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Color Run/Health Fair

The Versailles FFA Officer Team and Healthy Lifestyle Committee proudly present the 2nd Annual 5K Color Run and Health Fair on Saturday, October 29, with proceeds to benefit Making Strides Against Breast Cancer-American Cancer Society. The Color Run will officially kick off and start the clock at 9 a.m. on the track behind Versailles Exempted Village School Board Office (old high school). The address is 459 S. Center Street, Versailles, Ohio. Day of race registration for the Color Run will be from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. by the track area.

Pre-registration is \$15 with a shirt or \$9 without a shirt and deadline is Monday, October 24. After October 24th and day of the race cost will be \$20 with a shirt (while supply lasts) or \$12 without a shirt. The race and t-shirt is free for breast cancer survivors (diagnosis throughout the rest of life). Registration forms are located at Versailles Schools offices, on the high school's website at <http://hs.versailles.k12.oh.us/academics/ffa/>, John IGA, Versailles Ace Hardware, Ernst, and in the Versailles Policy.

In conjunction with the 5K, Versailles FFA will host a Health Fair in the old gym located behind the Board Office (come in Door 7). The Health Fair will be open to the public from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m., with a special emphasis on breast cancer.

Recognition

I want to recognize our tremendous students and staff at Versailles Schools, who have made the start of the school year very positive. It is great to see smiling faces at the school again.



- Good luck to boys and girls golf on their upcoming state tournament runs.
- The cross country, volleyball, marching band and football programs are also finding success.
- October 8th is the Versailles HS Marching Band Invitational at HB Hole Field.
- Good luck to the academic team as they start competition too.
- Congratulations to the Versailles FFA and Mrs. Dena Wuebker for hosting hundreds of area FFA chapters for the Greenhand Conference on September 17.

Marching Band Parade Change

After reviewing the safety and liability of the Versailles High School marching band parade route to the football field during Friday home football games with the Versailles Police Department, it was determined that increased supervision and safety measures are needed. To meet the student safety needs, the marching band will only do the parades to the football field twice a year. Once for Homecoming and once for a youth activity. This will allow the Versailles Police and Fire Departments along with the schools to work together to ensure the safety of students during what could be a dangerous time.

The VHS Marching Band and High School Administration recognize the importance the band is to the community and will continue to be supportive of the students who provide great entertainment for all. If you have questions or concerns about the decision, please contact me at 937-526-4773 or by email at aaron.moran@vtigers.org.

Pedestrian Safety

Versailles Schools crossing guards recently met with Ohio Department of Transportation to receive crossing guard training and to review our procedures. After consulting with Worch Library, Versailles Police Department and Versailles School's crossing guards, the following changes are effective immediately to improve safety around the school building during peak hours of 7:40 - 8:00 a.m. and 3:05- 3:15 p.m.:

- In the morning and afternoons, all bike riders will need to walk bikes from the Center Street entrance to the bike rack by the playground. All bike riders are to walk with their bikes on the sidewalk or just off the sidewalk.
- Student and staff automobile traffic are not to enter the Elmwood Street entrance to the school after 7:40 a.m. or exit this after school until after 3:15 p.m.

Crossing guards provide safety for student traffic. Continued courtesy for their safety is appreciated.

ACT or SAT

Due to the limited exposure and experiences with SAT, Versailles Schools will utilize the ACT for the Spring 2017 mandatory testing for Juniors. This test will be conducted using paper and pencil.

Juniors will also take the PSAT test in October. The PSAT test will provide students, staff and parents with an opportunity to experience a SAT like test and the possible resources available to improve student learning.

Further dialogue with students, parents, and teachers will occur after each testing sessions to gain input of each group's perspectives on each test.

Testing for the 2017-18 school year will be decided by high school administration.

Achievement

Performance Index Grade of B

Our Performance Index is based on the number of all tests multiplied by a number based on where the students scored on only tests of ELA and Math of grades 3-10. Example: We had 703 students score at the advanced levels on 1,957 total tests. This is then given a percentage of 35.9% multiplied by the weight for Advanced of 1.2 to get 43.1 points. We received 100.7 points of a possible 120. This is 83.9%, which gives us the "B" grade.

Grading scales for Performance Index

A: 90%-100% B: 80%-89.9% C: 70%- 79.9%
D: 50%-69.9% F: 49.9% and lower

Indicators Met Grade of B

This grade is based on whether the district met the State Standard for percent proficient for each test. State Standards are not uniform. Depending on the grade and test subject the standard could be 66%- 80%. We met 26 of 29 indicators which was a 89.7%.

Grading scales for Performance Index

A: 90%-100% B: 80%-89.9% C: 70%- 79.9%
D: 50%-69.9% F: 49.9% and lower

Some perspective on our district Achievement Grade of B. The state put out the following information:

- 2 Districts received A grades for Performance Index. 66 Districts received B grades. This is out of 608 schools.
- 22 Districts received A grades for Indicators Met Grade. 31 Districts received B grades. This is out of 608 schools.

