stand this basketball season and all the community members who supported the chicken/pork dinners this year. Your support is greatly appreciated!

### WG FFA Applies for Awards



WG FFA members Six recently submitted applications for State Degrees Degrees, American proficiency award to be judged at the WG FFA is proud to state level. announce that all three of the members Kindsey Salver-Watts, Danielle Heintz,

and Brandon Turner who submitted State FFA Degree applications earned the award and will be presented the golden charm of the State FFA Degree at the upcoming state convention held in May. Lee Turners application for American FFA Degree has been passed by the state FFA and will be sent to the national for further judging this summer. Mindi Brookhart and Brandon Turner also submitted proficiency award applications on their supervised agriculture experience projects to be judged and both were rather successful. Brookhart finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the district (the first place contestant in our district is in the top four in the state) with her application based on her work as FFA district and local vice president. Turner submitted three applications for his work in specialty crops, emerging agriculture technologies and turf grass management. Turner placed in the top four in the state in both specialty crops and emerging technology and will be interviewed at the state convention to determine his final placing in each category. He also place first in the district in turf grass Applications take several hours of a management. student's time and a great attention to detail in language arts, mathematics and photography, congratulations to all the applications on a great evaluation.

### WG Ag. Students Build Hydraulic Robots

The Plant Science class recently completed a unit on Hydraulics (the mechanical force of liquid) by building and demonstrating a machine that could contain an egg and move it at least 3 inches and release the egg without breaking the fresh egg. While this sounds like a simple straight forward project it takes some engineering, thinking and building expertise. Four groups competed in the competition judged by the physics instructor, Mr. Kevin Wingfield and Head of Maintenance, Mr. Tim Buffenbarger. The judges chose the machine of Brandon Turner and Caleb Beale as the best mover of eggs but it was noted that this competition was the closest to date because all machines accomplished the task on the first try. Other groups were Lake

Turner, Annie Glover, Desiree Caster, Lucas Gray, Craig Green, and Logan Keiser. Pictured: Brandon Turner and Caleb Beale working on their egg moving robot.



# Engineering Structure and Power Class lights it up!

Mrs. Dyer's engineering, structure and power class recently completed a unit on electricity, using it safely and wiring it correctly. Students were given a choice of projects. Students wired lamps that they could then take home and light up their homes or built wiring models

with receptacles, switches, plugs and lamp sockets. These same students also completed a plumbing project where they made hillbilly golf games, marshmallow shooters, or pipe table bases.

Pictured: Lucas Gray with his Ohio State Football Helmet Lamp.



### **Animal Science Gone to the Birds**

The Animal Science students built bird houses at the end of the unit on the care and housing of livestock. Each member of the class choose one bird species for which to build a house. The students found that birds are rather particular about their surrounding and while most birds will live in manmade structures they will only live in them if they meet very strict criteria for cavity size, entrance hole size, ventilation and color. Student Jessica

Motter said "using the tools wasn't as difficult as I thought it would be and I am happy with how my bird house looks, but I probably will only use it for decoration and not put it out for the birds". Student Lake Turner, sold his house to a staff member who planned to put it in his mother's yard to attract purple martins.



Pictured: Lake Turner with his purple martin house ready for delivery.



### 2014-15 W-G School Calendar

| August    | 14<br>19       | Open House 5-7:00 p.m. First Day of School                                             |
|-----------|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| September | 1 2            | No School- Labor Day<br>No School- Teachers Mtg.                                       |
| October   | 17             | 1PM Early Dismissal/End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Grading Period                              |
| November  | 26<br>27<br>28 | No School – Thanksgiving<br>No School-Thanksgiving<br>No School – Thanksgiving         |
| December  | 19<br>22       | 1PM Early Dismissal/End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grading Period<br>No School-Christmas Break |
| January   | 5<br>16<br>19  | Classes Resume<br>No School – Teachers Mtg.<br>No School – M.L. K. Day                 |
| February  | 16             | No School – Presidents Day                                                             |
| March     | 13             | 1PM Early Dismissal/End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grading Period                              |
| April     | 2              |                                                                                        |
|           | 2<br>3<br>6    | No School – Easter Break<br>No School – Easter Break<br>No School – Easter Break       |

