

QUARTERLY UPDATE FROM SHELBY CITY SCHOOLS

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Continuing to Move Forward

Shelby City Schools Families,

I am honored to be the new superintendent of Shelby City Schools. Throughout the coming months, I look forward to getting to know more about what makes the district so special and building relationships with students, teachers and staff, families, and community members.

My family is also excited about moving to Shelby and immersing ourselves in the community. Speaking of my family, my wife, Lauren, and I have two children, Maya and Harper. We have already made multiple trips to Shelby to attend meetings, find a home, and for my wife to stop by her favorite place in the

city – the Marvin Memorial Library. Regardless of the reason for our visit, the people of Shelby have been tremendously gracious, thoughtful, and welcoming.

A little about me ... I graduated from The Ohio State University in 2001 with a degree in History. I started substitute teaching later that year and decided I wanted to make education my career. In 2002 I began a master's degree program in Secondary Education at the University of Phoenix and graduated in 2004. I taught one year as an Intervention Specialist for fourth grade



Michael Browning Superintendent, Shelby City Schools

and moved to the high school the following fall where I taught Social Studies for five years. Then I moved to eighth-grade History and was there for six and a half years. During my middle school teaching years, I started another master's degree program, this time in school administration, from Ohio University and graduated in 2014. In January 2016, I received my first administrative position at London High School as the assistant principal. After two and a half years, I was elevated to principal and held that position for five years before finishing my superintendent's license and now here I am!

As superintendent, my goal is to continue to move Shelby City Schools forward. The district has a beautiful campus, excellent facilities, and from

meeting staff at the end of last school year, a group of teachers and support staff who truly care about students. All of this will be beneficial in continuing to grow as a school district and a community. I am excited about this opportunity and am happy to say, it is a great day to be a Whippet.

Michael Browning Superintendent Shelby City Schools

Former Superintendent Says Farewell



Tim Tarvin

It seems like an eternity ago that I announced my retirement as the superintendent of the Shelby City Schools but in reality, it was only in October of 2022. And now that time has finally arrived.

I've said this many times in the past but I will risk being redundant one more time. To have had the opportunity to return to my hometown to: teach, coach, be the assistant principal of the high school, the principal of the middle school and finally to spend twelve years as the superintendent...well,

it's been an honor and privilege and words cannot adequately express my gratitude to have had such good fortune.

Throughout my thirty-one years in Shelby I have had a myriad of experiences that have provided me with memories that will last a lifetime. However, none of these memories can eclipse the importance of the relationships and friendships I enjoyed with my colleagues, parents, community members, and of course, the hundreds and thousands of students who have walked the hallways of our schools.

Quite honestly, I could rattle on and on about my memories and experiences in Shelby, but when it comes right down to it, if I had just one last request, it would be to say thank you to the entire district and community for allowing me to serve you. My thirty-one years in Shelby has been a great ride, and yes, although I am retiring as superintendent, I'm not retiring from being a Whippet. Thanks for everything, Shelby; go Whippets!





Health Care Services Now Available at Shelby Schools

Shelby City School students and their siblings (ages 0 to 21) can now get the same health care services they would receive at a doctor's office right at school.

In partnership with Nationwide Children's Hospital, a school-based health center recently opened at Shelby High School. Hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The center offers the following services to current students and their siblings:



- Regular checkups (well visits)
- Shots (immunizations)
- Blood work
- Sports physicals
- Help when your child is sick
- Treatment for asthma or diabetes
- Help with work permit physicals
- Treatment for anxiety, depression and ADHD



Please note that the school-based health center is not meant to replace a student's existing pediatrician but provide help to children who do not have a doctor. Consent from the student's parent/guardian is needed for a child to be seen. To schedule an appointment, call (614) 355-2590 and select option 3.

Parents and guardians are always welcome to be at the visit, but it is not required. School-based health center staff will follow up with the parent/guardian after the visit to explain what took place and any needed follow up.

A permanent facility for the health center is expected to open later this fall. Stay tuned for details. More information is available at NationwideChildrens.org/Care-Connection.





Update From the Treasurer

Beth Lykins, Treasurer

Twice each year, Ohio's public schools are required to approve a 5-year forecast. Shelby Schools' latest forecast shows that the district will begin deficit spending, which means it will spend more than it receives in a fiscal year, in FY26. Currently, the district's balance is at a financially sound level. Visit the Treasurer page of the website at shelbyk12.org to view the 5-year forecast approved in May.

One impact on our budget is the loss of ESSER funds. ESSER funds are federal dollars earmarked as emergency relief to address the impact that COVID-19 has had and continues to have, on elementary and secondary students nationwide. This marks the last year the federal dollars can be used.

In other financial news, the district is dedicated to finding other sources of funding to provide a high-quality educational experience to our Whippets. Shelby recently received a \$10,000 grant from the Ohio EPA for water bottle filling stations at the high school and Board of Education building. The Ohio EPA Recycling and Litter Prevention program also granted Shelby Schools a grant for \$3,677 for an oil can crusher, which allows bus filters to be recycled.

Thank you for your continued support of our district and for preparing our next generation for a successful future.

Summer Maintenance Projects

In addition to the following maintenance projects taking place this summer, all drinking fountains in Shelby Schools are being replaced with bottle fillers.



Safety Town moves from Dowds School to the PK-8 building's secure playground.



Skiles Stadium is demolished and the area is ready for future activity.



Sidewalks, lighting, and a wider culvert are added to Championship Drive from Shelby Middle School to the new stadium for improved safety.



Central School demolition wraps up.



More than 80 bulletin boards and 40 Clevertouch boards are installed throughout PK-8 classrooms and Shelby High School.



Shelby High School classrooms undergo remodeling.



Did you know? The Shelby Schools maintenance crew is responsible for landscaping around Shelby Middle School and the board office.



Asphalt work is happening around campus this summer, including Championship Drive and the Shelby Middle School parking lot.



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District Adopts, Completes Training on New Phonics Program

Shelby Schools staff used two days at the end of last school year for professional development in the Science of Reading. The district adopted the Sonday System Essentials whole class phonics program. This program is touted as the simplest way to bring multisensory phonics instruction to general education students in grades K-5. Additionally, it helps teachers quickly identify students who could benefit from reading intervention.

New Clevertouch Boards

Teachers and students at Shelby High School can now get a little more interactive with their learning thanks to Clevertouch boards being installed in classrooms this summer. This completes the districtwide project to install the screens in all PreK-12 classrooms.

