

# The Firelands Express

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## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

As Superintendent, I realize that a well-rounded district is made up of many components. Without a doubt, our staff is dedicated to the growth and achievement of each student. Our parents and caregivers continually rise to the challenge by providing our kids the love, support and structure they need to be successful. In addition, the availability of not only academics, but also athletics, arts and extra-curricular activities are supported and recognized by our parents, staff and community which is extremely important to the social and emotional development of each of our students.

In April alone, The Annual Fine Arts Festival (a K-12 event) was held at FHS. Over 200 works of art were displayed. In addition, short performances by music students and crafts were offered all afternoon. Several days later, the FHS Drama Department presented A Night of

One Acts. These creative students presented several short one act plays led by retiring drama teacher, Mrs. Anne Callahan.



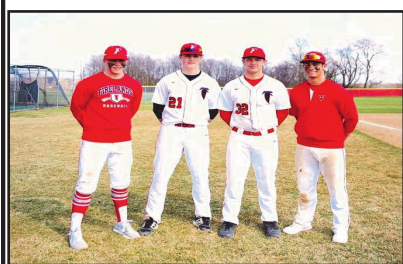
Academically, our students continue to challenge themselves. Over 400 students were listed on the Spring Honor and Merit Rolls. Our FHS Academic Challenge Team took first place in a televised event beating Minerva and Tuslaw!

The FHS National Honor Society inducted over 50 students in March and the Jr. National Honor Society at SAMS inducted 31 students last week. Our talented seniors are learning of scholarship awards and we look forward to the formal presentation at The Annual Senior Awards Night on May 1<sup>st</sup> at FHS at 6:30 pm.

In addition to district events, our students are active in various activities that require hard work and determination. Learning doesn't stop when our students leave our campus and we are supportive of their different adventures. Our students have recently competed at national archery competitions, state art exhibitions, and female wrestling tournaments while others are business owners and professional musicians that have performed at variety of venues including Severance Hall.

We are proud of all of the student achievements within our community and we are happy to share their stories in our monthly student achievement posts available on our Blog. Signup to receive our Blog delivered to your inbox at <https://ffalcons.wordpress.com/>. Learning continues beyond our campus and we proudly support all of our students as they embrace their own personal journey. Please don't hesitate to share your child's victory!

Mike Von Gunten  
Superintendent  
FHS Class of 1995  
@FLSD Super



The warmer weather is always a welcome change. With the temperatures rising, our spring sports season is well underway and I encourage you to watch a game or go to a meet. These athletes work extremely hard and I am proud of their dedication, both in the off season and now. You can find athletic schedules at <https://firelandsathletics.org/>.

You may view this issue online at: [www.firelandsschools.org](http://www.firelandsschools.org)

The Communities we serve: Amherst, Amherst Twp, Birmingham, Brownhelm Twp, Camden Twp, Florence Twp, Henrietta Twp, Kipton Village, New Russia Twp, South Amherst Village, Vermilion and Vermilion Twp.

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# Curriculum News:

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM AT FES

Firelands Elementary School will once again host a summer reading program June 3rd - June 21st. This program is an intensive program designed to enhance your child's reading skills and to assist them in reaching their educational needs. The program will run from 8:00am-11:30am daily for three weeks. Research supports that students experience learning and reading loss when they are not taking part in active education for an extended time. A summer reading program is an excellent way of preventing such reading loss. We are hoping that the students take what they learn during the summer reading program and continue those skills as part of their summer vacation.

K-3 students will be invited to participate in the program. Letters will be sent home to those students that will be recommended to attend the three-week program. If you have any questions, feel free to call the FES office @ 440-965-5381. Thank you for your continued support!

## FOOD SERVICE END OF THE YEAR INFORMATION

- ◆ All meal accounts that are in the negative must be paid before the end of the school year
- ◆ May 6<sup>th</sup> is the last day to charge (go into the negative)
- ◆ Starting May 6<sup>th</sup> students must have money on their meal account, cash or a check
- ◆ This year's meal status will roll over until September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- ◆ A new application must be filled out each school year
- ◆ Meal applications can be filled out anytime throughout the school year, even now
- ◆ Account balances remain on student accounts at the end of the year and roll over to the next grade
- ◆ Field trips – The food service department can provide a packed lunch for upcoming field trips. The price is the same as a school lunch, free or reduced. Forms should be filled out by a parent/guardian.

