



Elmwood Local Schools

“From the Desk of the Superintendent”

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Days/Hours Missed Status

# days missed	5
# 2 hour delays	3
# days to make up	none
Make up dates	N/A

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Community Update:

It is March and I am hoping that spring is around the corner. I am a little concerned that all the snow we missed out on in January and February will surprise us now. Either way, spring is a fun time of year for schools as the students start to see the end is near, but we must keep them focused for all the testing that is required by the State of Ohio. We lose a lot of time on testing. I struggle with the whole concept of testing, but the process is required by the State and we will be prepared.

The Elmwood Board of Education Meeting is this coming Monday, March 13th at 6 PM in the middle school library. We will be having our annual hearing to discuss Elmwood's special education department to start the meeting. This is required and public input is welcome.

All schools in Ohio are required to submit a 5 year forecast twice a year to the state of Ohio. This document is created by our Treasurer and must be approved by the Board. It is a public document and shows our financial trends for the past few years, and then gives a prediction on our income and expenditures for the next 5 years. The treasurer is working on the latest revision which needs approved in May. Using the October 2016 submission, we continue to forecast that we will spend more than we bring in. This is a trigger for schools to manage their resources carefully, which we are doing. The end result is to keep the overspending to as a bare minimum, as possible. The Treasurer, along with myself, are working on ideas that we can present to the Board to help stabilize our finances. One concern that I have had since my arrival almost 7 years ago, is the lack of permanent improvement money to address maintenance and big ticket items. Currently, all of these expenses come out of our general operating fund. This is contributing to our deficit spending. I will include more financial information in my future newsletters.

Elmwood Tidbits:

The Board of Education has approved the calendar for the 2017-2018 school year. I have included it at the end of the newsletter. You will notice one major change, which are the dates for parent-teacher conferences. We are moving them to the week of Thanksgiving. We

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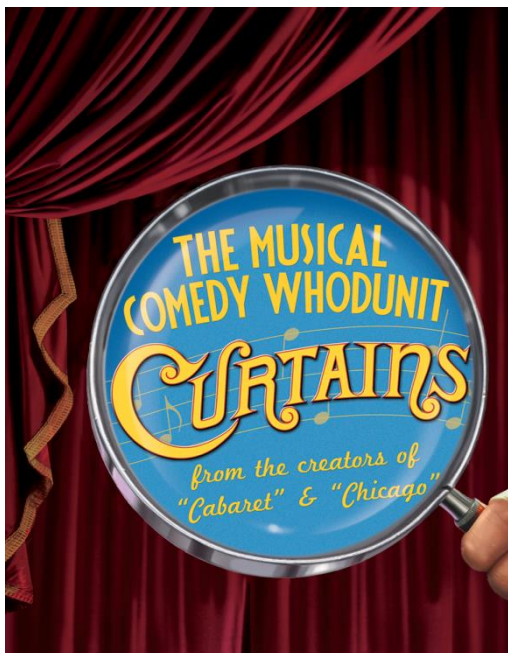
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have done this in the past, and are going to try it again next year. Once completed next year, I will be asking parents and staff their opinion of this move.



Ticket information for the musical “Curtains” is now available.

Elmwood will present the musical the weekend of March 17 – 19th. The show times are Friday and Saturday at 7 PM, and Sunday at 3 PM. Adult tickets will cost \$8 and student/senior citizens will be \$6. Presale tickets are available in the High School Office or at the door prior to the performance.

The North Baltimore/Elmwood Ministerial Association, and the Elmwood Community Choir, are presenting an Easter Cantata. Singers are needed! Practice has begun at Trinity United Methodist Church, in Bloomdale, on St. Rt. 18 on Thursday evenings, at 7:00p.m. Daniel Curtis Cox, who is a senior at BGSU College of Music, will direct once again. He has planned a rousing rendition of songs. Performance will be Palm Sunday Evening, at St. Luke's Church, in North Baltimore. Please plan to attend if you would like to sing with the group.



Elmwood High School Student Council's goal is working towards doing more service projects outside of organizing fall and winter homecoming. With the help of building supervisor, Mr. Abke, student council was able to add three plastic recycling containers to campus. Members have taken on the task of monitoring these containers. They are located in

the first floor high school wing and two in the café. When attending school events please use these recycling containers instead of trash for your plastic bottles. Student council also runs the recycling trailer in Jerry City on the third Saturday of each month from 10:00 to noon during the school year.

We have three students who reached a milestone during their respective winter sport. Noah Baker and Jace Grossman each won their 100th match of their varsity career in wrestling. Tayte Lentz scored his 1000th point in his varsity career in basketball. Again, congratulations to these three students.



