

## The Firelands Express



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#### **Substitute Levy on November Ballot - NOT A TAX INCREASE**

What is Issue 16 on the November ballot for Firelands Schools? The Firelands Board of Education voted unanimously to place a 5.98 mil, 10-year substitute levy that does not increase taxes on the November ballot. Issue 16 consolidates and replaces two existing emergency levies that expire in 2021 into one substitute levy that will not increase taxes. A substitute levy allows Firelands School to combine existing levies, generate additional revenue from new homes that are built, and keep your taxes the same.

Why does the school district need Issue 16? This substitute levy – Issue 16 - represents \$2.32 million in existing funding, or 12% of the District's local funding, and is necessary to continue providing the high quality programs in our academic offerings, athletics, and the arts that students needs to be successful in today's society.

How much more in taxes will residents pay with this levy?
Residents' taxes will not increase with passage of Issue 16. It is a substitute levy which replaces the school district's two existing emergency levies (set to expire in 2021) and keeps taxes as they are today for current property owners.

What is a "substitute" levy? A school district **Firelands** can substitute or replace an existing emergency levy, WE ARE **Schools** without increasing taxes, with a substitute levy. A substitute levy is identical to the existing emergency THE Issue levy it replaces with one exception: as new homes are built in the district, they will be taxed at the same FALCONS rate as current property owners and the school district will be able to realize some additional revenue from the new growth only. WON'T INCREASE TAXES

How much will Issue 16 generate for our schools? The substitute levy will generate the same

amount as the emergency levies it is replacing (\$2.32 million) its first year, and a minimum of \$2.32 million annually each year after that. As new homes or businesses are built in the district, they will be taxed at the same rate as the current owners, and the school district will be able to realize some additional revenue from the new growth only.

**How long will the levy last?** The substitute levy will expire after 10 years. **Will the amount voters pay increase?** No, the amount voters pay will not increase over time.

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#### **Groundbreaking for New FHS**



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#### **A Different Back to School**



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#### Levy Q & A, continued from page 1

What if Issue 16 does not pass? The loss of \$2.32 million in funding would have a direct impact on educational programs and student services. By law, school districts cannot operate with a deficit, and therefore the Board of Education would have to identify millions in cuts to balance its budget.

Didn't we just pass a bond issue? Why is this needed? Firelands Local School District voters passed a bond issue in November 2018. Thank you for your support. There is a difference though between a bond issue, which is for capital and building expenses, and a substitute levy, which is for day-to-day operating expenses for academics, programs, and educators. The substitute levy on the ballot this November will not increase taxes. The funds the substitute levy generates. which are set to expire next year, must be completely separate from expenses for the new and renovated building.

When is Election Day? Election Day is November 3.

Polls are open on Election Day from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Early voting begins October 6.

How do I check my voter registration or request a vote-by-mail ballot?

The Boards of Elections are already accepting Vote-by-Mail/Absentee ballot requests. To check your voter registration, please visit or call your local county Board of Elections:

Lorain County Board of Elections, (440) 326-5900, www.voteloraincountyohio. gov

Erie County Board of Elections, (419) 627-7601, www.boe.ohio.gov/erie

Where can I get more information about the substitute levy and Firelands Local Schools? Please visit the district's website at www.firelandsschools.org for more information and "like" The Firelands Falcons on Facebook: www.facebook.com/TheFirelandsFalcons/

Please go to page 11 for Q & A Zoom Meeting details.



For up-to-date Sports info, follow Athletic Dir. Ty Stillman on Twitter @FirelandsFalcon and the Athletic Boosters @FirelandsSports. Website with scores and schedules: firelandsathletics.org. More photos on page 10. Photo credit: Jackie Flaczynski.

## **Breaking Ground on New FHS**

The cover picture was taken during the official ground-breaking ceremony for the new

Firelands High School with administrators, board members, and construction team members all participating. The event, streamed live on Facebook on September 15th, was a brief ceremony but it was packed with a lot of excitement and pride.

Superintendent
Mike Von Gunten expressed
gratitude for the board members
who purchased the 105 acres

of land in 1997 and their vision: Barb Becker, Donald Hunsinger, John Corley, Fran

Doane and Donald Ortner. Additionally Von Gunten thanked community volunteers and staff members, as well as voters, for their part in making the new high school a reality. He also praised the contruction team for their support and guidance.

