



THE TWAIN TIMES



Mark Twain Elementary

NOVEMBER 2018

Attendance: 797-7213
Office: 797-7200

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...



PTA Skating Party 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	11/01
Picture Retake	11/02
PTA Craft Bazaar WNHS 10:00 am —3:00 pm	11/08
Westerville Educator Day NO SCHOOL	11/06
Veteran's Day Assembly	11/12
Elementary First Rotation ends	11/14
Reflections in the Café	11/08
Interim distributed	11/20
Holiday—NO SCHOOL	11/21 through 11/23
PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm	11/27



Mark Twain Students Raise \$14,142.14 Lunch and Limo with Principal Moss

Lunch in a limo with Mark Twain Elementary School Principal Vicki Moss, motivated students to raise more than \$14,000 during their annual Walk-a-Thon. Caeden Mills, Avery Biddleston, Finn Habing, Kylie Bennett and Lexi and Andrew Wachowiak enjoyed lunch at Sonic with Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Casale and Mrs. Kaul. The school staff expressed appreciation to all the volunteers and donors for their efforts in making this event a rousing success. We would like to thank our sponsors for all of their support!



**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 4TH, 2018**



**All of Us at MARK TWAIN
wish all of you a
Very Happy Thanksgiving!**



MARK TWAIN ATTENDANCE

LOST AND FOUND

Are you missing a shoe, a lunch box or a coat? Please remember to check the Lost and Found for misplaced items before the end of the month. All unclaimed items will be donated to W.A.R.M.

CHANGES IN TRANSPORTATION

While we do know that last minute situations do present themselves and those cannot be helped, we are experiencing a lot of last minute phone calls from parents regarding afternoon transportation of students. Please, for the safety of all involved, take care of your afternoon transportation plans in the morning (prior to your student leaving home). That way your child is aware of how they are getting home and there is no mix-up in getting messages to them prior to departure from school. If you find that a change is necessary, please contact the school as early as possible. The last hour of the school day is usually a very hectic time so the earlier we can relay a change, the better. Thank you for your assistance!



Updated Phone Numbers

Please note that we are required by law to have **two working phone numbers** for every student. Please provide us with any updated information as it changes.

Clinic News

HELP US KEEP OUR KIDS HEALTHY! GUIDELINES FOR SENDING AND KEEPING KIDS HOME:



1. fever of 100 degrees or higher
2. vomiting
3. diarrhea
4. undiagnosed/suspicious rash or head lice

If your child is home with a fever, he or she needs to be fever free for 24 hours **without the help of fever reducing medicines** before returning to school.

If your child is placed on an antibiotic, they need 24 hours of the medicine before returning to school.



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.

BRRRR... DRESS FOR THE WEATHER!



MARK TWAIN REMINDERS AND REALLY USEFUL INFORMATION!

SCHOOL SAFETY

Parental cooperation in an emergency is essential to the safe and swift resolution of any incident. According to national school safety authorities, the most helpful parental response during any situation is to remain calm and wait for accurate information. We will share information as soon as possible, but please understand that this may take time as emergency responders and school officials obtain accurate details and determine how best to manage the situation.

Other important things to consider during an emergency situation include:

- Please do not call the school. It is essential to keep phone lines open so school officials can make outgoing emergency calls. If students are ill or injured, the parents of those students will be notified first.
- Please do not go to the school. One of the greatest challenges during any school emergency is managing the people who may rush to the scene to "help." Not only may you inadvertently put yourself or others in harm's way, but by rushing to the scene, parents and others can actually create difficulties for first responders. Case studies have shown that people rushing to the scene of a school emergency can cause traffic jams that block emergency vehicles from getting to the scene and/or prevent the swift transport of the injured to emergency medical facilities. There may be a time, however, when parents are instructed to go to the school. If this occurs, remain calm, follow procedures, and cooperate with school and public safety officials.

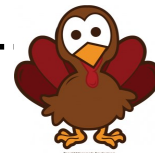
Teaching Safety



Attendance: A Pre-excused Absence Form **MUST** be completed prior to any absence. The forms are available in the hallway on the literature rack or online. Please obtain a form, complete the required information and turn it in to your student's teacher to be signed. **It is the student's responsibility to obtain any homework assignments during the absence.**

Homework Requests: All homework requests must be called in to the Mark Twain Office (797-7200) no later than 10:00 am for same day pick up. Work will be available at the end of the school day in the office.

