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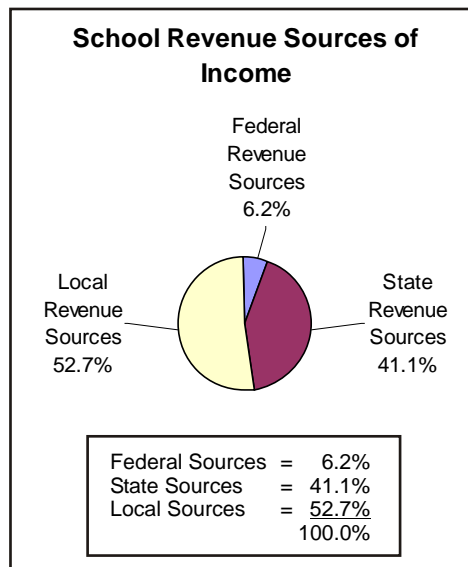
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### Financial Facts & Figures and a Brief Chat with First Lady of Ohio Frances Strickland

On Monday, Sept. 10, the day before the 6-year anniversary of 9-11, many members of the Family and Children First Council, myself included, met with First Lady of Ohio Frances Strickland. As we met with the First Lady, I couldn't help thinking how difficult it must be listening to every special interest group in the state, each essentially vying for your attention and asking for funding, each claiming that his or her special interest is the most important. Although everyone has a success story to tell, there's a sadness which underlies these economic times in Ohio, and there's a sadness which underlies every request for funding as organizations must move from vision to service.

Each year as a new school year begins, I try to assess where we are financially because a lot of great things happen when the money is there to operate. Not much great can happen when the pot runs dry. As each organization shared with the First Lady its own success story, the invariable and inevitable request for greater or continued funding always followed. As superintendent of our school system, I followed suit with a request not unlike the others. When I talked about the elimination and phasing out of tangible personal property (TPP) tax as a source of revenue for Ohio school districts in 2011, I was impressed that the First Lady referred to this as "that train wreck coming down the tracks." (It was an accurate metaphor for what this piece of legislation will mean in 2011 to many Ohio school districts which, like Upper Sandusky, have long relied on this tax as a primary source of revenue to operate its schools.)

I will start out by sharing with you where Upper Sandusky gets the revenue to operate its schools. Since most people are visual learners, I share with you the following pie chart which shows not only where we get the revenue to operate our schools but to what degree these sources fund us:



Nineteen point eight three percent (19.83%) of our total revenue at Upper Sandusky Schools last school year was generated by tangible personal property tax currently about 1.5 million in local revenue dollars. To put this in more meaningful terms, this is the amount of money it takes to fund at least 23 teachers. (Hope you now understand why the First Lady referred to this as "that train wreck coming down the tracks" after 2011 if some form of replacement revenue for schools is not found before that time.)

A little research shows that only 37 school districts out of 609 total in Ohio (6%) have a higher percentage of their local budget revenue attributable to tangible personal property tax. Statewide, the average percentage of Ohio school districts' budgets attributable to tangible personal property is 8.72%, so Upper Sandusky, with 19.83%, will lose 2.27 times more than the average Ohio school district will lose when, after 2011, school districts are no longer held harmless by the state on the loss of tangible personal property taxes as a source of local revenue.

In an article I wrote months ago about the constitutional amendment, I stated that Upper Sandusky would benefit more than most Ohio school districts by passage of this amendment. The two major reasons I alleged this was because: (1) we currently have no legal mechanism in Ohio to replace the funding hole created by the loss of tangible personal property taxes as a source of

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Upper Sandusky Schools is to provide a safe, child-centered and developmentally appropriate environment where learning is a positive, exciting, and dynamic lifelong process.

revenue for schools; and (2) our cost per pupil is significantly lower than the average cost per pupil of nearly all Ohio school districts, and the farther we are below that average, the more the amendment would have benefitted our district in comparison to other Ohio school districts.

