



Elmwood Local Schools

“From the Desk of the Superintendent”

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Community Update and Elmwood Tidbits:

It is a great time of the year. School is settling in and the students are really doing well with our “new normal”. They are tolerating the mask wearing, and overall do not complain. I know they are just happy to be back, and will do what it takes to stay in session.

So far, we have only had one positive COVID case in our halls. Each time we have a staff or student get a confirmed positive result, we will send the very same email to everyone on our email list. Please understand that we are not allowed to disclose any more information than what was in the letter, and therefore, other than the date, the same letter will be used for each positive case. On our website, we do keep track of those quarantined also. If a student or staff is in isolation, this means they have a confirmed diagnosis. To be in quarantine means that we are sending a staff or student home for 14 days due to exposure to a positive patient either here at school or in the community. While we are only required to tell the number of isolations, we are trying to be transparent and give the full picture of what is happening in our district. If you would like to see the current dashboard, click on the words [COVID-19 weekly dashboard](https://www.elmwood.k12.oh.us/nurses-health-information.html) on the nurse’s website, which can be found at <https://www.elmwood.k12.oh.us/nurses-health-information.html>

A few weeks ago, we announced that we are able to offer every child a free breakfast and a free lunch through a federal program from now until the end of December (or until federal funds run out). This announcement has been well received as we are seeing our breakfast numbers increase threefold, and our lunch counts have doubled. The District is excited to offer this wonderful benefit and encourage all students to take advantage of these free meals while they can.

Wood County recently added Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library. This program is free and sends your child a free book each month of their lives from birth to age five. See the two flyers at the end of my newsletter for more information on the program, and on how to sign up your children.

Elmwood Robotics Club Receives Grant: The Elmwood Robotics Club has received a grant for \$5,000 from the TC Energy Foundation to help expand their club and purchase new supplies. The club has grown its membership from a handful of students in 2013 to almost 20 in recent years. The students in the club are challenged with a game each school year and have to design, build, and program the robot to compete against other robots from around Ohio. This school year the team will be competing in the VEX Robotics Competition “Change Up” where they will have to grab colored spheres and score them in cylindrical goals to outscore the team from the opposite alliance. The game is two minutes long and consists of a 15-second autonomous period where the robot operates on preprogrammed coding and the remainder of the time is driver controlled where a student will drive the robot with the aid of a spotter. Teams have a number of qualifying matches at each competition and end with a single elimination tournament. Teams that win the local competitions win a qualifying spot to the state championships, and could possibly move onto the national completion and a world completion. In years past Elmwood has only been able to enter one team per competition, but with the aid of this grant it will look at

entering multiple teams. The club would like to thank the TC Energy Foundation for their support in growing their club.

The robotics club is an extension of our Project Lead the Way (PLTW) classes. PLTW are academic classes that teach engineering career based skills. I am proud to announce that the National PLTW Organization recognized our PLTW program. The letter starts out: For the second year in a row, Elmwood Middle School has been recognized as a Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Distinguished School for providing broad access to transformative learning opportunities for students through PLTW Gateway. It is one of just 176 middle schools across the U.S. to receive this honor. PLTW is a nonprofit organization that serves millions of PreK-12 students and teachers in over 12,200 schools across the U.S. There are 270 PLTW Gateway middle school programs in the state of Ohio and Elmwood is one of only 18 schools to receive this recognition.



Elmwood Music Boosters

Cash Raffle
Up to 4 Grand Prizes* of
\$1,000-\$4,000

Buy a \$20 Ticket to win!
Drawing 9/25 at Elmwood Football Game
Need not be present to win

*Raffle rules: If 250 tickets are sold, we draw one

\$1,000 prize!

If 500 tickets are sold, we draw one \$1,000 plus

\$2,000 prize!

If 750 tickets are sold, \$1,000 and \$2,000, plus

\$3,000 prize!

If 1,000 tickets are sold, \$1,000, \$2,000, \$3,000 plus

\$4,000 prize!

Hello Elmwood Family and Friends,

The Music Boosters are once again hosting a cash raffle. If we sell 1000 tickets, the grand prize will be \$4000! Each ticket costs \$20. You may ask an Elmwood Band or Choir student in grades 7-12 for a ticket, or you may now purchase them online at this link:

Fill out the order form and pay via PayPal clicking this link: <https://forms.gle/ZbxCXbV453Tv5KGL7>

We will accept cash or check (to **Elmwood Music Boosters**) as well. The drawing will take place at our last home football game, **September 25th**. (You do not have to be present to win.) For further prize information, please see the attached poster.

Thanks for considering supporting the Elmwood Music Organizations!

ELMWOOD HAT FUNDRAISER

For Elmwood Prom



Order online at:
SPECIALTEEINK.COM

Now- 9/25

Youth & Adult • Visors • High Pony Hats • Fitted Hats • Bucket Hats

Check out www.specialteeink.com for multiple types of hats that are on sale to support prom. In addition there is our annual Boo Grams and a Chipotle fundraiser.

These Boo Grams are for EVERYONE!!

You can send a **Boo Gram** to your child, favorite teacher, friend, secretary, coach, principal, etc. They will get a **Boo Gram** and candy, during their homeroom.

On October 30th!!



