



Staff Update

October 6, 2017

Better Today than Yesterday, Better Tomorrow than Today.

GROWTH

What's on the calendar:

**REMEMBER WE ARE MOVING TO A REGULAR SPECIALS SCHEDULE ON MONDAY!
THE ONLY TIME WE WILL USE THE ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE IS ON MONDAYS WHEN THERE IS AN R FACTOR
ASSEMBLY!**

October 9-BUILDING VISIT from Northridge Local Schools (info below)

October 11-Staff Meeting-8AM

Fire Prevention Field Trip and Assemblies (see below)

October 12-Blended Learning Building Visit (more details to come after my meeting on Sept. 27)

October 13-J.W. YOUiversity (Elem/MS/HS principals coming to visit)

October 16-19-Conference Week

October 18-Conference Late Night

October 19-Five Guys Spirit Night

October 20-NO SCHOOL

October 25-THIRD GRADE ELA TEST

Picture Retake day

October 26-THIRD GRADE ELA TEST

October 27-Data Team Leaders 8AM

JW YOUiversity-(Elem/MS/HS principals coming to visit)

October 31-EL Data Teams 1st grade and 2nd grade---Dana put in for an AM sub

November 1-EL Data Teams 3rd and 4th grade---Anna Deri will put in for an AM floating sub

Grateful

Today I am grateful for many things but here are a few:

1. THIS STAFF-We have had an amazing round of data teams recently-thank you all for your openness and willingness to try new things

2. Susan Cook-Susan has jumped on board this crazy train and is so easy to talk to and work with! Thanks for all you do, Susan
3. Lisa and Amanda-Lisa and Amanda have worked so hard to plan supportive data team meetings for grade level teachers-Thanks to them for supporting all of us.

Walk of Gratitude

Vicky Clark, Director of Elementary Education, has started an Elementary Walk of Gratitude this year. Each month a staff member at every elementary will be recognized for the amazing work they do and will be invited to a special recognition breakfast. This month's winner was...JERRY BICKEL!



October 12-Blended Learning Visit

Here is [the form](#) I need you to fill out if you are going to be a classroom that will welcome visitors on Oct. 12.

So far, I have these rooms signed up to be visited:

Davell
Webb
Ells
Lough
Jenkins
Ferrall
Jones
Allen
Gorbett

**If I forgot to add you to the list, I apologize! Just tell me and I'll add you.

Visit from Northridge Local Schools

Northridge school (my friend Brian Blum is the principal here) will be here on Monday, Oct. 9 from 8:30-12:00. We will be visiting K, 1 and 3. Teachers will be encouraged to stay in your rooms for the entire literacy block!

R Factor Details

Starting **OCTOBER 9th** we will **SWITCH TO OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE for Mondays!** We will now only use our alternate schedule for JW YOU days AND assemblies!

2nd grade is planning the lessons for Oct. 9---remember to check the JWRFactor Folder to see what you are teaching and prepare any materials you may need. 2nd grade is finalizing the plan at the special TODAY! Here is [the link](#).

Gifted Referrals

Dear Colleagues,

This year we are opening our **Gifted** Testing Referral Window on October 10th. **There will be new forms available to give to parents, or email to parents starting on Oct. 10th.** Please do not pass out or collect any that are dated before the 10th. That way, we can roll all the referred students into the testing window together, and I won't have to pull kids separately.

The window will be open from October 10, 2017 - December 1, 2017. This will allow you to distribute forms during conferences as parents ask for them.

A couple reminders: **Anyone** may ask to refer a child. Even the child herself. Any teacher, including specials teachers, ELL, PT/OT, guidance, etc may refer a child for testing. The form must be signed by a parent.

I will email you a digital copy of the form, and have printed copies in my mailbox on...you guessed it... October 10th!

EL Conferences

We are doing interpreted EL Conferences the week of Oct 9th. Please check the file to see the day and time your student has been scheduled. If it is scheduled on Oct 10th or 12th, your room will be covered while you attend the conference. The conferences are scheduled for 30 mins. If there is a family with 3 students, the family was scheduled in an one hour block for all three conferences. Please try to honor the time because we have many conferences scheduled back to back. Below is the link to the doc.

<https://docs.google.com/a/hilliardschools.org/spreadsheets/d/1m-3xwrHRSAbZurXa7hpdHVfWZcfsqvaRfGWZQCFOMeU/edit?usp=sharing>

Jim's Tech Updates

Hello all,

There is a **5 question student technology survey** that we need you to share with your students before 10/31. This data gives the tech dept. very valuable information to share with the community and guides our next steps as a district.

All 5 questions are Multiple Choice/Check the Box responses. Here are my recommendations for administering the survey:

K-2 students - 10 min. - Pull up eSchool on the projector, guide students to eSchool, tap "take survey". Go through each question as a class and then submit.

3-5 students- 5 min. - Guide students to link in eSchool. Students click "Take Survey".

No Photo List

Please be diligent about the NO PHOTO LIST.

Your kids who are not allowed to be photographed NEED TO KNOW THIS!!! Please don't keep it a secret from them.

If you have a NO PHOTO student in your classroom you will need to make sure your NO PHOTO sign is hanging by your door AND make sure the folder with the name of NO PHOTO kids is in the clear container. ALSO INDICATE THE NAMES OF NO PHOTO STUDENTS IN SUB PLANS!

Fire Prevention Assemblies and K Field Trip

Oct. 11 Kindergarten Field trip to Fire Station—IT'S OFFICIAL
(2 classes will go in AM and 2 in PM)

Kindergarten 9:45 arrival---depart at 10:45
Kindergarten 1:00 arrival----depart at 2

October 11 Fire Assemblies 1st-5th

4th and 5th 1:30-2:15 in the cafeteria

3rd grade LADDER RIDE 1:15-2:45 (3rd grade please make a schedule and have 1 class out at a time)
1st and 2nd in cafeteria-2:30-3:15

Coffee with the Principal

This event was a huge success. I will definitely be doing this again. Kindergarten coffee is October 17th!

Birthday Treats

Please be diligent about enforcing our new Food Guidelines that I handed out at our staff meeting.