My research shows that a few more facts about our school system are worth sharing:

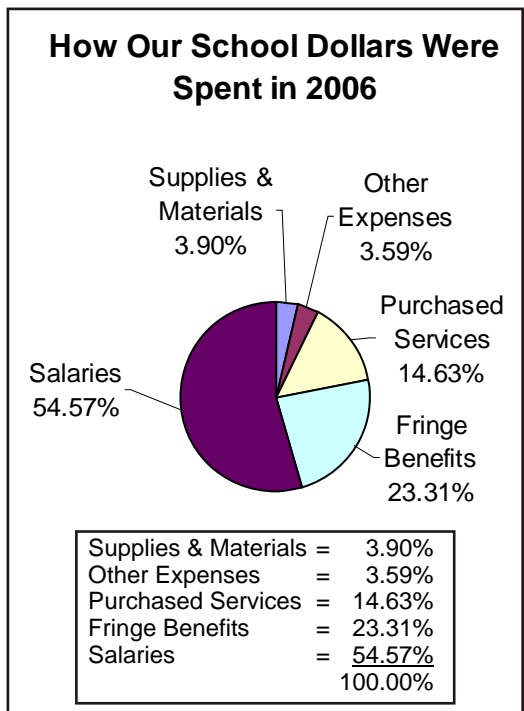
- \* 86% of Ohio's public school districts have a higher expenditure per pupil than the Upper Sandusky School District has. (This means basically that there are districts in this state in fiscal watch and fiscal emergency who have had to make stringent cuts by necessity, and next to them, there's us. The difference is that we have made such cuts proactively and voluntarily as a traditionally conservative form of school management.)

Now even though cost per pupil is the best indication of how well a school district manages its spending and staffing costs, having the lowest cost per pupil in the state is not necessarily a coveted designation (though most tax payers consider it such). I say this because when this figure gets too low, it calls to question if we are really spending what we should to keep class sizes down, if what we pay our teachers and other employees is sufficient to attract and retain quality employees, and whether we're spending what we should to provide appropriate training and instructional materials to allow our teachers, in particular, to be academically successful with students in our classrooms. Simply stated, there are definitely pro's and con's to having one of the lowest costs per pupil in the state because it may be partially indicative of offering the minimum, even though tax payers tend to value this designation (especially if a district is not one under fiscal watch or fiscal emergency where the state comes in and forces cuts and then hands the district back to its constituents).

I hope by now that residents understand why I have been strongly in favor of the constitutional amendment proposal. This proposal definitely would benefit our district much more than most. In fact, we may have been one of the greatest beneficiary districts in the state if this issue were to be placed on the ballot and passed. Only 14% of the districts in this state operate at a lower cost per pupil than Upper Sandusky does, which is why we stand to gain more than most if the proposal does what it purports to do.

Concerning the constitutional amendment proposal, we can be thrown into a larger pot and have at least 1/2 of any increase we might incur funded by ALL the taxpayers in this state, or we can fund our increases 100% locally. Either way, we have the responsibility to educate our children, and we won't escape this responsibility. The statistics with the benefits to be derived by this amendment are stacked in our favor. This situation may not always hold true, especially if other legislative funding options/proposals get enacted.

For an indication of how our school dollars were spent in the 2006 school year, I offer the pie chart below:



To give you a better perspective of how important tangible personal property tax is to Upper Sandusky in comparison to other school districts in the state, my research shows:

- \* 407 of Ohio's 609 school districts (66.8% of Ohio school districts) have less than 10% of their local revenue attributable to tangible personal property taxes; 202 of Ohio School districts and/or only 33.2% have more than 10% of their local revenue attributable to tangible personal property taxes;
- \* 514 of Ohio's school districts (84.48% of Ohio school districts) have less than 15% of their local revenue attributable to tangible personal property taxes which means that only 15.62% have 15% or more of their local revenue attributable to tangible personal property taxes;
- \* only 37 school districts in the state out of 609 total school districts (only 6%) stand to lose an even greater percentage of their local revenue due to the elimination of tangible personal property taxes.

We now understand why the First Lady of Ohio referred to the elimination of the state subsidy holding school districts harmless on TPP after 2011 as "that train wreck coming down the tracks." From my perspective getting the issue on the ballot may be more important than whether or not the issue passes because the political pressure will be there for our legislators and our Governor to finally address the school funding issue.

In the meantime, many other superintendents in this state and I will be working hard to find some form of replacement revenue legislatively and/or at the state level to avoid the train wreck.

If you are interested in signing a petition which will help place this amendment on the November 2008 ballot, please contact me or my secretary at 419-294-2306 before November 13, 2007.

