



# New year, new newspaper

## We made changes to the paper, and we need you

by Mr. Hill

Well, the first month of school is in the books, and I know I have had a good time returning to school. And I also know that this paper is going to be awesome this year because I have seen the progress and changes we have made to improve things for this year.

The major change we made this year is that we are having editors. So this year, we have a wonderful editorial staff made up of eighth

graders Kennedy Brown, Cal Cahill, Kristen Harrah, Elise Hill, Dillon Liskai, Maddie Perkins, Kamdyn Taylor and Justice Smith. These students are the ones responsible for helping start the newspaper back when they were in sixth grade.

These editors will be the "go-to" people at the newspaper. They will help to determine what stories we are writing, who will be writing, and what will go into every issue. Each one will run a "Department" of the newspaper, and they will all tell you more about that in their introductory articles here in this issue.

What we need now for the paper is people who want to help make this newspaper even better. We need writers. We need

photographers. We need artists. We need people willing to work and put their name out there, proudly showing what they have done.

If you are interested in the newspaper, continue to read and find the Department that is "right" for you. Find what you would like to do and contact the appropriate editor to sign up! If you are not sure what you might like to do, you can email me directly at [bhill@clyde.k12.oh.us](mailto:bhill@clyde.k12.oh.us) and I will try to help you find a Department where you might like to help.

So we hope to hear from you soon if you are interested, because we want people NOW to help with our next issue, scheduled to come out the end of October.

**We plan to have at least one issue a month, and you don't have to do something every issue. So if you're interested in joining, let us know!**

## Fine Arts & Clubs

Hello, My name is Elise Hill. This 2017-18 school year I am the Editor of Fine Arts and Clubs. Fine Arts includes photography, band, choir and latest music news. Clubs includes Model UN, drama club, student council, asset team and other student groups.

Within these groups you will keep the school informed with the recent events within the school. I am hopefully going to start up creative photography, where the students will send in photos and you will get to share your photography skills. Now, this doesn't include sending in selfies. This could include pictures you have taken in the Clyde Park or a sunset you caught after your basketball game. If you are interested in join this department please email me at [22ehill@clyde.k12.oh.us](mailto:22ehill@clyde.k12.oh.us).

## Sports

Do you like sports? Well, the newspaper has the position for you! Our names are Dillon Liskai, Maddie Perkins, and Kamdyn Taylor, and we are the sports editors for the school newspaper. We are looking for more talented writers to add to our team. We are looking for people who like to write about the sports teams in and out of our school. In order to participate in this department, you can either attend the sports events and write about them, or you can ask a coach or a player on that particular team to help you get information on that event. Some of that information includes scores, big plays, team records, and even quotes from coaches and players. If you have any questions, just email one of us:

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We hope that will join our team, and become a great part of our school!

## Polls & Social

Hi, my name is Kristen Harrah. I am the polls/social editor for the newspaper. The polls are questions that are sent out to people and we record those results based on their opinion. We cover topics/questions from "What's your favorite subject" to "Things you did over summer break."

Here we also do the "Student in the Hallway" section. Here we ask different students questions, record their answer and put that in the newspaper along with their picture.

So if you have any questions or you're interested in joining this, contact me at [22kharrah@clyde.k12.oh.us](mailto:22kharrah@clyde.k12.oh.us) or Mr. Hill.

## Teacher Features & Editorials

Hi. I'm Cal Cahill. I'm the editor of Editorials and Teacher Features.

Editorials are articles where you express your opinion. Here we want students to write their options on different sides of current topics.

Teacher features are where we find out about our teachers and interview them. We like to focus on teachers new to the building or teachers who we think students want to know more about.

We would love if you would join! Contact Mr. Hill or me [22ccahill@clyde.k12.oh.us](mailto:22ccahill@clyde.k12.oh.us).

## The Art Department

Hi, our names are Maddie Perkins and Justice Smith, and we are the Art Department Editors. We are part of the core group at the newspaper. Maddie and I have been apart of this group for three years, and we are very excited for new members. This is the first time we have really opened up to get new members, and we can't wait.

The Art and Comic Department is run by Justice and Maddie, and we create comics and use student drawings and we put them in the paper for others to see. It is completely optional if you want your art in the paper, because we know you don't want to be judged. It's perfectly fine, but we would love to see your artwork, and we are sure many people would enjoy it as well. You are always welcome to submit your art and drawings, and we can put them in anonymously so that people don't know you did it but you know it got printed for all students to see.

If you want to join our department, you can contact Maddie or me though email at, [22mperkins@clyde.k12.oh.us](mailto:22mperkins@clyde.k12.oh.us) and [22jsmith@clyde.k12.oh.us](mailto:22jsmith@clyde.k12.oh.us). You can also contact Mr.Hill via email as well.



# Creative & General Writing Department

Hello there, I am Kennedy Brown, an eighth grader here at MMS. I have been apart of *Flier Nation Information* for my three years of middle school. Just until this year, we decided to take the original members of the newspaper and make them editors and "chiefs" of the monthly article. I am the first Creative & General Writing editor.

Creative Writing is a department where you submit stories, write stories, come up with story ideas, use stories you have written in class, or anything else (example of last years Creative Writing Article is on the last page). You can write stories, fictional or nonfictional, and your story can get put into the newspaper each month.

My job as an editor is to go through your stories and check for any errors. I am looking for anyone who is interested in writing, coming up with ideas, creating the story lines, and people who can get things done and turned into me by the deadline.

This department also goes into general writing. General Writing is you can write about any news, or anything that interests you. Contact me by email; [22kbrown@clyde.k12.oh.us](mailto:22kbrown@clyde.k12.oh.us), if you would like to be apart of the Creative/General Writing department. If you are interested in joining the *Flier Nation Information*, contact Mr. Hill; [bhill@clyde.k12.oh.us](mailto:bhill@clyde.k12.oh.us).

## 307 Pages Prologue

By: Kennedy Brown



No one said it was going to be fair. You know, the life thing. The four letters that describe each and every one of us, **life**. Sadly, it isn't all cupcakes and butterflies. It really isn't.

Alcohol is a depressant, it affects the nerve centers in your brain until you can't feel your fingers anymore. If you have enough of it, that is. People often get it confused and call it a stimulant. Sure, the buzz may feel good, and all of the partying, and such, but it's not all about that. It is about what it is doing to your body, the horrible effects, and how bad it is making you look inside. That is what it is about.

Life is the same way. It may be fun, and adventurous, but in the long-run it's just a huge let down. A disappointment. A depressing, unfair, grey life. And that is all it will ever be.

To be continued.....

*We wish to feature some creative writing done by students. These voluntary submissions can be over anything, whether it is written for class or not. Here is an example writing by Kennedy Brown. Enjoy.*

