

Superintendent's Update



Cory-Rawson Local Schools

January 14, 2021

Jodi Gaietto, Superintendent Pro Tempore



January is School Board Appreciation Month:

Thank you to our board members:

Jerry Wieman...16 years

Bob Warren...7 years

Jason Oman...5 years

Ben Wittenmyer...3 years

Mike Walters...1 year

School Board Members:

Mr. Ben Wittenmyer

After growing up in Findlay and experiencing all that city schools had to offer, I was very resistant to my parents' choice of moving to Riverdale for my last two years of High School. Leaving the noise and a huge Junior class behind, I very quickly realized that a small country school community was more of what I needed than I cared to admit. Moving on after high school to military service, education, marriage, and then children of my own, I always remembered that small school feeling. Which is why we chose to locate here and raise my own children in this community.

I have been a part of the Cory-Rawson community since 2009 and have watched teachers, students, and even buildings come and go. Through it all, my family, my heart, and my service remain with this school and community.

Mr. Mike Walters

Holly and I have been married 15 years and have 3 kids - Hank (13), Rory (10), Trent (8), all who attend Cory-Rawson.

I grew up near Mt. Blanchard and graduated from Riverdale and my parents still live there. I have been in the fire protection - sprinkler business for 27 years. I enjoy sports (both playing and watching), travel, cutting wood and camping.

Mr. Jason Oman

Jason Oman is a 1997 Graduate of Cory-Rawson High School, and a former member of the Cory-Rawson FFA Chapter, in which he was actively involved. After graduation Jason received his American FFA degree, and also served as the State FFA Vice President for the Ohio FFA Association. Jason's year of service as a State FFA Officer gave him the opportunity to travel around the state of Ohio conducting leadership workshops and seminars for FFA members.

In 2002 Jason graduated from the University of Findlay where he received a business degree in Financial Management. Jason is married to his wife Nicole of 18 years, and they have 3 children together who all attend Cory-Rawson; Makayla, Madalyn, and Kypten.

Currently, Jason owns and manages a commercial grain farm operation with his wife and parents, Steve & Wanda Oman, consisting of 2700 acres of both corn & soybeans. Jason is a member of the Bluffton Trinity United Methodist Church where he has served as a church treasurer and church board member for 12 years. In his spare time Jason has helped with various sports programs at Cory-Rawson by volunteering as an assistant U-8, U-10, and U-12 soccer coach. He has also coached youth girls' basketball for 4 years, and Jr. High Girls Basketball for 1 year. In 2015 Jason was elected to serve as a Board of Education member, and he is currently serving in his 2nd term.

Mr. Bob Warren

Bob lives near Jenera and is a 1983 graduate of Cory-Rawson. He is married to Becky (Spaeth, class of 1983 as well) and has 2 children - Brittany (class of 2008) and Brent (class of 2014). He currently sells fire trucks and equipment for Johnson's EVS and teaches firefighting classes at Apollo Joint Vocational School. He is a member of the Southwestern Hancock Joint Fire District as well as the Advisory Board at Apollo. He is glad to be able to represent the district residents to help make C-R the best school around.

Mr. Jerry Wieman

Mr. Wieman is a 1984 graduate of Cory-Rawson and a 1988 graduate of The Ohio State University. He is married to his wife, Carrie, has 3 grown children and 2 grandsons. He is a General Supervisor at Ball Corporation and also farms. He is serving his 16th year on the Cory-Rawson Board of Education.



Cory-Rawson Local Schools to return to school 5 days a week:

After passing a resolution at the school board meeting on January 12, 2021, Cory-Rawson students will be returning to school five days a week. PK-6 Students will return on Tuesday, January 19. High School Students grades 7-12 will remain on the Hybrid Schedule for exam week (Jan. 19-22). ALL students will be in session five days a week beginning the first day of second semester, Monday, January 25, 2021. Please note that Martin Luther King Jr. Day is on Monday, January 18, 2021, so there is no school on that day.

First semester ends on January 22nd.
Second semester begins on January 25th.

THE HIGH SCHOOL (7-12) EXAM SCHEDULE IS LISTED BELOW:

All High School Students will continue on the hybrid schedule next week, January 19-22. (Again, remember that we will not be in school on Monday, January 18th due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

GREEN GROUP:

TUESDAY JANUARY 19

Period 1 (7:58-9:50)

Period 2 (9:55-11:30)

All 7-2 students will eat at the same time 11:33-12:03. Grades 7-8 will eat in the Old Cafe and Bob Abbey Gym. Grades 9-12 will eat in the Cafeteria.

Period 5 (A&B) (12:06-1:33)

Period 6 (1:36-3:05)

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 20

Period 3 (7:58-9:50)

Period 4 (9:55-11:30)

All 7-2 students will eat at the same time 11:33-12:03. Grades 7-8 will eat in the Old Cafe and Bob Abbey Gym. Grades 9-12 will eat in the Cafeteria.

Period 7 (A&B) (12:06-1:33)

Period 8 (1:36-3:05)

GOLD GROUP:

THURSDAY JANUARY 21

Period 1 (7:58-9:50)

Period 2 (9:55-11:30)

All 7-2 students will eat at the same time 11:33-12:03. Grades 7-8 will eat in the Old Cafe and Bob Abbey Gym. Grades 9-12 will eat in the Cafeteria.

Period 5 (A&B) (12:06-1:33)

Period 6 (1:36-3:05)

FRIDAY JANUARY 22

Period 3 (7:58-9:50)

Period 4 (9:55-11:30)

All 7-2 students will eat at the same time 11:33-12:03. Grades 7-8 will eat in the Old Cafe and Bob Abbey Gym. Grades 9-12 will eat in the Cafeteria.

Period 7 (A&B) (12:06-1:33)

Period 8 (1:36-3:05)

Students who have more than 4 exams in one day, may make arrangements with their teachers to move one exam if needed.

Students with Study Halls Period 1 and 3 may arrive at 9:45 a.m.

Students with Study Halls Period 6 and 8 may leave at 1:33 p.m.

**A signed note from a parent giving permission, must be turned in to Mrs. Welch.*

COVID-19 INFORMATION:

Covid-19 information is constantly evolving. Below is a link that contains additional updates.

[COVID-19 Fact Sheet K-12 School Quarantine Guidelines](#)

Below is physical distancing guidance when determining close contacts.

Grades K-5: Desks should be placed at least 3 feet apart, and ideally 6 feet apart.

Grades 6-12: Desks should be placed 6 feet apart when feasible. There is no mention of 3 feet in the guidance for grades 6-12. This means that when determining close contacts, the following applies:

Grades K-5: Those who fall within 3 feet of a COVID+ student or staff member for a total of 15+ minutes will be considered close contacts.

Grades 6-12: Those who fall within 6 feet of a COVID+ student or staff member for a total of 15+ minutes will be considered close contacts.

In returning all students to school five days a week, it is imperative, now more than ever, to make certain we are wearing our masks correctly, at all times. Masks must cover the nose, mouth and chin. As a school, we have provided encouragement, grace, and many reminders to students about wearing masks correctly. Moving forward, students who are not wearing their masks correctly, may face disciplinary consequences including detentions and removal from school.

Students and staff will continue to follow all safety protocols already in place such as hand washing, hand sanitizing, room/building cleaning and disinfecting, and proper social distancing.

We will continue to notify students and/or staff who need to be quarantined or are designated a close contact.

Please note: Athletic rules/guidelines for sporting events have not changed per the Ohio High School Athletic Association. We will still maintain limited seating within our gyms until further guidance is presented.