Yours for education,

Ken Doseck, Superintendent

## TRANSITION FAIR

A Transition Fair will be held on October 16, 2007 at the Sentinel Career Center in conjunction with the Sentinel fall open house. The purpose of the fair is to provide high school special needs students, their parents, teachers, and administrators information about the services and function of various community agencies and colleges in the Seneca/Wyandot County area. Representatives from the local agencies and colleges will be on hand to talk to any interested people between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m.

Additionally, a chicken barbecue will be going on at Sentinel at the same time as the open house and Transition Fair. Please call the Sentinel Career Center for information about the barbecue: 419-448-1212.

The Transition Fair is being sponsored by the North Central Ohio Educational Service Center (NCOESC), the Seneca County Board of MR/DD and the Sentinel Career Center. Contact Tom Frank NCOESC, 419-447-2927; Margaret Blake at the Seneca County MR/DD board, 419-447-7521; or Paula Gamertsfelder at Sentinel, 419-448-1212 for more information.

- Paula Frey, Parent Mentor

## South, Union & East Elementary News

### OPEN HOUSE AT SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



August 28th was one of those hot, humid 90 plus days, yet 80% of South's families made the effort to come to the open house to view the classrooms and meet the teachers! Parents also enjoyed viewing a slide show of recent school activities and important information about the school's excellent rating and rules. Refreshments were provided by Big Yummy so the parents could sample the treats that will soon be the school's major fundraising project.

- Nancy Sauer

### VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM

Add this to your calendars now! South School's 3rd, 4th & 5th graders will present a Veteran's Day program on Nov. 15 at 7 p.m. in the High School auditorium. Veterans and other community members are welcome to attend. More details about the program will be in the next newsletter.

- Laurie Vent, Principal of South & Union Elementary Schools

## BRING ON THE PIES!

Union Boosters are going to be starting their annual GFS pie sale soon! Our elementary students will be selling pies and cookie dough in October, to be delivered before Thanksgiving. Please help support Union students AND make your Thanksgiving baking faster and easier, all in one shot!

### UNION ELEMENTARY BOOSTERS

The Union Boosters is a parent organization that supports the students of grades K-5 at Union Elementary. They meet about once a month to organize events and fundraisers. The money that students collect through Boosters fundraisers goes toward classroom supplies, meals while on field trips, family night, fall open house, field day, and most recently, new playground sets. The Boosters executive committee consists of Amy Aldridge-Ritchey, Amy and Mike MaGinn, Rick and Dawn Roberts, and Jen Kesler. Our fundraiser chairpersons are Jaime Duress and Beckie Shuck. We invite all parents to come to our next meeting on Tuesday, October 16, at 6:30 p.m. at the Union School library. *Your kids love knowing you're involved at school, and so do we!* - Amy Aldridge-Ritchey

### WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN AT EAST ELEMENTARY

The first few weeks of kindergarten are very busy, but students found the time to make their first class book called "In Kindergarten We...". First, we took pictures of classmates doing various classroom activities. Second, we printed the photographs and mounted them on large pieces of paper. Then, students took turns writing the text on each page. Finally, we read the book and displayed it for Open House.

In Kindergarten We... line up, listen, read, count, make friends, eat lunch, share, play, rest, learn, sing, write.

In the past, "In Kindergarten We..." has been a favorite book for students throughout the year because it's about us!

- Darcy Washburn  
East Kindergarten Teacher



# Middle School Happenings

## VETERAN'S DAY

As we do each year, USMS will be celebrating Veteran's Day by inviting area service men and women to lunch at USMS. This year's celebration will be on Friday, November 9.

Each year we invite those who so proudly served our country, cater a lunch for them and ask them to stick around and speak to small groups of students from 4-8<sup>th</sup> Grade. Our kids always enjoy the day because they get to see REAL heroes up close, and our adults enjoy it because we have a full understanding of what these soldiers sacrificed so that we might live on the greatest country on the earth.

If you are a veteran, or know someone who is, please contact us at the school as we would like to invite them to share in our annual Veteran's Day celebration.

- Jim Wheeler, USMS Principal

## 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE READING AT USMS

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade reading class began the year learning about the elements of plot and then applying what we've learned to the novel On My Honor by Marion Dane Bauer. The book is about two friends, Tony and Joel, and what happens when they make a bad choice. We have been talking a lot about peer pressure and how friends have an effect on the decisions we make. This story also discusses the death of a friend and how one of the boys deals with it. Please take the time to ask your son or daughter about the book, and let them tell you a little about the story.

