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This is the ninth in a series of quarterly news letters to our community. In these messages we hope to keep our students' parents and their neighbors up to date on what's happening in our schools. And there are always new things happening. Whenever we make changes to anything that we do, the goal is always to provide our children with an interesting, challenging educational experience.

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After months of contract negotiations, meetings with mediators and hyperbolic rhetoric on both sides, an agreement was reached and a strike by teachers and support staff was averted just before the deadline of 12:01 a.m. Sept. 30th. The school board offered tentative agreements with the Sheffield-Sheffield Lake Teachers Association and the S-SL Classified Employees Association and a majority of the members of both unions voted to rescind 10-day notices to strike approved on Aug. 19th and delivered to the Board of Education and administration on Sept. 18th. Union members accepted the board's offer and rescinded the strike notice late in the evening of Sept. 29th. The new, three-year contract was unanimously accepted by the Board of Education and ratified by both unions on October 13th.

The new three-year contract includes base salary increases of two percent in the first year and three percent in the second and third years. The two percent raise in the first year of the new contract—which is also the fifth year of our state-imposed fiscal recovery plan—satisfies the 5-year recovery plan's requirement that wages not be increased more than two percent. The contract also calls for cash payments ranging from \$500-\$1,000 for all members of both unions; a revised supplemental contract pay schedule; a tuition-reimbursement plan for teachers; a professional enhancement program and increased uniform allowances for support staff; and increased life insurance for both groups.

"We're very pleased to have this settlement behind us," Superintendent Will Folger said. "Now we can refocus our full attention on educating our students."

With the tensions and posturing of the protracted negotiations behind us, we are all beginning the job of healing divisions and restoring trust as we get back to the business of providing our students with the best and most challenging educational experience possible. We hope that the community will understand that finding a compromise between the school board's desire to conserve taxpayers' dollars and union members' desire for a large enough salary increase to ease their families' financial burdens was difficult but necessary. Now we hope that board members, administrators, teachers, staff and the entire community can look forward to a future as bright as our students.

TENNYSON AND BARR NAMED BUILDINGS OF PROMISE, FOUR BUILDINGS DESIGNATED AS EXCELLENT

Two of our buildings, Barr Elementary and Tennyson Elementary, have been named Schools of Promise by the Ohio Department of Education. Twenty-four buildings in northeast Ohio and 134 buildings in the state have been so designated. The honor is based on test scores in buildings where 40 percent or more of the students are from low-income homes.

arrived and our district received an Effective rating as we met 22 of 30 indicators. Each building has been designated a rating by the Ohio Department of Education; Brookside High School, Sheffield Middle School, Barr, and Tennyson received the Excellent rating. Forestlawn received a Continuous Improvement rating. Knollwood does not have grades in which statewide assessments are given, and therefore takes on the district's Effective designation. We have already started analyzing the data to ensure we improve our scores this year.

The results from the 2008-2009 Ohio Achievement and Graduation Tests have

We will continue to work on all aspects of our curriculum, but will focus a great deal on math and social studies. Once again our effort will include a coordinated district wide professional development program. In order to allow the staff to work together, all the buildings will be dismissed early on the following dates: Jan. 13, Feb.10, March 3, and May 12. On these dates, BHS will dismiss at 2:00, SMS will dismiss at 1:50, Barr will dismiss at 2:05, Forestlawn at 2:15, Tennyson at 2:25, and Knollwood at 2:30. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by the early dismissals, however early dismissals are necessary because of our commitment to improving our schools.

## STATE OF THE SCHOOLS

Improvement continues at SSL. During the past year, thanks to the support of our community, we passed two renewal levies and settled two three-year contracts with our unions. We're in the process of revising our Board of Education Policy. We realigned our 4-5 buildings. We partnered with Sheffield Village, Sheffield Lake and the YMCA of Greater Cleveland to provide a before and after school latchkey program. We revised our starting times to better reflect children's sleep patterns. We continue to work on perfecting our 24-7 home communications program. We are reexamining our Strategic Plan.

