

Superintendent Report for Meeting

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2/22/22

- I want to thank our maintenance staff, technology crew, and our teachers for their hard work and flexibility in getting our new smart panels installed in the buildings. It is taking a lot of extra time, and people are being very flexible in making this happen to help impact our instruction and, most importantly, student learning.
- The WDN recently asked me to provide an update on our progress over the last year. It wasn't hard for me to find areas where we have worked to #bebetter. We are now in the third nine weeks of the 2021/2022 school year and I am proud of how far we have come since the pandemic started.
- We are now at the time of the year when we begin to look at staffing for the next school year. We have posted various teaching positions internally, and there will be some staff members changing roles for next year. I anticipate posting any open positions to the public this week.
- I recently met with Mike Watt and Angie Sparks to discuss upcoming projects and we reviewed requests from our Agriculture Education Department. The district is excited to see that area be refurbished this summer with new paint, new equipment, machinery, and a mini excavator. This will continue to grow the program and also prepare our kids for hands-on jobs in their future.

WAPAKONETA CITY SCHOOLS

Monthly Activity Report-Mike Watt, Director of Operations

February 18, 2022

- **The protective curtain for the video board in the high school gym should be here by the end of January, first week of Feb.**
- **The new SMART boards are being installed. The Wapakoneta Elem will start next week.**
- **ERATE 470 has been finalized and waiting on bids for fiber service.**
- **I have recommendations for what is needed for Asphalt work at each building. I will discuss this with the facilities committee Tuesday. (Brief thoughts...HW West Lot and West access lane needs milled and overlay. The Cridersville main lane in front of the building Mill and Overlay and a portion of the teachers parking area in the south lot. There is a "L" section of the Wrestling room parking lot that also need mill and overlay. I did put in a request with the city to split that cost, since it is jointly used with the pool. There are some small Mill and Overlay portions at the MS. The rest is Crack fill, Seal and Stripe. This work is slated for June and July. The added milling and overlay work will cause the cost to go up, I'm sure outside of what we had budgeted.... I do have two companies submitting bids at this point. I am working on a third...**
- **Working with Aaron, Ron Brown and Craig Sammetinger to update the FFA Area. (Shop areas of the high school.)**
- **I have the school Property, Fleet and Liability insurance out for bid. (Ohio School Plan, through Stolly, Phelan, and possibly Gallagher through the EPC.)**
- **Started the conversation with our ERATE 2022 funding year.**

Thanks,

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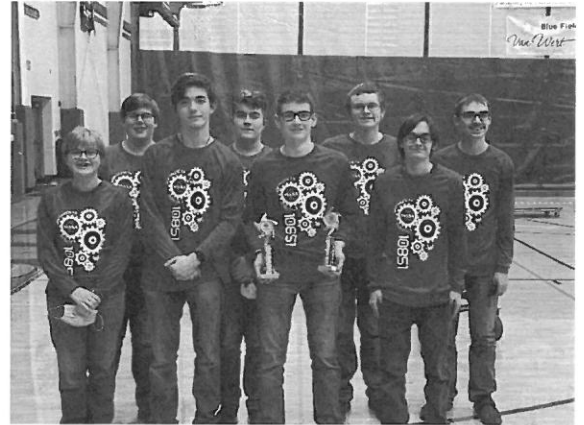
Wapakoneta Virtual School Grades 7-12

- We currently have 62 students enrolled into virtual school as of Thursday February 17th.
- We currently have 44 students taking three or more classes on-line as of Thursday February 17th.
- We currently have 24 Seniors, 11 Juniors, 10 Sophomores, 7 Freshman, 4 Eighth Graders, 5 Seventh Graders and 1 Non-Grad enrolled into virtual school as of Thursday February 17th.
- We currently have 257 classes scheduled at this time.
- We are currently serving 8 students on an IEP or 504 plan.
- We will continue to make communication a priority with our students. Every student will receive an email with a video attached explaining the expectations and how to navigate the program.
- We continue to contact parents to update them about their child's progress and grades. Parents have the ability to receive a weekly progress report if they provided us an email address.
- Our guidance department receives weekly progress updates on all virtual school students and has been active in communicating with families.

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Wapakoneta High School Board Report:

The Wapakoneta Robotics club competed in a robotics tournament in Van Wert on January 29. The team did a fantastic job by coming home with two trophies. The team alliance won the final match of the tournament. They also were awarded the control award. Great job to all the kids for all of their hard work and dedication to the team.



Wapakoneta High School and Wapakoneta Elementary School have joined together in order to create a mentorship program that will allow us to work with MAV out of Celina. This will create an opportunity where students in the high school can meet with students at the elementary and help them through tough situations, as well as creating a bond between the two of them in order to set up a growth opportunity for each of them. It is our goal to start out small and build the program. Currently, we are looking for Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors that would like to partner with a First, Second, or Third Grader. The mentor and the mentee will meet three times a month initially, but it could grow over time. As of right now we have had a lot of interest from our students to be a part of this program. We hope to see this interest continue as we move forward in making this idea a reality.

