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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Chippewa Junior/Senior High School



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 19-21** - Seniors in D.C.
- March 25-29** - Spring Break
- April 8** - No School | Solar Eclipse Day
- April 17** - 7th/8th ELA State EOC
- April 18** - ELA II State EOC
- April 23** - US History State EOC
- April 23** - Government State EOC
- April 27** - Prom
- April 30** - 8th Science State EOC
- April 30** - Biology State EOC
- May 2** - HS Algebra I State EOC
- May 2** - HS Geometry State EOC
- May 7** - 7th Math State EOC
- May 7** - 8th Math State EOC



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Mental Health Spring Cleaning:

Every spring, we give our homes a deep cleaning to get it ready for the coming year. Do you do the same to your mind? Decluttering your brain is just as important as organizing your home. Here are 10 tips for mental health spring cleaning.

GUIDANCE UPDATES:

- Scheduling is continuing.
- All students must have their CCP folders complete and turned into guidance by March 22nd!
- Building schedules for End of Course Exams and teacher assignments will be out before spring break.
- Thank you to staff for their patience while we have done Accuplacer college placement tests.

1. Start Journaling
2. Drop a Bad Habit
3. Let Go of Past Drama
4. Tackle Projects You've Been Putting Off
5. Build Positive Relationships
6. Begin Healing Past Trauma
7. Make Gratitude a Priority
8. Kick Negative Thoughts to the Curb
9. Pick Up a New Hobby
10. Change Your Perspective

VARSITY WINTER SPORTS WRAP UP



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A huge congratulations to our girls basketball program who became District Champions and reached the Elite 8 as Regional Runners Up in the Division III OHSAA State Girls Basketball Tournament. Thank you to the players and coaches for another memorable season!

WINTER SPORT	FINAL RECORD
BOYS BASKETBALL	5-17
GIRLS BASKETBALL	20-4



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Congratulations to **Gabi Gartin** for placing 5th in the Girls OHSAA State Wrestling Tournament!

Congratulations to **Isabella Adams** for competing in the Girls OHSAA State Wrestling Tournament!

Congratulations to our **girls wrestling program** for earning 7th place as a team in the Girls OHSAA State Wrestling Tournament out of 111 competing schools.

Congratulations to **Neil Miller** for competing in the Division III Boys OHSAA State Wrestling Tournament!

State Champion!



Photo by Ben Nichols of Wayne County Sports

Congratulations to STATE CHAMPION Kayla Moroschan for winning the 120lb state title in the Girls OHSAA State Wrestling Tournament. Kayla became the first female to win a state title in Wayne County history!

VARSITY ATHLETICS SPRING SPORTS PREVIEW



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Photo from Brynt Sines

BOYS VARSITY TENNIS

Head Coach: Brynt Sines
Assistant Coach: Thomas Mautz

Season Preview:

I'm Coach Brynt Sines and excited to take over the Boys Tennis program from Coach John Galehouse, who led this program with excellence and commitment for over a decade. I've been in Education for over 30 years and assisted with the Girls Tennis team for the last 2 seasons. I will be assisted by a Chippewa Alum, Thomas Mautz. I'm honored to be in this role.

The 2024 team is anchored around its 4 returning letterman Seniors: Garrett Sines, Jacob Hennis, Elliott Utter, and Bryce Dietrich-Rebillot. They will be an integral part of the team through their experience and leadership on and off of the court. We are also looking for break-out seasons from our other returning lettermen: Noah Raffle, Brennan Schade, and Daniel Wilson. New to the program and quickly making their presence known and undoubtedly going to be contributing members of the team are Gavin Lepley, Andrew Yeager, Wyatt Utter, and Calvin Schmolt.

The team will begin its season at Barberton on March 22nd and our Home opener on the newly refinished courts vs Orville on March 25th. Follow us on X (Twitter) @ChippTennisFan and on Facebook at Chippewa Tennis.

VARSITY TRACK & FIELD

Head Coach: Jennifer Wolfe
Head Coach: Aidan Douglas
Assistant Coach: Josh Cowan
Assistant Coach: Daryl Lepley
Assistant Coach: Olivia DeMeio

Season Preview:

The varsity track team is small, but mighty this year. We are looking forward to some great individual performances and lots of growth and learning. As a coaching staff, we are working on several new approaches to keep our athletes healthy and strong throughout the season including designated days in the weight room, plyometrics, use of resistance bands, and an overall focus on mobility, agility, and flexibility.

As far as individuals, we have returning seniors, Braydan Braswell, Grace Castello, Izzy Lattea, Abby Browning, and Emily Baxter who hope to make a splash in their respective events while Alex Rodriguez, a junior who has the school record in his sights, looks to make another trip to state in pole vault. Other returning letter winners include juniors, Hunter Senn, Charley Stewart, Isabella Adams, and Kaycee Gabor, and sophomores, Emma Samsa, and Cally West. Several athletes will be looking to break out into the high school scene for their rookie season.

As always, the league is extremely competitive in all areas and we will compete against several returning state qualifiers from multiple schools. This year we hope to build our program, have fun, and see individual success throughout the season. We will host two home meets this year, the Chippewa Invitational on April 6th and a league triangular meet on April 16th. Follow us on Instagram @chippewaxctf and on Facebook at Chippewa XC Track for fun updates all season long!



