

# The Colt Cornerstone

News from Butler Elementary...

Butler Elementary will be honoring local **veterans** on **Tuesday, November 12th at 8:30 a.m.** Please call 419-883-3451 to RSVP with your name, military branch, and years served. We will be providing refreshments after the program.

**Mrs. Cathy Kinney**, Newspaper Advisor at Butler Elementary, meets with her **reporters** after school to publish a quarterly publication that is distributed to staff and students. The newspaper is called, **The Butler Express News**.



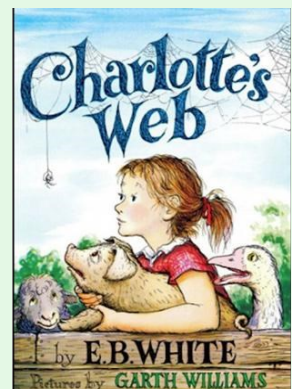
Principal **Libby Nickoli** and the reading intervention team of **Nicole Walker** and **Mayme Legron** were selected to present at the **2025 Showcase for AcceleratED Leadership & Learning**, hosted by the Ohio Leadership Advisory Council and the Ohio Department of Education & Workforce on January 28, 2025 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. The 2025 Showcase for AcceleratED Leadership & Learning is a one-day professional learning event designed to help build the capacity of those who lead, teach, and serve students in Ohio's schools and beyond. The event provides Ohio superintendents, principals, teachers, counselors, regional support staff, and others with the opportunity for inspiration, collaboration, and learning around integrated systems of support to accelerate leadership, instructional practices, and student learning.

Butler Elementary will be hosting their annual **Family Literacy Night** on **Monday, November 4th** from 5:30-7:00. Clear Fork Valley staff members are invited to attend with their children or grandchildren. The theme is **Charlotte's Web** and our PTO will be managing the Scholastic Book Fair in our music room. Our literacy team has planned a variety of stations for our families to experience.

- Farm animals and tractors will be on site in our gravel lot behind the building.
- Food Options

- **Food truck, Grunt Grub will be here with dinner options for families to purchase**
- **Clever Sweets will have cupcake treats available for**
- **Student Council and Butler Ambassadors will be serving hot chocolate and spider cider to raise money for their activities throughout the year.**
- **PTO sponsored snack trough**

- Live tarantula station from Lowe-Volk Nature Center will be in our library
- Literacy activities in our K-2 and 3-5 wings
- STEM Activity in the cafeteria
- Arts and Crafts with **Mrs. Luzader** in the art room
- Barnyard Games in the gym





This year, Bellville made some significant changes to our master schedule. We flipped lunch and recess, making recess first, and reorganized specials to ensure the gym and music room are open to allow for indoor recess. **Mr. Jones** has taken the lead on teaching students recess games, and the **PTO** donated an amazing Gaga Ball pit for the gym! Now we can ensure students get an active recess in all weather conditions! Thank you, Mr. Jones, and Bellville PTO!



**Mrs. Rinehart** teaches first grade here at Bellville. At the end of last year, Mrs. Rinehart volunteered to go through **Wilson Level 1 certification**, an intensive process. She took training over the summer, and is currently battling through her year long practicum. She meets with a wonderful 4th grade student using the Wilson Reading System. As anybody who has gone through this process can attest, this is a big commitment! Thank you, Mrs. Rinehart!



Bellville has a new face this year in **Mr. RJ Pierce**, from Family Life Counseling. **Mrs. Hoptry**, School Social Worker at Bellville and the Middle School, and RJ, who spends some of his time in each of the buildings, have worked together to capitalize on this extra support. In Bellville, we are getting ready to launch 4 student social groups Throughout the district, there are 15 groups that are meeting, or will soon be meeting, up from just 3 groups last year. We would like to thank our Treasurer, Mr. Jon Mason, and the Board of Education for their support in expanding social services in support of our students and families!



On October 25th we celebrated **98 students** that received a **PBIS** award for showing what it means to be a COLT here at the Middle School during the 1st quarter of the year.



**8th graders** took a trip to Mohican and participated in hiking trails and stream studies on October 25th.



In honor of **Red Ribbon Spirit Week**, Middle School Principal, **Logan Slavinski** went all out for “Lei Off Drugs” Hawaiian Day!



