

LANCER NEWS



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CREST LANCERS

CREST STUDENTS GROWING
THE PRIDE IN

LANCER NATION



CREST SPIRIT NETWORK



CREST CTE INSIGHTS

"Crest Spirit Network" and "Crest CTE Insights" are the new social media pages created by Mrs. McGhee's Digital Marketing class. Students in this class will create social media posts to highlight athletes and CTE (Career and Technical Education) classes within Crest USD #479. Community members and Crest Alumni can follow along with the pages on Facebook or Instagram.

LITTLE LANCERS LOOP

By: Max Disbrow



"The children love to stay active and engaged throughout the day. Some of their favorite activities include dancing along with Koo Koo and Danny Go—especially the Cowboy Dance! We also spend time sorting colors, practicing numbers and letters, identifying shapes, and expressing creativity through drawing and coloring. As they grow, we'll introduce name tracing and other early academic activities, but our primary focus is always on building strong social and emotional skills." - Beth Bonnett

"Currently, we have 12 children enrolled, though daily attendance varies. I do my best to provide flexibility for families by offering part-time and drop-in options. At this time, we still have space available for two full-time enrollments or several part-time spots, depending on each family's needs."

- Beth Bonnett

***Tuition is \$150 per week or \$30 per day, with the same affordable rate for all families—including staff—regardless of a child's age.



ABOVE ALL, WE ARE COMMITTED TO CREATING A WARM AND NURTURING ENVIRONMENT WHERE EVERY CHILD FEELS SAFE, VALUED, AND LOVED. WE CHERISH EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THE CHILDREN IN OUR CARE AND MAKE IT A PRIORITY TO SHOW THEM THAT LOVE EVERY SINGLE DAY." - BETH BONNETT

ELEMENTARY PROJECTS SHOWCASED AT KINCAID FAIR

By: Blaine King and Will Disbrow

As part of a long-standing tradition within Crest Elementary, students make crafts and posters to showcase at the Kincaid Fair. Students spend time during class and specials working on their projects, then, on the Friday of Kincaid Fair, they take a field trip to Kincaid to see their projects on display, some even earn a fair premium!

Here's what each grade sent to the fair:

Kindergarten- Butterfly painting, Science poster, Puppet, Collage, Drawing, and Booklet.

1st Grade- Alphabet handwriting, Tree Painting, and Fall Goose Drawing.



Kindergarten Butterfly painting



2nd Grade Solar System

2nd Grade- Solar System and Alphabet handwriting.

3rd Grade- Cursive handwriting and community poster.

4th Grade- Science poster, Pledge of Allegiance Handwriting, and animal picture.

5th Grade- Collages

Way to go Crest Elementary, we are so proud of all your exhibits and hard work!

Athletic Highlights



CROSS COUNTRY SENIOR, JOSIE WALTER

When asked about her role as a senior, Josie explained that she has taken on mentoring younger athletes and fostering a supportive, team-focused environment in cross country. She plans to join the Air Force after high school. Her toughest challenge was experiencing burnout and losing her passion for the sport, but she overcame it by focusing on the team's effort, appreciating her experiences, and staying grateful for the opportunities cross country gave her.

FOOTBALL SENIOR, JENSEN BARKER

When asked about the role he has taken on as a senior, Jensen explained that he is focused on being the best leader he can for his team, no matter the circumstances. He said that even when things don't go his way or he's frustrated, he works hard to set an example for his teammates. Jensen also shared that he does not plan to continue playing the sport after high school, but he values the lessons it has taught him. Looking back on his career, he said the toughest challenge has been growing up as the younger brother of a star athlete on the football field. Instead of trying to live in his brother's shadow, Jensen has learned to accept that he is his own person and embrace being the best version of himself.



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VOLLEYBALL SENIOR, KINLEY EDGERTON

When asked about her role as a senior, Kinley explained that she has grown into a vocal leader and serves as a role model for the underclassmen, guiding them both on and off the court.

She plans to continue playing volleyball at a junior college (JUCO) for the next two years to further develop her skills and pursue her athletic goals. Kinley described her toughest challenge as stepping in as the varsity setter during her freshman year, a role that came with high expectations and pressure, but she was able to overcome it with guidance and support from the upperclassmen, who helped her build confidence and grow into a strong leader.

BY LANE YOCHAM & KOLE WALTER

BLEACHER MAKEOVER BRINGS MORE SEATING FOR LANCER ATHLETICS

By: Jonathan Whitcomb & Hunter Pearish

A key part of Crest's new renovations is the new and improved bleachers. Coming in at a price of \$95,000 total cost, this new project took most of the summer months.

