

SUMMER 2025



SEBRING
LOCAL SCHOOLS

Trojan Talk

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

A Message from the Superintendent



Dear Trojan Families,

As we end another very successful school year, I feel it is important to reflect on the many amazing accomplishments of our students, staff, and community. This year has been full of pride, progress, and positive energy! Our 8-man football team had an incredible season and displayed hard work and teamwork each game. Our cheerleaders did an outstanding job of making it to the state tournament and representing the school. Our girl’s softball team won a sectional tournament game. The last time this was accomplished was 17 years ago. This was an impressive achievement and very exciting for everyone involved!

This year, our music and art programs were also bright spots. The band gave fantastic performances throughout a successful season, including a memorable trip to Kennywood and several appearances at sectional competitions and band shows. This group continued to show their dedication and talent to fill our school community with spirit and joy. The drama department also impressed everyone with two high-quality productions showcasing our students’ creativity, ingenuity, and enthusiasm.

Academically, we continued to experience success and growth. Four new members were welcomed into the National Honor Society, demonstrating their hard work, leadership, and service to the community. These students are exemplary representatives of our district and are positive influences and role models for their peers.

As we conclude this school year, I want to thank our teachers, coaches, advisors, and families for their incredible support and commitment. Let’s take the knowledge, connections, and successes from this year with us as we move forward, utilizing them as stepping stones to even greater successes. We are already enthusiastically looking forward to the next school year and can’t wait to get there; I encourage everyone to build off this year’s success and pursue excellence in all areas of life. Have a safe and relaxing summer, and we will see you all in the fall!

Go Trojans!
Toni Viscounte, Superintendent

Congratulations to Sebring McKinley Class of 2025



We were glad to celebrate our Sebring McKinley Class of 2025 graduates at our commencement ceremony on Sunday, June 1, 2025.

The class consisted of 32 graduates, including Valedictorians Kiera Weekly and Jay Zheng, and Salutarian Angelo Vecchio who delivered speeches, addressing their classmates, teachers, families and community members (photos below).

The band and choir performed at the graduation ceremony. A performance of “Slipping Through My Fingers” by ABBA featured a duet from seniors Katelyn Leeland and Myla Thomas.

Principal Clark commended the graduating class, recalling traditions and special occasions he’ll remember them by, noting the class of 2025’s collective kindness, and wishing them the best as they carry their unique “Sebring Experience” with them into their next chapters.

Graduates received more than \$500,000 in scholarships, including awards and scholarships from local businesses, nonprofits, foundations, churches, and from Sebring Schools, the Alumni Association and Board of Education. They were honored and recognized at our annual McKinley Senior Awards Ceremony.

In addition to the Senior Awards Ceremony, they closed out the year with their annual senior traditions, including recognitions at the Academic Banquet, Senior Picnic at Northside Park, Senior Breakfast, a walk-through at B.L. Miller Elementary and a parade around the village following commencement.

We’re so proud of each of you, and look forward to all that’s to come! Always remember, you are EXTRA-ordinary and will always be a part of the Trojan family.

Congratulations to our newest alumni!



Kiera Weekly, Valedictorian



Jay Zheng, Valedictorian



Angelo Vecchio, Salutarian



A NOTE FROM OUR TREASURER

Dear Parents, Students, and Community Members,

I would like to share an important update regarding the Sebring Local School District’s Capital Spending Plan for Fiscal Years 2025 through 2029. This plan reflects our continued commitment to providing a safe, supportive, and future-ready learning environment for all students and staff.

The purpose of this capital spending plan is to strategically invest in critical areas of our district’s infrastructure. These include essential improvements to our school buildings, maintenance of our facilities, enhancements to campus safety, and upgrades to our transportation and technology systems. Our goal is to preserve the integrity of our educational spaces while preparing for future needs.

Key objectives of the plan include:

- Modernizing and maintaining school facilities to support effective teaching and learning.
- Upgrading safety and security features to ensure a safe environment.
- Investing in technology to enhance instruction and operational efficiency.
- Improving transportation systems for safer, more reliable student travel.

This proactive approach will allow us to continue delivering a high-quality educational experience while maximizing the value of taxpayer dollars. We are mindful of our financial responsibility to the community and remain committed to transparency and accountability in how funds are allocated and spent.

Here are the specific purchases planned as part of the Sebring Local School District’s Capital Spending Plan for the next five years:

- Two Buses
- 9-Passenger Van
- Three Sheds
- Replace Windows
- Upgrade Access Control System
- Renovate Locker Rooms
- Ipad, Chromebooks, Desktop Computers, Network Switches, Domain Controller, Access Points
- Additional Cameras
- Bullet Proof Glass

We encourage all community members to stay informed and engaged throughout this process. Your support is invaluable as we work to strengthen our schools and invest in the future of Sebring’s students. Thank you for your continued partnership and dedication to our schools.

Warm Regards,
Dawn Welsch, Treasurer/CFO



Auditor of the State

We are also proud to announce that our district has received the Auditor of the State Award for a clean audit for the 2024 fiscal year.

Jennifer Drlik (left) from Auditor of State's Office presented the award to district Treasurer/CFO, Dawn Welsch (center), and Sherri Malloy (right), Treasurer's Assistant.

Sebring Local Schools Board of Education



Sebring Local Schools Board of Education: (front, from left to right) Board President Melinda Vecchio and Vice President JoAnn Jones; (in back, left to right) Debra Green, Scott Latham, and Tammy Eckert.