The current financial condition of our state government is a major concern. We receive about one third of our funding from the state. Balancing the state budget could lead to substantial cuts in state funding for education.

Tentatively the district should remain financially solvent through the 2014 school year. If this holds true, we may need to be on the ballot in 2013 to ask voters for additional funding. The renewals expire in 2015, which means that we would probably return to the ballot in 2014 for passage of the renewals. Both renewals are five-year emergency levies and do not increase taxes. At some point, after the economy recovers, we must eventually replace some of our buildings.

In response to studies which show that adolescents do not get enough sleep and learn better later in the day, we changed our starting and ending times. The change went smoothly, with no significant problems, and early review of the change has been positive. We will continue to monitor the situation.

We will continue our efforts to increase the academic rigor of our curriculum. Tentatively, this year we will be offering both college level Algebra and English on campus through the LCCC PSEOP program, and plan to add PSEOP Spanish next year. We will also be reviewing, then replacing and/or revising several of our course offerings. Language Arts is the area under review this year. We are also continuing to review and revise our gifted program and now have a dedicated gifted instructor at the elementary and middle schools levels.

Due to increased numbers, and to improve learning opportunities for our special needs students, we've restructured and expanded our special education staffing at the elementary buildings and revised some of our district procedures.

We believe it is most productive to help and remediate students at risk as early as possible. We have doubled our preschool offerings to four sections. We have continued our third section of all day kindergarten, with tuition for the all day, every day option on a sliding scale. We are in our second year as a partner with Sheffield Lake, Sheffield Village and the YMCA of Greater Cleveland, offering a very well received before and after school latchkey program at Knollwood and Tennyson.

In an attempt to improve fourth and fifth grade instruction, Barr and Forestlawn were restructured. Barr is the fourth grade building and Forestlawn is the fifth. The change went well, but we will continue to monitor the situation.

We are continuing to review our homework policy. Studies show that homework is of great value, as long as it is appropriately used. We plan on addressing the appropriate types and quantity of homework for each age level during the course of the year. We have adopted the philosophy of increasing rigor, relevance, and relationships throughout the district.

The district's technology program continues to merit special mention. The goal of our Video Club is to allow students to provide ongoing material for our district's cable Channel 22. All taping, editing and programming will be done by the students.

## FIVE YEAR FORECAST

The board approved the five-year forecast for submission to the Ohio Department of Education. The forecast will be revisited much sooner than at the six-month interval required by the state. Treasurer Donald Breon pre-sented his latest version of the district's five-year financial forecast, but noted that the forecast was prepared before the Lorain County Auditor's office announced lowered triennial real estate tax revaluations expected to reduce the school district's revenue by about \$90,000 per year in 2010-12.

The 2010-11 expenses will exceed anticipated revenues and by the end of the 2013-14 school year the projected carry over will be down to about \$900,000.

"I hate to ask, but how much did these new contracts accelerate the decline in revenue reflected in this forecast?" board member Sandy Jensen asked.

"Not that much," Breon replied. "It is not the salary increases that are cause for concern, but the uncertainty of our real estate tax revenues and future state funding. I estimated five percent increases in costs to arrive at these projections so two and three percent raises plus step increases fall within that range. Decreased revenue from real estate taxes and state funding could force the district to ask voters to approve a new levy some time within that five year period."

"Our projected revenue from the state is flat-lined but it's reasonable to expect even more reductions in the future," Breon said. "All these fluctuations in the revenue stream make these projections difficult to deal with. There's no way at this point to predict what will happen in Columbus as far as further reductions in state revenue. The state is dealing with a biennial budget but we have to budget for a five-year period."

The complete five-year forecast is available on line at [www.sheffield.k12.oh.us](http://www.sheffield.k12.oh.us) at the financial tab.

