





Chad Wyen
Superintendent of Schools

As we continue to navigate these uncertain times I am amazed and encouraged by the outpouring of love and support I have seen from our community, parents, teachers, and staff in regards to our students during COVID-19. From the incredible school lessons being taught by teachers through ZOOM to the parades, virtual gatherings, adopting of the Class of 2020, to our scaled back graduation; the never-ending support has overwhelmed me as both a parent and educator. I am humbled to work and have my children attend Mad River Local Schools! I personally want to thank all of our staff and teachers who went the extra mile to make sure our students continued to be educated, fed, and loved during this extraordinary time.

As more and more information continues to be reported about COVID-19, we want to continue to reach out to our community and families to offer guidance, support, and relay the latest information that we have when it comes to educating Mad River students. This is all new territory for the education industry. Even though many things still remain uncertain, one thing we do know is that we all must adapt with as much grace and understanding of our own and others' circumstances as possible.

Since the beginning of COVID-19, I have been working with teachers and staff to come up with a plan to reopen school in September while keeping students, faculty, and staff members safe from COVID-19. We have sent out several surveys to parents in regards to internet and computer access, and how they would like to see the upcoming school year. We have used this data accordingly as well as assessing how effective our current resources are. I have heard from many families who are concerned but acknowledge that our children need to go back to school. We also know that even with all the measures we take, there will be some families who are uncomfortable with sending their students back in September. We understand that, and we will be looking at those cases and identifying what we need to do to educate those students.

Currently, the District faces a multitude of issues besides determining which education model to adopt, such as making decisions about wearing masks, taking temperatures, maintaining social distancing, providing meals, and addressing sports and extracurricular activities. While we realize no plan will be 100% perfect, we are trying to make the best decision for Mad River students. Please know, safety is paramount. We are using the best information available at the current time and making every reasonable effort to mitigate the potential for transmission of COVID-19 in our buildings and the surrounding community. We want to be prepared for a whole host of possibilities that may unfold through the summer months leading to September 2020. Ultimately, final decisions will be made based on what the situation looks like closer to the start of the school year.

As you glance through our annual District calendar, please read through our school highlights and take note of events, building and district information and all other details that will help ensure a seamless start to the 2020-2021 school year.

We are all in this together, and the best thing we can do is support each other while we navigate an ever-changing landscape of daily life. Please know that we are doing our best to ensure that our students continue to learn, have access to nutritious food, and feel as secure as possible. I look forward to seeing and speaking with families and students in September.

## FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

Excellence in financial record keeping and sound accounting practices have earned the Mad River School District the Auditor of State Award six times.

The Ohio auditor presents this award to local governments and school districts upon the

completion of a financial audit. Entities that receive the award meet the criteria of a "clean" audit report including filing financial reports in a timely manner with the state auditor's office. According to the auditor's office, the report must be free of any "findings for recovery, material citations, material weaknesses, significant deficiencies, single audit findings or questioned costs."

#### Revenues 2019-2020

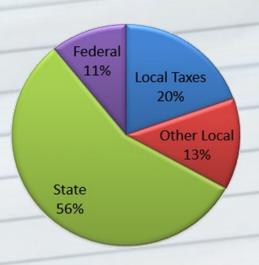
20%	\$10,625,425
13%	\$7,215,125
56%	\$30,416,859
11%	\$5,833,933
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#### **Total Expenditures by Category**



#### Revenue by Source

Treasurer/CF()



#### Expenditures 2019-2020

8%	Instruction & Support Services	72%	\$40,728558
	Administration	8%	\$4,786,807
8%	Facilities Operation and Maintenance	8%	\$4,445,852
	Pupil Transportation	4%	\$2,457,840
	Food Service	4%	\$2,212,800
72%	Extracurricular Activities	2%	\$1,019,722
	Debt Service	2%	\$1,135,446
	Total		\$56,787,025

## BUILDINGTAGE

#### **PRESCHOOL**

Supervisor: Pam Roberts 937-259-6640 ext. 8402

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS BEVERLY GARDENS

Principal: Cristal Fields 937-259-6620 ext. 4057

#### **BRANTWOOD**

Principal: Misha Monnin 937-237-4270 ext. 2057



#### SAVILLE

Principal: Steve Kandel 937-259-6625 ext. 3057

#### **STEVENSON**

Principal: Cory Miller 937-259-6630 ext. 1057

#### **STEBBINS 9-12**

 Principal: Tina Simpson
 937-237-4250 ext. 7173

 Asst. Principal Adam Cicora
 937-237-4250 ext. 7175

 Dean of Students: Scott Steiner
 937-237-4250 ext. 7176

 Career Tech Dir. Jeff Berk
 937-237-4250 ext. 7177

 Guidance Department
 937-237-4257

#### **MAD RIVER MIDDLE 7-8**

Principal: Laurie Plank 937-237-4265 ext. 6103

Dean of Students: Stephanie O'Dell 937-237-4265 ext. 6104

#### **SPINNING HILLS 5-6**

Principal: Mike Combs 937-259-6635 ext. 5014

Dean of Students: Brad Sims 937-259-6635 ext. 5012

#### 2020 Board of Education Members:

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## **MEET OUR TEAM** 2020-2021





