

Greetings Elmwood Community,

What a beautiful week we are having. I am ready for this summer weather full time. As the temperatures rise, we know that the last day for students is right around the corner. The last day is Friday, May 27th. The Sunday before that (May 22nd) at 2 PM is graduation for the Class of 2022. I want to take a minute to wish the Class of 2022 all the best for their future. I will list the graduates in my next newsletter. As the year wraps up, I will have a weekly edition for two more weeks. The May 25th will be the last regularly scheduled newsletter until the start of next school year. I may occasionally send something out over the summer with information that is needed for the new school year.

If you are doing any spring cleaning, remember that we have the green bin to collect any fabric-based items on our property here at school. The school is paid a small donation for each pound of material that is donated and usable.

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Each year, nearly 17 billion lbs. of textiles get thrown away - that equals filling a school bus nearly half a million times.

GREEN FACT:
Did you know about 70 million barrels of oil are used each year by the clothing industry - that represents the average miles per gallon of gas it would take to drive from Earth to Saturn.

GREEN FACT:
Did you know that teachers spend about \$500 a year of their own money on school supplies - the money earned from The Bin® could go a long way to helping them help you.

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1. Our High School Spanish IV classes researched Spanish-speaking artists. They learned about their journey to become an artist, their genre of art, and other interesting facts about the artist. They then picked a painting of their artist and re-created that painting.



2. We are looking for business sponsors for the 2022 Elmwood Band Spectacular. With donations of \$50 or more, the company logo will be printed in the event program and will be viewed by Elmwood and visiting band families from all over Northwest Ohio. This event is a wonderful way to spotlight our school and community. Please share the information with your employer, friends, family, and community members to help us provide an amazing community event while raising funds for Elmwood Band programs. If you would like to make a donation, please email Mrs. Hayes (hayem@elmls.net) or Ms. Rohrs (rohrc@elmls.net) for the form and process details.



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We are looking for your support...



2021 Elmwood Band Spectacular. Photo: Tricia Blasius

We are reaching out to local businesses asking for your support of the Elmwood Band Spectacular on September 17, 2022.

- The Wood Soil and Water Conservation District traditionally has handed out over 1,000 Norway Spruce seedlings to all 4th grade classes in Wood County each year. Elmwood's Fourth-grade students recently received their trees. Students in all four classes were excited to take these home and plant them in their yards!



- This one is a repeat from a couple of weeks ago. I want to constantly remind parents to plan for full pay meals next year:

USDA is going back to full pay next year for school lunches and breakfasts

We are being told by the federal government that next year, the universal free lunch/breakfast program will go back to the old program where everyone is full pay unless you submit a free/reduced lunch application. The new application will come out for families starting around July 1st, and this is the earliest we can accept the applications for next year. Families who get free lunches, also get a portion of their school fees waived. If your family income is such that paying for your child's meals is a concern, please make sure you apply for free or reduced meals. If you do not put an application in, you will be full pay and we limit how far a child is allowed to go into debt. If you have questions, please let us know and we will do our best to answer them. Things with the federal government are changing quickly and this is the latest information we have been given.

Here are a few upcoming events for students and/or family that you may want to be aware of:

- Thursday, May 12th Kindergarten Graduation at 6:30 PM
- Sunday, May 15th Spring Arts Festival
- Sunday, May 15th Senior Baccalaureate Service @ 6:30 PM
- Monday, May 16th HS Awards and Scholarship Night
- Thursday, May 19th Special Board Meeting at 5:30 PM
- Sunday, May 22nd Graduation at 2 PM
- Tuesday, May 24th Elementary Awards Day
- Wednesday, May 25th Elementary Field Day
- Friday, May 27th Currently scheduled last day for students

“The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second-best time is now!”

Chinese Proverb

Tony Borton, Superintendent