

March 13, 2020



News from the Logan Elm Local School District

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Schools will be closed March 13 - April 3 per proclamation of Gov. Mike DeWine

On March 12, 2020, Governor DeWine announced that all schools in Ohio will be closed for three weeks. In response to this announcement, Logan Elm Schools will be closed from Friday, March 13th through Friday, April 3rd.

More information is available on our website (please click [here](#) for a direct link). We will continue to monitor this evolving situation, keeping the safety of our students and staff as our priority. We will provide updates via our district's webpage (loganelm.org); Twitter account (@loganelmschools) and our automated call system, One Call Now, if applicable.

We would like to remind you of the following recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends typical infectious disease precautions for COVID-19, just as those used to prevent cold or flu:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your mouth, nose, or eyes.
- Cover coughs/sneezes with your arm or a tissue.
- Avoid exposure to others who are sick.
- Stay home if you are ill (except to visit a health care professional) and avoid close contact with others.
- Get adequate sleep and eat well-balanced meals to ensure a healthy immune system.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

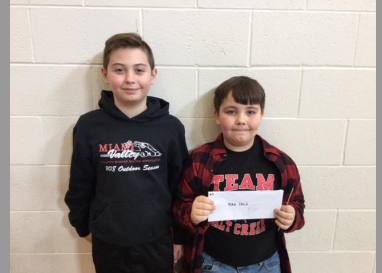
Salt Creek and Washington Students Compete in "Instant Challenges"

On Saturday, February 29th, nine Logan Elm students participated in the annual PEGASUS Instant Challenge Day at Circleville Elementary School. Approximately fifty students from around the county participated in the event. The students participated in ten "instant challenges" such as create a new sport, write a song and the traditional egg drop.

The team from Salt Creek, Taegan Johnston, Kiera Champlin, and Piper Johnson, won First Place

(pictured at right). The team from Washington (Ella Vanderpool, Davion Moran, and Emma Hutchinson) won Second Place (below, left). Other participants were Bryson Blair and Stephen Snyder from Salt Creek (below, center) and Josie Blair from Washington Elementary (below, right).

The students had a wonderful experience and they are looking forward to next year! PEGASUS is an organization of parents of gifted students in Pickaway County.



McDowell Middle School Artists Win Awards

McDowell Middle School art students, under the instruction of Robyn Helsel, have been recognized as award winners in multiple shows and contests this year. This year's students are carrying on the strong tradition in the visual fine arts at Logan Elm and we look forward to seeing them continue to grow as artists as they progress through High School.



Kimber Waddell and Carson Summers recently won Ohio Youth Art Month Flag and Graphic Design awards.



Savannah Conley and Aurora O'Phalen recently learned their 2019 artwork was awarded 1st place (State level) for the National Association of Conservation Districts poster contest.

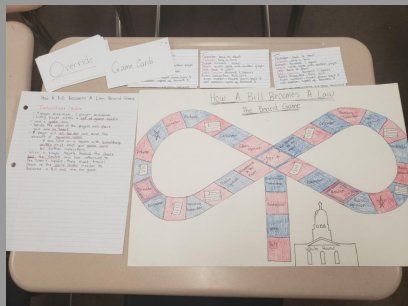
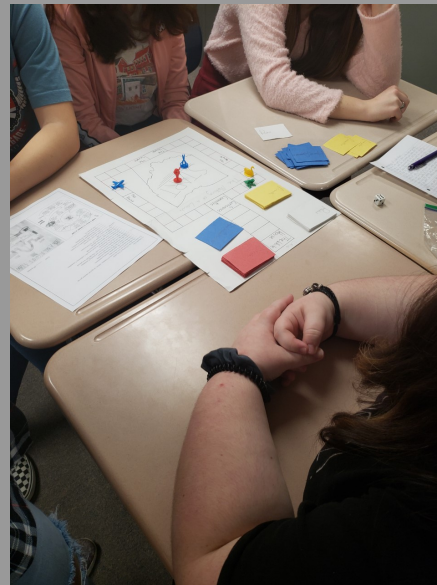
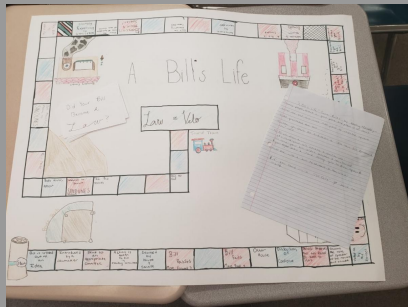
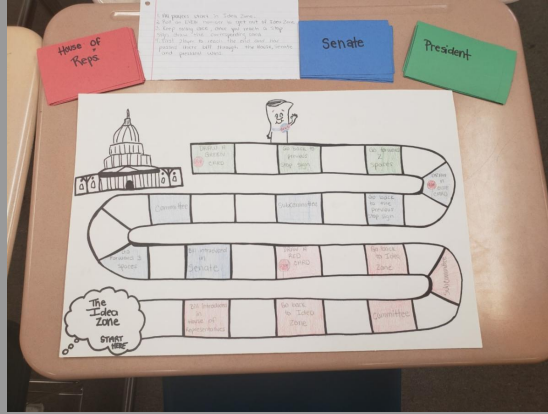


Clara Wilson, Kimber Waddell, Kirsten Dulaney, Zailyn Harmon, Jude Palmer and Carson Summers recently had artwork displayed in Columbus at various state office buildings.

American Government Students Create Board Games

Jason Shepherd's American Government classes recently studied how a bill becomes a law. In order to demonstrate their new-found knowledge, the students created board games to highlight the process.

Mr. Shepherd said, "The "How a Bill becomes a Law" Board Game project/lesson took a total of 5 days. Students were given 4 days to design their board game by utilizing a guiding rubric that highlighted the lawmaking process both in the US House of Representatives and the Senate. Students were encouraged to not make their games easy to reflect the true nature of trying to get a bill passed into a law, which is extremely difficult. On the last day of the project, students worked through rotations to play each game. Students' games were evaluated through the use of a rubric. Students' games needed to have specific components/steps in the lawmaking process reflected in their games. Overall, the creativity, in-depth thought, and learning that students gained as well as displayed through their conversations while playing the games was simply awesome!"



School Social Worker and Nurse's Aide Join LE Staff

Using the recently distributed Student Wellness and Success funds from the state, Logan Elm has hired a School Social Worker and a Nurse's Aide.

Jennifer Murphy is joining the Logan Elm staff as the School Social Worker. Jennifer is a licensed independent social worker and a licensed independent chemical dependency counselor. She has 17 years experience in the social work field and has worked in the juvenile court system, public schools, community mental health, foster care setting, and hospitals. She will be working with staff across the district to help support students and families. Her experience in crisis counseling will be an asset to our community.

Amy Hoover is joining the Logan Elm staff as the Nurse's Aide. She will be assisting the School Nurse with health screenings, medical records, and student health care. Amy is an LPN and has over 13 years of experience in the field. She previously worked in a pediatric office, ambulatory surgery center, in research at OSU Wexner Medical Center, and at local employee convenience care clinic.

We are excited to welcome Jennifer and Amy to our Logan Elm staff! If you would like to contact them, you may call 740-474-7538.

Thank You!

Thank you for reading the Logan Elm Schools e-Newsletter! We appreciate your interest in the students and activities of all Logan Elm schools!

Our e-newsletter is distributed on the second and fourth Friday of

each month.

Pictured: All Logan Elm schools have implemented Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports this year.

Recently, McDowell Middle School students who had passing grades in all subjects and no disciplinary reports for the 3rd Quarter were treated to a pancake breakfast...if they could catch the pancakes!



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