



# Grant Elementary School



*Improve Student Achievement!*

## Message from Mrs. Hoynes & Mr. Samber

November 17, 2017

Thank you to those who came out for our first Community Ladies Event. We hope you enjoyed a day of relaxation, lunch, and shopping! A big thank you to Ms. Amanda for organizing this event and bringing so many community members together. We also enjoyed the opportunity to connect with our Seniors. Our third graders did a great job performing at Browning Senior Center last week. We received so much positive feedback about their performance, and how well our students represented Grant Elementary and the Willoughby community. Great job third grade Bulldogs and Mrs. Parker for preparing them so well. We brought this week to a close with another partnership event. The Energized Guys, provided by First Energy, came to our school for a fun, informative assembly about energy conservation. See the information below to request your own energy efficiency kit. It's hard to believe that our holiday parties are just around the corner! In an effort to continue to improve the planning process, we will be providing each parent with a printout of who has been chosen to attend the party, in order to eliminate confusion. This will be sent home with students following Thanksgiving break. Reminder, there is no school Thursday, November 23-Monday, November 27 due to Thanksgiving break. We hope you enjoy the holiday with family and friends. Grant staff and students are thankful for all of you!

Bulldog Broadcast: [https://youtu.be/2\\_5Yg2XtMmw](https://youtu.be/2_5Yg2XtMmw)

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## NOVEMBER/ DECEMBER EVENTS

### ZERO GRAVITY

Blast off with Grant Elementary!

Monday, November 20th  
 6-8PM

Zero Gravity  
 34675 Melinz Parkway, Eastlake

\$8 per person  
 Space is limited to the first 100 students.

Proceeds benefit 5th Grade Day.

Registrations forms were sent home earlier this week.



### CLASS PICTURES & PICTURE RETAKES

Class pictures and picture retakes will take place on Tuesday, November 21st. Order packets were sent home earlier this week.

If you would like your child to get picture retakes, please have your child bring in their old picture packet on November 21st.

If your child did not get pictures taken earlier this year, please contact the school office for an order form.

Thank you.

### CANDY CANE LANE



December 9th  
 11:00 - 2:00PM  
 at Grant Elementary

Please join us for a FUN and FREE event for Grant students and their families! Games, selfies with Santa, Santa's Workshop, Holiday Shop for children, First Grade Christmas Concert and so much more! Bring in cleaning wipes, Kleenex, hand sanitizer or anything to help keep students healthy, and receive a raffle ticket to enter a drawing for a door prize! Registration forms were sent home with students last week. Use the following link to volunteer for this event.

<http://signup.com/go/TJkHSCR>

### NOVEMBER THEME: "READY TO LEARN"

Nov 20 - Box Tops Due  
 Zero Gravity Night, 6-8PM

Nov 21 - Class Pictures / Retakes

Nov 22 - OSU-Michigan Day  
 PBIS "Ready to Learn"  
 Pizza Party Lunch

Nov 23 - Nov 27  
**THANKSGIVING BREAK**  
**Classes Resume November 28th**

### DECEMBER THEME: "RESPECT"

Dec 9 - Candy Cane Lane & First Grade Concert  
 11AM - 2PM @ Grant

Dec 14 - Safety Drill, 1:30PM  
 PTO Mtg, 6PM, Library

Dec 15 - Spirit Wear Pickup,  
 5:30 - 7:30PM  
 Parents' Night Out,  
 6 - 8:30PM

Dec 18 - Box Tops Due

Dec 20 - End of 2nd Quarter  
 Holiday Parties, 1:45PM

Dec 21 - Jan 2  
**WINTER BREAK**  
**Classes Resume January 3rd**

### FIRST ENERGY CONTEST

Our school has partnered with First Energy Ohio's utilities and The National Theatre for Children to save energy this school year. You can help us out by requesting an Energy Efficiency Kit and using it to make your homes energy efficient. These kits contain items like LED bulbs and nightlights that can make a big difference toward saving energy at home.

If we sign up for the most kits by the end of the school year, our school will win \$2,500!

You can sign up for your kit at [OhioStudentKit.com](http://OhioStudentKit.com) using promo code FEOH1718 or call [1-855-343-6600](tel:1-855-343-6600). *Don't forget to have your child hand the Classroom Rewards Form to their teacher by December 18 to help their class win \$50!*



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## Grant Elementary PTO

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Please join us for a fun filled night at Zero Gravity on Monday Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> 6pm-8pm. The cost is \$8 per child and free for adults. Space is limited and reservations are a must! So secure your spot today!

Box Tops are due Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>! Help your child's classroom earn the box tops trophy!  
Please help by making sure box tops are trimmed and are not expired.