SEBRING LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE YEAR FORECAST						
	Actual	FORECASTED	FORECASTED	FORECASTED	FORECASTED	FORECASTED
REVENUES	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027	2027-2028	2028-2029
Real Estate Taxes	\$1,244,120	\$1,352,927	\$1,369,162	\$1,385,592	\$1,402,219	\$1,419,046
Tangible Personal Property Taxes	\$245,507	\$271,101	\$276,523	\$282,053	\$287,695	\$293,448
Income Tax	\$723,109	\$764,727	\$787,669	\$811,299	\$0	\$0
Tuition & Open Enrollment	\$53,782	\$56,981	\$57,188	\$57,400	\$57,616	\$57,836
Other Receipts - Local	\$80,240	\$51,385	\$49,296	\$50,772	\$52,292	\$53,704
Interest Income	\$352,683	\$332,051	\$312,626	\$294,337	\$277,119	\$260,907
State Funding	\$4,229,875	\$4,251,597	\$4,101,597	\$4,026,597	\$4,026,597	\$4,026,597
Rollback & Homestead	\$145,751	\$165,847	\$172,481	\$174,206	\$175,948	\$177,707
Other Receipts - State	\$840,598	\$785,049	\$766,152	\$766,152	\$766,152	\$766,152
Federal Revenue / Medicaid	\$84,801	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Transfers/Advances In	\$197,259	\$17,904	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
TOTAL REVENUE	\$8,197,723	\$8,099,569	\$7,957,695	\$7,913,409	\$7,110,637	\$7,120,398
EXPENSES	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027	2027-2028	2028-2029
Salaries & Wages	\$3,229,568	\$3,701,157	\$3,808,237	\$3,867,687	\$3,938,972	\$4,011,727
Fringe Benefits	\$1,590,603	\$1,834,831	\$1,994,336	\$2,148,844	\$2,319,963	\$2,508,937
Purchased Services	\$1,531,262	\$1,784,158	\$1,793,866	\$1,825,527	\$1,858,245	\$1,890,297
Supplies	\$373,183	\$451,736	\$437,740	\$447,025	\$456,609	\$462,464
Equipment & Capital Purchases	\$470,030	\$202,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Objects	\$177,224	\$188,110	\$190,710	\$192,682	\$195,470	\$193,963
Transfers Out	\$317,004	\$3,423,405	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$70,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$7,688,874	\$11,585,396	\$8,294,889	\$8,551,766	\$8,839,260	\$9,137,388
Salaries & Benefits as a % of Revenue	58.80%	68.35%	72.92%	76.03%	88.02%	91.58%
TOTAL REVENUES Excess/Shortfall	\$508,849	(\$3,485,827)	(\$337,195)	(\$638,357)	(\$1,728,622)	(\$2,016,991)
GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE, Begin FY	\$5,283,777	\$5,792,625	\$2,306,798	\$1,969,603	\$1,331,246	(\$397,376)
GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE, End FY	\$5,792,625	\$2,306,798	\$1,969,603	\$1,331,246	(\$397,376)	(\$2,414,367)
RESERVES						
ENCUMBRANCES, JUNE30TH	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
FUND BALANCE, JUNE30TH	\$5,782,625	\$2,296,798	\$1,959,603	\$1,321,246	(\$407,376)	(\$2,424,367)

Beatrice L. Miller Elementary School News

A Message from Principal Hanley

Well, we officially made it! Another school year in the books! This year has been successful in so many ways and I'd like to start off by saying a huge *thank you*, to our parents for being so supportive and increasing our parent involvement even more this year. When we say it takes a village to raise a child, it really is true. Our teachers truly go above and beyond and care about each student as a whole. Our future is in the hands of our students, and we treasure that responsibility and take it very seriously as educators.

When I reflect on the school year we had, we truly hit the ground running. This school year we were determined to grow our students at a faster pace, show the results for it in our end-of-year testing, and also help them to develop a sense of mindfulness and responsibility. We set out on a new path, using a new social and emotional curriculum called "7 Mindsets," and we watched our students learn to recognize and put a name to their feelings and emotions.

Students thrived at the Success After Six program through United Way again this year. Almost 50 students in 1st through 5th grade stayed for the program daily and are now participating in the Summer program. We had a record breaking kindergarten screening day and are excited for the students who will become our youngest Trojans this Fall! Many of these students are participating in another program called "Success By 6," also sponsored by United Way, to help transition them from the preschool age to kindergarten.

We hosted many events this year that brought in our community. We enjoy bringing in our families and extended families through activities and celebrations. This past school year we celebrated Grandparent's Day, Muffins with Mom, Donuts with Dad, several dances, awards assemblies, class parties, parades, graduations, and even the annual Fun Fair. These events foster a positive relationship between our school culture and our community. Building that sense of community only builds upon our ability to come together as a village for each child as we raise our future generations through our hard-working and dedicated district. As we continue to soak up these summer days ahead, we set our sights on new goals for the upcoming school year as we continue to shape the future of our community through our students.

- Principal Nichole Hanley

Roller Skating Fun to Celebrate State Testing Incentive



Students in third through sixth grade returned to Deerfield Skating Center to celebrate their testing preparedness. Students had a list of items set by their teachers to be well-prepared for their Ohio State tests in Language Arts, Math, and 5th grade Science. The roller skating trip was a celebration for students who achieved all areas of their state testing requirements.

Many of the students enjoyed skating for the first time, as well as roller skating limbo, arcade games, snacks and fun with friends and staff! Thanks to all for a great time. Congratulations to our students for working so hard!

B.L. Miller Celebrates Kindergarten Graduates!

We were glad to celebrate our upcoming Class of 2037 at our Kindergarten Graduation this May. Our Kindergarten teachers, Betsy Walsh and Kassie Sisler, led the ceremony and recognized each graduate up on stage with their individual awards and accomplishments from their first year.



