WELCOME TO ELLSWORTH HILL!



GROWING LEADERS ONE CHILD AT A TIME!

Ellsworth Hill Orientation - May 12, 2026

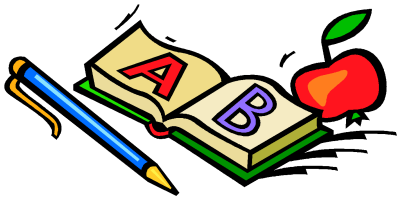
Ellsworth Hill Office Staff

Mrs. Jennifer Filomena	Principal
Mr. Antoine Campbell	Assistant Principal
Mrs. Catherine Stein	Building Secretary
Mrs. Joanne Montesano	Secretary
Mrs. Suzanne Albano	School Counselor
Miss Jenna Norcia	School Counselor
Ms. Lindsay Akers	School Psychologist
Mrs. Katie Yovanovich	District Nurse
Mrs. Jackie Pawelec	Building Medical Assistant



Important Phone Numbers

Main Office	(330) 653-1236
Fax Line	(330) 653-1235
Attendance Line	(330) 653-1300
Clinic	(330) 653-1237
School Counselors	(330) 653-1233-Albano (2nd) (330) 653-4451-Norcia (1st)
Media Center	(330) 653-1232
Food Service	(330) 653-1203
Bus Garage	(330) 653-3355
Safe Schools Helpline	(800) 418-6423 X397



Fast Facts about
Ellsworth Hill Elementary

- Ellsworth Hill typically houses 12 -13 classrooms of 1st grade and 12-13 classrooms of 2nd grade. All classrooms have heterogeneous groupings in terms of ability levels. Some groups of students are clustered together based on specific needs.

- Your child will be assigned to a classroom where he/she will participate in all subject areas including reading, writing, math, science and social studies. Your child and his/her class may work with another teacher in the grade level (ex: intervention specialist, classroom aide, supplemental reading teacher, etc.)

- Your child's daily schedule entails approximately 120+ minutes of reading/writing, 75+ minutes of math, and 40 minutes of either science or social studies. In addition, your child will participate in music, PE, art, and library.

- We also have a FOCUS period that occurs for about 30 minutes one or two times a week. During FOCUS, grade-level skill groups work with an Ellsworth Hill staff member on a particular reading or math concept. This FOCUS time not only helps us to teach a targeted reading or math skill to students, but it also builds schoolwide relationships.

- Your child will have about 25 minutes for lunch each day and about 25 minutes for lunch recess. Your child may also have a short morning or afternoon recess of 15 minutes as students of this age level often need a sensory break or time to move to stimulate his/her brain.

- In addition to high academic expectations, we also support your child's social and emotional needs. Along with experienced classroom teachers, we have two school counselors and a school psychologist.

- School and family communication is important. We post school updates weekly on our website under "The Hill's Happenings."

- The most important thing to know is that Ellsworth Hill is a great place to be and your child will be in good hands!!!

Recognizing Expected Behavior at The Hill

Ellsworth Hill Expected Behavior	Classroom	Playground	Cafeteria	Bus	Hallways	Restroom
Voice Level	0/1/2	3	2	2	0	1
 Take Care of Ourselves	Whole Body Listening	Play Safe	Eat your own food	Sit in your seat	Walking feet	Wash & dry hands
 Take Care of Eachother	Listen to Each Other	Include others	Good manners	Keep body to self	Keep hands to self	Respect privacy
 Take Care of our School	Keep classroom clean	Use equipment properly	Keep cafeteria clean	Keep Bus Clean	Hands by side	Keep restroom clean
 Take Care of our World	Recycle	Take care of nature	Save Unopened Food Items	Listen to bus driver & follow driver rules	Use a quiet wave	Take only what you need







Students' School Day

8:45AM	Students begin entering the building & report to classrooms*
9:00AM	School begins for all students - Tardy bell rings
3:41PM	Walkers/Bike Riders Dismissed To Playground
3:42PM	Car Riders Dismissed to Gym & Exit To Playground
3:45PM	Bus Riders Dismissed To Bus Lot (in order of arrival)

*=high traffic times! Please proceed through the parking lot and front circle with great care!

Tardy: Students who arrive tardy must walk into the Main Office with an adult to be signed in. Students who arrive after 11:00AM are considered absent for a half-day.

AM Car Rider Drop-off: Arrival begins at 8:45AM. All cars should enter the Stow Road entrance. All car traffic will enter the front circle and proceed to the drop-off area at Door D near the playground. All students should exit their vehicle using the passenger side door. *Please be patient and stay in the car line until the car in front of yours moves forward. This is crucial for the safety of our students.*

PM Car Rider Pick-up: Dismissal begins at approximately 3:45PM. All cars should enter the Stow Road entrance. **Please display the car rider number tag on the rearview mirror of your car and keep your tag visible until your child is loaded into your car.** All car traffic will enter the front circle and proceed to the pick-up area at Door E near the playground. All students should enter their vehicle using the passenger side door. *Please be patient and stay in the car line until the car in front of yours moves forward. This is crucial for the safety of our students.*

Bus Loading: Bus numbers are announced over the PA in the order in which they arrive. Students are dismissed through Doors I & J and board the buses on the Middleton Road side of the building.

Absences: All absences must be called in to the Attendance Line (330) 653-1300. This line is open 24 hours every day. You may call at any time. Please provide a doctor's note for any appointments.

Leaving Early: If your child needs to leave during the school day, please write a note to the teacher indicating what time the student will be picked up and who will be picking up the student. Students must be signed out by an adult in the Main Office. **For everyone's safety and security, please have your ID ready to present.**

Explorer Zone: For more information on before- and after-school care through HCER, please call (330) 653-1210.