## UPDATE ON MATH INVESTIGATIONS

We are in our second year in our implementation process of the board adopted math program, Investigations. This program was selected in the committee process as a way of delivering a consistent philosophy and instructional approach to math PreK-5. With a consistent program across the elementary schools, and more time devoted to the program, we are looking forward to an increase in math achievement levels. We also hope at the upper levels to be able to increase the relevance and rigor of the Sheffield math program to meet our expectations and those of the Ohio Core Curriculum.

## LITERACY COMMITTEE

A committee comprised of PreK-12 teachers and principals was formed last year with the objective to review our current programs and practices related to reading and literacy in the district, and a search for new, well-researched programs for adoption throughout the district. Each committee member selected a district that was a High-Achieving/High-Performing district and, based on similar demographics, asked a series of questions to find out what that district was doing to receive such high test results. We focused on the six "T's" (time, task, text, teach, talk and test) and decided that whatever we selected as a language arts program, it had to be based on the five Big Ideas of Reading (phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, comprehension, and vocabulary). Therefore, many teachers are piloting programs this year as a means of finding the right fit for our literacy program. We will be meeting throughout the school year to discuss the programs, we are doing classroom visitations in neighboring school districts and will be able to make a good decision by February, 2010.

## PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Grades 3-8 Test Administration is:

Spring Administration – Monday, April 19 through Friday, May 7, 2010

Grade 10 (Ohio Graduation Test) will be administered: Spring Administration – Monday, March 15 through Sunday, March 28,

## OHIO ACHIEVEMENT TEST AND THE OHIO GRADUATION TEST

District residents should have received a mailing from the Ohio Department of Education which highlights our District Local Report Card. On October 12, 2009, the district completed an analysis of our test results for the Board of Education. For those interested in viewing the presentation, please visit the curriculum webpage:

[www.sheffield.k12.oh.us/curriculum](http://www.sheffield.k12.oh.us/curriculum)

Overall, this is the breakdown:

District Designation: Effective

Performance Indicators Met: 22/30

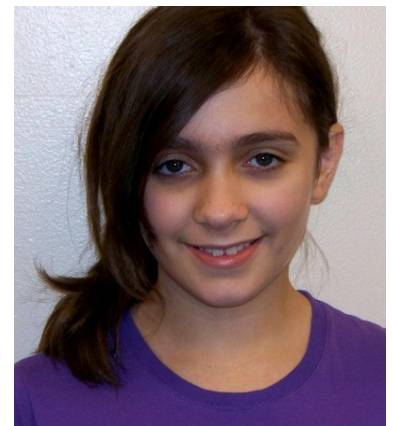
Performance Index: 94.4/120

District Improvement: Did not meet AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress)

Value-Added Measure: Met Growth

## DISTRICT PLAN FOR IMPROVING ACHIEVEMENT

- \* Expand the Literacy Committee and address reading and writing in all subject areas
- \* Complete the language arts curriculum adoption
- \* Implement Performance Tracker (Data Warehouse) system
- \* Implement a Homework Committee
- \* Implement McRel's Classroom Walkthroughs
- \* Expand Dr. Robert Marzano's strategies through Pinnacle Plus (7.10)
- \* High Schools That Work- training for more staff members on building strategies (ie. Power of I, Teaching to the Block)
- \* Middle School Improvement Team- implementing a plan that works for the middle school
- \* Using Ohio Educator Standards to develop specific goals for classroom teachers and administrators.
- \* Expanding our state of the art technology to help develop 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learners
- \* Revisit the District Strategic Plan



*Young Author Tiara McGuire*

A lesson well learned inspires an impressive short story: Tiara McGuire, a sixth grader in Mrs. Rosso's class, has written a very impressive short story based on what she learned at SMS' classes on how to stop bullying. Tiara's story, "The Band Geek," was not only well-written, but vividly showed that Tiara understood completely the lessons she had learned from SMS' on-going efforts to end bullying by teaching kids to analyze both sides of the situation. "The Band Geek" will be one of our entries in Lorain County's next Young Authors competition.

