**Good News - September 2017**

Last week at **Bloomfield Elementary School** we held our parent university, and it was a success.  Several of our elementary students have joined the band under the direction of Darrell Parks.  He meets with the students at 7:45am, four days a week and he does chorale on the fifth day.

**Bloomfield Middle School** teachers were reinvigorated by their professional learning day in August.  The work on this day has become a great focus both for our teachers and for our students.  Students are beginning to learn the value of the growth mindset in everything they do.

**Boston** held our First Parent University along with PTA on September 12th. We had over 80 parents attend and offered a session from Operation Parent on Cyberbullying along with Infinite Campus parent portal.

At **Cox's Creek**, we have fully implemented math and reading intervention, collaboration, and enrichment groups in reading and math, on individual student data.  This allows students to have specifically focused instruction on their skills level.

And by the way, our new car rider lines are going great!  We are loading nearly 200 students in 15 minutes!! Go CCES!

Foster Heights music teacher, Yvette Martin, was recently named the 2016-2017 4th District KMEA Elementary Music Teacher of the year. This makes her a finalist for the State Elementary Music Teacher of the year which will be presented in February.  
  
The **Horizons** **Academy** landscaping project group has been working hard on beautifying OKH, Central Office and Horizons signs by cleaning the weeds and putting new lava rock in place.  The Horizons Academy gardening project group have begun planting their fall crops around the greenhouse area.  The Public Relations Group at Horizons Academy has designed a new school t-shirt that promotes a positive outlook. Each student at school will receive a t-shirt.

The **Early Learning Center** will have their first family event of the school year on September 29, 2016 from 5:30-7:00 pm. The “Fall into School” event will include crafts, stories, a snack, and a parent session on the value of preschool and language for young children. We are also going to highlight the Habits of Happy Kids throughout the evening.

The faculty at **Nelson County High School** have worked very hard to develop a special Academic Time which met for the first time today. The work is personalized for each student and focuses on ensuring College and Career Readiness for all of our students.

**New Haven** teacher Mr. Alan Vales has been chosen to be on the Frazier History Museum Teacher Advisory board for the Education Outreach Program. Mrs. Gann's kindergarten class brought in almost 800 box tops in the first month of school to win the first box top challenge. Their reward was to soak Mr. Payton with water shooters.

**Old Kentucky Home Middle School** has had a great first month with the staff focusing on improving our school-to-home communication. Hundreds of phone calls, emails and post cards have been sent to OKH students and families.

**Thomas Nelson High School** will host a Medal of Honor Tribute for Samuel L. Davis, a Vietnam Veteran and Medal of Honor Recipient. The tribute includes a signed Medal of Honor along with a replica harmonica Mr. Davis used in Vietnam and will be showcased in U.S. History Classes across the district this year.