

Harrison Elementary School

OCTOBER 9, 2023

DATES TO REMEMBER

- * Oct. 9th - PTA Fundraiser begins
- * Oct. 10th - Fire Safety Assembly
- * Oct. 13th - No School - NEOEA Day
- * Oct. 17th - Third Grade State Testing - Reading Part 1
- * Oct. 18th - Third Grade State Testing - Reading Part 2
- * Oct. 18th - End of First Quarter
- * Oct. 20th - Harrison PTA Trunk or Treat - 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (See PTA Notes - Last Page)
- * Oct. 23rd - PTA Fundraiser Ends
- * Oct. 24th - Harrison Picture Day
- * Oct. 24th - PTA General Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- * Oct. 25th - PTA Reverse Trick or Treat (See PTA Notes - Last Page)
- * Oct. 25th - 27th - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- * Oct. 26th & 27th - No School for Students
- * Oct. 31st - Fall Festival - Modified Costume Option (See PTA Notes - Last Page).



Looking Ahead:

- * Nov. 7th - No School - Election Day & PD Day
- * Nov. 22nd - 24th - No School - Thanksgiving Break
- * Nov. 27th - School Reopens
- * Nov. 29th - PTA General Meeting

FIRE SAFETY WEEK

Fire Safety Week is October 8th -October 14th and is in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire in 1871. Lakewood Firefighters will visit elementary schools during the week to speak to students and demonstrate fire equipment. Our 5th grade students participated in the Junior Fire Chief Essay Contest. Two



students have been selected based on their essays to take the Fire Chief Test. The winners will be announced during the firefighter's visit to Harrison Tuesday, October 10th. All students had the opportunity to participate in a Fire Safety Poster Contest and we look forward to hearing who those winners are as well. The theme this year is "Cooking safety starts with YOU; pay attention to fire prevention".

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

We are approaching parent/teacher conference time. Conferences are informative and meant to provide parents insight relating to your child's academic progress, expected growth related to grade level standards, strengths, and needs. The schedule provided for conferences is geared to provide some flexibility so that every parent/guardian has an opportunity to participate. We value your participation in your child's educational experience and look forward to collaborating with you during this time.

We use an electronic scheduling system that allows you to schedule your child's conference. The scheduling window is now open and information regarding access to the system was sent out by classroom teachers last week. The information provides you with the link and the classroom teacher's code, which will support you in scheduling your child's conference. Please see the conference schedule and make note of the days that school will not be in session for students.

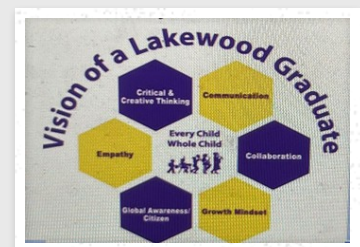
Wednesday, October 25th - 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 26th - 12:30 - 8:00 p.m. (No school for students)

Friday, October 27th - 8:20 - 10:50 p.m. (No school for students)

VISION OF A LAKEWOOD GRADUATE

We continue to engage our students in learning experiences around The Vision of a Lakewood Graduate Competencies. Our focus for the month of October is *Communication*. Our students will see communication as a means for expressing ideas, information, feelings, opinions, etc. We will also be learning more about our lens (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging) by which we view the competencies.



PBIS UPDATE

Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is a framework for supporting schoolwide practices that teach students appropriate behavior and provide support to sustain the positive behavior. The practices focus on prevention, not punishment. Public schools in Ohio are now required to adopt policies and procedures regarding PBIS.



Harrison has revamped our PBIS Incentive Program. Students earn tickets for demonstrating their understanding of our "Harrison Way to Be" - Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe. These tickets can be issued by any staff member. Every Friday, names are drawn during lunch time and those individuals are able to SPIN THE WHEEL OF CHOICES. The prizes include many things such as: snacks, coin for the book vending machine, gadgets, etc. The students are very excited about the program.



PICTURE DAY

Harrison's Picture Day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 24th. We expect to receive the picture order forms this week and we will get them out to families as soon as we receive them. There will also be an option to order photos online as well. Please note that if your child is absent on picture day or there is an issue with regards to the photos you received, there will be a picture retake day. That day has not been scheduled as of yet, but we will inform you once it has been scheduled.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

* Safety Drills are required by the state of Ohio. We will be engaging in Fire Drills, Lockdown Drills, and Tornado Drills throughout the school year.



* Student Attendance - Ohio schools must report student absences as required by House Bill 410. Letters from the district are auto generated and mailed home as students reach the triggered number of hours absent from school. It is important to remember that it is hours not days that are counted. When applicable and possible, we encourage you to obtain a doctor's note so that the absence is noted with documentation. Should there be some ongoing medical condition, please consider reaching out to our health aide so that can be noted as well.

* Arrival to school & drop off should be a quick process for car riders who are using the curb drop off option. Please prep your child for exiting the car as you wait in line so that students may exit the cars quickly once you approach the drop off area. If you know that your child tends to take a little longer to exit the vehicle, please pull up past the red fire curb area. You are also welcome to park your vehicle in a parking space or in the overflow lot and walk them to the door. This process was established to support parents who are needing to get to work in a timely manner and to make drop off as efficient as possible.

* Generally every grade level will attend a field trip either on site at the school or outside of the school during the school year. A bus safety session was held for students in grades K-2 should their field trip experience involve a transportation need. This training occurs yearly. We look forward to our students engaging in unique experiences. Please note that your

completion and update of information in Registration Gateway is required for students to attend field trips off school grounds.



HARRISON PTA

Please consider joining the Harrison PTA!!!

PTA Activities for October:

* Trunk or Treat - October 20th - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. (5 parking spaces left. If interested, send note with your child to place in the PTA Mailbox by 10/16)

* Reverse Trick or Treat - October 25th - PTA Board Members will deliver treats to the students in their classrooms (This is a surprise and donations of candy are welcomed. Drop donations off at school office by 10/23).

* Optional Costume Day - October 31st - Students will be allowed to wear school appropriate costumes to school.

Please be advised that the following will not be permitted:

Face Coverings (No masks or make up)

One piece costumes that require assistance when going to the restroom

Accessories that symbolize weapons, gory visuals (fake blood)

Shoes that do not fall in line with being appropriate for school (must have a back or strap on the back of the shoes).



SCHOOL INFORMATION

Principal - Sabrina Crawford

Secretary - Terry Moreman

Health Aide - Eileen Revolinsky

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SPIRIT WEEK – TWIN DAY

5th Grade - Twin Day



SPIRIT WEEK – CRAZY SOCK DAY

3rd Grade with their crazy
socks



CUYAHOGA FATHERHOOD INITIATIVE – FATHERS WALK

Harrison's significant person
joins the students for the
Fathers Walk!