Contact Judy Baumann, Food Service Director, with any questions

440-965-5821 ext. 1011 [jbaumann@firelandsschools.org](mailto:jbaumann@firelandsschools.org)

## Do you know how to receive information from FLSD in the event of bad weather or unforeseen circumstances?

In the event that a change occurs to a normal school day, information can be obtained from multiple sources. The District uses an all-call system, emails, multiple Twitter accounts, Facebook, text alerts, and web page banners to share important information. We recommend that parents/guardians choose at least **(2) two** methods to receive information from the Firelands Local Schools.

### Our communication tools include the following:

#### All Call Alert System:

If your telephone number or custodial information has changed, please update your contact information through our online oneview parent portal at: <https://firelands.esvportal.com>. You can access this through our Student Registration tab on our website, [www.firelandsschools.org](http://www.firelandsschools.org).

- If you have made a change to your phone number, our database must be updated in order for parent calls to be initiated.

#### Twitter Accounts:

Follow these Twitter accounts for up-to-the-minute information!

- @FLSDSuper (Superintendent Mike Von Gunten)
- @Falcon\_update (Public Relations, Jennifer Butchko)
- @Firelandstrans (Transportation Coordinator Milt Saylor)

#### Facebook:

We have created The Official Facebook page for Firelands! Like us at **The Firelands Falcons**. Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/TheFirelandsFalcons>. to stay connected.

#### Text Alert System:

Parents have the option of utilizing our text alert system as well. In order to enroll in this program, simply go to our home page at [FirelandsFalcons.org](http://FirelandsFalcons.org) and click on the social media tab. Follow the news-letter icon and create an account. You will receive text messages regarding school cancellations, delays or special circumstances once enrolled.

#### Web Page Notifications:

Alerts will be posted on our web pages in the event that our school day will be altered.

#### Email

Email notification will be sent through School Messenger. Please update email addresses through the online portal at: <https://firelands.esvportal.com>.

Information will also be shared to traditional news sources. If you have any questions or need assistance in setting up account please contact Jennifer at (440) 965-5821 ext 1015.

# SAMS NEWS

It is hard to believe the year is almost over!

8<sup>th</sup> graders are scheduled for high school and soon, we will be scheduling our 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders and getting ready to welcome a new crop of 6<sup>th</sup> graders.

Our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Spelling Bee took place in March and 4 of our students are preparing to go the next level. Thank you to Mrs. Monyak for heading that up.

Soap Box Derby has been working after school preparing for their upcoming events in May. Mr. Latto has the students building and streamlining the cars. It's a fun activity for 7<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in.

We held our first Family Skate Night at Skate World on March 12. It was well attended and students all had a great time. A few bumps and bruises but otherwise everyone had a very successful evening and had a blast! We even had some staff skating with us. We were able to offer free admission for SAMS students and parents.

Our Musical was a wonderful success! As always, Hats OFF to Mrs. Johnson for a wonderful performance and experience for the students. The Beauty and the Beast cast and crew were met with rave reviews. BRAVO!

Our 7th graders visited the Natural History Museum. There were many meaningful lessons along with hands on experiences for the students. Thank you to Mrs. Gundersen who wrote a grant that helped pay for the trip.

Our 6th grade team wrote a grant through the Common View Collaborative to bring the Effective Leadership Academy back for this upcoming year.

We are looking forward to many upcoming trips and experiences after break.

**Mrs. Gomez**



## Firelands Band Boosters

would like to thank the South Amherst Fire Department for their support of our annual pancake breakfast earlier this month! We appreciate the firefighters for allowing us to use their space for the morning and helping us prepare a delicious breakfast for our community! We look forward to working with you all again next year!

