

Wildcat Community News

District Update

Projects enhance learning, operations

The Board and Administration of Franklin City Schools have been working on projects and initiatives to improve facilities, enhance educational opportunities, and increase the integration of technology in the classroom and district operations.

Dr. Mike Sander, Superintendent of Schools, recently provided highlights of these projects.

Workforce Development Initiative: On one hand, Warren County employers are seeking a steady supply of qualified employees who are ready to work and possess the soft skills needed for success. On the other hand, high school students planning to enter the workforce immediately after graduation may not be aware of the employment options available in our area. Sander noted, "Students may see a business but have no idea what goes on inside so have no idea what opportunities are available."

This fall, Franklin City Schools will participate in a pilot program with curriculum designed to bridge that gap. A partnership with area employers, school districts, United Way of Warren County, LifeSpan, and others will target high-potential students who don't plan to attend college or technical school and those who will attend local colleges and tech schools but who need to enter the workforce immediately.

Students will take courses in financial literacy, interview skills, and resume writing. They'll tour area employers and learn about "soft" skills. In the second semester of their junior year, students will have the opportunity for a paid internship for high school credit. Senior year, the internship will be both semesters. The goal is to create job-ready students who have a job upon graduation.

Buildings and Grounds: The board recently adopted a 10-year plan to replace classroom building roofs. Analysis by Robert Ehmet Hayes & Associates, PLCC, Architects provided a thorough overview of the state of district roofs.

Most critical is Schenck, where a flat roof allows water to pool after rain. Test cuts indicated that all three layers of roof were wet, and the architect recommended a complete teardown to the deck, to be replaced with a new, sloped roof warranted for 20 years.

The Schenck project will be bid

The board recently adopted a 10-year plan to replace classroom building roofs, for a total cost of \$4.6 million

this winter when prices will be lower. Next year, the district plans to pave and seal parking lots, and build a single bay bus garage to allow technicians to work inside.

In out years, roofing would be done at the junior high, then the high school and part of Pennyroyal. Those will be followed by Anthony Wayne, Hampton Bennett, Hunter and Gerke, and then remaining parts of the high school. The entire 10-year project is estimated at \$4.6 million and will be paid for with permanent improvement funds, not general fund monies.

An LED lighting retrofit was completed for all the buildings in 2016-17, which is saving the district \$2,400/month in energy costs. The project was done at no cost because Duke Energy and the state of Ohio rebated the expenses.

Recent security updates included adding internal and external security cameras to Pennyroyal, and cameras, alarms, and more lighting at the stadium.

Alarms were added to refrigerators and freezers which will alert to open doors and temperature problems.

Air quality at the high school has been addressed with changes to HVAC. Classrooms will now have two thermostats, one for temperature and one for CO2. Changes in the air handling will more equalize the inflow and out flow of air. When the high school was built, a "tighter" building was considered desirable but is no longer.

The district will also be moving to a new type of window air conditioner that can serve 6 classrooms at once and use just 25% of the electricity used by a traditional window AC unit.

College Credit Plus: When the levy passed in 2014, one promise was to increase dual enrollment options for high school students, allowing them to take high school courses for college credit. Today, dual enrollment and PSEO have been replaced by College Credit Plus, an Ohio Department of Education program that allows students to earn both high school and college credit for courses taken. Students may take courses at their local high school or on college campuses depending on course availability. Sander noted that when he was hired, the district offered two dual enrollment courses. That's grown to 16.

FHS principal Jim McFarland said students have responded positively to the CCP option and that for this year, 130+ students are signed up to take at least one CCP course at FHS; many will take multiple courses. Many students enjoy the benefit of taking courses for college credit without having to leave the high school during the school day. Some students do take courses off campus, but this

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Focus: Alumni

Outstanding Graduate: Carol Clinton



Carol Clinton, PhD, PE, LEED AP, is a 1975 graduate of Franklin High School. She continued her education at University of Cincinnati, earning an undergraduate degree and later a PhD. Today, she owns E3 Strategic Partners LLC, Dublin, OH.

Clinton says, "My outstanding teachers at Hunter Elementary, Hampton Bennett Middle School, and dear old Franklin High laid a strong foundation for a career that has been a lot of fun! The variety of extracurricular activities gave me a chance to develop skills, explore interests, and make great friends — who are still close."

