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FROM THE HELM

November 2018

Wilson Central School District
Timothy P. Carter – Superintendent



From the Desk of Tim Carter:

The Power of Gratitude:

Gratitude or the quality of being thankful and the readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness is a powerful tool and key to a long lasting and happy life. I recently read an article entitled *The Science Behind Gratitude* and this article indicates that people who show gratitude experience more positive emotions, feel more alive, sleep better, express more compassion and kindness, and even have stronger immune systems. Simply put people who are thankful are happier and healthier. Jon Gordon, in a recent weekly tweet, talks about the importance of taking Thank You Walks. A Thank You Walk is where you take a 15 min walk either at home or at work and while you are walking, you verbally list the things you are grateful for. If the walk does not do it for you have a thankful dinner. While eating dinner with your family talk about what you are grateful for. Send a thank you note. Write a note of appreciation to someone who is special to you. Gratitude and appreciation are an essential part of a positive work and family life.

So let me say thank you for everything you do for our children at Wilson. Your guidance perseverance, kindness, compassion is truly appreciated. Thank you for being such great role models.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the time with your family!

Tim



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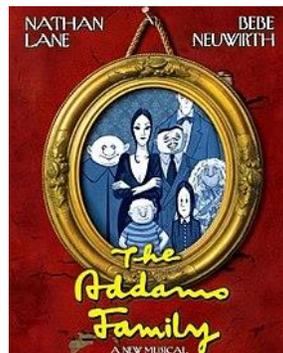
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"Thought of the Month!"

Let There be Pie- What a great way to start November. Mrs. Sweeney Home and Careers students baked pies. The staff was asked to stop down and give them a taste and judge them based on Appearance, flavor and best overall pie. They were awesome pies.



High School Musical- On Saturday, November 3, 2018 my family and I attended the HS musical *The Addams Family*. The musical was wonderful and the talk of the Carter household for the rest of the weekend. Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the musical, pit band and stage crew. Special thanks to Gretchen Fournier and Claudia Andres, the musical directors. Thank you to Mr. Humphries, and Clarissa Malloy for helping out with the musical. Also Thank you to the Music Parents group for producing the musical.





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National Technical Honor Society Program- On Thursday November 8, 2018 Mr. Johnson and I attended the National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony. There are about 1,700 students who attend the O/N BOCES Technical Center and 25 of them are eligible for the Honor Society, which is less than 5% of the program, making it an elite group of kids. Wilson has 8 students of the 25 taking part in the National Technical Honor Society. Congratulations to the following vocational students who were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society Thursday morning:

Taylor Carmer, Patrick Johnson, Adrianna Lee, Robert Montgomery, Emma Nugent, Louis Penque, Adrianna Scibetta and Cameron Wollaber.



Linus Project- The students in Mrs. Sweeny's Independent Living class are working on the importance of active citizenship and giving back to the community. This year they took on the Linus project. This project involved the students making blankets and then donating the blankets to the Oshei Children's hospital.



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Updates

2nd Annual Holiday Spaghetti Lunch- I am extending an invitation to continue the tradition of the 2nd annual Holiday Spaghetti Lunch.

Please join us for lunch on one of the following days:

Elementary Staff- Friday, December 7, 2018 in the Faculty Lunch Room from 11:10 AM- 1:10 PM.

HS/MS and Central Office Staff- Thursday, December 6, 2018 in Room 18 from 11:00 am -1:00 pm

I hope you attend and enjoy the lunch.

Alumni Association- We have scheduled the first Alumni Association meeting. It will be on Thursday December 6, 2018. 6:00 PM in the HS/MS library. Please mark your calendars.

Capital Project- The final part of the playground pull out project has been completed, in this final part cabinets have been installed in many of the Wilson Elementary classroom. The remainder of the capital project has its final approval from State Ed. The project is going out to bid this month. The bid opening is January 16 2019.

Capital Outlay Project 2018-2019- This year's Capital Outlay Project is to create a new cooling system for the Technology server room. With the current system, we have issues with servers overheating. This project will also include new ceilings and new flooring. Work on this project will begin on December 10th after school is out and then it will be completed over Christmas and February break.

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