



## Principal's Message

### Important Levy and Bond Information

Groveport Madison Schools has a combination operating levy and bond issue on the May 7, 2019 ballot. The operating levy portion of the measure simply replaces the 2014 levy that expires at the end of 2019 - it is not a tax increase. The bond issue will replace the District's aging, deteriorating, and severely overcrowded elementary and middle schools by constructing three K-6 buildings and one 7-8 building. The new schools will create a much-improved academic environment for students and staff, provide the needed space to accommodate an array of events and activities, and include the latest in safety and security measures.

The total cost of the combined issue is less than fifty cents a day (based on a \$100,000 home value), and the State of Ohio will contribute 53% (\$65 million) in matching funds to build the new schools.

If you aren't already registered to vote, you can do so online at **myohiovote.com** or we have copies of voter registration forms in our school's office. We also have chromebooks in the office you can use to quickly register by the **registration deadline of Monday, April 8th**.

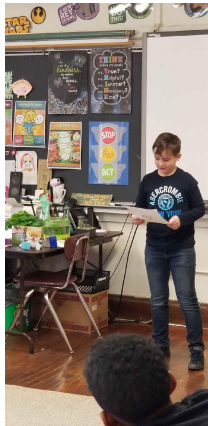
**It doesn't matter if you are a property owner or a renter. You can vote in Ohio if . . .**

- ☐ You are a citizen of the United States.
- ☐ You will be at least 18 years old on or before the day of the general election.
- ☐ You will be a resident of Ohio for at least 30 days immediately before the election in which you want to vote.
- ☐ You are not incarcerated (in jail or in prison) for a felony conviction.
- ☐ You have not been declared incompetent for voting purposes by a probate court.
- ☐ You have not been permanently disenfranchised for violations of election laws.

More information regarding the combined operating levy and bond issue (Issue 5) can be found on the District's website, at [www.gocruisers.org/Issue5](http://www.gocruisers.org/Issue5), or feel free to call or stop in to ask me about it. I will make sure you have all of the facts necessary to make an informed decision on May 7.

## Focus on Learning

Students in Mrs. McGonigal and Mrs. Escue's class have been asked to pick one of their all time favorite books. Students then focused on creating and presenting a spiel ( a short summary) of their book to the class. Students described the setting, characters, plot and gave key details for their chosen book. Students then had the opportunity to vote for their favorite. Now the class is on to the sweet 16.



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## Artist of the Week



### **Breanna Gilreath**

To continue our unit on Pop Art third graders learned about the artist Andy Warhol. He was a famous printmaker who used everyday objects as his subject. After viewing several of his artworks we created our own printing plate out of Styrofoam. Next, we learned how to print two ways, one with marker and the other with paint and a brayer. To finish the project we chose our four best prints and added the word Love. Breanna Gilreath was selected by Mrs. Sperk for her fantastic marker prints. She was so consistent on all of the marker prints. Way to go! Breanna is a 3rd grade student in Mr. Eft's class. This is her first year here at Groveport Elementary. Breanna has a younger brother, Herlindo, who is in second grade and a younger sister, Jackie, who is four. She enjoys gymnastics, ballet and being creative. Her favorite color is pink.

**Congratulations Breanna for being our Artist of the Week!**

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### **Groveport Recreation Center**

Call 614.836.1000 or checkout website [www.groveportrec.com](http://www.groveportrec.com) for programs being offered at the Recreation Center - some examples listed below. They also have adult and senior activities.

- Summer Camp for Kids
- Mini Soccer
- T-Ball
- Tennis
- Tae Kwon Ki Do
- Kids Night Out (Fridays: April 5th and 26th)
- Princess Party
- Spring Break Fun Hour
- Scuba Lessons
- Underwater Easter Egg Hunt
- Marshmallow Drop
- Pancake Dinner with The Bunny
- Swim Lessons

- Preschool Programs



### **Flu Prevention:**

The flu virus has been spreading rapidly around schools, child care centers, offices and homes. Sometimes no matter how well we try to avoid being around someone who's sick, we always cross paths one way or another. While avoiding it may be impossible, we can help stop the spread of this very contagious virus.

Cleaning to prevent the flu is a must! The flu virus can "live" on some surfaces for up to 24 hours. Flu viruses are killed by heat above 167° F. Common household cleaning products can also kill the virus. Products containing chlorine, hydrogen peroxide, detergents (soap), iodophors (iodine-based antiseptics) and alcohols will kill the viruses. In addition to frequent cleaning, make sure to practice proper hand hygiene.

### **Hallway STAR Award**

Our students have to hang their coats and book bags in the hallway because of limited space in the classrooms. We noticed this to be untidy and unsafe as students were stepping over items that would drop to the floor, so we've started a clean hallway challenge. Mrs. Bray will walk the halls throughout the week to recognize the class that has the neatest hallway area and announce the winning class on Fridays. Mr. Miller our school custodian will present the award to the class each week.

**Congratulation to the winner this week = Mrs. Mosure's Class**

### **Assessment Information**

**Oh my - only 16 more school days until State Testing begins!  
Our students will be ready :)))**

**April 9th = ELA Part 1 (grades 3 and 5)  
April 10th = ELA Part 1 (grade 4)  
April 11th = ELA Part 2 (grades 3 and 5)  
April 12th = ELA Part 2 (grade 4)**

## Upcoming Important Dates

### March

26th = Spring Picture Day

29th = Staff Meeting (8:00)

### Save the Date

April 9th and 11th = Parent Teacher Conferences

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## Thank You to Our Pledge of Allegiance Helpers

Erin Coleman - Mrs. Mosure

Amber Stoevers - Mrs. Myers

Mason Hazzard - Ms. Miller

Michael Edwards II - Ms. Townsend

Colten Watkins - Ms. Polce

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Kennedy Flack, Pearl Kengne, Sara Combs,  
Tay Robinson, Cam Lindsay, Cayson Bush,  
and Christopher Burke



## 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 - Trenton Montney, Ellie Barnhart, Leos Jacobs, Kiara Brooks, Joshua Biddle, Ressie Baxter, Austin Combs, Kingston Lawson, Elise Anthony, Jonathon Marriott, Olivia Hart, Cyncier Edwards, Bracksden Bennett, and Addison Meuser!](#)

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