She noted, "The years since graduation have given me wonderful experiences around the world. From FHS, I studied engineering at the University of Cincinnati and co-oped with Armco. Co-op is definitely the best way to learn the realities of engineering. There's often a misconception that engineering is boring, but I've found it to be an incredibly creative, constantly changing, and flexible career choice."

"I worked in large and small companies, in manufacturing, government, non-profit, universities, law, and now have my own consulting firm focusing on environmental and sustainability issues. I've been fortunate to work in North and South America, Asia, Africa, and Europe."

She adds that, "It's amazing to get paid to visit those places and to get inside perspectives from working with people in different countries."

Dr. Clinton offered some advice for those thinking about career choices: Focus on how your talents and knowledge can help others.

Nominate an Alum!

Do you know a Franklin High School grad who's accomplished great things since graduating? We want to profile one of our many outstanding graduates in these quarterly newsletters.

To nominate someone, please submit their picture and a paragraph or two about their accomplishments.

Info may be submitted to msander@franklincityschools.com or mailed to Dr. Mike Sander, Superintendent's Office, 150 E. 6th St., Franklin, OH 45005.

Hall of Fame

The 2017 Hall of Fame induction will be Sept. 15 and 16. Recognition will begin at the home football game on Friday, and on Saturday, the induction ceremony will be at Franklin High School beginning at 5 p.m. Eight inductees will be honored this year.

Persons who wish to nominate a graduate they believe is worthy of induction in 2018 or later years should check with the FCS administrative offices. Nomination forms have been revised and will be available there and posted on the district website shortly.

Open House Schedule

Aug. 14: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. FHS Freshman Meeting. Date for the FHS open house for all students is TBA.

Aug. 15: 5 to 6:30 p.m. Franklin Jr. High

Aug. 16: 5 to 6 p.m. All Elementary Buildings

Sept. 7: 6 to 7 p.m. Early Childhood Center

Senior Citizen Activity Passes

Senior citizens (age 62+) living in the Franklin City School district may pick up a pass in the Superintendent's office that will allow them to attend school-sponsored activities, including sporting events and arts performances, at no charge.

Enrolling your child in school

You may enroll your child in school at the Franklin City Schools Welcome Center Registration Office, 150 E. Sixth St., in the Hampton Bennett Building. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For your convenience, and to minimize waiting time, a parent/guardian must contact the Welcome Center Office to schedule an appointment to complete the registration process in person.

In addition to your completed registration packet, the following documents must be provided for enrollment in the Franklin City School District:

- Original Birth Certificate
- Custody Papers/Court Ordered Placement (if applicable) (Divorce Decree, date stamped and signed by judge/magistrate). Note: If you are in the process of acquiring custody, you must have documentation from court confirming legal proceedings have been initiated. There is a 60-day legal completion process for the student to continue enrollment at Franklin City Schools.
- Shot/Immunization Records
- Parent/Guardian Driver's License
- Proof of Residency (Rental/Lease agreement, Settlement Statement, Land/Purchase Contract, Copy of Deed, Electric or Water Bill. Items listed are the only items that will be accepted.
- IEP/504/MFE (if applicable)
- Transcript from previous school attended (Grades 9-12 only)
- Social Security Card

When all documents have been verified you will be directed to contact your child's assigned school building to complete the enrollment process for orientation, scheduling, and transportation. You may also be required to complete additional building forms.

We want to make your child's first day a positive experience, therefore, we need time to prepare for him/her to join our classes. Due to scheduling and transportation, students enrolled may start the day after registration requirements have been met.

If your child has any medical issues that need to be addressed, please contact the building nurse prior to the start of school.

FHS Fall Sports

Varsity Football Games at 7 p.m.

8/25	A vs. Carlisle
9/01	H vs. Edgewood (Trenton)
9/08	A vs. Piqua
9/15	H vs. Eaton (Hall of Fame recognition)
9/22	A vs. Valley View
9/29	A vs. Waynesville
10/06	H vs. Bellbrook (Homecoming Game)
10/13	A vs. Monroe
10/20	A vs. Oakwood
10/27	H vs. Brookville

Boys Soccer. Matches at 7:30 unless noted.

