



Elmwood Local Schools

“From the Desk of the Superintendent”

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Community Update and Elmwood Tidbits:

The weather is causing havoc on our spring sports season so far. Rain, rain, rain, and more rain!!!! The sure thing about spring, rain, and the calendar turning to May, is that we are rapidly approaching the end of the school year. Overall, it has been a great year, but it feels like everyone is starting to get ready to be on summer break. I have been asked frequently on our make-up days and if this applies to preschool. The answer is yes, it applies to everyone in the district, as all levels from preschool to high school, have a minimum number of hours they must be in session. Those two makeup dates are June 1st and 2nd.

This summer, we have nine students traveling to Spain and Italy for an educational sponsored field trip. The international trip is organized by one of our High School Spanish teachers, Mrs. Davis. She will accompany the kids on the trip this summer. Hopefully when they return, they can share some pictures that I can use in a future edition of my newsletter.



The Wood County ESC again held the Achievement of Excellence Awards Banquet on April 6th. Each Wood County school nominates two seniors for this award. After they are named, the students get to nominate their favorite teacher to come to the banquet and help present the awards. The 2017 recipients were Collin Bechstein (who picked Mr. Poffenbaugh) and Ryan Krouse (who picked Mr. Eichenauer). Congratulations to these two young men and their teachers who represented Elmwood with class.

Later this month, Norman Rickard, an Elmwood Junior who also attends the Penta Career Center will get to do a weather forecast live with NBC 24's Kimberly Newman. This taping is set for Wednesday, May 17th during the 6 PM newscast. During his years here at Elmwood, Norman, or as we knew him, “Stormin’ Norman”, has always been interested in the weather and forecasting. This will be a great opportunity for him. I would also like to mention his sister, Chevelle. She has qualified for Nationals, also through Penta, and will travel to Disney World this summer with her classmates to compete for Penta.

I would like to send a very special thank you to Medical Mutual of Ohio for donating 45 laptops and 60 computer desktops to our district. We will be receiving these in late May and will be put to use with our students and staff. The company also donated to Eastwood and Otsego school systems. I love seeing the connection between Ohio businesses and our school system.



Each summer, the local American Legions sponsor students who are finishing their junior year of high school to go to Buckeye Girls State and Buckeye Boys State. Both groups spend a week learning about how our government system works. Elmwood is proud that Jonah Childress will be representing us at Buckeye Boys State. In addition, McKenzie Mercer and Makaylie Borton will be representing us at Buckeye Girls State.



I mentioned in a previous edition that the Wood County ESC's STARS program (also known as Community Learning Centers) has a summer program again this summer. It is for students in grades Kindergarten through grade 5 and takes place in our Community Center. The STARS program has released the list of field trips that the students will get to go on if they sign up. The dates and trips are:

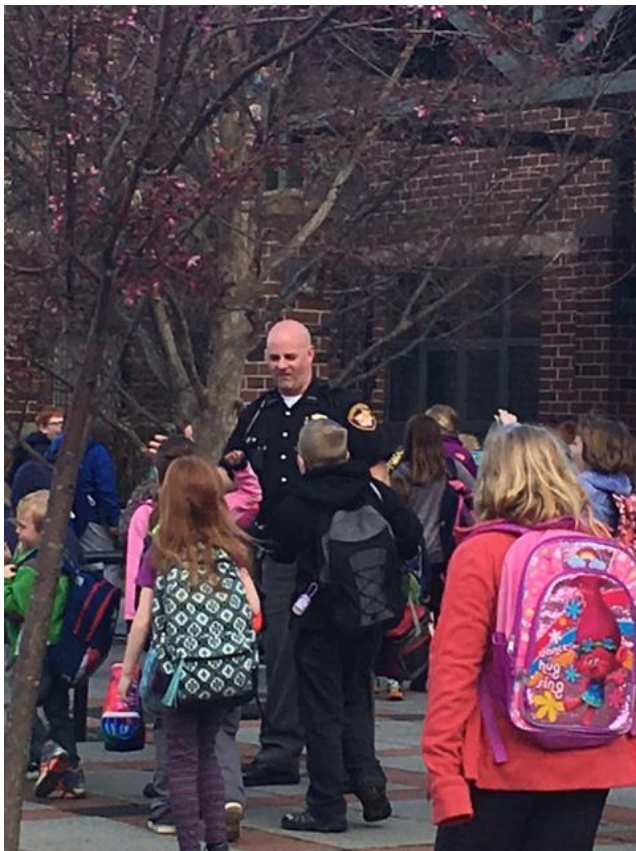
SUMMER 2017 FIELD TRIPS

June 6	Sauder Village
June 13	STEM ² Day at BGSU Field House
June 20	Horizon Youth Theater: Cinderella
June 27	Earth Camp at William H Harrison Park
July 4	<i>No Field Trip</i>
July 11	Toledo Zoo
July 18	Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge & Black Swamp Bird Observatory
July 20	Charlotte's Web at Woodland Mall
July 25	Sandusky County Maritime Museum & Merry-Go-Round Museum
Aug 1	Wood County Fair
Aug 8	North Central Agricultural Research Station of OARDC
Aug 15	Toledo Botanical Gardens
Swimming Every Friday at Woodville Pool!	

It is time for baseball and softball tournament play to begin. Softball will start tournament play Friday, May 12th at 5 PM on our field. We play the winner of the Otsego and Woodmore game. Baseball started tournament play yesterday and Elmwood won 1-0 over Bluffton High School. They now play Friday, May 12th down in Coldwater Ohio at 5 PM.



In honor of National Pancake Day (March 7th, 2017), all of the 3rd and 4th grade children and staff enjoyed pancakes made by Mrs. Bodnar. The children were very appreciative to have 2 warm pancakes each. Some teachers used them with their math lessons of fractions, while others used them as a morning or afternoon snack.



Here is our School Resource Officer (SRO), Deputy Anthony Thompson, meeting with kids when they arrive at school. Deputy Thompson is also our DARE Officer. The SRO is placed at Elmwood Schools through an agreement with the Wood County Sheriff's Office.

Calamity Day Update:

Days/Hours Missed Status

# days missed	7
# 2 hour delays	4
# days to make up	2
Make up dates with Students	Thursday, June 1 st and Friday, June 2 nd

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, May 10th, Baseball Sectional Tournament at Elmwood HS at 5 PM

Friday, May 12th, Softball Sectional Tournament at Elmwood HS at 5 PM

Monday, May 15th, Elmwood Board of Education Meeting at 6 PM

Thursday, May 18th, Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony at 6:30 PM

Friday, May 19th, High School Awards Day and Spring Fling

Friday, May 19th, Boot Scootin' Boogie: Mother/Son Dance 7-9 PM

Sunday, May 21st, Spring Arts Festival from 1 PM until 5:00 PM

Monday, May 29th, No School for Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 30th, Elementary Awards Day and Field Day

Thursday, June 1st, Makeup date, all in session

Friday, June 2nd, Makeup date, all in session, (last student day)

Friday, June 2nd, Middle School Awards Day and Field Day

Sunday, June 4th, Elmwood's Graduation Ceremony at 2 PM

Wednesday, June 28th, Red Cross Blood Drive in the Auditoria, 9 AM – 5 PM

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