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## Superintendent's E-Newsletter

Miami East Local Schools

January 20, 2023

### From the Superintendent...

Last week Mr. Rohrer and the 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers had a wonderful surprise for one of our fifth grade students.

Addi Byers mom had been deployed overseas since last spring. Mom was not supposed to return home until the end of the month. Mom was sent home earlier than expected.

Mr. Rohrer arranged for the fifth grade class to zoom in and talk to mom in class using an internet connection. Then, they acted like the internet went down. Mrs. St. Dennis called for tech support to come to her class to make the repair to the internet. When there was a knock on the door.... Mrs. Byers was standing at the doorway.

There was not a dry eye to be seen.

Thanks to Chief Ashley Byers (US Air Force) for your service to our country and the elementary for this special moment.



## **Welcome Deputy Wes Kilby**

Deputy Wes Kilby has been selected to be the new SRO at Miami-East.

We have every confidence that Wes will be a good fit at Miami-East! He started his career eight years ago in the Brookville police department and came to work in Miami County in 2019.

Please welcome Deputy Kilby to Miami East!



## **STAFF APPRECIATION NIGHT**

### **19th annual “Staff Appreciation Night”**

Miami East is excited to once again hold its 19th annual “Staff Appreciation Night” on Friday, January 20th between the boys Junior Varsity and Varsity games.

Senior team members and staff members will be introduced at the conclusion of the Junior Varsity game.

### **Miami East Performing Arts Presents:**



Performances:

Friday, March 17, 2023 @ 7PM

Saturday, March 18, 2023 @ 7PM

Sunday, March 19, 2023 @ 2:30 PM



### **January FFA Member of the Month**

The January 2023 Miami East-MVCTC FFA Member of the Month is Wyatt Black. He is a sophomore and second year member of the Miami East-MVCTC FFA Chapter. His parents are Kris and Becky Black of Piqua.

Wyatt was selected because of his overall contribution to the varied successes of the Miami East-MVCTC FFA Chapter. Recently, Wyatt was named a National FFA \$1,000 Supervised Agriculture Experience Grant Recipient. His SAE consists of repurposing chassis to wagons and trailer beds. He will use the grant to purchase equipment necessary to grow and succeed in his business. In November, he competed in the state finals of the Ohio FFA Animal Management Career Development Event where the team placed eleventh in the state. In October, Wyatt represented Ohio FFA and the chapter at the American Royal Livestock Judging Contest in Kansas City, Missouri.

Every month of the school year the Miami East-MVCTC FFA will select a student to be the FFA Member of the Month. The officer team will nominate one member that has been actively involved in the FFA chapter, school and community activities. If selected, the members will be recognized at the monthly FFA meeting, have their picture displayed in the Miami East Ag Room, and will receive a special accolade in celebration of their accomplishment.



### **2023 Summer Shutdown Week**

**2023 Summer Shutdown Week** will be July 3rd thru July 9th. Enjoy your week off! Miami East has instituted a mandatory shutdown period for all Miami East students in grades 7 - 12 in Athletics, Band, and all extra-curricular activities for this week. All school facilities will be closed, and there will be no practices or activities this week.

## **Congratulations to the Miami East Swim Team**

Congratulations to the Miami East Swim Team and their awesome time drops this weekend! Shout out to Lexi Skaggs who won her heat in the 50 freestyle. Lexi came in first again in her 100 freestyle with Bailey Taylor finishing right next to her in second. Bianca Stevens swam her first 500 of the season! Way to go Miami East Viking Swimmers!

### **Heart of Ohio**

Faced with a long day the girls demonstrated their ability to prepare, preform, and recover. Effort and intensity was through the roof!

Kira 1st  
Maryn 7th  
Kolbi 1st



## **Miami County Magic**

Miami East welcomed the Miami County Magic! Students from Riverside RT played during halftimes of the varsity and reserve games.



Photo by Mike Ullery



The Bethel and Miami East Hope Squads are joining together to sponsor Hoops for Hope night at the Bethel Versus Miami East Boys Basketball game on February 3rd.

The Hope Squads work to support suicide and mental health awareness and to fight the stigma around getting help.

T-shirts will be sold in Bethel Green and Miami East Blue with all proceeds going towards the Hope Squad's suicide prevention projects. Look for order forms to be sent out next week and help us spread the message of hope because, "You Matter."

