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From the Principal's Desk

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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 2015-2016 Arrow Yearbook were ordered and will be sold for \$35.00 in the large cafeteria before school starting May 31st.

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 to save time*) 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 2015-2016 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. Failure to follow dress code will result in progressive discipline.

Athletic Physicals

Athletic physicals for the 2016-2017 school 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 2nd date if possible.***

PROCEDURES:

1. **Shawnee athletes may choose to receive a physical on either May 2nd or May 9th.**
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 1st.**

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 7th at 9:00AM in the Shawnee Local Schools Boardroom.

Attention Parents of Sixth Grade Students . . .

The Ohio Department of Health made some changes in immunization requirements which began the 2010-2011 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. 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 Sunday, May 22nd from 10:00AM - 1:00PM in the Middle School Café. Come see selected artworks from students in 5th, 6th, and 8th 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, June 1st 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.

Shawnee Middle School Night at Menchie's

Please come out and support our teachers and help raise money for Shawnee Middle School!

Our school will receive a donation based on a percentage of sales that are generated that night. Our Principal and Teachers will assist with the event by welcoming guests to the restaurant.

Shawnee Middle School Night at Menchie's Frozen Yogurt on May 18th is an opportunity for community organizations to partner through a fundraising event held at Menchie's restaurant.

8th Grade Real Money. Real World

All 8th graders will participate in the Real Money. Real World (RMRW) event on May 17th. 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.

2016-17 Scheduling for 7th & 8th Grade Students

All current 6th and 7th grade students will receive information about 7th and 8th grade scheduling in mid to late May. Scheduling forms must be returned to homeroom teachers signed. All 7th grade students will take two quarters of Physical Education and two quarters of Health and all 8th 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.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 1, 2016

Monday, May 2, 2016

Teacher Appreciation Week

FREE Physicals at OIO (see article on page 1)

MS Baseball Game vs. St. Marys – 5:00PM

MS Softball Game vs. St. Marys – 5:00PM

Tuesday, May 3, 2016

7th & 8th Gr. Band Concert at 7:00 PM – Hugh Downs Auditorium

MS Baseball Game @ Celina – 5:00PM

MS Softball Game vs. Celina – 5:00PM

MS Track Meet @ Elida – 4:30PM

Wednesday, May 4, 2016

Spring Choir Concert at 7:30 PM – Hugh Downs Auditorium

Thursday, May 5, 2016

Friday, May 6, 2016

M.S. Choir Contest - Parkway High School

MS Baseball Game @ Spencerville – 5:00PM

MS Softball Game @ Spencerville – 5:00PM

MS Track Invitational – 4:30PM

Saturday, May 7, 2016

MS Choir Contest - Parkway High School

MS Softball Tournament @ Bath – 10:00AM

Sunday, May 8, 2016

Monday, May 9, 2016

FREE Physicals at OIO (see article on page 1)

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

5th & 6th Gr. Band Concert at 7:00 PM – Hugh Downs Auditorium

MS Baseball Game @ Wapak – 5:00PM

MS Softball Game vs. Wapak – 5:00PM

MS Track Meet @ Van Wert – 4:30PM

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

MS Baseball Game @ Perry – 5:00PM

MS Softball Game @ Perry – 5:00PM

Thursday, May 12, 2016

MS Track Invitational @ Celina – 4:45PM

Friday, May 13, 2016

Saturday, May 14, 2016

Varsity Football Pancake Breakfast 6:30AM – 2:00PM @MS Cafe

Sunday, May 15, 2016

Monday, May 16, 2016

Jr. Leadership Dime Wars

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Jr. Leadership Dime Wars

Real Money Real World – 8th Gr.

Wednesday, May 18, 2016

Jr. Leadership Dime Wars

Thursday, May 19, 2016

Jr. Leadership Dime Wars

Friday, May 20, 2016

Jr. Leadership Dime Wars

5th & 6th Gr. AR “Party in the Park”

Saturday, May 21, 2016

Sunday, May 22, 2016

Shawnee Middle School Art Show (see article on page 2)

Monday, May 23, 2016

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

“Clash of the Classes” – 7th Gr. (AM) & 8th Gr. (PM)

(rain date – Wed., May 25th)

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

Rain Date: “Clash of the Classes” - 7th Gr.(AM) & 8th Gr.(PM)

Thursday, May 26, 2016

Field Day for 5th & 6th Gr. (rain date – Fri., May 27th)

Friday, May 27, 2016

Rain Date: Field Day for 5th & 6th Gr.

Saturday, May 28, 2016

Sunday, May 29, 2016

Monday, May 30, 2016

NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 31, 2016

Wednesday, June 1, 2016

5th Grade D.A.R.E. Graduation – 12:30PM – Hugh Downs Auditorium

Jr. Leadership Dunk Day

Thursday, June 2, 2016

6th Gr. International Fair

Friday, June 3, 2016

Last Day for Students

UPCOMING DATES:

Monday, May 30th – NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day

Friday, June 3^d – Last Day for Students

Wednesday, August 24th – 5th & 6th Grade Open House

Thursday, August 25th – First Day of School

Wednesday, August 31st – 7th & 8th Gr. Open House

Monday September 5th - NO SCHOOL Labor Day