I love telling about the good things our students are doing. Shout out to Sabrina Love, 10th grader. Sabrina was invited to be a delegate representing Elmwood High School and the State of Ohio at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders this June in Boston, Massachusetts.

Many parents and teachers are sending me students to honor. I want to thank you all for sharing these with me. Please do not worry if you do not see them in this newsletter as I am spreading them out over the next few editions.

Upcoming Events:

March 7th – 10th, 8th Graders Washington DC trip

Thursday, March 9th, Varsity Boys Basketball at 8 PM in District Semifinals at Napoleon High School

Monday, March 13th, March Board of Education Meeting

Monday, March 13th, Winter Athletic Awards is 7 PM in the auditeria

Friday, March 17th, End of the Third Quarter

Elmwood will present the musical “Curtains” the weekend of March 17 – 19th. Show times are Friday and Saturday at 7 PM, and Sunday at 3 PM.

Tuesday, March 21st, All Juniors take the ACT test

Friday, March 24th, MS Dance

Sunday, April 2nd, HS and MS Cheerleading Tryouts

Monday, April 10th, April Board of Education Meeting

April 13 – 18th, Elmwood’s Spring Break

Monday, April 24th, Parent Presentation at 6 PM on the cyber-world and social media in relationship to our kids. More information to come.

Monday, May 8th, Elmwood Board of Education Meeting

Mrs. Haehnle's Kindergarten class had a sight word "snowball" fight that required them to read the sight word, crumple up the paper and throw the "snowball". Then read the "snowball" they picked up and throw it again.



8th Grade science students doing a lab with corn that helps them learn about genetics.

ELMWOOD LOCAL SCHOOLS

2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

		AUGUST '17						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Aug 21	Staff Work Day (7:30am-11:00am – floating)			1	2	3	4	5
Aug 21	Staff Inservice (11:00am – 2:30 pm)	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Aug 21	First Night 3-7pm	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Aug 23	First Day for Students	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		27	28	29	30	31		

		JANUARY '18						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Jan 1	Winter Break (No School)							
Jan 2	Staff Inservice / Work Day (No School)		1	2	3	4	5	6
Jan 8	Grade Cards Issued	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Jan 15	Martin Luther King Day (No School)	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Jan 24	Two (2) Hour Delay (Staff Inservice)	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		28	29	30	31			

		SEPTEMBER '17						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Sept 4	Labor Day (No School)						1	2
Sept 18	Two (2) Hour Delay (Staff Inservice)	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		24	25	26	27	28	29	30

		FEBRUARY '18						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Feb 19	President's Day** (No School)					1	2	3
Feb 22	Two (2) Hour Delay (Staff Inservice)	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		25	26	27	28			

		OCTOBER '17						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Oct 17	Two (2) Hour Delay (Staff Inservice)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Oct 20	End of 1 st Quarter	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Oct 27	Grade Cards Issued	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		29	30	31				

		MARCH '18						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Mar 5	Staff Inservice (No School)					1	2	3
Mar 16	End of 3 rd Qtr	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Mar 23	Grade Cards Issued	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Mar 29-30	Spring Break (No School)**	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		25	26	27	28	29	30	31

		NOVEMBER '17						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Nov 20	Parent/Teacher Conferences (12-7 pm) (No School)				1	2	3	4
Nov 21	Parent/Teacher Conferences (8am-3 pm) (No School)	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Nov 22-24	Thanksgiving Break (No School)	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		26	27	28	29	30		

		APRIL '18						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Apr 2-3	Spring Break (No School)**							
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		29	30					

		DECEMBER '17						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Dec 20	End of 2 nd Qtr / 1 st Sem.						1	2
Dec 21-31	Winter Break (No School)	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

		MAY '18						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
May 28	Memorial Day (No School)			1	2	3	4	5
May 29	Grade Cards Issued - Elem	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
May 30	End of 4 th Qtr / 2 nd Sem. Last Day for Students	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
May 31	Staff Work Day (will follow last student day)	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		27	28	29	30	31		

STUDENT	STAFF
1 st Qtr 42 days	43 days
2 nd Qtr 38 days + 2 Conf	40 days
3 rd Qtr 50 days	52 days
4 th Qtr 48 days	49 days
Total 178 days + 2 Conf	184 days

Approved 2/13/17

		JUNE '18						
		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
June 1-6	Make Up Days, If Needed (**Feb 19, Mar 5, Mar 29, Apr 3 may also be used as make up days)						1	2
June 3	Graduation – 2pm	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
June 8	Grade Cards Avail-HS/MS	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		24	25	26	27	28	29	30