We look forward

to covering the progress of the building in the Express and on our social media platforms!

# Friends of Firelands Donates School Supplies & Welcomes the Class of 2033





Thanks to donations from Firelands staff, Board of Education members and community members, the Friends of Firelands was able to host a school supply pick up event for our free and reduced lunch families in the district. With this outpouring of generosity, close to 100 Firelands students, online or in person, received all the supplies they needed for the 2020-2021 school year.

The Friends of Firelands also sent some happy mail to the newest Falcons, the Class of 2033. They welcomed kindergartners by mailing free t-shirts like the one above.

The Friends of Firelands is a non-profit organization whose mission is to positively promote the students, staff, and community that make up the Firelands Local School District.

submitted by Nakita Doane FOF President

#### **Curriculum News**

On behalf of the teachers and staff, I am excited to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year. Our students are already busy meeting grade level standards, and everyone seems to be off to a great start!

You may have heard from your students that the Board of Education, with input from teachers, adopted a new reading and math series by McGraw-Hill Publisher. The reading series is designed to build strong foundational literacy skills, help our students access complex text, encourages collaborative conversations, and enables students to write to source. The math series for high school students is aligned to the Ohio Standards for Algebra and Geometry needed for graduation. Our reading and math teachers have completed trainings on the new series, and everyone is excited about how this new resource will help our students

meet grade level expectations.

On August 18th, 19th, and 20th, our teachers had the opportunity to engage in professional learning opportunities. They had technology training with NORT2H from the Lorain County ESC where they learned how to utilize Google Classroom and Zoom more effectively. They participated in several Public-School Works safety training sessions and learned about the new safety protocols effective this school year. The teachers also had the opportunity to arrange their classrooms for instruction and safety of our students and staff keeping the classrooms conducive to learning and welcoming for the school year.

This is a different year for all of us - but we will get through this together!

submitted by Lori Roemer Director of Educational Services

## **Transportation "Maskots"**





The buses and drivers are ready and masked for you!
Our favorite Maskot Buster is ready too!

With the safety of your child in mind, school transportation must remain consistent. Variable and alternating days will not be allowed. However, we realize that emergencies do occur. In the event of an emergency, parents will need to call Mr. Milt Sayler @ (440) 965-4105 to see if a possible alternate bus route is available **24 hours** in advance. If this one time change is approved, parents also need to send a note with the child to be given to the bus driver upon boarding. If Mr. Sayler does not have space available on a particular bus route or if a child does not bring a note, the one-time, temporary route change will be refused out of safety concerns.

#### **Food Service News You Can Use**

#### **USDA Extends Free Breakfast and Lunch for All Students**

As of Tuesday, September 15, 2020, Firelands Food Service Department has provided free breakfast and lunch for all in person students that chose to purchase a meal, regardless of need. The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced that it will finance this program through December, 2020 (or until funding runs out).

Every Firelands student has the opportunity to receive free standard breakfast and lunch through this program. Students will be asked in the morning (by their teacher) if they want to receive breakfast and/or lunch. This will help us to plan and prepare appropriately.

Please note that special a la carte items at all schools are

not included in this program but these items will still be available to purchase.

#### **Online Students**

Online families are also able to take advantage of this program. A survey was sent to online families by our Food Service Director, Mrs. Baumann. This survey must be completed by September 15th.

Pick up for online families will be held once a week, starting September 23, at South Amherst Middle School and will include 5 breakfasts and 5 lunches per student.

If you are an online family and you have questions about this offering, please contact Mrs. Baumann at jbaumann@ firelandsschools.org.

#### Online pick up procedure

Pick up will be 7:45-8:45 a.m. or 1:15-2:15p.m at South Amherst Middle. You chose your preferred time when the survey was filled out. Drive in the North Lake entrance, pull around to the right and loop around so your passenger side is facing the school. Provide the name of your child / children. Food will be placed on a table once you tell us how many children, you will then exit your vehicle and place the items in your car.

#### **Meal Applications**

Even though all students are free at this time, it is important for families that feel

they would qualify for meal assistance to complete a www. payschoolscentral.com

The application status will start in January 2021 or when this federally funded program ends. If you have an application in place, it will be a seamless transition when the free for all status is no longer available. In order for student fees to be waived, a meal application must be completed and approved.