Late to school: If your student is late you will need to accompany them to the office and sign them into school.



THANKSGIVING MEAL

Tender Diced Turkey and Gravy

Creamy Mashed Potatoes

Seasoned Green Beans

Whole Wheat Dinner Roll

Strawberry-Mango 100% Fruit Slushy

Chocolate Cupcake

Iced Cold Milk

Monday,

NOVEMBER 20TH

happy
thanksgiving



Attention: LUNCH MONEY

Please check your student's lunch account to be sure they have sufficient funds for purchasing lunch. Lunch is \$2.75, reduced \$.40 and breakfast is \$1.25. An extra entree is \$1.25 and milk is \$.60. Please have your student bring any cash/checks to the office in the morning for deposit into their account. Remember that EZ-Pay is available if you wish to use a credit card to put money on your student's lunch account.



NEWS AND INFORMATION

Annual Mark Twain Craft Bazaar

The Mark Twain Craft Bazaar is one of the most highly anticipated holiday bazaars in Westerville. As it enters into its 34th year, the Mark Twain Craft Bazaar has grown to include over 140 unique artists from throughout Ohio and welcomed over 2,000 patrons last year. All items are beautifully hand crafted items.

The annual Craft Bazaar is also the most profitable event sponsored by the Mark Twain Parent Teacher Association. Last year's Bazaar generated over \$10,000 for our children. All proceeds directly benefit the students of Mark Twain Elementary School, allowing our students to enjoy cultural field trips, artists in the schools programs, and various other activities to enrich their learning experiences.

This year's Craft Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 3, 2018 from 10:00 am-3:00 pm. The event will take place at Westerville North High School, located at 950 County Line Road, Westerville, OH 43081. We hope to see you there!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Like us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/MarkTwainCraftBazaar



DON'T FORGET!

PTA Meeting
Media Center

Tuesday, November 27th @ 7:00 pm

Be sure to visit the Mark Twain PTA website (mtpta.org) for all the current information about what's happening with your PTA and to find out how you can participate in the Mark Twain PTA.



WELCOME BACK!!

We are excited for a new year and we are so appreciative and supportive families! Thanks to your support provide for the school in many ways, such as funding Field Assemblies, Classroom Materials, Family Events, Student Enrichment Programs, Clubs, School Directories, T-Shirts, Summer Reading programs, and much more. In addition and our Craft Bazaar, we also depend on the reward help as well.



Please consider taking a few minutes to link some of your shopping rewards cards to Mark Twain. These are super easy ways we can earn money and classroom supplies for our school!!

EASY (and Free) WAYS TO SUPPORT MARK TWAIN

CUT OUT & SAVE BOX TOPS! - (ask family and friends too) There will be contests throughout the year - more info.. just keep collecting! We earned over \$1800.00 last year!!

SAVE POP CAN TABS! Leadership Summit collects them to donate to The Ronald McDonald house year round. They can be turned into the office in ziplock bags anytime.

TARGET CREDIT CARD (REDcard) - Target donates 1% of all sales on this card to schools. Link it to Mark Twain by visiting www.target.com/tcoe and enter Mark Twain or ID# 83502 (questions to 1-800-316-6142)

MEIJER 1 REWARD CARD (or Meijer credit card) - Earns money for our school. The Meijer 1 CardSM is a Meijer store customer card used for Community Rewards when you make purchases with cash or your PIN-debit card. The Meijer 1 CardSM is not a credit card. You can also link your Meijer credit card. To choose your card options to link or order a reward card visit http://www.meijer.com/mcr/choose_card.jsp or 1-800-962-7011. Our School Code 433045.

Kroger Community Rewards— If you shop at Kroger, you can link your Kroger Plus card to Mark Twain NPO #84372/ For more information, visit www.kroger.com/mykroger/016/community/Pages/community_rewards.aspx. You must re-enroll for Kroger Rewards every April

PTA SKATE NIGHT

SKATE ZONE 71

Thursday, November 1st

6:00— 8:30 PM

FREE ADMISSION

\$3.00 SKATE RENTAL

\$4.00 ROLLER BLADE RENTAL

