Congratulations to Madeira City Schools, who for the 11th straight year earned an ‘Excellent’ rating from the Ohio Department of Education on our state report card! We received word this past week that 26 of 26 indicators were met and that our test scores were among the highest in the state. Our district ranked 4th in the state out of 613 Ohio school districts on the performance index score, which measures a school district’s assessment results across all tested grades and all subjects, then calculates how well students scored in each subject area. Madeira’s overall district performance index has steadily increased each year over the past three years. Thanks to the faculty, staff, students, parents and community members who help make our district ‘Excellent’!

- The community is invited to attend a half-time dedication ceremony on Friday, September 3rd at the Mustang vs. CHCA football game. Madeira’s extraordinary principal Phase II leaders Tom Walter and Steve Schlagbaum will be honored by the Madeira City School Board and the City of Madeira. The Madeira Stadium Renovation Project began in 2005 and involved hundreds of residents in fundraising, construction and development. The results are new field turf, scoreboard, entryway, home and visitors concession stands, concrete walkways and the Hall of Fame plaza, as well as handicapped accessible restrooms. $1,100,000 was raised for the project, which coupled with considerable in-kind contributions and volunteer time, exceeds over $1,600,000.

- The annual Madeira Music Boosters Tag Day will be held Saturday, September 11 from 9 to noon. Students wearing Madeira music shirts will be going door to door asking for donations, which can be returned in the envelope that was mailed in a letter to all Madeira residents or to: Madeira Music Boosters, c/o Madeira High School, 7465 Loannes Drive, Madeira, OH 45243. This is the largest music fundraiser of the year and benefits Madeira music students in all grades.

- Please see our website, www.madeiracityschools.org for a video showing how our school district is preparing our students to be tomorrow’s leaders. The video was funded through a grant from High Aims and features Madeira teachers and students.

- The Third Annual Madeira Schools Foundation Golf Outing will be held Wednesday, October 6 at Kenwood Country Club. A single player registration fee is $150 which includes golf, cart, lunch, beer, soda/snacks, dinner and prizes. Registration begins at 11:30 followed by lunch with a 1:00 pm shotgun start. A registration form is on the Foundation page on our website: www.madeiracityschools.org. To register contact John Cravaack at 513-235-7983 or cravaack@aol.com

- The Hamilton County Board of Elections has asked us to remind eligible voters that the voter registration deadline for the November election is October 4. Voter registration information from the Hamilton County Board of Elections is available on their website: www.hamilton-co.org/boe and is also in each of our school offices and board office.

**REUNION NEWS:**

- The Madeira High School Class of 1976 is currently planning their 35th reunion, tentatively scheduled for the summer of 2011. Please contact Sharon Sowders at ssowders@fuse.net for more information.

- The Class of 1985 is holding their 25th reunion on Saturday, October 2. Surrounding classes are also invited. Contact Julie Brockhage Himes at Julie@himesltc.com or 513-886-770 for details.

There are many things happening in your Madeira City Schools and we hope you will be a part of them all!