Please bear with us as we work through many changes.

submitted by Judy Baumann
Director of Food Service

**School Menus** 

myschoolmenus.com

Mrs. Judy Baumann

jbaumann@firelandsschools.org

### Firelands Elementary Students Glad to be Back

#### First Day for Grades 1-5

On September 8, FES students in grades 1-5 had their first day of school. It was great to hear and see students in the building again. Our online students also enjoyed their first day of being in class virtually with their classmates. FES teachers were prepared and ready to greet our students. Even with changes put in place, students appeared to enjoy their first day. We are excited to see how the year progresses and all the students will learn!

#### **Student Work**

During art class on the first day of school, Mrs. Proehl had students in Mrs. Essex's class draw pictures about their first day. They were excited to do this! You can see Wyatt Dalton working on his piece below and Danielle Wayman's swingset picture is included here as well.

Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Socha also had our fifth graders write about their first day of school.

Garrison Lee wrote, "I loved the first day of school. The bus is the same minus the mask.

The mask does not really bother me. Specials was fun still, except they come to you. In recess we did push-ups and planks. We get mask breaks throughout the day. But lunch is nice, it is at your own desk. There are no lockers so your backpack is at your desk. It is different but still fun."

Aiden Simms wrote, "Today was the first day of school. My teacher is the best. She is so funny. I thought that my teacher was going to be mean.



My teacher makes work fun for everyone. Recess and lunch are a little different but still fun. The kids in my class are very nice to me. I can't wait for the next day."

Kyrie

Holliday wrote, "This is about how this year is different. This year is different because we need to wear masks (super hot). Next, recess is divided up. Last, no lockers. This is what is different. In conclusion, I like the new year pretty well so far and I hope this keeps up."

#### **FES Upcoming Dates**

There are a few dates to remember for FES parents. October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> will be our evening Parent Teacher

Conferences. These will occur through Zoom. Please watch for communication from your child's teacher. There is no school on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Picture day at FES will be on October 16. This is only for our in-person students. Online students will make appointments at a later date to get their pictures taken.

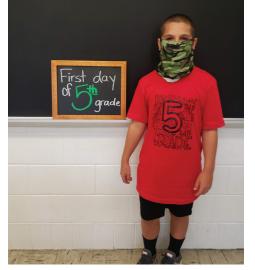


Firelands Elementary is very lucky to have an active PTG (Parent Teacher Group). Parents of FES students are encouraged to become involved with this group. They meet monthly and find ways to further enrich the FES environment for all of our students. Their next meeting will be October 1 at 6:30 via Zoom. A link will be shared as the meeting date approaches. Feel free to reach out to them to see how you can assist and hear more about how you can be involved during the 2020-2021 school year! You can find them on Facebook (Firelands Elementary School PTG) or on Twitter (@ FESPTG).

submitted by Laura Groboske Assistant Principal

Pictured clockwise starting at left: Wyatt Dalton working on his art assignment, 5th Graders Aiden Simms and Garrison Lee both enjoyed their first day back. Lydia Beltz and Wyatt Kisner work on their drawings in art class with Mrs. Proehl.









## **SAMS** is Ready for a Safe School Year

After a very busy summer planning for this school year, I have seen how our hard work has paid off. The attention to detail during planning has been very clear as we saw our students come in and seamlessly transition back into school amidst all of the changes.

Students have been following all of the social distancing guidelines as well as our procedures to ensure their safety as we reopened school.

We are in the process of making sure that all students have Chromebooks. Our online students are supported by our technology department and we are working to make sure everyone is up to speed. Our staff has stepped up and met and exceeded every expectation we have brought to them.

We currently have approximately 230 students in the building and 152 online. We have a strictly online team of teachers and then teachers in the building that are picking up classes to serve the 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

We have changed nearly every procedure within the building, but the teachers made videos depicting the changes that we pushed out prior to opening so the students would have an idea of what was going to be expected.

We held online sessions for orientation and meet the teacher. In addition we held sessions for online students to get their Chromebooks and materials as well as in person students.

I am very grateful for all of the support from our teachers and staff and all of the hard work that was done to prepare for our opening.

