



# IROQUOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Elma Primary School Community,

I can hardly believe it's already May!

This week, our third-grade students had the opportunity to visit the High School for the instrument recruitment assembly. They were able to see and hear a variety of instruments and begin thinking about whether they might like to participate in band in the future. Such an exciting experience!

On Tuesday, we celebrated Bus Driver Appreciation Day. We are so grateful for our dedicated drivers who safely transport our students to and from school each day. Thank you for all that you do! We truly appreciate you!

Tonight, we are wrapping up the week with our Cookies and Canvas event.

- **UPK–Grade 1:** 6:00–7:00 PM
- **Grades 2–3:** 7:15–8:15 PM

Students will be creating some beautiful artwork to bring home!

Next week is Teacher Appreciation Week. We are incredibly thankful for the amazing educators here at Elma and across the Iroquois School District. Their commitment, care, and dedication make a difference in the lives of our students every single day!

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## Upcoming Assessments

Due to statewide technical issues, the **3rd Grade NYS Math Assessment has been rescheduled for May 5 and May 6** for Elma Primary students.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to ensure a smooth and positive testing experience for all students.

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## PTO News

### Square 1 Art

Catalogs were sent home on April 16. Orders are due **May 8**.

## **Next PTO Meeting**

**May 14 at 9:30 AM**

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### **Kindergarten Orientation**

We will hold an orientation for all incoming kindergarten students on May 14 at 6:00 PM.

Students will visit a kindergarten classroom to hear a story and complete a craft with our kindergarten teachers. Parents and guardians will attend a presentation with me to learn more about Elma Primary.

### **Kindergarten Screening**

Screening for newly registered students will take place by appointment on May 28. Appointment letters will be mailed at the beginning of May.

If you are unable to attend your scheduled time, please contact the school office at 716-652-3000, ext. 2001.

Current UPK students will be screened during the school day.

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### **Safety Drills**

New York State requires schools to conduct safety drills each year. We have completed our lockdown drills, and as the weather improves, we will begin our remaining fire drills.

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### **Spring Weather & Outdoor Play**

As temperatures warm up, students will spend more time outside for recess and school activities. Please be sure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor play, including wearing sneakers and weather-appropriate clothing.

With spring also comes tick season. Please note that staff are not permitted to apply bug spray or tick repellent at school. Families are encouraged to take precautions at home, such as applying repellent before school and checking your child and their clothing when they return home.

Thank you for your continued partnership in keeping our students safe and comfortable as we enjoy the spring season!

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As we move into this busy time of year, please stay informed by reviewing these weekly messages, visiting our school website, and checking the PTO Facebook page for updates.

Have a wonderful weekend!

**Mrs. Goldman**