



CEDARVILLE CONNECTION

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Our mission at Cedarville Elementary School is:
To build a solid academic foundation and develop fundamental skills that will lead our students into a lifetime of success.

From the desk of the Principal...

CEDARVILLE ELEMENTARY RECEIVES NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON HONORS

U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan held a news conference on Tuesday, September 30, 2014, and announced that **Cedarville Elementary** is among the 337 schools nation-wide to be recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School for 2014. **Cedarville Elementary is identified as an Exemplary High Performing School. This acknowledgment is the very highest of awards that any school can receive.**



Secretary Duncan made this announcement live via the Department's USTREAM channel <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/education-department> at 1:30 p.m. The Department will honor 287 public and 50 private schools at a recognition ceremony on Nov. 10-11 in Washington, D.C.

"These great schools are fulfilling the promise of American education—that all students, no matter their name or zip code, can flourish when schools provide safe, creative, and challenging learning environments," Secretary Duncan said. "National Blue Ribbon Schools are models of consistent excellence and a resource for other schools and districts. We celebrate them for their tireless effort and boundless creativity in reaching and teaching every student."

The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle, and high schools where students either achieve very high learning standards or are making notable improvements in closing the achievement gap. The award affirms the hard work of students, educators, families and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students master challenging content. All schools are recognized in one of two performance categories, based on all student scores, subgroup student scores and graduation rates (at high school):

•Exemplary High Performing Schools are among their state's highest performing schools as measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests. Student subgroup performance and high school graduation rates are also at the highest levels.

•Exemplary Achievement Gap Closing Schools are among their state's highest performing schools in closing achievement gaps between a school's subgroups and all students over the past five years. Student subgroup performance and high school graduation rates for each subgroup are at high levels.

We first received word of the possibility of this honor a year ago when Indiana Superintendent of Public Instruction, Glenda Ritz, called to let me know that she had nominated Cedarville Elementary to the U.S. Department of Education as an Exemplary High Performing School. The U.S. Department of Education followed up with an email of congratulations and a 22 page application to complete from Aba Kumi, National Blue Ribbon Schools Program Director. The application was submitted in late February and from that point we were in a holding pattern until it was officially confirmed on Tuesday.

If you would like to know more about our school or other Blue Ribbon schools, go to the U.S. Department of Education website for Blue Ribbon School Awards at <http://www.ed.gov/nationalblueribbonschools>

Help Support Leo Jr/Sr High School Band...

Market Day offers frozen delicious convenient food. To see a wide variety of products go to www.marketday.com.



All orders via the website should be placed by Monday, October 6th. Pick up will be Friday, October 10th; 4:30pm at Leo High School, door 4. Profits from Market Day will benefit the Leo Jr/Sr High School Band. The Leo Band account number is 10054.

BOX TOP\$ for Education Contest Kick-off...

It is time once again for another **BOX TOP\$ for Education** contest. We do these collection/contest dates during the months of October and February every year. This October's collection **will now run through** Tuesday, October 28th!



A very big "thank you" goes to Mrs. Heather Elliott for ALL of the energy she puts into Box Top\$ Collections. If you have a chance, look at the bulletin board she created across from the cafeteria for our class-wide competition.

It is greatly appreciated if you could clip the box top out neatly around the edges, but we'll take them any way you send them!



Thank you very much for your support!

Fall Magazine Sale FUN...

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in the fall magazine sale! Twenty-two students collected 15 or more orders to earn the chance to play in the Wacky Whipper Contest!



The top sellers in our fall magazine sale enjoyed a limo ride to Pizza Hut for lunch on September 26th.

Thanks to all of our parents and patrons for supporting our school in this fundraiser!



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College Go Week...



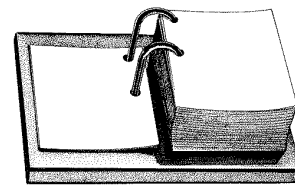
Last week was College Go Week! It was a great way to get students of all ages thinking about planning for college and career success! Whether students shared where they want

to go to college, dressed up in their favorite university or career clothes, or shared information about someone they interviewed, it was a fun and informative week for every child!



Mark Your Calendar...

- Oct. 2: Rooms 108 and 111 to Orchard Hill Apple Orchard 9:15-12:30
- Oct. 3: Students riding bus will participate in a Bus Evacuation Drill in the morning.
- Oct. 3: Box Tops collection day
- Oct. 3: *Principal's Pizza Pals*
- Oct. 6: Bus Safety Day
- Oct. 6: Good News Club begins (cafeteria 3:40-4:45) and runs on Mondays through March 23rd on Mondays.
- Oct. 7: Rooms 121 & 122 to FWMoA 9:15-11:15
- Oct. 8: Collaboration Day – 3:10 dismissal
- Oct. 9: Real Men Read Round 1 for grades 2 & 3
- Oct. 9: Rooms 112 & 126 to FWMoA 9:15-11:15
- Oct. 9: PTO Meeting @ LEEL 6:30 p.m
- Oct. 10: Box Tops collection day
- Oct. 10: Rooms 114 & 125 to FWMoA 9:15-11:15
- Oct. 13: National School Lunch Week "Get in the Game with School Lunch"
- Oct. 14: Grades K and 3 "Vision Screening" w/Dr. Laughlin



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