*\*thank  
you\**



## EARLY DISMISSAL

Firelands Local School District will have an early dismissal on the last day of school, Thursday, May 30, 2019

**FHS and SAMS** will be dismissed at 12:30 p.m.

**FES** will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m.

**Busses will be running 2 hours EARLIER than normal**

### 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Spelling Bee

Congratulations to our 10 fifth grade contestants who participated in the 5th and 6th grade spelling bee on March 21. They are Jordyn Simpson, Devon Yurglic, Micah Lee, Lilly Chenoweth, Nathan Ludwig, Daniel Kothe, Alicia Golden, Max Dougan, Autumn Robinson, and Lexi Schrader. The top 4 spellers who will go on to participate in the Lorain County Spelling Bee are Jordyn Simpson, Telaysia Kraus, Kylie Klingshirn, and Daniel Kothe. The winner of the spelling bee, who won a 1st place trophy by spelling the word "colossal" correctly, is Daniel Kothe! The Lorain County Spelling Bee is scheduled for May 2.

### Lorain County Horse Bowl

A few of our students at FES have recently participated in Horse Bowl Competitions as 4-H members.

The primary objective of Horse Bowl Competition is to provide an opportunity for 4-H members enrolled in horse projects to demonstrate their knowledge of equine-related matters in a competitive setting, where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail. This competition will provide an educational experience for both participants and the spectators.

There are 2 Lorain County junior teams this year made of 8 total children 9-13 years of age. We are excited to have 5 amazing Falcons on the teams. Team A is: Callie Finnegan (1st chair), Macy Paller, Jocelyn Wyatt, & Jordyn Simpson. Team B is chaired by Marshall Ternes and the remainder of the team is from other schools around Lorain County.

On March 30<sup>th</sup> Marshall Ternes and his team came in at 23<sup>rd</sup> in the state. Macy Paller, Jordyn Simpson, Jocelyn Wyatt, Callie Finnegan as a team earned 13th in state. Jordyn Simpson was 10th in state individually.

Also, Callie, Macy, Marshall, & Jocelyn went with the high school FFA horse judging team last month, and competed at the district horse judging contest in Ashland. They were the only non-high school team in attendance. They earned 13th place out of 32 teams! Pretty awesome for 10 year olds against high schoolers! We have some smart kids at FES!



### Dads and Dogs at Firelands Head

#### Start

On Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, the Head Start students invited dads, grandpas, and uncles to join them for a hot dog lunch. Visitors were able to join in during play and read-aloud time before their lunch. Afterward, all went home with a free book and great memories!



### FES Artists

FES artists had work shown both locally and on a state-wide basis during Youth Art Month. Two artists, Morgan Grote (Grade 1) and Kinsey Wissinger (Grade 3) had work that traveled to Columbus for the month-long Ohio Art Education Association sponsored shows. Morgan's work was displayed at the Young People's Art Exhibition at the Rhodes State Office Tower and Kinsey's was included in the Youth Art Month Exhibition at the State Teacher's Retirement Systems building. Three other FES students had their work included in the Akron Art Museum's Youth Art Month Exhibit: Ava Kelly (Kindergarten), Natalie Smith (Grade 3) and Boaz Datillo (Grade 5). Natalie took special honors at the Akron show, as she was selected for 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Grades 3-5 group (see photo). Congratulations, FES artists!



### Art Club

It must be Spring if we're Art Clubbing! Fourth and Fifth Grade students recently completed after school Art Clubs with Mrs. Proehl. Fourth graders designed and carved their own rubber stamps and created large prints with their image repeated on them. It was a challenge to "think backwards," as what they carved out of the rubber would turn out to be a reverse image, once printed. Fifth Grade students used their imaginations to create upcycled art out of discarded materials. They made sun catchers out of discarded CDs and water bottles and crazy creatures out of old lightbulbs and wire.

### PTG

FES continues to benefit from our involved PTG (Parent Teacher Group). Their monthly meetings are one way to find out what is going on in the building and how parents can volunteer and assist. The next PTG meeting is scheduled for May 2 at 7 pm in the FES Cafeteria. Upcoming events include the Celebrity Server Night at Pizza Hut from 4:30-7:30 on May 1, Walk-A-Thon on May 2, Mother/Son Dance on May 17 and Father/Daughter on May 18. They also continue to support our teachers and help find ways to provide them with needed items. We are so grateful for all of their contributions to FES!

