



SUPERINTENDENT'S TIP OF THE HAT



—May 6, 2026—

C-TEC Hosts annual Signing Day, May 1, 2026

And, so, we reach the last month of the 2025-26 school year and prepare to send the graduating Class of 2026 on to the next phase of their journey toward adulthood.

I know that, like me, you are looking forward to another stirring commencement ceremony in Frank H. Chambers Stadium on May 22.

This week, with the help of our PTO, we are also celebrating “Teacher Appreciation Week.”

Looking a bit further down the road, we also anticipate another exciting performance by The Big Red Band in the annual Johnstown Fireman’s Festival Parade, and the Johnstown Independence Day Fireworks Celebration on our campus on July 3!

C-TEC held its annual “Signing Day” on Friday, May 1, during which parents and accepted juniors are invited to the C-TEC campus to “sign” their intent to attend C-TEC, to meet teachers, to attend lab meetings, and more.





JHS Students Complete Mentorship Program



Congratulations to our JHS students who celebrated the completion of their Licking Regional ESC Mentorship Program experience with a celebratory breakfast with their mentors on April 27. Mentorships are available to high school juniors and seniors with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, and excellent teacher/counselor recommendation. Students are placed with a mentor in the career field of their choice, and those who successfully complete all program requirements, including minimum clock hours with mentor, reaction papers, and final project, earn half a credit for the semester of participation. Johnstown-Monroe students included Evan Mead (mentor Kristian Graham), Luke Orsini (mentors Kristy Flickinger & Tucker Arthurs), Lilah Penhorwood (mentors Josh Poland & Madison Miller), Isabella Sileargy (mentor Sierra See), Abigail Smith (mentors Angela Zirille & Katherine Shaffer) and Josie Vida (mentor Dr. Mourad Abdelmessih).



Students' Art Abilities Showcased

Thanks to all our families who visited Johnstown-Monroe's District Arts Reception on April 28, 2026. Enjoy video highlights [HERE](#).



JES Holds "Camp Day," May 1, 2026

Johnstown Elementary School students enjoyed a post-Ohio Testing camp day on Friday, May 1, 2026.





Composer Lisa Galvin recently visited JMS to work with our 7th and 8th grade bands. Mrs. Galvin wrote a song that each band is playing for their spring concert and performing also at the OMEA Jr. High Large Group Adjudicated Event on May 15, 2026.

A native Ohioan, Lisa Galvin holds two degrees in Music Education from The Ohio State University. She retired after 30 years of successful instrumental teaching in the Reynoldsburg and Hilliard City School Districts. Her middle school and high school performing ensembles have been invited to perform at local, state and national venues, and they consistently received Superior Ratings at both District and State level events sanctioned by the Ohio Music Education Association.

7th, 8th Grade Bands Meet Composer Whose Works They Will Perform In May Competition



Help Us Grow Our Team!

Johnstown-Monroe is hiring! View all available positions [HERE](#).

JMS Citizens Of The Month

Congratulations to Johnstown Middle School "Citizens of the Month" (from left): Giovanni Fraire Rios, Eli Conn, Alexa Strausser, Kate Kisner, Mrs. Zink ("Teacher of the Month" for Energy Enthusiast), Hadley Dempsey and Tyler Hanna.



JHS Students Hold Annual Mock Trial

Johnstown High School students engaged in an annual "Mock Trial" exercise on May 1, 2026, seeking justice for "homicide victim" "Candy Cane." See video highlights [HERE](#).



Month Of The Military Child



April was the “Month of the Military Child,” when we take time to honor our students whose families are engaged in military service to our country. Johnstown Elementary, a proud, “Purple Star School,” (a distinction awarded by the State in recognition of JES’ continuing support of military families) served a donut breakfast to students of military families on April 30. JMS provided a similar breakfast on Friday of the final week of April.

JIS student Grady O’Donnell’s father, John, a Sergeant First Class in the Army, spoke with students on April 30, as they ate lunch. The O’Donnells were also treated to a pizza lunch courtesy of Johnstown American Legion Post 254. The O’Donnells will be re-locating soon for John O’Donnell’s final Army posting. Video [HERE](#).



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