I am excited to see what the year brings!!!

submitted by Cara M. Gomez Principal











#### **FFA Excels at Lorain County Junior Fair**

The Lorain County Fair was limited to junior fair animal exhibitors only because of COVID-19 concerns. Shows were changed and exhibit times were shortened to limit contact. Although the Firelands FFA chapter didn't have as many exhibitors as usual, there were still a lot of successes! Many members that chose not to show their animal projects sold their animals privately. Since members could not show their still life projects at fair, there was a virtual picture-based show. The members that showed still-life by photo will still receive their normal premiums.

Members dedicate a huge amount of time preparing for a successful week at the Lorain County Fair. Congratulations to the Firelands FFA members that were award winners:

**Court awards:** Kaleb Carver, Fair King; Recipient of \$1000 Senior Fair Board scholarship.

**Beef and Dairy Awards:** Taylor Kenska, Modern Beef Steer Class Champion; Noah Galloway, 4th in Beef Senior Showmanship.

**Fowl Awards:** Caleb Ross, Champion Senior Market Chicken Showmanship and Reserve Champion Overall Market Chicken Showmanship; Grace Stanley, Reserve Champion Senior Market Chicken Showmanship; Holden Harker, Honorable Mention Senior Turkey Showmanship; Katelyn Konicek, Champion Beginner Turkey Showmanship & Reserve Champion Overall Turkey Showmanship.

Horse Awards: Maria DiCesare, 4-H Champion Senior English Showmanship, Grand Champion Senior Contest Horsemanship, Reserve Champion Senior English Equitation, Reserve Champion Senior Barrels, Honorable Mention Supreme Showmanship, Honorable Mention Reining; Madison Chenoweth, 4-H Reserve Champion English Showmanship, Honorable Mention English Equitation Senior, Champion Hunter Under Saddle, Grand Champion Trail; Morgan DiCesare 4-H Grand Champion Western Pleasure, Reserve Champion Western Horsemanship Senior.

**Swine awards:** Garrett Yakunovich, Honorable Mention Beginner Swine Showmanship; Holden Harker, Overall Intermediate Hog Showmanship, 4th overall hog heavy weight class; Maria DiCesare, Class Reserve Champion Hog.

Goat Awards: Gabby Zadorozny, Honorable Mention Beginner Boer Goat Showmanship; Krystal Scheeres, Erie County 4-H, Reserve Champion Pack Goat, Second place Doe 2 and Under 3, Reserve Champion for Dairy Doe, 1st place for 5 yr and above, 3rd place Goat Showmanship, Reserve Champion for Dairy Kid, 1st place for Senior Dairy Kid, 3rd place Dairy Kid, 4th place for Dairy Kid

**Still-Life Awards:** Joel Polen, LaGrange Engine Club Grand Champion Large Restoration.

The Lorain County Junior Fair is governed, designed, and ran by a youth government. The Lorain County Junior Fair Board worked tirelessly to prepare the fair and was tasked with complying and enforcing COVID-19 regulations. Thank you for your dedication to the youth members of the fair!

Firelands FFA Junior Fair Board representatives: Keith Cornwell (executive member), Steven Jessel (executive member), Katelyn Konicek (executive member), Madison Chenoweth, Joshua Scheeres, Krystal Scheeres, Gabby Zadorozny.







Pictured above from left to right: Caleb Ross earned top honors in showmanship with his market chickens. Fair King Kaleb Carver also earned the Senior Fair Board Scholarship. Joel Polen with his 1966 John Deere 3020 restoration. He competed in the LaGrange Engine Club restoration contest by filling out an online application.

A special Thank You to buyers of Firelands FFA Members' animals at fair: Andy Suvar Auctions & Real Estate, Boggy Acres Rabbitry, C & T Camels, Carolyn Dular, Cuyahoga Fence, Denes Concrete, Got it Lookin Farms, Hickory's Legacy Farms, Howells Maple Grove Farm, Jim's Custom Kitchens, Kelton Keller, Kiser Livestock Hauling, KMU Trucking & Excavating, Kodiak Construction, Kriegmont Auction Company, Laborers Union Local 758, Milton Trucking, Mohr Stamping Inc., Moonshine Meadows Farm, Richard's Tree Service, Shagovac Heating and Cooling, Schlecter Brothers Country Harvest, TL Keller Meats, and Vermilion Vet Clinic.