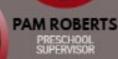


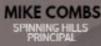














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TINA SIMPSON JACK STEPHENS SPECIAL EDUCATION STEBBINS PRINCIPAL



LAURIE PLANK MAD RIVER MIDDLE PRINCIPAL



MISHA MONNIN BRANTWOOD PRINCIPAL



**CORY MILLER** STEVENSON PRINCIPAL



SPINNING HILLS ASST PRINCIPAL



BRAD SIMS STEPHANIE VLAHOS MAD RIVER MIDDLE ASST. PRINCIPAL



ADAM CICORA



SCOTT STEINER



CAREER TECH DIRECTOR



**PAUL NEVES** ATHLETIC DIRECTOR





### Looking for

## A Certain Person or Phone Number?



Mad River Local School District Board of Education/Central Office 801 Old Harshman Rd. Riverside, OH 45431 937-259-6606

Administration, Coordinators & Supervisors:

Superintendent of Schools: Asst. Superintendent:

Treasurer:

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Athletics:

EMIS:

**Food Service:** 

Maintenance:

**Public Relations:** 

**Special Education:** 

Technology:

Transportation:

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Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer	937-259-6610
Curriculum & Instruction	937-259-6600
Early Childhood/Preschool	937-259-6640
Food Service	937-259-6601
Gifted & Talented	937-259-6600
Human Resources/Employment	937-259-6602
Maintenance/Facilities	937-237-4275
Open Enrollment & Transfers	937-259-6603
Special Education	937-259-6603
Speech/Language Screening	937-259-6603
Student Records	937-259-6603
Technology	937-259-6600
Athletics	937-237-4260
Public Relations	937-259-6609
School Counselors & Social Workers	937-259-6603
Student Services	937-259-6603
Student Work Permits	937-237-4250



#### **School Delays and Closings**

The Mad River School District's administration takes a team approach when making decisions about school delays and closures. That decision is based on safety first, using the best information available at the time the decision must be made.

Input from the District's Transportation Department is received after we have driven various roadways in the school district firsthand. This procedure normally begins at 4:30 a.m. so that a decision can be made if a delay or cancellation seems warranted. The final decision is generally reached around 6:00 a.m. to inform media and affected District personnel.

As a reminder, updates will also be posted on our mobile app, social media pages, and local news broadcasts. Please make sure your phone numbers are up-to-date at your child's school so that our phone notification system will notify you of a delay or cancellation.

School delays or cancellations due to dangerously cold weather will be based on the current weather forecasts which take into consideration temperatures and wind chill factors. As a guide, if the wind chill is minus 10 degrees or colder, a delay may be scheduled. If the forecast calls for brutal temperatures not to significantly improve, then Mad River would likely cancel classes for the day. The concern is about potential hypothermia, and skin exposure for the children who walk or wait at bus stops.

Acknowledging the challenges we may face this winter due to inclement weather, we will continue to work together to ensure all precautions are taken to keep our students safe. As always, students should dress warmly for the commute to and from school.

SCHOOL AND DISTRICT WEBSITES www.madriverschools.org

DISTRICT FACEBOOK @madriverlocalschools



DISTRICT TWITTER @madriverlocal





LOCAL **NEWS MEDIA** 





#### Make-Up Days

Ohio law requires schools to be in session a specific number of hours. Previously, the requirement called for a specific number of days, and Ohio law allowed up to only five calamity days before schools had to initiate make-up days. Mad River builds in more than the minimum number of required hours into each year's school calendar, so the District has a substantial built-in reserve to accommodate multiple delays or closures this school year, if needed.

As a reminder, parents are urged not to schedule vacation immediately following the days after school lets out for summer break. Should any Mad River school fall below the required minimum hours due to unscheduled school closings or delays, additional hours/days will be added on to the end of the school year.

Scheduled activities may be canceled when the District is closed due to inclement weather. Cancellations will be made with as much warning as possible. Weather closings on Fridays may cause weekend cancellations.

Activities: Even if school is closed, some after-school or evening activities may be held as planned because conditions that were bad in the morning may have improved by the afternoon or evening. Closing school does not automatically mean all after-school and evening activities are also canceled. It is handled on a case-by-case basis.

Other districts: Mad River does not base decisions on what other districts do. Road conditions can be very different even in nearby districts, based on terrain, snow removal capacity, miles of roadway to clear, etc. Frequently, districts in the same general area make different decisions.