Clearly fill out the form on the back. Send cash or check made payable to : Elmwood High School/Prom Put it in an envelope and mark it % Roberta Bodnar /Prom 2021 Give it to your teacher or Mrs. Peters!

Prom FUNdraiser



If you have any questions, please email bodnr@elms.net

Or see a Prom Committee Member

On Sale from October 1st-23rd



Elmwood PROM 2021 ONLINE FUNDRAISERS



Congratulations on your upcoming Chipotle fundraiser! Below are details on how to participate in your fundraiser online through the **Chipotle App** or **Chipotle.com**.

Code: ALJC466

Please note all online orders for your fundraiser must be within your scheduled hours and only at the restaurant hosting your event.

- 1 Access the **Chipotle app** or order on our **website**. **HOURS 4:00-8:00 October 5, 2020**
- 2 Choose **"Pickup"** and select the location of the restaurant which is hosting your fundraiser. Delivery orders or orders placed through other apps will not be counted towards your fundraiser. **Bowling Green Location**
- 3 Build your order with all your faves.
- 4 Once you're ready to place your order, input your unique online fundraiser code in the **"Enter a Promo Code"** section. Don't forget to click **"Apply."** ALJC466
- 5 Provide payment information and submit your order for pickup (not delivery). Reminder, pickup must be within the hours of your scheduled fundraiser. The prom committee THANKS YOU!!



Fundraiser - \$0.01

HELPFUL TIP

Once you apply your fundraiser code, your cart will show "Fundraiser" and an amount of -\$0.01. Don't panic - this is totally normal and how we track the code in our system.

Upcoming Events:

Monday, September 28th, 2 hour delay for in-service has been cancelled and we will run on normal time

Wednesday, September 30th, Senior composite pictures are being taken from 7:15 until 8:00 AM

Monday, October 12th, Board of Education Meeting @6 PM in the auditoria

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WOOD COUNTY DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Register Your Child for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

What is it?

- A program that mails a free book month to each child who is registered
- Books are specially selected and age appropriate
- Books are personalized with the child's name
- **No cost for a child or family to participate**

How can my family participate?

- Register your children online at ohioimaginationlibrary.org/enroll
- Stop by your local library if you need assistance registering your child
- WCDPL patrons call the Children's Place at 419-352-8253 or the Walbridge Library at 419-666-9900 for details.

The image shows a young child with light hair, wearing a green patterned shirt, smiling and holding a colorful book. The background is a purple banner. On the left, there is a circular logo for the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library, featuring a book with a sun and rays. On the right, there is a circular logo for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, featuring a red building and the text 'Dolly Parton's IMAGINATION LIBRARY'. Below the logos, the text reads: 'Give your child the gift of books today!'.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is made possible in Wood County by a partnership which includes the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library, United Way in Wood County, and Wood County's 7 independent library systems (North Baltimore Public Library, Pemberville Public Library, Rossford Public Library, Way Public Library in Perrysburg, Wayne Public Library, Weston Public Library, and the Wood County District Public Library).

251 North Main Street
Bowling Green, OH 43402

419.352.5104
www.wcdpl.org

We're your library.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Dolly Parton launched the Imagination Library to honor her father, who was smart and hardworking, but never learned how to read or write. The program is meant to give children from all walks of life, both in the United States and around the world, a chance that Dolly's father never had. Together, we can put books in the hands and hearts of all children.



**Select high quality,
age appropriate
books**



**Build a home
library of
books**



**Inspire a love
of books, shared
reading time**

Prevalent Themes and Focus of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library: Inspiration & Imagination

Additional Fundamental Themes of Regard:

Love of reading and learning; regard for diversity of people, their roles, culture, and environment; promotion of self-esteem and confidence, appreciation of art and aesthetics

Year One: Birth to 12 Months

Vision - bright, big, colorful
Touch - board pages
Rhyme and rhythm
Simple - easy to use
Minimal text - point and say
Playful sound
Nurture - attachment, lullaby themes

Year Two: 13 Months to 24 Months

Continue concepts from year one and build upon them
Repetition and predictability - generate language
Books about daily routines, topics familiar to child
Use of real photo illustration
Body awareness
Nursery rhymes
Colors, letters, numbers

Year Three: 25 Months to 36 Months

Wordless books - build your own story (reader and child)
Values and character
Issues - fear, conflict, love, safety
Colors, letters, numbers
Nursery rhymes

Year Four: 37 Months to 48 Months

More complex stories - hero, complication, resolution
Diversity of others - faces, environments - OK to be different
Play, humor, fun
Nursery rhymes and poetry

Year Five: 49 Months to 60 Months

School preparation and readiness
Use rebus (pictures used for words)
Science - non-fiction
Folk tales
Thank you, appreciation
Rhymes and poetry

The Blue Ribbon Book Selection Committee consists of early childhood professionals who lend their expertise in choosing the perfect set of age-appropriate books for hundreds of thousands of children across the U.S.

I am very impressed with the book selection and quality of books. My son and I look forward to finding the books in the mailbox!

Parent, Dansbury, CT

I love this program and I LOVE, LOVE the discussion guides, they give me new and different age appropriate questions to ask.

Parent, Wichita, KS



To view the annual book list or to learn more about the book selection committee, visit our website at ImaginationLibrary.com.