



# Newsletter

## The Superintendent's Script

Mr. Siefke, Superintendent

MARCH 2018  
NEWS & NOTES

As we proceed through the last quarter of the school year I would like to inform you about a number of important issues affecting the district and our students. The first one involves the constant effort of the Lisbon Exempted Village School District to keep all the students safe and secure. We have community meetings set up for public input and the BOE will continue to examine how to effectively protect your child in this ever-changing world we live in.

Secondly this year's achievement tests that are upon us. Our goal to maintain and improve upon last year's success is every bit as strong as in the past. Once again, in this era of accountability these tests have become a critical item as one of the chief measures by which our schools are measured. We are asking that you the parents assist us once again in our task by making sure that you reassure with your children the importance of these tests for their future as well as that of the Lisbon School District. All in all the academic progress in the district continues, and a big thank you goes out to the students, parents, staff and the entire Lisbon community for their hard work and dedication to improvement.

Thirdly, I had the opportunity to attend a number of extracurricular activities recently and was tremendously impressed not only with the talent and ability I saw,

but also with the excitement and joy the students exhibited. It just reinforced to me how much more there is to a well rounded education than just the basics of the school day. So please take this opportunity to encourage your children to participate in all facets that the district has to offer.

Finally, as I close this message I would like to remind you that as we continue to make efforts to improve the instruction for all students in the Lisbon Exempted Village School District, we ask that you the parents, assist us in our task by making sure that if you have questions about their progress or anything involved in your child's education, please contact us with questions. The final reminder is to check out our website [www.lisbon.k12.oh.us](http://www.lisbon.k12.oh.us) to become even more involved in your child's education.

Joseph Siefke  
Superintendent



Pictured Above: Fourth grade Speech students, delivering Intervention Specialist, Lauren Glenn, a cup of hot tea.

# McKinley Elementary School

Principal, Mr. Kemats

## A Message from the Principal

### McKinley Elementary

Spring is an exciting time in the village. With the warmer weather come opportunities to get outdoors and explore. Make a point to visit Lisbon's parks, ride the bike trail, or walk along the banks of one of Lisbon's streams. Outdoor activities make great learning opportunities and offer fun for the whole family.

That being said, March is **Severe Weather Safety Month**. We will be talking with your students about ways to be safe at home and at school if severe weather occurs, and we suggest you take this opportunity to do the same. Have a plan that works for your home and family to keep everyone safe and on the same page.

**Kindergarten Registration** for the 2018-19 school year will be held at the Lisbon Board of Education office the week of **March 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>**. Please call 330.424.7714 to make an appointment. Prospective kindergarten students should turn 5 years old by September 30, 2018 and will be scheduled for a screening in early May. Parents with preschool students may register them at this time as well.

**Fifth grade students** will again attend **Camp Kon-O-Kwee Spencer** this spring **May**. Students will participate in outdoor, hands-on activities as they spend three days and two nights at the camp in Fombell, PA.

PTO will be holding their annual **Spring Carnival** at McKinley on **Friday, March 23rd**. This event will include music, games, food and fun for McKinley Elementary students and families, and will take place at McKinley from **5:00 - 8:00 PM**. If you are able to donate your time or services to

the event, please contact a PTO Officer. We are looking forward to making this a great event with your help and participation. **Elections of PTO Officers** for next school year will occur in May, so if you are interested, please attend the PTO Meetings.

We will bring back **Field Day** for students at McKinley on **Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** this year, with events and activities for students in each grade level. Mrs. Sauerwein will help coordinate the events. If you're interested in helping with your child's class or grade level, contact a PTO officer.

As always, thanks for your time, patience and effort. We appreciate the opportunity to spend time with your students each day, we welcome your input and we are thankful for your help and support. We are looking forward to a great Spring. Please use the PTO as the opportunity to help volunteer at school functions.

Sincerely,

Dan Kemats, Principal



### Open House

Have a student starting Kindergarten or Preschool next year? Then take this opportunity to visit the Kindergarten and Preschool classrooms at our annual Open House.

**PreK ... April 20<sup>th</sup> 9:30-10:30 or 1:30-2:45**

**KG ... May 3<sup>rd</sup> 11:00-12:30 or 1:30-2:45**

Call 424-9869 to reserve your spot

### Summer Learning Opportunities

As the school year comes to a close, be sure to watch for Summer Learning Opportunities from McKinley. Information will be sent home with students in May about various events being offered this summer, as well as things you can do at home to help your student continue their learning over the summer months.



### Literacy Events

McKinley once again celebrated Literacy in March with a host of activities. We held our annual Reading March Madness, which paired classrooms with NCAA Tournament teams in a friendly competition centered around reading.

We partnered with local Pizza establishment Mary's Pizza, who provided us with pizza boxes to decorate with our favorite books. Additionally, we dressed as book characters, wore our favorite team jerseys and brought back D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read), which allowed us to put everything aside but reading each day for 15 minutes.

Good reading and literacy habits are important to establish and maintain, and anything we can do to help out with this at home will help students make connections between home and school.

Thanks for being great families and helping us to make this a great event.



