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# MAY NEWSLETTER

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## From the Principal's Desk

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*Shawnee Middle School*



### THANK YOU!

A **BIG** thank you to all parents, grandparents and family members who have volunteered their time and talents to the PTC this year! A lot of what we do would not be possible without your support!! In our August newsletter we will be including events and fundraisers that we always appreciate support with. Please don't hesitate to assist 😊

### Yearbooks for Sale

A few extra copies of the 2016-2017 Arrow Yearbook were ordered and will be sold for \$35.00 in the large cafeteria before school starting on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

Announcements will be placed in the Indian Info mid-May regarding specific dates and times. Yearbooks will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis. Cash (*please have exact amount*) or checks (*made payable to Shawnee Middle School*).

***Hurry . . . before time runs out!!***

### Did You Know . . .

If you have not paid school fees for the 2016-2017 school year, your student will **not** receive their grade card. Unpaid school fees carry over from year to year. In order to receive your student's schedule in the fall, you will be responsible to pay for any balance you have at that time. If you have any questions, please call the office at 419-998-8057.

### DRESS CODE

As the weather gets warmer, students are reminded that skirts, dresses, and split skirts must be at least mid thigh in length. Shorts are acceptable providing the length is that of a "Bermuda Short" approximately 1" above the knee. Also shirts/tops must cover your shoulders. Cold shoulder tops (shoulder cut outs) may be worn only if shoulders are covered. Failure to follow dress code will result in progressive discipline.

## *Athletic Physicals*

Athletic physicals for the 2017-2018 year will be provided FREE of charge at the Orthopedic Institute of Ohio (OIO). OIO is located off Interstate 75 at 801 Medical Drive. Students entering grades 7-12 next school year are eligible to be part of this opportunity.

***\*If you are not in a spring sport, OIO would like you to get your physical on the May 1<sup>st</sup> date if possible.***

### PROCEDURES:

1. **Shawnee athletes may choose to receive a physical on either May 1<sup>st</sup> or May 8<sup>th</sup>.**
2. **Shawnee athletes should report between 5:30 PM and 7:30 PM. DO NOT ARRIVE AND LINE UP EARLY!!!**
3. **You are responsible for your own transportation to and from OIO.**
4. **Physical forms will be available in the middle school office and the athletic office beginning May 1st.**
5. **Registration for your student athlete will now be online. That information will be available in the Middle School office beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan** requires the Local Educational Agency to hold a meeting to discuss the federal funds and programs. Please plan to attend the meeting on June 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM in the Shawnee Local Schools Boardroom.

## 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 have a diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (Tdap) booster, and meningitis immunization. This immunization 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. The Health Department charge is \$14 per vaccine, and no one is refused service due to the inability to pay.

Your child will need to receive this immunization before the start of school next fall. The school will require proof of this immunization 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 419-998-8110. At this time there are no plans to have a mass immunization clinic held at school in order to meet this requirement (per Allen County Health Department). If you have questions you can contact me at 419-998-8097.

Thank you for your attention to this matter



### Art Show

The Shawnee Middle School Art Show will take place on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:00AM - 2:00PM in the Middle School Café. Come see selected artworks from students in 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Your child has been informed if they have a piece in the show. Please enter through the rear of the building. And as always, thank you in advance for supporting the arts here at Shawnee!

### D.A.R.E. Graduation

Shawnee's 5th grade D.A.R.E. graduation will be on Wednesday, May 31st at 12:30PM at the high school in the Hugh Downs Auditorium. Comedian, juggler and ventriloquist Mike Hemmelgarn will perform for the students. Parents and other family members are welcome to attend.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Real Money. Real World

All 8<sup>th</sup> graders will participate in the Real Money. Real World (RMRW) event on May 25<sup>th</sup>. This is a financial literacy program for youth from Ohio State University Extension. RMRW provides an interactive spending simulation which requires that students make budget and lifestyle choices similar to those made by 27 year old adults. Students learn how education level and career choice influence personal income, how to distinguish between wants and needs when considering spending money in a budget, what it costs to maintain a household and much more! Four preparatory lessons will be taught by the math teachers in the few days prior to the event to prepare the students.