8/22	H vs Madison Jr/Sr High School
8/24	A vs. *Bellbrook
8/29	A vs. Eaton
8/31	H vs. Valley View
9/05	A vs. Waynesville
9/11	H vs. Stebbins
9/12	H vs. Monroe
9/14	H vs. Oakwood
9/19	A vs. Brookville
9/23	A vs. Edgewood, 5 p.m.
9/26	H vs. Bellbrook
9/28	A vs. Monroe
10/03	A vs. Oakwood
10/05	H vs. Brookville
10/10	H vs. Eaton
10/12	A vs. Valley View

Girls Varsity Volleyball. Games at 6:30, unless noted.

8/24	H vs. Troy Christian
8/26	A vs. Wilmington, 11 a.m.
8/28	H vs. Waynesville
8/29	H vs. Eaton
8/31	A vs. Valley View
9/05	H vs. Dayton Christian, 6 p.m.
9/06	H vs. Bellbrook
9/12	A vs. Monroe
9/14	A vs. Oakwood
9/16	H vs. Stebbins, 11 a.m.
9/18	A vs. Madison
9/19	H vs. Brookville
9/21	A vs. Middletown
9/25	A vs. Carlisle
9/26	A vs. Bellbrook
9/28	H vs. Monroe
10/02	H vs. Xenia
10/03	H vs. Oakwood
10/05	A vs. Brookville
10/09	H vs. Edgewood
10/10	A vs. Eaton
10/12	H vs. Valley View

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8/24	H vs. *Bellbrook
8/29	H vs. Eaton
8/31	A vs. Valley View
9/05	H vs. Waynesville
9/11	A vs. Stebbins
9/12	A vs. Monroe
9/14	A vs. Oakwood
9/19	H vs. Brookville
9/23	H vs. Edgewood, 5 p.m.
9/26	A vs. Bellbrook
9/28	H vs. Monroe
10/03	H vs. Oakwood

Girls Varsity Soccer, Continued

10/05	A vs. Brookville
10/09	A vs. Dixie, 6 p.m.
10/10	A vs. Eaton
10/12	H vs. Valley View

Girls Varsity Tennis. Matches at 4 p.m.

8/14	A vs. Madison
8/15	H vs. Carlisle
8/16	H vs. Middletown
8/17	A vs. Milton Union
8/21	H vs. Stivers
8/22	A vs. Eaton
8/23	H vs. Northridge
8/24	H vs. Valley View
8/28	H vs. Edgewood
8/30	H vs. Dixie
8/31	A vs. Bellbrook
9/05	H vs. Greeneview
9/07	H vs. Monroe
9/11	A vs. Carlisle
9/12	H vs. Oakwood
9/13	A vs. Preble Shawnee
9/14	A vs. Brookville
9/18	A vs. Waynesville
9/19	A vs. Carroll
9/20	H vs. Stebbins

Cross Country, Coed.

8/21	A vs. Monroe, 4 p.m.
8/26	A vs. Milton Union, 9 a.m.
9/02	A vs. Lebanon, 9 a.m.
9/12,	A vs. Valley View, 4 p.m.
9/16	A vs. Eaton, 9 a.m.
9/19	H vs. Carlisle High School (Franklin Invite at Franklin Park), 4 p.m.
9/23	A vs. Bellbrook, 9 a.m.

Boys Varsity Golf.

8/03	Ryder Cup, at Beechwood
8/08	Miamisburg Inv., at Pipestone
8/10	Brookville Inv, at Beechwood
8/14	vs. Northridge, at Franklin GC
8/15	vs. Monroe, at Franklin GC
8/21	vs. Carlisle, at Franklin GC
8/22	vs. Eaton, at Franklin GC
8/24	vs. Madison, at Franklin GC
8/28	vs. Miamisburg, at Franklin GC
8/29	vs. Valley View, at Jamaica Run GC
9/06	vs. Bellbrook, at Franklin GC
9/07	vs. Brookville, at Franklin GC
9/11	vs. Dixie, at Franklin GC
9/12	vs. Oakwood, at Dayton CC
9/14	vs. Monroe, at Pleasant Hills GC
9/18	vs. Valley View, at Franklin GC
9/20	vs. Carlisle, at Jamaica Run GC
9/21	vs. SWBL, at Beechwood GC
9/26	vs. Miamisburg, at Pipestone GC
10/3	Sectionals, at Yankee Trace GC

Girls Varsity Golf schedule not available at press time.