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# PREPARING STUDENTS FOR HEALTHY LIVES TELEHEALTH PARTNERSHIP





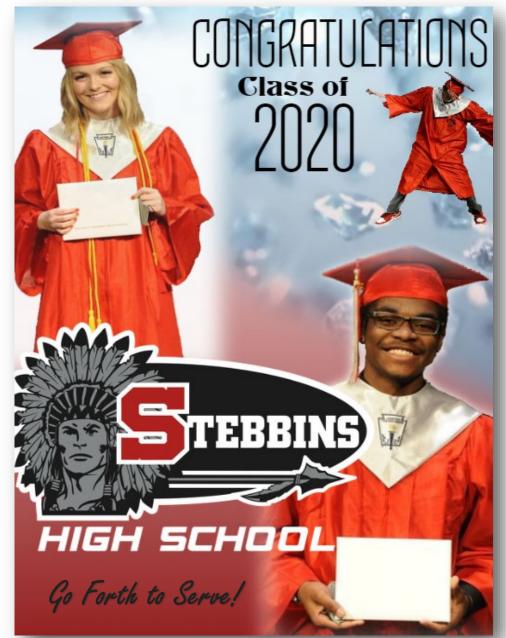


Mad River Local Schools is proud to announce a new partnership with Five Rivers Health Centers to provide support for students who have medical needs that can be addressed immediately in our schools.

The partnership will allow for medical telehealth services in our school buildings for students whose parents give consent. Students who need access will work directly with the school nurse to set appointments and follow-ups. This service will assist families who either have a challenge accessing medical services or need immediate basic medical attention for their student (think of it as a virtual little clinic). The new telehealth program will accept all insurances except Molina and Tricare (Tricare Select will be accepted), including Medicaid eligible students, and provides a sliding fee scale for those who are uninsured or underinsured. Our goal in Mad River Local Schools is to ensure we are providing the best complete wraparound service that we can for our community. This goal fits well with Five Rivers Health Center's mission to provide access to quality, comprehensive and respectful care for their patients and community.

The partnership with Five Rivers Health Centers will begin during the 2020-2021 school year and will be accessible at all MRLS buildings. For your child to be eligible to access the telehealth services, you will be required to complete a consent form. The consent form will be available at the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year. The consent form will be available both through OneView (our online registration system) and hard copies located in each school building. This service will not replace your primary care provider (unless you need a primary care provider.) This partnership is simply an additional service that Mad River Local Schools can provide for our students to help better meet their medical needs. Of course, there will be some services that will have to be in person (i.e. immunizations, asthma care, etc), and we will work with Five Rivers Health Centers to obtain that access for our children.

We look forward to this new partnership and continuing to meet the needs of our students in Mad River Local Schools.

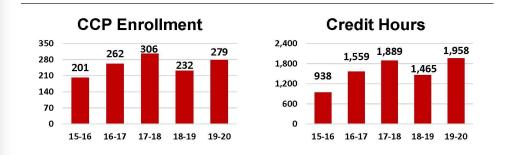


Seniors earned full scholarships totaling \$279 thousand dollars to Sinclair Community College by way of completing one of ten, two year, College Tech Prep Proaram.

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS



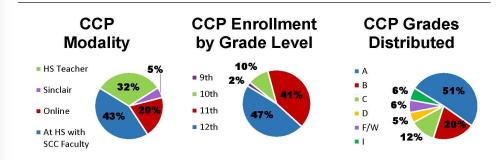
#### **WALTER E. STEBBINS HIGH SCHOOL 2019-2020**



#### **Tuition Cost**

\$82,159 Cost of Tuition

Approx. \$236,977 Saved by Families



#### **Top 5 Courses**

- ENG 1101 English Composition I
- PLS 1120 American Federal Government
- PSY 1100 General Psychology
- ENG 1201 English Composition II
- COM 2206 Interpersonal Communication