### Upcoming Events

The BOE meeting is Monday, May 13. In May, students will have the opportunity to pay (with Falcon Bucks) to enter a Connect 4 Championship in grades K-2 and a Checkers Championship for grades 3-5. We will also have multiple rewards for positive behavior for our students. There are also multiple field trips scheduled. We also have multiple students participating in the Special Olympics in Elyria on May 17. We will definitely be cheering for our Falcons on that day! Field Day is scheduled for May 28. Please ask your FES child for more information. The last day for students is Thursday, May 30 with early release scheduled.

# 2019 FIRELANDS FALCONS

## BASKETBALL CAMP

JUNE 3 THROUGH JUNE 6, 2019 AT SAMS

MORNING SESSION 9:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS ENTERING 3<sup>RD</sup> THROUGH 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADES

AFTERNOON SESSION 1:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

BOYS ENTERING 7<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADES

THE FALCON BASKETBALL CAMP PHILOSOPHY

The Falcon basketball camp is designed to teach young players the necessary fundamentals of the game. The skills learned at this camp combined with our skills development program can produce a successful player at the high school level. More importantly, the camp strives to teach discipline, teamwork, leadership, humility, toughness passion and compassion to help mold character and values in each camper.

### EACH CAMPER WILL RECEIVE:

- Individual instruction from Firelands high school coaching staff;
- The "FALCON YOUTH SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM"
- Reversible practice jersey.

### THE FALCON BOY'S BASKETBALL CAMP INCLUDES:

- Daily sets of teaching stations where fundamental skills will be taught;
- One-on-one, shooting & free throw competitions & competitive team games;
- Mini lectures that develop character and mental aspects for young players;
- Camp awards ceremony (LAST HALF HOUR ON LAST DAY OF CAMP)

### FALCON BASKETBALL CAMP 2019 REGISTRATION FORM

CAMPER NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE NEXT YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

SHIRT SIZE (CIRCLE) YM, AS, AM, AL, AXL

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY WAIVE AND RELEASE FIRELANDS SCHOOLS FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY FOR INJURIES OR ILLNESS INCURRED WHILE AT CAMP AND GIVE COACHES CONSENT TO APPLY FIRST AID AND SECURE MEDICAL CARE AS DEEMED NECESSARY

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**REGISTRATION FEE \$75 PAYABLE TO "FIRELANDS ATHLETIC BOOSTERS"**

PLEASE EMAIL COACH JANUZZI AT [coachjanuzzi@centurytel.net](mailto:coachjanuzzi@centurytel.net) WITH CAMPER NAME, GRADE NEXT YEAR AND SHIRT SIZE (IMMEDIATE FAMILY MAX IS \$125.00) **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT - IF REGISTER BY MAY 1, 2019 PAY ONLY \$65 (\$100 FAMILY MAX)**

MAIL TO FIRELANDS H.S. ATT: COACH JANUZZI 10643 VERMILION RD, OBERLIN, OHIO 44074. FORMS CAN ALSO BE GIVEN TO COACH GRUDE AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND MR. KRIEGER AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OR JUST EMAIL COACH JANUZZI AND BRING FORM TO CAMP ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup>.

### Upcoming events for the Firelands Instrumental Music Program

#### Special Events

April 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Pancake Breakfast at South Amherst Fire Station

May 15<sup>th</sup> Band banquet at the New Russia Township Hall

May 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Kings Island for Music in the Parks. Good Luck and Have Fun!

#### Concerts

May 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> OMEA State large group adjudicated event for the High School Band (specific date, time, and location to be determined)

May 8<sup>th</sup> High School Band Concert at FHS at 7:00 p.m.

May 22<sup>nd</sup> Middle School Band Concert at SAMS 7:00 p.m.

May 29<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> grade band concert at FES at 7:00 p.m.