Finally, thank you to the Livestock Sale Committee and the auctioneers for volunteering their time to sell our market livestock. Thank you to Auctioneers Patrick Newell, Ben Harrison, Kate Suvar, Andy Suvar, Scott Neptune, Bill Hartsell and Jason Kriegmont Jr.

Morgan DiCesare

#### **National Art Contest Winner**

At the beginning of the quarantine, Julia Finnegan submitted



artwork to the Western Horseman Magazine, known for its beautiful covers and artwork. She received notice that she is reserve champion in the under 8 category and she won \$75 of Western Horseman merchandise, 2 years of free magazine subscription, a certificate and stickers. Her work, shown at right, will be featured in the magazine as well. Congratulations for this national honor, Julia!

https://westernhorseman.com/culture/youth-art-contest/2020-youth-art-contest-winners/

Follow FFA on Twitter or Instagram: @FirelandsFFA

#### **FHS Greets Freshmen Early**

We began the school year with Freshman orientation on September 8th. The freshmen were excited to start school and appreciated being in the building a day ahead of the rest of the students. They got to meet all of their teachers and learned a little bit about high school in the process. Their day included short information sessions about grades/GPA, ways to get involved, rules and procedures, a meet and greet with some upperclassmen, and also some fun icebreaker activities.

Online students are off to a great start for the year! The first day for online students was September 8th. They followed the freshman orientation schedule of shorter class periods, which allowed them the opportunity to iron out any glitches with understanding the schedule and expectations before teachers dug into class content.

We are grateful that we are able to meet the needs of students that need to stay home for health reasons as well as our in-person students. There are many safety precautions that we have put in place for this year. Students are adapting well. They are, to name a few: reduced class sizes for social distancing, facial coverings for all staff and students, one-way hallways and directional signs, digital hall passes, limited capacity in restrooms for social distancing.

submitted by Cathy Keener, Principal

#### **Students Win Poster Contest**

Congratulations to the Lorain Soil and Water Conservation
District poster contest winners sponsored by the National
Association of Conservation Districts! Julia Finnegan won 1st place
in the 2-3 grade category, Callie Finnegan won 1st place in the 4-6
grade category. Julia attends Firelands Elementary School and
Callie attends South Amherst Middle School. Katelyn Konicek won
1st place in the 10-12 grade category with Stella Baxter placing 2nd
in the same grade category. Both of those girls attend Firelands High
School. Great job everyone! (Source: lorainswcd.com/newsletter)

#### **Smiling Faces at FHS**



Seeing full faces is so important for communication and trust-building between students and staff. This fall we're missing 50% of that experience behind our masks. At a Freshman orientation planning meeting the idea was floated to post photos of FHS staff with unmasked faces so students can see our smiles as a social-emotional support. Buttons were selected as a way to share our smiles to our students wherever we are in the building.

The Art Department provided and produced buttons for FHS staff to wear for at least the first weeks of school. Especially now it will help students to learn "the face behind the mask" and all of us to recognize our school community.

> submitted by Ms. Laura Tawil

#### **Musician-Athletes Perform & Play at Football Game**



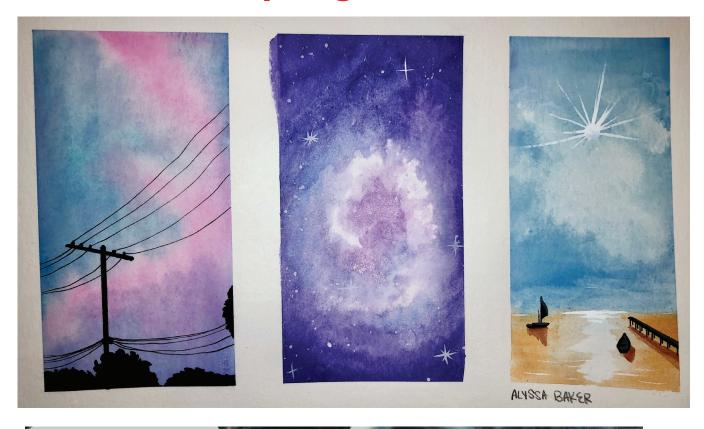
Football Player Sam Solowiej performs with the band at Halftime at the home game versus Brookside on September 11. Photo credit: Jean Kromer.



Firelands High School Marching Band and Trumpet soloist and Football Player Nathaniel Boucher performing at the Home game against Brookside. Photo credit: Jean Kromer.

