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CCS and Junior Achievement of East Tennessee

Clinton City Schools has a long-standing relationship with Junior Achievement of East Tennessee. These programs are designed to help prepare students in the areas of financial literacy and economics. With the support of many community members and the City of Clinton, Junior Achievement Activities continue to grow across our school system.

Each year, all grade levels (K-6) participate in five Junior Achievement classroom sessions led by community volunteers.

Kindergarten: Introduce importance of saving through storybook characters.

1st grade: Family members' jobs and businesses contribute to the well-being of the family.

2nd grade: Practical information about businesses and occupations.

3rd and 4th grade: Money management and



how entrepreneurs use resources to produce goods and services in a community.

6th grade: Preparing for the working world and explore careers.

Students in 5th grade enjoy a full day experience through **JA Biz Town**. This program combines in-class learning with their visit to a fully-interactive simulated town. "Biz -Town" is located in The Hollingsworth Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership. Students apply for jobs, operate banks, manage restaurants, write checks, and even vote for mayor of JA Biz Town. Students are

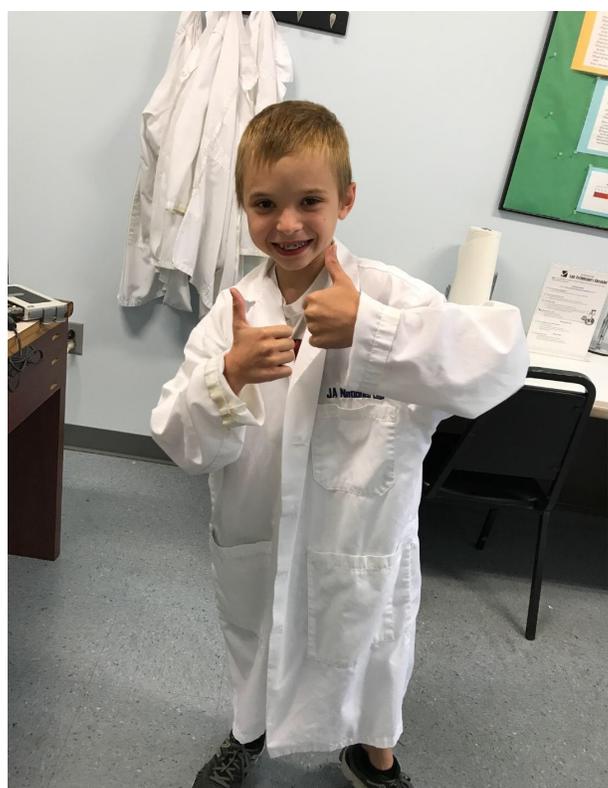
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immersed in real world activities in an effort to connect what they learn in school to what they will do as adults.

We added a new component to our collaboration with Junior Achievement this year.

JA Biz Town Summer Venture Camp ran from June 26-30. Forty-two rising 4th-6th grade students from Clinton City Schools participated in this free event. During this week, campers took a look at what is important in a community. They designed a blueprint of their ideal city and determined the leadership that would be needed to be successful. Each camper decided what position they were interested in and applied, as well as interviewed, for the job. On day two, campers designed a business plan

including budgets and financial obligations. They explored ways to get what they needed in order to open their business and get ready for customers. As they opened their businesses, they learned how to manage their money and use checking and savings accounts. On the fifth



and final day, campers wrapped up the week by creating logos, producing product mock-ups (or service descriptions), and presenting their business ideas in a town meeting. Parents were invited to attend this final event.

Clinton City Schools partnership with Junior Achievement allows our students to participate in experiences that will help them be successful in society. This program helps us meet our goal of developing a well-rounded student. It is also a wonderful way for community members to become involved in the classroom! We appreciate all the support from the City of Clinton, Joe Hollingsworth, and community members!



New Teachers Join CCS

We welcome several new faces to Clinton City Schools for the 2017-18 school year (from top to bottom, left to right)

Jason Glashauser – NCES/SCES Music Teacher

Lora Gaylor – CES Instructional Assistant

Jyl Smithson – NCES 3rd Grade Teacher

Stephanie Reynolds – CES Instructional Assistant

Casie Kyte – CES Librarian

Jamie Terry – CES Kindergarten Teacher

Drews Royce – NCES Speech/Language Pathologist

Allison Reid – CES 1st Grade Teacher

Brandi Guldash - CES 2nd Grade Teacher



Andie Breeden – SCES Special Education Teacher

Ashley Webb- NCES/SCES Art Teacher

Erin Cooper – SCES 5th Grade Teacher

Allison Swanner – CES Art Teacher

Otho Brown Scholarship

Cathy Brown, owner of Otho Brown Realty in Clinton, is a strong supporter of Clinton City Schools. Each year, she awards scholarships to Clinton City teachers who want to further their education in order to benefit the students in CCS. Since the inception of the scholarship fund, Ms. Brown has given almost \$95,000 to teachers in Clinton City for advanced degrees. This year, Erin Collier and Abbey Kidwell, both teachers at South Clinton Elementary, were the recipients of this scholarship. They both will be attending UT to obtain a degree in Leadership and Administration, and they both will be excellent candidates for future administrators in our system. Thank you, Cathy Brown, for your contribution to the success of Clinton City Schools. We appreciate you!



