

Improve Student Achievement!



Message from Mrs. Hoynes & Mr. Samber

It was great to see so many students receive honor and merit roll for the first grading period. This is quite an accomplishment and these students and families should be very proud. Students' names are listed on the final pages of this Bulldog Blast. Keep up the hard work bulldogs! Speaking of hard work, our third graders completed the Fall Ohio AIR reading assessment last week. We are pleased with our students' effort. Second graders will take the CogATs next week. More information about that assessment can be found on page two of this blast. Not only are we working hard, but we are having fun along the way! Our students looked great in their Halloween costumes and had a lot of fun at their parties. Thank you to all who volunteered and donated to make this event a success. A reminder that there is no school on Tuesday, November 7th, due to election day. Please remember to vote! Also next week, our third graders will perform at Browning Senior Center at 10:30 AM on Thursday. Parents are welcome to attend! We also have a special event coming up on Saturday, November 11th at Grant. Grant mothers, grandmothers and other ladies are invited to stop at Grant between 12-3 PM for an afternoon of food and relaxation. We will be offering free babysitting, lunch, pampering, hair, makeup, yoga, exercise class, massage, and consignments. There will also be information from the following community organizations: ADAMHS, Crossroads, Lifeline, Forbes House, Beacon Health, and Lake County Free Clinic. We will bring November to a close with our class pictures and retakes, as well as our PBIS READY TO LEARN pizza party lunch. There will be no school on Thursday, November 23-Monday, November 27 due to Thanksgiving break. The staff at Grant is thankful each and every day for our amazing school community. Thank you for sharing your children with us and we hope you all enjoy the time with your families and friends. HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Check out this week's Bulldog Broadcast: https://youtu.be/NANbDubFBLs

November 3, 2017

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION



NOVEMBER EVENTS

SUBSTITUTE LEVY ISSUE 7

Willoughby-Eastlake City Schools will place a Substitute Levy on the ballot on November 7th - Issue 7.

This levy will replace an Emergency Levy and will **NOT INCREASE YOUR TAXES.**

Please visit our website, weschools.org, for complete details regarding Issue 7. The funds from this issue are used for the maintenance of facilities and classroom instruction.

Please remember to vote on November 7th.



CLASS PICTURES & PICTURE RETAKES

Class pictures and picture retakes will take place on Tuesday, November 21.

SWEEPSTAKES WINNER!

Grant Elementary was a corecipient in the Nominate a School in Need Sweepstakes. We were provided with \$2500 worth of zebra pens and other supplies, while the Kids in Need Foundation was also given a \$2500 donation.

Thank you to Mrs. DiNoble who took the time to enter (and win!) the sweepstakes and for choosing Grant Elementary as the

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.



"READY TO LEARN"

Nov 6 - Parent/Teacher Conf. 3:30 - 6:30PM

Nov 7 - **NO SCHOOL** (Election Day)

Nov 9 - 3rd Grade Concert at Browning Center 10:30AM

PTO Meeting, 6PM, Library

Nov 11 - Community Event @ Grant, 12-3PM

Nov 15 - Interims

Nov 16 - Energize Guy Assembly

Nov 20 - Box Tops Due

Nov 21 - Class Pictures & Picture Retakes

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

Nov 23 - Nov 27 THANKSGIVING BREAK Classes Resume November 28



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





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Grant Elementary PTO

The Halloween parties were a spooktacular success! The kids enjoyed the pizza and goodies but mostly the candy! Thank you to all who helped!

Our next PTO Meeting is scheduled for November 9th at 6PM. Hope to see you there!

For more information on upcoming events and volunteer opportunities, please visit us at grantpto121@wixsite.com/grantpto

November 3, 2017

PTO BOARD MEMBERS

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

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TOP DOGS



Matthew Alanen
Autumn Allen
Giana Angelo
Daveigha Bailey
Logan Baker
Cane Balash
Emma Barker
Juz'Tyrah Chester
Richelle Davies
Junior Demore-Nelson
Alannah Estvander
Andrew Flores
Cally Folino

Ally Fox
Xavier Fox
Layla Fuller
Kaliyah Griffin
Ethan Hanna
Alisha Harper
Kurt Hepper
Chase Husa
Chrystian Karamesinis
Anthony Keidel
Joshua Klar
Andrew Ludvick

