



Grant Elementary School  
 425 West Upham Street  
 Marshfield, WI 54449

# Grant Gazette

*At Grant Elementary **WE** Learn the Way, To Know the Way, To Show the Way!*

**November 2025**

## Grant Elementary Construction Update

Exciting progress continues on the Grant Elementary building upgrades! October was a productive month, with several major milestones reached. The old main entrance canopy was demoed and removed. The new addition to the Physical Education storage was started with footings being poured and exterior walls erected. When completed, this room will provide more efficient and organized space for equipment. Work also began on the new secured main entrance and front office area, which will enhance safety and provide a more welcoming entry experience for students, families, and visitors.



Looking ahead to November, construction will focus on several key areas. Crews will begin installing new LED lighting, ceiling tiles, and HVAC ductwork in parts of the primary wing—improvements that will make those learning spaces brighter, more energy-efficient, and comfortable. In addition, work will begin on constructing two new flexible workspaces within the Library Media Center. These areas will support small group collaboration, project-based

learning, and creative exploration for students and staff.

Thanks to everyone for your continued flexibility, patience and support as our building transforms to better serve our school community!

Please refer to the pictures on pages 3-4 that show the construction progress.



Mr. Jeff Damrau  
 Principal, Grant Elementary

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# November

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- **NOV 3** No School for students—Professional Staff Workday
- **Nov 4** 2:50 Cribbage Club
- **Nov 5** **RED, WHITE, & BLUE** Day
- **NOV 6** Quarter 1 report cards released  
2:50 Battle of the Books
- **Nov 12** 2:50 Cribbage Club
- **Nov 13** 2:50 Battle of the Books
- **Nov 18** 2:50 Cribbage Club –blaze orange day
- **NOV 19** 4:00 PTO Meeting; LMC
- **NOV 20** 2:50 Battle of the Books  
4:00 Scotty's Pizza Night; PTO
- **NOV 25** 8:15 6th Gr Career Exploration Day
- **NOV 26-28** **NO SCHOOL** Thanksgiving Break

Hello Grant Families!

With the cooler weather approaching quickly, this is the time to begin sending jackets, hats, and mittens to school.

As soon as the snow begins to fall, we will want students to have their snowpants and boots for recess.



Thank you!  
Mrs. Banser  
Assistant Principal





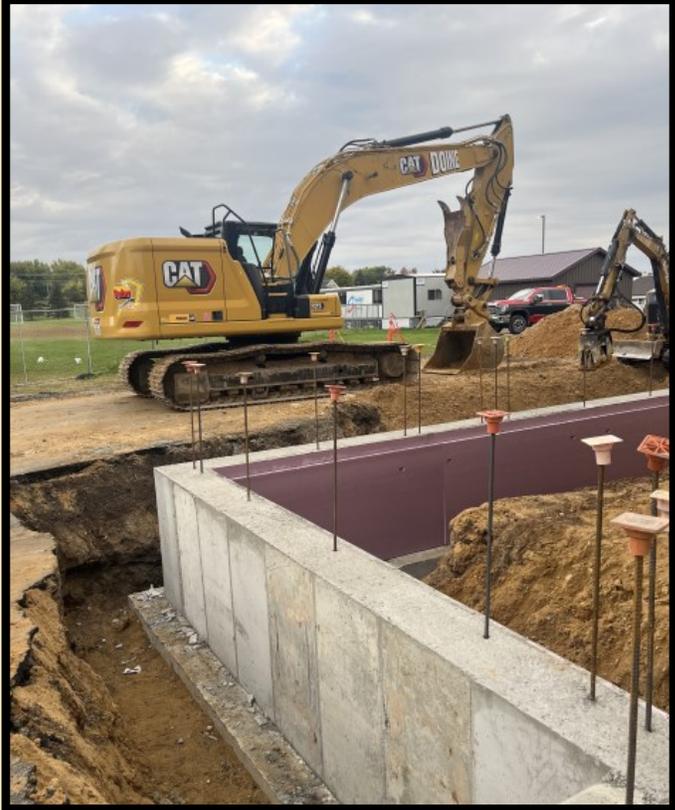
(L) Original front entrance (R) Start of demolition of the covered entrance



Start of construction of the new storage area behind the gymnasium.