The evening also included musical performances by the graduates (shown above), artwork created by the students, as well as cookies and fellowship with families. Over 250 were in attendance for this wonderful event. The theme for this year's graduation was "Growing Into 1st Grade." Special thanks to our PIE (Partners In Education,) for providing the refreshments, personalized graduation cookies, decorations, and special keepsakes for each family.

We're so proud of our students and how much they've grown! Class of 2037 is a bright group with great things ahead – starting with first grade in the Fall!



Track and Field Day 2025

Our students enjoyed their end-of-year Track and Field day, participating in races and activities in a variety of friendly competitions at the Trojan Football Stadium! They demonstrated great Trojan sportsmanship and fun was had by all! Students competed in beloved field day events in front of cheering family and friends who viewed the events track-side. Activities included: sack races, three-legged races, the softball throw, frisbee throw, 50 yard dash, 200 meter run 400 meter run, long jump, relay races, and the annual tug-of-war!

Special thanks to P.I.E. for providing each grade level with their bright field day shirts and for operating our concessions! And thanks to our families for cheering on our students and coming out to support our yearly track and field tradition!



B.L. Gives Back to Danny's Cans

During the last month of school, B.L. students waged a friendly competition between the P.B.I.S. houses to see which house could donate the most aluminum cans. *Danny's Cans* have given back to Sebring Local Schools in many ways throughout the years by giving all of the students hoodies, long-sleeve t-shirts, and holiday assistance. The can recycle drive benefited *Danny's Cans*, a Sebring non-profit which raises money by recycling cans donated by the community. The funds raised by *Danny's Cans* go directly back into the community by providing assistance for Sebring kids in need. B.L. students collected 31 large bags full of cans to donate! The treasurer of *Danny's Cans*, Tom Stryffler, came to the school to accept the cans on behalf of the organization and to thank the students personally.

Beatrice L. Miller Elementary School News



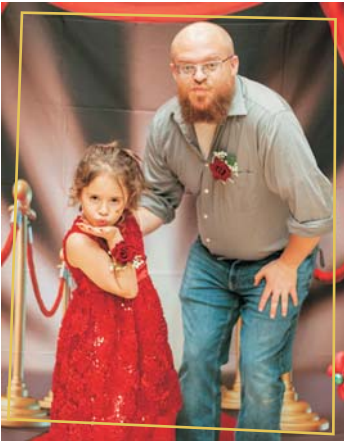
6th grade graduation ceremony

Sixth Graders Celebrated the End of an Era

Our 6th-graders enjoyed an end-of-year picnic at Northside Park to close out their time at B.L. Miller Elementary. PIE provided pizza, drinks, chips, and cookies for their celebration. They look forward to all that's ahead of them at McKinley Jr/Sr High School and all the great things to come!

To wrap up their final year at B.L. Miller, the school hosted a 6th grade graduation to celebrate accomplishments and achievements. Some of the awards that students received were the American Legion Youth Foundation Most Improved Student Award, The Sebring Alumni Association Outstanding 6th Grade Student Award, The PIE (Partners In Education) Academic Achievement Award, the Outstanding 6th Grade Art Award, and the Mayor's Outstanding Citizen Award. Several other awards were given and the night ended with the students presenting a slideshow to their family and friends on their favorite memory at B.L. Miller, their advice for younger students, and their dreams and aspirations for their future! B.L. Miller will miss you!

Fathers & Daughters, Mothers & Sons Take the Floor



In early April, B.L. Miller Elementary rolled out the red carpet for its Father-Daughter Dance, giving dads and their daughters a magical evening to remember. With music, dancing, and plenty of smiles, it was a night fit for princesses and their proud fathers.

Later in April, B.L. hosted a pirate-themed Mother-Son Dance, complete with balloon swords, eye patches, and a great DJ. The boys had fun dancing the night away and stealing their moms' hearts with every step.

Thanks to our B.L. families for being so supportive and involved with our kiddos!

Re-Imagine Sebring: Community Vision and Action Underway

In recent months, Sebring's village leaders launched a strategic planning effort to strengthen and revitalize the community. Public input shaped a shared vision and four strategic initiatives, now being advanced by dedicated Action Teams.

Strategic Initiatives

- Community Connection & Business Support
- Dynamic Downtown
- Access to Quality Housing
- Healthy Community Through Outdoor Recreation

SEBRING
FARMER'S
MARKET

WEDNESDAY
JUNE 18TH
5:30PM - 8:30PM

SUNDAY
JULY 13TH
12:30PM - 3:30PM

SATURDAY
AUGUST 23RD
5:30PM - 8:30PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Harvesting Hope • 230 S. 12th Street**
1st Blood Drive-July 8, 2025, 2-6 pm
Senior Shenanigans Lunch and activity for seniors 60+:
Thursdays throughout the summer from 11-130pm.
Second Harvest Food Give-A- Way: July 31 & August 28
from 4-6pm. Must have ID.
Free Community Meal July 27th 12-2pm, Brightside Sunshine
Bus will be present.
Free Community Meal - August 31 12-2pm.
Senior Home delivered meals available call 330-428-4873
for more information.
- FREE Summer Concerts at Southside Memorial Park**
(All concerts 6pm-8pm-Bring a chair)
6/21/25-John Hampu Band-Old time Rock & Roll
6/28/25-The Tropiholics- Laidback summer Trop music
7/12/25-American Steel Band-Classic & Country
8/2/25-Cold Shot-Classic Rock
8/23/25-Uptown Band-60's-80's variety
- Library Summer Programs**
(Please visit www.libraryvisit.org for additional information)
Family Artful Afternoons, every Saturday from 1-3 pm
beginning May 31-July 26
Summer with the Green Team • 11 a.m. -12 p.m., Tuesday, July 1
Outback Ray • 3-4 p.m., Tuesday, July 15
Family Movie and Game Night • 6-7 p.m., Thursday, July 24

McKinley Jr/Sr. High School News

A Message from Principal Clark

A Celebration of Growth and Achievements

As the school year draws to a close, we reflect on the incredible journey we've shared together—the milestones, challenges, laughter, and growth that have defined these months. We are immensely proud of all that has been accomplished and grateful for the support and partnership of our families in creating a thriving learning community.