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VARSITY ATHLETICS SPRING SPORTS PREVIEW



BOYS VARSITY BASEBALL

Head Coach: Dave Maculaitis
Assistant Coach: Jordan Mick
JV Coach: Nate Samples
Freshman Coach: Aaron McCutchan

Season Preview:

The 2024 Season is one in which we look to continue to make large strides forward as a program. Last year was a lot of learning under a new staff with new expectations in which we improved by winning 11 more games than the year before. We won a big tournament game on the road at Rootstown before falling in the Sectional Finals to Chagrin Falls in an exciting and very competitive game where we had opportunities to win. Our league continues to be one of the toughest in the state of Ohio with two time defending state champions Waynedale. We are putting a lot of emphasis on being a contender in our conference. We return several starters and Varsity lettermen from last year which include: Seniors; Grant Johnson, Max Warner, Connor Heaps. Juniors: Corbin Marshall, Isaiah Radebaugh, Peyton Ware, Colton Oyler, Anderson Hatfield, RJ Wade. Sophomores: Luke Blaz and Joe Hegarty. Team Numbers have improved quite a bit with 30 players in the program. We have a lot of competition and many newcomers who are pushing for time on the Varsity roster. With our improved numbers, we will be fielding a freshman team for the first time in many years, which will only help the overall development of our players in the program. We had a strong Fall and Winter with solid numbers in the weightroom and open hitting. Many players are already seeing those benefits paying off early this Spring. "Were Coming!"



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GIRLS VARSITY SOFTBALL

Head Coach: Glenn Regan
Assistant Coach: Eric Mizner
JV Coach: Rob Mingle

Season Preview:

This year's varsity softball team is coming off a successful season in which the club finished 12-10 overall (one of only three winning teams since 2000) and 7-7 in the WCAL behind a three-way tie for first from Hillsdale, Northwestern, and Norwayne. We return a good core of upperclassmen with varsity experience, who are eager to continue building a foundation for excellence.

Success in softball often starts on the defensive side; the team will be led by four year starter Sky Regan (2.29 ERA, 77 K's, 2nd team WCAL) in the circle as well as college signee Katie Gartrell. Both pitchers will be counted on to keep us in games throughout the season. SR. Nina Johnson will complete the battery and provide solid defense behind the plate. Offensively, 7 of 9 starters return to a lineup that is capable of putting pressure on opposing defenses with a combination of speed, power and the ability to hit for average. Senior Annie Henegar (.333 BA) will be at the top of the order and will bring an exciting style with speed and pop. JR. Ava Panaciulli (.425 BA) and SR. Katie Gartrell (.403) return as both leaders in batting average and extra base hits. Other returning hitters with experience will be SR's Sky Regan (.316 BA) and Nina Johnsen (.257 BA), JR's Dakota Hill (.350 BA) and Toura Speegle (.268 BA). The line up will also see sophomore Kyleigh Gartin (.262 BA) who could have a breakout season, and newcomer Aira Regan who brings a great deal of athleticism and character to a lineup of solid hitters. SR Landri Jett will round out the order and be used as a DH/Flex that has the ability to hit tape measure shots and provide RBI support to an experienced lineup.

We look forward to watching this group come together as a team and compete at a high level. We have started to climb the mountain of the tradition of the WCAL, one of the greatest softball conferences in Ohio. Our goal is to someday make it to the top.



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FOR ALL SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULES, VISIT [HTTP://WWW.CHIPPEWA.K12.OH.US/HS-ATHLETICS/SPORTS-SCHEDULES](http://www.chippewa.k12.oh.us/hs-athletics/sports-schedules)

TEACHING STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Daryl Lepley | High School Teacher of all the Things

Mr. Lepley is truly a jack of all trades for Chippewa Junior Senior High School. In his eighteen years of teaching here, Mr. Lepley has taught a wide variety of classes including 8th grade social studies, AP Government, Computer Science, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Makers, and Advanced Makers. His extensive knowledge and experience in several different areas are evidenced by his involvement as a pole vault coach, a middle school basketball coach, and the support he provides in the STEM lab. Mr. Lepley pours his time, energy, and heart into everything he does for Chippewa - benefitting both his students and his colleagues. He lives in Doylestown with his wife, Marie, their two children Gavin and Mason, and two dogs Teddy Roosevelt and Cleopatra (Cleo). In his spare time, Mr. Lepley enjoys woodworking.

Favorite Animal: Giraffe
Favorite Music Genre: Alternative Rock
Favorite Candy: Nerds



Scott Geiser | Geometry/Senior Math + Varsity Cross Country Coach

Mr. Geiser graduated from Dalton High School (2008) and Malone University (2012). After graduation, he started teaching math at Tuslaw High School where he stayed for four years. Mr. Geiser has spent the last six years here at Chippewa teaching geometry and senior math, coaching varsity cross country, and being the ski club advisor. He also earned his Master's Degree from The University of Akron during his time here at Chippewa. Mr. Geiser lives in North Canton. Mr. Geiser will be getting married this summer to his fiancée, Faye, and her three children. In his spare time, Mr. Geiser enjoys traveling and running with his friend group when he can.

Favorite Movie: Remember the Titans
Favorite Holiday: Fourth of July
Favorite High School Memory: Junior Year! Placing 6th at Cross Country Regionals and participating in "Godspell" the musical

COURSE FEATURE: ADVANCED ART + ADVANCED CERAMICS

Taught by Josh Strauss

ADVANCED ART

Students in Mr. Strauss' Advanced Art Class visit the Butler Museum in Youngstown. Advanced Art focuses on conceptual art where students present pieces based on an idea or concept. The class is geared towards those who may want to pursue a career in visual arts. They go through critiques and end with a portfolio that they can share with colleges. In the 2nd photo, Advanced Art students take a break from their larger project and play with mixing paint for a background that will eventually become a large, collaborative landscape piece.



ADVANCED CERAMICS

Senior students, Corbin Cunningham, Katie Gartrell & Nina Johnson practice their throwing skills on the pottery wheels in Mr. Strauss' Advanced Ceramics course. Students who successfully complete the Intro to Ceramics class can take the advanced course that focuses on different techniques including throwing and sgraffito.



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