Cement footings poured for the new office and secure front entrance addition



New storage addition to north side of the gymnasium from poured cement footings on left to almost being fully enclosed in top photo.



# KEEP KIDS WARM



marshfield area  
community  
foundation inc.

**NOVEMBER 1, 2025**

**10 AM - 2 PM | OAK AVE COMMUNITY CENTER**

Keep Kids Warm is an annual Marshfield area event that distributes coats, mittens, & hats to children in need. Parents or guardians may bring kids to 201 S. Oak Ave between 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> to select, try on, & take home what is needed.

**To register, email [info@marshfield.foundation](mailto:info@marshfield.foundation) your name & number of children attending.**



## November 2025 Newsletter

### Upcoming events:

- You're invited! **Grant Elementary PTO Meetings** – all are welcome! Join us in the Grant library at 4 pm on November 19th. If you can't make it but are interested in learning more, send us an email! If you need to, bring your kiddos along, you can – there is plenty of room in the library!
  - **Meeting Dates: Nov. 19, Jan. 14, Feb. 18, March 25, April 15, May 13.**
- **Scotty's Pizza & Chicken Night** - Thursday, Nov. 20! Order from Scotty's and a percentage of proceeds will go to Grant PTO to support awesome events the PTO provides to Grant Elementary Students, Teachers & Staff!
- **Snack Attack Fridays!** Friday, Nov. 21st we will be selling treats for purchase. Treats range from \$.50 to \$1.00 each.
- Calling all bakers! We will hold a **bake sale at Forward Bank on Friday, Dec. 19th from 8 am to 3 pm (or sold out)**. Feel free to bring your homemade prepackaged baked items to Forward Bank the day before to Lindsey Safford or the morning of in the lobby area. Make sure to stop by and stock up! For more information and to sign up, check out the Facebook page or follow this link to donate baked goods:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4BAAAD28A2FFC16-46251933-bake#/>

### Teacher Wish Lists:

- PTO asked the teachers to create classroom wish lists in case anyone wants to donate to their child's classroom! If you'd like to support, check out the Facebook page—every contribution goes directly toward making their classrooms even better for our students.

### How has the PTO served our **awesome** students, teachers, and staff?

- We held the Halloween Dance at the Oak Ave. Community Center and had over 450 attendees! Thanks to everyone for a great event! Thank you to everyone who volunteered and donated goodies! We could not have done this without your support!
- We sent a survey to staff and teachers to receive information and feedback for how some of the funds could be utilized to better serve the needs of the Grant Community.
- The PTO is planning to decorate the school for the upcoming winter months! Our goal is to create a warm, welcoming environment that reminds every student and staff member that they matter and are a special part of our school community. We could use your help! Reach out today!

Interested in helping to support your student(s)? Ideas on what we can offer for the amazing students, staff, and teachers? We'd love to hear from you so send us a note!

[GrantElemPTOmfd@gmail.com](mailto:GrantElemPTOmfd@gmail.com)

Find us on Facebook and stay updated: Grant Elementary PTO – Marshfield, WI.  
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# Great Students

KINDERGARTEN



1ST



2ND GRADE



3RD GRADE



4TH GRADE



5TH



6TH GRADE



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# A MUSICAL NOTE

Exciting updates from Grant Elementary Music room!



Hello Grant School Families,

Veteran's Day is a little different at Grant this year due to construction. Instead of a live program, I am putting together a tribute video from the entire school. Thank you to everyone that has submitted images for the video and your permission forms. The students are very excited to be featured in this video to share their gratitude to our Veteran's. **Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>** Dress in Red, White & Blue for filming.

Our first performances of the year are coming up quickly in December. Due to current construction timelines our concert will be **RESCHEDULED**. We are so grateful to Marshfield Clinic Research Department as they are generously allowing us to utilize their beautiful auditorium for our December performances.

The new date is **Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**. 1<sup>st</sup> Grade will perform at **10am** and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade at **1pm**. More details about parking and tickets to come. Due to the size of the auditorium we will need to be mindful of how many can attend in person. However, there will be a livestream and a recording of the event shared.

Looking forward to seeing you at the performances!