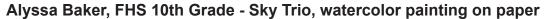
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## **Spotlight on Firelands Student Art**





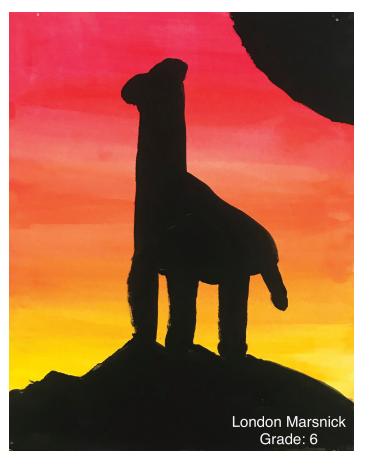




Liliana Schmittle, SAMS 7th Grade

Violet Daley, FHS 10th Grade - digital photography demonstrating the composition skill of framing

London Marsinick, SAMS 6th Grade

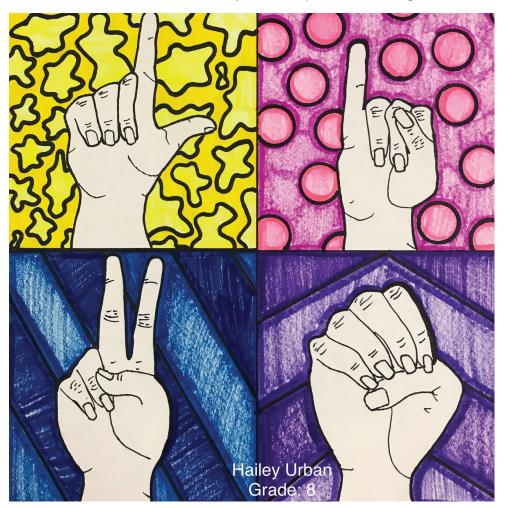


Visit <u>www.firelandsschools.org/ARTDEPARTMENT.</u> <u>aspx</u> for an amazing array of Art related resources for artists of all ages, including museums, apps, and more!

#### **Emergency Closure Info**

Due to many unknown variables regarding education this year, FLSD will convert to online learning if an emergency closure (short term closure) were to occur. Emergency closures would be for utility issues, heat index, intermittent closures due to illness, etc. During emergency closures, in person teachers will convert to online learning through Google Classrooms. Teachers will hold office hours and will be available to Zoom during posted hours. Students would follow their normal school day schedules and visit each of their teacher's Google Classroom. Attendance will be taken. Students already participating in online learning will not see a change in their daily education.

If child care needs do not allow for the transfer to online learning, the student will be permitted to make up the missed work. In that situation, the day will be counted as an excused absence if the child is not able to participate in online learning. Parents/Guardians will need to provide an excuse of absence note (either to school attendance email or written note) when in person learning resumes.





Above, Hailey Urban, SAMS 8th Grade

Left, Kalei Houston, FHS 9th Grade, Art 1, Kleo, vector paining created in Google drawing

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We are all aware that there are variables that could temporarily alter our in person learning such as the heat index, utility issues, illness, etc.

If any of these situations were to occur, FLSD will adjust all students to online learning. During Emergency Closures, students will be expected to log into their Google Classrooms during normal school hours and attendance will be taken.

Decisions regarding Emergency Closures will be made as quickly as possible to allow time to prepare for remote learning. All Calls and district social media will be used to inform parents/guardians if this situation were to occur. Contact information must be updated in Final Forms to receive all calls. Notification will be made to the following social media accounts:

- · Webpage: Firelandsschools.org
- Facebook: @TheFirelandsFalcons
- Twitter: FLSD@Super & @Falcon update



#### **Deadline to Register to Vote is October 5th**

The voter registration deadline for the Nov 2020 election is October 5. Voting by Mail begins on October 6. Election Day is November 3. Polls are open from 6:30 am to 7:30 pm on Election Day.

Vote early in person - below are the early voting hours at your local county Board of Elections:

Tuesday, October 6 through Friday, October 9: 8 am to 5 pm Monday, October 12 through Friday, October 16: 8 am to 5 pm Monday, October 19 through Friday, October 23: 8 am to 6 pm

Saturday, October 24: 8 am to 4 pm Sunday, October 25: 1 pm to 5 pm

Monday, October 26 through Friday, October 30: 8 am to 7 pm

Saturday, October 31: 8 am to 4 pm Sunday, November 1: 1 pm to 5 pm Monday, November 2: 8 am to 2 pm

For more information about voting, please visit or call your local county Board of Elections.