### 1157 Hours Scheduled

### **Grading Periods:**

| 1. | Aug. 19 | - | Oct. $17 = 42 \text{ days}$ |
|----|---------|---|-----------------------------|
| 2. | Oct. 20 | - | Dec. $19 = 42 \text{ days}$ |
| 3. | Jan. 5  | - | Mar. $13 = 47$ days         |
| 4. | Mar. 16 | _ | May $22 = 47$ days          |

### Register Now for Kindergarten Screening!

Registration for children entering Kindergarten for the 2014/15 school year will be held **April** 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, at the school's Media Center. Children need to be 5 years old before September 30, 2014. The Ohio Department of Education requires this screening.

To set up an appointment, call the Elementary Office at 419-568-9100 from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm.

Parents will need to provide their child's legal birth certificate, social security number, immunization records, two proofs of residence and custody papers if applicable.

### "GET A JUMP START ON YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION"

Come join the fun at the Waynesfield-Goshen Preschool!

AM Class: 8:00-10:30 PM Class: 12:15-2:50

(Bus transportation available)

### OPENINGS NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE 2014/15 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration deadline: May 20, 2014 There is a \$45.00 non-refundable registration fee due at that time to secure a spot.

For more information call: 419-569-9100 Ext. 13 (Preschool Rm.)

### NWCC LEAGUE AWARDS

Congratulations to the HS Girls Basketball Team for their NWCC Championship! The following were individual NWCC awards. Congratulations!

Emily Patton: 1<sup>st</sup> Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All District Abbie VanHorn: 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

Abbie VanHorn: 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Sydney Buffenbarger: 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Kenzie Jarnagin: 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

Lidia Turner: Honorable Mention, District 8

All-Star Game Participant

Chelsea Spencer: Honorable Mention

Lake Turner: 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

Jeron Hennon: Honorable Mention Matt Motter: Honorable Mention April 2014

| April 2014 |                                                                                            |                                                                                                       |                                                |                                                                                                                                 |                                                               |                                                                                   |
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| Sunday     | Monday                                                                                     | Tuesday                                                                                               | Wednesday                                      | Thursday                                                                                                                        | Friday                                                        | Saturday                                                                          |
|            |                                                                                            | 1<br>4:30 HS Track @<br>Hardin Northern<br>5:00 BB/SB<br>vs. USV                                      | 2                                              | 3 5:00<br>BB/SB @ USV<br>JH Track @ Elida<br>JV SB vs.<br>Ft. Loramie                                                           | 4 2 Hour Late Arrival Day 5:00 HS Track @ Perry               | 5 9:00 HS Boys Track @ Versailles 12:00 BB/SB @ Perry (DH)                        |
| 6          | 5:00<br>BB/SB vs. Ada<br>JV SB @ Parkway                                                   | Spring Picture Day 5:00 HS Track @ Fairlawn BB @ New Knoxville SB vs. Anna 5:30 Academic Booster Mtg. | 7PM Athletic<br>Booster Mtg.                   | Kindergarten Registration 4:30 JH Track @ Kenton 5:00 BB vs. New Knoxville JV SB @ Allen East SB vs. Cory- Rawson 6:30 PS Night | 11 Kindergarten Registration  4:45 HS Track @ Celina  Musical | 9:30 JH Track @<br>Ft. Loramie<br>1:00 BB/SB @<br>Spencerville<br>(DH)<br>Musical |
| 13         | 14 5:00 BB/SB @ Lehman Catholic JH Track vs. J.C., Fairlawn,AE 7PM Board of Education Mtg. | 5:00 BB/SB vs.<br>Lehman Catholic<br>HS Track vs.<br>LB & USV                                         | 16                                             | 4th Qtr. Estimate Interim  5:00 HS Track @ Coldwater                                                                            | No School<br>Easter<br>Vacation                               | 9:00 JH Track @<br>Ft. Loramie<br>11:00 BB/SB @<br>Kenton (DH)                    |
| 20         | No School Easter Vacation 4:30 JH Track @ Hardin Northern 5:00 JV SB vs. Riverside         | 5:00<br>BB/SB @<br>Riverside<br>HS Track @ USV                                                        | 23                                             | 24<br>4:30 JH Track @<br>Riverside<br>5:00 BB/SB vs.<br>Riverside                                                               | 25 Interim Grades Sent Home 5:00 W-G Tiger Track Invitational | 26                                                                                |
| 27         | JH Track vs. Bluffton, Temple, Kenton  JV SB vs. Perry                                     | BB vs. Temple C. HS Track @ Wapakoneta JV SB @ Riverside SB vs. Jackson C                             | FCCLA/<br>American<br>Red Cross<br>Blood Drive |                                                                                                                                 |                                                               |                                                                                   |

