

Secondary Students Prepare for In-Person Learning

Top Three Things in this Issue:

Health and Safety - Cleaning Procedures Video

Superintendent Search - Update, Important Dates and Community Input

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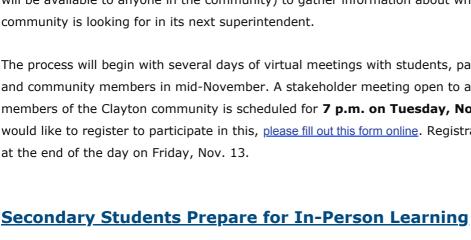
<u>Superintendent Update - Nov. 6, 2020</u> Dear Clayton Community,

been unprecedented and difficult to make. On Friday, Oct. 16, we made the announcement that we were going to have our secondary schools return to in-person learning on Monday, Nov. 9. At that time, we said we would let the community know by Monday, Nov. 2 if our

Superintendent Search - Important Dates and Community <u>Input</u>

conduct a national search for Clayton's next superintendent. Learn more about the timeline and process.

The search process will use virtual stakeholder meetings and online surveys (the surveys



will be available to anyone in the community) to gather information about what the Clayton

Students at both Wydown Middle School and Clayton High School will return to inperson learning on Monday, Nov. 9. This decision was made with guidance the

for the return to in-person learning. All of them said the most important step to take is to have good risk mitigation strategies in place. Click here to learn more about this return to learn plan.

Department guidelines.

Upcoming dates for meal service are:

• Monday, Nov. 9 Monday, Nov. 16 Monday, Nov. 23 · Monday, Nov. 30 • Monday, Dec. 7 Monday, Dec. 14 · Monday, Dec. 21

and highlights of our work.

The best work is yet to come!

Cameron Poole

Clayton High School.

Changes to Grab n' Go Meal Service

Health and Safety is a Priority

Now that I have my feet under me, I have been in the planning stages of implementation. The next phase in motion is the development of a District Equity Committee to serve as an engine to infuse equity throughout the systems in the District. Those systems include required Professional Development, improving processes of identification and teacherstudent interactions (based on understanding perspective).

Remember to follow our equity work on Twitter @CP-EdEquity for daily updates, information

Family Center PTO Fundraiser Next Week On Tuesday, Nov. 10, make it an easy dinner kind of night and order pizza from Dewey's. When anyone orders from the U-City Dewey's 20 percent of all food purchases will be donated back to the Clayton Family Center PTO. Just mention this flyer when a curbside carryout order is placed.

The 20 percent will apply to carryout orders only and does not apply to delivery. Mark your calendars for Nov. 10 from 4 - 9 p.m. and splurge on some pizza for a good cause.

Photo courtesy of TASTE

Cadbury Creme Eggs, Cheetos and Twizzlers in a home kitchen.

public lands, wildlife and waters. The District is proud that Jack was #AlwaysAGreyhound. Read more about his impressive and inspiring life here.

> Since these young learners could not go to a pumpkin patch this year due to COVID-19, a very generous family within the District thought it would be fun to bring the pumpkin patch to them

and made this donation.

Photo courtesy of The Missoulian.

up in Clayton and attended CHS where he was an outstanding athlete and captained the boys swim team. As reported in The Missoulian, Jack lived unrelentingly for more than 17 months after his cancer diagnosis. He was one of the country's finest public interest environmental lawyers and tireless defender of

magazines for either First, Second or Third Place or for Certificates of Merit for those deemed worthy of honorable mention in a category.

In the Personal Opinion: Off-Campus Issues Category First Place. "Diversity, Duplexes and the Middle Class," The Globe, Clayton High School By Ivy Reed

Third Place. "When Incompetence Becomes Deadly," The Globe, Clayton High School

Third Place. "Proposed Legislation Threatens Transgender Rights," The Globe, Clayton High

By Vivian Chen, Jimmy Malone, Sava Tamanaha, Lila Taylor and Yiyun Xu

Remember that while food plays a major role in living a healthy lifestyle

Clayton alum, Claire Saffitz - Class of 2005 - was recently featured in TASTE Magazine and is about to release a

2020 Clayton Alumni Hall of Fame Honoree Jack Tuholske ('72) recently passed away. He grew

Following each meeting of the Board of Education, The Board Brief is your source for details on Board discussions, actions and items of interest to Clayton students, staff and residents. agenda includes a review and approval of policy revisions, approval of the strategic plan and an update building safety and improvement plans.

Over 45 pumpkins were scattered on the front lawn of Meramec for the kindergartners to

Review the latest edition of The Board Brief from the Oct. 28 electronic Board of Education meeting. The Board recognized Red Ribbon Week (Oct. 23 - 31), discussed a number of

Take a look at the video and photos that were captured from this fun-filled event.

By Ivy Reed In the Single Spot News Photograph Category

- sometimes little changes can show improvements in areas we do not expect. Here are a few non-scale goals and victories to
- Focus On: Young Readers Day
- children by reading to them and with them.

- platform to send eNews and that provided an opportunity to give it a new look and feel. The idea is to keep it clean, simple and easy to read. We hope everyone finds this new look to be all of those things. Thanks for subscribing!
- During my career in education, I have learned that even though I am not always going to please everyone with my decisions, I need to be clear about why I made those decisions. I have always worked to make decisions that serve the best interests of our students. In the last year, largely due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a number of those decisions have
- plans were to change. Read Dr. Doherty's full message here.
 - In September 2020, Superintendent Sean Doherty announced his intention to Superintendent Search retire from the School District of Clayton at the end of the 2020-2021 school year. The Board has retained the Update, Important Dates and Community Input services of McPherson & Jacobson to

The process will begin with several days of virtual meetings with students, parents, staff and community members in mid-November. A stakeholder meeting open to any interested members of the Clayton community is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17. If you would like to register to participate in this, please fill out this form online. Registration will close at the end of the day on Friday, Nov. 13.