For up to date Sports info follow Athletic Director Ty Stillman on Twitter @FirelandsFalcon and the Athletic Boosters @ FirelandsSports. Website with scores, schedules and more: www. firelandsathletics.org. Photos taken by Jackie Flaczynski.











# 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 2020-2021 school year are as follows.

October 20, 2020 November 17, 2020 December 15, 2020 January 19, 2021 February 16, 2021 March 16, 2021 April 20, 2021 May 18, 2021 June 15, 2021

submitted by Shannon Smith, Firelands Band Boosters Secretary firelandsbandboosters@gmail.com

The November Board of Education meeting has been moved from November 16 to November 9, 2020.

#### Class of 1977 Reunion

The Class of 1977 is holding their Unofficial Yearly Class Reunion on Saturday October 3rd, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Matus Winery in Wakeman. Make your travel plans now and meet us for fun, laughs, and reconnecting!



The next Board of Education meeting will be held on October 12, 2020
Board agendas can always be found on our website at https://www.firelandsschools.org/BoardofEducation.aspx

The Firelands Express is published 9 times each school year by the Firelands Board of Education. The Board of Education can be reached at: 112 North Lake Street, South Amherst, OH 44001. Main Office: 440-965-5821; Treasurer's Office: 440-965-5701.

#### **Opportunities for Parent Involvement**

We have many great groups that work hard to support our district. These organizations and clubs would be happy to welcome new volunteers. Direct requests for help are also included for your consideration.

The Firelands Elementary
Parent Teacher Group
(FES PTG) meets on the first
Tuesdays of the month at 7:00
p.m. in the library at FES.
The group can be reached at
FESPTG@yahoo.com.

The South Amherst Middle School Parent Teacher Group (SAMS PTG) is a parent teacher group working together for the benefit of all students at SAMS. We support the school by raising money and helping out at the school. Meetings are held throughout the year. The group can be found on Facebook at SAMS PTG or by emailing

samsptg@firelandsschools.org.

The Firelands Athletic Booster Club (FABC) meets on the 4th Monday of the month in the library at FHS. All are welcome.

Tracy Newman is the
President: 440.669.3676
Beck Kovach is the Vice
President: 44.0320.3636
Kym Coggins is the
Secretary: 44.320.6461
Christine Stewart is the
Treasurer: 440.570.2635
Trish Robinette is the Team
Firelands: 440.773.9027

The Firelands Band
Boosters (BB) The Band
Booster program is not just a
High School Organization. It is a
Support Organization Serving all
3 Buildings in the Firelands Local
School District. We are looking
for parents/guardians who are
interested in helping support

our student musicians. This organization meets on the third Tuesday of every month-except for December and July in the Band Room at FHS.

President: Tanya Clark: tanyamariaclark@yahoo.com Treasurer: Jason Smith:

cyclonesmitty@gmail.com Secretary: Shannon Smith

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General mailbox: firelandsbandboosters@gmail. com

The Firelands Choir Boosters (FCB) meets on the third Tuesday of every month in the Firelands High School library.

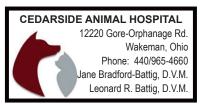
The Brownhelm Historical Association (BHA) holds meetings the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Carriage Barn at Mill Hollow.

## Levy Q & A Meeting

On September 28th or October 14th at 7:00 p.m., you are invited to participate in an online meeting via Zoom to ask questions and learn more about Issue 16. To access the meeting, go to:

> www.zoom.com Click on "Join a Meeting" Enter this code: 7988519485

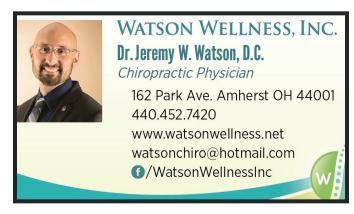
Call Mike Von Gunten or Keri Angney at (440) 965-5821 with questions.



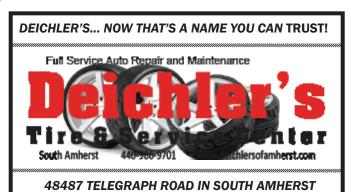












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