

Superintendent's Comments

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For the February 25, 2019 Board of Education Meeting (#4)

• Elementary School Events Last Week:

Last week our elementary school student young author winners represented Monroe Public Schools on February 21 at the Young Authors Conference held at the Monroe county Intermediate School District. These future authors were treated to a visit with author Matt Faulkner.

Also, our students celebrated 100 days of school throughout the district, incorporating the number 100 in their daily learning activities. At Custer they stacked 100 cups, built toothpick structures with 100 marshmallows, made posters and t-shirts with 100 items on them, and used an app to make them look 100 years old.

- Monroe High School Construction Trades at Home Builder's Association Show 3/1 to 3/3: Our Monroe High School CTE Construction Trades and Drafting Program will once again represent Monroe Public Schools at the HBA show this weekend beginning Friday at 4 p.m. and running through Sunday. This year the booth will feature an impressive photographic representation of the Trojan Build, as well as feature items made by students for a silent auction. Items include:
 - 2 Adirondack chairs with a wooden cooler (set). Outdoors / Hunting settings
 - 2 Adirondack chairs with a metal fir pit. (set) Mitten cutout for backs of chairs
 - o 6 foot octagon poker table. Made with Oak.
 - o Caterpillar dumpster bed. Twin size. Comes with lights and plug on bed
 - Butcher block table with 2 butcher block benches. Grey stain.
 - Butcher block table with 2 butcher block benches. Medium color stain.

Each board member has been provided with a complimentary ticket. If they need more, please see Beth Kohler.

Athletic Updates

• Monroe High School's Unified Basketball Team, led by Coach Heather Blankenship, won the gold medal at the Special Olympics State Competition this past weekend! The athletes will be honored at the MHS basketball banquet.

The team includes athletes with and without disabilities. They are: Logan Complo, Evan Earnest, Marshal Gonzalez, Joshua Matthews, Christopher Miracle, Mikia Parker, Ben Reiker, Thomas Rissane III, Ajene Robinson, Braden Setzler, Bailey Shipe, and Lance Theisen.

• Monroe High School Girl's Bowling team to Compete in State Tournament: Congratulations and good luck to the girl's bowling team as they head to the state tournament on Saturday March 1 and 2 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

Additionally, 9th grader Neveah Newnham will compete as an individual.

- Monroe High Wrestler Anthony Payne qualified as an individual to compete this weekend at the Division 1 State Wrestling Tournament at Ford Field on March 1 and 2.
- Boys Varsity Basketball will compete in districts at New Boston Huron on February 27.
- Monroe High School will host Girls Varsity Basketball Districts on March 4.
- **Spring Sports** are gearing up with lots of meetings and tryouts being posted to the calendar daily.

Performing Arts Announcements

- Monroe High School Choirs Expressions and Generations of Sound represented Monroe Public Schools performing at the IMH Chapel Concert Series on Sunday, February 24.
- Monroe High School choirs will be hosting the MSVMA District 12 Middle School Choral Festival at Monroe High School this Friday and Saturday. Because we are hosting the festival, our high school choirs will also be performing.

The performances will take place in the MHS auditorium every fifteen minutes on Friday from 10:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m. and then Saturday morning from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

The schedule for the choirs from Monroe is:

12:00 p.m. Friday, March 1 – MHS Concert Choir
2:00 p.m. Friday, March 1 – MHS Treble Chorus
8:00 a.m. Saturday, March 2 – MHS Generations of Sound
8:30 a.m. Saturday, March 2 – MMS Jubilation
9:45 a.m. Saturday, March 2 – MMS 8th Grade Girls Choir
10:15 a.m. Saturday, March 2 – MHS Expressions
11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 2 – MMS 7th Grade Girls Choir

All performances are free and open to the public and we hope you will have time to stop by and listen to some great singing!

• Monroe High School Band will perform at the District Band Festival on Thursday, March 7 and the MHS Orchestra will perform on March 8 at Livonia Churchill High School and at the State Solo and Ensemble event on Saturday, March 16 at Chelsea High School.

Calendar Updates

- Our Community Coffee Hour on the Tele-Health Initiative is rescheduled for Wednesday, March 6 from 9:00-10:30 at Arborwood North. It will also be broadcast on Facebook live.
- **Congressman Walberg will host a** Military Service Academy Fair at Monroe High School on the evening of March 18, 2019 from 5pm-7pm.

