



THE PANTHER POST

"Sponsored by The New Lexington 21st Century After School Programs."

AFTERSCHOOL PROJECT YOU FUN

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An estimated 10.2 million children participate in afterschool programs across the country each year. Today, afterschool programs are viewed as much more than just childcare. They are widely accredited as a way to enhance education in literacy, math, social and emotional learning, health and wellness, and more. With that demand comes increased responsibility of the estimated 850,000 of afterschool professionals who are making a difference in the lives of students.

Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week was announced during the National Afterschool Association Convention in 2016 by NAA President and CEO, Gina Warner. It is a week to recognize and thank afterschool professionals serving children in programs and organizations across the nation.

This school year, New Lexington's Project Y.O.U. afterschool programs have enrolled over 250 students and employed 40 staff members. The majority of the staff work in the district during the day and spend extra hours before and after school to continue helping students. Please thank a Project Y.O.U. staff member for their dedication to the program and for making a difference in the life of a child! #heartofafterschool



Jeremy Boring and Paul Coey have a lot of fun playing a new game during AfterSchool end of the year fun. The laughter was most welcome!



Amanda Williams and Megan Cunningham have a hard time staying in their seats!



Amber Mash, Xavier Spohn, and Isabelle Rehart are in rare form! They have to knock the sidewalk chalk over. The excitement is incredible, the task hilariously fun!



Reagan Parkinson and Jacob Rathburn are all tied up in this game! Memories of a great year are made every minute of every day-!

SWAT THE MOSQUITO... PRAISE THE BEES~!



Local beekeeper, Rusty Reeves, talked to the second graders at NLE about the importance of bees.



Students in Mrs. Gibson's class had the opportunity to check out an observation hive.

OFCCLA STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS~!



FCCLA members from NLMS wait to load the bus to The Ohio State Fairgrounds in Columbus, Ohio on April 27, 2017. Members attended the 72nd Ohio FCCLA State Leadership Conference.

Averon Dickinson; Breanna Lanning; Maralea Helwig; Back row: Quentin Webb; Makena Miller; adviser Mrs. Curry; Megan Groves; Gracie Lones; Allyson Gordon



New Lexington's FCCLA voting delegates at OFCCLA State Leadership Conference on Thursday April 27, 2017; Quentin Webb and Breanna Lanning pictured voting on state and regional officers. This is a first for New Lex Middle School. Our program has taken off with leaps and bounds.



Karen Curry and FCCLA members pack Operation Gratitude boxes at state conference. These kids are very active in FCCLA. They recently had a booth at the Home & Garden Show at the Perry County Fairgrounds. They made smoothies for the attendees-! This is a great group of middle school students! We are very proud of them.

FAMILY FUN SHOOT

To celebrate the end of the season, New Lex archers participated in a Family Fun Shoot. Archers taught their parents how to shoot, ate a small meal together, and watched a short video of the archers' season.



Andrew Barkhurst and his dad try to hit the bullseye-!



Navaeh McCord watches as her mom tries to get the swing of things. Take cover! Watch where the first arrow impacts-! Deer beware-!



NEW LEXINGTON MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL 21ST CENTURY AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS IN COLLABORATION WITH* PERRY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CHOICES, INC.

KIDS CREATIVITY CAMPS WILL BE HELD JUNE 3RD AND 17TH. GET THE REGISTRATION FORMS IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFICE.



Free Physicals- May 19th at 5:45 PM @ The HOPEWELL MEDICAL CENTER

2541 Panther Drive between New Lexington Middle & High Schools. The free physicals are courtesy of local physicians. A very special thank-you to Missy Sheppard and Sonya Saffell for organizing this event.

June 3rd, from 9:00 - 11:00 @ LANCASTER HIGH SCHOOL 312 Granville Pike, Lancaster 43130.

These free physicals are courtesy of Fairfield Medical Center physicians... A Big Thank You to these wonderful Doctors-

~COMING SOON~

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MAY 18TH



DRIVEN FOUNDATION EVENT

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PROMOTING PERSEVERANCE AND FOSTERING HOPE THROUGH MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKING, MENTORSHIP, FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS, AND SPECIALIZED EVENTS FOR AT RISK YOUTH AND FAMILIES IN NEED.

(Quoted from the Driven Foundation website)

The first 50 students, with a paying adult, will be admitted for FREE! Sponsored by NLFT

ICE AGE ARTWORK

6th graders are studying about Ice Age artwork. They have learned about cave wall carvings and have created their own by using frayed-stick paintbrushes. They pounded sticks with rocks and frayed the ends. These were used to paint the creations under the direction of Mrs. Tamy Sullivan.



Cheyenne Reed, Shyanne Halberstadt, Aubrie Spicer, and Egan Hoffman share their paintings. Pastels were used to create the handprints. Everybody leaves some sort of print behind for the future generations.

NEVER A DULL MOMENT IN KATHLEEN CUNNINGHAM'S CLASS DEBATES TAKE A LOT OF PREPARATION



Nick Russell, Olivia McGraw, Hunter Kellogg, and Jordyn Barnhart debated on the topic of Standardized Testing. Eighth grade students from the Parli Pro team came to judge. assisted with the judging.



Debaters work to prepare for the retaliation round of their debate on video games. Makala Leach, Michael Klingler, Stephen Littleton, Carson Bartholic, and Kadi Spohn diligently plan their rebuttal.

THE WORLD OF "MATTER"



NLE teacher, Morgan Russell, guides students into the world of 'MATTER' Solids, liquids, gasses-! These students are conducting experiments to learn the properties of matter.

NEW LEX MIDDLE SCHOOL FFA STUDENTS SPRUCE UP THE ENTRANCES



Principals Jim Watts and Greg Grant are very grateful to see beautifully landscaped entrances to welcome families to our buildings-! Thank you STUDENTS-!