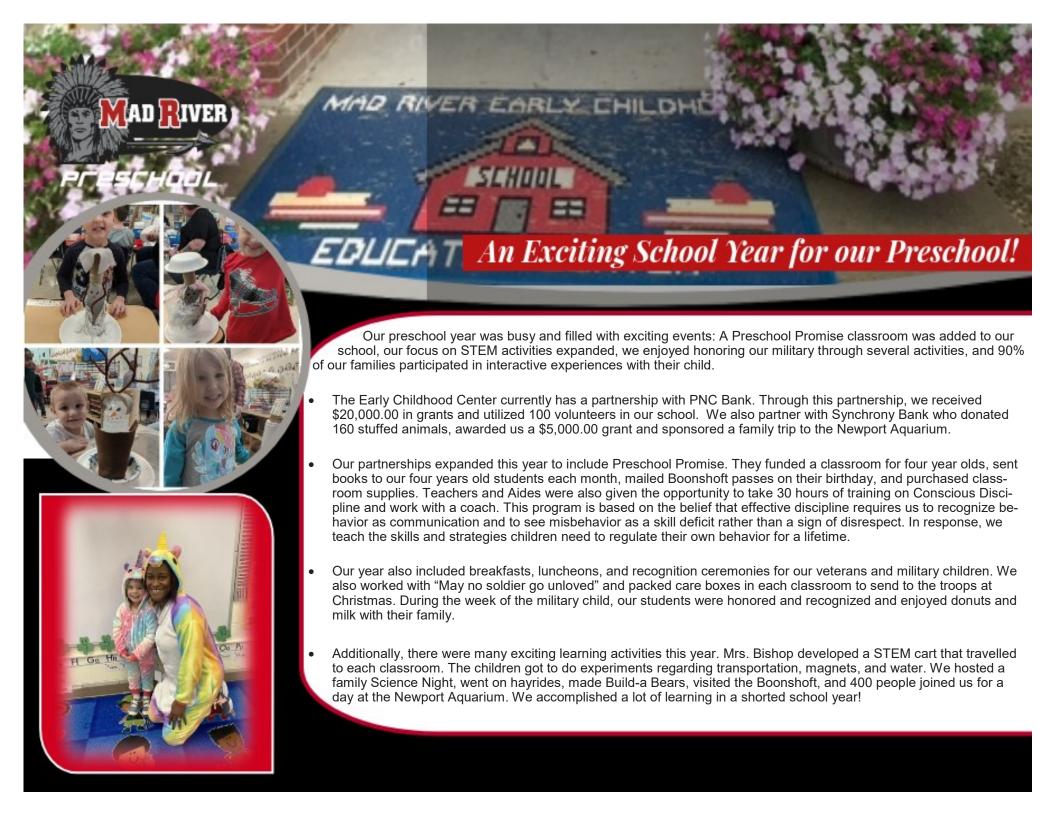
#### Overview

- 95% Course Success Rate of "D or greater"
- 1% Course Withdrawal Rate
- 26 Seniors are received an honors diploma
- 3 Students graduated with an Associates Degree from Sinclair
- Students have joined the military

Seniors made honor roll all four quarters



112 Students are continuing their academic pursuits at institutions across the US



## AUGUST 2020



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We kicked off the school year with our "Be Kind" theme. We focused on showing kindness in and out of the class-room all year. Students spent time with peer-buddies monthly to discuss and plan ways to show kindness in our school and around the community. Students enjoyed mini lessons on character education, planning volunteer projects and spending time with their new friends.

Beverly Gardens implemented several social-emotional curriculums this school year including PATHS, The PAX
Good Behavior Game and Child Safety Matters. These programs all work together to help students to be more engaged,
reduce disruptions and help students to be less impulsive. Using these programs, students are able to be engaged for longer
periods of instructional time to be more successful at school.

• The Beverly Gardens staff and the PTO planned many wonderful events during the 2019-2020 school year. Some of these included Family Nights, a Kindness Color Run, Mother-Son Dance, Father-Daughter Dance, and many more. We are all looking forward to being back together to plan more fun events for the 2020-21 school year.

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Along with our Purple Star School designation, Beverly Gardens is very excited to be selected as
the first elementary school in the State of Oho to offer the Anchored 4 Life Program to elementary
students. The Anchored 4 Life Program is a peer-to peer program to connect students while building transition and resiliency skills. The program will provide opportunities for peers to enhance
social skills, learn leadership skills, build character, improve self-esteem and integrate into their
community.



## SEPTEMBER 2020



					LOCAL SC	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Labor Day (No School)	8 First Day Kindergarten With Last Name A-L First Day Students Grades 1-12	First Day Kindergarten With Last Name M-Z	10 All Kindergarten in Session	11 Patriot Day	12
13 Grandparents Day	14	15 National Hispanic Heritage Month	16 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	17 Constitution Day	18	19
20	21	22 First Day of Autumn	23 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	24	25	26
27	28 BOE Meeting 6:30PM		30 SHS 2 Hour Early Release			
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• This year focused on positive behavior supports; as well as, social-emotional learning as students engaged in the Child Safety Matters curriculum. The focus on social emotional learning helped to build self-esteem and foster positive relationships with trusted adults.

• We are also excited to continue our focus on social-emotional learning and announce two new curricula that will kick off our 2020-2021 school year: PAX and PATHS. As students transition back to school after this extended time away, PAX and PATHS will create positive and supportive classrooms that will help our students as they build skills in self-

awareness, self-management, relationship management, social awareness, and responsible decision making. We cannot wait to welcome our students and families back to Brantwood!



• The Ohio Department of Education established the Purple Star Award to recognize military-friendly schools that show a major commitment to the students of military connected families. Mad River Local Schools is designated as a Purple Star District. At Brantwood we continue to seek ways to support our military connected families. This year we hosted our first Veteran's Day celebration hosting over 60 veterans. Even though the pandemic changed our plans to celebrate the military child, we still found ways to recognize those families. In the upcoming school year, we will stay steadfast in our commitment to military connected families and our community.



