

Jones Elementary News

Greetings from Your Assistant Principal

Musical Performances

The Minooka District 201 music teachers and our Director of Curriculum and Instruction have worked throughout the summer updating the music curriculum based on the National Core Arts Standards for Music. These standards guide instructional focus on the artistic processes of Creating, Performing, Responding, and Connecting.

Beginning with our 2019-2020 school year, the standard of "Performance" will only highlight two grade levels: kindergarten and fourth grade. Performance dates for kindergarten and fourth grade will be set at each school and will be listed on the district calendar as they become available.

Sincerely,

Music Department & District Administrative Team

MAP Assessment

All Kindergarten through Fourth Grade students will take the MAP assessment online three times per school year. Students in Kindergarten through Second Grade will be assessed in Reading and Math. Third and Fourth Graders will be assessed in Reading, Math, and Language Arts.

MAP assessment results will determine students' instructional levels and will be used to measure academic growth throughout the school year, as well as from year to year. MAP gives teachers the information necessary to individualize instruction for each learner in their classroom.

MAP assessments are unique in that they adapt to each students' level of learning. If a student answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next question is easier. This results in a detailed picture of what your child knows and is ready to learn.

Kindest Regards,
Mrs. Sarah Monroe ☺

Celebrations & Reminders

✚ Our Boosterthon Fun Run will take place on Friday, September 13th. All families are invited to attend and cheer on their student(s) at the times listed below:

- **Kindergarten:** 9:00 a.m.
- **1st Grade:** 2:00 p.m.
- **2nd Grade:** 1:00 p.m.
- **3rd Grade:** 10:00 a.m.
- **4th Grade:** 11:00 a.m.

A Look Ahead

September 2: No School – Labor Day

September 4: Boosterthon Pep Rally

September 5-12: Boosterthon Team Days

September 6: Ice Cream Social @ 6:00

September 13: Boosterthon Fun Run

September 16: School Board Meeting @ 7:00

September 27: Early Dismissal @ 1:35

September 24: PTO Meeting @ 4:00

September 24: Chipotle Night @ 4:00

September 27: Early Dismissal @ 1:35

October 2: Custodian Appreciation Day

October 11: Fall Picture Day

October 14: Columbus Day –No School

October 18: Fall Dance @ 6:00

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Jones Elementary students have recorded 127,918 reading minutes to date in our Summer Reading Challenge. Our goal is 175,000 reading minutes. Final minutes need to be logged online by Friday, September 6th. For assistance, please email our Media teacher Mr. Raczynski at leoski@min201.org. Keep on reading and WAY TO GO boys and girls!

