



# ROAR!

RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC RESULTS

## CFCSD Dates To Remember:

- May 22 **Lincoln Relay for Life**  
Lincoln Elementary, 9:00am
- May 23 **High School Graduation**  
Blossom Music Center, 8:00pm
- May 24 **Last Day of School - Students**  
All District

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A Special Section Dedicated to Black Tiger Headlines & Achievements

Middle May 2017

## Once Again! CFHS Seniors are a Million Dollar Class!

The CFHS students are creating a new tradition in the CFCSD! For the previous two years, the seniors have earned over \$1,000,000 in scholarships, and this year is no different! The Class of 2017 (to date) has earned a total of \$1,210,000 in scholarships from different colleges as well as organizations that work hard to help our **Black Tiger** students.

One of these organizations is the *Cuyahoga Falls Schools Foundation & Alumni Association (CFSF&AA)*. On May 8, 2017 at their 32nd Annual Recognition Reception, the *CFSF&AA* presented 54 scholarships to graduating seniors totaling \$151,000! On top of the scholarships, they also donated \$20,000 to the CFHS **Black Tiger Marching Band** toward their uniform drive!

Another organization that works hard for our students is the *Rotary Club of Cuyahoga Falls*. On May 11, 2017, they celebrated their 53rd Rotary Scholars Night at Cuyahoga Falls High School. Over 300 students were recognized for excelling in the classroom, in leadership roles, and giving of themselves in the community. Also that evening, \$8,500 in scholarships were awarded to eight graduating seniors from CFHS!

On top of the scholarships, CFHS students are saving a lot of money. This

year, 205 AP exams have been taken, earning 615 college credits. At \$359/credit hour,\* that is a savings of over \$220,000 in 2017!

In addition to the AP credits earned, through *College Career Plus*, our students have earned 680 college credits while in high school and 372 of those were earned this year alone!

To date, 55% of the 2017 class members have been accepted into a four-year university or college, and 15% have been accepted into a two-year university or college.

\* Per 2015-2016 In-State Credit Hour Charge at The University of Akron Main Campus.

Source: <http://www.collegetuitioncompare.com/colleges/OH/Akron/University-of-Akron-Main-Campus.html>.

### Where did the money come from?

- \$15,000 - Senior Recognition
- \$11,500 - PTA Scholarships
- \$8,000 - TigerBackers
- \$151,000 - Foundations Scholarships
- \$1,024,500 - College Scholarships
- Total = \$1,210,000 in scholarship funds

## CFHS Teacher of the Year



As a part of the Senior Recognition Ceremony, the graduating class of 2017 had the opportunity to vote on their favorite teacher at the high school, and for the second year in a row, Mr. Robert Slone was the recipient! According to Slone, "This really means a lot because it is voted on by the students." He

continued to say, "I really love these kids. They make it easy to come into work every day."

Slone has been teaching for 24 years and this is his 12th with the CFCSD. Congratulations Mr. Slone!

### Last Day of School Dismissal Times for 2017 (May 24)

#### Elementary:

1:20pm All elementary students dismissed

#### Middle School:

12:50pm All MS bus riders dismissed

1:35pm All 6th grade walkers dismissed

1:45pm All 7th grade walkers dismissed

1:55pm All 8th grade walkers dismissed

#### High School:

All students are dismissed once they complete their finals for the day.



Starting Friday, May 19 and running through the weekend, fourth-grade students from Richardson and Lincoln elementary schools will turn lemons into lemonade! Through the national *Lemonade Day* program, students learn the basics of becoming entrepreneurs. They learn how run a business by creating a business plan, presenting to a loan board, purchasing products, marketing, creating a stand, and selling their product.

Students will be out in various locations throughout the community; so support our young entrepreneurs and drink lots of lemonade this weekend!

Thank you to the *Burton D. Morgan Foundation*, *University School*, *Western Reserve Hospital*, and *Peoples Bank* for sponsoring this great program!

For a listing of the Richardson Lemonade Stand schedule, go to: <http://fourthgradefrenzy.weebly.com/lemonade-day.html>.

Lincoln Lemonade Stands will also be set up throughout the community. Please support our young entrepreneurs!

## Thank You!

Earlier this month, the CFCSD had Issue 12, a renewal levy, on the ballot and the **Black Tiger** community really came through! Of the almost 3,000 community members that voted on May 2, over 76% voted for the renewal.

