
APRIL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal's Desk

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Shawnee Middle School

2017 Testing Schedule

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| Tuesday, April 18, 2017: | Math (Session 1)- 5th & 6th |
| Wednesday, April 19, 2017: | Math (Session 2)- 5th & 6th |
| Thursday, April 20, 2017: | Math (Session 1)- 7th, 8th, Alg. & Geom. |
| Friday, April 21, 2017: | Math (Session 2)- 7th, 8th, Alg. & Geom. |
| Monday, April 24, 2017: | Science (Session 1)- 5th Social Studies (Session 1)- 6th |
| Tuesday, April 25, 2017: | Science (Session 2)- 5th Social Studies (Session 2)- 6th |
| Wednesday, April 26, 2017: | Science (Session 1)- 8 th |
| Thursday, April 27, 2017: | Science (Session 2)- 8 th |

*****Once again, please make arrangements for your child to be here on time, the whole day that their grade is testing.***

I recommend a few simple tips that can help your child be successful. The first tip is to keep routines and structure this week. Make sure your student gets eight hours of sleep the night before testing. Also, please be sure your child is on time and present all day. The second tip is to have your student eat a good breakfast. Eating a healthy breakfast stimulates thinking and concentration. Finally, please reschedule appointments during testing. During testing the schedule will be altered to some degree so the testing atmosphere will be better if students take their tests at the scheduled time with all other students.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, April 10th – Friday, April 14th: Spring Break

Monday, April 17th: School Resumes

Tuesday, May 2nd : 7/8th Grade Band Concert
H.S. Auditorium – 7:00 PM

Tuesday, May 9th : 5/6th Grade Band Concert
H.S. Auditorium – 7:00 PM

Wednesday, May 10th : 6/7/8th Grade Spring Choir
Concert - 7:30 PM
H.S. Auditorium

Monday, May 29th : **No School – Memorial Day**

Thursday, June 1st : Last day of school

Dress Code

With Springtime arriving here are a few dress code reminders:

- No hats shall be worn, this includes bandannas.
- Skirts, dresses and split skirts must be at least mid thigh length
- Shorts are acceptable providing the length is that of a “Bermuda Short” length, approximately 1” above the knee.
- Tank tops, spaghetti straps, muscle shirts, and short tops are unacceptable for school wear shoulders must be covered. Girl’s tops should be no lower than 2” below the collarbone. This includes cold shoulder tops (shoulder cut outs).

The final decision on appropriateness of attire shall rest with the school administration. Violations will result in a written warning and further violation will result in progressive discipline.

See the students handbook for complete dress code pages 17-18 (7th/8th) and page 11 (5th/6th)



Attention Parents of Sixth Grade Students . . .

The Ohio Department of Health made changes to the immunization requirements starting the 2016-2017 school year. These changes will affect your students as they enter seventh grade next fall. The ODH is now requiring that all students entering seventh grade will need to have a diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (**Tdap**) booster and the **Meningococcal vaccine**. These immunizations can be obtained from the Allen County Health Department or from your family physician. The Allen County Health Department now requires that an appointment be scheduled in order to obtain immunizations there. You can contact the Health Department at 419-228-4457.

Your child will need to receive these immunizations before the start of school next fall. A reminder will go out in the spring and again in the summer reminding you that your student will need **both of these immunizations prior to starting 7th grade**. The school will require proof of these immunizations or your child could be excluded from attending school until the immunization requirement is met. You can fax your proof of immunization to me at 419-222-6572 or drop off proof of immunization in the Middle School office. If you have questions you can contact me at 419-998-8065. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Andrea Vogelgesang RN



Breakfast at School

The food service staff would like to remind you that we serve breakfast every morning in the cafeteria except on delay days. We now serve breakfast in every building. As you have heard for years, breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Statistics show that students who eat breakfast have fewer trips to the nurse, better test scores and can stay better focused to learn. If your child isn't hungry first thing in the morning, then let them try breakfast at school. Maplewood and Elmwood charge \$1.25, Middle School is \$1.50 and the cost for the High School is \$1.75. Whatever your status is for lunch, it is the same at breakfast. Some of the items we offer are warm cinnamon rolls, breakfast pizza and sandwiches, yogurt, cereal and fruit. The High School serves 7:05 – 7:25, Middle School serves 7:10 – 7:30, Maplewood is 8:40 – 9:00 and Elmwood serves 8:30 – 9:00. Encourage your child to give breakfast a try at school.

Top AR Point Earners

January 16th – March 24th, 2017

Grade 5

Daniel Koh*

Mason Burgess

Andrew McKenzie

**Top 5th Grader earned 267.5 points*

Grade 6

Kayla Frost*

Keerthi Merugu

Keziah Gibson

**Top 6th Grader earned 132.2 points*

Grade 7

Cruz Hunter*

Katherine McMurry

Riley Weber

**Top 7th Grader earned 130.2 points*

Grade 8

Heaven Mata*

Isabella Morris

Jonah Heitmeyer

**Top 8th Grader earned 129.0 points*

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to the 5TH GRADE QUIZ BOWL TEAM! They placed first in the Allen County Quiz Bowl Tournament held at the beginning of March, sponsored by First Federal Bank, Lima B.P.O Elks Lodge #54, Ron Spencer Real Estate, T & D Interiors, Dr. Dean Wittwer, Allen County ESC

Calendar of Events

Monday, April 3, 2017

Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM
Track Meet vs. Paulding/Spencerville – 5:00PM

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

MATHCOUNTS – 2:40 -3:30 PM

Wednesday, April 5, 2017

Chess Club -2:45 – 3:30PM
Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM
Softball Game vs. Elida – 5:00PM
Baseball Game vs. Elida – 5:00PM

Thursday, April 6, 2017

Track Meet vs. Bluffton/ Allen East – 5:00PM

Friday, April 7, 2017

Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM

Saturday, April 8, 2017

Monday, April 10 – Friday, April 14, 2017

SPRING BREAK

Softball Game vs. Celina – 5:00PM
Baseball Game vs. Celina – 5:00PM

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

Softball Game @ LCC – 5:00PM
Baseball Game @ LCC – 5:00PM

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Softball Game @ Bath – 5:00PM
Baseball Game @ Bath – 5:00PM

Saturday, April 15, 2017

Track Meet @ Perry - 9:00AM

Monday, April 17, 2017

School Resumes
Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM
Track Meet vs. Wapak – 5:00PM

Tuesday, April 18, 2017

MATHCOUNTS – 2:40 -3:30 PM
Softball Game vs. St. Mary’s – 5:00PM
Baseball Game vs. St. Mary’s – 5:00PM

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

Chess Club -2:45 – 3:30PM
Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM
Softball Game vs. Allen East – 5:00PM
Baseball Game vs. Allen East – 5:00PM

Thursday, April 20, 2017

Softball Game vs. Crestview - 5:00PM
Baseball Game vs. Crestview – 5:00PM
Track Meet vs. Defiance – 5:00PM

Friday, April 21, 2017

Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Monday, April 24, 2017

Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

MATHCOUNTS – 2:40 -3:30 PM
Track Meet @ Bath Invitational – 4:30PM

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

Chess Club -2:45 – 3:30PM
Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM

Thursday, April 27, 2017

Softball Game vs. LCC – 5:00PM
Baseball Game vs. LCC – 5:00PM

Friday, April 28, 2017

Free Digits Tutoring – Mr. Favro’s Room
Grades 6 – 8 2:45-3:10 PM
Softball Game vs. Van Wert Club Team – 5:00PM
Baseball Game vs. Van Wert Club Team -5:00PM

Saturday, April 29, 2017