## HOOPS FOR HOPE T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

Hoops for Hope is coming on Friday, February 3, 2023  
at Bethel High School.

We want to sell more shirts than those Bethel Bees,  
so order yours today and we will "Blue Them Out!"

Complete the form below and return to the  
**High School Office** with your payment.

Orders Due By **FRIDAY- JANUARY 20!**

Shirts can be picked up in the High School Office on  
Wednesday, February 1, 2023



Indicate the number of shirts you would like in the boxes below:

Short sleeve t-shirt - \$15

Youth Large	Adult Small	Adult Medium	Adult Large	Adult XL	Adult XXL

LONG sleeve t-shirt - \$20

Youth Large	Adult Small	Adult Medium	Adult Large	Adult XL	Adult XXL

Total Number of SHORT sleeve t-shirts \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of LONG sleeve t-shirts \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount paid - \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name (first and last) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number with Area Code: (       ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address (If you use one) \_\_\_\_\_

All shirt proceeds will benefit the Hope Squad's efforts  
towards suicide prevention and positive mental health for our students.

Thank you!

## **Junior High Wrestling**

The Junior High Wrestling team completed at the Triad Invitational. We finished 4th overall as a team out of 16 teams.

### **Placers:**

80 lbs. Keagan Kemp 3rd  
98 lbs. Hudson Randall Champion  
104lbs. Liam Prosser 5th  
128lbs. Memphis Hughes Champion  
142lbs. KJ Gustin Champion  
150lbs. Zavior Cline runner up  
160lbs. Kolbi Alexander 3rd  
160lbs. Riley Johnson 5th



## **2022-2023 Basketball Events**

<b>Friday, January 20</b>	Staff Appreciation Night at the conclusion of JV Game Senior Night for Boys and Girls Swimming at half-time Var)
<b>Friday, January 27</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Choir Performing National Anthem Howard and Helen Caven Award (halftime of Varsity)
<b>Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Choir Performing National Anthem Girls Mini Dribblers performing at Halftime of reserve game Lady Vikings Hoops for Hope Game
<b>Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Boys Mini Dribblers performing at Halftime of reserve game Winter Sports Senior Night at the conclusion of JV Game Varsity Cheer Dance Halftime of Varsity game



## VikingFest 2023

**VikingFest 2023** is coming! Mark your calendars: **February 25, 2023**, 10-3, Miami East Elementary/Junior High Building. VikingFest 2023 will feature baking contests with prizes, silent auction, ME student art displays, free stage entertainment, cake walks, carnival games, food, and much more. This is the only fund-raiser sponsored by the Miami East Education Foundation. All proceeds benefit Miami East students.

# MIAMI EAST FUNDRAISER WEBSTORE



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## MIAMI EAST JUNIOR DIAMOND SPORTS

REGISTRATION WILL BE OPEN JAN. 1 - JAN. 31, 2023!! Don't miss out!

Late registrations will ONLY be accepted through February 10<sup>th</sup> with a \$50 Late Fee.



<https://clubs.bluesombrero.com/default.aspx?portalid=3904>

Practices will start in April (weather permitting), Games will start early/mid May, and the season will be over by July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend (including tournaments).

2023 Program Divisions offered:

Co-ed Tball – Must be 5 years old by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Baseball/Softball 8U

Baseball/Softball 10U

Baseball/Softball 12U

Our on-site registration dates, with uniforms available to try on, will be in the Miami East Elementary Library:

Saturday, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Wednesday, Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Saturday, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

\*After that, the uniform samples will be at Troy Sports Center available for try on.

### WE NEED YOUR HELP...

There is a national umpire shortage so we're looking for anyone that is 15+ that would be interested in helping us umpire our 8U, 10U & 12U games for cash. Please email [miamieastjrdiamondsports@gmail.com](mailto:miamieastjrdiamondsports@gmail.com) if interested as there will be a mandatory umpire meeting to review rules, etc. Please help us spread the word!

For more information, be sure to follow our Miami East Jr. Diamond Sports Facebook Page.

