



BULLDOG BLAST

Grant Elementary

IMPROVING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

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September 21st, 2018

Message from Mr. Samber & Mrs. Tracz

We hope the school year is off to a great start for every bulldog family! Our Bulldog Fun Run was a huge success. We reached our goal of \$13,000 for resources to promote engagement, creativity, and innovation for our students. We greatly appreciate all of the hard work of our students, families, teachers, and community members to help make this happen. Please make sure all pledges get sent to the school or get paid on funrun.com. Please make sure to check out the following important information in our newsletter: upcoming levy information, vision/hearing screenings, birthday treat policies, Top Dog recipients, makerspace donations needed, and upcoming events. A huge thank you to our Mardom Realty, Marous Brothers Construction, and Bros Tires, for sponsoring our Bulldog Fun Run. Thanks again for everyone's support of Grant Elementary! Have a great weekend!

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Bulldog Fun Run Pledge Collections

Please make sure any pledges your child received for the Fun Run get paid online or the money is sent in to the school.

We greatly appreciate your support of Grant Elementary!



**November 6
Renewal Levies
Issues 4 & 5
No new taxes**

Willoughby-Eastlake City Schools

Willoughby-Eastlake Schools is on the ballot on November 6th. Issues 4 and 5 are renewal levies and their passage will not increase your taxes. Issues 4 and 5 support daily classroom programming and comprise 14.4% of the district's annual budget.

These funds are NOT used for building new schools, and are critical to daily instruction.

Please remember to vote on November 6th.

Levies are for learning.

Thank You.

**Visit the link below for more info:
<http://www.supportweschools.org/>**

MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION...

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special education means specially designed instruction, at no cost to the parent, to meet the unique needs of a handicapped child. Special Education Programs are provided for all children who have a handicapping disability. A disability in this instance means conditions such as: hearing impairments, visual impairments, speech or language impairments, learning disabilities, mental retardations, other health impairments, physical impairments, autism, and traumatic brain injury. Every handicapped child in Ohio is entitled to services provided by the school district in which they reside, including **children with disabilities who are homeless children or are wards of the state**. These services include: evaluation services for all children birth through twenty-one years, diagnostic services for all children birth through age twenty-one years of age, and educational programs for children three through twenty-one years of age. If you know of a child who is handicapped or at risk and NOT receiving services, please contact the Willoughby-Eastlake City School District's Pupil Service Office at 440-975-3800.

POWERSCHOOL REGISTRATION (INFOSNAP)

Please make sure you complete your PowerSchool Registration. It is very important we have emergency and medical information for your child.

We use an online student registration/data validation system powered by Powerschool InfoSnap. The system is a secure and green process, which allows the district to verify all student demographic, emergency and medical information for your child prior to the start of the new school year. The system will also allow you to electronically sign the annual emergency form.

You will receive a no-reply email from Willoughby-Eastlake Schools with instructions on how to access the system for your student. The email will contain a secure link with instructions that will link you directly to your student's information. You will log into your account, or create an account if you are new to the system. To make the process easier for families with multiple students, you will have the option to copy all generic family information to all other children in your family. All families need to take action and complete these forms as soon as possible after receiving the email. Your child will not be permitted to attend field trips without updated information. If you do not have access to the Internet, or if you have questions, please contact the office and you can make an appointment to use a school computer to complete the process.

VISION and HEARING Screenings

On Tuesday, October 2nd, we will have vision screenings for all 1st, 3rd, and 5th grade students and hearing screenings for K, 1st, 3rd, and 5th grade students. These will be conducted by our district nursing program. New 2nd and 4th grade students will also be included in this.

MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION...

CAR RIDERS PICK UP LOOP **PLEASE READ**

Please try to avoid blocking driveways on Hurricane so residents can still get in and out of their driveways. Thank you for your help and consideration!

“PAY FOR IT” ONLINE LUNCH **AND FEE PAYMENT SYSTEM**

Very Important - Please Read

Updates to the following guideline regarding school lunch payments for charged meals will be implemented starting Monday, October 8, 2018. Please note there has been a change in the amount of debt a student can accrue and what can be charged when a student has a negative balance. When the school year starts, a student's free and reduced lunch status carries over from the previous year. The deadline to turn in a new application for free and reduced lunch will be the end of the first week of October. Students can charge up to \$7.00 of debt or \$1.00 of debt if they are at reduced status for daily featured school meals (these amounts would allow the student to charge up to two (2) meals). No a-la-carte or snack items will be allowed to be charged to an account with insufficient funds. Once a student exceeds these limits, they will be provided an alternative meal to be determined by the school district and will no longer be able to charge on their account. Once the account is paid in full, the cycle starts over again. All meal balances (positive or negative) carry over from the previous school year.