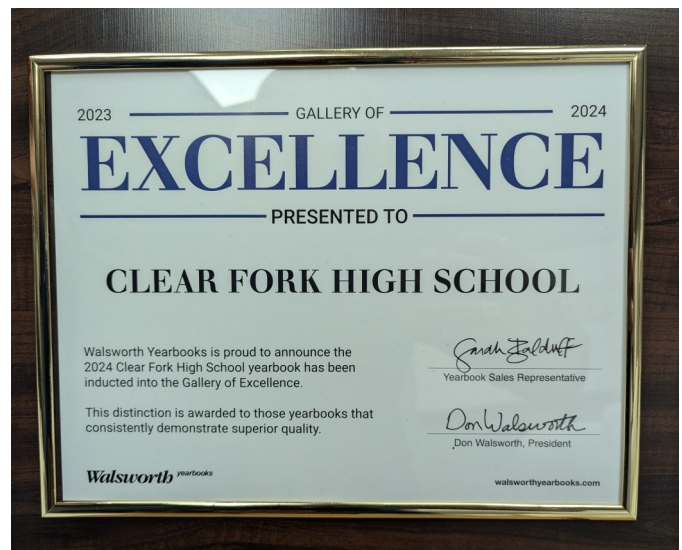


Honoring our Military Members:

**Hayden Roberts** (Class of 2024) just graduated from Basic Training. His mother, **Kristi Roberts**, who is our guidance secretary, and the rest of his family got to visit him and celebrate his graduation on October 25, 2024. He is headed to Camp Lejeune in North Carolina to finish his training. We are looking forward to watching his successes in the Marine Corps!



**Heather Keating and her yearbook staff** were selected to be a part of the Wadsworth Gallery of Excellence for their 2024 yearbook. Their yearbook will be featured in the Gallery of Excellence for inspiration and will also be used in workshops to demonstrate journalism to spark creativity. We are very proud of Heather and her team for earning such an elite honor!



More high school news...

Congratulations to the students who were tapped for the **National Honor Society**. Their official Induction Ceremony takes place on November 7th at 6:30pm.



2024 Inductees: **Juniors:** Ethan Beck, Aly Brokaw, Alyssa Burger, Ben Campbell, Milee Carillon, Mattie Colegrove, Tristan Cromer, Kaiden Dettmer, Abigail Geary, Lucas Goodman, Jasmine Johnson, Gwyneth Jones, Jozie Lloyd, Kenadee Muntain, Lucy Myer, Callie New, Landon Perry, Hunter Rahall, Bailee Riddle, Selena Ross, Matthew Shutt, Faith Smith, Mary Stupka, Liliana Trunzo, Sophia Wharton, Mia Wilson, Ashtyn Wine, Nathaniel Wine. **Seniors:** Ava Beard, Isabella Oswald, Dawson Staley.

The **CFHS Creative Publishing Class** (yearbook and newspaper publications) did a **"Secret Spook"** where students adopted teachers and gave them gifts and clues for the week. **Teachers** then had to guess who their secret spook was at the celebration and give them a gift of thanks! Students and teachers alike had fun with this activity and getting to know one



The **CFHS staff** joined in on the student dress up day for **Halloween**. One hallway all teamed up to be the Price is Right with Drew Carey!



**GOLF:**

Congratulations to **Ella Schmidt** and **Landon Ball** who both qualified for District!



**TENNIS:**

**Noel Cline** was the MOAC 1st Singles Champion and District Qualifier. **Aly Brokaw** and **Makenna Wuertz** were the 1st Doubles District Qualifiers! Way to go Ladies!



**Football**

The **CFHS football** team finished their season 4-6 and qualified for playoffs. They will play the **Ontario Warriors** on Friday, November 1st at 7pm.



**Girls Soccer:**

The **Girls Soccer** team finished their season as both the **MOAC Champions** and **District Champions!** Congratulations to **Mel Blubaugh** who is the District IV Player of the Year! Special congratulations to **Brittany Bechtel**, she is both the **MOAC Coach of the Year** and **District IV Coach of the Year!** She will be receiving her recognitions at the MOAC banquet in November.



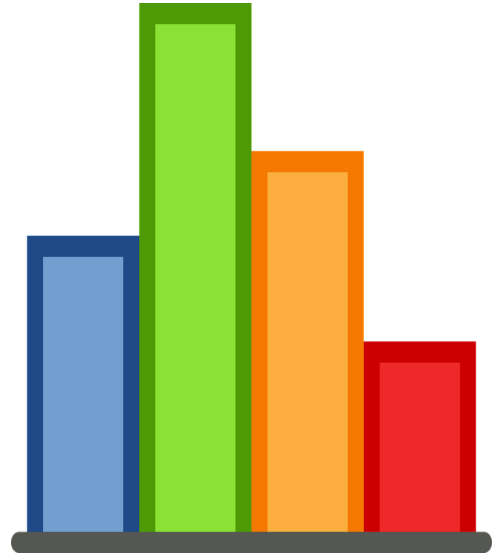
**Boys Soccer:**

Congratulations to the **CFHS Boys Soccer** team for **MAKING SCHOOL HISTORY** as District Champions. Way to go boys!!

An update from our Interim Superintendent...

Completed interview updates:

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| 10/21/2024 | - Middle School | 12 |
| 10/22/2024 | - High School   | 11 |
| 10/23/2024 | - Bellville     | 14 |
| 10/28/2024 | - Bellville     | 12 |
| 10/29/2024 | - Middle School | 8  |
| 10/30/2024 | - High School   | 11 |



*To all of our transportation employees; thank you for doing a great job transporting our students and for letting me share the experience.*



*Mr. John Thomas, Interim Superintendent*