Over the last six months, the District has invested a great deal of time, planning and resources to implement effective risk mitigation measures in each school, which lowers transmission risk. Medical professionals have also provided the District with guidance and recommendations

special attention to any high-touch, high-contact areas, which are cleaned multiple times each day and school playgrounds are cleaned according to the St. Louis County Health Watch the full cleaning procedures video here.

The School District of Clayton's Grab n' Go Meal Meal Service will be available to our

Learn@Home families on Mondays from 8:30 until 10:30 a.m. at the front entrance of

Grab n' Go Meal Bags contain five breakfast meals and five lunches for the week. This meal service is FREE and available to all families regardless of their participation in the free and reduced lunch program. To request a special Vegetarian meal bag, please email Michelle

safe is how building cleaning is done. Custodians follow strict cleaning and sanitizing procedures throughout each building, in classrooms, restrooms and cafeterias. They pay

dates, service will run expanded hours of 7 a.m. until 1 pm. **Equity & Inclusion Update** I hope all is well with the Clayton Community. The blog section of the website has been updated this week with a new post titled the "Power of Perspective." Rather than argue

opinions, it is important to build perspective. Viewpoints and experiences should be

Meal service is open to all District families on Nov. 23 and Dec. 21. On these two

CHS Alum Featured in TASTE and GAZELLE Magazine

2020 Clayton Hall of Fame Honoree Passes Away

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **Nov. 11**, at **7 p.m.** The tentative **Student and Staff Achievements** The following 20 CHS students were recognized by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association with the following national awards. Judges cited a total of 629 winners for print news and

Second Place. "Hill on The Hill," The Globe, Clayton High School By Michael Melinger

In the Sports Feature Category

· Improvements with anxiety

Reading books benefits both physical and mental health and those benefits can last a lifetime. They begin in early childhood and continue through the senior years. Doctors recommend that parents and/or caregivers read with children beginning as early as infancy

and continuing through elementary school years to maximize its benefits:

• It increases the likelihood that children will find reading enjoyable in the future

• Reading raises self-esteem

look for in evaluating a healthier lifestyle: • You notice you're getting better sleep at night

progress by looking only at numbers on a scale and then become discouraged if it doesn't move the way we want.

Young Readers Day takes place on Tuesday, Nov. 10. It is celebrated each year on the second Tuesday in November. Use this day as a chance to celebrate reading with young

Change is the only constant we seem to have these days. The District is using a new

District has received from the St. Louis County Health Department.

District are returning to learning in their classrooms, making sure each school building is a safe and healthy place to work and learn continues to be a top priority. One of the many steps the District is taking to keep its students and teachers

As more and more students in the

discussed in terms of perspective because our humanity is found in our perspective.

cookbook called 'Dessert Person.' She is a breakout video star of the home cooking internet and has risen from Bon Appétit Test Kitchen worker bee to the magazine's senior food editor to the host of "Gourmet Makes," the insanely popular series on said magazine's YouTube channel that re-creates well-known grocery store items like

Saffitz was also featured in GAZELLE Magazine with a special section on baking for the holidays. She attended the St. Louis Jewish Book Festival for a bake-along on Friday, Nov.

On Thursday, Oct. 22, the front lawn of Meramec Elementary was turned into a pumpkin patch for the kindergartners.

choose from. And of course, they all chose the perfect pumpkin!

policy updates and reviewed the District's enrollment report.

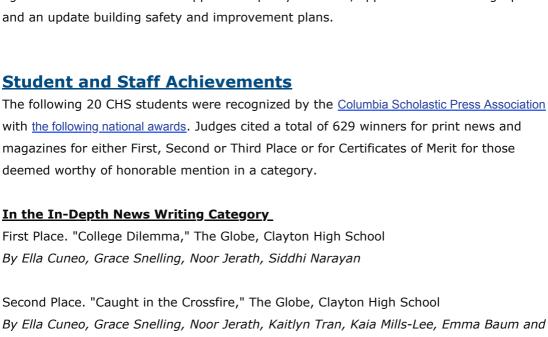
Board Brief

Shane LaGesse

By Ivy Reed

School

Meramec Students Surprised with Pumpkin Patch



Third Place. "Disorder," The Globe, Clayton High School

Honorable Mention. "Vape," The Globe, Clayton High School

Nutritional Notes From Chartwells Director of Dining Services Michelle Fohey. There are many ways to measure

• Improved skin tone • Loose fitting clothes or jewelry such as rings • You have more energy throughout the day • Lifting heavier, running faster or improving your walking distance

Reading at home boosts school performance

Reading with children builds warm and happy associations with books

• It increases vocabulary and builds good communication skills

progress when it comes to improving our health. Many times we gauge

By Noor Jerath, Siddhi Narayan, Sofia Erlin, Tiancheng Fan and Kaitlyn Tran Honorable Mention. "HB126," The Globe, Clayton High School By Grace Snelling, Sara Stemmler, Sarah Baker, Disha Chatterjee and Lila Taylor • Reading strengthens the prediction engine that is the human brain

Calendar

Nov. 7 - Virtual PAT Event @ The FC: Biscuits & Homemade Jam @ 10:30 a.m.

Nov. 9 - WMS and CHS Return to In-Person Learning

Nov. 10 - 12 - PK-12 Parent/Teacher Virtual Conferences

Nov. 11 - Electronic BOE Meeting @ 7 p.m.

Nov. 11 - WMS Picture Day

Nov. 13 - Early Dismissal: PK-12 Students

Nov. 18 - CPT Picture Day

Nov. 20 - Next issue of eNews

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