

CHIPPEWA LOCAL SCHOOLS

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# CHIPPEWA NEWS

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As we start the first month of school, I want to thank you for your continued support and patience.

While the start of school is always hectic and adding the laptop computer distribution to the Jr/Sr High School, combined with the completion and collection of required student paperwork, and updating bus routes only adds to the excitement.

Principals and teachers have set high expectations for the students this coming school year.

As the year progresses, I am sure you will want to know how your child is doing in his or her classes. All parents grades 3-12 have the ability to access Progress Book to monitor their child's progress in their classes. Please contact the principal of the school if you have any questions regarding this access. We will continue to use Final Forms and School Messenger as communication tools to inform parents about school related items. The Chippewa School District has added a District



Facebook Page and will use Facebook along with the website for up to date news items and happenings within the school district. Please check it out as we continue to improve our communications to the parents, students and community.

I appreciate everyone that took the time to answer the surveys that were distributed during this past year. We are finalizing our Strategic Plan with the support of the Impact Group Inc., but improving communications was an overwhelming response from people. The district has created Facebook Page, search Chippewa Local Schools-Doylestown, Ohio on Facebook. The Chippewa Newsletter is another way we are looking to improve our communications to our stakeholders. If you know of anyone that prefers to have the Chippewa Newsletter mailed to their residence, please fill out the form on the last page of the newsletter.

Student and staff safety is our number one goal at Chippewa. Last year we sent out surveys and improving communication from the district was an area that was identified as needing improvement. This newsletter along with the new District Facebook Page has been a result to your feedback.

<https://www.facebook.com/Chippewa-Local-Schools-Doylestown-Ohio-701295084048042/>

Lastly, Please check the COVID 19 information as often as possible for updates regarding procedures and changes in policies. I want to Thank You for your support and flexibility during this pandemic.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Todd Osborn, Superintendent

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# Hazel Harvey

It has been a great start of the 2021-22 school year at Hazel Harvey Elementary! We have enjoyed getting to see our students back in the classrooms, engaging with one another in learning. Our preschool and kindergarten students have transitioned well, and are learning the routines and expectations at school. At Hazel Harvey Elementary, we focus on building character and showing kindness to all of our classmates. Each day, we practice our Hazel Harvey Habits: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Give Your Best Effort Always. The children have been working hard at demonstrating these three character traits each and every day. High levels of student engagement and learning have been evident early on this school year, with hands-on learning, use of technology for math and reading, and using our outdoor education/learning areas of the property. We are so grateful for the wonderful support from our Doylestown Lions Club and Chippewa PTO in providing our classrooms, students and teachers with supplies and materials needed to be successful to start the school year, as well as for volunteering their time to help with lunchtime and dismissal during the first weeks of school.



2<sup>nd</sup> grade students have learned about the monarch butterfly lifecycle, and had a special guest presenter, Ms. Jean “The Monarch Butterfly Queen”, come in to share her knowledge and visuals of all things monarch. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students have been completing writing activities about what they would bring for their teacher on the first days of school, how to be a “bucket filler” and “sprinkle kindness”, how to be a good friend to classmates, and write post cards to classmates sharing one “truth” and “non-truth” about what they did for summer break. Kindergarten students have been using pencils, crayons and dry erase markers to practice writing letters and numbers, using play-doh to create and form letters and numbers, and practice sorting letters and sounds on the Kindle tablets and chrome books. Preschool students are practicing using their words to interact and problem-solve, while also using their imaginations and creativity through hands-on activities.



# Chippewa Intermediate School

Welcome Back to School! CIS students have had a great start to the school year. Thank you to all parents and family support at home to make our start of the year a success. Your positivity at home transfers directly into our school. Thank you!

CIS students have been “Caught Being Kind” and have shown kindness throughout the school by helping their friends, helping teachers, opening doors, and picking up trash.

Our third graders began the year working on problem solving skills in science by ‘Saving Fred’ their gummy worm without using their hands.

They were creative and thoughtful to being team-building and communication with friends in the learning process.

