

Thank you for your continued support of Perry Local Schools and your participation in our Key Communicator Network. If you wish to be removed from this list, you may do so at any time by sending a request to me, Allen Kellogg, at KelloggA@Perry-Lake.org. If you are new to this list, a description of the Key Communicator network follows this message

Below you will find information and updates which have been communicated to the community at large using one or more of our many communication vehicles. As always, we encourage you to let us know if you feel there is a misunderstanding within the community or if you believe an issue needs clarification.

New Superintendent Beginning August 1, 2025

Congratulations to our current High School Principal, Mr. Todd Porcello for being hired as our new superintendent beginning with the 2025 - 2026 school year! [Read the full press release here.](#)

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration for the 25-26 school year is now open! All registrations will be done online. Kindergarten registration is open to all Perry resident children who will be 5 years old on or before September 30, 2025. [More information about registration is available on our website.](#)

Athletic Department Podcast

New this year is the podcast, "Walk the Plank" produced by our Athletic Department! "Walk the Plank" is produced once a week and looks at the current Perry athletic landscape. Join Athletic Director, TJ Rockwell and his co-host, Gene Winters, as they interview and honor the boy & girl athletes of the week and interview coaches about their seasons. You can listen on Amazon Music by asking Alexa to play "Walk the Plank Podcast" and she will play the latest episode. You can also click the following links and listen via [Amazon](#), [Spotify](#), and [Apple](#).

Upcoming Events

As we approach the end of the school year, there are several upcoming concerts, events, ceremonies, and celebrations to enjoy. Here are just a few but you can always see [upcoming events on our district website](#) and filter by building.

4/24: District Art Show/Student Learning Showcase, 5pm

5/2: Military Commitment Ceremony, 10:30am, Goodwin Theatre

5/3: Prom, 7pm, St. John Vianny in Mentor

5/18: Commencement, 1pm, HS Gymnasium

5/26: Memorial Day, No School

5/30: Last Day of School

Perry Way

The Spring 2025 edition of The Perry Way should have already made its way to your mailbox. If you missed it, you can always [check out our digital archive](#).

Monthly Electronic Newsletter

Every month we email an interactive newsletter through Constant Contact to subscribers. [Click here to check out the April Newsletter](#) or subscribe. Subscribe by clicking the “Join our email list” at the top of the page.

High School Music Department Visits Disney

Our music department had an awesome time during their trip to Disney in Orlando, Florida. Both the high school band and choir had the opportunity to perform on stage at Disney Springs! [Check out some photos from their trip here.](#)

Safety and Security

New Crisis and Suicide Lifeline

The Crisis and Suicide Lifeline is now available by calling or texting 988. This confidential service is available 24/7. Users may also use the chat function at www.988lifeline.org.

Suicide was the second-leading cause of death among Ohio youth ages 10-14 in 2023, according to the 2023 Ohio Suicide Report, which was recently released by the Ohio Department of Health. The 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline is a valuable resource that can help teachers and other school personnel feel better equipped to handle potential mental health challenges before they escalate to a crisis.

Historically, Ohio has promoted the use of the Crisis Text Line and asked help-seekers to text 4HOPE to 741741; however, 988 provides a more local response and offers more ways to reach out for help. With the ability to call, text, or chat through 988Lifeline.org, students can connect in the most comfortable way for them. We appreciate your support in this state and national effort to raise awareness of this easy-to-remember, three-digit number that provides 24/7 free and confidential support.

Safer Ohio School Tip Line

We continue to be registered with The Ohio School Safety Center (OSSC) to utilize the [Safer Ohio School Tip Line](#), a free resource available to Ohio schools. This system allows students and adults to anonymously share information via phone and text with school officials and law enforcement about threats to student safety. The system is available 24/7/365 by text and phone at 844-SaferOH (844-723-3764) and is answered by analysts within Ohio Homeland Security who immediately forward the information to school officials, law enforcement agencies, and the OSSC. The OSSC partners with the Ohio Department of Education to ensure the incident is investigated, action is taken, and resources/supports are provided when necessary.

Thank you again for your participation in the Key Communicators Network. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have and I hope you have a great finish to your school year!

Best,
Allen Kellogg

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The Key Communicator Network was established in the Spring of 2018 to enhance two-way communication between the School District and the community at large. The network is composed of other leaders in the school, community, government, and religious organizations.

The District will provide you with information on various school related topics via email. As a Key Communicator, you will then be able to accurately pass along this information to our stakeholders. Along with providing community feedback, concerns, and ideas, we hope that you will also send us topics that might require more clarity to our community members in order to halt the spread of any misinformation. "Word of mouth" may be one of the most powerful communications tools available to us and your participation greatly enhances our effectiveness in its use. Thank you again for your support.