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Capital Assets a Priority for Property Committee

The Wooster City School District Property Committee evaluates all Wooster City School District owned properties. This committee, comprised of the superintendent, a Board of Education member, chief financial officer, buildings and grounds manager, district architect and various building and mechanical engineers, works to assist and advise the Board of Education with Board owned property matters specific to:

- construction and renovation projects*
- acquisition and disposition of property*
- leases, permits, regulatory requirements and servitudes*
- policies, planning, development and stewardship for lands, facilities, infrastructure and related property matters*

The Property Committee recently forwarded recommendations to the

Board of Education to:

- *Renovate 6,000 sq. ft. along with 4,000 sq. ft. of new construction at Edgewood Middle School that is in partnership with Boys & Girls Club of Wooster*
- *Install a new roof on Edgewood Middle School*
- *Complete the replacement of air conditioning units at Wooster High School*

The Property Committee is also working on plans to:

- *Repave several parking lots with significant sidewalk and curb repair*
- *Expand parking at Melrose Elementary School*
- *Construct a locker room facility at Follis Field*
- *Renovate a portion of Cornerstone Elementary School for expanded and*

enhanced early learning/preschool space

- *Renovate the entry of Parkview Elementary School*
- *Replace HVAC at Kean Elementary School (south portion)*
- *Several projected roofing and paving projects*

"Our Property Committee meets bi-weekly and is extremely active in ensuring our capital assets are maintained and meeting the needs of our students, families and academic, athletic, and fine arts programming," said Dr. Michael Tefs, superintendent. "This committee is responsible for about \$95,000,000 worth of assets on approximately 180 acres and more than 870,000 sq. ft. of buildings. To say that we are grateful for their time, expertise and vision would be an understatement. The community can be very proud of their work."



Proposed Follis Field Locker Room Facility



Students use Math24 Game to Improve Math Skills

Edgewood Middle School and elementary school students are using a popular card game to improve their math skills. The game, 24[®], is a mathematics teaching tool that helps children understand the relationships between numbers.

Wooster City Schools currently offer Math 24[®] clubs for students in fourth, fifth and sixth grade.

Students participate in a school-wide tournament to determine the best players who then advance to the district tournament held at Edgewood Middle School in March every year. This year's tournament was held on March 15. In fourth grade, **Dylan Hudson** placed first, **Ethan Shetler** placed second and **Elizabeth Altland** placed third. In fifth grade, **Dominic Tomassetti** placed first, **Rosetta Morgan** placed second and **Blake Bowen** placed third. In sixth grade, **Theo Ollier** placed first, **Ash-ton Dunlap** placed second and **Zach Keating** placed third.



Wooster's Seventh and Eighth-Grade MATHCOUNTS Team Places at State Competition

On Saturday, March 12, Wooster City School District's seventh and eighth grade MATHCOUNTS team competed in the state competition at Columbus State University, where the team placed 17 out of 30 teams.

The MATHCOUNTS team consists of eighth grade students, **Tyler Keating** and **Christina Sayre**, and seventh grade students, **Emanuel Butdorf** and **Ben Haven**. Seventh graders **Alyssa Foster** and **Colby Hartnett** both competed as individuals.

At the state competition, Keating placed 41 out of 182 as an individual.



Tyler Keating



Christina Sayre



Emanuel Butdorf



Ben Haven



Alyssa Foster



Colby Hartnett

Wooster City School District's Power of the Pen Team Will Compete in the State Tournament

Wooster City School District's Power of the Pen team competed in the regional tournament on March 12 at Wooster High School. Five students will move

on to the state tournament May 26-27 at the College of Wooster.

These students are **Caitlin Scott, Lena Wiebe, Sophie Gamble,**

Bekah Barnett and Rheanna Velasquez.

Velasquez was also awarded the Director's Award for her district

story, "My Own Power." She will receive a Power of the Pen writing journal and her story will be entered in the Best of Round Award at the state tournament.



Caitlin Scott



Lena Wiebe



Sophie Gamble



Bekah Barnett



Rheanna Velasquez

Six Wooster Speech and Debate Team Members Qualify for National Championship

Six students from the Wooster High School Speech and Debate team have qualified to compete in the national championships in Salt Lake

City, Utah.