## OCTOBER 2020



					LOCAL SCHOO	ILS
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 National Custodial Workers Day	3
4	5 Fire Prevention Week	6	7 SHS 2 Hour Early Release International Walk to School Day	8	9	10
11	12 Columbus Day National School Lunch Week	13 MRLS STEM Night 5:30-7:30PM @SHS	14 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	15	16 Boss's Day  HAPPY BOSS'S DAY	17
18	19 National School Bus Safety Week	20	21 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	22	23	24
25	26 BOE Meeting 6:30PM	27	28 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	29	30 End of 1st Grading Period, 1 Hour Early Release	31 Halloween
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unique and wonderful experiences.

Saville created a theme for the year based off of the Andy Grammer song, "I'm Not Giving Up." Saville focuses on educating the whole child and in recent years that has taken the form of utilizing various social-emotional curriculum including the PAX Good Behavior Game, PATHS, and Child Safety Matters. We believe students need to build resiliency and connections with trusted adults in order to deal with the ongoing challenges they face at school, home and in the community. This year many of our projects and learning were wrapped around the motto of "I'm not giving up." The staff, students and community family embraced this theme, especially during the pandemic. The year kicked off with students learning to sing the song and use sign language to share the message. The video has been watched nearly 6,000 times on Facebook. You can also check it out on Twitter: https://twitter.com/OHEducation/status/1175398834115088384

Mad River Local Schools is designated as a Purple Star District. The Purple Star Award is for military-friendly schools that recognizes a major commitment to students and families connected to our nation's military. In an effort to help students identify as contributing to the community at large and to help reinforce our efforts to live our Purple Star Designation Saville Families created care pack-

ages and wrote letters of support to our military.

In addition, Saville was recognized by the Ohio Department of Education as a High Progress School of Honor. This honor is attributed to several criteria that the building met based on the students they serve and the academic growth those students have made consistently over the past 3-5 years. Some of the criteria included:

- Eligible schools are Title I recipients and serve 40% or more economically disadvantaged students
- The school's gains in its combined ELA and Math proficiency over the five most recent school years calculated by subtracting the proficiency rate for 2015 from the rate for 2019 – must meet or exceed the 90th percentile of all statewide gains
- The school must earn an 'A' or 'B' on the Overall Value-Added Measure for each of the three most recent years
- The school must earn an 'A', 'B' or 'C' on the Gap Closing Component on the 2019 Report Card



## NOVEMBER 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wodposday	Thursday		Saturday
Sunday  1 Daylight Saving Fall Back	Monday 2	Tuesday  3 No School for Students, Staff Professional Day  Election Day	Wednesday  SHS 2 Hour Early Release	Thursday 5	Friday 6	Saturday 7
8	9	10 Story Time with Mr. Isaac 9AM	11 Veterans Day SHS 2 Hour Early Release Remember Our VETERANS	12	No School K-6 ONLY, Parent-Teacher Conferences	14
15	16 American Education Week School Psychology Awareness Week	17 BOE Meeting 6:30PM	18 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	19	20	21
22	23	24 Fall B	25 reak No Scho	26 Thanksgiving	27	28
29	30 School Resumes					
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Stevenson Elementary prides themselves on their quality curriculum and instruction, deep community partnerships, and the ability of staff to create a safe environment to ensure the health and well-being of our stakeholders. In light of the very unique way our school year ended, our staff tried to continue this quality education in a variety of ways: through internal professional development, continued grade level teaming and continuing to use assessments to drive instructional decisions. During this time, many staff members continued modeling our "You Matter" approach by going above and beyond instructionally and supporting our families in need. Staff members were often packing food for district food drives, delivering food and packets to houses and providing some families with essential supplies when needed.

Stevenson completed another year of their social emotional learning curriculum during their Ohana groups on Fridays. Next year, the Ohana groups will be using a new SEL curriculum called Paths. Stevenson also hosted their first building Hour of Code event during Computer Science Education Week. Stevenson kindergarteners actively participated in a fun and educational one-day etiquette class. During this Fancy Etiquette session, our kinders practiced proper greetings, casual place settings, napkin usage, and table manners. These skills will help them to conduct themselves appropriately in a variety of situations and were practiced.

ticed all while having fun!