#### Marching Band Camp Information

June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Freshman Band Camp

June 10-14<sup>th</sup> Band Camp #1 for all band members

August 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Band Camp #2 for all band members



**BOYSCOUT TROOP 450  
PANCAKE BREAKFAST &  
FLOWER SALE  
Sunday, May 5, 2019  
8am to 1 pm**

**Birmingham United Methodist Church  
15018 South Street**

**Commencement  
2019**

The Falcon Stadium

May 24, 2019

7:00 pm

Rain or Shine No early entrance





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## Brownhelm Perfection & BB 4-H Club

On March 18th the Brownhelm Perfection & BB 4H had a special visitor, Jannah from the Metro parks. She talked to the club about amphibians and reptiles. Members participated by showing pictures of different kinds of frogs and making sounds they make by using tools Jannah provided. Members enjoyed seeing the box turtle she brought along. The club thanks her for taking time to visit and educate them on amphibians and reptiles.

April third, the Brownhelm Perfection and BB 4H club, along with the Brownhelm Historical Association, hosted a successful meeting. They thank everyone who attended. The club supplied refreshments for the historical meeting presentation which was about 100 years of Brownhelm 4-H. Following that was hobby night on April 15th, where members talked about fishing, dogs, turkeys, ducks, building Legos, gardening and much more. They had a lot of wonderful activities this month. Another big event the club is having is the annual bake-sale at Tractor Supply in Amherst on Saturday, April 20th, from 10am to 1pm. All items sold will be made by the members of Brownhelm Perfection and BB's 4H club. They are hoping for a lot of support. Continuing the pattern, May 20th they will be hosting a blood drive. If at least 40 people show up to help donate, it will really help out their club while helping to save lives, so please come down and support. It will be at the Brownhelm Congregational Church on N Ridge Rd in Brownhelm Twp. from 4:30-8:00 p.m.



Submitted by,  
Madison Tennant

## **FIRELANDS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT** **ACCEPTING OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS** **FOR THE 2019 - 2020 SCHOOL YEAR**

The Firelands Local School District is now accepting open enrollment applications for the **2019 - 2020** school year beginning on **Monday, February 4, 2019 and ending on July 1, 2019**. Firelands Open Enrollment is tuition free, however parents are responsible for their child's school fees.

Parents from **ANY SCHOOL DISTRICT** in Ohio are welcome to apply for their child/children. **SPACE IS LIMITED AND WILL BE AWARDED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.**

If a grade level closes, we still encourage parents to complete the open enrollment application, and those children are placed on a "waiting list", until those seats are made available.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING WITH YOU:**

**(FOR GRADES 9 - 12 ONLY) LAST REPORT CARD OR TRANSCRIPT**

**CURRENT IEP, WEP, OR 504 PLAN IF APPLICABLE**

**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL 440-965-5821 OR**

**EMAIL: LSEMAN@FIRELANDSSCHOOLS.ORG**

### School Immunization Requirements for 2019-2020

Attention: If your child will be entering 12<sup>th</sup> grade, 7<sup>th</sup> grade or any grade for the first time -- it is now time to update immunizations. If entering school for the first time, or after attending school elsewhere, please be sure to check that your child is in compliance with State of Ohio immunization requirements:

**Kindergarten** – once your child has reached age 4, s/he can complete all required immunizations for diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus (DPT), polio (IPV), hepatitis B (HBV), measles mumps, rubella (MMR), and varicella (chickenpox). If possible, have them done and bring a copy of the record to Kindergarten screening in May.

- **Grades 1-6** – same requirements as for Kindergarten
- **Grades 7-10** – Grades K-6 requirements plus Tdap (DPT booster) and MCV (meningococcal vaccine)
- **Grade 11** – Grades K-6 requirements plus Tdap (received in 7th grade or later)
- **Grade 12** – Grade 11 requirements plus MCV (must be received at age 16 or older)

Remember to bring your child's immunization records with you when you go to your healthcare provider or clinic. Please send a copy of the immunization record to the school nurse in your child's building, being sure your child's name is on it. Don't forget to keep a copy for yourself!