May 2014

| Sunday | Monday                                             | Tuesday                                                        | Wednesday                                    | Thursday                                                                 | Friday                         | Saturday                                                                  |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|        |                                                    |                                                                |                                              | 5:00 BB @ Temple<br>JV SB vs.<br>Wapakoneta                              | 2                              | 9:00 HS Track @<br>Liberty Benton<br>11:00 BB/SB<br>vs. Ridgemont<br>(DH) |
| 4      | 5<br>5:00 JV SB vs.<br>St. Marys<br>SB @ St. Marys | 5:00 JV SB @<br>New Bremen                                     | 7                                            | 5:00 JH Track Tiger Invitational JV SB @ West Liberty Salem              | 5:00 HS Track @<br>Indian Lake | 9:00 JH Track @<br>Anna                                                   |
| 11     | 7:00<br>MS/HS Spring<br>Concert                    | 5:30 Academic<br>Booster Mtg.<br>6:30 Academic<br>Awards Night | 7PM Athletic<br>Booster Mtg.                 | 5:00 NWCC Track<br>at W-G                                                | 16                             | 17<br>10:00 NWCC<br>Track at W-G                                          |
| 18     | 7PM Board of<br>Education Mtg.                     | 6:30 Spring<br>Sports Award<br>Night                           | 8:15<br>Elementary<br>Honor Roll<br>Assembly | W-G Last Day<br>1:00 Early<br>Dismissal<br>2:00 8th Grade<br>Recognition | 23                             | 24                                                                        |
| 25     | 26                                                 | 27                                                             | Have a<br>Great<br>Summer!                   | 29                                                                       | 30                             | 31                                                                        |

### WANT TO BE A SCHOOL BUS DRIVER?

Waynesfield-Goshen Schools are looking for individuals who would be interested in becoming a substitute school bus driver. With training provided most persons adapt easily to driving a school bus. Substitute bus driving is great for people with flexible schedules. If you are only available in the morning or in the afternoon, that is not a problem. If you like working with children, have a good driving record and selected as a good candidate, we will assist you through the steps of becoming a certified bus driver and pay for all training. The hourly wage for a substitute driver is \$15.13 with the possibility of being hired for a regular route.

If you have questions call 419 568-9101. Please apply at the W-G District Building Office at 500 N. Westminster Street.

### W-G Music Boosters Community Birthday Calendar Sale

The Music Boosters are now taking orders for the 2014-15 Community Birthday Calendar. The calendar begins August 1, 2014 and ends on July 31, 2015. Most school activities and events are listed on the calendar. Dates and events and meetings of local clubs and organizations are listed on the calendar free of charge. When you order a calendar, your families' birthdays and anniversary, in memory, and military service are also listed free of charge.

If you would like to purchase a 2014-15 Community Birthday Calendar fill out the form below by April 30, 2014. The price of the calendar is \$10.00. Please send your payment with the order form. Make checks payable to W-G Music Boosters and mail to:

Thank you for your support!

W-G Music Boosters c/o Patricia Lemar 24586 Fairmont Rd. Waynesfield, Ohio 45896

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdays and anniversaries you would like on the calendar: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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