

Urbana Elementary

Kindergarten *through* Grade 5

News and Information

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Urbana Elementary Climber Club News

The Climber Club **needs YOU!** Membership dues are just **\$5.00** per year for the entire family. Please help support our parent/teacher organization. Membership can be as little as paying the annual \$5.00 dues or planning and/or participating in events. Contact your child's teacher if you would like a membership form to join.

Some upcoming Climber Club events to look out for:

November: Our annual Urbana Hillclimber "Spirit Wear" fundraiser will take place in time for Christmas purchases for the entire family. Flyers will be going home with your child **before** Thanksgiving break.

December: "Dinner with Santa Night" on December 7th and the "Santa Shop" Christmas Shopping for our PreK through 5th grade students. The shop will have an **ONLINE** option again this year.



PBIS Positive News

Students are earning PBIS Rewards points for being respectful, responsible, and ready. K-5 students can use their points to shop from the PBIS store/cart throughout the school year.

Students can also "pool" their points together to earn class rewards. Parents can also check their child's points on PBIS Rewards. There will be a letter coming home soon with instructions on how parents can view points earned.

Our UES K-5 PBIS Climber Code:

Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Ready!

**** Upcoming Events at Urbana Elementary ****

Monday, 9/27/21: Mask mandate begins!

Monday, 9/27/21: Girl Scouts visit K-2 classrooms

Tuesday, 9/28/21: Girl Scouts visit 3-5 classrooms

Thursday, 9/30/21: Wear **GREEN** today for "Buddy Bench Awareness Day" (part of the "Hello Week" activities)

Monday, 10/11/21: TWO-HOUR DELAY (Teacher Inservice)

Friday, 10/15/21: 4th graders signing of the National Anthem pre-game of the Urbana home football game

Friday, 10/15/21: End of 1st quarter

Monday, 10/18/21: NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, 10/26/21: 2nd grade Music Program @ UHS @ 7:00 pm

Thursday, 10/28/21: 4th grade Music Program @ UHS @ 7:00 pm

Friday, 10/29/21: K-5 Halloween Parties, 2:00-3:15 pm

MASK MANDATE STARTS MONDAY

At their meeting on Tuesday, September 22, 2021, the Urbana City School District Board of Education took action to implement a universal face mask requirement for all students and staff in the school buildings **starting on Monday, September 27, 2021**. All guests and visitors will also be required to wear a face mask when inside any of the school buildings. A physician's statement is required for a medical exemption. More information is available on the District's website at www.urbanacityschools.org.


Newsletter # 2

Congratulations to our September K-5 **GOOD CITIZENS!** Students enjoyed a hot breakfast with guest speaker, Officer Ervin. The character trait this month is **RESPECT**.

Mason Toops (Andreassen-K)
Lincoln Karg (Bowdle-K)
Ruby Slater (Miesse-K)
Madalyn Stanforth (Oakes-K)
Carson Deere (Marsh-K)
Lyla McKenzie (Trout-K)
Brayden Morton (Heim-K)
Ryleigh Simsa (Glessner-1st)
Draven Moran (Hiltibran-1st)
Markus Vactor (Pack-1st)
Marley Musser (Pemberton-1st)
Lincoln Steffan (Childs-1st)
Noble McComb (Anderson-Deitrick-1st)
Londyn Arnold (Prince-2nd)
Cameron Swain (Shelpman-2nd)
Arabelle Schelle (Hower-2nd)
Liam Byrd (Robison-2nd)
Elody Chappie (Jacobs-2nd)
Camden Clark (Walters-2nd)
Annalyn Worthen (Roby-2nd)
Darion Brandon (Pettry-Brisley-ESC)
Jade King (Burnside-3rd)
Caysen Shaffner (McGinnis-Weiss-3rd)
Bryson Streacker (Zirkle-3rd)
Ashton Hecker (Siegenthaler-3rd)
Zenobia Clay (Sullivan-3rd)
Alyssa Swan (Hartman-3rd)
Liam Gravitt (Edwards-3rd)
Colt Anderson (Keep-Maloney-4th)
Payton Johnson (Keely-4th)
Becca Springer (Deans-4th)
Luke Evans (Blinc-4th)
Meghan Hoskins (Recker-4th)
Aleeah White (Wasson-4th)
Maylee Melvin (Sherman-5th)
Breyton Potter (Bever-5th)
Michael Davis (Pine-5th)
Bella Miller (Holeton-5th)
Markus Fernow (Neer-5th)
Oliver Rice (Inskeep-5th)
Dominic Purdy (Knight-ESC)

Tardy bell rings @ 8:45 am!

Get involved and make a difference!
Research shows that parent involvement can improve students' behavior, attendance, and achievement. Let's work TOGETHER!



Our K-5 School Counselors

Mr. Dorsey, K-2 and Mrs. Lingrell, 3-5


School counselors play a vital role in school districts by guiding students toward success in their education and future careers. School Counselors support students with academic achievement and social and emotional development.

Urbana Elementary school counselors Mr. Dorsey and Mrs. Lingrell are kicking off “Start with Hello Week” on Monday, September 27th. This is a weeklong series of activities designed to break down barriers and decrease isolation and loneliness among our students. There will be daily classroom activities designed to start discussions and foster critical thinking about how we interact with each other. Please ask your student(s) about “Start with Hello Week”!

VOLUNTEERS - 2021-2022

Holiday classroom parties will begin soon and are just one of many ways you can help at our school. If you are interested in volunteering, please ask your child’s teacher for an Urbana Elementary School Volunteer form. Fill it out and return it to school with your child.

In order to help **IN** the building, you will also need to complete, AND **have on file**, a District Volunteer Form for **the current** 2021-2022 school year. This is **ONLY** if you’re planning to volunteer during the school day and will be around students. Please ask your child’s teacher or call the school office to have any of the volunteer forms sent home with your child. Once the District Volunteer Form is approved by the Board of Education, you will be able to volunteer at Urbana Elementary School. This process takes about two (2) weeks. At this time, ALL volunteers will be required to wear a mask while in the school building.



Our Literacy Coaches’ Reading Corner

What Are Strategic Actions?

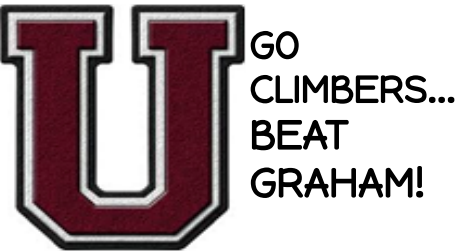
Believe it or not, there are a lot of things going on when a person reads. They are connecting the letters on the page to sounds, which turn into words, which are strung together to make meaning. While it sounds simple, it is actually a very complex, and sometimes messy, process. When readers struggle with any of these Strategic Actions, there can be a disruption in comprehension.

There is a System of Strategic Actions that include twelve actions and fall into three categories: Within the Text Thinking, Beyond the Text Thinking, and About the Text Thinking. Over the coming months, this part of the newsletter will explain what your reader is doing when engaging in this strategic activity.

Within the Text thinking occurs when readers are: searching for and using information, monitoring and correcting, solving words, maintaining fluency, adjusting to text, and summarizing. These actions are right in the text and the thinking goes with what is on the page.

Beyond the Text thinking occurs when readers are: predicting, making connections, inferring, and synthesizing. These actions use the readers’ own experiences to make meaning and learn new things.

About the Text thinking occurs when readers are: analyzing and critiquing. This thinking involves opinions about the text and recognizing how things like genre and text features help the reader better understand the text.



Mrs. Weimer, Mrs. Anders and some of our K-5 students in the Homecoming Parade, 2021