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Middle School
February 22, 2022**Updates:**

Teacher Clarity Update: February has been a month of tremendous growth for teacher clarity. We took advantage of our professional development early release day to focus on vertical alignment across the curriculum. Teachers were able to identify key areas of improvement to ensure students were learning the necessary skills to fill in learning gaps across each grade level. We have also been using TBT time during weekly meetings to meet in grade level departments to focus on standards and to create common assessments and align horizontally, while keeping the learning standard as the primary focus.

PBIS Update: We recently opened up our school store to provide students with the opportunity to use their PBIS points towards candy, Wapak gear, toys, supplies, and privileges. We have also held several raffles for prizes donated from the community, including astronauts from the Armstrong Air & Space Museum, movie passes from the Wapa Theater, and ice cream cones from Dairy Queen. The PBIS team has done a nice job of reaching out to the community for support and our community has responded well to the initiative. We are very grateful for the support!

SMART Panels: The maintenance department has installed 34 Smart Panels in our classrooms. Basically, it is the same as having a high powered 55 inch tablet in each room. Each panel has 10 touch points allowing multiple students the opportunity to work on it at the same time. They have incredible clarity and are much brighter than our previously installed projectors. Teachers are getting comfortable with using them and are excited about their future possibilities. Thank you to the board of education for making this financial investment. Wapakoneta City Schools, over time, has become the leader in providing technology as a tool for student engagement and learning.

Spelling Bee: We had 26 students participate in the spelling bee this year. Our 5th, 6th, and 7th Language Arts teachers held a classroom bee in each of their three ELA blocks. The winners from each class competed in the schoolwide Spelling Bee that was held on January 12, 2022. Cole Bruggeman won after correctly spelling "morbidity" in the 15th round of competition. He will go on to compete in the regional Spelling Bee. The first runner-up was Logan Bower and Seth Augsburg finished as second runner-up.

Retired WMS Principal Julie Miars Golden served as our announcer, Guidance Counselor Kristi Fisher and MH Counselor/5th Grade SEL Instructor Susan Harrod served as judges while DARE Officer Mitchell Karner was the time keeper.

February 2022 Report to the Board of Education

Valentine Parties

- We are grateful for our PTO members and the other volunteers who helped to sponsor classroom activities, crafts, and games, for our annual Valentine's Day parties. Our PTO also provided snacks and drinks for these parties. We truly appreciate everything our PTO does for our students and our staff.

Staff Professional Development

- During our delay PD days this fall and our early dismissal PD day in February, our teachers have had the opportunity to collaborate with colleagues from across the building to share successes with phonemic awareness instruction and phonics instruction. These meetings provide a great opportunity for our staff members to collaborate and learn from each other.

Skating Unit

- We recently began our roller skating unit in P.E. Our P.E. teacher, Mrs. Burke, helped to kick off this unit with the help of Mrs. Cottrell. Our students always love this unit, and it is amazing to see how quickly our students learn to skate. We are so grateful that our students have such a wonderful opportunity at WES.

McTeacher Night

- On March 8, we will host our McTeacher Night for Wapakoneta Elementary School. Our staff members will donate their time to help raise money for the Ronald McDonald House charities. We look forward to seeing our students and their families at this event.

Teacher Visit

- In March, we will host teachers from Minster Elementary School who will be observing several of our teachers using Orton Gillingham in their classrooms. They will visit a Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade classroom during their visit. We look forward to inviting them into our building to see this instruction and learning in action.

March Board of Education Meeting

- We look forward to recognizing some of our outstanding students at the March Board of Education meeting at Wapakoneta Elementary School!

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School Board Report - February 2022

Mrs. Jill Stubbs, through the Lions Club, began the annual eyeglass drive on February 4. This drive benefits less fortunate individuals who require glasses in order to function day to day. At the conclusion of the drive, Cridersville students and staff provided 96 pairs of glasses. Mrs. Danille Berg's third grade classrooms brought in the most pairs this year and have won a pizza party funded by the Lions Club of Cridersville.

Students and staff celebrated Valentine's Day in the gym with the support of the PTO and teachers. What a great time to see all the fun and games that the PTO provided and the demonstration of "love" that our students gave one another.

TBT's and STST's have continued at Cridersville and have included a great deal of conversation about student needs at the intervention level. We are seeing an increase in the number of students requiring a great deal of intervention, and this meeting time is spent figuring out how to make this happen.