Ellsworth Hill
School Counseling Services

Mrs. Suzanne Albano
2nd grade
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Mrs. Jenna Norcia
1st grade
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As school counselors, we are here to help with the social, emotional, academic and behavioral well-being of all students. This "whole child" approach is achieved by providing monthly guidance lessons, small group counseling, and individual counseling services that are both proactive and reactive in nature.

Classroom Guidance Lessons provide developmental and preventive approaches to topics such as feelings, social skills, empathy, conflict resolution, goal setting, bullying, diversity, career exploration, test taking strategies, and personal safety. We use Michelle Garcia Winner's **Social Thinking** methodology and Leah Kuypers's **Zones of Regulation** to guide these lessons.

Small Group Counseling groups address issues including friendship, worry, self-esteem, anger, divorce, bullying, grief, transitioning to a new school or new grade level and managing stress. All new students to the district meet with a school counselor for an orientation in addition to being included in the school's new student lunch group. Teachers and/or parents can request a student be included in a small group. The school counselor will obtain parent permission before including the student in a small group.

Individual Counseling helps students learn strategies to cope with their feelings, manage behavior and get along with others so that they can be happy, safe and successful students. Teachers and/or parents may refer a student for individual counseling. Students may also ask to speak to a school counselor by leaving a note in our mailbox in the main office.

Consultation and Collaboration: The school counselors consult and collaborate with teachers, parents and administrators to ensure the academic, social, emotional and behavioral needs of students are met. In addition, the school counselors can provide direction and referrals if parents choose to access additional outside support services as needed. Consultation with staff and parents is an important part of the support process as we all work together to create a safe and caring environment for students at school and at home.

Welcome to Ellsworth Hill!
We look forward to meeting all students and families this fall!

Important Dates

- **Week of August 10th:** An email will be sent to families sharing that you can log into Home Access Center after 4:00PM to find out who your child's classroom teacher is going to be.

- **August 17th:** A Meet-the-Teacher Open House is an opportunity for your child to meet his/her teacher andM tour the building. You may bring your child's supplies as you will be able to locate his/her desk and cubby.

- **August 18th:** FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL! Parent volunteers and staff members will be at every entrance of the building to welcome your child and get him/her to the classroom safely.

Other Important Information

- **Birthday Treats:** Birthdays can be a special time for children, especially when they can celebrate their special day at school with classmates, teachers and staff. Because birthday treats are often messy, may contain allergens (peanuts, tree nuts, gluten, dairy,etc.), and are non-nutritious, only non-food items may be used for birthday treats. We ask that you do not send invitations to parties at your home unless you are inviting the entire class or all of the boys or all of the girls.

- **Class Parties:** Room parents work with the teacher to organize two holiday parties each year: Halloween and Valentine's Day. Ellsworth Hill also has Winter Wonderland Day and an end-of-the-year Carnival - both sponsored by PTO. All elementary buildings will follow the same menu for each party. The items on the menu follow the Nut-Free Snack List. When planning games and/or prizes, please make sure food items are not part of the activity. This will help eliminate any food allergy issues.

- **Home/School Communication:** Teachers can be contacted via written note, email or phone. Each staff member has an email account. Teachers also send weekly newsletters to families. During the school day, teachers have limited access to the phone or computer since they are instructing and supervising children. **If you need to get a message to your child's teacher in a timely fashion, please write a note or contact the office if immediate attention is needed.** Please allow staff members 24 hours to respond to any situation which does not require immediate attention.

- **Medication Forms:** New medication forms need to be updated each new school year. This can be done on the district website (www.hudson.k12.oh.us : home access center).

- **Nut-Free Classrooms:** All K-5 elementary classrooms are nut-free. ALL classroom food, including snacks, must be nut-free as specified on the Nut-Free Snack List which can be found on our building's and the district's websites. *Most fresh bakery items like donuts, cupcakes, cookies are prohibited because bakeries are using nut products somewhere in the bakery.*

- **Parking:** During the school day, parking is located at the Stow Road entrance ONLY! The Middleton Road entrance is for bus traffic and parking is prohibited except for special events like school-wide assemblies, Halloween parade, etc.

- **School Safety:**
  - Fire, Lockdown, Tornado Drills
  - See Something, Say Something
  - Safe Schools Helpline (800) 418-6423 Ext. 397

- **Shining Star Award:** The Ellsworth Hill Shining Star Award is a monthly award presented to students who model kindness, leadership, growth mindset, and positivity - within or outside the classroom/school. Any staff member may nominate a student who exhibits any of these characteristics.

- **Wearable Technology (aka Smart Watches):** At Hudson City Schools, we are committed to protecting the integrity of our students' instructional day. Academic success, personal growth, and genuine connection with others flourish best when students are fully present in their learning environment. To support this vision, the following is our PreK-5 approach to cell phone use that encourages focus, reduces distractions, and promotes healthy habits around technology.
  - Student cell phone use during the school day is not permitted.
  - Smartwatches and phones must be put in either student lockers or in student bookbags. They may not be used during the school day.

- **Visitors to the Building:** We value and welcome our parent volunteers and visitors. For security reasons, all doors are locked during the school day. When visiting Ellsworth Hill, please come to the main entrance (Door A) and buzz in. You will enter the vestibule where you will use your driver's license/photo ID to sign into the Raptor Visitor Management System. Please wear your Raptor nametag during your entire visit.

- **Volunteers:** Please consider volunteering! Our students love when you are in the building and we love the support! You may volunteer through the PTO and/or VIP programs.

We can't wait to meet your child!



Any questions? You can call the Main Office at (330) 653-1236 or email us!

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