## Orchestra Students of the Month

### Oliver Jones

Oliver is a great violinist! He keeps a steady tempo and can read his notes well. Oliver confidently plays Mary Had a Little Lamb and Hot Cross Buns! He recently learned how to play with his bow, too!

### Clara Demi

Clara is an excellent violinist! She can identify and play notes on all four of the viola strings. Clara confidently plays her C major scale and Aura Lee! She recently started book 2, too!

## Upcoming Music Events

- **December 23rd: 1<sup>st</sup> Grade @ 10am & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade @ 1:00pm**
  - Performances @ Marshfield Clinic Laird Building Auditorium. Limited seating available. Doors Open 15 minutes prior to each performance.
- November 10<sup>th</sup>: Monday Rehearsal for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra & Band
- November 17<sup>th</sup>: Monday Rehearsal for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra & Band
- November 24<sup>th</sup>: Monday Rehearsal for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra & Band
- December 1<sup>st</sup>: Monday Rehearsal for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra Begins: Rehearsals change to 3:45-4:30p

## VOLUNTEERS



Concert's take a lot of preparation to set up. Please reach out if you are available to help transport instruments to our new venue or to organize tickets. [yadonb@marshfieldschools.org](mailto:yadonb@marshfieldschools.org)

**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**

## Study Buddies spreading smiles!

Mrs. Schultz and Mrs. Jorgenson's classrooms visited the Ronald McDonald House to deliver projects they make each month to brighten the families' days



5th grade students walked to Festival Foods for a math lesson to "shop for groceries". The field trip is designed to help the students extend their classroom learning of decimal usage, rounding, estimating, and problem solving into the real world.

Prior to the visit to Festival Foods, the students break into teams to construct their grocery lists. Each team had \$160.00 in their budget to feed a family of four for a week. Next, the students estimated the cost of each item they wished to purchase. Finally, the students had the chance to live the fantasy life that we lucky adults experience every day. (Were they in for a rude awakening...)

Armed with a shopping cart, calculator, clipboard, and a shopping list, the student "families" purchased the items on their lists while comparing their estimates to the actual price of each item. After checking their groceries through the register, the students put all their groceries back onto the shelves and returned to school to compare their estimated lists with the actual receipts.

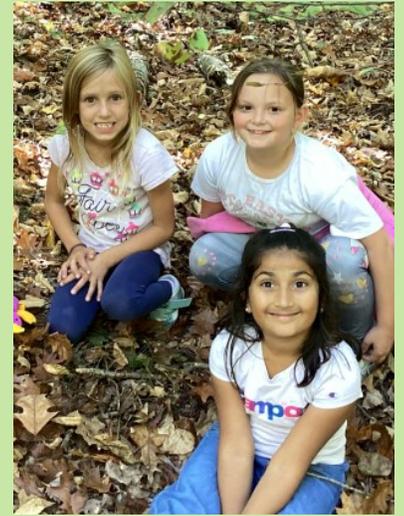
On behalf of our students, we'd like to thank Festival Foods for their yearly cooperation and support and also thank all the parent volunteers that served as advisors to our student "families" and provided consultation based upon their many years of expertise in the field.





2<sup>nd</sup> Grade students enjoyed a beautiful afternoon of outdoor learning at the school forest! The students were able to hike, create a leaf project, and go on a scavenger hunt. It was the perfect day thanks to our amazing volunteers!







3<sup>rd</sup> graders went on a tour of the cranberry fields and a receiving station given by the Pittsville FFA high school students Splash of Red Cranberry Tours.



# HOMECOMING FUN RUN







Grant staff wore black to show their support for Mike Voss, a teacher in our district, who was this year's recipient for the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Blackout Cancer fundraiser. Money is raised through donations and on-line clothing orders in Stevens Point and Marshfield to support this great cause. Marshfield football came out on top this year as they defeated Stevens Point 32-30.

### **Battle of the Books**

Battle of the Books is a statewide enrichment opportunity in the area of reading for 4th–6th grade students. It is a voluntary reading program that is designed to encourage students to read good books and to have fun while competing with their peers. Students organize into teams of 3 or 4 and are responsible for finding, reading, and discussing books from a list of 20 books. Teams work together to compete in written tests about these books to move onto the next competition. The winning team from Grant Elementary goes on to prepare for an online state battle in February.