## USMS STUDENT COUNCIL

Elections were recently held at USMS for the 2007-2008 Student Council. Representatives from each class include:

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Cody Collins  
Amanda deJonge  
Alex Hampton  
Taylor King  
Heath Miller  
Jenna Mundy  
Justeen Searfoss

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Ian Baker  
Courtney Bricely  
Lexa Cheney  
Hannah Cole  
Trent Howard  
Alec Oney  
Taylor Pahl  
Codie Ray  
Scott Warfel

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Kyle Barth  
Trevor Barth  
Lauren Browne  
Kelsey Collins  
Adam Duress  
Danielle Gatchell  
Keera Saylor

We are looking forward to an exciting year. Some activities we have planned are the "Orange Crush" sales for Sweetest Day, our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dodge Ball Tournament the last Saturday of October, a middle school dance in November, and buying Christmas gifts for local families in December.

- Jim Wheeler, USMS Principal

## FANTASY FOOTBALL

As you read in the last newsletter, USMS 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students began the year by undertaking a great new program that utilizes math skills while playing Fantasy Football.

I am happy to report our draft went extremely well, and we had many more students participate than I anticipated. We have

a total of 54 teams involved in our league.

Of those 54 teams, USMS would like to thank the following community members who also got involved and "own" a team in our league:

Jim Deer (Raymond James) owns the RJA Raiders  
Nate Lynch (USEV Treasurer) owns Quaker Oats  
Scott Washburn (East of Chicago) owns Pizza Daddy  
Bill Aubry (Edward Jones) owns Aubry's Awesome Team  
Steve Sturgeon (USHS teacher) owns Quiet Strength  
Aaron Frazee (USHS teacher) owns Crazy Frazee  
Matt Miles (USHS teacher) owns Miles' Monsters  
Brad Ehrman (USHS Athletic Director) owns  
Pronkville Predators  
USMS 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teachers own Flaming Toads

As students began bringing in their rosters, a fantastic by-product popped up. I knew kids would have to use some math skills for this, but they were involving their parents.

I lost count of how many times a student said, "My dad has a question about this..." or how many emails and/or phone calls I got from parents to ask questions. It meant football of all things, had brought parent and child together to try to figure out how to spend \$40 million "fantasy" dollars. I even had a running email conversation with one parent as he tried several different alternatives to help his daughter draft. That parent even told me his daughter was almost in tears the day before the roster was due because they may have forgotten about it.

Kids and parents were communicating. And what's more, they were communicating using math. Any time we have a program that gets kids and parents talking and working together I would say it's time well spent.

Over the course of the next 17 weeks, our students will meet each Tuesday during Home Base to figure out the scores of the previous week's games. In order to figure out the scores, they have specific mathematical equations to "plug in" to each scoring position.

Week 16 and 17 of the NFL season will function as the playoffs for the league. We will crown a champion at our year-end party at East of Chicago in January.

- Jim Wheeler, USMS Principal

## HOMEWORK HOTLINE

Homework Hotline is available to all 6-8 Grade students/parents who need to check on either missed assignments or nightly homework assignments. Please call (419) 294-5721 after 4:00 PM. Enter the following codes:

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- 8206
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade- 8207
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade- 8208

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Throughout the course of the year, we will relay information to our students about service projects they can be involved with. One of these is constant throughout the year.

East Elementary School has recycling on the second Saturday of each month. Please call Principal Mike Courtad at (419) 294-2396 if you want to participate. You may receive up to 2 ½ hours of credit for participating in this project.

In response to some questions that have come in, here are a few other projects you can get involved in:

- Assist youth league soccer or football coaches in working concession stands or simply being at practice and games to be a gopher. Make sure you contact the coach ahead of time.
- Assist an elderly person who cannot do yard work. This is especially important in the fall as the leaves are piling up.
- Assist with duties or projects at your church.

Please remember that all projects must be pre-approved by a grade level teacher or an administrator at USMS.

## TRAFFIC AT UNION

A reminder as we begin the year to PLEASE be careful at Union as you drop off and pick up your children.

On one hand, our location is excellent. I like the neighborhood setting for our school. Plus the location is excellent for walking field trips for our students. And I think it allows a lot of people easy access.

