



CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Another Great Open House and Community Showcase

I want to thank everyone for coming out to our annual Open House and Community Showcase on January 26th. We had more family, staff and community participation this year than in the past, and I think we really demonstrated what makes our district so special. And the best part - we didn't run out of pizza this year!

[Be sure to check out photos from the day here.](#)

Join us for the play Aladdin next week - including a free show for senior citizens

We've got the perfect mid-winter pick-me-up for you - even if it doesn't feel much like winter. Our middle school and high school students have been working hard to prepare for their presentation of the play *Aladdin* - and from what I've seen and heard, it's pretty special.

This year we will have a special free showing for our communities' senior citizens on Thursday, March 5th at 9:30AM (Please note: in our original email we had the incorrect time).

Regular showings start the following day on March 6th and 7th at 7:00 PM in the Baumgardner Auditorium. We hope you and your family can be there! You won't be disappointed!

Food Allergy Education Night

As many of you know, we partner with Independence Schools and the Allison Rose Foundation often to raise awareness about food allergies. For those of you who don't know, the Allison Rose Foundation was formed to prevent other families from experiencing the tragedy and untimely food allergy death of a child or young adult.

Cuyahoga Heights and Independence Schools will jointly host a Food Allergy Education Night on March 5th from 6:00-7:30 PM in the Cuyahoga Heights Bahner-Ray Media Center. The Allison Rose Foundation will be sharing information that every family should be aware of as we work to keep safe all of our students and staff with food allergies.

A Wax Museum and Third Grade Rock the Elementary School

Mrs. Boswell's class, with guidance and support from Ms. Akerly, once again excelled in presenting their version of a Wax Museum. Our students selected and researched historical figures such as Bob Feller, Anne Frank, John Muir, Muhammed Ali, and then dressed as their subject for their presentations. [Check out photos here.](#)

A big shout out to Mr. Bertolone and Mrs. Currey for the performance of "Twas the Night Before Third Grade" - and yes, Third Grade Rocks!!!!!!

SAT Reminder

On the morning of March 4th, all juniors at Cuyahoga Heights High School will be sitting for the SAT test. Please make sure they get a good night's rest and have a nutritious breakfast. While performance on this test is an important indicator, both for your child and for our school district, please remind your children that their best effort will be enough! Good luck to all of the students!

Making Records in Athletics

We are having a terrific winter sports season. For the first time in school history, our lady bowlers qualified for district competition and the men's team finished the season as conference champions. The girls basketball team has been crowned sectional champions. The lady swimmers distinguished themselves once again with six swimmers qualifying for districts in individual and relay events. The wrestlers open up sectional competition at Independence this Saturday and Mike Hopkins has qualified for the State Indoor Track Meet in the pole vault.

I want to thank everyone who made our student-athletes feel extra special during our winter Senior Nights. It's always bitter sweet to see them recognized in their final year competing as Redskins!

Community Input Opportunities Coming in March

We continue to gather input from our community on needs and priorities of our facilities as we keep our promises to provide the best educational opportunities for our students.

I hope you'll join us in Brooklyn Heights on Tuesday, March 3 at 6:30PM prior to the Village Council meeting or in Cuyahoga Heights on March 11 at 6:00PM prior to their Council meeting. I'll be sharing findings revealed in a thorough study of our building and grounds by GPD Architects, along with a proposed improvement plan being developed from your feedback. I hope to see you there!!

Go Redskins!!!!

~ **Tom Evans**, Superintendent, Cuyahoga Heights Schools

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