## ODE TESTING CHANGES

Due to a lack of funding, the Ohio Department of Education has changed the testing. In the past, 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders were given a social studies and science achievement test as well as reading and math. For the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years, those tests will not be administered. Additionally, at grades 4 and 7, the writing test will not be administered for two years. Therefore, our local report card indicators will change for the next two years.

In light of the state's financial situation, further changes are possible.

## MAINTENANCE UPDATE

The maintenance department has been very busy. Through various alternative funding sources, we are in the process of putting in several nature trails and an outdoor ecology lab on our north 52 acre parcel of land just to the north of the high school. We are also adding three practice fields (one for the band, one for soccer, and one for football and the middle school PE program) on our east eight acres just beyond right field of our current baseball field and behind the current visitor bleachers at Sevits Stadium. We are also looking to construct a weight room on the south side of our high school to be used by the PE classes and our sports teams. Funds for these projects are coming from the Ford back taxes, stimulus funds, the Coke contract annual payments, some limited lumbering on the lands being cleared for trails and practice fields, and, we hope, some grants.

The district's preventative maintenance program has been in full swing this summer. The hard work and dedication of these individuals are greatly appreciated. Projects have included electrical updates, concrete work, painting, parking lot repairs, and doors and window repairs.

Further improving our cafeteria program, both breakfast and lunch, continues to be a top priority. Over forty percent of

our students qualify for free or reduced meals. Free meal designation allows the district to receive government reimbursements and other benefits. Despite increases in food costs, thus far we have not raised our prices. Our goal is to provide our students with good tasting and nutritious meals. We would like to invite all our students, but especially the free and reduced meal students, to take advantage of the program. If a student qualifies for a free or reduced lunch, they also qualify for a free or reduced breakfast. If they qualify for a free lunch, the student also qualifies for a school fee waiver. Contact your child's building office, Mr. Tim Pelcic, or Mrs. Marti Fabian at the BOE office for further information.

Our new Mayors' Committee continues to prove to be very effective. The district, the Village, and the City are working together on many projects. The three entities worked together to get a Lorain County Solid Waste Grant to help with the stadium bleacher project. The three entities will also partner on attempts to obtain funding for the all weather track project. The three, along with the Lorain County Metro Park System, recently applied for a Safe Routes to School Grant in hope of getting students off Harris Road and promoting safe biking and walking.

## FALL HONORS

Congratulations to all of our fall varsity student-athletes, especially to the following, who won All-Conference and/or All-County honors: Volleyball: Lorain County All-Stars Kayla Lee, MVP Kyleigh Whitsel and Amber Wiley. Lee and Whitsel also made 1<sup>st</sup> team All-PAC and Wiley made honorable mention; Lee was 1<sup>st</sup> team All-District and Whitsel 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-District; while Wiley and Jeanine Musall also were named 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-County. Cross Country MVPs Courtney Neigh 1<sup>st</sup> team All-PAC and honorable mention All-County, and Zach Bradley 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-PAC; Boys Soccer MVP T.J. Kepic 1<sup>st</sup> team All-PAC, Mitch Kepic and Tony Didion, 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-PAC, and Jimmy Blotzer honorable mention; Girls Soccer: MVP and co-offensive player of the year Danielle Hunt 1<sup>st</sup> team All-PAC, defensive player of the year Becky Woods 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-PAC, co-offensive player of the year and All-PAC honorable mention Kate Burian; Football: Austin Tackett, Luke Ackerman and Rocky Radeff were named 1<sup>st</sup> team All-PAC; Adrian Smith made 2<sup>nd</sup> team and John Prokay, honorable mention..

Tackett was also first team All-District. Smith and Ackerman were both All-District honorable mention.