JV and Freshmen play before the varsity except in football. JV/Freshmen schedules not set.

All dates are subject to change.

*League event

District Update, continued

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option allows those that don't want to leave the same benefits. He noted that parents also have embraced the program. "For many parents, there is a clear financial benefit for students taking these classes," said McFarland.

Sander said that since its inception, "176 students have taken 1,008 classes and saved \$95,488, not including the cost of books." He added that 78% of our students earn an A or B. A further goal for the program is to have a mix of course offerings that will let students graduate with both a high school diploma and an associate's degree.

Curriculum: Sander said 2016-17 was the first year the district used its new math and English Language Arts curriculum. In 2017-18, new curriculum will be implemented for science and foreign languages and a new social studies curriculum will be piloted. He added that more and more materials are online, which saves money.

Pre-school: The district's pre-school is up for evaluation this fall. The goal is to obtain a 5-star rating from the state (the highest).

Technology: Another levy promise was to increase technology in the classroom. This year, the district will continue its

Parents will also be able to log into an app and see the location of their child's bus in real time.

one-to-one initiative with every 7th, 8th, and 9th grade student having their own Chromebook. Seventh and ninth graders will receive new machines; 8th graders will keep their 7th grade computer. Next year, the district will be one-to-one for students in grades 10, 9, 8, and 7. As new machines are cycled in, older ones will be cycled down to the elementary

buildings.

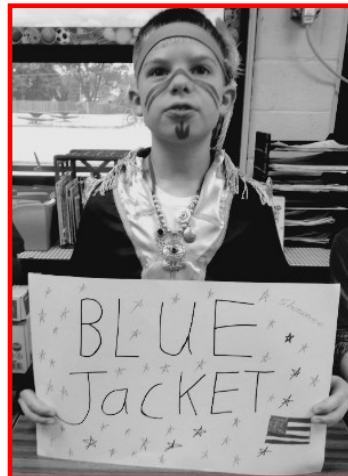
New technology for the transportation department will make info about bus schedules more easily accessible. GPS has been added to all of the busses, and with an upgrade in the transportation software, students and families will have access to real time information about their bus routes. An app will allow parents to login to see the location of their child's bus. Parents can time when to send kids to the bus stop on inclement weather days, and to know if their child has been dropped off in the afternoon.

Community Eligibility Provision: This fall, Anthony Wayne, Gerke, Pennyroyal, and Schenck will all offer free breakfast and lunch to all students. Additional information will be available when school begins.

Anthony Wayne News

Ohio State Greats

Anthony Wayne's annual Wax Museum is a showcase of Ohio talent. This year, 4th graders in Mrs. Todd's and Mrs. Smith's homerooms shared stories about a range of notables including Johnny Appleseed, Jerrie Mock, LeBron James, Bob Evans, Woody Hayes, Neil Armstrong, Elizabeth Blackwell, Maya Lin, and Orville Wright. Students appear in costume and recite brief biographies for visiting family, classmates, and community members.



What do you want to be?

Students who aren't sure what they want to be when they grow up got some food for thought at Anthony Wayne's annual career day.

Students had the chance to hear about professions including law enforcement, graphic arts, real estate, artist, college professor, sports advertising, and more. Speakers shared info about their professions and took a variety of questions.



Gerke News

President's Awards

Gerke 6th graders who received the President's Award for 2016-17 are Kinsey Harris, Madison Johnson, Alivia Peters-Fryer, and Natasha Wertz.

Per the award website, "To be eligible, students must meet requirements, including grade point average or, school-set criteria and choice of state tests or teacher recommendations."



Pie, Meet Faces

Gerke students raised over \$400 for Chloe Hinkle's future service dog. Chloe got to "pie" Miss Garrett and Mr. Slone the last day of school.

PTO Rewards

The Gerke PTO paid for all Gerke students to go to Strike Zone for a day of bowling and fun. Students were rewarded for good behavior and their effort on the state achievement tests.

Career Day

In May, Gerke students had the opportunity to learn about careers that involve animals. Topics covered included dog grooming, animal rescue, police dogs, vet technician careers, farm ani-



mals, including a calf named "Ohio" (see picture), and speakers from the Audubon Society and SISCA (an animal welfare group). Students listened to brief presentations, had a chance to ask questions, and did some hands-on learning.