Each student qualified in a different event. Those students are: **Mary Grace Gorman**, in United States

Extemporaneous Speaking; **Pierre Paul**, in Original Oratory; **Katie Mount**, in Congressional Debate (House); **Brianna Schmidt**, in World

Schools Debate; and **Evan Doan** and **Matt Lorentz**, in Duo Interpretation.

The national championships will take place June 12 to June 17.



Mary Grace Gorman



Pierre Paul



Katie Mount



Brianna Schmidt



Evan Doan



Matt Lorentz

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Spring 2016 Calendar of Events

All district events may be seen at www.woostercityschools.org

Wednesday, April 27

Parkview: Spring Picture Day

Saturday, April 30

Big Band Dance: WHS Commons - 8:30-11 p.m.

Monday, May 2

WHS: Academic Awards Presentation - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 3

WHS: All-City Spring Orchestra Concert - PAC - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 4

WHS: Gr. 8-12 Spring Band Concert - PAC - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 5

WHS: Choir Concert - PAC - 7:30 p.m.

Cornerstone: Domino Dough Night

Saturday, May 7

WHS: SAT Test

WHS: Prom

Saturday, May 8

Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 10

Edgewood: Gr. 7 Band and Orchestra Concerts - EWMS Gym - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 12

Melrose: Domino's Pizza Night

Friday, May 13

Kean: Talent Show Assembly - 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Monday, May 16

WHS: Music Awards - PAC - 7:00 p.m.

BOE Work Session - WHS Meeting Room - 7:00 p.m.

May 16 - 19

Parkview: Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday, May 18

WHS: Senior Give-Back Day

Friday, May 20

Boys' Village - Graduation - 1 p.m.

Monday, May 23

Melrose: Talent Show - 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Parkview: Awards Assembly - 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, May 24

Last Day of School for Students

Cornerstone: Grade 4 Awards Assembly - 10 a.m.

Kean: Grade 4 Awards Assembly - 2 p.m.

BOE Regular Session - WHS LGIR - 7:00 p.m.

Monday, May 30

Memorial Day

WHS: Marching Band - Memorial Day Parade and Services - Wooster Fairgrounds - 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, June 5

WHS: Graduation - Follis Field - 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 14

Flag Day

Sunday, June 19

Father's Day



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2016 Fine Arts Festival

The Wooster City School District recently held its 18th Annual Fine Arts Festival on Saturday, April 2. The event included visual, instrumental and vocal arts performances by students from all of the district's elementary schools, Edgewood Middle School and Wooster High School.

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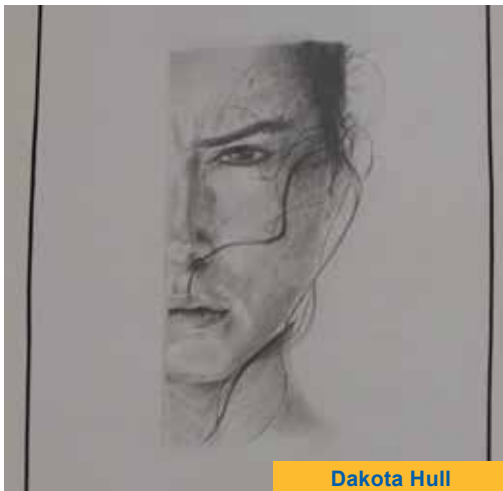
- 1 – Dakota Hull
- 2 – Chey Sprinkle
- 3 – Noah McKee

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- 1 – Emily Kemmerer
- 2 – Shanna Rock
- 3 – Jessica Aukerman

People's Choice Award:

Breanna McKnight



Dakota Hull



Emily Kemmerer



Breanna McKnight

Student Athletes Recognized at March Board of Education Meeting

The following students were recognized at the March 29 Board of Education meeting. All three were state qualifiers in their respective sports.



