



CCPS Highlights of 2017

A YEAR IN REVIEW



WHAT AN INCREDIBLE YEAR ! WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE EVERYONE ON THE SUCCESSFUL YEAR WE'VE HAD IN 2017! WE LOOK FORWARD TO 2018 AND THE WONDERFUL THINGS WE WILL ACCOMPLISH BY WORKING TOGETHER. HAPPY NEW YEAR!

CHRISTIAN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: (L-R) GEOFF BAILEY, SUE HAYES, LINDA KELLER, LINDSEY CLARK, AND TOM BELL.



541 STUDENTS RECEIVED HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION DIPLOMAS IN 2017 AND MORE THAN \$8.7 MILLION WAS AWARDED IN SCHOLARSHIP MONIES. CCPS WAS RECOGNIZED IN THE FALL FOR EXCEEDING THE STATE'S GRADUATION RATE FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW!



33 OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUALS WERE RECOGNIZED AT THE ANNUAL TEACHER AND STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR EVENT. THE CEREMONY INCLUDED DINNER AND A VIDEO HONORING STAFF FINALISTS FROM EACH SCHOOL. ANDI BOSAR OF SINKING FORK ELEMENTARY WAS NAMED TEACHER OF THE YEAR AND GEORGIA MAXIE OF HOPKINSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL WAS NAMED STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR.



STUDENTS AT GATEWAY ACADEMY TO INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY (GAIT) CONTINUE TO APPLY THEIR TALENTS AND SKILLS IN REAL-WORLD SETTINGS. IN THE FALL, A YOUNG BOY RECEIVED A MOTORIZED TOY CAR FROM STUDENTS AT GAIT. THE CAR WAS MODIFIED TO SUIT THE NEEDS OF THE BOY WHO FACES LIMITED MOBILITY THROUGH A CONDITION KNOWN AS SPINA BIFIDA. THIS IS JUST ONE OF THE MANY EXAMPLES OF HOW OUR STUDENTS WORK TO MAKE THE COMMUNITY OF HOPKINSVILLE -CHRISTIAN COUNTY A BETTER PLACE!



THE DISTRICT'S ONLINE REGISTRATION PROCESS WAS FEATURED IN THE KENTUCKY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION'S (KSBA) STATE PUBLICATION, *KENTUCKY SCHOOL ADVOCATE*. CCPS CONTINUES TO SERVE AS A LEADER IN TECHNOLOGY. CCPS IS ONE OF ONLY A FEW SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE STATE TO IMPLEMENT AND UTILIZE AN ONLINE APPLICATION FOR A MORE EFFICIENT REGISTRATION SYSTEM.

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CCPS BECAME ONE OF 33 SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE STATE TO PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH EXPANDED COMPUTER SCIENCE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES. THE COMPUTER SCIENCE INITIATIVE WILL ASSIST IN ESTABLISHING A CONTINUUM OF COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION FROM ELEMENTARY TO HIGH SCHOOL. EXPANDING COMPUTER SCIENCE OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS WILL PREPARE STUDENTS TO ADDRESS CRITICAL WORKFORCE NEEDS RELATED TO COMPUTER SCIENCE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS.



A NEW ON-GOING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM LAUNCHED THIS YEAR FOR CCPS EDUCATORS. *TEACHERS INTENTIONALLY LEARNING TOGETHER* (TILT) HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED ACROSS THE DISTRICT. TILT PROVIDES CUSTOMIZED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEACHERS AND ENGAGES THEM IN DIALOGUES AND TRAININGS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.



ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR, CCPS WELCOMED APPROXIMATELY 8,600 NEW AND RETURNING FACES INTO OUR SCHOOLS. IT WAS A SMOOTH AND SUCCESSFUL START TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR.

THE SOLAR ECLIPSE AND ITS RELEVANCY TO OUR COMMUNITY AFFORDED THE DISTRICT WITH NUMEROUS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS. DURING THE SPRING SEMESTER, STUDENTS WERE ENGAGED IN PROJECT-BASED LEARNING ACTIVITIES CENTERED AROUND THE ECLIPSE. STUDENTS WERE ABLE TO PRESENT WAYS IN WHICH THE COMMUNITY COULD BENEFIT FROM THIS MONUMENTAL AND HISTORICAL EVENT. STUDENT PROJECTS RANGED FROM PROMOTING THE IMPORTANCE OF EYE SAFETY TO ASTRONOMICAL DISPLAYS.

IN OBSERVANCE OF THE ECLIPSE, SCHOOL WAS NOT IN SESSION ON AUGUST 21, NOR AUGUST 22. STUDENTS AND STAFF MEMBERS WERE PROVIDED WITH SPECIAL ECLIPSE GLASSES, ALONG WITH A GUIDE FOR SAFE ECLIPSE VIEWING. THESE ITEMS WERE COURTESY OF THE DISTRICT TO HELP ENSURE SAFETY. HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENTS CAPITALIZED ON FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES BY HOSTING PUBLIC ECLIPSE VIEWING AREAS ON CAMPUS. MORE THAN \$13,700 WAS RAISED FOR OUR HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENTS. VISITORS COMMENTED THAT STUDENTS WERE HOSPITABLE AND ENJOYED THEIR VISIT TO HOPKINSVILLE.