*Thank you!*

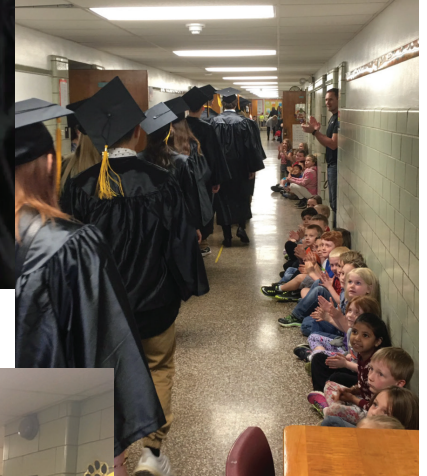
# CFCSD: A Clap-Out as a Send-Off

As the Class of 2017 prepares for graduation and beyond, the CFCSD wanted to create an experience that not only the graduating class would remember, but hopefully all of the *Black Tiger* community.

One of the goals of the CFCSD administration was to create end-of-year transition celebrations at each grade level to create a sense of family across the District. CFHS teachers Nicole Seward and Steve Newlon took that concept and implemented the “Clap-Out” Event.

So, on May 12, the final Friday for the Class of 2017, a special visit took place. All of the seniors, dressed in their caps and gowns, hopped on buses and took a trip back to where their education in Cuyahoga Falls began. They all went back to their elementary and then to their middle schools where the underclass students lined the halls and applauded the great accomplishments of our graduates. “It was a moving experience for me. This was my first class of kindergarteners,” said Mrs. Stephanie Petit, Richardson Teacher. “To see them all grown up and moving forward was amazing!” she continued. Across the District, teachers and administrators echoed the sentiment in hoping that this becomes a new tradition in the CFCSD.

CFHS Principal, Miss Allison Bogdan said, “Thank you to Nicole Seward and Steve Newlon for organizing our Class of 2017 “Clap-Out” Event. Thank you to the staff and administrators that made it happen in all buildings that we visited. It was such a special feeling for so many.”



## Lincoln Elementary: Colorful Clip System Helps Motivate

Lincoln Elementary School staff members have participated in several Leadership Days for the *Leader in Me* program at various schools across Ohio this year. During a visit to Nolley Elementary in November, staff members observed an enhanced clip system with a focus on rewarding positive student behavior and teacher recognition. Staff members were so impressed with this clip system that seven teachers have piloted the upgraded clip system at Lincoln this second semester.

The new and improved clip system uses the current color leveled behavior chart with an addition of a seventh level to recognize students who are making choices that are “*Out of this World.*” Students earn their clips to be moved up for demonstrating good choices throughout the school day. As an added incentive, students earn a dot on their clip for each level they have moved up during the day. When a student earns ten dots on their clip, they are rewarded with a new and different colored clip. The student then selects any staff member to wear the dotted clip for an entire day. After the staff member has worn the clip for the day, the clip is then hung next to the student’s picture in the hallway for the entire school to see their accomplishments. Students have the ability to earn up to ten different colored clips.



Students are highly motivated to earn the next level of the colored clip, but their favorite part is selecting the teacher to wear the dotted clip. Students enjoy seeing the staff members wearing their clips and the clips of their classmates. Staff members love wearing current and former students’ clips throughout the semester. The clip system has provided such an intrinsic motivation for students to feel pride in their behavior.

Due to the success of the pilot program, the enhanced clip system will be implemented in all Lincoln classrooms for the 2017-2018 school year.



*Graduating Seniors received high-fives and applause as they walked the halls of their old schools, one more time!*



## Inspiration Spans Generations!

From Jesse Owens to LeBron James, from Amelia Earhart to Michelle Obama, third-grade students from Richardson are finding inspiration.

After choosing a famous individual, either past or present, that each of them felt were men or women to look up to, students were tasked with researching and giving oral presentations to their classmates, parents, grandparents, and guardians. A number of the students used props and even dressed like their hero.



*Owen “J.R.R. Tolkien” Belby giving his biography at Richardson.*

This assignment not only provided students the opportunity to learn more about someone they look up to by researching them at local libraries, but also gave many of them the chance to work on their public speaking skills by presenting to an audience.