Weston McCullough Alexis McLaughlin AJ Moore Claire Nemergut Grant Nicely Lucas Perillo Olivia Pranjeta Ava Proctor Brooke Rann Tommy Rini Braxton Rood Gabe Said Makayla Schneider Emma Shearer Jemirah Shockley Bella Siferd Jeremiah Singleton Quinn Smith David Snyder Sophie Sugrue Laiyah Thompson Demi Wilson Bella Wooke Ryley Zulu



RESPONSIBILITY PIZZA PARTY WINNERS



Ellie Basiger Nathan Bemak Peyton Bizjak Evan Boerner Aven Buchter Dominic Carter Connor Cole Evelyn Dideon Jalil Dix Jalin Dix Allanah Estvander Maddie Ferrari Mitchell Golnick Hailey Griffin Lorenzo Guerrieri

Johnny Ilacqua Drew Jensen Khloe Kish Landon LaGrew Lucia Lawrence Ethan Lewis Carter Luzar Ava Majstorovic Charlotte Munson
Janessa Pretak
Brianna Rann
Mattie Said
Madison Sigler
Tyler Standing
Vince Topazio

Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) & Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)

The 2017 Operating Standards for Identifying and Serving Students Who are Gifted (Ohio Administrative Code 3301-51-15) requires districts to administer two whole-grade screenings beginning in the 2017-2018 school year. These whole grade screenings must occur once during the K-2 grade band and once during the 3-6 grade band in each of these areas: superior cognitive ability, creative thinking ability, and specific academic ability in reading and mathematics. Willoughby-Eastlake City Schools meets that requirement by administering the following assessments:

Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) - All students in grades 2 and 6 will take the CogAT during the week of November 6. Based upon those results, students may be identified as gifted in the area of superior cognitive ability. Students meeting the screening cut score but not the identification score will be given an additional assessment. Students will also be evaluated for gifted identification in the area of Creative Thinking Ability using the CogAT test, as well as an additional ratings scale. If your child qualifies for additional testing beyond the whole grade screening, you will be notified and asked to sign a permission form.

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) – All students in Kindergarten through Grade 8 participate in MAP testing three times per year in the areas of reading and mathematics. Students scoring in the 95th percentile or higher in math or reading are identified as gifted in that area. If you have any questions or do not want your child to participate in CogAT testing, please contact Alison Ciferno, Gifted Coordinator at (440) 283-2227 or alison.ciferno@weschools.org.





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FIRST QUARTER HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

Joshua Acoff Zander Adkins Adam Al Mared Matthew Alanen Cori Allen Oyinloluwa Araba Davin Armenti Brody Ayala Daveigha Bailey Miles Bailey Sophia Baker Cane Balash Emma Barker Nathan Bemak Ahnna Bergant Brandon Berganza Kerstin Bettasso Alexa Bierman **Austin Billips** Darren Bittner Kaitlynn Bittner Ethan Bizjak Owen Bliss **Summer Bliss** Garret Bloom Evan Boerner Kailyn Brignoni Darieona Brock Sophia Brodowski Landon Brown Jasmine Buchanan Aven Buchter Antonio Bush Jr. Hailey Carn **Brody Chrosniak** Carmen Cirino Kyle Clingerman **Emily Collister** William Collister Benjamin Cox Jr. Eli Daher **Hunter Danewitz** Addie Davis Braeden DiCicco Joshua Dickerson Cameron Drake Makalah Duncan

Jayden Elston

Noah Eppler Charles Erak Alannah Estvander Lucas Ferrari Madelyn Ferrari Elijah Fesler Andrew Flores Shaun Foley Alexandra Fox Elektra Fox Olivia Fratena Kassidy Fridley Jacob Gates Mitchell Golnick Hailey Griffin Giovanni Guerrieri Paul Guinn Mason Gumto Alisha Harper Alanah Harris Lucy Hartmann Emma Hayes Jenna Heil Sofia Heitman Kurt Hepper Sydney Heramb Elliott Hipp Chloe Hollar Anna Holp Nathan Hood Luke Hovencamp Ja'Saun Howard **Brody Hummer** Brian Hylkema Johnny Ilacqua Alexandra Jaber Joshua Jensen Luke Jensen Arianna Johnson Lashay Johnson Hailey Joy **Emily Kalfic** Abigail Kaminsky Chrystian Karamesinis Nicholas Keidel Reginald Kelly Jr. Nathan Keptner