On the other hand, our location also lends itself to a traffic nightmare.

As many of you know, our Walker Street area can be very congested during the school year. We have been fortunate to never have had a problem in regards to student accidents.

To ensure we keep our safety record strong, we ask parents remember the following:

- ONLY those students who ride the bus should be dropped off in the large parking lot in the rear of the building. All walkers and those who ride with parents should be dropped off on Walker Street.
- Please obey all parking signs in front of the building. We ask that you not be parked to pick your children up too early. Keep in mind that our release time is 2:45; and please park as close to that time as possible.
- If your child is arriving late to school from an appointment or illness, remember that the only unlocked doors are the two doors on Walker Street.
- Teachers and administrators are on duty at all doors both before and after school. If there is a problem, please find one of these people and inform them.

- Jim Wheeler, USMS Principal

Please stop and visit teachers regarding the progress of your student. Conference times will be 3:15-6:30 p.m. each day. The partnership between the parents, students and the school is vital. Please call 419-294-2308 to set up an appointment.

Homecoming week at USHS will be October 7-13. Plans will be announced during the week with the dance being held at USHS at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 13. A program to meet the City of Upper Sandusky Mayor candidates will be held at USHS on October 18 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the auditorium. The Power Team will be visiting USHS on October 24-28 with sessions held each evening.

The fall administration of the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) will be October 22-26. This administration will be for those students in grades 11 and 12 who scored below proficient on previous tests.

Study Island is up and running at USHS. Study Island is an online product designed to help your child master the standards of the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT). Study Island's focus is to improve student performance in all skill areas tested on the OGT. We encourage parents to partner with their child and the school to better prepare our students for the OGT. To access Study Island, go to [www.studyisland.com](http://www.studyisland.com); use your login name and password. Study Island can be accessed from any computer with an Internet connection.

- Jim Clifford, Principal

## FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES NEWS

We have begun the 2007/2008 academic year with a freshman class of 153 and a sophomore class of 147. Our freshman class began their high school career with a presentation of "Making High School Count." During this presentation the importance of high school, grade point average, learning style, study skills, test-taking techniques, time management, and school participation were stressed. In addition to this valuable information, students were also given a booklet summarizing the presentation and a 25-minute free tutoring card for tutor.com. Several great web resources were shown in the booklet: "[www.mycollegeoptions.org](http://www.mycollegeoptions.org)" "[www.84silver.com](http://www.84silver.com)" and "[www.makingitcount.com](http://www.makingitcount.com)".

I would like to address the issue of foreign language, even though it is not a requirement for high school graduation. It is, however, a requirement for college entrance, for an honors diploma, and serves as a positive asset for the world of work. We generally recommend that students have a grade of at least C in English in order to take foreign language. Research has shown a positive link between students taking a language and scores on state standardized achievement tests and college entrance exams (such as the SAT and ACT). Students taking a foreign language should be committed to spending forty-five or more minutes a day studying, reviewing, and doing homework.

Beginning with the incoming freshman class of 2007, there is new criteria for the Diploma with Honors. Students must complete more credits in math, science and social studies for high school academic and career-technical Diplomas with Honors. Please use the following link to view details of the

# High School Events

## HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Interim Reports will be sent home during the first week of October. Please contact the high school office for grades on your student if you do not receive a report. The end of the first grading period will be on October 26<sup>th</sup>. I would like to welcome all of our parents to Parent/Teacher Conferences and Open House on Monday and Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

Diploma with Honors: <http://www.ode.state.oh.us/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationsID=1202&ContentID=26298&Content=26418>. Interested individuals can also find all the criteria for a Diploma with Honors from the Ohio Department of Education website, [www.ode.state.oh.us](http://www.ode.state.oh.us), by searching for "diploma with honors."

***Additional miscellaneous information:***

Paper results from the summer OGT administration will be delivered to our district on September 28, 2007.

Students/parents who are seeking academic information can find it by accessing [www.infohio.org](http://www.infohio.org).

- Barbara Norman, Guidance

## JUNIOR AND SENIOR NEWS

The school year got off to a very busy start this year, and with all the schedule changes made and new students enrolled, it is now time to focus on what lies ahead. What follows are some of the many things that juniors and seniors need to be thinking about and planning for right now. Juniors will have the opportunity to take the PSAT on October 17<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$13.00, and students must sign up in the guidance office. Space is limited, so please sign up soon! By taking the PSAT, students are beginning the college-planning process, preparing for the SAT, and possibly becoming eligible for a National Merit Scholarship. It will also give students access to a great online college and career planning resource called "MyRoad".