Students, this year has been a testament to your resilience, curiosity, and determination. From mastering new skills to building friendships and discovering talents, you have shown us the power of perseverance and positivity. Your enthusiasm in the classroom, on the sports field, in creative projects, and in service to others has left a lasting impact.

Parents, thank you for being steadfast champions of your childrens' education. Your dedication to fostering a love of learning at home and encouraging them to reach their goals has been invaluable. Your collaboration with our staff has enriched our programs and strengthened the bonds within our school community.

Teachers and staff, my admiration for your efforts only continues to grow as you amaze me with the compassion you have for our students as they acquire the life skills needed to succeed in today's global society.

As summer approaches, we encourage you to take time to relax, recharge, and make special memories with your loved ones. Explore new activities, immerse yourselves in good books, and savor the joy of simply being together.

To our graduating students, congratulations on your achievements! As you prepare for the next chapter in your lives, know that you carry with you the skills, knowledge, and character to make a meaningful difference in the world. We wish you every success in all of your endeavors.

Thank you for an unforgettable year. We look forward to welcoming you back in the fall with renewed energy and excitement for the adventures that lie ahead. Until then, have a safe and memorable summer!

GO Trojans!
- Principal Brian Clark

2025 Valedictorian Quotes

Congratulations to the top of Sebring's Class of 2025. Valedictorians, Jay Zheng and Kiera Weekly, and Salutatorian, Angelo Vecchio, addressed their peers and the graduation audience during a ceremony on June 1, 2025. Here are some highlights from their speeches:

I've spent more hours in these hallways than I can count—working here in the summer, running for cross country, or wandering around as an office aide. For me, walking through them one last time truly is a trip down memory lane... In a small school, we don't just share hallways—we share memories. Thank you, Class of 2025, for walking them with me. I wouldn't want to do it with anyone else.
- Salutatorian Angelo Vecchio

We laughed, we survived, we are here. So, congrats Class of 2025!
-Valedictorian Jay Zheng

To my fellow graduates, congratulations. Many of us have grown up together, playing tug of war against each other in elementary school, going to fifth grade camp, or just playing Uno during our down time. With Sebring being such a small school, I've gotten the privilege to know each of you.

All of us are going in different directions after today. Some of us to college, some to trade school, some taking a gap year or two, and some going straight into work. No matter where you go, don't stop working hard, always live with purpose, and don't forget the connections we've made here.
-Valedictorian Kiera Weekly

Academic Team Banquet Honors Sebring's Best and Brightest

The Academic Team Banquet celebrated McKinley's top academic achievers in an awards ceremony held on May 7. The ceremony honors students for sustaining a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher throughout the academic year with an academic letter (similar to sports letters).

The Academic Team banquet is in its 35th year at Sebring. Mrs. JoAnn

Jones began establishing The Academic Team letter and awards ceremony nearly 37 years ago in an effort to celebrate students' academic achievements with the same fanfare as sports accomplishments. The ceremony has become a beloved tradition in Sebring since its inception.

Congratulations to the following students who received Academic Letters:



First year letter - Kristal Giron-Perez, Reece Runyon, Skylar Todd, Rick Zheng



Second year letter- Emily Wright, Mia Somerville, Alayna Braham, Nikki Freet, Cameron Withrow



Third year letter- Jay Zheng, Kiera Weekly, Angelo Vecchio, Myla Thomas, Abigail Stuller, Michael Moyer, Katelynn Leeland, Allison Hoschar



Fourth year letter- Jay Zheng, Kiera Weekly, Angelo Vecchio, Myla Thomas, Michael Moyer, Allison Hoschar

McKinley Jr/Sr. High School News

★ McKinley Students Excel at YSU English Festival ★



A group of seventh and eighth grade students attended the English Festival held at Youngstown State University in April. The day was filled with engaging workshops and seminars where our students collaborated on writing projects with peers from other schools. They also had the opportunity to meet and hear from author Alan Gratz.

Adding to their achievements, several students participated in various contests. We extend our congratulations to Alesana Johnson and Alanis Giron-Perez who both received honorable mentions. Another outstanding congratulations goes to Finn Rumberger for receiving 2nd place in the art contest!

We are incredibly proud of all our Trojan participants!

Sebring McKinley Crowns Prom Queen Myla Thomas and King Reece Runyon



Sebring McKinley High School crowned its 2025 prom king and queen at its Promenade and Coronation prior to the evening’s dance on May 3.

Congratulations to Myla Thomas and Reece Runyon who led the court as king and queen.

The court included: Seniors Michael Moyer, Reece Runyon, Precious Cundiff, Nyla Mosely and Myla Thomas.

This year’s theme was a “A Royal Ball” and was held at A La Carte in Canfield.



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Sebring McKinley National Honor Society Welcomes Four New Members



Sebring McKinley National Honor Society welcomed four new members, (in front, from left) Jay Zheng (senior), Emily Wright (junior), Alayna Braham (junior) and Nikki Freet (junior). Current members include (in back, from left) Myla Thomas, Allison Hoschar, Michael Moyer, Angelo Vecchio, Katelyn Leeland, Abigail Stuller and Isabella Threet.