Clinton City Schools BLAZE into Basketball



the several new programs this year aimed to build on the personal talents of our students.”

The game schedule will be posted as soon as it is finalized. Participating in the CCS Blaze is free to students other than the cost of basketball shoes. If any Clinton City Schools alumni or area business is interested in making a donation towards uniforms or gymnasium improvements, please contact us! We look forward to building another wonderful opportunity for our students in Clinton City!

CCS is “blazing” into new territory this year with a new basketball program for fifth and sixth graders. The Clinton City Blaze will integrate all three schools into one basketball team for boys and girls. Team try-outs will be held during the month of September, and each team will be comprised of 12-15 members. Games will be played from the end of October through mid-December. CCS Blaze will be playing other middle school sixth grade teams in the nearby area.

This year, games will be played at the Clinton Community Center. Over the course of this year, improvements will be made to the CES gymnasium with the hopes of playing games on our home court next season. Director Kelly Johnson stated, “Our focus this year is on developing well-rounded students who not only excel in academics, but also in personal areas of interests and talents. Over the course of this year, parents will see improvements in our fine arts and enrichment programs. Creating the CCS Blaze is just one of



Meet the CCS Blaze Staff:

Boys Blaze Coach: Jeff Little

Blaze Coordinator: ET Stamey

Girls Blaze Coach: Terri Kerley

3-D Printing Enhances Learning at CES!

STEM is a large focus in Clinton Elementary's sixth grade program. This year, students were welcomed into sixth grade with two new 3-D printers in Mrs. O'Dell's



room; an exceptional teacher of social studies and science. This year, students will be applying their math skills experimenting with Science concepts to

develop a deep understanding of standards.



To get students oriented to the 3-D printers, students worked with a computer imaging program to create a figure. Once their idea was completed on the computer program, they used the 3-D printer to bring their vision into life!

The 3-D printers also allow Mrs. O'Dell to create models for teaching science concepts. Early in the year, she created a 3-D skull model from

the printer. If she purchased a similar product from an educational company, it would have cost approximately \$50.00. However, her 3-D model was created for only a few

dollars! The printers have advanced tremendously over the past few years. The level of detail in the sculptures is amazing!



Students will be utilizing the printers throughout the year as science and math concepts are explored. If you want to see engaged and excited students, who regularly practice critical, analytical, and creative thinking, come see us! The 3-D printers are just one tool that we use to deepen the learning of our students!

It's Coupon Book Time At Clinton City!!!



It is finally here! The “Schools Win” Coupon Book for Clinton City and Anderson County Schools is making its debut on September 7 and will run through September 27. This coupon book highlights many of the area businesses in Anderson County, providing an abundance of savings to those who purchase. There is also a section of Sevier County attractions which can provide great family fun on Fall Break!

Each coupon book costs \$10.00 with \$7.50 staying at the local school. Individual schools will use the funds raised to enhance existing instructional tools and programs for students.

Community members can purchase a coupon book at any of the three schools or at Central Office. Director Kelly Johnson states, “The Schools Win Coupon Book is win-win for everyone involved. Local businesses will see an increase in patrons, community members will benefit from an enormous amount of savings, and schools will obtain additional funds to provide a quality educational experience for our city.”

If you haven’t purchased your coupon book yet, come today!! Clinton City appreciates the support of businesses in our community to bring this opportunity to our area!

Did you know....

- That CCS has a new webpage layout for both districts and schools? Check us out at www.clintonschools.org
- That you can follow us on social media? Facebook: Clinton City Schools; Twitter: ClintonCity_CCS; Instagram: clintoncityschools
- That CCS students and staff believe in growth mindset? With grit and resilience, if you believe it, you can achieve it!
- That CCS has a comprehensive College and Career Readiness Program that builds a strong foundation in the elementary grades for future success?
- That CCS is placing a priority on academics while creating well-rounded students who have the opportunity to excel in specific areas of talents?
- That students attend weekly technology classes that teach foundational skills for future success in our digital environment?
- That each school has access to coding robots, Dot and Dash, that allow students to explore coding concepts.