Overall Achievement Component grades for the state: 8 A's and 66 B's
http://reportcard.education.ohio.gov/Documents/State_Report_Card.pdf

According to information in the Dayton Daily News, Versailles had the 4th highest score in the MAC and 9th (of 102 schools) of in the Miami Valley

http://www.mydaytondailynews.com/data/news/ohio-school-report-card/2015-16/?icmp=daytondaily_internallink_referralbox_free-to-premium-referral

Gap Closing

Annual Measurable Objectives Grade of D

This score is based on Proficiency Rates for all groups of students in Math and English Language Arts. For Versailles, groups include all students, white students, economically disadvantaged, and special education. To be a group there must be more than 30 students in the testing. Each group meeting the state goal of proficiency (ELA 74.2 percent proficient, Math 68.5) is worth a 100 points. If a group does not meet the goal zero points are awarded. If improvement is percentage of proficient students are seen the partial points are awarded. Also included in this is Graduation Rate for the subgroups.

ELA received zero points for not meeting the goal in any group. Math received 338.9 for meeting the goal in every area but Student with Disabilities. This group did receive some points for improvement.

Graduation Rate received the max 200 points for meeting goal of 82.8% in all groups.

The grade takes the percentage of points from each category (0 ELA, 84.7 Math, 100 Graduation) then divides by three. 61.6% for Versailles.

Another caveat is a letter grade could be reduced by one letter based on participation in testing of all groups. All groups must meet the 95% participation rate. Versailles did meet this threshold for every group.

Grading scales for Gap Closing

A: 90%-100% B: 80%-89.9% C: 70%- 79.9%
D: 60%-69.9% F: 59.9% and lower

In the Dayton Daily News Article, only 17 of the 102 schools received a grade above F.

In the state out of 608 schools the breakdown was:
A's--2, B's--17, C's--28, D's- 35, F's--526

Prepared for Success

This score is based on cohort of students who entered 9th grade in 2011 and 2012. Points are earned for students who take the ACT/SAT, remediation free scores on ACT/SAT, Honors Diploma Awarded, Advanced Placement course participation, Advanced Placement testing, Industry-Recognized Credentials, Dual Enrollment Credit and International Baccalaureate participation and testing (which we do not offer). Additionally, the number of students who enrolled in college within two years after graduation from high school and those who

graduated from college 6 years after high school graduation are considered.

Bonus points for students who were remediation free on all parts of the ACT or SAT, earned honors diploma and or industry recognized credentials or earned qualifying scores on AP exams, International Baccalaureate exams, or earned college credit before leaving high school are calculated. Our score on all the above was 65.6%, which is a B.

Grading scales for Prepared For Success

A: 85.0%-100% B: 65.0%-84.9% C: 34%- 64.9%
D: 15.0%-33.9% F: 14.9% and lower

Graduation Rate

This grade is based on 60% for 4 year graduation and 40% for graduation with 5 years. Versailles grade is an A.

Our four year graduation rate was 100%, five year graduation rate is 99%.

Grading scales for Graduation Rate

A: 95.0%-100% B: 90.0%-94.9% C: 85.0%- 89.9%
D: 80.0%-84.9% F: 79.9% and lower

K-3 Literacy

K-3 Literacy measures whether students who were identified on a diagnostic test as below grade level one year and the following year tested at grade level (3rd grade is based on state testing in the Fall and Spring). In grades K-3 we had 52 students from the previous year that were off track on literacy. That number decreased by 15. This made or percentage 28.8%.

Grading scales for K-3 Literacy

A:81.4%-100%
B: 62.6%-81.3%
C: 43.8%-62.5%
D: 25.0%-43.7%
F: 24.9% and lower

100% of Third Grade students in 2015-16 met Ohio Department of Education requirements for promotion to 4th grade. 68.5% passed the state test, the remainder passed alternative assessments approved by the state or achieved approved scores by the state.

Progress / Value Added

This is the Value Added Scores. Below are the scores for each building and district. Remember to be a group you must have 30 students to receive a grade. A "C" grade indicates students grew/learned a year, which would be expected. "B and A" Grades mean students learned/grew more than an expected year.

The grades established for Value Added is based on your index scores.

Grading scales for Value Added

A: index at or above 2.0
B: Index from 1.0 to 1.99
C: Index from -1.00 to .99
D: Index from -2.0 to -1.01
F: Index a below -2.0

What does this mean to us in the district and the entire school community? We are doing a pretty good job! We should be proud of our work demonstrated to help students learn. The efforts of everyone from the teachers, aides, secretaries, custodians, food service, principals, volunteers, bus drivers, parents and everyone else to meet the needs of students is seen.

We also can recognize areas for improvement. We are always striving to improve practices to have a positive impact on student learning every year. This will continue by breaking down silos, being creative and getting to know students.

Work Keys

WorkKeys is an industry credential and workforce readiness test. Earn a minimum of 12 points by receiving a State Board of Education-approved, industry-recognized credential or group of credentials in a single career field and earn a 13 on WorkKeys, a work-readiness test. The State of Ohio will pay one time for you to take the WorkKeys test. Versailles Schools plan to offer the test during June.

New LED Sign

The district has installed new signage at the Board of Education office. The electronic sign will be updated regularly to inform the community of student success, upcoming school activities and general school information.