

C'ville Improves Reading, Math

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The 1969-70 school year at Clarenceville has been a busy one for the students, teachers, administrators and Board of Education.

This past summer, two new administrators were employed by the District. Dr. Raymond Renbarger was selected as high school principal. Dr. Renbarger came to Clarenceville from Oak Park.

Harold Humble was the Board of Education choice for



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administrative assistant to the superintendent. Humble came to Clarenceville by way of Farmington and then southern Indiana.

He had been principal of North Farmington High School, and in 1968 left his position there to go to Kodaikanal, India, where he

served for three years as principal of a school for American and European children whose families were in India.

ONE OF THE basic purposes of a school is to teach all youngsters to read, write and compute. Therefore, this past

summer an in-service reading program was conducted for 14 kindergarten and first grade teachers.

This was possibly the most extensive in-depth study and in-service program in the history of Clarenceville. At the summer conference, the teachers were given about 150 hours of reading and teaching techniques.

The implementation of the system occurred this fall in the kindergarten and first grade. Total implementation in the elementary schools will occur in the fall of 1971.

In 1969-70, the district was involved in an extensive systematic evaluation of the mathematics program. This evaluation and the in-service reading program both were under the direction of Assistant Supt. James L. Leary and Mrs. Patricia J.

Vickery, elementary consultant.

The math evaluation was accomplished in cooperation with the Oakland County Intermediate District. It consisted of an item by item dissection of standardized tests in math taken by students in grades four and six.

From this data, we were able to determine not only how many persons missed a certain type of question, but why it was missed and by what percentage of the class. With this information, teachers can determine what concepts they are teaching have been learned and what concepts must be retaught.

A SYSTEMATIC elementary writing program — which was developed under the leadership of Mrs. Martha Sage, an elementary teacher under a special assignment to improve the teaching of writing in the district — is now in its fifth year and has been extended through the seventh grade.

DURING THE 1969-70 second semester, a group of interested mothers, under the leadership of Mrs. Midge Ellis, initiated a pre-school program at Grandview elementary school.

Both the pre-schoolers and their mothers attended the weekly sessions. Plans are being made to extend this type of program to the three other elementary schools.

The 1970-71 enrollment was down from 1969-70. The total

1969-70 enrollment was 3,922 compared with a 1970-71 enrollment of 3,838. The bulk of this loss was in the elementary schools. Some grade school boundaries may have to be adjusted because of the decreasing enrollment.

THE DISTRICT'S revenue for 1969-70 was \$3,289,966 and the expenditures were \$3,310,612 or an excess of expenditures over revenue of \$20,707. This reduced the district reserve from \$328,465 to \$309,849.

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To avoid overburdening the taxpayers for the 1970-71 school year, the Board of Education increased the taxes by only one mill (1/1000) have been needed to balance the budget and will dip into the reserve by approximately \$100,000.

The free textbook and supplies decision by the State Supreme Court on Aug. 17, 1970, accounts for the major portion of the increase of expenditures over revenue. Nevertheless, I believe this to be a good and proper decision because now no child is handicapped because he

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Two Farmington students have been selected as members of the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp International Band which will tour Europe next summer.

They are Debbie Tomchek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomchek, and Debbie Benden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan C. Benden.

Accompanied by eight supervisors and directed by Prof. Leonard Falcone, retired director of bands of Michigan State University, the Blue Lake International Band will leave July 1 and return July 28.

THE TOUR WILL include travel and concerts in Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, Austria and Italy. Openings are still available for students who qualify on clarinet, trombone and French horn. Interested students and parents should write to the camp at Twin Lake, Mich., 49457, or call 1-616-894-8325.

Age requirements are 16 through 19, plus current enrollment in a high school or college band program.

Monthly rehearsals are now under way and will continue through the winter and spring. The band will assemble at Blue Lake Camp in June for a 10-day period of intensive preparation for the tour.

The students will also present several "Bon Voyage" concerts at the camp and in Muskegon and Grand Rapids.

THEY WILL travel through Europe in chartered buses and will give a special concert in Prof. Falcone's home near Foggia, Italy.

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