



THE TWAIN TIMES



Mark Twain Elementary

Vicki Moss	Principal
Susan Kaul	Secretary
Kelley Knapp	Attendance
Jessica Gilbert	School Nurse
Sam Cox	Health Aide
Serena Casale	School Counselor

Important Dates To Remember...



Blood Drive	10/11
OEA/NEA Day NO SCHOOL	10/18
Scholastic Book Fair	10/21 through 10/24
Grade Cards available	10/22
Conferences NO SCHOOL	10/24 and 10/25
PTA Meeting @ 7:00	10/29
Fall Parties @ 2:00 pm	10/31

HAPPY
Fall Y'all



OCTOBER 2019

**Mark Twain Students Raise
\$12,098.82**

Lunch and Limo with Principal Moss

The promise that they would get to go to lunch in a limo with Mark Twain Elementary School Principal Vicki Moss motivated students to raise \$12,098.82 during their annual Walk-a-Thon. Lexi Wachowiak, Jaxon Caraway, Evangeline Woods, Noah Williamson, and Alexis Hamm will enjoy lunch at Chipotle with Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Kaul and Mrs. Casale. Pupils walked to earn money for their school, got some exercise, and fostered friendships and school spirit. A DJ was on hand to add to the fun and help keep them moving. The school staff expressed appreciation to all the volunteers and donors for their efforts in making this event a rousing success. Mr. Henricksen's class had the highest overall total donations and will enjoy an ice cream sundae party. The top classrooms that earned an extra recess and popsicle party were, Mrs. Ivery a.m., Mrs. Strain, Mrs. Weeks, Mrs. Hafner, Mrs. Campbell and Mr. Henricksen classroom.

WALK-a-thon



HOPE BEGINS WITH YOU....AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE!

Our school is partnering with the American Red Cross to participate in a community service project called the Pint-Size Hero Program. The program teaches children about blood donation, blood components and how blood is used as medicine. As a part of this program, our school will be sponsoring a blood drive. Each student who recruits someone to donate at our upcoming blood drive will receive an American Red Cross medal and the best part is knowing they helped save lives! You can support your student and our school by donating blood and recruiting other blood donors.

Blood drive date: Friday, October 11, 2019
Time: 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



MARK TWAIN ATTENDANCE

GRADE LEVEL FEES ARE PAST DUE

If you have not yet paid your child's grade level fee, please pay them at the school office as soon as possible. Checks or cash are accepted. Checks can be made payable to WBOE (Westerville Board of Education). If paying in cash, exact amount only please.

Grade level fees are:

KDG-\$18.50

Grade 1- \$32.00

Grade 2-\$32.00

Grade 3-\$28.00

Grade 4-\$30.00

Grade 5-\$30.00



If you have any questions about the grade level fees, please contact Mrs. Kaul in the school office. At 614-797-7200

BRRRR...DRESS FOR THE WEATHER!

With the cold weather coming soon, this is a reminder that **children will go outdoors for recess** if it's not raining and the temperature is 20 degrees F or above, including wind chill. Children should wear appropriate seasonal clothing (boots, hats, gloves) for playground activities. A reminder from the clinic, if your child is attracted to the mud, please send a change of clothes in their backpacks.



NO SCHOOL.....

Oct 18 NEA/OEA DAY
Oct 24 Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct 25 Parent/Teacher Conferences



Clinic News

It that time of year "germ time". Please remember to have your child wash hands.

Make sure your child has immunization records turned into the clinic.

Health Heroes Flu shot clinic will be in November. Please make sure to turn in paperwork if you want your child to receive the flu shot at our school.

Make sure if your child needs to use an Asthma Inhaler, EPI-Pen or any other medication to contact our clinic for appropriate paperwork.

CLINIC PHONE # 614-797-7204



MARK TWAIN REMINDERS AND REALLY USEFUL INFORMATION!

NEWS FROM FOOD SERVICES

From The Cafeteria...

\$13.75 for 5 lunches (full price @ \$2.75 ea.)