Seniors at this time should also be thinking about their post-graduation plans. There are numerous resources available to students who need help with these decisions! The guidance office has access to OCIS (Ohio's Career Information System), an online resource that helps students narrow down career choices that suit their likes and abilities.

College planning is also a huge part of the senior year. I will continue to present to seniors the things that they should be working on if they plan to attend college. Right now, the priorities should be: making sure they have taken the ACT or SAT, getting applications from the colleges they are interested in (submitting them this fall), visiting with college representatives both here at USHS and by attending college fairs in the area, and making visits to college campuses. Please let me know if your family needs help with any of these activities!

I know that these last years of high school can be very overwhelming, but that is why we are here! The guidance office has a tremendous amount of resources, including college planning calendars for every grade level. I have also been posting information on Channel 22 and handing out information to students as it becomes available. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have at any time!

***Helpful Websites:***

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

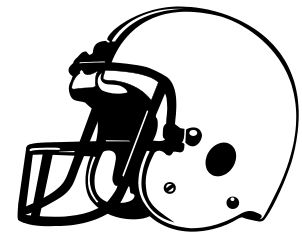
[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)

- Cara Stevens, Guidance

## MEN OF VISION

USHS would like to extend a special "Thank You" to a group of men who volunteered their time to build storage cabinets in the USHS band room. These cabinets have added much more storage space and are appreciated very much by the band/music instructors, students, and parents. The "Men of Vision" responsible for completing this task are: Wayne Burks, David Naus, Neil Kinley, Neil Pike, Jim Siders, Paul Summit, Harry Walton, and Richard Walton. Thank you, men, for all your contributions to the school district!

- Jim Clifford, Principal



## OSU FOOTBALL HELMET SILENT AUCTION

The Upper Sandusky High School Athletic Department will be having a silent auction for two Ohio State University football helmets. Sealed bids will be accepted at the Upper Sandusky High School Athletic Office until Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m. The two highest bidders will receive the helmets. The winners will be announced at halftime of the Shelby-Upper Sandusky varsity football game on Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

- Brad Ehrman, AD



## 2007-08 USHS BOYS BASKETBALL RESERVED SEATS

All 2006-07 USHS boys basketball reserved seat ticket holders should have received a letter the week of September 24-29, giving them the opportunity to purchase tickets again this year. Reserved seat holders will be able to purchase the same number of tickets that were purchased last year. Please complete the order form, attach a check, and send these items to the USHS office by Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be mailed to you in November.

If you would like to be placed on a waiting list for reserved seats this year, please contact the USHS office at 419-294-2308. We will need your name, phone number, and the number of tickets you wish to purchase. If tickets become available, you will be given a call.

Thank you for your tremendous support of USHS Athletics!  
- Brad Ehrman, AD

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## District Calendar of Events