Mrs. Stubbs and the physical education classes kicked off Kids Heart Challenge (formerly Jump Rope for Heart) in February. This is the 11th year that Mrs. Stubbs has partnered with The American Heart Association to support healthy children across the country. Students are excited to obtain their black belt (100 jumps in a row) and love showing them off to the teachers.

Early dismissal was held on the 2nd of February. Staff at Cridersville spent time working across grade levels discussing phonics and the implementation of their reading instruction. It was great feedback to hear from them that they enjoyed learning how reading is scaffolded throughout the grade levels. Conversations were also had about what changes or differences they are seeing in the students because of the new implementation of OG, Heggerty and 95% Group.

Thursday, February 17, marked the final day for a very special Wapakoneta City Schools staff member. Mrs. Sarah Thompson has resigned her position to move with her family to Fort Wayne as her husband has accepted a promotion. Thank you, Sarah, for many years of great service.

WAPAKONETA

— REDSKINS —

- The swim teams continued their excellent seasons this past Saturday at the Sectional meet at Fremont by placing 8 girls and 11 boys on to the District meet this Friday and Saturday at BGSU. Please see the list below on all the qualifiers and a special shout out to Addisyn Newman for breaking the school record in the 100 Breaststroke! Good luck to our swimmers this weekend!
- The girls bowling team finished the regular season in 2nd place in the WBL. The team took 2nd at the WBL Championship on Saturday! Bailey Van Meter and Rylie Jeanneret were named 1st Team WBL and Aubryn Schnarre- Honorable Mention! The girls will start sectional action on February 24 at Community Lanes- Minster.
- The boys bowling team also finished as WBL Runners-Up this season after placing 3rd at the WBL Tournament. Tanner Haggard received 2nd Team WBL Honors with Eli Van Meter garnering Honorable Mention WBL! The boys begin their post-season tournament on February 25 at Community Lanes-Minster.
- The wrestling team took 2nd place in the WBL tournament this past Saturday and finished 2nd overall in the WBL for the season. Cael Rostorfer captured the WBL Championship at 285lbs, Trevor Houts, Corbin Mitchell and Caden Mellott were WBL Runner-up at 215lbs, 150lbs, and 106lbs respectively. Jayden Rampulla (190lbs), Jace Knous (175lbs), Dawson Ware (157lbs), Nate Buell (144lbs), and Gavin Hall (138lbs) all placed third in their weight classes! The team will begin the state tournament trail on February 26 at Defiance in the Sectional tournament.
- The boys' basketball team has been on quite a roll, winning 10 games in a row and are currently 15-5 on the season. The team has two remaining regular season games both at home, Tuesday vs. Marion Local and Friday vs. WBL foe Defiance. On Friday, the team moved to 5-3 in the WBL on a last second lay-up by Braeden Goulet! Kaden Siefring scored 25 points and Amir Bryant had 14 to help pace the Redskins to victory over Coldwater Saturday.
- The girls' basketball team ended their regular season on a high note by defeating Celina, 45-33 behind 14 points by Nikane Ambos! Seniors Ambos, Addy Allen, Katie Lisi, Allie Wilson and Alyssa Harrod will lead the team on the tournament trail which will begin Thursday at Fostoria vs. Mansfield Madison.

Swimming Qualifiers Girls Division 1 Qualifiers

200 Medley Relay

Caitlyn Rostorfer
Addisyn Newman
Makenna Krouse
Katie Bauer

200 Free Relay

Ainsley Bump
Katie Bauer
Caitlyn Rostorfer
Addisyn Newman

400 Free Relay

Elizabeth Sidener
Callie Sutton
Caitlyn Rostorfer
Ainsley Bump
Adyson Krouse

50 Free

Addisyn Newman
Katie Bauer
Ainsley Bump

200 IM

Elizabeth Sidener

100 Back

Makenna Krouse

100 Breast

Addisyn Newman
Elizabeth Sidener

100 Butterfly

Katie Bauer
Makenna Krouse

Boys- Division 2 Qualifiers

200 Medley Relay

Owen Becker
Ross Honigford
Gavin Sutton
Alex Honigford

200 Free Relay

Cameron Reichenbach
Luke Wierwille
Gannon Casebolt
Alex Honigford

400 Free Relay

Owen Becker
Luke Wierwille
Gannon Casebolt
Cameron Reichenbach
Gavin Sutton

50 Free

Alex Honigford
Cameron Reichenbach
Gannon Casebolt
Gavin Sutton

100 Free

Alex Honigford
Cameron Reichenbach
Owen Becker
Isaiah Wachauf

200 Free

Luke Wierwille
Gannon Casebolt

500 Free

Grant Honigford

200 IM

Ross Honigford
Aidan Schneider
Julian Jordan

100 Butterfly

Luke Wierwille
Aidan Schneider

100 Breast

Ross Honigford
Grant Honigford

100 Back

Owen Becker
Gavin Sutton
Isaiah Wachauf