Sebring McKinley National Honor Society (NHS) swore in its 2025 inductees at the group’s annual induction ceremony on Monday, March 10, 2025. The new group of four inductees is represented by one senior (Jay Zheng) and three juniors (Alayna Braham, Nikki Freet, and Emily Wright).

The eight current members that welcomed the inductees are: Allison Hoschar, Katelyn Leeland, Michael Moyer, Abigail Stuller, Isabella Threet, Myla Thomas, Angelo Vecchio, and Kiera Weekly.

To qualify for NHS, students must meet certain academic criteria and display characteristics of the four pillars of NHS, which include: character, leadership, scholarship and service. They must also write an essay regarding the organization’s pillars and what it means to them, to be considered for membership.

The group is led by advisor Nicole Rummel, a teacher at Sebring McKinley. Principal Brian Clark swore in the new group of students.

Congratulations to 3rd Grade Teacher LeAnn Laure, Mahoning Valley's "Golden Educator"

Sebring Local Schools is proud to announce that LeAnn Laure, a third-grade teacher at B.L. Miller Elementary, has been honored with the Regional Chamber's prestigious Mahoning Valley Golden Educator of the Year Award.

The inaugural Mahoning Valley Educator of the Year ceremony recognized 33 educators across the tri-county area with five special awards. The Golden Educator Award celebrates an exceptional teacher with over 20 years of experience, and Laure, with 31 years of teaching, certainly fits that distinction.

"This well-deserved recognition is a testament of her dedication and impact on Sebring's students and school community," said Sebring Local Schools Superintendent Toni Viscounte. "We are incredibly proud to have LeAnn as part of our Trojan family."

Laure's teaching philosophy, which emphasizes hands-on learning and individualized attention, has made a significant impact on countless students over the years. Her commitment to helping each child succeed has earned her admiration among colleagues and families alike.

"I believe every child learns in their own unique way," Laure said. "As an educator, I strive to provide diverse teaching strategies that allow each student to explore, experience, and fully understand the subject matter. I want every student to feel engaged and excited about learning."

Laure's dedication extends beyond academic achievement, fostering a strong sense of community among students, parents, and faculty. "It truly takes a

village to educate our children," she added. "Parental involvement, communication, and community outreach are essential in helping students thrive. I'm proud to work in a community where we all support one another in our shared goal of student success."

Elementary Principal Nichole Hanley, who nominated Laure for the award, describes her as an irreplaceable member of the school community.

"When you think of an exemplary teacher, Mrs. Laure is the first person who comes to mind," Hanley said. "Her dedication to the growth and development of each student, along with her tireless commitment to supporting families in our community, is truly inspiring. She doesn't just teach; she makes a profound difference in the lives of everyone around her."

Laure has been a key leader in the school's PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) program, which has earned B.L. Miller Elementary multiple PBIS awards. Her leadership goes beyond the classroom as well, where she has organized and funded resources for families in need, particularly during the holiday season.

"Mrs. Laure is a true leader," Hanley continued. "Her ability to mentor and guide fellow teachers, create a culture of joy and collaboration, and provide unwavering support to students makes her an extraordinary candidate for the Mahoning Valley Educator of the Year Award. Her well-deserved honor as the Golden Educator is truly fitting."

Congratulations, LeAnn, from all of us at Sebring Local Schools!



Sebring third-grade teacher, LeAnn Laure (center), with Superintendent Toni Viscounte (left) and B.L. Miller Elementary Principal Nichole Hanley (right).



Sebring McKinley's "Emily's Project" Fundraiser Supports 50 Legs Charity

Sebring McKinley Jr/Sr High School held its annual month-long fundraiser in March to honor the memory of former student and classmate Emily Waseman.

Emily, who tragically lost her battle with cancer in elementary school, will continue to be remembered through this year's outreach efforts. Each year, Sebring students choose a different cause to support in her honor, and this year's chosen charity was 50 Legs, an organization dedicated to providing prosthetics to individuals in need.

Students raised a grand total of \$1,563.92, through various activities including dollar days, penny wars, a bake sale and t-shirt sales.

"We are so proud of our Trojans for their hard work at giving back," said Nicole Mathias, teacher at Sebring McKinley and advisor for the annual fundraising project. "A committee of students organized and led these efforts throughout the month and they did amazing!"

The fundraising campaign kicked off with an inspiring guest speaker, Mrs. Kristin Fox, associate principal at Northeast Ohio IMPACT. Mrs. Fox shared her personal story of resilience after facing a life-altering experience in 2020 that resulted in the loss of both her arms and legs.

"We're also incredibly grateful to Mrs. Fox for joining us and sharing her testimony," added Mathias. "Her strength and determination truly motivated our students to want to give back."



Sebring's Got Talent: A Night to Remember!



Sebring Local Schools lit up the stage—and the hearts of the community—with its first annual “Sebring’s Got Talent” show, held in early April. The inaugural event welcomed students in grades K-6 to showcase their wide range of talents

The evening featured both solo and group acts, from music and dance to gymnastics, comedy, magic, and more.

One of the most memorable moments came during the choir’s performance, when audience members participated by “lighting up” the room with their phone flashlights!

Awards were presented to a few standout performances, but all student participants were recognized for their efforts.

A special shout-out goes to Jill Dennis, Sebring’s Family Engagement Coordinator, whose efforts in organizing this event—as well as many other family-focused activities throughout the year—make Sebring Local Schools such a special place to be.

Thanks to the families who attended and supported the event, as well as the volunteers and the P.I.E. group who ran concessions and assisted throughout the evening.

STEM GLOW Night: Students Shine Bright for Science

Sebring’s B.L. Miller Elementary School hosted its third annual Glow Night on February 28th, where students and their families enjoyed STEM activities while glowing in the dark.