**Lorain County Public Health**, 9880 S. Murray Ridge Rd., Elyria, OH 44035 is now offering immunizations (also known as vaccines) Monday through Friday, 8:30 am – 3:30 pm, with evening hours throughout the month. A full vaccine clinic schedule is available at [www.LorainCountyHealth.com](http://www.LorainCountyHealth.com). Appointments are encouraged, although walk-ins are accepted. Call **440-284-3206** for information or to make an appointment for both children and adults. Bring all immunization records, insurance cards, and cash or check; although some children may be eligible for discounts under the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program. All children under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

*Note: Ask your provider about additional vaccines that are recommended for children ages 11-19 such as 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of varicella (chickenpox), hepatitis A and human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines.*

# Emergency Alert Notification

Should situations arise that necessitate district personnel to communicate information to you regarding school closings, delays or other non-routine or emergency situations, the district will notify parents/guardians in the following ways:

- ◆ district all-call system & email contact
- ◆ online at [www.firelandsschools.org](http://www.firelandsschools.org)
- ◆ via Twitter at @Falcon\_update
- ◆ Facebook at The Firelands Falcons

Should parental/guardian contact information change over the year, please remember to update your information.

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8 Tables & 2 sides for Tent for \$125

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**Firelands  
Band  
Boosters**

### General Membership Meetings

Firelands Band Boosters meet on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the high school band room. Our mission is to provide support for the Firelands Instrumental Music Program. The dates for the 2018-2019 school year are as follows:

May 21, 2019

June 18, 2019

FIRELANDS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS CURRENTLY SEEKING APPLICANTS FOR SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVERS, KITCHEN, AND CUSTODIAL HELP

If you are interested in applying for any of these positions, please visit our website at: [www.firelandsschools.org](http://www.firelandsschools.org) and click on the employment tab. Find the position you would like to substitute for, then complete and submit an application. You will need to complete a FBI & BCI criminal background check at your own expense, with clear results before you would be considered for any substitute positions. Contact Linda Seman at 440-965-5821 for the Criminal Background Check application, then make an appointment at the Educational Service Center of Lorain County at: 440-324-5777 to make an appointment for your fingerprinting.

# FHS NEWS

## FHS HONOR/MERIT

**ROLL** - Congratulations to our FHS students who earned Honor or Merit Role Distinction. Students who earn a 3.5 or above achieve Honor Role Status, and students who earn a 3.0 to 3.499 for earn Merit Role Distinction. These honors also include students at the JVS, but not at LCCC, due to the fact that all grades are based on the second semester. If you feel there has been an omission, please contact the school counselor's office for further information. Congratulations to our 310 students who have achieved this honor in the third grading period. For the entire list, please go to [http://](http://www.firelandsschools.org/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=63IUY2Y&dasi=4G0P2)

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## FHS NHS INDUCTION

Congratulations to over 50 students as they were the newest members inducted into the Firelands Chapter of the National Honor Society. The officers planned and ran the event, honoring all our inductees.

**FFA BANQUET** – The Firelands Chapter of the FFA held their annual end of the year Banquet on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the New Russia Township Hall.

## FIRELANDS ARTS FESTIVAL

– The Annual Firelands Fine Arts Festival was held last Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, at Firelands High School. Art works from all across the district were on display, as well

as performances by students from both FES and FHS.

## A NIGHT OF ONE ACTS

– The FHS Drama Group presented their annual One Act Plays on Thursday evening, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. This was a night of entertainment, that has become a FHS favorite.

## SENIOR AWARD NIGHT

– Wednesday, May 1 at 6:30 pm is the Third Annual Firelands Senior Award Night. Students will receive academic awards and scholarships on this evening. Graduation Cords and Sashes will also be awarded on this evening, which is an exciting night for Senior Award winners and their parents. Come on out to the FHS Gym to honor our Senior Award winners as they begin the march to Graduation on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

## COMMENCEMENT NIGHT

– FHS will hold the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement Exercises for the Class of 2018 on Friday evening, May 24<sup>th</sup>, at 7 pm in Falcon Stadium. Tickets are not required, but the gates will not be open until 5:00 pm that evening. Seats may not be reserved, as it is first-come, first-serve at 5:00 pm that evening. The event will be held rain or shine in Falcon Stadium, due to seating availability.