There will be an informational meeting on **Thursday, November 6th at 2:50pm** for the 4-6th graders who signed up and have returned their permission slip.

If your child comes home in school's spare clothing due to spills or accidents, please **wash and return** the items. We have a limited supply of spare clothing. If you have pants, shorts or t-shirts in good condition to donate, especially for our littles, it is appreciated as well.

Thank you!

# Grant Elementary School / Breakfast

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Mon	3	Tue	4	Wed	5	Thu	6	Fri	7
No Information Provided		Cereal, Variety Fruit Cup Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Mini Pancakes Fresh Fruit Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Nutri Grain Bar Fruit Juice Fruit Choice Choice of Milk String Cheese		Hot Mini Waffles Craisins Fruit Choice Choice of Milk	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>14</b>
Cereal, Variety Applesauce Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Yogurt Scooby Doo Baked Graham Crackers Fruit Cup Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Mini Cini Apple Slices Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Coffeecake Blueberries Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Breakfast Pizza Fresh Fruit Fruit Choice Choice of Milk	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>21</b>
Cereal, Variety Applesauce Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Whole Grain Muffin Fruit Cup Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Egg Bake Bites Fruit Juice Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Zee Zees Breakfast Bar Fruit Juice Fruit Choice Choice of Milk String Cheese		Egg & Cheese Breakfast Pizz a Bagel Fresh Fruit Fruit Choice Choice of Milk	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>28</b>
Cereal, Variety Fresh Apple Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		Yogurt Scooby Doo Baked Graham Crackers Apple Slices Fruit Choice Choice of Milk		No Information Provided		No Information Provided		No Information Provided	

Daily Milk Options Skim Milk - 1% White Milk - 1% Chocolate Milk  
Breakfast(\$1.85) Lunch(\$3.20)

Reduced Lunch(\$0.40)

Extra Milk(\$0.50)

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Grant Elementary School / Lunch

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Mon	3	Tue	4	Wed	5	Thu	6	Fri	7
No Information Provided		Cheese Quesadilla Fresh Apple Mandarin Oranges Celery Sticks Steamed Broccoli Choice of Milk		Popcorn Chicken Tropical Fruit Mix Mixed Berries V-Blend Juice Steamed Corn Choice of Milk		Cheeseburger on a Bun Banana Peaches Tomato Slices Shredded Lettuce Baked Beans Choice of Milk		Omelet (ELEM) Hashbrown Patty Scooby Doo Baked Graham Crackers Clementine Applesauce Fresh Carrots Choice of Milk	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>14</b>
Macaroni & Cheese Orange Wedges Pears Cucumber Slices Steamed Green Beans Choice of Milk		Cheese Pizza Fresh Apple Pineapple Chunks Celery Sticks Steamed Carrots Choice of Milk		Beef Nachos Banana Craisins Shredded Lettuce Diced Tomatoes Refried Beans Choice of Milk Salsa		Chicken Nuggets Fresh Melon Mixed Fruit Fresh Broccoli Steamed Peas Choice of Milk		BBQ Pork on a Bun Peaches Blue Raspberry Slushie Fresh Snap Peas Mixed Vegetables Choice of Milk	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>21</b>
Chicken Tenders Fresh Apple Pineapple Chunks Steamed Green Beans Cucumber Slices Choice of Milk BUTTER: individual		Wenzel's Farm Hot Dog Clementine Mandarin Oranges Fresh Cauliflower Baked Beans Choice of Milk		Pepperoni Pizza Fresh Grapes Pears Fresh Pepper Sticks Steamed Corn Choice of Milk		Chicken & Gravy Homemade T-Bun Tropical Fruit Mix Cranberry Sauce Mashed Potatoes Fresh Pepper Sticks Choice of Milk		French Toast Sticks Kiwi Applesauce Cucumber Slices V-Blend Juice Choice of Milk	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>28</b>
Cheesy Breadsticks Orange Wedges Peaches Shredded Lettuce Diced Tomatoes Fiesta Beans Choice of Milk		Mini Corn Dogs Fresh Apple Peaches Fresh Snap Peas V-Blend Juice Choice of Milk		No Information Provided		No Information Provided		No Information Provided	

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