## NEW STAFF MEMBERS

There have been several personnel changes in the district. The Board of Education hired eleven new faculty members this summer. Kimberly Sweigart will teach Home Economics and Melanie deBear will teach vocal music at BHS and SMS; Keenan Leichty will teach business, Matthew Estvanic will teach English and Christine Whyde will teach Science at BHS; Ray Rateno will teach Special Ed. at SMS; Andrea Iacano will teach fifth grade at Forestlawn; Jessica Bartlett will teach third grade at Tennyson; Allison Avery will teach art half time at BHS and on the connect team; Tammy Frankel will teach elementary gifted; and Brenda Svec will do math intervention at Forestlawn and SMS. Other faculty members will take new positions within our system: Stephanie Blythe will now teach third grade at Tennyson while Holly Meehan will teach at Forestlawn; Claire DeChant will move to BHS while Julie Avila transfers to SMS; and Megan Foss will teach preschool at Knollwood.



## PLATO: MORE THAN A PHILOSOPHER

The Sheffield-Sheffield Lake School District has made educational technology a priority in recent years: There's at least one computer lab (with a dozen or more computers) in every building and at least a computer or two, plus an interactive "Smart Board" in every classroom.

PLATO is a computer program used to bring out the best in students who, for whatever reasons, aren't able to excel in a normal classroom setting. Some kids may be too shy or can't resist being a "class clown." Others may be unable to ignore the normal social distractions, pressures and deadlines of high school. Some just fall behind the rest of the class and don't know how to catch up.

Last summer, BHS offered PLATO as a summer school option for the first time. School psychologist John Landreth estimated that 19 of the seniors who graduated in 2009 would not have been qualified to graduate without the credits they earned and/or recovered through their involvement in PLATO.

The BHS PLATO class meets in "the trailer," apart from all the distractions and bustle of the regular school day—and BHS' Trimester schedule

"We work on a 6-week cycle instead of a 12-week cycle," health and PLATO teacher Lisa Montgomery said. "This enables the kids to get 4 full credits each trimester and at least 12 credits for the year. PLATO can be adapted for each student's own pace while matching the Ohio standards. For example, our Algebra 1 part 1 is the exact information that is required of the Algebra 1 part 1 class in the building. Most of my students have either fallen behind due to illness, transfer, or lack of progress as freshman or sophomores. By the time I get them, they are usually very motivated to get caught up and graduate with their peers."



Plato class ((L-R) Mrs. Montgomery, Debbie Chambers, Jackson Tenney, John Walker, Jessica Schiavoni, Jen Murphy, Keith Oberg, Paige Spirko. On floor: David Lippus, Tyler Russell. Not pictured: Ryan Owskiak, Ashley Bowinkelman, Antoya Saunders, Shamika Jackson, Anthony Stills, Eric Riffle, James McKee, Sam Vorell, Kayla Lauter and Kaylee Loesch



## SENIOR PSEOP STUDENTS ORGANIZE ART SHOW IN "SPARE" TIME



Senior Brookside Cardinal Band members (L-R) Kristen Kaczay and Rebecca Ciprus found time in their busy schedules to organize the Nov. 20 Student Art Show at the

"Brookside Café." Art teacher Kelson Barber was impressed that the busy PSEO students, who attend Lorain County Community College in the morning and BHS in the afternoon, worked so hard on the art show even though they're no longer enrolled in Art class. "We're hoping to do some new things with lighting as well as to attract more poets to this year's art show," Ciprus said.

## NET BOOKS PREPARE STUDENTS

Technology Director Doug Cogdell is conducting an experiment to see just how much of an advantage high-tech, interactive education can be. As a result of that experiment, things are a just a bit different in Janet Porcher's third grade classroom at Tennyson Elementary School in Sheffield Lake this year. Cogdell rearranged the classroom set up from the traditional rows of desks to create an environment where every student's focus is not on the teacher's desk but on the Smart Board. On each student's desk is a compact 'net book' computer, and every lesson—with one exception—is conducted interactively on the Smart Board, as Mrs. Porcher and all her students 'compute' nearly all their daily work. The exception? Cursive handwriting.

"These kids are excellent at using computers, almost as if they'd been pre-programmed," Mrs. Porcher said. "It's nice, too, because the students can go on sites like "Study Island" whenever they want to. All the kids in school have access to those programs at specific times but those in my class can visit them more often."

