

# EVERGREEN COMMUNITY

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### The Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center and the Evergreen Local School District are proud to announce the awarding of a 21st Century Grant

The Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center and the Evergreen Local School District are proud to announce the awarding of a 21st Century Grant for \$463,000 from the Ohio Department of Education. Monies from the grant are to be spent over the next 5 years. The grant is designated to help students in the Middle School and High School with additional academic help after school. Bus transportation home after school is provided through the grant along with additional activities for students to participate in. Students must be signed up in advance in order to participate in any of the programs and to receive transportation home. The following services are available to students who attend Evergreen Middle School and High School:

Homework Club at the Middle School Monday through Thursday 2:45 - 4:45

OGT tutoring and academic assistance at the High School Monday through Thursday 2:45-4:45. A specific content area will be handled each day at the High School.

Morning Library at the Middle School (High School and Middle School Students) Monday through Friday - 6:40-7:40 - Students can use the before school time to complete homework. Access to the library computers is available.

ACT Prep Review/Career Planning through Owens Community College - Spring Semester - Students who successfully complete the course will receive partial reimbursement for the class.

Computer Lab - Tuesday and Thursday - Computer assistance will be provided through the Northwest Ohio Educational Technology Foundation.

Four County Family Services will provide counseling services by appointment only through school referrals.

Black Swamp Art Council - Students will have the opportunity to participate in an art class each semester. Students must sign up in advance for this program.

OSU Extension will provide students will a better understanding of health and social issues in a teenager's life. Students must sign up in advance for this program.

First Federal Bank will provide information to both students and parents concerning important financial matters.

Angola Employment Services will provide job assistance information to both students and parents.

The school will be sending out informational flyers announcing specific program activities and dates throughout the school year. Parents who would like to register their child for the 21st Century Program can contact the school office. Students must be signed up in advance in order to participate in any of the programs and to receive transportation home. If you have questions concerning the 21st Century Program please call the Director Annette Foote from the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center (419-335-1070 ex 3113) or Sally Kovar, Education Consultant (419-335-1070 ex. 3106).

### Evergreen Elementary Gets Commendation from the Toledo Museum of Art

Mrs. Nancy Grover and Miss Michelle Johnson, fourth grade teachers at Evergreen Elementary, are proud to announce that their classes from the past school year have been awarded a letter of commendation from the Toledo Museum of Art. They were nominated as the Best Class by their tour docents Kelly Sheehan and Jan Baker. "The children were very well behaved and did a great job of answering questions" during their tour on February 9, 2007. Nominations for Best Class are few, so this is a great tribute to the students and staff of Evergreen Schools.



The students spent the morning touring the main galleries of the museum and were given specialized tours of the new Glass Pavilion with a focus on the art of hand-blown glass. A museum photographer accompanied Miss Johnson's class during the tour and photos of the group are featured on pages 3 and 8 of the Museum's educational brochure for 2007-2008.

### Ohio's Homestead Exemption filing deadline is October 1, 2007

Homeowners have until Monday, October 1, 2007, to apply for Ohio's Homestead Exemption.

The Homestead Exemption exempts the first \$25,000 of market value of a qualifying homeowner's principle residence from property taxes. It is available to property owners 65 years old and older, and to younger homeowners who are certified as being permanently and totally disabled.

Nancy Yackee, Fulton County Auditor, reported over 1800 seniors have already applied for the tax reduction. Approximately 800 residents were enrolled in the original Homestead Exemption program.

The application only takes a few quick minutes to complete.

Homestead Exemption applications are available in the Fulton County Auditor's Office at 152 S. Fulton St, Wauseon, on the County Auditor's website at

[www.fultoncountyoh.com](http://www.fultoncountyoh.com)

or by calling the Fulton County Auditor's Office at 419-337-9200.

Qualifying homeowners who meet the October 1 deadline will see the reduction on their first-half 2007 tax bill payable in 2008.

### Northwest State Enrollment Still Open for the Semester

Archbold, Ohio - With registration continuing throughout the fall semester, Northwest State began fall semester with 2,867 students on the first day of classes.

Final fall registration totals won't be available until January 2008. The 2007 fall semester opening day enrollment was four percent below what it was a year ago on the first day of classes. Dr. Thomas Stuckey, acting president, is optimistic that final enrollment numbers for the semester will climb as registration is now open for a second eight-week session of classes which begin the week of October 8.

"We fully expect students to continue enrolling in our flexibly scheduled courses that begin in October," said Dr. Thomas Stuckey, acting president. "In the meantime, enrollment continues to grow at our local campus centers. These sites also offer flexibly scheduled classes that run at various times throughout the year. As a result, our enrollment numbers will continue to change throughout the semester and will not be accurately reflected until the end of the semester."

Currently, classes are offered at the main campus in Archbold, online, and at campus centers in Defiance, Metamora, Montpelier and Van Wert.

### Annual Election For Fulton County Fair Board Directors

The annual election for Fulton County Fair Board Directors will be held November 10, 2007 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Junior Fair Building at the Fulton County Fairgrounds.

The terms of Ronda Vereecke, Dover Township; Jeffrey Martin, Gorham Township; Molly Graf, German Township, John Vershum, Amboy Township; and Tom Franks, Member-at-Large expire this year

Any member of the Fulton County Agricultural Society, 21 years or older wishing to declare candidacy for the office of director may do so by filing with the secretary a petition signed by ten or more members of the Society. Petitions must be filed by November 3, 2007. Any one wishing more information may call Board Secretary, Jeanne Johnson at 419-335-6006.

To vote, one must be a member of the Fulton County Agricultural Society, reside in Fulton County and be 18 years of age by the date of the election. The annual membership fee is paid to the secretary. Memberships may be obtained until October 27, 2007 from the fair secretary.

Other directors of the Fulton County Fair Board are Ron Holdeman, Swan Creek Township, Sam Merrillat, Franklin Township; David Murry, Clinton Township, Richard Mull, York Township, Curtis Johnson, Chesterfield Township; Carl Buehrer, Pike Township; William Gombash, Fulton Township; Bill Serna, Royalton Township, Don Williams and Alan Garrow, Members-At-Large

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