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# From The Helm

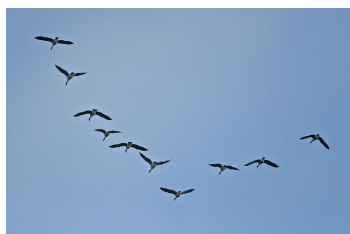
March 2019

Wilson Central School District  
Timothy P. Carter – Superintendent

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*From the Desk of Tim Carter:*



### Story of the Geese:

By this time in your career, I am sure you have heard about the lessons that can be learned by watching geese fly in formation. Such things as

- They take turns taking the lead.
- When one falls back, others go with them to help them catch up.
- Geese honk encouragement to their fellow flyers.
- They work together to achieve their goals.

But I can narrow all of these lessons from watching geese fly in formation into one statement: *Together we achieve more!* Especially in education, the more we work together the more we can achieve. It is when we break off into little groups that we are not focused on being successful!

Thank You and have a great rest of the week and an enjoyable weekend with your families!!



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# "Thought of the Month!"

**Brian Baker-** Congratulations to our Girls Varsity Basketball Coach Brian Baker on being selected as the first winner of the Section VI Frank Martin Coach of the Year Award. Way to go Coach!



### Tweet



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@Section6GirlsBB



Congratulations to Brian Baker - Wilson Girls Basketball.

First ever Frank A Martin Coach of the Year Award!

So proud to present this award to Brian. Couldn't think of a better candidate!! Frank is looking down on us and he is very proud!

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**Skills USA**-The following High School students went to Alfred State College to participate in the regional SkillsUSA competition: *Sydney Barry, Emily Baumgartner, Trent Kenny, Sarah Nugent, Orianna Rzucidlo, Wyatt Schultz, Marcus Schwarzmüller, Larry Smith, Richard Wilcox, Patrick Johnson, Adrianna Lee, Adrianna Scibetta, Kasey Taylor, Emma Nugent and Cameron Wollaber.*

Congratulations to the following High School students, who placed at the regional SkillsUSA competition in Alfred:

- 1st place - Kasey Taylor (Security & Law Enforcement II)
- 2nd place - Cameron Wollaber (Heavy Equipment/Diesel II)
- 3rd place - Trent Kenny (Heavy Equipment/Diesel I)

**Congratulations**- Junior *Skylar Munnikhuysen* on being named the Girls Basketball Player of the Year for the N-O League.





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**Congratulations-** To the Wilson Boys Basketball Team and Coach Brett Sippel for being selected as the top sportsmanship team in the league (voted on by our opponents) for a 4th consecutive year!



**Congratulations-** We received word last week that Wilson Central School District will be honored at the upcoming United Way Awards Breakfast (4/12) as the **School District of The Year!** Following is the excerpt that will appear in the program. Thank you so much to everyone who donated, or supported the UW... this was definitely an award for our entire team to share! Also a huge thank you to Moe Mahar for coordinating the United Way campaign this year.

### **Wilson Central School District - School District of The Year Award**

*With a motto of "committed to community," Wilson Central School District embodies United Way's mission through its commitment to UWGN's annual campaign each year. As a supporter of United Way of Greater Niagara for decades, the District has always played an important role in UWGN's campaign success, kicking off fundraising efforts annually in September during the first three weeks of the school year. This past year, Wilson Central School District exceeded its campaign goal by over \$1,000, thanks to the generosity of direct contributions from hundreds of teachers and staff across the district.*

**4th Grade Spelling Bee-** On Tuesday, March 19, 2019 I attended the 4th Grade Spelling Bee. It was a very spirited event with some great spellers. Congratulations to:





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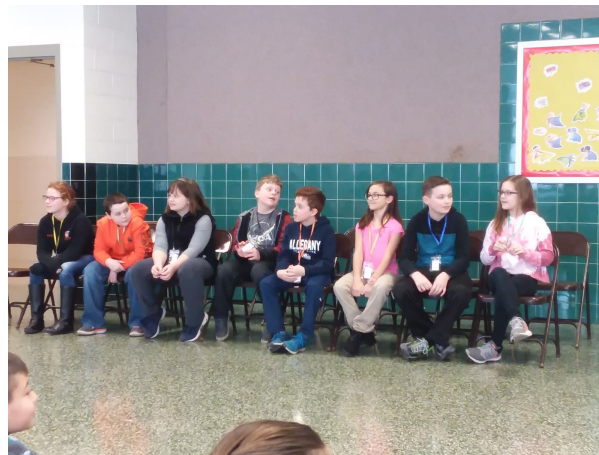
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1st- Benjamin Meyers

