Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) Kick-off!

Attention: Fathers, and father figures:

Join us for the 2nd annual “Dads and Kids Hot Dog Night” in the Elementary Gym on Tues., September 20th from 6:00-7:00 pm.

Last year we implemented the Watch DOGS Program at the Elementary School and the students loved it! Dads loved it! Last year we had 100 individuals who volunteered to be part of the program.

The program is an innovative father involvement, educational initiative of the National Center For Fathering. Here’s a video clip that helps explain the program and why it is so important: ABC News story on Watch DOGS

Here’s what some of the Dads had to say about their experience last year:

“I had the opportunity to spend time with a few children that really appreciated our time playing on the playground and studying our multiplication tables. I look forward to my next visit to the school as a WATCH D.O.G.S dad. Thanks!”

"The best part of the day was the enjoyment I got when the kids came up and hugged me and wanted me to play with them and give them high fives."

We’ll have FREE Hot Dogs, Popcorn and Drinks.
To register visit the Elementary Webpage. http://www.home.elida.k12.oh.us/3/Home

Good Luck at tonight’s game vs. Defiance @ Defiance

Theme: Strictly Business

- Sept. 12  High School Fall Pictures
- Sept 18  Homecoming Parade   4:00
- Sept. 20  School Board Mtg.   7:00 pm  HS Community Room
- Sept. 20  WATCH Dogs Kickoff   6:00 pm Elementary Gym
- Sept. 20  Grades K-1 Fall Pictures
- Sept. 21  Grades 2-4 Fall Pictures
- Sept. 22  Middle School Fall Pictures
- Sept. 23  Homecoming Game vs. St. Marys
- Sept. 24  Homecoming Dance    8:00-11:00 pm
- Sept. 26  Prof. Development Day  NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
Flowers every month...for a year!

Wouldn’t you love to give (or receive) a flower bouquet every month? You can, by purchasing The Flower Loft Card as part of the Class of 2018 Fundraiser. Each card is $30 (that’s only $2.50 per bouquet!)

Call or text Sandra Meeker at 419-305-8202 or Kim Watkins at 567-242-9871. Thanks for your support.

Teacher Spotlight:  Mark Suter
Modern Technology in the Classroom

We are happy to welcome one of our new teachers, Mr. Mark Suter, who is teaching computer tech, programming game and web design and more in the high school. Mark will offer great hands on opportunities for our students to build web sites for area businesses, video production and to learn about Virtual Reality (VR) right from his classroom!

If you’d like to see VR for yourself he plans to offer the community a chance to experience it for themselves later this year when he opens his classroom to the public. Students will be the teachers and will guide visitors through a virtual reality session. Date to be announced.

Mark worked at Pandora Gilboa High School for six years before coming to Elida.

He has earned recognition for his work including being named Ohio Academy of Science "STEM Exemplar" and The Henry Ford Innovation Nation Teacher Innovator of the Year 2015. He is an Adobe Certified Educator and a Microsoft Innovative Educator Expert

Here’s a link that helps explains some of this previous projects.

https://www.envisionexperience.com/blog/spotlight-on-mark-suter

Welcome to Elida, Mr. Suter!
Congratulations!

Jones Nominated for Leadership Award

Allison Jones, Social Worker in the Elementary, has been nominated for the Ohio School Board Association NW Region’s Who’s Who in the NW Region Excellence In Leadership Award. She was nominated by the Vice President of the Elida School Board, Pat Schymanski, who recognized Jones initiative, passion and dedication in programs she has implemented including Dads of Great Students (Watch D.O.G.S) and STARS Program (Self-Control, Teamwork, Attitude, Respect and Success.) and her involvement in many other activities including Kids Hope, Meals ‘til Monday, ALICE Training, professional development of teachers and holiday gifts to families. She will be honored at the Ohio School Board NW Region Fall Conference on October 20th at Vantage Career Center in Van Wert, Ohio.

Dr. Judy Jackson May, NW Region Ohio School Board Manager, says “Her accomplishments on behalf of the students of Elida are amazing and she is very deserving. Her dedication and commitment are hallmarks of excellence to be emulated.”

Jones is a Licensed Independent Social Worker who is licensed by the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board. She is licensed by the Ohio Department of Education. She has a Pupil Services License with a specialization in School Social Work, and completed her Bachelor's Degree in Social Work from Bluffton University in Bluffton, Ohio and her Master's Degree in School Social Work from The Ohio State University. She is a member of the Ohio School Social Work Association.

Say “Cheese!” It’s time to get ready for Fall Class Pictures!

- High School: This Monday, September 12th
- Elementary Grades K-1: September 20th
- Elementary Grades 2-4: September 21st
- Middle School Pictures: September 22nd
Travel To Spain this June

How would you like to travel and visit Spain next year? Here's a great opportunity for you to enjoy a guided tour. The last enrollment meeting for anyone interested in going on the High School trip to Spain will be held on Wed., September 28th at 7 pm in room 185 at the high school. Here is a link to the itinerary. https://worldstrides.com/itineraries/spain-the-grand-tour/…
The trip is scheduled for June 12-June 21, 2017.

Contact Senor Amspoker at jamspoker@elida.k12.oh.us for more information. Gracias!

Mmmm....Cookies!!!!

Choir Cookie Dough Sale

Sponsored by the High School Choir, the annual Cookie Dough Sale is underway. This is their only fundraiser of the year to cover all expenses for the year, including robes, awards, and competition fees. Those students going to New York will be receiving all of the profit for what they sell for their trip. The Otis Spunkmeyer Fundraiser includes cookie dough, soups, cheesecake, donuts, cheesy bread, and more! Please help support the High School Choir.

Cookie Dough for 3 dozen cookies is $17
Other prices vary.
Sale ends September 19th!

Contact a choir student or Rhonda Bargerstock for more information rbargerstock@elida.k12.oh.us