



Groveport Elementary School

The Groveport Madison Local School District will build a community of learners, leaders and responsible citizens.

Every Student, Every Lesson, Every Day



Principal's Message

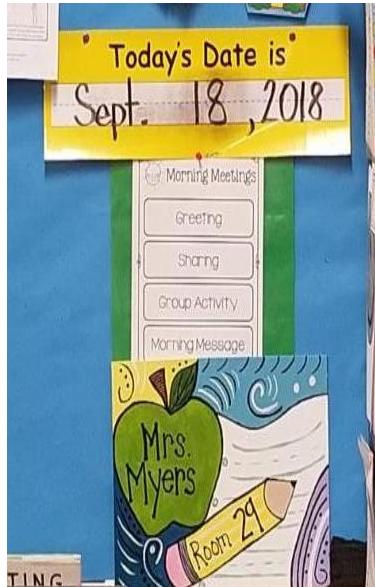
Another Great Week at Groveport Elementary!

Thank you to the parents, staff, and students for making the start of the year go so smoothly. We are all settling in for a great year! Please continue to ask your child about what they are learning in school, check their take home folders nightly, and set aside time for nightly reading. With all of us working together I know we will have a successful year!

April Bray, Principal

Focus on Learning

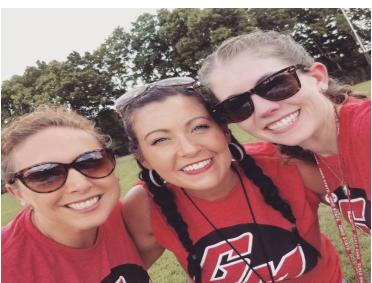
Every classroom this year begins their day with a "Morning Meeting." These meetings are a positive way to start each child's day and also integrates our STEP 2 counseling program, which focuses on developing social skills and emotional needs of children. The meetings usually begin with a greeting. This teaches students how to properly greet and introduce themselves to another person. Today, in Mrs. Adam's & Mrs. Geisler's room, students used their best robot voice to greet one another. Following the greeting, students will be able to share about an experience, opinion or feeling. This allows students to get to know each other and learn something new about their peers. Students in Mrs. KC's room shared about their favorite snack, Mrs. Myer's students shared their favorite TV show, and Mrs. Monhollen's students had to decide if they would rather eat a bug or a frog! Ewww!! Next is a group activity. Beginning in October, students will be introduced a new social or emotional skill, and our school counselor, Mrs. Winhoven, will be a part of each classroom's meetings. Currently, students are focusing on how to be a Cruser STAR (staying safe, taking responsibility, acting respectfully and reaching goals). Mrs. McGonigal shares a book daily with her students to introduce these skills, as well as reading strategies. Today she read, *My teacher is a Monster!* Students were asked to focus on making inferences as she read and what the author was trying to relay by writing words in a particular way. The meetings usually close by the teacher going over the schedule, including homework, standards that will be learned, and any changes, such as an assembly. Many teachers and students have already shared how much they are enjoying this time!



Please have conversations with your child(ren) about morning meetings. Practice greeting them when they come home from school and you can even have a basket of questions to ask daily to one another!

Our Annual Walk-A-Thon was a Huge Success and Much Warmer this Year!

THANK YOU to our PTO, Mrs. Brunner, Mrs. Sperk, Mrs. Byler, and Mrs. Moore for all their planning, time and effort. All the kids had a wonderful time. Also, thank you to our 5th grade students who walked with our kindergartners and set a positive example for them. Thank you to all of our families, students, and teachers for your support. Thank you to all the volunteers. We couldn't have done this without you and I think you had a good time too :) Enjoy the pictures below.





Upcoming Important Dates

September

- 27 - Back to School Night - Cruiser Kick-Off (5:00-7:00)
28 - Literacy PD with Sharon and Elaine (8:00 - 11:45)

October

- 1 - PTO Room Parent Social 5:30
10 - 2 Hour Late Start
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Community Wellness Day = FREE

We want to invite you to attend our second annual Community Wellness Day event, being held on **Saturday, October 6**, from **10 am until 2 pm**, at **Groveport Madison High School**, located at 4475 S. Hamilton Road.

Some of our Wellness Day sessions include financial planning, empowering women, fire safety tips, health insurance, homework help for children, and self defense demonstrations. There also will be traditional health-related services such as blood pressure and blood sugar screenings, mental health resources, healthy eating demonstrations, information about dental care, and more.

Kid's will be entertained with dodge ball and corn hole games, floor hockey, and other fun and healthy activities. GIVEAWAYS and much more!!

Shuttle buses will be running between the high school and Sedalia Elementary School (located at 5400 Sedalia Drive) from 10 AM - 2:15 PM.

The Community Wellness Day is sponsored by the City of Groveport, First Service Federal Credit Union, the Alcohol Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County (ADAMH), United Health Care, and Groveport Madison Schools.

Groveport Recreation Center

Tons of fun things to do at the Rec. Center

- * 45th Annual Apple Butter Day - October 13th 10:00 - 6:00 Heritage Park
- * Kids Night Out - 6-12 years old 10/12 and 10/26 5:30 - 8:30
- * Pumpkin Plunge - October 28th 3:00 - 5:00 Rec. Center
- * Trick or Treat / Block Party October 31st 5:30 - 7:00
- * Contact Rec. Center about preschool activities from HELP ME GROW
- * Basketball and Volleyball clinics are coming up

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Thank You to Our Pledge of Allegiance Helpers

Corrion Jennings - Mrs. Mosure
Bella Walton - Ms. Miller / Ms. Adams
Dreanna Barnes - Mr. Eft
Cameron Golden - Mr. Eft
Brenden Bennett - Ms. Polce

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Landon Yurasek, Lexie Fox, Addison Reese,
Kellan Campbell, Ayden Kirk, Joshua Biddle,
Rachel Smith, Faith Murphy-Pickett, Isabella Mollette,
and Kelsey Deskins



Cruiser STAR Students

Gold STAR Awards are given to students by staff members for students who show characteristics of being a Cruiser STAR - Stay Safe Take Responsibility Act Respectfully Reach Goals. Students come to the office and put their gold STAR in our Treasure Box. Every Friday, Mrs. Bray picks 15 -20 STARS from the Treasure Box and calls those students to the office for a prize. [Congratulations - Maci West, Leila Clinton, Insa Parish-Kone, Nora Biery, Brayden Weaver, Sara Shearer, Dakota Rosinski, Christian Cook,](#)

Aiden Combs, Jenna Cornett, Soffia Niemann, Dylon Gearheart, Amber Stoever, and Jaidyn Collins!!



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