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The Beacon

**Youngstown City School District
Good News and Upcoming Events**

“The universal brotherhood of man is our most precious possession.”

~ Mark Twain

Alpha

The Alpha All Sports banquet is at New Bethel Baptist Church on June 5th from 5-8PM. The banquet is for students, family and any board personnel that would like to attend.

Jami Adoff, author of Names Will Never Hurt Me, visited Alpha today to discuss the book with the students. The entire school read his book.

Chaney High School

The Chaney Key Club recently purchased \$324.00 of mulch and landscaped the front of the high school.

The Chaney Key Club and National Honor Society members have been acting as guides for visiting middle school students as part of an on-going "transition" program designed to assist middle school students as they prepare to enter high school.

The Book Club at Chaney High School celebrated “Right to Read Week” by hosting the school’s First Annual Reading Marathon today in the Library. The Book Club is also celebrating on Wednesday, May 13th with students from Kirkmere Elementary School!

Choffin Career & Technical Center

The College Tech Prep Business and Finance students at Choffin collected \$146.20 for the Relay For Life!

Four students in Choffin’s Graphic Communications and Commercial Art won awards in the Superb Printing contest. They will attend a ceremony in Akron on May 19th.

Several programs at Choffin will be participating in a student showcase on May 14th from 4-7pm. The public is invited!

Choffin Career & Technical Center *continued*

Choffin's Annual Senior Awards Banquet will be held on May 21st at Choffin. The banquet begins at 6PM.

The Health Magnet School at Choffin is inviting board members and administrators to attend the Annual Magnet School Award Brunch on May 27th at 9AM.

Commencement Exercises for Choffin's Adult Health Professions students will take place on June 12th at 6PM in the Chaney auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

East High School

Over 70 East students are taking the Advanced Placement exams in Spanish, English, Calculus, Government/History, and Chemistry.

The JROTC Color Guard from East participated in the All-City Band Concert at YSU on May 6th.

Over 40 JROTC East students participated in the Kent State Campus tour on Thursday, May 6th.

Harding

The Town Hall meeting at Harding was very successful. Those in attendance offered many great suggestions to keep moving the district forward.

The entire school will participate in the Drop Everything and Read program to promote Right to Read Week this week at Harding.

Mark your calendar to attend Harding's Literacy Night on May 19 from 5-7 PM. There will be great giveaways, face painting, a magician, and a host of other activities.

Harding continues to maintain a 94% attendance rating!

Kirkmere

For the second year in a row Kirkmere has won the Mahoning Valley's tri-county Harvest for Hunger Campaign! The Youth Leadership Team spearheaded the food drive and collect nearly 2,500 lbs. of food!

Kirkmere *continued*

On May 4th, WFMJ broadcasted the weather live from Kirkmere's cafeteria to congratulate them for the food drive. The entire school was treated to pizza thanks to Fernando's Wedgewood Pizza!

Kirkmere raised \$5,400 for the Heart Association through "Jump Rope For Heart."

Martin Luther King

MLK is having a Carnival on May 30th from 12–4PM. The community is invited to attend and find out about what MLK has to offer!

MLK hosted a very successful Starry Night...Learners Delight, Literacy Math/ Science night. 150 Families enjoyed 6 learning stations and enjoyed a light Sub Snack Pack from Subway.

P. Ross Berry

P. Ross Berry is having a Carnival on May 30th from 12–4PM. The community is invited to attend and find out about what P. Ross Berry has to offer!

Paul C. Bunn

The entire Bunn faculty supported and signed off on a \$138,000 technology grant proposal designed to improve student achievement through the use of technology.

Hannah Montana will introduce the Right to Read Week theme "Reading Will Make You a Star" at Bunn this week with the culminating event, A Vocabulary Parade, to be held on May 14 at 1:30 PM. Come join the fun!

A Mother's Day Tea was hosted for all Kindergarten moms on May 7th. The children frosted and decorated their own cookies for their moms and serenaded them with an assortment of musical selections!

Don't miss the Bunn Staff vs. Students Volleyball Game on May 15th at 2PM in the Gymnasium.

Taft

Congratulations to Taft's Laura Sullivan, who was awarded the Commitment to Literacy Award from the Mahoning Valley International Reading Association.

Taft continued

On May 11th and 19th Taft 4th grade students will travel to the Children's Museum for participation in a Science Grant opportunity.

Taft 6th grade students will have an opportunity to visit Alpha School of Excellence in preparation for 7th grade in September.

Taft will celebrate the GAIL girls at a banquet at the Georgetown on May 21st.

On May 22nd Taft Elementary will sponsor a Career Day!

Williamson

Williamson Elementary is proud to announce six outstanding 6th graders earned a place in the Ohio State Young Scholars Program. They are as follows: Steven Bennett, Tyler Johnson, Juan Davis, Taurean McCullough, Shakuilla Moore and Tonneiqua Shade.

Williamson will be having a Career Day on May 29th!

A 6th grade dinner dance at Williamson has been planned for June 5th!