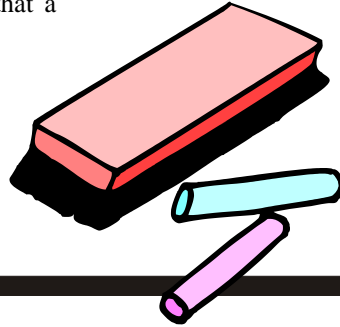
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>SCHOOL WILL BE IN SESSION ON OCTOBER 1</i></p> <p><i>No Teacher Inservice</i></p> <p><i>State Student Count Week</i></p> <p><i>Please, no absences unless there is an emergency</i></p>	<p><b>1</b></p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>Coed JV/V Golf - at Fostoria with Bellevue A - 4:15 pm</p> <p>G JV/V Ten- Bellevue - A - 4:15 pm</p> <p>B JV/V Soc - Norwalk - H - 5 pm</p> <p>GVSoc - Cory Rawson - A - 5 pm</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>Coed JV/V Golf - Sectional Girls - A - TBA</p> <p>G JV/V Vol - Fostoria - H - 6 pm</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p><u>USMS</u></p> <p>7th Grade Conservation Trip</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p><u>UNION</u></p> <p>Picture Day</p> <p><u>USMS</u></p> <p>Picture Day</p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>G JV/V Ten-Sect.-A-9 am</p> <p>Fr FB - Norwalk- H- 5pm</p> <p>GVSoc - Marion Harding A - 5 pm</p> <p>G JV/V Vol - Willard - A - 5 pm</p> <p>BJV/V Soc - Mohawk - H- 5 pm</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>B V FB - Norwalk - A 7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p><u>USMS</u></p> <p>CC - Fostoria Inv. - A 9 am</p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>JV/V Cross Country - Fostoria Inv. - A - 9 am</p> <p>G JV/V Ten-Sect.-A-9am</p> <p>Boys JV FB - Norwalk H - 10 am</p> <p>G VJV Vol - Tri Match H - 10 am</p> <p>G V Soc - Sandusky Perkins - H - 11 am</p>
	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p><u>EAST</u></p> <p>Fire Prevention Week</p> <p>National School Lunch Week/Book Fair</p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>GVSoc - Norwalk - H 7 pm</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p><u>USMS</u></p> <p>8 FB Willard - H - 5 pm</p> <p>7 FB Willard - A - 5 pm</p> <p>CC - Marion Grant - A 4:30 pm</p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>G JV/V Vol Shelby - A 6 pm</p>	<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p><u>USMS</u></p> <p>VB - Fostoria-H-4:30pm</p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>Fr FB - Galion - A - 5pm</p> <p>B JV/V Soc - Tiffin Calvert - H - 5 pm</p> <p>G JV/V Vol - Bellevue- H - 6 pm</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>B V FB - Galion - H Homecoming 7:30 pm</p>
<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p><u>EAST</u></p> <p>Picture Day</p> <p><u>USMS</u></p> <p>Teen Read Week</p> <p>VB - Tiffin - A - 4:30 pm</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p><u>USMS</u></p> <p>8 FB Bellevue - A - 5pm</p> <p>7 FB Bellevue - H - 5pm</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>Fr FB - Shelby - A - 5 pm</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p><u>SOUTH</u></p> <p>Big Yummy Sales End</p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>B V FB - Shelby - H Band Night 7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>Boys JV FB - Shelby A - 10 am</p> <p>Coed JV/V CC - District at Galion - Amann's Reservoir - TBA</p>
<p><b>21</b></p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p><u>EAST</u></p> <p>Drug Free Schools Week</p> <p><u>SOUTH</u></p> <p>Right to Read Week</p> <p>Picture Day</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p><u>SOUTH</u></p> <p>Author Visit - Richard Stein/ Mary Coons</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>End of First Nine Weeks</p> <p><u>USMS</u></p> <p>6th Grade Incentive Deadline</p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>B V FB - Fostoria - A 7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p><u>USHS</u></p> <p>Coed JV/V Cross Co - Regional at Hedges- Boyer Park, Tiffin - A - TBA</p>
<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p><u>SOUTH</u></p> <p>Illustrator Visit Robin Brickman</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p><u>SOUTH</u></p> <p>5th Grade to Columbus Symphony</p>			

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## WEATHER DELAY/CLOSING PROCEDURES

**TWO HOUR DELAY** means report to bus stop or pick-up point two hours later than usual. High School classes will begin at 9:50 a.m. Middle School and all Elementary Schools start at 9:55 a.m.

**PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOL TO CHECK ON SCHOOL DELAYS.** Open phone lines are needed to receive input from bus drivers and law enforcement agencies so that a wise and informed decision can be made. When a decision is made to delay or cancel school, the radio and television stations are the first to be notified.



The following stations will make the announcements:

WTOL TV 11  
WTVG TV 13  
WYNT (Upper Sandusky) 95.9  
WDIF-WMRN (Marion) 94.3/107  
WFIN-WKXA (Findlay) 1330/100.5  
WBVI (Findlay) 96.7  
WXML (Upper Sandusky) 90.1  
WKTN (Kenton) 95.3

### **ATHLETIC DELAYS**

When school is closed due to weather, evening sports contests are sometimes held if the weather conditions subside during the day. Therefore, decisions about evening events are usually made sometime after 1:00 p.m., and announcements are broadcast over the local television station. (See note below).



For more information about school events and activities, please watch WRAM TV 22 or visit our web site at [www.ubbersandusky.k12.oh.us](http://www.ubbersandusky.k12.oh.us)



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