We would like to wish our Bulldog families a very nice thanksgiving break.  
However you choose to spend it, make sure you enjoy it! We are so thankful to be part of such an amazing school with these awesome kids!

For more information on upcoming events and volunteer opportunities, please visit us at [grantpto121@wixsite.com](mailto:grantpto121@wixsite.com)

### PTO BOARD MEMBERS

Julie Werner, President  
Christina Sigler, Vice President  
Stacy Fields, Secretary  
Madaline Dideon, Assistant Secretary  
Kristy Leskiewicz, Treasurer  
Maureen Frey, Assistant Treasurer



### TOP DOGS



Yusuf Abas  
Zander Adkins  
Aly Ambrose  
Davin Armenti  
Miles Bailey  
Hayley Bierman  
Ethan Bizjak  
Kailyn Brignoni  
Dezi Bruss-Falls  
Nikita Budway

Walter Christian  
Domenic Citraro  
Nico Daniels  
Braedon Dickenson  
Dominic DiNobile  
Jalil Dix  
Ra'keem Drew  
Crystal Fenton  
Maddy Ferrari  
Charlotte Harper

Kurt Hepper  
Addie Hilliard  
Adrian Johnson  
Emily Kalfic  
Chase Klekar  
Audrey LaGrew  
Lillian Lombardo  
Robbie Luberger  
Nate Luhta  
Corey Lupica

Ava Majstorovic  
Mia Miller  
Michael Murton  
Allie Nelson  
Noah Nicely  
Levi Reutter  
Brayden Rodriguez  
Kyle Rupnow  
Noah Scanlon  
Tylor Schneider

Chase Sigler  
Landin Sistek  
Matthew Solema  
Savanna Stapleton  
Andy Suchy  
Raven Swedenborg  
Erik Terauds  
Madilyn Vokic  
Jalien Wiley

### STREP THROAT ALERT!

There continue to be a number of strep throat illnesses at Grant. If your child is ill, please observe him or her for the following symptoms: Sore throat, pain when swallowing, enlarged glands in the neck, fever, stomach ache, headache or rash. If your child has a sore throat with any of these symptoms, we urge you to keep your child home and to contact your doctor for advice.

**Should your child develop strep throat, he/she should remain home for at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic. Your child must also be fever free without the use of Tylenol, Advil, etc., for at least 24 hours prior to returning to school.**

Please notify the school any time your child has received a positive strep culture.

### COLD WEATHER & WINTER RECESS

With the cold weather upon us, we would like to remind parents to dress children appropriately for outdoor recess. Hats, gloves, scarves and of course warm coats will be a necessity. We continue to have outdoor recess all winter long, so long as the temperatures do not fall below 20°F with wind chill.



### PETERMAN BUS TRACKER

Our school bus partner, Petermann, has developed a phone and web browser app that will allow parents and guardians to securely view the location of all of their children's bus locations in relationship to their assigned bus stops, including the scheduled arrival time for each stop. The service is free to parents/guardians and provided at no additional cost to the school district. Use of the application is voluntary. You can get more information, sign-up and create your secure login for use on your smart phone or web browser by visiting one of the following links:



<http://www.petermannbus.com/Pages/PetermannBusTracker.aspx>  
<https://m.Petermannbustracker.com/secure/login>

For technical support, please contact [support@Petermannbustracker.com](mailto:support@Petermannbustracker.com)

# Want to Help Our School Earn Rewards for Our Students?

Please participate in the programs listed below to help earn points and rewards for our school!



## *Apples for the Students Program*

1. Go to <https://www.gianteagle.com/AFTS> to sign up!
2. Sign in or create an account.
3. Visit the My School Programs page and enter school code: 2307.
4. Every time you shop at Giant Eagle with your rewards card, you earn points and rewards for our school!



## *Heinen's Teaming up for Education*

1. Go to <https://www.heinens.com/home/tasteful-rewards/teaming-up-for-education/> to sign up!
2. Select our school during the on-line registration process.
3. Every time you shop at Heinen's with your rewards card, you earn points and rewards for our school!



1. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to Grant Elementary Parent Teacher Organization when you shop at <https://smile.amazon.com>
2. Sign in to your Amazon account.
3. Type Grant Elementary Parent Organization into the charitable organization box.
4. Select our school.
5. Shop at AmazonSmile to earn donations for our school!



1. SchoolStore.com is an online shopping mall where over 400 nationally-known merchants have agreed to give a percentage of sales to K-12 schools. Companies like Walmart, Sears, Target, Disney Store, Family Book Store and Barnes & Noble participate.
2. Go to <https://www.schoolstore.com>
3. Choose our school.
4. Shop at your favorite online stores through schoolstore.com
5. Our school receives money and our students receive great prizes!