"We're preparing them for the twenty-first century," Principal Gretchen Loeper said. "Mrs. Porcher is in her thirty-eighth year of teaching but she's not tied to old methods. She's so 'computer literate' that she's perfect for this program."

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

11/27/09 Firelands 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 12/01/09 Western Reserve 7:30PM; JV 6PM  
 12/04/09 at Open Door 7:30PM; JV 6PM  
 12/12/09 \* Buckeye 2:30PM; JV 1; Fr 11:30 AM  
 12/16/09 \* Black River 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 12/19/09 \* Keystone 2:30PM; JV 1; Fr 11:30 AM  
 12/28/09 Brookside Holiday Invitational  
 12/30/09 Brookside Holiday Invitational  
 01/06/10 \* at Wellington 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 01/09/10 \* Oberlin 2:30PM; JV 1PM  
 01/13/10 \* at Brooklyn 7:30PM; JV 6PM  
 01/20/10 \* at Clearview 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 01/23/10 \* Columbia 2:30PM; JV 1PM  
 01/27/10 \* at Lutheran West 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 01/30/10 \* at Buckeye 7:30PM/ JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/03/10 \* at Black River 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/06/10 \* at Keystone 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/08/10 Frosh at Admiral King 4:30PM  
 02/10/10 Southview 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/12/10 at Lake Ridge Acad 7:30PM; JV 6PM  
 02/17/10 \* Wellington 7:30PM; 6PM; Fr 4:30  
 02/20/10 \* Frosh PAC at Black River 9AM  
 02/23/10 \* Frosh PAC at Black River 4:30PM  
 02/24/10 \* Frosh PAC at Black River 4:30PM

## SMS GIRLS BASKETBALL

11/03/09 \* at McCormick 4:30 & 6PM  
 11/09/09 \* Columbia 4:30 & 6PM  
 11/10/09 \* at Black River 4:30 & 6PM  
 11/17/09 \* Keystone 4:30 & 6PM  
 11/19/09 \* at Buckeye 4:30 & 6PM  
 11/24/09 \* Langston 4:30 & 6PM  
 12/01/09 \* Eighth at Brooklyn 8PM  
 \* Seventh Keystone 4:30PM  
 12/03/09 \* Clearview Home 4:30 & 6PM  
 12/08/09 \* McCormick 4:30 & 6PM  
 12/15/09 \* Black River 4:30 & 6PM  
 12/17/09 \* at Columbia 4:30 & 6PM  
 01/05/10 \* at Keystone 4:30 & 6PM  
 01/07/10 \* Buckeye 4:30 & 6PM  
 01/09/10 \* PAC 8 Tourn at Brooklyn 9AM  
 01/12/10 \* PAC 8 Tourn at Brooklyn 4:30PM  
 01/13/10 \* PAC 8 Tourn at Brooklyn 4:30PM  
 01/09/10 \* PAC 7 Tourn at Clearview 9AM  
 01/12/10 \* PAC 7 Tourn at Clearview 4:30PM  
 01/13/10 \* PAC 7 Tourn at Clearview 4:30PM



## BHS WRESTLING

S 11/27/09 at Midpark 9AM  
 12/04/09 at Hawken Tournament 5PM  
 12/05/09 at Hawken Tournament 10AM  
 12/12/09 at McNulty Tournament Elyria Catholic TBD  
 12/17/09 \* Buckeye/Oberlin at Columbia 6PM  
 12/23/09 at Elyria Triangular 5:30PM  
 01/07/10 \* Clearview/Brooklyn at Black River 6PM  
 01/09/10 at West Res Acad Super Dual Tournament 10AM  
 01/14/10 \* Keystone/Columbia/Clearview 6PM  
 01/16/10 at Len Pariano Tournament – Midpark 10AM  
 01/22/10 at West Res Acad Invite 3:30PM  
 01/23/10 at West Res Acad Invite 11AM  
 01/28/10 \*Wellington/Oberlin at Brooklyn 6PM  
 02/04/10 at Avon Lake Double Dual 6PM  
 02/13/10 \* at PAC Tourn at Oberlin 9AM