THIS YEAR'S STATE OF THE SCHOOLS BREAKFAST WAS NOTHING SHORT OF "SPOOKTACULAR," AS THE EVENT WAS SHARED WITH THE FESTIVITIES OF HALLOWEEN. SUPERINTENDENT MARY ANN GEMMILL SHARED UPDATES AND HIGHLIGHTS OF BOTH THE DISTRICT AND SCHOOL DURING HER PRESENTATION. THE BREAKFAST ALSO INCLUDED A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY THE INDIAN HILLS SCHOOL CHOIR. A SPECIAL SONG AND DANCE RENDITION OF MICHAEL JACKSON'S "THRILLER" WAS PERFORMED BY THE ALL-DISTRICT STAFF CHOIR.



CHRISTIAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL AFJROTC PROGRAM WAS NAMED A "DISTINGUISHED UNIT WITH MERIT" (THE HIGHEST HONOR) BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE.

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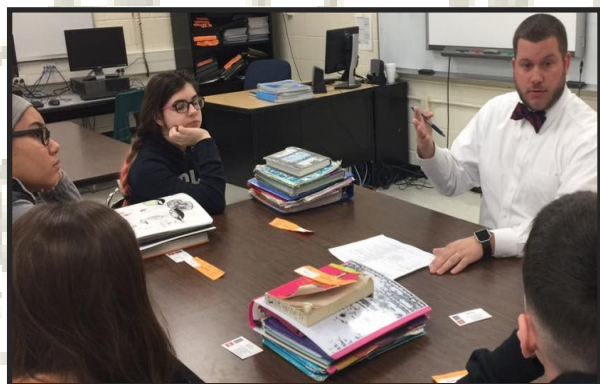
THIS YEAR ALL SCHOOLS WILL BE REPRESENTED AT THE STLP STATE COMPETITION IN APRIL 2018! GOOD LUCK!



HOPKINSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL'S BAND OF TIGERS COMPETED AND TOOK HOME THE FIRST RUNNER-UP TITLE AT THIS YEAR'S STATE BAND COMPETITION. THE COMMUNITY SHOWED ITS SUPPORT BY ATTENDING A SPECIAL SEND-OFF DURING THE WEEK OF THE STATE COMPETITION.



DURING THE ANNUAL RETIREMENT RECEPTION, 45 TEACHERS AND STAFF MEMBERS WERE HONORED FOR THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. WE WISH EACH OF OUR RETIREES SUCCESS AS THEY JOURNEY TO NEW BEGINNINGS.



OPERATION PREPARATION WAS A BIG SUCCESS THIS YEAR BECAUSE OF THE WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS WHO SHARED THEIR TIME AND EXPERTISE WITH STUDENTS. ALL 8TH AND 10TH GRADE STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION PREPARATION AND WERE PROVIDED TIME TO DISCUSS FUTURE CAREER GOALS.



THANKS TO A WONDERFUL GROUP OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS, THE STADIUM OF CHAMPIONS RECEIVED QUITE THE MAKE-OVER THIS YEAR. REPAIRS WERE MADE TO THE STADIUM, ALONG WITH A THOROUGH CLEANING AND PAINT TOUCH-UP.



WE'VE ENJOYED CHEERING ON OUR ATHLETES, TEAMS AND COACHES THIS PAST YEAR AND ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS WE CELEBRATED ATHLETES WHO HAVE CHOSEN TO PARTICIPATE IN ATHLETICS AT THE COLLEGIATE LEVEL. IN ADDITION, HHS TRACK ATHLETE JAKAYLA MCSWAIN WAS RECOGNIZED FOR WINNING A STATE TRACK TITLE. CCHS WAS CREDITED FOR THEIR "UNDEFEATED" FOOTBALL SEASON. HHS SOCCER ATHLETE ETHAN NOEL WAS NAMED TO THE ALL AMERICAN SOCCER TEAM AND CCHS GOLF ATHLETE JOHN BUCHANAN EARNED HIS TICKET TO PLAY IN THE STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO 2018!

A PACKED HOUSE VIEWED THIS YEAR'S CCPS UNITED WAY VARIETY SHOW. STUDENTS AND STAFF MEMBERS FROM SCHOOLS ACROSS THE DISTRICT PERFORMED THEIR CHOICE OF TALENT AND IT WAS AN INCREDIBLE EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL! THE EVENT RAISED MORE THAN \$1,400. THIS YEAR, THE EDUCATION DIVISION RAISED A COMBINED TOTAL OF \$30,553.72 TO BENEFIT THE UNITED WAY OF THE PENNYRILE!