Our 4<sup>th</sup> graders were challenged to cooperate and problem solve how to move two straws to make five squares, encouraging positive communication. Our sixth graders learned about the scientific process and became ‘Scientists’ in Mrs. Nemet’s classroom.



CIS is currently working on updating an old chemistry room to be a STEM lab for our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders! The room is “under construction” as we work to develop and find resources that will encourage and expand science skills, problem solving skills, and enhance project-based learning for our students. Our third and fourth graders will be able to use the space to explore science and math standards aligned to matter, earth changes with weathering, erosion, and deposition, applying and understanding fractions, and modeling. We are excited to watch this space come together throughout the year.

# Chippewa Jr/Sr High School

Chippewa Jr/ Sr High has developed a 'Makers' program in the building. This program allows students to use technology and tools to create functional objects and creative art. The course has many sections including an Expressive Makers which this week learned about Power Tools and Safety while working on a project that allowed them to use pallet wood to create a sign.



The goal was to build the strongest bridge out of popsicle sticks and Elmer's glue and that is it. The bridges needed to span an 18 inch gap and had to sit at least 5 inches tall. The bridges were required to hold at least 25 pounds, which most did, a couple did not. After a fierce competition we crowned two champions one from fifth period and the other from sixth period.

Fifth period champions were Stephan Laubli and Spencer Hennis. Their bridge held a person who stated they weighed 180 pounds and our 6th period champions were Ethan Douglas and Caleb Gasser whose bridge held 190 before collapsing. Fifth period appearance award went to Aidan Raber and 6th period went to Ethan Douglas and Caleb Gasser for their green army guy inspired bridge.



# Chippewa Athletics



Welcome Back to School! Chippewa athletes have had a great start to the school year. Our fall sports are in full-swing, as both our high school and junior high school have begun their seasons. Our girl's tennis teams as well as our golf teams are already past the mid-way point of their seasons. Boys and girls soccer programs, junior high and high school volleyball and football have all kicked off their campaigns. Finally, the junior high and high school cross country teams kicked off their season late in August, which included hosting an invitational at the JR/SR high school! A huge thank you goes out to our outstanding junior high and high school cheerleaders, as well as our marching band, and color guard for all of their tremendous support!

Thank you to all of the parents and family members that are involved in your loved one's athletic experience here at the JR/SR high school. Six years goes by in a blink-of-an-eye, enjoy the lasting memories that your athlete is providing you with.





**A couple of key important dates coming up in the near future regarding Chippewa Athletics.**

Homecoming: September 17<sup>th</sup> vs Smithville

NET Tennis Tournament: September 23<sup>rd</sup>

WCAL Golf Championship: September 23<sup>rd</sup> at Mohican Hills

WCAL Cross Country Championship: October 16<sup>th</sup>

Senior Night: October 22<sup>nd</sup> vs Waynedale

Dear Chippewa Families:

Here we are two weeks into starting school. The students are adjusting to their new classes and being back into a school routine. As we progress into the cold and flu season as well as still navigating the pandemic, this is the perfect time to work with your students on a few infection prevention techniques. These include hand washing and covering coughs and sneezes. In addition to the other mitigation measures we have in place, these will help to limit the amount of illness spread in our buildings.

Sneezing, coughing and runny noses will be increasing with cold and flu season. When using your hand to cover, the germs are then on your hand and can be spread throughout the classroom if hands are not washed right away. Showing your child how to cough/sneeze into their elbow or a tissue will help to keep some of those germs contained.

Handwashing should be done multiple times per day, especially after using the bathroom, eating, blowing your nose, or when visibly soiled. Attached you will find a guide on proper handwashing from the Ohio Department of Health.

Please review the attached hand-washing guide for older kids as well as coloring sheets for younger students. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Yost

School Health Services

## STOP GERMS WASH YOUR HANDS

Wet your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap.

Lather your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Be sure to lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.

Scrub your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.

Rinse hands well under clean, running water.

Dry hands using a clean towel or air dry them.