## SMS WRESTLING

12/17/09 \*Buckeye/Oberlin at Columbia 4:30PM  
 12/21/09 at Firestone Invitational 10AM  
 01/07/10 \*Clearview/Brooklyn at Black River 4:30PM  
 01/14/10 \* Keystone/Columbia/Clearview 4:30PM  
 01/16/10 at LMS Wrestling Invite 8AM  
 01/28/10 \*at Wellington/Oberlin 4:30PM  
 02/06/10 \* PAC Tourn at Buckeye 9AM

## FINE ARTS SCHEDULE

Our fine arts program continues to excel. The various choir groups, along with our Cardinal "Wall of Sound" band, are very special sources of entertainment. The Drama Club has announced its schedule for the year. The presentations will be *Bye Bye Birdie* on March 5,6,12 and 13; *Our Town* on April 30, May 1, 7 and 8; and the *Dinner Theater* will be on May 27.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

12/08/09 Fairview 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 12/15/09 at Avon 7:30PM; JV 6PM  
 12/18/09 \* at Buckeye 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 12/22/09 \* Black River 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 01/05/10 \* Keystone 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 01/08/10 Open Door 7:30PM; JV 6PM  
 01/12/10 \* at Wellington 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 01/15/10 \* Oberlin 7:30PM; JV 6 PM  
 01/16/10 at Mapleton 7:30PM; JV 6 PM  
 01/19/10 at Firelands High 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 01/22/10 \* at Brooklyn 7:30PM; JV 6 PM  
 01/26/10 \* at Clearview 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 01/29/10 \* Columbia 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/01/10 Frosh at Elyria 4:30PM  
 02/02/10 \* at Lutheran West 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/05/10 \* Buckeye 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/08/10 Frosh at Admiral King 6 PM  
 02/09/10 \* at Black River 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/12/10 \* at Keystone 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
 02/13/10 Huron 7:30PM; JV 6; Fr 4:30  
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 02/20/10 \* Frosh PAC at Keystone 9AM  
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# Sheffield-Sheffield Lake City Schools

2009-2010 School Calendar



August 2009						
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September 2009						
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27	28	29	30			

October 2009						
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November 2009						
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30					

December 2009						
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August	
24	New Teacher Day
25	Inservice Day
26	Students Report
	9 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Orientation
	10-12 Parent Teacher Conf.

September	
7	Labor Day

October	
16	NEOEA Day

November	
3	Inservice Day
25	Conference Day
26	Thanksgiving
27	No School

December	
21-31	Winter Break

January	
1	Winter Break
18	MLK Day

February	
12	TBD
15	President's Day

March	

April	
1	Conf. Comp Day

May	
31	Memorial Day

June	
5	BHS Graduation at the Palace
8	Last Day for Students
9	Last Day for Teachers

**Early Dismissal Days**

Sept. 30	Oct. 21
Nov. 18	Jan. 13
Feb. 10	March 3
May 12	






**GRADING PERIODS**  
**Quarters Grades K-8**  
 Oct. 30, Jan. 22, March 26, June 8

**Trimester Grades 9-12**  
 Nov. 20 March 5 June 8

**TEACHER INSERVICE DAYS--NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**  
 AUG. 25 NOV. 3 FEB. (TBD) JUNE 9

**PARENT CONFERENCE DAYS**  
 To be determined

**MAKE UP DAYS--SPECIAL DAYS**  
 If schools are closed due to an energy shortage, inclement weather, building emergency or other natural causes and students are in classes less than 175 complete days, this calendar will be adjusted to make up lost days. Make-up days will be scheduled in the following order June 9, 10, 11, 14, 15

-  In-service Day, No School
-  Fall Conference Day--No School K-12 See Above Description
-  Spring Conference Day--No School K-5 See Above Description
-  End of Marking Period
-  Vacation Day--No School

