



NEWBURY LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Newbury Parent/Guardian:

On behalf of the Newbury Local Schools and the West Geauga Local School District, happy holidays to you and your family. As we approach the forthcoming transition, both Districts remain dedicated to providing a smooth experience filled with special opportunities for current Newbury students and families to become more familiar with the students, staff, activities and facilities of the West Geauga Local School District. Our goal is to sensitively balance an assurance to the entire Newbury Schools community that there is deep respect and excitement with the West Geauga Local Schools as they welcome Newbury Township as part of its new school family for the 2020-2021 School Year!

As a district, West Geauga is relatively small. However, it houses many curricular and extracurricular opportunities. These include a wide array of courses for all students including those with special learning needs and those who are cognitively gifted. The district's clubs, music and art offerings, and athletic programs have something for everyone. We encourage all Newbury students to take advantage of the many available options, as featured in the November edition of our *Knightlines* publication.

Parents, we want you to become involved as well. West Geauga has many parent organizations that support its schools. We ask that you consider joining those in which you are interested. It is important that parents from Newbury have an active voice in their children's new schools.

West Geauga wishes to work with Newbury over the remainder of this school year to identify and preserve important elements of Newbury's history as a school district. We need to determine what those traditions and physical items of historic importance are. We also need to decide how they can best be preserved. Obviously, we will need help from you to complete this task. A committee of parents and staff from Newbury will be formed soon to assist West G in its efforts in this regard.

Over the next several months, we are planning a series of opportunities for current Newbury students and their parents to become comfortable with their new school home. Some of these

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events will take place on the current Newbury campus and some will be hosted by West Geauga. The following list outlines a partial list of activities that are planned, but please visit our website for more specific updates and additions to this list. Please note that Secondary Scheduling is right around the corner and those dates will be posted soon.

Open House Student-Led Tours Club and Parent Organization Information	Wednesday, January 15, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. @West Geauga High School
College Credit Plus Information Night	Wednesday, January 22 – 7:00 pm @West Geauga High School
Scheduling Options and information Sessions With West G and Newbury Guidance Counselors	Friday, January 31 8 th Graders – 8:30 am 9 th and 10 th Graders – 9:30 am 11 th Graders – Noon @Newbury High School
High School Student Shadowing	January and February 2020

Please do not hesitate to contact either of us during the transition process. Our doors are open to answer questions, alleviate uncertainty and appropriately prepare for the future. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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Superintendent, Newbury Local Schools



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