

Staff Update

November 6, 2020

"IF WE DO LESS AND WE DO IT BETTER, IT'S GOING TO END UP BEING MORE FOR OUR KIDS."-DR. MARSCHHAUSEN

OUR ONE WORD

LIFT

Have you lifted someone this week, has someone lifted you? It's not too late.

Grateful

- 1-THIS BEAUTIFUL WEATHER-I love, love, love this weather and I hope we all take some time to enjoy it this evening.
- 2-**Peppermint Coffee and items-**I love pumpkin things but I'm really excited that peppermint season is upon us.
- 3-**Stef, Alicia, Nicole and Saima-**I got to do 4 OTES evals this week and I had the best time getting to spend uninterrupted time with these amazing teachers!

Love is an Intervention



The other day at DISMISSAL, a parent's car battery died. So, Fred pulled his van up so the dad could jump the battery. Now, please note that Fred is just watching while the dad is doing the work, but still.

PICTURE DAY IS COMING

I am excited to announce that we will have SCHOOL PICTURE DAY ON DECEMBER 16th and 17th! WOOT WOOT! More details to follow!

Winter Parties

Winter Parties will be happening this year! Group A's party will be December 16th and Group B's party will be December 18th!

PTO will provide a craft and game. We will also have sugar cookies for snack that day and PTO will provide icing so kids can decorate their cookies! If you want to add some fun to that day, please feel free to do so! MOVIES, GAMES, etc!

FOOD FOR CONFERENCES

Food for conferences is allowed now! WOOT WOOT! The PTO will be ordering grab and go subs for us and will also have chips and drinks available!

R Factor For November

I hope you have shown the Virtual R Factor Assembly!

There are two lessons in The Commons for AT HOME DAYS!

Update on Mitigation

New mitigation practices:

1-As long as kids are **6ft AND wearing masks** then <u>you can take the dividers down</u> (if you have kids are at a 5ft table you need masks and one divider)
2-As long as kids are **6ft apart AND wearing masks** <u>they can sit on the floor</u>

Teaching and Learning

REMEMBER---School needs to be fun, engaging and playful

Don't forget to do the fun lessons

REMEMBER----we need to PRIORITIZE what we absolutely are going to teach and be realistic about what is doable

Mental Health and Wellness is IMPORTANT!

Don't forget to leave time for the FUN lessons.

STILL READING? If so, fill out this form. You might get a prize....

Build in time to TALK to kids and enjoy being with them!

Progress Reports

REMEMBER--ONLY MARK THE PLACES ON THE REPORT CARD THAT YOU HAVE ADEQUATE DATA TO SUPPORT---IT IS PROBABLY NOT A LOT!

Keep your comments to a minimum. As an elementary principal team, we have decided to share the paragraph below with all teachers and encourage you to use this for comments:

For the 1st trimester of 2020, HCSD operated in a Hybrid learning model. This meant that students attended school for 50% of the time and completed at-home assignments for 50% of the time. This progress report reflects your student's (knowledge/achievement/ability) for the grade level standards that were assessed during this trimester. During parent teacher conferences, held the 3rd week of November, additional data and assessments were shared via Zoom/phone. (HERE IS WHERE YOU MIGHT ADD ONE SENTENCE ABOUT THE CHILD....maybe....I truly enjoy watching Dolly learn and grow, she is so sweet and fun to have in class. OR, Thank you for your continued support as you help Dolly practice her letters at home). If you have additional questions regarding (student's name) ability, please feel free to contact me at (teacher email).

(THE PARENTHESES ARE THE PLACES WHERE YOU COULD ADD YOUR OWN WORDING.)

Rapid Evacuation Drill Coming in November

On November 9th or 10th we will be having a RAPID EVACUATION DRILL! For this drill I will be joined by the Hilliard Police Department. We will make an announcement asking you to exit the building as if we were running from a threat.

Please practice a rapid exit with your students. Remember:

Teach them to run out of the building without pushing, etc.

Teach them to stop at a designated spot AND POINT TO WHERE THEY WOULD GO IF THIS WAS REAL AND THEY NEEDED TO GET AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL FAST!

Some things we say to kids are:

- -If there was a gas leak and we had to run away from our school fast we would.....
- -One time, Mrs. Prati propped the door open and a racoon got in the school, we had to run out of the building FAST. Where would you go if YOU had to run out of the building. Have these discussions with kids and then please practice.

PTO Update--SPEND THAT MONEY

- 1. INDOOR RECESS TEACHER GRANTS-Each CLASSROOM TEACHER is able to spend up to \$50 on supplies for INDOOR RECESS courtesy of the PTO! They opted for this as opposed to purchasing supplies and giving them to you because they wanted you to decide what would be best for your class. You MUST FOLLOW THIS PROCESS FOR USING THE \$50:
 - a. Fill out this form
 - b. Save your receipt and put it in the PTO mailbox with your NAME ON IT.
 - c. PTO will fill out a check and give it to you within a few days!

Report Cards

Click HERE for the Progress Report Timeline

Equity and Diversity Team Update

If you are part of the White Fragility Book Club take a look at our **REAL**------ White Fragility Book Club Schedule.

What's on the calendar:

November 16-19-1st-5th conferences

November 19-Conference Late Night grades 1-5. (FOOD PROVIDED)

November 25-27-NO SCHOOL

December 7-PTO 7PM

December 16 and 17-PICTURE DAYS

December 16 and 18-WINTER PARTIES---YOU CAN HOLD THE PARTY WHENEVER YOU

WOULD LIKE BECAUSE WE CAN'T HAVE VOLUNTEERS IN THE BUILDING