## Lorain County Junior 4-H Horse Bowl Teams Compete at Ohio Finals



**Lorain County Junior Horse Bowl Teams (left-right):**  
Rylee Howard-3<sup>rd</sup> grade Black River, Jordyn Simpson-5<sup>th</sup> grade Firelands, Macy Paller- 4<sup>th</sup> grade Firelands, Peter Howard – 5<sup>th</sup> grade Black River, Callie Finnegan – 5<sup>th</sup> Firelands, Marshall Ternes – 5<sup>th</sup> Firelands, Delaney Reed – 3<sup>rd</sup> Keystone, Jocelyn Wyatt – 5<sup>th</sup> Firelands

**Columbus, Ohio** - The primary objective of Horse Bowl Competition is to provide an opportunity for 4-H members enrolled in horse projects to demonstrate their knowledge of equine-related matters in a competitive setting, where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail. Horse Bowl could be summarized as academic challenge for young equestrians. This competition provides an educational experience for both participants and the spectators. During scrimmage rounds in mid-March the Lorain County teams beat teams from Medina and Stark Counties.

At the state finals at The Ohio State University on March 30<sup>th</sup>, the teams competed against teams from all over Ohio in a contest larger than the National Finals contest!

The Lorain County Coaches are proud to announce the state results for the two Lorain County junior teams.

Team A - Marshall Ternes, Peter Howard, Rylee Howard, and Delaney Reed earned 23rd in state. Marshall served as 1st chair in the team.

Team B- Macy Paller, Jordyn Simpson, Jocelyn Wyatt, & Callie Finnegan (1st chair) earned 13th in state. Jordyn was 10th in state individually.

Although Lorain County had two of the youngest teams in the state, Team B had a very strong win in round one. Both teams put points on the board in all rounds! Next up for the equestrian 4-H members is State Horse Judging and State Hippology. They have begun to practice for the June contests.

Shanna Finnegan  
Agricultural Educator/ FFA Advisor

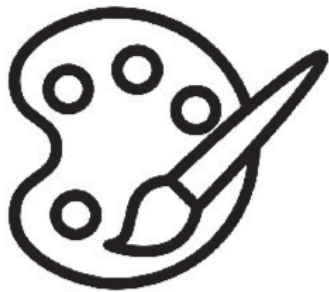


## Congratulations to the Firelands High School Concert Band on earning



a superior rating at the OMEA large group adjudicated event. We would like to wish our young musicians Good Luck at the State level event in May!

The Firelands Band Boosters



### Firelands K-8 Summer Art Camp

June 17-21, 2019

9 -11 am

Firelands Elementary School

Elementary and Middle School art students can spend 5 mornings creating art. Each day will introduce a new topic to inspire the hands-on art projects and activities. Students will draw, paint, print, craft and sculpt during the week, enriching their artistic skills and creative thinking.

*Founded by senior Grace Pohorence for her 2016 Girl Scout Gold Award project, this program is facilitated by the Firelands High School Art Society students. Campers will be divided into four studios of completed-grades K-1, 2-3, 4-5 and 6-8 with two high school art students teaching each studio. High school art teacher Laura Tawil will be on-site with the students supervising the entire camp.*

### Camp Application

One application per student -PLEASE PRINT-

Child's name -	Age (at camp) _____	Grade completed May 2019 _____
FES/ SAMS homeroom teacher -	t-shirt size _____ child or _____ adult	
Parent name -	Email _____	
Home address -	Phone _____	

Enclose Camp Fee of \$25 per child  
Checks made payable to: Firelands Art Department

Enrollment closes May 17

Limited seats (15) in each studio class  
Waiting list will be kept if needed  
**-NO REFUNDS can be issued-**

Send Application & Payment to:  
Firelands High School Art Department  
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Laura Tawil, art teacher  
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## Looking for Community Information

Firelands publishes a weekly blog on all community activity. If you have a group that is active in the Firelands district, we are happy to post information regarding events, fundraisers, open houses, etc.

You can visit the blog page at <https://ffalcons.wordpress.com> and look for Community Updates.