- Stevenson also collaborated with many community organizations this school year to try and provide wrap around services for our students. Our school utilized the Miami Valley Leadership Foundation to provide mentors for specific students in our building. Stevenson Elementary is a Purple Star School and we partner with the Air Force and have access to MFLAC (Military and Family Life Counseling Program) Counselor who supports our military population throughout the school year. Some of the activities that she coordinated with our students was a veteran's celebration to honor the American Flag, writing letters to veterans/active duty, and running multiple groups such as a deployment group. We have partnered again with Shoes for the Shoeless Organization and the warmth program to provide shoes and coats for those students in need. Our building continues to provide a space for multiple Girl Scout troops. The Crayons to Classrooms organization continues to provide free shopping visits to our staff to help them offset the cost of classroom instructional supplies. The Mobile Dentist comes twice a year to support our student's dental hygiene free of charge. Texas Roadhouse continues to offer us student incentives and free field trips to our students and staff. ADAMHS (Adult Drug Addiction & Mental Health Services) and the Dayton Food Bank provided much needed help to many of our families in need throughout the year.
- Stevenson had some students and staff that received some amazing achievements this year. Three third grade students received awards in the violence Prevention Poster and Essay Contest. Eleven students read over 700 minutes in four weeks in the Columbus Blue Jackets-Book Jackets program, earning them an invitation to an exclusive open skate at the Ohio-Health Ice Haus. Annette Loughman was honored with the Master teacher distinction for the second time.
- Stevenson plans to move forward with the many student supports and events next year. Some of those events and student supports are as follows-Ohana Groups(using Paths), Class-room Calming Corner, Zones of Regulation Curriculum, Calming/Sensory Rooms, Motor Room, Student Motor Walk, Child Safety Matters Program, Title Family Nights, PAX at home, Art Club, Running Club, Grade Level Music Performances, and Choir Activities. Our Art Club was definitely a hit this year with over half of our students attending our first after school event. We hope to continue to grow this event this year while adding the running club.

## DECEMBER 2020



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	3	4	5
6	7 Pearl Harbor	8 Story Time with Mr. Isaac 9AM	SHS 2 Hour Early Release	10 Hanukkah	11	12
13	14 BOE Meeting 6:30PM	15	16 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	17	18	19
20	21 Dec. Solstice (GMT)  First Day of Winter	22 Winter Bre	23 ak No Scho	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 Kwanzaa begins Boxing Day (UK)
27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve		
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In October of 2019, a group of sixth grade students visited Washington DC for an educational trip. They explored monuments and memorials along the National Mall and other locations of the DC area. With guided tours, they learned the history of the US Capitol, National Cathedral, Embassy Row, and Arlington National Cemetery. Two students had the privilege of participating in the Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Students ventured many museums including Smithsonian and the Holocaust Museum. On the return trip home, there was a tour of the Gettysburg Battlefields.

Our Therapist, Ms. Otto, incorporated many ideas to generate self-esteem and promote positive mental and behavioral health. Some examples of what Ms. Otto used with our students was growth mindset, thought stopping by positive affirmations, physical activities, anxiety reducing techniques, journaling, meditation, conflict resolution and restorative justice. A favorite activity this school year was a tree tapping activity that took place on school grounds during recess time!

Fifth and sixth grade girls had the opportunity to meet with Girl Scout leader, Mr. Markel, once a week for several weeks to address issues of self-esteem and to learn and practice leadership skills. The girls chose to attend during their lunch and recess one day a week to help themselves grow into productive and healthy young ladies. This was the second year the Girl Scouts program was in place at Spinning and it is becoming a very popular group. We look forward to growing this program next year!



Spinning Hills teamed up with Montgomery County ADAMHS to implement programs that will benefit our student population. We plan to implement SBIRT screening and vaping prevention programs during the 2020-2021 school year. The Montgomery County ADAMHS program focuses on mental and behavioral health for students.

## JANUARY 2021



					LOCAL SCHOOLS	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				School Board Recognition Month  THANK OU School Board Recognition Month	New Year's Day Winter Break- No School	2
3	4 BOE Organizatinal Meeting 6PM School Resumes	5	6 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	14	15 End of 2nd Grading Period, 2 Hour Early Release	16
17	18 No School MIK Day Peace Week	19	20 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	21	22	23
24	25 BOE Meeting 6:30PM	26	27 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	28	29	30
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Reflecting back on the school year our students and staff have overcome multiple challenges. From the Dayton tornados that affected some of our families, the passing of a student, and now COVID-19. During all of this, Mad River Middle School students and staff have persevered to keep education in the forefront.

One of the goals at Mad River Middle School is to demonstrate a culture of Respect, Responsibility and Pride, our Indian Code. The PBIS (Positive, Behavior Interventions and Supports) Committee spear-headed this goal. Their main focus was to create a positive school climate in which students learn and grow. We made it a priority for all teachers to get to know their students. When a student entered their classroom the teacher was at the door greeting them in some way. (Handshake, high-five, fist bump,

to an elbow bump) In the beginning moments of the class every day each teacher did the Good News. This is where three students volunteer to share with the class something positive that happened or will happen. The teacher had fol-

