Winter 2022 **Newsletter**

Fremont City Schools Home of the Little Giants

LADY GIANT WRESTLING

Women's wrestling is one of the fastest growing sports in the country. While there are 32 states that have officially sanctioned wrestling, Ohio is not one of them...yet.



At this point in time in Ohio, girls' wrestling

is semi-sanctioned. The lady wrestlers are considered OHSAA athletes and follow all of the rules, just like the boys, but they do not have a state-sanctioned tournament. This year will be year 3 of the Girls State Tournament which is run through OHSWCA (Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association), and with an increase in participants, this is year 2 of a District Tournament to qualify for State.

The number of girl wrestlers in the State of Ohio has increased from 123 in the 2011-12 season to 787 this year. States that are sanctioning are seeing participation growth as high as a 400% increase after the State has officially sanctioned the sport. There are 75 colleges with women's wrestling, and programs are being added across the country that will continue to expand opportunities for high school girl wrestlers.

Why now? There has been a tremendous increase in girl wrestlers at the elementary level that currently do not have a girls team to be a part of at the scholastic level, unless they choose to wrestle boys. Data shows that as girls age they would FROM THE DESK OF **SUPERINTENDENT DETWILER**

Greetings Fremont Families,

We are completely moved into the new high school and are preparing to demolish the old Ross building. There are many mixed emotions for all of us. I certainly understand the sentiment as I cannot drive by the old Junior High property on Croghan Street where the Birchard Public Library is building their addition and not think fondly of my time there as a teacher and principal.

As I reflect on those memories, the thought occurs to me that the location is the trigger, but the actual memories are of the people that I spent time with in those halls. This community has made a commitment that the lifelong memories our students are making with their friends are happening in bright, clean, and safe new buildings.

I am humbled to have been a part of this generous gift from the community and on behalf of the staff and students of Fremont City Schools...Thank you.

Jon Detwiler, Superintendent

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HOMETOWN LEARNING

LUTZ ELEMENTARY

During the month of December, fourth graders learned about President Haves by reading biographies, viewing videos, and most especially by visiting the Haves Presidential Museum. Mr. and Mrs. Skip Honsberger generously sponsored this educational trip for the students who enjoyed it immensely! Much was learned as they



viewed the Hayes home, toured the grounds, and explored the Presidential museum. Everyone appreciated the opportunity to have this wonderful experience right here in our hometown! After the trip, students created memory bracelets of the facts that especially impressed them to share with friends and family.

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prefer to wrestle other girls.

Many of the girls and female coaches at Ross are wives, mothers, daughters, sisters, cousins, and nieces of boy wrestlers. These ladies love the sport and are so excited to finally have their opportunity on the mat!

This year at Fremont Ross, the Lady Wrestlers are considered a club and have 8 high school girls and 12 middle school girls. Several of the girls at both levels are wrestling co-ed for both the girls and boys teams. Coaches are volunteers. They are coached by Chad & Jen Long, Chad & Stephanie Hetrick, and Brooke Scully. At their very first tournament in Mapleton, they were quite successful. Taking 2nd place was Emma Gutierrez and Ava Thomas and taking 4th place was Esmeralda Gutierrez, Samantha Alejo-Hernandez and Lizzy Stratton.

Ross is grateful for the Board of Education and Administration, their wrestling family, teachers and community members that are in support of these ladies. They are hopeful that girls' wrestling at Ross will continue to expand and that it will open the door for more opportunities for these ladies!

Update: Ohio became the 33rd state to sanction girls' wrestling on January 12, 2022.

SUBSTITUTES NEEDED

Fremont City Schools is in need of Substitute Teachers, all levels (elementary, middle, high) and in all subject areas. If you have a Bachelor's Degree and are interested in teaching, you may be able to obtain an Ohio Substitute Teaching License. For more information, visit the Ohio Department of Education's website at http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Teaching/Educator-Licensure/Audiences/Substitute-Licensure.

We are also in need of support staff substitutes. These positions include bus drivers, cooks, custodians, student monitors, paraprofessionals and secretaries.

Interested applicants can apply online at www.fremontschools.net.

Questions regarding the online application can be directed to Human Resources at (419) 332-6454.

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COLLEGE KNOWLEDGE

FREMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL

This December, students at FMS engaged in some fun activities to further explore the prospects and opportunities of college. Students and teachers were able to earn points through the completion of different activities and were encouraged to sport college apparel throughout the college weeks. Each day, students were challenged to guess the collegiate fight song playing over the morning announcements as well as respond to various trivia questions about different colleges.

