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NEWSLETTER

PBIS in Action

Positive Rewards for Good Behavior

*Good Behavior is the one of the focuses at Ohio Elementary School. Every week random teachers, cafeteria workers, bus drivers, administrators and support staff will be given tickets to hand out to students they see who are following the expectations at Ohio Elementary School. You will be informed of this honor by receiving a post card in the mail.

*Those students who are given a ticket will come to the Main Office and pick a number where they will then put their name on the corresponding number on the Gotcha board. Once we fill a whole line, a reward will be given

to those students.

*To kick off this incentive we have included a word search for grades 3-5 and a coloring picture for grades K-2. Students who complete these with their parent and return then to school by October 8th will be put into a drawing for a prize.



From the Nurse.....

School physicals will be performed in November. If you child is in K,2,4,new enterer, didn't receive one last year or are due for a triennial they will have a school physical unless you notify the nurse otherwise. 807-3802

Shared Decision Making

We would like to encourage parent participation on our Shared Decision Making Team. Our first meeting will be October 13th at 3:30 in the library.

This year we will be looking at assessing the present and envisioning the future. Our first task is to work with the community in answering the following question:

What do we want to become and how do we get there?

NT Optimists Club Chicken BBQ



This year's Chicken BBQ will be October 13th from 6-8 at the Meadow Elementary School. The cost of each dinner is \$8.50. The only way to ensure you get a dinner is to buy your tickets now. See Mrs. Lofft in the Main Office for advance tickets.

Gifted and Enrichment Programming Identification

*Many parents are interested in how the identification process works for Gifted and Talented classes. We follow the Renzulli, Reise, and Smith's Revolving Door Identification Model. At the end of the school year, the classroom teachers work with Mrs. Young to recommend students who might be identified as creative producers, gifted learners, or bright learners. These recommendations include a reflection of student strengths and weaknesses in different academic areas, task commitment, creativity, inquisitiveness, and New York State testing results.

*Throughout this year and for each unit of study, Mrs. Young selects students who have been recommended based on their identified strengths. For example, a student may be included in a science group, but not for a math group because they are demonstrating outstanding aptitude in science, but not in math. Because the rate of child development varies, the pool of students considered is reviewed with updated recommendations throughout each school year. Revisions to the pool of students considered include additions of students who might be newly recommended based on new observations by this year's teachers or reductions of students who are not demonstrating the same skill levels during this school year.

*When each unit is concluded the student lists are reviewed and students with the targeted strengths (identified by the unit goals and objectives) will be invited to participate in the coming unit via a letter sent home to parents explaining the unit, its goals, when the group meets, and an estimate of the number of classes the unit will take.

A permission slip must be signed and returned for the student to participate. This flexible grouping approach enables Mrs. Young to best meet the needs of each student throughout the school year. Ability, creativity, and talent combined with a solid work ethic contribute to the likelihood of participating in a Gifted and Talented Programming group during the school year.

Mrs. Carol Young
Gifted and Talented Programming Specialist

Ohio Elementary days 2, 4, and 6 Meadow Elementary days 1, 3, and 5

Smarter Adults, Safer Children Training

*** All participants must call the location in order to register with the presenter ***

Date Location Time Presenter contact

Sept. 15 Ohio 5:30 pm D. Lowry 807-3804

Oct. 15 Gilmore 2:00 pm J. Rose 807-3753

Nov. 4 Spruce Aud. 11:00 am K. Capriotti 807-3856

Dec. 9 NTMS 9:30 am J. Lyons 807-3707

Jan. 11 Drake 2:00 pm A. Gorman 807-3734

Feb. 10 Meadow 9:00 am K. Pieczonka 807-3831

March 16 Ohio 4:30 pm D. Lowry 807-3804

April 12 NTHS 2:45 pm A. Jaspe 807-3620 (Guidance office)

May 5 NTMS 9:30 am K. Dillon 807-3706

June 7 NTHS 2:45 pm A. Jaspe 807-3620

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION



The North Tonawanda Police Department has informed the school district that we will no longer be receiving written notification of level 2 and 3 sex offenders through the mail as we have in the past. The Niagara County Sheriff's Department created a web site listing all the level 2 and 3 sex offenders in their jurisdiction and the NT Police Department has teamed up with them. Level 2 and 3 sex offenders residing in North Tonawanda are now on that web site.

Additionally, the web site will allow users to sign up for a notification service that will automatically notify you via e-mail every time a level 2 or 3 sex offender moves into or from place to place within Niagara County.

The Niagara County Sheriff's Department web site is www.ncsd.com/SOR/. Please also remember that the New York State web site is www.criminaljustice.state.ny.us/sor/. The state web site allows you to search by name, county, or zip code throughout New York. The state's toll free number is 1-800-262-3257.

The District will continue with notifications using the District newsletter and District web site www.ntschools.org.

Global Connect Program

The North Tonawanda City School District has recently implemented the Global Connect program within our district. This program is designed to enable us to complete "mass" phone calling under emergency conditions or to share district-wide information with parents. This venue for communication proved critical during recent district events and our efforts to succeed in timely communication with all parents.

In order for this program to work most effectively, we ask you to maintain current contact information with us. If any of your contact information changes, please be certain to complete and submit your emergency contact form to Ohio's main office. We will then forward the information to our district offices so that the Global Connect system can be well maintained.

It is important that you keep us informed of any changes in your contact information throughout the year...so that we can better keep you informed!



Emergency Contact Information



Attention Ohio Elementary School - Please note these changes in our contact information:

Student Name(s) and Grade levels

Our new home phone number
Our new cell number:
Our new address:
Additional persons with permission to pick my child(ren) up from school:

Other contact information changes: (i.e.: Grandparent phone number changes if they are listed as emergency contacts)

Parent Signature

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Special Ed. Parent Sup- port Group 7pm	5	6 OHIO Meet- ing 6:30	7	8 Pictures	9
10	11 Columbus Day	12 6th Grade Field Trip 9:30-11:05 Board Meet-	13 Chicken BBQ 3-6 Meadow School	14	15 TNT Football Game 6pm	16
17	18	19	20	21 Skating Party 6-8	22	23
24	25	26 Be Smart Don't Start Assembly Grade 3 9:30-11:30	27	28 Family Math Night K-2 6:30-8	29 1/2 day Elementary Schools	30
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Character Education

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DILIGENCE
FORGIVENESS
GRATITUDE
PERSEVERANCE
RESPONSIBILITY

CONFIDENCE
EFFORT
FRIENDSHIP
HONESTY
POSITIVE
TOLERANCE

Grades 3-6

Student Name:	Grade
Parent Signature:	

Circle the words to reveal a hidden message. Place all letters not used in order on the lines below the words.

Grades K-2

Student Name:	
Grade	
Parent Signature:	



Student Name:	Grade
Parent Signature:	