Makayla Killeen

Brayden Kinney Grace Klar Blake Klekar Chase Klekar Teigan Kobak Savanah Koeth Tyler Kurzinger Audrey LaGrew Kara Laird Sophia Luptak Carter Luzar Skeie Maine Ava Majstorovic Ray Malek Michael Manzi Hayden Marshall Nathan Martin Kensley McArthur Courtney McCoy Jack McGuinness Addison McKito Mason Mehollin Ryan Meintel Payton Miozzi Madeline Mohr Maleah Moore Victoria Motusic Gabriella Murton Michael Murton Allie Nelson Kellen Nocera Michaela Nocera Jade Omerza-Wells Leah Omerza-Wells Nicholas Orgovan Maria Osagie-Erese Alicia Patel Vanshi Patel Lucas Perillo Riley Pettit Janessa Pretak Sophia Radolovic Kian Rich Thomas Rini Jude Rockower Shelly Roeder Erionne Rosser Kyle Rupnow

Gabriel Said Mattie Said Christian Santone Noah Scanlon Makayla Schneider Ryan Scott Wyatt Sellitto Reese Seymour Ava Shearer Shea Sievers Isabella Siferd Piper Sikora Sydney Sikora Bradyn Silbaugh Jonathan Simpson Logan Skufca Isabella Smolk Catlin Soos Hayden Standing Corbin Stanek Spencer Stanek Lacey Staska Grace Stenger **Daion Stewart** Zachary Stossel Mikaela Sturghill Sophie Sugrue Ayden Tackett Christian Taylor II Autumn Troglin Landon Valentine Alysa Van Camp Kaylee Van Horn Gabriella Vilk Madilvn Vokic Isaiah Vrabel Gabrylle Wadley Alana Wallace Matthew Wallace Caiden Wascak Breahna Weber Katherine Werner Trinity West Randi Williamson Isabella Wooke Rebecca Wooke Joseph Zundel





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FIRST QUARTER MERIT ROLL STUDENTS

Ahmed Abdalameer A'mya Acoff Kendra Angelo-English Logan Baker Kevin Balic Brandon Bedworth Natalya Bergant Alesia Blido Ian Boerner Caitlin Boruszkowski Tristan Bradac Johnathan Bredon **Trinity Bruss-Falls** Breonna Buchanan Nikita Budway Amelia Butler **Anthony Carson Dominic Carter** Amari Cephus Jill Chesnes Calob Dea Railee Deskins Jalil Dix Jalin Dix Kolton Drouillard Briana Eller Makayla Fasuk Breanna Fenton Paul Ferrante

Skye Fratena Dylan Fuerst Lucas Ganas Trisha Gonser Gabriel Grady Josip Grgincic Karleigh Harala **Arilynn Hocking** Makayla Howard Makayla Huffman Lana Hutcheson-Hess Torrence Iuliani Caleb Jones Julia Jusko-Mihalic Jacob Juvancic Braden Killeen Kyle Koeth Lukkas Kutz Aiden Lacina Kasia Lawrence Lucia Lawrence T Naiya Lee Leva Majstorovic Ariel Manzi Madelyn McCabe Kyle McCoy William Meely Christopher Meintel Colin Metz

Ian Miller Donnivan Mucherson Jaiden Onabajo Joshua Parada Dev Patel **Kavel Patel** Kishan Patel Aaron Ramirez-Gomez Brianna Rann Rowan Ruland Tylor Schneider Alliyah Scina Lillian Smiciklas Joseph Snyder Madelyn Snyder Sierra Starkey Iva Suman Jacob Thompson Vincenzo Topazio Jonathan Ventresca Andrew Vilk Charlena Wallace Curtis Watson Ja'Niya West Jalien Wilev Mason Willis Brady Wyant Scott Wynn Mateo Zerbian

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-for-education/
- 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!

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- 4. Select our school.
- 5. Shop at AmazonSmile to earn donations for our school!

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