### Spring is in the Air

As the weather breaks and warmer temps arrive, please be reminded that students should dress appropriately. We like to get students to recess as often as possible. Seventy degrees one day and forty the next is not uncommon for this time of year in Ohio. Refer to the dress code in the student handbook if you have any questions.

### Adopt A Pilot Program

The Fifth grade was fortunate to have the opportunity to participate in the "Adopt A Pilot program." This award winning program has been in existence since 1997. This exciting educational opportunity pairs Southwest Airlines' pilots with classes across the country. They were among 30,000 students nationwide who participated in this program. Our pilot's name is Lenny Diludovico, who has two children that attend David Anderson Jr/Sr. high school. The students completed four lessons with him. They included learning about flight values, time zones, geography, the scientific process, and the forces of flight. They were also able to track the pilot's flights using the airports three letter codes and calculate how many miles each trip took. The fifth graders were eager to learn about his experiences and what it takes to be a pilot. They will culminate the activities with a trip to the Pittsburgh International Airport in May.



## McKinley Dates to Remember

March 20 ... 2<sup>nd</sup> Music Program  
March 23 ... Spring Picture Day  
March 23 ... PTO Spring Fling  
March 26-29 ... Kindergarten Registration  
March 30 – April 6 ... Spring Break  
April 20 ... Pre School Open House  
April 24 ... KG Music & Art Program  
May 1-2 ... Kindergarten Screening  
May 3 ... Kindergarten Open House  
May 7 – 9 ... 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Kon-O-Kwee  
May 10 ... 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Highlandtown Lake  
May 17...5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Fair  
May 18 ... KG Field Trip to Beaver Creek  
May 21 ... 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Airport Field Trip  
May 22 ... McKinley Field Day  
May 23 ... Last Day of School

### Alternative Seating

Ms. Mercer has brought alternative seating to her second grade classroom. For the past few years, Ms. Mercer utilized Exercise Balls as seats in her 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom. These balance balls can help students focus as they get out their natural need for movement in a positive way when seated in class.



## Reserved Spring State Testing Dates

5<sup>th</sup> Grade – April 11-12, 23-24, 30, May 1

4<sup>th</sup> Grade – April 16-17, 25-26

3<sup>RD</sup> Grade – April 18-19, May 2-3

\*3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students each have two part Math and ELA tests ... 5<sup>th</sup> grade also has a two part Science test

Look over Sample Test Questions and practice with your students at the website below:

<http://oh.portal.airast.org/ocba/students-and-families/>

## Espresso Yourself—Student Run Coffee Cart

McKinley Speech & Language students are working to improve their understanding and use of language while learning to improve the social components of communication (verbal and non-verbal skills which dictate interactions) through their Coffee Cart business named: "Espresso Yourself".

The Coffee Cart business opened on January 19, 2018. Three coffee makers and a cart were donated through a Donors Choose grant earlier in the school year. Additional supplies were purchased or donated by McKinley Staff and the McKinley Elementary PTO. The Coffee Cart gives students the opportunity to work on critical positive social interactions skills. Students take orders through Google Forms online from staff members then make & deliver customized specialty drinks every Friday.

McKinley Speech-Language Pathologist, Kathy Keaggy Brown, said about the project: "Students learn about ordering supplies, organizing materials, filling custom orders, socializing with customers as well as promoting and marketing their business while learning time & money management skills. They also work on receptive language, expressive language, social language, fine motor and academic skills. The students and staff love it!" Keaggy Brown explains that while the project is designed to improve the skills of students who receive Speech Therapy, it will benefit all students as by strengthening the school community through positive social interactions.



# David Anderson Jr. Sr. High School

Principal, Mr. Edenfield

## A Message from the Principal

All juniors in Ohio are required to take the ACT or SAT at no cost to the student. Our juniors at DAHS took the ACT on Tuesday February 27<sup>th</sup>. This is the same test that students take throughout the year on designated national test dates and the scores that the students earn will be sent to the college(s) of their choice.

Spring Break this year will be from Friday 3-30-18 through Sunday 4-8-18. Classes will resume on Monday 4-9-18. Any parent who would still like access to Progress Book can call the high school or junior high office and request a password. We believe that this is a tremendous advantage for parents to follow along with your child's progress.

The high school spring musical "The Wizard of Oz" will be presented in the David Anderson High School Auditorium on April 27<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. and April 29<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.

AIR tests for 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> grade students will begin in April. Testing for English Language Arts will take place April 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>. Testing for Math, Science, and Social Studies are scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup> – May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please have your son or daughter get plenty of rest to increase their probability of success. Testing is another important component of measuring the academic growth of our students and we would like our kids ready to go for the AIR assessments.

The 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Honors/Builders club members will be visiting New York City May 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. In order to attend, a student must qualify with honor roll or merit roll grades for two out of three designated grading periods. Buses will leave the school at 6:30 am May 10<sup>th</sup> and return home at 9:45 pm May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Prom 2018 will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup> at The Vineyards at Pine Lake in Columbiana, Ohio. Prior to the dance will be the annual "Parade of Fashions". The "Parade of Fashions" will take place in the High School Gym. Tickets and event times will be announced at school and posted in the paper. The Dance will follow the fashions event.