Hunter News

President's Awards

A number of Hunter 6th graders received the President's Award for 2016-17.

Awards of Excellence: Emilee Acrey, Kaylee Banks, Tyler Bond, Ashley Booth, Claire Bryan, Parker Deaton, Shelby Dover, Lauren Earnhart, Andrew Emerick, Althea Fugate, Emma Green, Joshua Hamilton, Kaiane Hartford, Jordan Hipsher, Bailey Judy, Camille Lafferty, Abigail Lawson, Madeline Lawson, Hailey Miller, Cameron Mills, Duke Murphy, Jincy Paletta, Ayden Reek, Alexis Seger, Brock Setser, Maddox Taulbee, Jaxon Titus, Sarah Waughtal, and Rocky Williams.

Awards of Achievement: Alexis Deaton, Jason Kuhn, Mackenzie Meadows, Evan Pugh, and Emma Ream.

Per the award website, "To be eligible, students must meet requirements, including grade point average or, school-set criteria and choice of state tests or teacher recommendations."



Field Day

Field Day is a tradition at Franklin elementary buildings.



Franklin Junior High News

Franklin Junior High inducts 29 into NJHS

FJHS inducted 29 students into its chapter of the National Junior Honor Society on Thursday, May 11. The chapter was established in 2014; this was the third class inducted. Inductees joined 23 students inducted last year: Kyla Williams (Chapter President), Addie Imundo (Vice President), Jeffrey Davis (Treasurer), Harleigh Hanks (Historian), Addie Taylor (Community Service Chair), Garvin Adams, Fiona Baker, Tanner Biltz, Joseph Clayborn, Skylar Cox, Joe Cur-

rent, Jesse Ferguson, Jackie Greene, Hannah Hall, Ashley Hall, Victoria Hamilton, Harleigh Hanks. Lexi Lewis, Gavin Loyd, Liza O'Hara, Anish Patel, Katy Trevino, and Evan York.

The NJHS was established in 1929. According to its website, NJHS is "one of the nation's premier organizations established to recognize outstanding middle level students." Students must demonstrate excellence in not just academics, but in leadership, service, and character. Hannah Sove is the advisor of the FJHS chapter of the NJHS.



FJHS Students honored by Board of Ed

On May 22, the Franklin Board of Ed honored students for achievement. Nikyra Bohannon, Ellie Mullins, and Bryanna Thompson, were recognized for a STEM project that used 3D printing to create a paintbrush extender for a preschool student at the ECC. Seventh graders Nina Lin and Dylan Trenum and eighth graders Anish Patel and Lexi Lewis, were honored for being FJHS Wildcats of the Year. Eighth graders J. J. Davis and Addie Taylor were honored for winning the Archie Griffin award. Franklin established the Student Achievement Award in January 2001 to honor students who have demonstrated exceptional achievement in academics, community service, or character.

ECC News

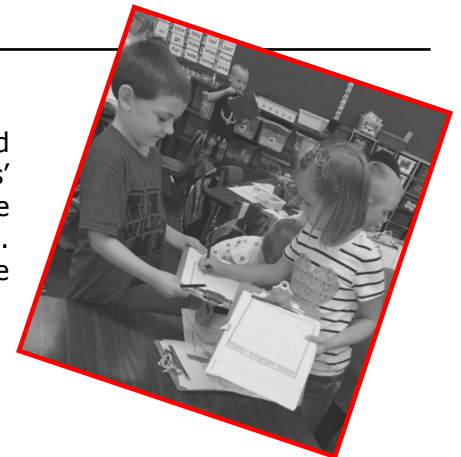
Safety Day

On Safety Day, ECC students had a chance to learn about the work of the State Highway Patrol and the opportunity to sit in a SHP vehicle.



Memory Books

ECC students created and signed each others' memory books on the last day of school. (Picture courtesy of the ECC.)



Field Day

ECC students enjoyed a range of games and activities on field day. (Pictures courtesy of the ECC.)



Franklin High School News

Franklin High School wins 55 DayTonys

FHS marked its fifth year of participation in the DayTony Theatre Awards program by taking home a record 55 awards, roughly 1/3 of all the awards presented to the 14 participating area schools. The awards gala was held June 1 at Sinclair Community College.

