

Chestnut Chatter

Covington Elementary School Newsletter

April 2023

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

2023/2024

Covington Elementary School is in the process of planning for our 2023-2024 kindergarten registration. Any child who will be five on or before August 1, 2023, is eligible to attend kindergarten. **Our kindergarten screenings will be held May 3 & 4.**

Step One - Complete the online Registration Forms in Final Forms. Go to the district website and look for the Kindergarten Registration Link located under school news. You will follow the instructions and complete all the forms online.

Step Two – Once you have completed the online forms, you will receive an email with a link to sign up online for a screening time for your child. These appointment times on May 3 & 4, are 1 ½ hours in length. You will need to bring the following required documentation to the screening:

- *Certified Birth Certificate
- *Proof of Residency, lease or deed, or utility bill
- *Immunization Records
- *All special education records/504 documents, if applicable
- *Drivers License for identification

*Custody Papers (if applicable)

Please Note: A parent or legal guardian must be present during the kindergarten screening process.

Read Across America Week

We would like to thank everyone that helped make the celebration of Dr. Suess' birthday a great success. Our students and staff certainly had a wonderful time throughout the week with different activities at school. We also want to thank the families that were able to come to our Family Literacy Night. It was an amazing night and our staff truly enjoyed seeing everyone that evening.

Spring Book Fair

The Spring Book Fair will be held May 15th thru May 19th for students only. Again this year, the book fair will be located in the hallway across from the library. We will have cases of books, posters and some other small items for purchase. Students in kindergarten thru sixth grade will visit the fair during their scheduled library day. Mrs. Reck will be sending home more information with students soon.

Thank you for your support!

Counselor's Corner:

Hi families! I wanted to share some tips this month for how to make homework time a more enjoyable experience. The following strategies are important to help make this time a smoother process:

- Set a specific time and place to do homework.
- Help your child stay organized.
- Model a positive attitude about school work.
- Collaborate with your child's teacher.
- Offer short breaks if necessary.
- Do something fun after homework is done.
- Check in with your child about how he/she is doing.
- Teach your child ways to cope with frustrations.

As with anything else, communication and collaboration are key. Talk with your child about what went well and what could be done to make the time better. Thankfully, homework time doesn't have to be a struggle. My hope is that these tips will help you and your children have a more pleasant homework experience!

COVINGTON EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

2023

August 9	Teacher Work Day/In-Service
August 10	Teacher Work Day/In-Service
August 18	Teacher Work Day/In-Service
August 21	Teacher Work Day/In-Service
	Open House
August 22	1 st Day of School
September 4	Labor Day, No School
September 27	Early dismissal 1:00 p.m. (Professional Development)
October 25	Early dismissal 1:00 p.m. (Professional Development)
October 27	End of First Quarter (48 days)
November 9	Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:30-9:00 p.m. Early dismissal 1:00 p.m.
November 10	No School
November 22-24	Thanksgiving Break (No School)
November 27	School resumes
December 20	Early dismissal 1:00 p.m.
December 21-	Winter Break (No School)
January 2	

2024

January 3	School resumes
January 12	End of Second Quarter (42 days) End of First Semester (90 days)
January 15	Martin Luther King, Jr Day (No School)
January 31	Early dismissal 1:00 p.m. (Professional Development)
February 15	Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:30-9:00 p.m. Early dismissal 1:00 p.m.
February 16	No School
February 19	Presidents' Day (No School)
February 28	Early dismissal 1:00 p.m. (Professional Development)
March 15	End of Third Quarter (42 days)
March 28- April 1	Easter Break (No School)
April 2	School resumes
April 29	No School
May 24	Last Day of School for Students End of Fourth Quarter (46 days) End of Second Semester (88 days) Early dismissal 1:00 p.m. Teacher Work Day/In-Service 1:00-9:00. Graduation Ceremony
May 26	

Adopted: January 4, 2023



AIR Testing

The primary purpose of AIR is to provide high quality assessments of students' progression toward readiness success.

Testing Dates:

March 28 and 29	Language Arts – Grade 3 and 6
April 4 and 5	Language Arts – Grades 4 and 5
April 18 and 19	Math – Grades 3 and 6
April 20 and 21	Math– Grades 4 and 5
April 27 and 28	Science – Grade 5

Encourage your child to take the time to read directions carefully, look back into the selection/question for answers or data, and always review the test to make sure every item is answered (proofread). Ask that your child try to do his/her best! Encourage your child to maintain a positive attitude.

Please make sure your child is at school on time. Try not to schedule any doctor, dentist or any other appointments on test mornings.

It is especially important for your child to have a good night's sleep and a good breakfast the morning of the test.

We are very proud of the hard work that is done by our students and staff. With the continued efforts of the students, staff, and support of the parents, this school year should be just as successful as those in the past!

Upcoming Events

- We are excited about this year's 5th and 6th grade PLUS overnighter that will take place on May 5 and 6. It's a wonderful opportunity for our students to be able to participate in this event.
- Please make an effort to participate in the upcoming Eric Flory PLUS 5k on April 23. Information was sent home through final forms.