



THE STEAMBOAT PRESS



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JANUARY 2018

Attendance: 797-7213
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Important Dates To Remember...

Achievement records are	01/05
Martin Luther King Day NO SCHOOL!	01/15
Early Release @ 2:30 pm	01/25
PTA Meeting @ 7:00 pm	01/30

River Pilot Pledge

I will be the best that I can be by:
 Respecting myself and others
 Listening and following directions
 Keeping hands, feet, and objects to myself
 Using positive words and actions
 Being prepared to learn
 I choose to be a leader at all times

Mark Twain Chess Club

It's Back!!! The Mark Twain Chess Club will be held over the winter season beginning on Tuesday, January 16th, 2018 in the school gym. We are excited to offer this great program for our students once again! Chess Club will meet every Tuesday from 8:00-8:50 a.m. For the next 8 weeks through March 6th with the season ending party tentatively to be held on March 13th. Chess Club is open to all students in grades 3-5. All Chess materials are provided courtesy of the PTA. Please contact the following if you would like to volunteer or have any questions.

Cheryl Dalton chsimonis@yahoo.com

Mike Scarbrough

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happy
 new year!



MARK TWAIN NEWS

Clinic News

Clinic quick facts: PLEASE READ!

Fevers **MUST** be out at least 24 hours.

ANY MEDICINE, even over the counter (OTC) meds, must be accompanied by a signed form. This includes cough drops. (Forms can be accessed through the Westerville Schools website under parent/guardian tab)

Any Physical Education or playground restriction can only be started or lifted by a doctor's note.

If your student has lice, they must be treated on the day they were identified. When they return to school, a parent must walk them into the clinic for a lice check. If live lice is found during the recheck, they must leave school until clear of active, live lice.

IS IT THE FLU?

The flu and the common cold are both respiratory illnesses but they are caused by different viruses. The flu and common cold have very similar symptoms, so it can be difficult to tell the difference between them based on symptoms alone. Your doctor can tell you if it is the flu or a cold. If you suspect your child has the flu, you may see some or all of the following symptoms:

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Body aches
- Headache
- Chills Fatigue
- Sometimes diarrhea and vomiting



If your student has flu-like symptoms, he/she should stay home and avoid contact with other people except to get medical care. Please report all illnesses to the attendance line. Your student's fever should be gone without the use of a fever reducing medicine for 24 hours before returning to school.

**Choose
Kind**

YEARBOOK PICTURES



If you want to contribute pictures to be considered for the yearbook, please submit the photos to the school office by January 28th. Please submit all photos on a flash drive or a CD labeled with students name and the event.

MARK TWAIN REMINDERS AND REALLY USEFUL INFORMATION!

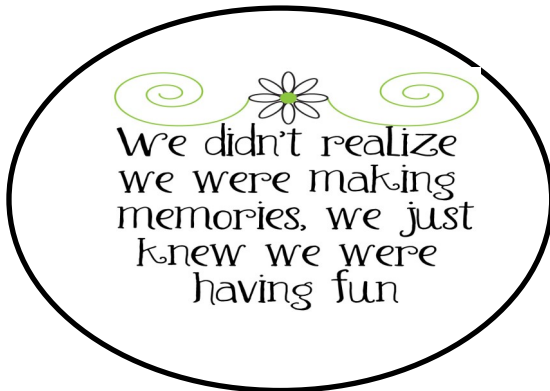
Intra-District Open Enrollment

Intra-District Open Enrollment applications are being accepted for the 2018-19 school year. The deadline for applications for middle and high schools is March 15, 2018. For elementary schools, the cut off date is May 1, 2018.

The program is coordinated through the Deputy Superintendent's Office for families who are enrolled full time in the Westerville City School District. Parents or guardians wishing to have their children attend a different school from their home school of attendance must complete and submit an Intra-District open Enrollment application. **With this program, transportation to and from school becomes the responsibility of the parent.** Parents or guardians will be notified of the decision in writing.

Application forms are available at each school building; at the Westerville City Schools Enrollment Center (300 Polaris Parkway, Suite 3200); at the Early Learning Center (936 Eastwind Drive); or at www.wcsoh.org, where general guidelines can also be found.

Please call 797-5756 or email Jennifer Farris at farrisj@wcsoh.org with any additional questions.



RECESS

1 st	11:00 - 11:30
2 ND	11:25 - 11:55
ADK	11:45 - 12:15
3 RD	11:50 - 12:20
4 TH	12:15 - 12:45
5 TH	12:40 - 1:10

LUNCH

11:30 - 11:55
11:55 - 12:20
12:15 - 12:45
12:20 - 12:45
12:45 - 1:10
1:10 - 1:35



Home Address & Phone Number Changes

Please notify the school office if you have a change of address or telephone number during the school year.

We need your assistance in maintaining current, accurate information in our records. In the event of an emergency, we must be able to contact you.

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY



Monday, January
15, 2018



NEWS AND INFORMATION

ONE CALL

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



Winter Weather Watch

Winter weather is HERE and with it comes the possibility of **Delayed Starts and SNOW DAYS!** When inclement weather threatens and it is necessary to close or delay school for the safety of the students, announcements will be broadcast from local TV and radio stations beginning at 6:00 a.m. Should it be necessary to dismiss students early due to weather or road conditions, your child will be dismissed **as usual**. PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOL. Want to be notified when there is an emergency delay or closing? Sign up today! Go to ww.westerville.k12.oh.us and click on E-Communications.

SNOW EMERGENCY?

Parents: In case of an unscheduled early dismissal please review with your child(ren) how they are to go home.

CAFETERIA:

The day after a snow day, the hot lunch served will be the one that was scheduled on the snow day!

REMINDER:

When we have a 2 hour delay, our school doors will **not** open until 10:50 a.m. Please do not drop your students off early.

MARK TWAIN RUNNING CLUB



We had 35 people participate in the Rudolf Run this year from our Mark Twain Running Club. Thomas Dalton 21.40, Jacoby Gruber 23.51, and Jacob Mazak 24.34 were our top finishers for the run. Congratulations to all of our runners! Thanks to everyone who came out to cheer them on!



JANUARY PTA MEETING

Tuesday, January 30 @ 7:00 p.m.



Mark Twain continues to participate in the Box Tops for Education™ program. Clipping Box Tops is an easy way for you to help our school buy what it needs. Box Tops are each worth 10¢ and they quickly add up to real cash for our school. To help, just look for pink Box Tops on products, clip them, and send them to school. For more information on the Box Tops for Education program, visit www.BTFE.com.