Keeping hands clean is one of the most important things we can do to stop the spread of germs and stay healthy.

Ohio Department of Health

# COVER YOUR COUGH

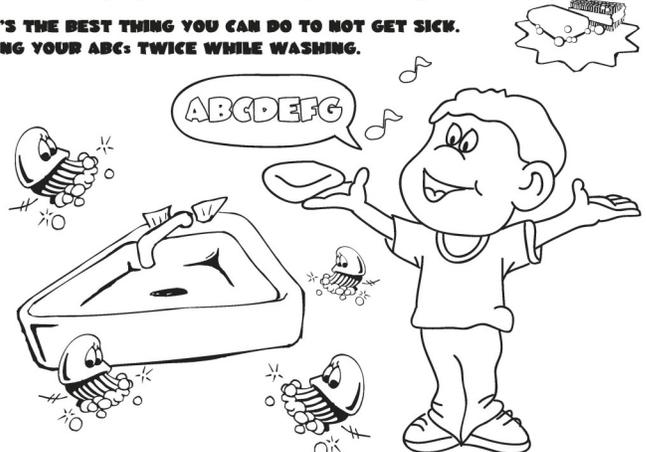


**IT'S NICE TO SHARE YOUR TOYS.  
BUT DON'T SHARE YOUR GERMS.  
COVER YOUR COUGHS AND SNEEZES WITH TISSUES.  
AND THROW AWAY YOUR DIRTY TISSUE.  
OR COUGH INTO YOUR ELBOW.**



# WASH YOUR HANDS

**IT'S THE BEST THING YOU CAN DO TO NOT GET SICK.  
SING YOUR ABCs TWICE WHILE WASHING.**



# Chippewa Learning Gaps Plan

The Chippewa Local School District is working to fill learning gaps created by the COVID-19 lockdown, developing a two-step plan to help students get back up to speed. Gaps in learning have unfortunately been something all school districts have dealt with for a long time. Chippewa consistently looks at all the testing data along with data from our teachers. Our goal is to accelerate the learning of students to get all students prepared as College or Career ready individuals.

The number of students learning remotely steadily decreased throughout the 2020-2021 school year. While that helped some students, a good number still fell behind — but all of the students were impacted by the pandemic.

Teachers in all subjects and grades believe their students were impacted last year. As a district, we need to take extra precautions with state-tested subjects.

## TWO STEPS to ACCELERATE THE LEARNING

To fill in the gap created by COVID-19, the district put together a plan. Stakeholders, teachers, parents, administrators and students work collectively to accelerate the learning of students.

Step 1 started this summer when students, who were identified as behind grade level,” had extended learning instruction. We provided a vigorous and strategic curriculum for those students. Roughly 100 students attended summer classes.

The Second Step will taking place this fall with strategic courses and teaching staff added to focus on areas that are identified as our largest gaps in student learning.

New to Chippewa Local Schools is the Chippewa Virtual Learning Academy. The Chippewa Virtual Learning Academy, as an option for eligible students. The curriculum, a licensed third-party learning platform, Acellus, will deliver the content. Mr. Rodriguez will be the administrator leading the academy and Ms. Shaffer will be the teacher monitoring students. The academy allows Chippewa to keep the state funds that would have left the district when a student goes to a private or charter school. The academy will be a long-term option and eligibility will be focused on what is best for the student.

## PAYING FOR THESE STEPS

The cost is being covered through COVID-19 relief, called ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) funds. ESSER was established as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act in March 2020. Federal Title money along with grants to purchase Chromebooks, hire extra staff and supplies. Chippewa uses ESSER Funds to cover areas that COVID-19 disrupted or affected. This includes hand sanitizer and products, masks, cleaning products, after-school programs, substitute costs, Chromebooks and laptops, wireless service for students, technology assistance, food distribution products such as freezers, extra time for bus drivers due to alternative routes and schedules, summer school teachers and assistants, summer curriculum products, summer transportation wages, summer food service wages, other costs for summer school and creation of an online academy.

