



## Principal's Message

### Report Cards Sent Home Today

It is difficult to believe we are already at the halfway mark for the 2018-2019 school year! The staff at Groveport Elementary thanks you for your continued support. Report Cards will be sent home with students today (sign and return the white envelope). Please take time to go over your child's progress and encourage them to continue to work hard each and every day.

We look forward to working with everyone during the second half of the year. As always, contact the school if we can be of any support.

### Focus on Learning

**Mrs. Downing and Mrs. Scott's Preschool classes have been learning about all kinds of animals this month. The students also had a special presentation from a veterinarian tech who talked about animals and caring for them.**



Groveport Madison Schools has launched an anonymous tip line for reporting concerns or threats to its schools or potential harm to a student or staff member. The Safer Schools Ohio tip line is operated through the Ohio Department of Public Safety and the Ohio Department of Education, accepting tips 24-hours a day. Calls or texts to 844-SaferOH (844-723-3764) are answered by analysts in the Ohio Homeland Security's Threat Assessment and Prevention (TAP) Unit. When action is needed, the TAP Unit immediately forwards information to the school district and to local law enforcement agencies. The District and local law enforcement officials will work together to investigate the report and ensure that it is resolved. The TAP Unit also follows-up with both entities to ensure the report has been investigated and that appropriate actions have been taken.

"The safety of students and staff is always the District's highest priority," said Superintendent Garilee Ogden. "Our staff works hard to forge trusting relationships with students. One of the many benefits of those relationships is that students feel comfortable reporting their concerns to an adult at their school. That has helped us to address issues before anyone might be harmed - as well as to diffuse and debunk rumors. While we always want to encourage students to make us aware of any concerns, the anonymous tip line is another avenue that can be used to report potential issues."

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### **Young People's Art Exhibit**

Congratulations to **Mrs. Sperrk** and **Hannah Bauerle**! Hanna was chosen as an exhibitor for the 39th Annual Young People's Art Exhibition. There are nine regions in Ohio and this year's show includes 130 students artworks from all of the state. We are so proud of Hannah for her accomplishment!

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### **Programs offered through Town Hall**

Nature Program (FREE) - 4th Saturday of each month 10:00 - 11:00  
Come make your own Bird Feeder Register by February 21st 614.836.3333

Kids Night (FREE) - 2nd Tuesday of each month 6:30 - 7:30  
February 12th Register by February 7th 614.836.3333

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## **Upcoming Important Dates**

### **February**

4th - 8th - Book Fair

18th and 19th = No School

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## **Thank You to Our Pledge of Allegiance Helpers**

Charles Brookins - Mrs. Cordell

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Lyla Watkins, Mason Hazzard, Fanta Diane, Kayden Blevins,  
Madison Gibson, and Camden Carpenter

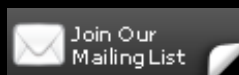


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## Cruiser STAR Students

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 - Lilly Topper, Caeden Cramer, Ty Cooper, Kyra Flack, Donny Johnson, Talia Washburn, Nora Biery, Zoe Cook, Bena Maharath, Jaxson Paas, Mari Hill, Dillon Noland, Khalia Powers, Leila Clinton, Oscar Viton, Colton Eggers, Collin Hart, and Cole Stine!](#)

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