They experienced hands-on STEM activities in a new light, covering themselves in glow paint and engaging with glow stations featuring glow Jenga, glow spoons, math activities, glow balloons, cup stacking, glow bowling, and more.

“Each year we try to add more activities and stations, keeping it fresh and engaging for our students and their families,” said Jill Dennis, family engagement coordinator for Sebring Local Schools and the Success After 6 coordinator. “We’re thankful for all of our partners, volunteers and families for making this such a fun event each year.”

Elaine Huncik, the outreach coordinator for OH WOW! Kids, provided STEM Sak bundles with a fluorescent hands-on experiment, as well as other activities for the stations. Sebring’s P.I.E group sold snacks. United Way’s Success After Six Champions partnered for the event and ran the stations, with support from McKinley High School student volunteers, staff, and other volunteers.



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2025-26 DISTRICT CALENDAR

2025-2026 DISTRICT CALENDAR OPTION #1					2025							2026									
					Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
176 Student Days - Yellow 2 PT Conference Comp - Blue 3 Staff - Pink 3 Waiver - Green					July			1	2	3	4	5	January					1	2	3	
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May 25 Memorial Day 28 End 4 th Grade Period (46 days) 28 End Semester/End Year 28 Last Day Classes 29 Staff Records Day 31 Graduation																					
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Sebring Local Schools are providing free meals on Monday through Thursday this summer, available for pickup at McKinley High School Cafeteria Door (D6), between the hours of 11:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. The Summer Meal program lasts until August 7, 2025.

Meals are available on a first come first serve basis. There will be one breakfast and lunch meal provided per student per day. There will be no meal service June 30-July 4, 2025. There will also be no meal service on July 22, 2025. July 22 meal service will be included in the July 21, 2025 pick-up.

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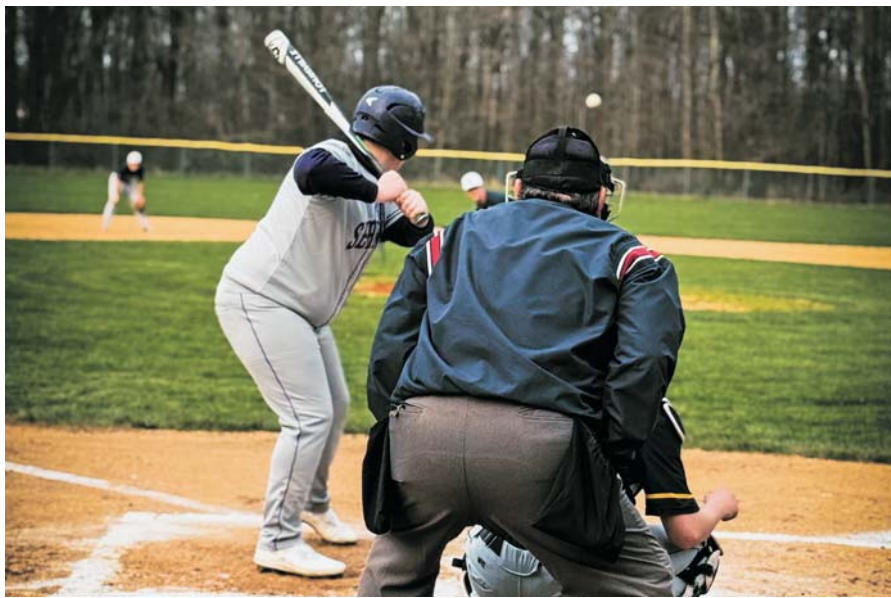
Softball: '25 Campaign Highlighted by Career Milestone

The 2025 Softball season is nearly complete with the ladies preparing for the state tournament beginning the week of May 11th. This year's dozen girls have been led by senior Allison Hoschar, who reached a milestone, on April 14th, recording her 300th career strikeout. The moment was celebrated by her coaches and teammates: Head Coach Jason Whaley, Assistant Coach Emma Whaley, seniors Myla Thomas and Bella Threet, along with underclassmen Krtistal Giron, Ava Coen, Raegan Wynn, Davianna Bowyer, Marissa Saldivar, Kiera Kemmery, Chloe Ensell, Amarianna Choice and Kiley Lacher. Hurray Alli and thank you ladies!



Cheerleaders Win State Runner Up Honors

Our Trojan cheerleaders returned to the OASSA State competition this winter and won the State Runner Up honors! The cheer squad trained hard to qualify and compete for the state competition in Columbus under the leadership of Coach Cassy Wynn. The squad was sent to their competition in true Trojan style with community-wide support and a clap-out. We are proud of our Trojan cheerleaders!



Baseball: Patience Prevails

Head Coach Daved Forde and Assistant Don Green have been working hard to rebuild the Trojan baseball program. Their patience is starting to bear fruit, as the team has been much more competitive and their knowledge of the game clearly growing. First year seniors Reece Runyan and Kaleb Rowels have joined the program as well, first year junior Gage Mates, along with rookie sophomores Thomas Lair and Parker Threet. Returning sophomores: Zach Todd, Emmett Sheen, Conner Helmick, Tony Baddeley, Blake Hunter, and Logan and Tyler Culp round out this season's roster. The growth recognized this year lends itself to a hopeful 2026 season!