YOU ARE  
INVITED

3pm-  
7pm

CAREER CONNECTIONS

3pm-  
7pm

JOB-CAREER  
& COLLEGE

*live*

Thursday - March 16, 2023

→ **PUBLIC INVITED** ←

Located in the Miami East High School  
Gymnasium

Need More Info? Contact Julie Millhouse  
937-335-7070 [jmillhouse@miamieast.k12.oh.us](mailto:jmillhouse@miamieast.k12.oh.us)

# Viking Car Decal Order Form

## VikingFest 2023

The Miami East Education Foundation is selling "VIKING STRONG" car decals as a FUNdraiser for scholarships. \$6.00 of every purchase will be donated to help support Miami East student scholarships and teacher grants!

### TWO DESIGNS!!



DESIGN #1

**\$10 each**



DESIGN #2

### Make checks payable to MEEF

Return form to Ashley Demmitt at Miami East Elementary. Decals will be sent home with students.

The Miami East Education Foundation is a component fund of  
The Troy Foundation which is a 501(c)(3) organization.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Homeroom teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Building: Circle one: Elem JH HS

### DECALS ARE \$10 EACH

Decal #1 Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Decal #2 Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Total Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## ACT Testing

Below are the upcoming ACT Testing registration deadlines and testing dates. Informational packets can be picked up in the high school office. We recommend Juniors to take the ACT in April and/or June. If you have additional questions, please contact Mr. Rutledge.  
[www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) (site to register)

### ACT test dates

February 11, 2023

April 15, 2023

June 10, 2023

### Registration Deadlines

January 6, 2023

March 10, 2023

May 5, 2023

## Miami East High School 2022/2023 Winter Sports Schedule

### Boys Basketball (Varsity)

Jan 6	Bethel	6:00	H
Jan 10	Covington	6:00	A
Jan 13	Northridge	6:00	A
Jan 15	Minister	6:00	A
Jan 20	Lehman	6:00	H
Jan 24	Milton Union	6:00	A
Jan 27	Troy Christian	6:00	H
Jan 28	Anna	6:00	A
Jan 31	Riverside	6:00	A
Feb 3	Bethel	6:00	A
Feb 10	Covington	6:00	H

### Boys Basketball (Freshmen)

Jan 6	Bethel	4:30	H
Jan 13	Northridge	4:30	A
Jan 20	Lehman	4:30	H
Jan 24	Milton Union	4:30	A
Jan 28	Anna	4:30	A
Jan 31	Riverside	4:30	A
Feb 3	Bethel	4:30	A

### Boys Basketball (Junior High)

Jan 5	Northridge	5:30	H
Jan 12	Lehman	5:30	A
Jan 14	Milton Union	10:00	H
Jan 19	Troy Christian	5:30	A
Jan 21	Riverside	10:00	H
Jan 23	Anna	6:00	A
Jan 26	Bethel	5:30	H
Feb 2	Covington	5:30	A

### Girl's Basketball (Varsity)

Dec 29	Holiday Tourn	TBA	A
Jan 2	Troy	6:00	H
Jan 7	Northridge	12:00	A
Jan 12	Lehman	6:00	H
Jan 14	Milton Union	12:00	A
Jan 19	Troy Christian	6:00	A
Jan 21	Riverside	12:00	A
Jan 26	Bethel	6:00	A
Feb 2	Covington	6:00	H

### Girls Basketball (Junior High)

Jan 3	Northridge	5:30	A
Jan 7	Lehman	10:00	H
Jan 9	Milton Union	5:30	A
Jan 17	Troy Christian	5:30	H
Jan 19	Anna	5:30	H
Jan 23	Riverside	5:30	A
Jan 28	Bethel	10:00	A
Jan 30	Covington	5:30	H

### Wrestling (Varsity)

Jan 3	Mechanicsburg/ Greenon	6:30	H
Jan 7	Troy Invitational	9:00	A
Jan 11	Brookville	6:00	A
Jan 14	Mason Invite	9:00	A
Jan 19	Northmont	6:30	H
Jan 27	LCC Invite	5:30	A
Jan 28	LCC Invite	9:00	A
Feb 1	Vandaila Quad	6:00	A
Feb	State Dual	TBA	A
Feb 18	TRC Meet	10:00	H
Feb 25	Sectionals	TBA	A
Mar 3/4	Districts	TBA	A