Students were provided facts about a building teacher and then tasked with identifying who the mystery teacher was. Teachers facilitated discussions with students by sharing their own college experiences as well by sharing important aspects of their education after high school.

A building-wide effort was made to identify collegiate terms associated with college life. Classroom teachers were assigned various letters of the alphabet and incorporated student involvement by asking them to source words or terms that began with the assigned letter and related to college or college



life. These terms were collected and displayed for all students to see as they passed through the school hallway. Additionally, teachers and students engaged in a door decorating contest for the promotion of different college options.

The winner of the door decorating contest, as well as the overall college week challenges, was Mrs. Weiland's class. Fremont Middle School has always promoted post-secondary education through the naming of our different grade level teams, and our building was excited to continue this promotion through use of these activities.



It takes MORE to be a Little Giant.

And MORE is expected!

FCS Offers Students More:

- Academic Choices
- Early College Opportunities
 - Extracurricular Activities
 - Sports Opportunities

Don't get left out!

Call 419-334-5436 for Student Registration

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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The Learning & Liberty Foundation and Old Fort Banking Company are proud sponsors of the "Students of the Month" program. Students in grades 1-8 are selected by classroom teachers and recognized during FCS Board of Education Meetings throughout the academic year.



District webpage:

http://www.fremontschools.net

Student Registration:

https://fremont-oh.finalforms.com

Social Media Directory:

http://www.fremontschools.net/ Departments/Communications/ Social-Media-Directory/









First graders in the front row: Jaxston Ruppert, Elena Baumgardner, Lauren Derbas, Adrion Holmes, Kennedi Stohl and Alivia Albrecht. **Back row:** Lucas Cook, Anisten Snyder, Abigail Schwochow, Taten Michaels, and Evalyn Edmonds. **Not pictured:** Agustine Graves



Second graders in the front row: Callie Balkovec, Abram Hirt, Maisie Davis and Audrielle Jones. **Back row:** Coralyn Lowe, Maelyn McCluskey, Maliyah Koenig, Lola Sebetto, Achlys Britt, and Kayla Brown. **Not pictured:** Jeremiah Alejandro

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RESEARCHING HOLIDAYS!

ATKINSON ELEMENTARY

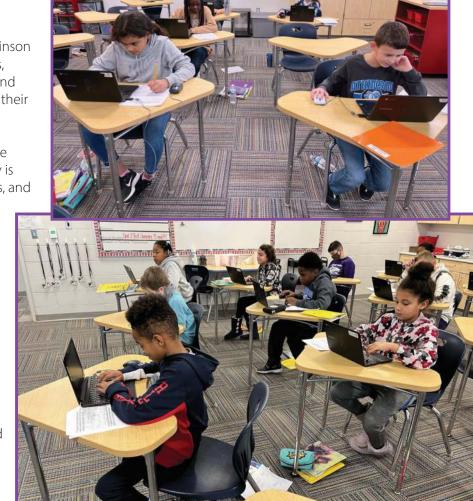
Before winter break, the fourth grade students at Atkinson Elementary started a research report. Using computers, each student chose a country from around the world and researched holiday traditions specific to the country of their choosing.

The student's research had to include the name of the holiday their country celebrates, the date(s) the holiday is celebrated, foods eaten during the holiday, decorations, and special activities.

Then the students had to compare and contrast traditions from the country they researched to their own traditions. The student's report also had to include a captivating introduction paragraph and a closing paragraph.

After the students conducted their research, they typed their multi-paragraph report on the computer when they returned to school in January.

This assignment met several of Ohio's fourth grade writing standards including researching a topic to build knowledge through investigation, and use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing while demonstrating sufficient command of keyboarding skills.



CHILD FIND: TITLE VI-B

Every child in this country is entitled to a free, appropriate public education. The law applies to handicapped children as well, regardless of their handicap or the severity of the handicap.

Because of their handicaps, these children may be out of the community mainstream. Sometimes, especially in the preschool years, the child's problems or disability may not be clearly evident. If you suspect your child has a handicap, please call the Director of Student Services at (419) 334-3871.

We can help, but we must first find the child. Fremont City Schools works collaboratively with the Help Me Grow Program, which assists families with early identification and services for children under the age of three. We also have a collaborative agreement with the Sandusky County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Board of DD) for early childhood and school-age programs provided through the School of Hope. Together, we will work to find the right services for each child.