\$ 2.00 for 5 lunches (reduced price)

\$ 6.25 for 5 breakfasts (full price)

NO CHARGE for reduced breakfasts

ONLINE Payment Option—Use EZ PAY!!

The cafeteria cannot take credit card payments. You may make credit card payments using EZPay. You may pay for lunch with cash and checks at the school.

FREE & REDUCED LUNCHES: You must apply every year. Applications are online.



do
THE RIGHT
THING...
EVEN WHEN
no one
IS LOOKING.

SCHOOL MESSENGER



You may have received a call from school reporting information. That is our system called "school messenger". We will send out messages periodically with helpful information to the contact phone number. We hope you find this

FALL PARTIES AND PARADE

Weather permitting, our parade will start at 2:00 p.m. Thursday October 31st.

Costumes: NO weapons, NO fake blood, NO violence, and NO scary masks! Please make sure they're school appropriate. ONLY Kindergarteners are to wear their costumes to school. All other students will be given the opportunity to change.

Parents are welcome to attend. Please feel free to bring your cameras and take lots of pictures. If you are interested, please bring a CD of your party pictures to the office for our yearbook.



SERVICE CLUB ACTIVITIES

Send in your old or used markers for Service Club! This year Mark Twain service club will be collecting markers throughout the year to recycle as part of Crayola's Colorcycle program. Any plastic markers, including sharpies, dry erase and others, can be recycled. There is a collection bin outside of the office door. Markers will be packaged and shipped once a month.



ATTENDANCE LINE

Please remember to call the attendance line if your child is going to be absent or tardy for any reason including doctor and/or dentist appointments,

ATTENDANCE LINE: 797-7213

It is important that all calls are made to attendance by 9:00 AM.





NEWS AND INFORMATION

2019-2020 PTA Reflections Art Program

It is that time of year again, and the PTA Reflections Art Program is underway for the 2019-2020 school year. This year the PTA Reflections program is celebrating its 51st year.

For those not familiar, Reflection is a great way for students to engage in the arts by exploring their talents and expressing their creativity in one or more of the 6 different art categories:

- Visual Arts
- Photography
- Literature
- Music Competition
- Film Production
- Dance Choreography



Interested students should "reflect" on this year's theme "LOOK WITHIN" and then create a piece of artwork in one of the 6 categories listed above. Work must be of an individual student, not that of a duo or group. Each student may submit up to one piece of artwork in each of the 6 categories if they so choose. Entries will be sorted by division (Primary -K through 2nd grade and Intermediate—3rd through 5th grade) and judged by local judges. The deadline for submission of entry forms and artwork is Tuesday, October 15th.

All students who submit entries into the Mark Twain Reflections Art program will receive recognition for their participation and are invited to attend the awards ceremony in their Honor! The top three winning entries for each category from each of the two divisions will advance to the Westerville City School District Reflection art contest with the opportunity to advance to the state or even national level! If you have any questions, please contact Shayla Werner at latresewerner@gmail.com or 614-581-6836.

PLEASE CHECK BACKPACKS DAILY

When young children come home, look through their backpacks with them. What assignments do they have? Are there papers for you to sign? Older children should have a special spot, such as a basket, in which to put information for parents.

OCTOBER 24TH AND 25TH!

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES are at the end of the month! These are VERY important for you to attend as it is a time for you and your child's teacher to talk about his/her progress. Communication between parents and teachers is VITAL to a student's success. One of the biggest predictors in a student's success is parent involvement with education. If you have not scheduled a conference with your child's teacher, please contact the office at 614-797-7200.



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BOOK FAIR FALL 2019

The Scholastic Book Fair starts on Monday, October 21st and runs through Thursday, October 24th, October 25th will be mornings only. There will also be access to our book fair online. The online Book Fair dates are from Wednesday October 14th through Tuesday October 27th. You can find it at bookfair.mtpta.org.

Volunteers are needed to help with the book fair. As a Volunteer, you will be helping the students create a wish list and select books, keep the book fair organized and checking out students. Anyone can volunteer, so please feel free to ask grandparents, aunts, uncles, and friends. Go to signups.mtpta.org for additional information.

