



SUPERINTENDENT'S TIP OF THE HAT



—March 20, 2026—

Erin Reilly Honored With “You Made A Difference” Award

Johnstown High School Intervention Specialist Erin Reilly is this year's Couglin Automotive, “You Made A Difference” Award Recipient.

She was nominated for the award by student Erin Farley, who also presented the award during a March 12 awards ceremony at C-TEC.

Each year, a teacher in each of Licking County's public school districts, as well as C-TEC, Licking County ESC and Newark Catholic are selected for the honor.



Welcome to another round-up of all the exciting things going on within our schools!

On Wednesday, March 25, Johnstown-Monroe will host a career exploration event for our 135 ninth grade students. This event was developed in partnership with Vantage Data Centers. The event is designed to connect students with real-world career pathways in technology infrastructure, skilled trades, and construction through hands-on experiences and direct interaction with industry professionals. This event reflects our ongoing commitment to connecting students with in-demand careers and community partners who are invested in developing the next generation of Ohio's tech and trades workforce.

“Charlie & The Chocolate Factory” Wows Audiences



J-M Alumni Returns to Educate JIS Students

Johnstown Intermediate School's ROX program welcomed guest speaker and Johnstown Alumni, Allison Murrell, who spoke with 5th grade girls about her career as a pediatric emergency nurse at Nationwide Children's Hospital on March 18. She spoke with students about her memories as a Johnnie, what being a nurse entails, and taught them how to use a stethoscope.



JIS Holds 2nd Book Fair Of The Year

Johnstown Intermediate hosted its second Scholastic Book Fair of the school year. The sale ran from March 16-20.



JHS Students Mentor 7th Graders

Josie Vida, JHS student, recently completed a project for her Global Scholars class. She worked with JMS School Counselor Mrs. Jennifer Herr to form a mentoring experience. Josie selected 14 JHS female students willing to mentor a JMS 7th grader.

The aim of the program was to foster strong relationships, boost the mentees' confidence, and develop leadership skills in the mentors. Josie felt this experience would provide a supportive resource for students navigating the middle school experience. Another goal for the mentees was to learn to manage stress in a healthy way.



Bands Earn Superior Ratings!

Congratulations!

Johnstown–Monroe High School

Concert & Symphonic
BANDS

**OMEA Large Group Adjudicated Event
District 10 – Saturday, March 7, 2026**



Superior Ratings
...and heading to State Contest!

Students Continue Recycling Campaign

JIS students are determined to help the planet by encouraging recycling within Johnstown-Monroe schools. With the support of Johnstown Intermediate School instructors Katie Shaffer and Holly Ruffle, the students met with Superintendent Dr. Philip H. Wagner, and the Director of Operations Derick Busenburg, in early February to discuss their goals of raising awareness within JIS and creating less waste. On March 10, the students delivered new recycling bins to the District offices within JIS.



JHS Students Participate In COTC Healthcare Expo

Fourteen Johnstown High School students participated in a COTC Healthcare EXPO field trip on Thursday, March 12. Michael Molloy and Abby Lambert chaperoned the trip.



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