Allie Leiendecker – Bowling



Kaitlyn Fast – Diving



Jessica Bonezzi – Swimming



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Cornerstone Elementary PlayLab Becoming a Reality



The Cornerstone PlayLab team is looking forward to bringing this unique outdoor play and learning environment to Cornerstone Elementary, and the Wooster community. The project is currently out to bid with the hope that a construction team will be identified by the end of April. Construction will then begin on, or before,

June 1, 2016, with the majority of the work completed by the time school begins in August.

With so many components to the project (traditional equipment, Danny's Hill, outdoor education spaces, a butterfly garden, geology garden, weather station, walking path, and much more), the team

has been consulting with many local experts to ensure these spaces are the best they can be. "We're so grateful to the many community members who have offered to lend their expertise to the project," said Danni Schantz, project chair.

Schantz mentioned recent meetings with College of Wooster geologists who are consulting on the geology garden and a meeting at the Wayne County Schools Career Center where construction students will be building the PlayLab's weather station. The PlayLab committee is planning a special groundbreaking for all Cornerstone Elementary students in late May.

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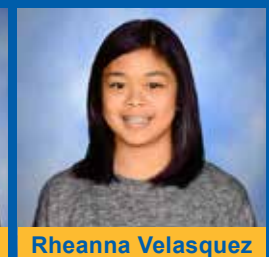
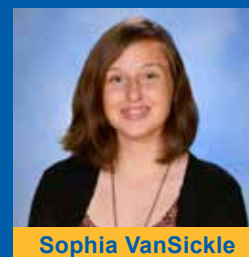
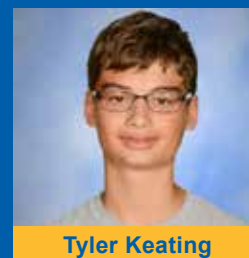
Academic Challenge Team Headed to Nationals

The following seventh and eighth grade Academic Challenge team members will be heading to the national competition June 3-5 in Washington, D.C.

Tyler Keating
Anna Nacci
Madison Schroer
Sophia VanSickle
Olivia VanSickle
Rheanna Velasquez

The students qualified for nationals by having two teams placing in the top four at the regional tournament at John Carroll University.

Congratulations!



Eight Wooster High School Students Will Represent the District at the American Legion Buckeye Boys State Program

Eight Wooster High School juniors were selected to be a part of the American Legion Buckeye Boys State program from June 12-19 at Bowling Green State University.

The eight students who will represent Wooster as delegates in the program are **Ryan Miller, Evan Rice, Austin McCully, Nate King-Smith, Drew Friedhoff, Alex Yost, Ben Wiest** and **Reis Rising**.

During the week, the students will simulate an entire state government from top to bottom, including a governor, state legislature, court system, county government, city government, sheriff, highway patrol, Ohio National Guard, prosecutors and defense attorneys. All positions will be campaigned for, elected and held by the students.



Ryan Miller



Evan Rice



Austin McCully



Nate King-Smith



Drew Friedhoff



Alex Yost



Ben Wiest



Reis Rising

Wooster City School District Receives Several 2016 Wayne County Junior High Art Awards

Several Wooster City School District seventh and eighth grade students recently competed in the 2016 Wayne County Junior High Arts awards. The students competed against 10 school districts within Wayne County.

Among the district's winners were seventh grade students, **Elainna Vojtkofsky**, who received third place in mixed media; **Madison Kurtz**, who received first place in ceramics; **Jeffrey Manson**, who received second place in crafts;

Camille Malta, who received second place in painting; **Alaya West**, who received third in ceramics; and eighth grade students, **Adriana Reamsnider**, **Madison Helms** and **Angelina Fox**, who received an honorable mention for their black and white drawing.

Students competed in 11 categories including painting, black and white drawing, color drawing, craft, textiles, mixed media, two-dimensional design, printmaking, clay sculpture, non-clay sculpture and ceramics.



Elainna Vojtkofsky



Madison Kurtz



Jeffrey Manson



Camille Malta



Alaya West



Adriana Reamsnider



Madison Helms



Angelina Fox



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Wooster High School Marching Band and Orchestra Visit Disney World



On March 19-24, Wooster High School's marching band and orchestra visited Disney World in Orlando, Florida.

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