### Wrestling (Junior High)

Jan 7	Triad Invite	9:00	A
Jan 11	Brookville	6:00	A
Jan 14	Mechanicsburg	10:00	A
Jan 21	Urbana Invite	9:00	A
Jan 28	Beavercreek	9:00	A
Feb 18	TRC League	10:00	H

### Wrestling (Girls)

Jan 11	Brookville	6:00	A
Jan 15	Mechanicsburg Invite	9:00	A
Jan 21	Ridgedale	9:00	A
Jan 27/ 28	Iron Maiden	9:00	A
Feb 4	West Union		
Feb 11	Williamsburg	TBA	A
Feb 18	Greenview	TBA	A
Mar 5	Districts (Marysville)	9:00	A
Mar 10	Girls State	TBA	A

### Swimming & Diving (Varsity)

Jan 11	Wed Nte		A
Jan 21	Day. Christian	2:00	A
Jan 27	Troy Christian Classic	7:00	A
Feb 4	All League classic	5:00	A
Feb	Boys Sectional	6:00	
Feb	Girls Sectional	9:00	
Feb	District	TBA	
Feb	State	TBA	

**12-05-2022**



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@MiamiEastEL

@MiamiEastHS

## **2022 School COVID Guidelines**

8-11-2022



The following are the relaxed 2022 COVID guidelines for Miami East. Please keep in mind, mandates could change requiring the district to make adjustments.

### **STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO TEST POSITIVE FOR COVID-19**

Students and staff who test positive for COVID-19 must continue to follow isolation guidelines and may not attend school or related activities.

### **COMMUNICATION**

Please email superintendent, Dr. Todd Rappold at [trappold@miamieast.k12.oh.us](mailto:trappold@miamieast.k12.oh.us) at any time with any questions.



### **Interested in Bi-Weekly E-News?**

If you are interested in receiving the bi-weekly email newsletter on current district happenings from our Superintendent, Dr. Rappold, send him your email address by typing "Mailing List" in the memo box @ [trappold@miamieast.k12.oh.us](mailto:trappold@miamieast.k12.oh.us).

**Know of an event, activity, or an accomplishment that has not been included in the newsletter? Be sure to pass it along to Dr. Rappold to include in the newsletter and web site.**

Miami East Web Site @ [www.miamieast.k12.oh.us](http://www.miamieast.k12.oh.us) Please visit our district's web site for updated information and events on campus. We have included updated calendars, lunch prices, test scores, and pictures.



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## **Miami East Upcoming Events**

### **January**

- 5** 6th grade Art Club meeting
  - 11** Junior High Club Picture Day
  - 12** 7th/8th grade Art Club meeting
  - 13** End of the Second Grading Period
  - 16** NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King Jr. Day
  - 18** Miami East High School Parent/Teacher Conferences 3-6:30 p.m.  
CC+ 2023-24 Meeting in the HS Cafe 6:00 PM  
FFA Test Your Well Fair  
Junior High Report Cards distributed
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### **February**

- 1** County FFA Public Speaking competition
- 2** FFA Ag Power Diagnostic CDE
- 9** County FFA Public Speaking competition
- 11** High School Solo and Ensemble Event
- 13** FFA Ag Sales CDE at Versailles
- 17** NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service
- 20** NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day

- 21-24** MEHS Celebrates FFA Week
- 23** 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and HS Concert OMEA Preview Concert
- 24** Vikingfest 2023 Set-up
- 25** Vikingfest 2023
- 26** MEHS weekend of Jazz @ Beaver Creek
- 28** State ACT ALL Juniors
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### **March**

- 3** OMEA District Concert Band Contest  
FFA Ag Power Diagnostics Lima
- 4** FFA Marysville Contest
- 11** FFA Miami Trace Invitational
- 17** NO SCHOOL Teacher In-Service
- 24** End of the Third Quarter
- 25** FFA State Spring Contests  
Junior High Solo and Ensemble Band Contest
- 26** FFA Banquet @ 6:30 p.m.
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### **April**

- 1** FFA Community Easter Egg Hunt 10am-3p.m.
- 3-7** NO SCHOOL Spring Break
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### **May**

- 4-5** Kindergarten Screenings  
State FFA Convention
- 12** FFA Ag Day @ Fairgrounds
- 17** FFA Tire Recycling Day  
Senior Awards program MEHS 7:00 PM
- 26** MEHS Graduation