This was all made possible thanks to the Goppert Foundation with an astonishing donation of over \$350,000 dollars over the past 3 years. Furthermore, the Goppert Foundation matched the district's portion of \$47,715.

According to Crest Superintendent, Shane Walter; "The pros would be accessibility and seating capacity. Cons thus far, is the parking lot access." However, Walter reassures that once the north parking lot is asphalted, the only "con" won't be an issue anymore. This will be completed when the track remodel is done.

Agreed on by Walter and Crest Principal, Travis Hermreck, the only cons thus far is the cost and parking limitation. All in all, the bleachers have shown to be a much needed improvement, granting students/spectators an improved space for offering community spirit for Crest Lancers athletics.

**"ADA accessible
and more seating
capacity."**

- Shane Walter, Crest Superintendent



“WHAT’S UP” WITH CREST CONSTRUCTION

By Graego Ellington & Summer Valentine



Left, the current state of the new gym. The air conditioning and heating systems have been installed, as well as the scoreboards. After the required wait time the gym floor will be installed.



Left, the new culinary kitchen is taking shape. Everything has been finished — from the shiny new appliances and spacious prep areas to the modern equipment and organized storage. The space looks amazing and is ready for everyone to start experimenting and enjoying all the new features.

Right, the office and entry is under construction it's almost complete. The space features brand-new desks and offices, along with a redesigned entryway that includes protective glass for added safety and professionalism. The project isn't finished yet, but great progress has been made, and we're excited to see the final results once everything is complete.



Q&A: CONSTRUCTION TALK WITH MR. WALTER

By Grayson Ellington & Summer Valentine

How have the students and staff handled the delays? “We have handled the delays the best we can. Address the problems as they come up, then plan for contingencies.”

What is still needs to be finished?

“Flooring and finishes in the gym and concession stand area. Acclimating the maple hardwood floor, installing it, painting it, and finishing it. It is a process to protect its longevity. Everything else is falling into place.”

Do you feel that we are ahead of schedule, behind schedule, or right on time? “We are behind schedule. We wanted to be finished by Labor Day.”

Are the projects on budget currently? “We are on budget.”

What sustainability features are being integrated into the design? “Significant upgrades to plumbing and electrical items in all remodels were needed. Safety and secure entry / security access controls implemented as well.”



NEW CLASSROOM IN STORM SHELTER



ASPHALTED PARKING LOT



ATHLETIC ENTRANCE AND CONCESSION STAND



FRONT ENTRANCE

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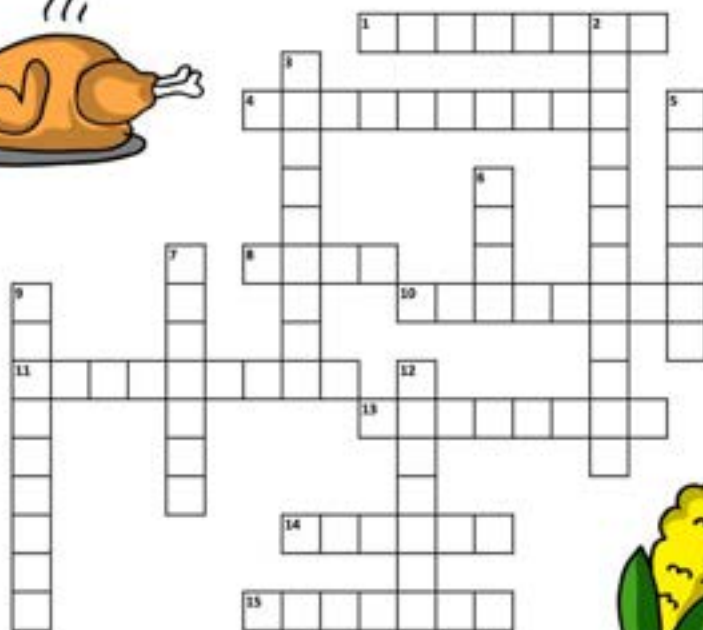
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Crossword



ACROSS

1. First village established by the Pilgrims
4. Symbol of abundance and nourishment
8. An essential grain in the New World diet
10. Literally, travelers going to a holy place
11. The Pilgrims' boat
13. 16th and 17th century English Protestants
14. The traditional holiday bird
15. American Indian who taught the Pilgrim many things

DOWN

2. 4th Thursday of November
3. A traditional American Indian dwelling
5. Gathering of crops
6. Season for harvesting
7. Country the Pilgrims left behind
9. Indigenous people who were present at the first Thanksgiving
12. Bright orange squash used to make pie

