

# CLELIAN CONNECTION

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CLELIAN HEIGHTS SCHOOL?



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## A letter to the Clelian Heights School Community

Dear Clelian Heights Families,

Autumn is in full swing and isn't it beautiful! From the creative fall themed art projects brightening up the hallways to the changing leaves, Clelian Heights is a site to see! Our students will continue to enjoy outdoor recess for as long as possible, so please make sure to send a jacket!

In the spirit of the season, Clelian Heights will be holding a food drive from November 18th to November 22nd. On November 20th, if staff members or students bring a donation, then they will be able to dress down for the day. The drive and dress down day will benefit the Westmoreland County Food Bank, and their efforts to ensure that all families in Westmoreland County have food year round and for Thanksgiving.

Secondly, our Eleventh Annual Staff VS Students Basketball game will be held on November 22nd at 1:30 in the gym. The game is always a great time for our players, coaches, students, staff, and families. I look forward to seeing our players make their season debut. Good luck Crusaders!

Finally, thank you to all those who assisted with the Halloween Dance and Scholastic Book Fair in October. These events are a success because of your support and dedication to our students. If you are interested in volunteering at our next event, consider joining Friends of Clelian Heights (FOCHO).

May God's blessings be with you! Be assured of my prayers for you -always!

*Sr. Charlene Celli, ASCG*  
Principal



*Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*

MARY, QUEEN OF APOSTLES PROVINCE



## Mark Your Calendar:

November 1	Half Day - Staff Meeting
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November 3	Daylight Savings Time Ends - Turn Clocks Back 1 hour
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November 18 - 22	Food Drive
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November 20	Happy Feast Day of Blessed Mother Clelia
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November 22	11th Annual Staff V. Student Basketball Game
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November 25	Staff Breakfast
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Nov. 27 - Dec. 2	Half Day - Thanksgiving Break Begins
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December 2	No School - Thanksgiving Monday
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December 3	Classes Resume
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# New Faces Around Clelian Heights School

### Adam Toth



My name is Adam Toth, I am a PCA at Clelian Heights. Currently, I am enrolled in a nursing program and on track to graduate in the Spring of 2022. I attended Hempfield Area High School and graduated in 2018. While in high school, I was a swimmer. While at Clelian Heights, I hope to give the best care to all the students with whom I work. In my free time, I like to go hiking, mountain biking, and cliff jumping.

### Lisa Ortiz



My name is Lisa Ortiz. I am a Personal Care Assistant at Clelian Heights through ESS. I received my Elementary Education Certificate in Colorado, where I taught Pre-K for 4.5 years. After which my family and I moved to Texas in support of my husband's military career. While on base, I became interested in working in the legal field.

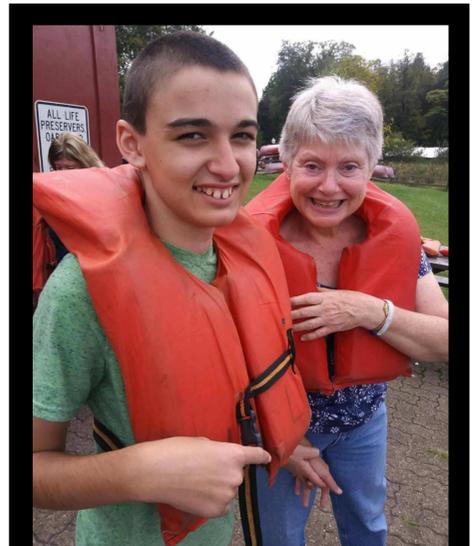
I am currently earning my Bachelor's Degree in Paralegal Studies, but I have always felt a special connection to working with students and being in the classroom. Therefore, I am excited to help my student reach her academic and personal goals.



### Not Pictured

New Staff: N/A New Students: Bradin  
Look for their picture/bios in next month's addition, and next month's new staff and students!