These are supplies, equipment, services and personnel costs thus far. District officials are engaging in meetings internally with input from teachers and support personnel with a goal of developing an effective plan for the use of ESSER APR funds.

## COVID Update:

In early August, I shared our Back to School Plan, applauding everyone's persistence and resilience in navigating through the pandemic last school year. This school year, we are still dealing with the impact of the corona virus. We will continue to work through this pandemic together. Our goal is to keep students in school, in person, five days a week. Students benefit academically, emotionally, and socially from in-person learning.

I communicate on a regular basis with the Wayne County Health Department Health Commissioner, Nick Cascarelli. He shares information, and specifically Covid trends in Wayne County, from the Ohio Department of Health with all the Wayne County superintendents. Our website lists all the recommendations from the O.D.H., including mandates regarding quarantines. Please visit our website for the most up to date information regarding our COVID Cases and information from O.D.H. and W.C.H.D. <http://www.chippewa.k12.oh.us/district/covid-19-information>

Mr. Cascarelli requested that we update our families on the three feet versus six feet guidelines with children who are not masked. The *K12 Quarantine in Ohio* document stipulates **3 feet and masking to not be quarantined**. Mr. Cascarelli asked the Ohio Department of Health Epidemiology Unit for their guidance because of the lack of clarity we've received to date on this particular issue.

For **Mask Optional** schools (Chippewa is mask optional as of September 13, 2021):

For a child who ...

MIGHT have been in close contact with a person who has Covid

Is not vaccinated

Does not wear a mask

... normal quarantine procedures apply, (6 feet for 15 minutes total).

The Modified Quarantine Procedures apply if all the measures are in place.

Child is **vaccinated** (if old enough)

**AND/OR**

**Does wear** a mask all the time

... modified quarantine procedures apply, (3 feet for 15 minutes total).

Feel free to contact WCHD if you have any questions. I have attached the *K-12 Quarantine Flowchart* and the *Covid-19 fact sheet K-12* for your reference on our website.

<http://www.chippewa.k12.oh.us/district/covid-19-information>

Each situation we encounter as a District is unique and must be investigated based on the variables involved. Therefore, if you have a question regarding a specific situation, please ask. Our principals, school nurse and I will continue to get you information as fast as possible and keep student safety as our number one goal.

GO CHIPPS !

## Chippewa Local Schools 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

AUGUST 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

13 New Teacher Orientation  
16 Teacher Work Day  
17 Convocation  
18 First Day for Students

FEBRUARY 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

4 – Delayed Start (2 hours)  
18 Teacher Prof Day – No School  
21 President's Day

SEPTEMBER 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

6 Labor Day  
13 Fair Day  
14 Teacher Prof Day- No School

MARCH 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

14-18 – Spring Break

OCTOBER 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

8 - Delayed Start (2 hours)  
29 Delayed Start – (2 hours)

APRIL 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

15 Good Friday  
18 – Easter Break

NOVEMBER 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

24-26 Thanksgiving Break- No School  
25 Thanksgiving Day

MAY 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

27 Last Day for Students  
30 Memorial Day  
31 Teacher Work Day

DECEMBER 2021						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

21 - 2 hour Early Release  
22 -1/4 Christmas Break  
24-25 Christmas  
31 New Years Eve

JUNE 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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\*Calamity make-up days will be as follows:  
Day 1 May 31  
Day 2 June 1  
Day 3 June 2  
Day 4 June 3

January 2022						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

1 New Years Day  
5 School resumes  
17 MLK Day

1 <sup>st</sup> nine weeks	40 Days	
2 <sup>nd</sup> nine weeks	44 Days	
3 <sup>rd</sup> nine weeks	45 Days	
4 <sup>th</sup> nine weeks	48 Days	
<b>Total Student days</b>	<b>177</b>	
		1 Convocation Day
		2 Teacher Work Days
		2 Conference Days
		2 Professional Dev Days
		<b>Staff Days 184</b>



## Please Send Chippewa Newsletter

To: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_