2nd-Max Harmon

3rd-Savannah Jones



**5th Grade spelling Bee**-On Tuesday, March 19, 2019 I also attended the 5th Grade Spelling Bee. Congratulations to:

1st-Bradley Seeley

2nd-Ryan Thompson

3rd-Abbie Faery





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**Congratulations** to 7th grade student Morgan Kurial at Wilson Middle School!  
Morgan participated in the New York State gymnastics competition in New York City and performed wonderfully. Morgan is the NYS Champion in her division on beam with an impressive score of 9.75. She came in 2nd with a 9.4 on the bars and finished 4th in the 'all-around' category.



**Congratulations-** To the following winter 12th grade athletes for being selected as All-WNY Scholar-Athletes:

Winners:

Steven Frerichs

Jacob Miller

Sarah Lewis

Honorable Mention:

Kaylie Kress

Hannah Darlak

Julie Reagan

Isabella Schultz



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### **Graphic Communication Students Take Top Three Places at NFADA Poster Contest-**

The Following message was sent to us by O/N BOCES and we sent it out over Facebook and our Twitter page.

*Niagara Career and Technical Education Center Graphic Communications teacher, Karen Krull, certainly has a lot to be proud about. Three of her students took the top three spots for the Niagara Frontier Automobile (NFADA) Buffalo Auto Show Poster Contest in the BOCES Division.*

*“We have a very talented group of students and I was so happy to hear that they received recognition for their outstanding skills,” says Ms. Krull. Congratulations go to: First Place Winner – Savannah Porter (Wilson), Second Place Winner – Emily Baumgartner (Wilson) and Third Place – Zoe Feltz (WNY Christian Academy).*

***Photo Caption: Savannah Porter, Emily Baumgartner and Zoe Feltz.***



Bye Bye Birdie- On Saturday, March 23, 2019 I attended the High School musical Bye Bye Birdie. My family and I really enjoyed the performance. Congratulations to our very talented students and thank you to the directors and adults who help make the show happen.





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**National Honor Society Induction Ceremony-** On Thursday night, March 28, 2019 I had the pleasure to spend the evening at the National Honor Society induction ceremony. About 65 of our students attended the program. It was a great night with our very talented students. I want to thank Christine Waters for her dedication to this program.







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# Updates

**Shared Decision Making Team-** The Shared Decision Making Team met in March to do a reflection on the March 20th Superintendent's Conference Day. We listed all of the positive elements from the day and then listed any changes we need to consider for the future. Also in the proposed calendar for next year, there are two staff development days scheduled. To assist the Shared Decision Making team in setting up the two staff development days for next year, a list of PD topics will be sent out. What we are asking is for assistance in prioritizing the topics.

**High School Principal Hiring Update-**The posting closed on Friday, March 29, 2019. We had 31 applicants for the position. This week we are working on getting the hiring committee together. Next week I will be meeting with the administrators association president to narrow the applicant pool down. The on May 1, 2019 we will conduct Round 1 of the interviews. The goal is for the person to be in place starting July 1, 2019.

**Capital Project Update-** Work will be beginning soon on the Capital Project. A company will begin over Easter Break with work at the Elementary school nurse's office. The first order of business is that over break they will be removing the tile floor. Now that the weather is getting better, the site work for the new field and track will begin. You may have noticed the construction vehicles on the practice fields between the track and the Elementary school. The plan was for this week to start removing the track.

**Capital Outlay Project 2019-2020-** We have finalized our plans and have begun submitting for next year's capital outlay project. We are going to create a secure entry at the Middle School. In the big Capital Project, the Elementary School is getting a secure entrance. So with next year's project we are doing the Middle School. A secure entrance allows visitors into a vestibule without having access to the rest of the building. Along with the secure entrance, we are beginning to replace the hallway flooring in the Middle School. During spring break, the 6th grade wing will be done this year. During next year's capital outlay project, we will continue from the 6th grade wing past the front entrance of the Middle School. The current floor is old and has outlived its usefulness.

*The object of education is to prepare the young  
to educate themselves throughout their lives.  
Robert Maynard Hutchins*