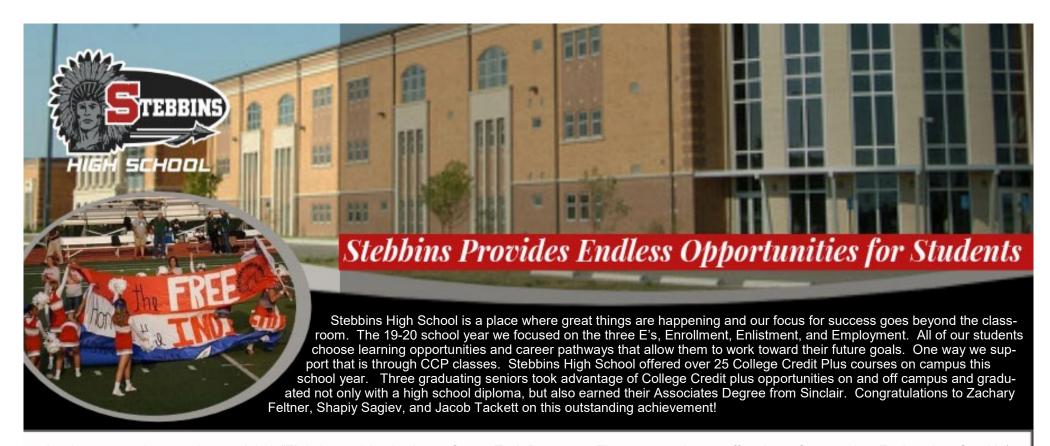
low up questions and then the entire class would give three claps. Some things I learned sitting in on classes: one student is an outstanding BMX competitor traveling out of state to race in competitions, a student taking cooking classes who wants to go to Culinary school one day, many awards their mother, father or other siblings had received, a new baby brother/sister, many new pets, and students reporting they finally got the math concept.

- In order for PBIS to be effective there needs to be an "all-in" attitude by students and staff. I believe this occurred this year by the results of MRMS good attendance rates, academic improvement in the classrooms and discipline referrals dropping fifty percent.
- Our positive school culture is also the result of higher test scores on the 2018-2019 AIR test. Each test showed gains (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade ELA, 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade Math and 8<sup>th</sup> grade science) placing all of those areas in the green!
- With the onset of COVID-19 forcing us to immediately shut down schools and to come up with a way to educate students. Staff developed packets and some held on -line learning. Was this perfect, absolutely not. But the students, parents, and staff all persevered through these days of uncertainty. We learned a great deal. Students learned skills of problem solving, how to join a Zoom meeting (not speaking over one another during an online discussion, how to pay attention with a lot of distractions, etc.), and they learned to be independent learners; skills they will have forever. We also learned both teachers and students missed each other!

## FEBRUARY 2021



					LOCAL SCHOOL	LS
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	African American History Month  BLACK HISTORY	2 Groundhog Day	3 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	4	5	6
7	8 National School Counseling Week	Story Time with Mr. Isaac 9AM	10 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	11	12 Lincoln's B-Day No School Grades 5-6 ONLY	MRLS Family and Community Summit 10AM-1PM @ MRMS
14 Valentines Day	15 Presidents' Day No School PRESIDENT'S	16	17 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	18	19	20
21	22 BOE Meeting 6:30PM National School Bus Driver Appreciation Day	23	24 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	25	26	27
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Another way students work toward their "E", is by participating in our Career Tech Programs. The career pathways offered are: Construction, Engineering, Graphic/Digital Design, Allied Health, Exercise Science, Criminal Justice, Accounting, HVAC, Cyber Security/IT, Manufacturing and The Teacher Academy. This year, 93 seniors completed a Career Tech Program and earned a \$3,000 scholarship to Sinclair. While in their career tech program, over 25 students participated in a paid internship. Our students also participated in The Business Professionals of America Competition and 20 of those students qualified to move on to the State Championship.

Many students were recognized for their outstanding behavior and academics. Thirty-seven juniors and seniors were inducted into The National Honor Society. Twenty-six of our seniors graduated with an Honors Diploma. One hundred and seven seniors made Honor Roll all four quarters and 213 underclassmen made Honor Roll all four quarters. Recognizing the great character of our students is as important as recognizing academics. We partnered with the Elks and recognized Outstanding Teenager of the Month and Outstanding Student of the Month. The students that were nominated and presented those awards followed our behavior expectations of Being Respectful, Being Responsible and Showing Pride in and out of the classroom. Congratulations to the following **Students of the Month**: Olivia Hamlett, Mollie Berger, Luke Hobbs, Jocelyn Maupins, Aniya Lyons and Zeb Morgan. Congratulations to the following **Teenagers of the Month**: Zach Feltner, Hailey Todd, Ashley Mintz, Kristine George, Grace Whitt and Raymond Zheng.

This was our first year for our athletic programs in the Miami Valley League (MVL). This year brought success for our athletes and sports programs. Our Wrestling team won the MVL Divisional Title. Marvelous Rutledge Placed first at the MVL tournament and then went on to qualify to go to the State Wrestling Tournament. Our Men's Basketball team had a great season and qualified for the District Semi Finals. Hailey Todd was recognized for her Outstanding Athletics and Leadership and was awarded the 2020 Women of Will Graduation Award. Our Stebbins Pride Scholarship was awarded to a student recognized for athletics, leadership, and character, congratulations Mollie Berger!