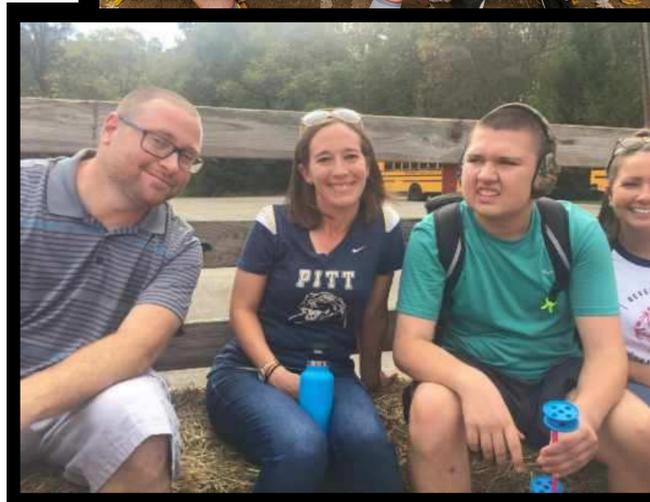
## October Happenings



### Westmoreland County Special Olympics Golf



### You've Got a Friend Day



# More October Happenings

## Scholastic Book Fair



## Halloween Dance



# November Notables

## 11th Annual Staff VS Students Basketball Game

You're Invited!

Nov. 22 at 1:30 P.M

In the Clelian Heights Gym

Staff VS All Crusader Basketball players



All Crusader basketball players will take to the court for the 11th Annual Staff VS. Students game. Tip off will be at 1:30 PM, all students, staff, and families are welcome to attend. This match-up kicks off the season for both the Junior Varsity and Varsity teams, and has become a beloved school tradition!

## Benefit Clelian Heights While You Shop Amazon.com

Do you shop on Amazon.com? If you answered yes, then you could be benefiting Clelian Heights with every purchase you make after you sign up for AmazonSmile. According to the AmazonSmile Org Central information page, "AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when customers shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers."



To Access AmazonSmile and start earning money for Clelian Heights:

1. Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) to begin the process of selecting a charity to benefit with each purchase you make on amazon.com.
2. Enter **Clelian Heights** into the search bar to begin benefiting us.
3. **Check**, "Yes, I understand that I must always start at smile.amazon.com to support Clelian Heights."
4. Press, "**Start Shopping**" button.

# Join Our November Food Drive

During the month of November, we redouble our efforts and thoughts for those in need of our kindness, and give thanks for what we have. In the spirit of caring and giving, a dress down day and food drive in November will benefit the Westmoreland County Food Bank.



## When can donations be made?

**November 18 - 22** Bring in donations for the Food Bank!

**November 20** Bring in a monetary or food donation on November 20th for the Food Bank, and dress down for the day.

## What should I donate?

According to the Food Bank website:

- Items that have the original manufacturer's label to be able to be redistributed by the food bank.
- Items free from obvious defect or contamination like a popped top on a can, mold, or rust.
- Non-perishable items like canned or boxed items, juices, pastas, canned meats, sauces, prepared foods.
- Foods within expiration date

## Suggested Items:

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|-----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| canned tuna, chicken, or salmon   | cereal        | paper towels               |
| canned fruits and vegetables      | peanut butter | laundry and dish detergent |
| macaroni and cheese               | deodorant     | toilet tissue              |
| boxed meals like hamburger helper | shampoo       | baby soap                  |
| canned meals like stew or ravioli | diapers       | tooth paste                |

**According to WCFB, Most needed items:**

- peanut butter
- cereal
- canned or pouched tuna, chicken, or salmon
- boxed meals like mac & cheese or Hamburger Helper
- heavier soups and stews

## What can NOT be donated?

According to the Food Bank website, they can not accept:

- Homemade goods or canned items
- baby food in jars
- prescription medications
- any items that has been opened or if the seal is broken.

## Where can I put my donation?

Donations will be collected in the main lobby area. There will be an area for food items and an area for household items.

**Thank you for helping us end hunger in Westmoreland County!**

### Mission

The mission of Clelian Heights is to provide spiritual, educational, and vocational programs for children and adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities that enhance their quality of life and maximize their potential for independent living.

### Vision

The vision of Clelian Heights is an atmosphere of choice, mutual acceptance, respect, and love that will make a lasting difference in the lives of the person with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

### Non-Discrimination

Clelian Heights offers services to all without discrimination of the basis of race, color, age, religious creed, disability, sex, ancestry, or national origin.



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