In addition to the Community Updates, a Bi-monthly article is published regarding our Falcon Alumni. Topics covered include graduations, engagements, career changes, new businesses, birth announcements and more.

The above information is also shared on Twitter, @Falcon\_update, and on our Facebook page, The Firelands Falcons.

To submit information please contact Jennifer at (440) 965-5821 ext. 1015 or at: [jbutchko@firelandsschools.org](mailto:jbutchko@firelandsschools.org)

## Effective Leadership Academy Camp LEAD: Fish Tank Registration Now Live Locations across Greater Cleveland

Cleveland's best camp for youth leadership development is back. Registration for Effective Leadership Academy's 2019 Camp LEAD is now open at [effectivela.org](http://effectivela.org).

Camp LEAD, for 5th-8th graders, is offered at various school and community locations across Greater Cleveland and in Annapolis, Maryland. ELA's week-long day camp is full of custom designed activities, allowing campers to work on their social-emotional skills and leadership development. A new curriculum every year provides a unique, fulfilling experience for new and returning campers.

Camp LEAD: Fish Tank, the theme for 2019 inspired by the hit TV series Shark Tank, will utilize games and outdoor team activities to encourage healthy competition and collaboration. Campers will be given daily challenges that will help them learn to pitch ideas and negotiate for success. Campers will be encouraged to focus on goal setting, creativity, networking, critical thinking, presentation skills, effective communication and the art of self-leadership.

Camp LEAD runs Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. With more dates and locations to come, registration is currently open for the following: CAMP LOCATION DATES REGISTER South Amherst Middle (Firelands) SOUTH AMHERST June 3-7 REGISTER (\$100 ONLY)\*

\*South Amherst Middle Camp LEAD tuition is \$100; remainder of original cost (\$295) covered by ELA grant.

**Register today** to join us for a week of fun! Camp challenges will stretch personal limits, educate, empower and equip campers to take away the critical success skills needed to become a leader in today's world. Visit [effectivela.org](http://effectivela.org) or call 216.292.8775.

MORE ABOUT EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY ELA is a youth leadership and personal growth organization that helps young people turn potential into performance by developing their most valuable assets - themselves. ELA is the "missing ingredient" in the educational environment. ELA promotes positive leadership by teaching students to think outside the box, have an open mind, and embrace change. ELA will also work with students on professional skills, such as making a good first impression, communicating effectively, learning how to network, along with other essential 21st Century leadership skills. [effectivela.org](http://effectivela.org)

## BIRMINGHAM MEMORIAL PARADE

Please plan on joining the Birmingham Community for the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Parade.

This year's theme is "Dedicated to Honoring Our Hero's".

We invite you and your organization to join us in this tradition.

Please consider a float or marching unit to participate in the great Birmingham Memorial Day Parade on **Monday, May 27, 2019**.

Troop 450 Life Scout, Christopher Jackson has chosen the Birmingham Cemetery for his Eagle Scout project. He will be dedicating and unveiling the Birmingham Veterans Memorial Monument during the service.

The parade is going to form at 12:30 p.m. at the **Leota Bettcher Hall** formally the Birmingham Community Center.

Judging of units will take place during the parade and the winners will be given a prize during the ceremonies at the cemetery. The Parade will step off onto South Street at 1pm.

This year the **Bloodmobile** will be at the Hall from 11:30-2 taking blood donations. Please come down and donate!

For more info, please contact Debby @ [guys3@centurytel.net](mailto:guys3@centurytel.net)



## Firelands High School Class Of 1994

### 25th Year Reunion

Friday, July 26, 2019

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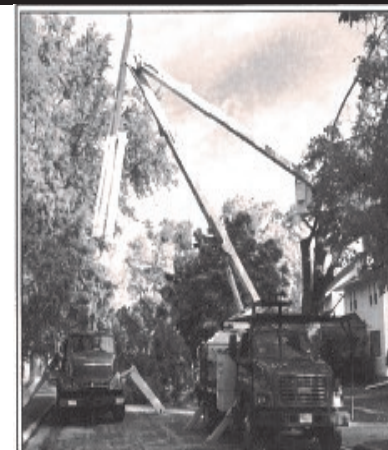
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