



# Walnut Creek Elementary School

## September 2016 Walnut Creek Elementary Newsletter

Parents,

What a pleasure and an honor it is to be the Principal of Walnut Creek Elementary School. I come to Walnut Creek with 22 years of Educational Experience. I previously worked in the West Holmes School District for the last 20 years.

I live between Wooster and Apple Creek. Our house is surrounded by woods on one side and corn on the other three sides. My wife (Wendy) is a teacher at Central Christian School. My daughter (Makenna) just began at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. Gage, my son, is a sophomore at Central Christian.

As you can tell, my family is all involved in one degree or another, education. We also love being in the country. I look forward to spending time meeting each and every one of you as we journey through the school year.

Darrell Haven, Principal

### September Calendar:

Thursday, September 1: Wilderness Center  
"Nature Walk" (K-1<sup>st</sup>)

Monday, September 5: Labor Day

Wednesday, September 7: Magazine Sales Kickoff  
Assembly 2:00

Tuesday, September 20: Wilderness Center Trip  
(K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade)

Wednesday, September 21: Wilderness Center  
Trip (3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade)

Wednesday, September 28: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Farm Tour

Friday, September 30: Life Touch Pictures

School Hours: 8:30-3:30 (Office 4:00)  
Office Phone: 330-893-2213

### Cardinal Character:

Many don't realize the nickname for Walnut Creek was once the "Cardinals." This was before the school consolidated and formed Hiland High School (East Holmes School District). We are going to go back to that foundation as our Character Program here at Walnut Creek. We are going to continue to press towards the future, but never forget the others who went through this school and made it what it is today.

We will always start the day with the students stating the three rules of Walnut Creek. In no time, they will have them memorized. The challenge will be learning to constantly live by these rules. This will be a journey that I look forward to walking side by side with our students, staff, and teachers with.

#### Cardinal Rules of Walnut Creek Elementary

- Do Your Best!
- Do What's Right!
- Treat others how they would want to be treated.

**New Staff Members at Walnut Creek:**

Honree Pouly–Music

Barbara Brown– Title I

Elizabeth Boyd–Intermediate Intervention Specialist

**After School Pick Up:**

Parents please call the office as early as possible if there are any changes in your child's afterschool transportation. The end of the day gets pretty busy at Walnut Creek.

**Bugs Program:**

Once again we will be offering the before and after school programs at Walnut Creek Elementary. Registration letters will be sent home in September for the program that begins October 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Walnut Creek Parents Prayer Group:**

Once again there will be a Parents Prayer group at Walnut Creek Elementary. They will meet on Wednesday mornings at 9:00. For more information please call the Walnut Creek Elementary Office

**Did You Know...**

Before there were two High Schools represented in Holmes County, there were as many as 10 High Schools. And yes, in 1929, Walnut Creek was the Holmes County Basketball League Champion.