Two shows from the 2016-2017 school year were named Outstanding Overall Productions: *Alice* and *The Gift of the Magi*.

FHS was honored with twenty-two awards of merit and thirty-one awards of excellence. DayTonys are presented to recognize outstanding performance, whether on stage or behind the scenes, at Dayton-area theaters. Awards are given for high school, collegiate, and community theater productions.

Miami Valley area schools that participate in the DayTony program include Franklin, Centerville, Chaminade-Julienne, Tecumseh, Stivers, Miami Valley School, Tippicanoe, Carroll, Springboro, Carlisle, Northmont, Fairmont, Stebbins, and West Carrollton.

At right, FHS students at the June 1 Daytony gala at Sinclair Community College.



FHS musicians accepted into the DYPO

Four FHS students have been accepted into the Dayton Philharmonic Youth Orchestra for the 2017-18 school year: Ben Eyink, cello; Molly Eyink, violin; Raiko Dosado, percussion; and Cameron Slaton, oboe. Ben Eyink and Cameron Slaton have previously played in the DPYO. In addition to playing with the DPYO, students are required to participate in their high school's band or orchestra program.

The Youth Orchestra, founded in 1937, is very competitive and draws students from as far away as Sidney, Wilmington, and Cincinnati. Per its website, "the DPYO brings together the greater Dayton area's most gifted young orchestral musicians, providing the opportunity to study and perform a broad range of orchestral repertoire."

DYPO will perform concerts on Dec. 10, March 17, and May 6. All concerts will be at 3 p.m. in the Schuster Center, 1 W 2nd St, Dayton.

Schenck News

Schenck students present website projects

Third graders Maggie Hayes, Spencer Thompson, Erick Young, and Rohan Barnhouse presented website design projects that they created at a meeting of the Southwest Technology Integration Leaders of Ohio. The students shared their projects, and explained the process of creating their websites.

At the conclusion of the students' presentation, they participated in a virtual field trip to the Cleveland Museum of Natural History.

Throughout the school year, the students have been learning about and using Google Classroom to complete differentiated assignments, conduct research, and create presentations with the support of their teacher, Mrs. Irgens, and the district's Educational Technologist, Amy Hudson-Estepp.



Greek Mythology

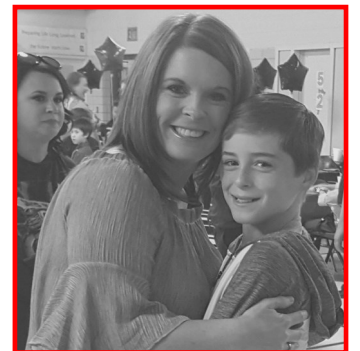
Mrs. Fenton's and Mrs. Erwin's fourth graders completed their unit on Greek Mythology by dressing and acting out the characteristics of their favorite Greek God or Goddess.

Students also participated in a Greek-themed food tasting party.



Mom Prom

Schenck's second "Mom Prom" was held on May 3. Monte Carlo was the evening's theme; the boys and their mothers or special guests enjoyed music, snacks, and an evening filled with games, contests, and fun.



Pennyroyal News

Zoo Visitors

Pennyroyal students enjoyed visitors from the Columbus Zoo during the last week of school. The assembly was a reward for the students' strong participation in PTO fundraisers. Visitors included several species of birds and mammals.



Wax Museum

Pennyroyal 2nd graders shared their knowledge of famous people at their annual wax museum. Students portrayed persons ranging from Jane Goodall to Ben Franklin to Michael Jordan. Students wore costumes and provided visitors with biographical information and fun facts about their character.



President's Award

A number of Pennyroyal 6th graders received the President's Award for 2016-17.

Gold Award winners who maintained a 4.0 GPA/Principal's List all 4 quarters were Brenna Clifford, Ella Kittel, Jessica Sprout, and Cheyenne Jones. Silver Award students who maintained a 3.5 GPA or higher/Honor Roll all 4 quarters were Brooklynn Alcorn, Katelyn Barnhart, Bradley Hertel, Rylan Monk, Bryden Napier, and Payton Perez.

When I Grow Up ...

Ballroom dancing, farming, photography, creating music soundtracks, and dog grooming were some of the professions students learned about during career day.

The afternoon included hands-on activities and got students out of their seats as the professional dancer taught some basic cha-cha steps.



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