Title VI-B funds are Federal allocations for the exclusive benefit of children with disabilities. Input as to how best to utilize these funds for Fremont City Schools is welcome. For more information or to share ideas, please call the Director of Student Services at (419) 334-3871. A public meeting for input will be held on June 6, 2022, at 3:00 p.m., via zoom. The zoom link will be shared on the District's website.

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COFFEE, COMMUNICATION,

AND CONFIDENCE

CROGHAN ELEMENTARY

A wonderful practice has been rolling around the halls of Croghan Elementary School this year. Our inventive Speech & Language Pathologist, Miss Darr, has created a "Coffee Cart" with the intention of building up the confidence of her speech students one cup of joe at a time.

Her coffee crew is trained to greet school staff, articulate the options of the offerings on the cart, prepare and distribute the coffee, all while practicing their delivery of words in a controlled and clear manner. The "Coffee Cart" has become a huge hit, and everyone looks forward to a warm beverage served by such a cute and capable club!





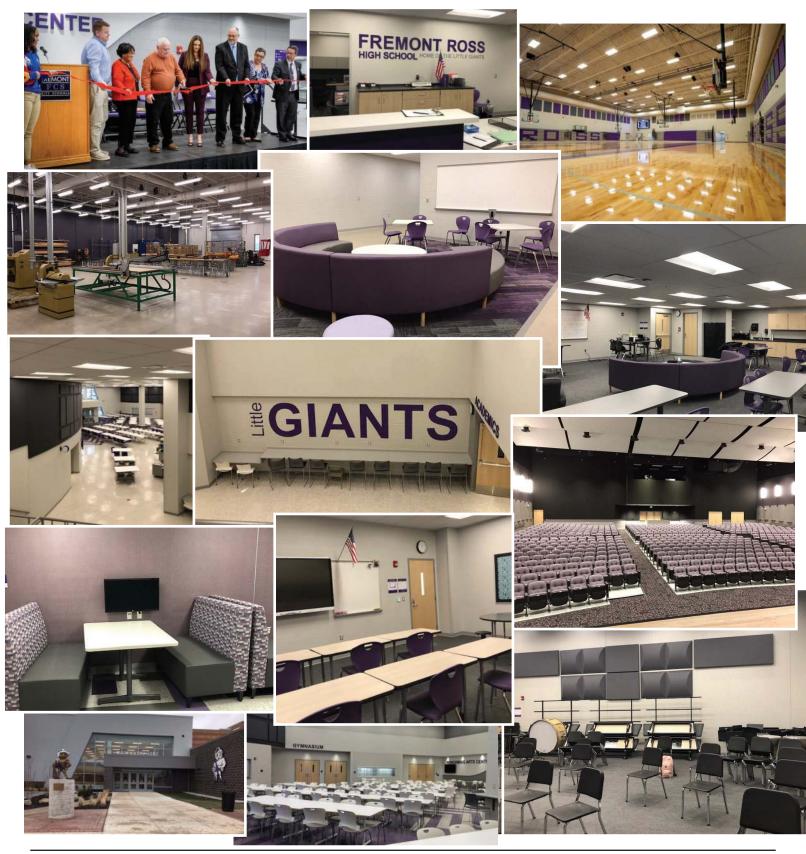


GRATITUDE

OTIS ELEMENTARY

One of the most important skills in life to have is that of gratitude. Gratitude is strongly and consistently associated with greater happiness and helps all people feel more positive. At Otis Elementary, our students, staff, and school community showed their gratitude and appreciation this November to our Veterans of the U.S. Military. Mrs. Kerry Pendry-Wendling and her News Crew Club organized an outreach to gather pictures of Veterans. Our Otis community responded with over 100 Veterans (all related to Otis students and staff) being honored! As part of the tribute to their service, a Veterans' Wall was made in the main hallway so that all students and staff could see these true American heroes as well as show their true gratitude for their service.

RETURNING FROM WINTER BREAK TO A BRAND NEW HIGH SCHOOL



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VISION STATEMENT

Develop individuals who will thrive as they find their place in their local and global world.

Fremont City Schools Board policy of nondiscrimination extends to students, staff, job applicants, the general public and individuals with whom it does business and applies to race, color, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status, age, disability, military status or genetic information.