Track: McKenney Steps into Head Coaching Role

First year Head Coach Conner McKenney, with the help of assistants Jacob Florida and Joe Davis, has stepped into the leadership role left vacant by long time coach Kyle Billingsly, who stepped down when his family relocated to the Cincinnati area last Spring. Their efforts to recruit new runners and throwers have been successful and the new junior high tracksters are showing a great deal of promise. Keep an eye on the following team members who will return again next year: Tenth graders Josiah Bevins, Micheal Parks, Konner Leeland, Dominick Vecchio, Daniel Defferding and Rick Zheng. Our two ninth grade girls Taylor Johnson and Alexis Stillion; as well as junior high members: Brenlee Armor, Aaliyah Bowyer, Kaydence Carver, Peyton Counter, Alanis Giron-Perez, Ahleya Grimm, Jordan Mekker-Radford and Jake Mellott.



2025 LADY TROJANS VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	BUS
SAT. AUG. 16	Valley Christian	HOME	11:00AM	
MON. AUG. 18	Lordstown	Away	5:30PM	4:15PM
TUE. AUG. 19	Lowellville	HOME	5:30PM	
WED. AUG. 20	Jackson Milton	Away	5:30PM	4:15PM
TUE . AUG. 26	Mineral Ridge	HOME	5:30PM	
THUR. AUG. 28	McDonald	AWAY	5:30PM	3:45PM
TUE. SEPT. 2	Springfield	Away	5:30PM	3:45PM
THUR. SEPT. 4	Bristol (Varsity Only)	Away	5:30PM	3:30PM
MON. SEPT. 8	Western Reserve	Away	5:30PM	4:15PM
TUE. SEPT. 9	Waterloo (JH Recognition)	HOME	5:30PM	
THUR. SEPT. 11	Campbell	HOME	5:30PM	
TUE. SEPT. 16	Lowellville	Away	5:30PM	3:45PM
THUR. SEPT. 18	Jackson Milton	HOME	5:30PM	
TUE. SEPT. 23	Mineral Ridge	Away	5:30PM	4:00PM
THUR. SEPT. 25	McDonald (Elem.Recognition)	HOME	5:30PM	
MON. SEPT. 29	Springfield	HOME	5:30PM	
WED. OCT. 1	East Palestine (Senior Night)	HOME	5:30PM	
THUR. OCT. 2	Western Reserve	HOME	5:30PM	
SAT. OCT. 4	Valley Christian	Away	11:00AM	9:30AM
MON. OCT. 6	Leetonia	Away	5:30PM	4:00PM
TUE. OCT. 7	Waterloo	Away	5:30PM	4:15PM
THUR. OCT. 9	Campbell	Away	5:30PM	3:45PM

SCRIMMAGES: August 4th at Southington 11:00AM

2025 TROJAN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	BUS
TBD	Scrimmage/TBD	TBD	TBD	
FRI. AUG. 22	Kennedy Catholic	HOME	7:00 PM	
SAT. AUG. 30	St. Mary Catholic	Away	12:00PM	8:30AM
FRI. SEPT. 5	St. Joseph Cent. Cath. (Fall Sports Recognition Night)	HOME	7:00PM	
SAT. SEPT. 13	Cardinal Stritch	Away	12:00PM	8:00AM
THURS. SEPT. 18	Valley Christian	HOME	7:00PM	
FRI. SEPT. 26	Holgate	HOME	7:00PM	
FRI. OCT. 3	Danbury (Homecoming)	HOME	7:00PM	
FRI. OCT. 10	Chalker	HOME	7:00PM	
SAT. OCT 18	Stryker	Away	1:00PM	TBD
SAT. Oct. 25	Kennedy Catholic	Away	12:00	TBD
FRI./SAT OCT. 31, NOV 1	NORTHERN 8 PLAYOFFS	TBD	7:00PM	

B.L. Miller Musical Update from Mrs. Mansfield, Choir & Music Teacher



What a fantastic year it has been for music at B.L. Miller! This year featured school-wide grade-level performances alongside numerous appearances by our brand-new Trojan Choir! We had an impressive 65 students from 2nd to 6th grade join the Trojan Choir. Their performances included caroling at Copeland Oaks in December, singing Christmas carols in the school lunchroom and at the high school Christmas concert, performing the National Anthem at a YSU game in January, winning "best group performance" at Sebring's Got Talent, and a final concert at Copeland Oaks (shown above) in April to conclude their season. We also now have choir t-shirts and are eagerly anticipating new performance opportunities next year!

In December, our K-3rd Grade Christmas concert filled the air with songs, celebrating the joy of the season. May brought our 4th-6th Grade music showcase and art show, demonstrating the students' musical achievements throughout the year. The showcase featured 4th graders on recorders, 5th and 6th graders playing the ukulele, and the 6th-grade band. It was an incredible performance to conclude our school year!

Drama Department: Greetings from the Stage!

What a spectacular show we had this March! Our talented students from both B.L. Miller and McKinley brought the beloved characters of Annie Jr. to life, showcasing the incredible range of talent we have here in Sebring. From January rehearsals to the final curtain call, our young performers poured their hearts into this production. A big round of applause for everyone involved!

We're already hard at work planning an exciting lineup for the upcoming school year. Mark your calendars for these can't-miss events:

- November 2025: Get ready for a delightful evening of entertainment with our dinner theater event. Details coming soon!
- March 2026: Our annual musical extravaganza! Stay tuned for the big reveal of our chosen production.

Are you looking for a fun way to get involved and meet new people? The Drama Department is always open to new members! Whether you're interested in acting, set design, costumes, or working behind the scenes, we have a place for you in our theatrical family. No experience necessary – just bring your enthusiasm and creativity!

Thank you for your continued support of the Sebring Drama Department. Your encouragement and attendance at our shows mean the world to our budding performers and crew members. Here's to another year of laughter, learning, and standing ovations!

McKinley Musical Update from Mr. Engstrom, Band & Choir Director

The music program at McKinley has had a busy and rewarding year, with students participating in a variety of performances and musical opportunities.