The Stebbins High School music programs saw a lot of success this school year. The marching band received a Superior Rating at every adjudicated event including the OMEA State Marching Band Finals. At the Bands of America Grand National Championship they were ranked 14<sup>th</sup> in the Nation and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Ohio Class AA! The Symphonic Choir earned a Superior Rating at the OMEA District XII Adjudicated Event. The Orchestra earned an Excellent Rating at the OMEA State Orchestra Adjudicated Event. The Varsity Winter Guard went undefeated all season.

There are many other achievements that happened this year and we are proud of all the students. Everyday our students are working toward their goals and achieving great things! We thank all the wonderful students who had great achievements this year. We look forward to seeing what amazing things our students do during the 20-21 school year.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Dr. Seuss Day	3 Spaghetti Fest 5-7PM @ SHS SHS 2 Hour Early Release	4	5	6
7	8 No School for Students, Staff Professional Day National School Breakfast Week	Story Time with Mr. Isaac 9AM Career Tech Advisory Dinner 6PM	10 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	11	12	13
Daylight Saving Spring Forward	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day SHS 2 Hour Early Release	18	19 End of 3rd Grading Period, 1 Hour Early Release	20 Vernal equinox (GMT)  First Day of Spring
21	22 BOE Meeting 6:30PM	23	24 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	25	26	27 Passover
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Mad River Local Schools and Stebbins High School is very proud to have the new program addition to its career tech offerings. The Teacher Academy program will be a strong addition to the already amazing career tech offerings at Stebbins High School.









## APRIL 2021



					aL SCHOOLS	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Support Military Kids	1 April Fool's Day Spring Breal	2 Good Friday  C No School	3
4 Easter	5 No School Spring Break	6 School Resumes	7 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	8	Preschool Enrollment Fair 8:30AM-2PM @ BOE	10
11	12 Ramadan	13 Story Time with Mr. Isaac 9AM	14 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	15 Taxes Due	Kindergarten Enrollment Fair 7AM- 1 PM @ BOE	17
18	19 National School Volunteer Week	20	21 Admin Assist Day SHS 2 Hour Early Release Outstanding Alumnus	22 Earth Day	No School for Students, Staff Professional Day SHS Prom 7-10PM	24
25	26 BOE Meeting 6:30PM	27	28 SHS 2 Hour Early Release	29	30	
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## MAY 2021



				LOCA	L SCHOOLS	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Teacher Appreciation Week  Teacher Appreciation WEEK	Stebbins Job Fair Stepbins Job Fair	5 SHS 2Hour Early Release Cinco de Mayo	6	7	8
9 Mother's Day  Happy  MoTher's  Day:	10	11	12 SHS 2 Hour Early Release National School Nurse Day	13	14	15 Armed Forces Day  ARMED FORCES DAY
16	17	18	19	20 SHS Graduation 7PM	21	22
23	<b>24</b> BOE Meeting 6:30PM	25	26	Last Day Students (End of 4th Grading Period), 2 Hour Early Release	28 Last Day Staff	29
30	31 Memorial Day	April 2021 Su M Tu W Th 1 4 5 6 7 8 11 12 13 14 15 18 19 20 21 22 25 26 27 28 29	2 3 9 10 6 7 5 16 17 13 14	June 2021  Tu W Th F Sa 1 2 3 4 5 8 9 10 11 12 15 16 17 18 19 22 23 24 25 26 29 30		



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				LOC	aL SCHOOLS	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Flag Day	15	16	17	18	19
20 Father's Day First Day of Summer	21 June Solstice (GMT)	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 BOE Meeting 6:30PM		30			
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# NEW START/END TIMES

# 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

2:55 PM	7:25 AM	Stebbins High School 7:25 AM
3:25 PM	8:25 AM	Mad River Middle 7-8 8:25 AM
3:55 PM	8:55 AM	Spinning Hills 5-6
2:25 PM	7:55 AM	Elementary K-4
END OF DAY	START OF DAY END OF DAY	SCHOOL

# SCHOOL YEAR AT A GLANCE 2020-21

First Day Kindergarten A through L	9/08/2020	2 Hr. Early Release - End of Qtr. 2	1/15/2021
First Day Students Grades 1 - 12	9/08/2020	No School Grades 5 & 6 Only	2/12/2021
First Day Kindergarten M through Z Only	Only 9/09/2020	No School for Students	3/08/2021
All Kindergarten in Session	9/10/2020	1 Hr. Early Release - End of Qtr. 3	3/19/2021
All PK in Session	9/14/2020	Spring Break	3/29/2021-4/05/2021
1 Hr. Early Release - End of Qtr. 1	10/30/2020	No School	4/23/2021
No School for Students	11/03/2020	2 Hr. Early Release - End of Qtr. 4	5/20/2021
No School—K-6th ONLY	11/13/2020	Last Day Students	5/27/2021
No School Thanksgiving Break	11/23/2020-11/27/2020	Last Day Staff	5/28/2021
No School Winter Break	12/21/2020-1/01/2021		

2020-21 Stebbins 2 Hour

**Early Release Dates** 

\*Every Wednesday. Throughout the school year, beginning Sept. 16 - May 12.