### 2017-18 Scheduling for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

All current 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will receive information about 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade scheduling in mid to late May. Scheduling forms must be returned to homeroom teachers signed. All 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will take two quarters of Physical Education and two quarters of Health and all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will take one quarter of Art, one quarter of Computer Applications, and two quarters of Physical Education in addition to the core class load. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Schmiedebusch at 419-998-8072.

### Spring Book Fair

1<sup>st</sup> annual half price book fair sponsored by Shawnee Middle School PTC! Stop by the Middle School IMC during school hours on Wednesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup>, or Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> to stock up on some great books for summer reading!

# Calendar of Events

## Monday, May 1, 2017

### *Teacher Appreciation Week*

FREE Physicals at OIO (see article on page 1)

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

Softball Game @ St. Marys -5:00PM

Baseball Game @ St. Marys – 5:00PM

## Tuesday, May 2, 2017

MATHCOUNTS – 2:40 -3:30PM

Softball Game @ Celina – 5:00PM

Baseball Game vs. Celina – 5:00PM

Track Meet vs. Elida – 4:30PM

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. Band Concert – 7:00PM

@ High School Hugh Downs Auditorium

## Wednesday, May 3, 2017

### *Spring Book Fair*

Chess Club -2:45 – 3:30PM

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

## Thursday, May 4, 2017

### *Spring Book Fair*

## Friday, May 5, 2017

### *Spring Book Fair*

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

Softball Game vs. Spencerville – 5:00PM

Track Invitational @ Home – 4:30PM

## Saturday, May 6, 2017

Softball Tournament @ Bath – 11:00AM

Baseball Tournament @ Elida - 10:00AM

Art Show at the Middle School Large Café – 11:00AM – 2:00PM

## Monday, May 8, 2017

FREE Physicals at OIO (see article on page 1)

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

## Tuesday, May 9, 2017

MATHCOUNTS – 2:40 -3:30PM

Softball Game @ Wapak – 5:00PM

Baseball Game vs. Wapak – 5:00PM

Track Meet @ Van Wert – 5:00PM

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert – 7:00PM

@ High School Hugh Downs Auditorium

## Wednesday, May 10, 2017

Chess Club -2:45 – 3:30PM

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

Softball Game vs. Perry – 5:00PM

Baseball Game vs. Perry – 5:00PM

Middle School Choir Concert – 7:30PM

@ High School Hugh Downs Auditorium

## Thursday, May 11, 2017

Baseball Game vs. Spencerville – 5:00PM

Track Meet @ Celina – 4:45PM

## Friday, May 12, 2017

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

## Saturday, May 13, 2017

State Track Meet @ Lancaster - TBD

## Monday, May 15, 2017

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

## Tuesday, May 16, 2017

MATHCOUNTS – 2:40 -3:30PM

## Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Chess Club -2:45 – 3:30PM

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

## Thursday, May 18, 2017

## Friday, May 19, 2017

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

*Party in the Park - 11:15AM – 2:15PM*

## Saturday, May 20, 2017

## Monday, May 22, 2017

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

## Tuesday, May 23, 2017

MATHCOUNTS – 2:40 -3:30PM

*Field Day*

## Wednesday, May 24, 2017

Chess Club -2:45 – 3:30PM

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

*Field Day – Rain Date*

## Thursday, May 25, 2017

## Friday, May 26, 2017

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

*Party in the Park – Rain Date*

## Saturday, May 27, 2017

## Monday, May 29, 2017

***NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day***

## Tuesday, May 30, 2017

MATHCOUNTS – 2:40 -3:30PM

## Wednesday, May 31, 2017

Chess Club -2:45 – 3:30PM

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

**D.A.R.E. Graduation - 12:30PM**

**@ High School Hugh Downs Auditorium**

## Thursday, June 1, 2017

Last Day for Students

## UPCOMING DATES:

*Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> – NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day*

*Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup> - Last Day for Students*

*Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Open House*

*Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> – First Day of School*

*Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. Open House*

*Monday September 4<sup>th</sup> - NO SCHOOL Labor Day*