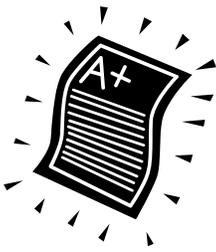


Nine GCCS Schools Receive “A” Rating from IDOE

On November 5, the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) released the A-F accountability report card for schools in the state. Greater Clark County Schools is excited that we had nine schools receive an “A” letter grade from the IDOE. Congratulations to Charlestown High School, Jonathan Jennings Elementary, Maple Elementary, New Washington Elementary, Northaven Elementary, Pleasant Ridge Elementary, Riverside Elementary, Utica Elementary, and Wilson Elementary!



The A-F accountability report card for schools is figured based on performance, growth, and participation on the ISTEP+ assessment. Performance factors include the percentage of students passing English/Language Arts and Mathematics portions of the test. Growth is measured by the amount of academic progress all students make from spring to spring assessment dates. The grading system holds schools to a very high standard and each school’s staff, students, and parents should be very proud of this accomplishment!

CHS & JHS Marching Bands Compete at Class Finals

Congratulations to the Charlestown High School Marching Band and Director Daniel Peterson and the Jeffersonville High School Marching Band and Director Scott Cooksey for competing at the Indiana State School Music Association’s Marching Band Scholastic Class Finals at Lawrence Central High School. Both bands qualified for the Scholastic Class Finals status by receiving a Gold Rating at the Scholastic Class Prelims held on Saturday, October 11. Each band competed in their designated category based on band size and school enrollment. The Directors and students should be very proud of this wonderful accomplishment and for their representation of Greater Clark County Schools at the state level. Both bands were recognized by the Board of School Trustees at their meeting this past Wednesday.



JHS Theater Highlights Veterans & Active Military at Fall Musical



The Jeffersonville High School Theater Department will present Rogers & Hammerstein’s *South Pacific* in the Jeffersonville High School Auditorium Thursday through Sunday, November 13 -16. This captivating musical is set against the backdrop of a lush tropical island during World War II. The award-winning story follows two couples as their search for happiness is threatened by the trials of war and the pain of racial prejudice.

At each performance, the Jeffersonville High School Theater Department will recognize veterans and active military personnel with a brief patriotic presentation. Performances run 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and 2:00 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors, and free for veterans and active military. Call (812) 282-6601 to purchase your tickets today!

Important Dates

- November 10 - Superintendent Parent Listening Session @ Charlestown M.S.
- November 14 - College & Career Readiness Advisory Meeting @ Admin. Building
- November 18 - Board of School Trustees Meeting @ Riverside Elem.

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Severe Weather Plan 2014-15

If weather and road conditions become bad enough to cause a change in the normal school schedule, one of the following plans below will be announced to the media on the morning in question. The district uses –10 degree wind chill as a starting point when considering a delay or closing of school due to temperature. The district's status will also be posted on our website and social media sites. Please do not call school offices or school employees because it ties up phone lines which are needed for emergency communications.

A School Messenger notification will be sent regarding a delay or closing of school during inclement weather by 6:00 a.m. In the event that school is delayed and weather conditions deteriorate, an announcement to close schools will be made by 7:30 a.m. A recorded message will also be available at (812) 288-4802 ext. 501.

If weather and road conditions become bad enough to cause a change in the normal school schedule, one of the following plans will be announced:

Plan 1: Two Hour Delay

1. School will begin two hours late. Buses will run two hours later on their normal routes.
2. Afternoon dismissal will remain the same.
3. The morning sessions of preschool and morning Prosser programs will be cancelled.

Plan 2: Schools Closed

1. No school will be open that day.
2. School will be open the next scheduled day unless another closing announcement is made.
3. Make-up days will be announced.

Plan 3: Two Hour Delay for New Washington Schools only

1. NWM/HS and NWES will be on a two hour delay. Buses will run two hours later on their normal routes for NWM/HS and NWES only.
2. Afternoon dismissal will remain the same.
3. The morning sessions of preschool and morning Prosser programs will be cancelled.
4. There may be some instances where the New Washington Schools will be the only schools on a two hour delay.

Parents may choose to keep their children home during severe/inclement weather when school is in session, but the following rules apply:

1. Attendance is taken and recorded.
2. The parent must notify the school of his/her decision.
3. If the student has perfect attendance in progress for the year, he/she will remain eligible for that recognition.
4. All make-up requirements must be met.

During slick road conditions, bus drivers may decide, after approval by the Director of Transportation, that a portion of their route cannot be safely traveled. In such cases, every effort will be made to notify the affected homes. The following rules will apply for students whose bus did not run:

1. Attendance will be taken and recorded with a notation that absence was due to no bus transportation.
2. If the student has perfect attendance in progress for the year, he/she will remain eligible for the recognition.
3. All make-up requirements must be met.

Severe/inclement weather conditions sometimes cause buses to run late. Parents are asked to prepare their children to wait a reasonable amount of time for the bus and to be prepared for some variation in normal schedules. Questions about these procedures may be directed to the school principal, the Assistant Superintendent's Office (812-288-4802 ext. 310), or the Transportation Office (812-288-4809).



Our Vision: *Greater Clark County Schools' vision is to become nationally recognized as a premier provider of education by serving as the bridge connecting stakeholders to ensure all students are college and career ready.*

Our Mission: *Greater Clark County Schools' mission is for stakeholders to give 100 percent effort in meeting the academic and behavioral needs of each student ensuring acceptance to a post-secondary opportunity.*