Graduation is approaching and the date has been set. This years' graduation 2018 will be held in the George M. Nace Gymnasium at 3:00 PM on May 27<sup>th</sup>. A senior awards program will be held on Friday May 18<sup>th</sup> in the High School Auditorium at 12:00 noon. This is a great opportunity for David Anderson Jr. Sr. High School to recognize our class of 2018 students for achievements while attending Lisbon Schools.

The last day of classes for students is scheduled for May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Final report cards may be picked up beginning Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Additionally, all final grades will be posted through the

Progress Book web site.



**Photo Above:** Students of All-In attended Kent State University for some special break out sessions.

## Nurse's Update

### Attention Parents/Guardians of students entering 7<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade August 2018

All 7<sup>th</sup> grade students are required to have one dose of Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Acellular Pertussis). This dose is intended to be administered as a booster for students who have completed the required doses of the initial series of Dtap/Dt/Td vaccine (prior to starting Kindergarten).

All students entering the 7<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade are required to be vaccinated against meningococcal disease. Please discuss this vaccine with your child's physician for the Ohio Department of Health guidelines.

Please contact your child's physician, the Columbiana County Health Department at 330-424-0272 or East Liverpool City Health Department at 330-385-5123 as soon as possible to schedule an appointment. Some pharmacies are also offering these vaccines. If your child has already received the required immunizations, please send a copy of their immunization record to the school any time, "attention school nurse".

## Chess Club

Approximately 20 or more students can be found playing chess in the media center on Fridays after school. Some are playing some are watching. This is the David Anderson Chess Club. The club led by president senior Justin Larkins and vice president Austin Craig and sponsored by staff advisor Colleen van Leeuwen. Officers earn their titles by playing in a single elimination tournament. The students help each other solving chess puzzles and showing each other openings and endings. Their fall tournament was held before Thanksgiving. Austin Craig was the winner with Dylan Nyardi second place and Matt Dillon third. Plans are being made for a tournament after basketball season. All students are welcome to participate. No knowledge of chess is required, as students help teach other.



## All In Student Academy

Students at Kent State University main campus for ALL IN Student Academy day 3. Theme of Day 3 "Extending Your ALL IN Activism" Students were divided up to several Activism Speaker Breakout Sessions and Midday rotations. Students were able to attend the following breakout sessions:

- My Story: Judge Carla J. Baldwin-The Honorable Carla J. Baldwin Youngstown Municipal Judge
- Human Trafficking: Dr. Jesse Bach- The Imagine Foundation-Founder and Chair of Research
- Social Justice and Sport- Dr. Theresa Walton-Fisette, Kristopher White, graduate student Sports Administration Kent State University.
- Collaborating for Social Justice: NEO Diversity Center and High Schools working together- Jasmine King, Director of School and Youth programming for The Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio, Taylor Benford, Collinwood High School.
- Overcoming Adversity: Jennifer Merritt-Mahoning County High School-Director of Alternative Education.
- The Advantages of Adversity: David G. Miller Jr., One Step, Inc.- Founder and Director
- The Positive Impacts of Volunteering: Student Panel: Marley Benedict, Julia Getsy, Will Horn, Alyssa Jordon, Austintown Fitch High School-Capstone Projects
- Minority Student Action Network: MSAN Leadership Team-Cleveland Heights-University Heights

## Lisbon Sports Update

There were many highlights to make note of for the winter sports season. The Girls basketball team won the Districts against Valley Christian in exciting fashion. Jamie Entrikin was named Coach of the Year for the girls basketball team. Izzy Perez was named 3rd team all-state. Justin Sweeney was named Player of the year in Columbiana County and he also set a record for most points in a season. The boys basketball team set a record for most 3 pointers in a season.



# 2018 Columbiana County Art Show

Columbiana County Art Show sponsored by the CCESC. One student represented each grade level with some receiving additional awards:

6th- Liam Exline, Reserve Best of Show Middle School Division  
7th- Daniel Hamon, Reserve Best of Show Middle School Division  
8th- Anna Marshalek, Honorable Mention  
9th- Aeryn Sheridan, Honorable Mention  
10th- Haylie White, Honorable Mention  
11th- Trevor Johnson  
12th- Branson Brownfield, Reserve Best of Show High School Division

**\*Note:** The Knights of Columbus Drug and Alcohol Awareness Poster Contest. David Anderson Jr. High. winners were Adysson Andric (drug division) and Daniel Hammon (alcohol division), both 7th graders. Daniel also won 1st place for his age group and division at the county level and his poster now goes to the state for judging.



**Photo Above:** Mrs. Brownfield and Mrs. Swift take a picture with some of the winners from the County Art Show



**Photo Above:** all of the district reserve best of show winners that came.



**Photos Above:** Aeryn Sheridan, Daniel Hammon, Anna Marshalek and Branson Brownfield with their award winning art work.

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**Varsity Girl's Basketball Team - District Champs**



**Photo Above: The 2017-2018 Varsity Girls Basketball team and coaches with their medals and plaque after winning the Districts**