BIRTHDAY & PARTY TREATS

Please follow the following guidelines if you choose to provide a treat for the class to celebrate birthdays:

- Food must be store bought (no homemade treats).
- Food must be individually packaged.
- Must provide enough for each student in class.
- Item must be sent with the student or brought to the main office.
- Teachers will send the treat home with students at the end of the day.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER

Sept 14 - 28 Collect All Fun Run Pledges

OCTOBER

10th - Skating Party - United Skates - 6pm

11th - PTO Meeting, 6pm - Library

12th - NO SCHOOL - NEOEA DAY

15th - Book Fair Week

16th - Family Engagement Night (Open House)

17th - End of 1st Quarter

22nd - Red Ribbon Week

24th - Report Cards Emailed Out

25th - Conferences 3:30-6:30pm

MAKERSPACE

We are in need of household items to help stock our Makerspace so our students have materials to be creative with.

Potential Makerspace Items Needed:

Please drop off any donations in the office! Thank you!

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| -straws | -toothpicks | -rubber bands | -coffee filters |
| -coffee stirrers | -index cards | -masking tape | -popsicle sticks |
| -cupcake liners | -Q tips | -Scotch tape | -duct tape |
| -pipe cleaners | -paper plates | -paper cups | -plastic cups |
| -plastic silverware | -plastic bins | -magnets | -cotton balls |
| -plastic baggies | -yarn | -lunch bags | -string |
| -marbles | -paper clips | -Legos | -playdough |
| -bamboo skewers | -felt | -bottled glue | -glue sticks |
| -aluminum foil | -plastic wrap | -scissors | -markers |
| -colored pencils | -pencils | -sharpies | -ribbon |
| -dental floss | -envelopes | -empty toilet paper rolls | -dry erase markers |
| -empty paper towel rolls | -construction paper | -paint & paint brushes | -wood craft sticks |



TOP DOG Of The Week



Week of Sept. 10th

Emily Stoltz
Maddie Drew
Dominic Cirelli
Landin Sisteck
Molly Heil
Jason Tripp
Amyah Ludvik
Jude Rockower
Hayden Standing
Yusuf Abas
Micah Brouse
Jalil Dix
Miha Flores
Sophia Baker
Anna Holp
Josslyn Maurer
Luke Jensen
Charlotte Harper
Davin Armenti
Andy King
Lorenzo Guerrieri
McKenzie Thompson

Week of Sept. 17th

Noah Curtis
Peyton Bizjak
Aly Ambrose
Charlotte Munson
Emmie LaCroix
Delilah Delgado
Madelyn Land
Nataleigh Armstrong
Thomas Moran
Tyler Kurzinger
Peyton Komma
Lillian Lomardo
Farrah Fuller
Xenia Mooneesawmy
Briana Eller
Andy Suchy
Alex Ludvik
Sydney Sikora
Makayla Schneider
Olivia Fratena
Emma Hayes
Kyle Rupnow
Lily Loparo
Carter Blood
Timmy Dunn
Kaydin Lester
Josh Acoff

Grant Elementary PTO

Please join the Grant Elementary Parent Teacher Organization! Welcome packets were sent home the first week of school. The PTO is a wonderful organization and it's a great way to be involved in your child's school experience. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month, at 6 PM, in the Library. Please join us for our first meeting of the year on September 13th! For more information on Grant's PTO, please visit our website, <http://www.weschools.org/PTC.aspx> or email at Grantpto121@gmail.com

PTO Board

Members

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

Next PTO Meeting:

*Thursday, October 11th
6pm - Library*

*We look forward to
seeing you there!*

*Follow us on
Facebook!*

***Grant Elementary
PTO***

HELP A FRIEND

Please check out our flier below if:

- You would like to sponsor a child by buying a few gifts this holiday season.
- You would like to donate to help our Grant Families.
- Your family would appreciate the support of the Grant community this holiday season.

Help A Friend Flyer

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!

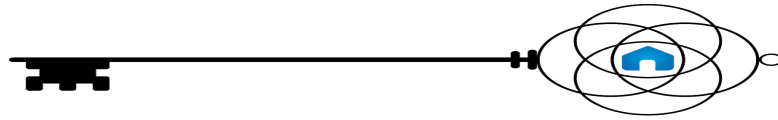


1. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to "Grant Elementary Parent Teacher Organization" when you shop at <https://smile.amazon.com>
2. Sign in to your Amazon account.
3. Type Grant Elementary Parent Organization into the charitable organization box.
4. Select our school.
5. Shop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

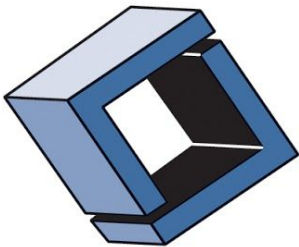
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