Marching Band Season Highlights: This past fall, the Trojan Marching Band supported the football team at home games and took part in several local parades and events. The season began with 35 members, and interest continues to grow—next year's marching band is expected to include around 50 students. Planning is already underway for the upcoming season, including rehearsals and summer band camp. Students interested in joining are encouraged to contact the band director for more information. The marching band's next public performance will be at the Fireman's Parade on June 7, where they will debut brand-new uniforms.



Winter Concert and Holiday Spirit: In December, the band and choir presented their annual Christmas concert (shown above), performing a variety of seasonal music. The event drew a large audience of family and community members and gave students a chance to celebrate the holiday season through music.

Concert Band at Large Group Contest: In March, the high school concert band participated in the OMEA District V Large Group Contest, earning a 'Good' rating. The feedback from adjudicators provided useful guidance as students continue to build their musical skills and prepare for future performances.

Looking Ahead: In late April, we had our spring concert, which showcased the progress students have made throughout the year, and we concluded with an awards ceremony.

The McKinley music program continues to offer students meaningful opportunities to develop as musicians and perform in a variety of settings. With continued enthusiasm and growing participation, the future looks bright for music at McKinley.

An Artistic Update from Ms. Samantha Luca

After being referred by their teacher, two students, Kiley Lacher and Aubrielle Lacher received passing scores and were identified as gifted and talented in the visual arts. On Saturday April 12th they met with a judge and then received a qualifying checklist score with their display of artwork in order to be identified. They were both successful. Congratulations to both Kiley and Aubrielle on their gifted achievement in visual art.

A total of 10 pieces of artwork were sent to the 2024-2025 ESC of Eastern Ohio Art Show that was held on May 1st. Zoey Hallett, Ruger Bowers, Kiley Lacher and Aubrielle Lacher all have pieces in the show this year. Congratulations to them on their hard work and submission into the art show. Two students received a total of 3 awards for their submissions. Congratulations goes out to Zoey Hallett who won not only The District Art Award for her watercolor painting titled *Bloody Mess*, but for also receiving Honorable Mention for the same piece in the water color category. Aubrielle Lacher also received Honorable Mention in the collage category for her painting titled *Disoriented*.

The Canfield Fair this year will be held from August 27-September 1st and will feature the artwork of 5th-8th grade students. Students' artwork will be on display in the Educational Hall during this time for families to come see. First, Second, Third Place and Honorable Mention will be given out to students in each grade. Come check it out and see all the hard work the students put in this past year.



Overthink by Aubrielle Lacher



Thorns and Roses by Kiley Lacher



Disoriented by Aubrielle Lacher



Bloody Mess by Zoey Hallett

CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHTS

A Moment for our Seniors

Congratulations to our senior class of 2025! We wish you all the best in your future endeavors! Here are some Senior Spotlights we featured on our Facebook and website. To view more, visit and follow @Sebring Local School District on Facebook and www.sebring.k12.oh.us.

Class of 2025

Extracurricular Activities:
Softball, Basketball, Volleyball, Cheer, Ecology Club, Language Club, SADD, NHS, Senior Class President.

Hobbies:
Hang out with my friends and family.

Plans After Graduation:
Attend MVNU and further my education in mechanical engineering and be apart of their cheer team.

What is one of your favorite highschool memories?
Our cheer team going to state.

What will you miss most about Sebring McKinley?
I love how close all of my peers and I are. We are like a big family.



Allison Hoschar

Class of 2025

Extracurricular Activities:
Ecology Club (10-12)

Hobbies:
Watching football, watching UFC, playing video games, and traveling the world when I can.

Plans After Graduation?
I am going to Akron University for a bachelor's degree in computer information systems in cybersecurity.

What is one of your favorite highschool memories?
Enrichment class when I brought a virtual reality headset to have Mrs Hollback try out. She gave the best reaction.

What will you miss most about Sebring McKinley?
The teachers, especially the ones that I had throughout my time at Sebring.



Nathaniel Lemasters

Class of 2025

Extracurricular Activities:
Basketball (9-12), Baseball(12), E-sports (10), Football (10), and Golf(12).

Hobbies:
Videos games, golfing, hanging out with friends, and playing basketball.

Plans After Graduation?
Learning a trade.

What is one of your favorite highschool memories?
My junior year as a whole.

What will you miss most about Sebring McKinley?
All my friends and Mr. Schaffer.



Reece Runyon

Class of 2025

Extracurricular Activities:
Ecology club (10-12)

Hobbies:
Playing video games, hanging out with friends and cooking.

Plans After Graduation?
Go further in my culinary career.

What is one of your favorite highschool memories?
Mrs. Hollback trying out a VR headset.

What will you miss most about Sebring McKinley?
I am going to miss the teachers and some of my best friends if we go separate ways.



Kyle Summers

Class of 2025

Extracurriculars:
SADD, Ecology Club, Yearbook, Language Club

Hobbies:
Going for walks, hikes, and spending time with friends and family.

Plans after graduation?
To attend college and get my BSN degree.

What is one of your favorite highschool memories?
Going to the extracurriculars outside of school.

What will you miss most about Sebring McKinley?
Being able to see my friends and teachers every day.



Madison Vesey

Class of 2025
Valedictorian

Extracurricular Activities:
Basketball (9-10), Track (9-11), Band, Academic Challenge, Language Club, Ecology Club, SADD

Hobbies:
Reading and running.

Plans After Graduation?
Attend the University of Cincinnati to major in Chemical Engineering and eventually spend a semester studying abroad.

What is one of your favorite highschool memories?
Sip and paints in Mrs. Mathias' room.

What will you miss most about Sebring McKinley?
The conversations with teachers and staff.



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