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**Phone Listings**

**Administrative Offices**

Board Office Main Number	949-6181
Fax Number	949-4204
Superintendent's Office	949-4202
Curriculum Director	949-4291
Treasurer's Office	949-4206
Pupil Personnel	949-4210
Operations Supervisor	949-4203
Technical Support	949-4214
Transportation Office	949-4215

**District Schools**

Knollwood Elementary	949-4234
Tennyson Elementary	949-4237
Forestlawn Elementary	949-4238
William Barr Elementary	949-4233
Sheffield Middle School	949-4228
SMS Attendance	949-4229
Brookside High School	949-4220
BHS Attendance	949-4219
Athletic Office	949-4242

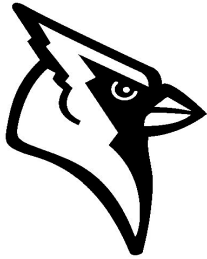
*The Brookside High School Alumni Association is accepting nominations for a new GALLERY OF SUCCESS.*

The Gallery of Success recognizes selected Brookside Alumni, men and women, whose exceptional achievements have added to the eminent reputation of the Sheffield-Sheffield Lake School System. Please go to the school website [www.sheffield.k12.oh.us](http://www.sheffield.k12.oh.us) to download the application and read more about this prestigious annual award. Deadline for nominations is May 31, 2010. Ceremony will take place in October,

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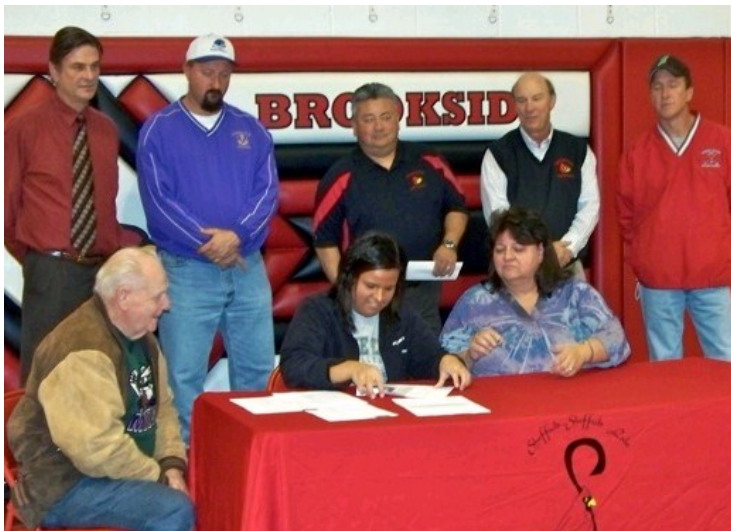
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### ONDERCIN SIGNS

Congratulations to the ace of the Cardinal softball team's pitching staff. Senior Dawn Ondercin signed her letter of intent to play college ball at Lake Erie College in Painesville on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, with her mom, granddad, Principal Scott Daugherty, Coach Bob Eis, A.D. Dick Kerschbaum and summer league coaches Roger Wright and Jim Kluth proudly looking on. So far, Dawn has compiled a record of 34-17 with 461 strikeouts (only 57 walks!), 14 shutouts, 5 one-hitters and a perfect game while batting .404 with 59 RBI and 3 homers. Dawn's good in the classroom too, earning a 4.05 GPA.

—Ondercin signing

Coach Mariner —

### NEW GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH NAMED

Our new Varsity Girls' Basketball head coach is Ray Mariner. Coach Mariner and his players know one another well, as he was head coach of our freshman girls' and assistant girls' varsity coach for the past two seasons. Coach Mariner also ran our Middle School basketball program during that time. He was our boys' junior varsity coach for four years before that and coached both boys' and girls' teams at Lorain Catholic for ten years before that. Ray has been involved in youth basketball and softball programs too. The coach knows kids and he knows the game. We're looking forward to a great season of girls' hoops this year.

