



# 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...**

Thank you to all of our staff members, parents, patrons, and students for another FANTASTIC year!

### **AND MOST IMPORTANTLY...**

***Congratulations to our third graders on reaching this milestone in their educational careers! I am so proud of all of them! Each third grade student has brought a unique set of qualities and abilities to the school "family", and I hope that each will take away a treasure trove of fond memories, along with the knowledge that he or she has gained through the years at Cedarville! Best wishes for continued success in the years to come!***

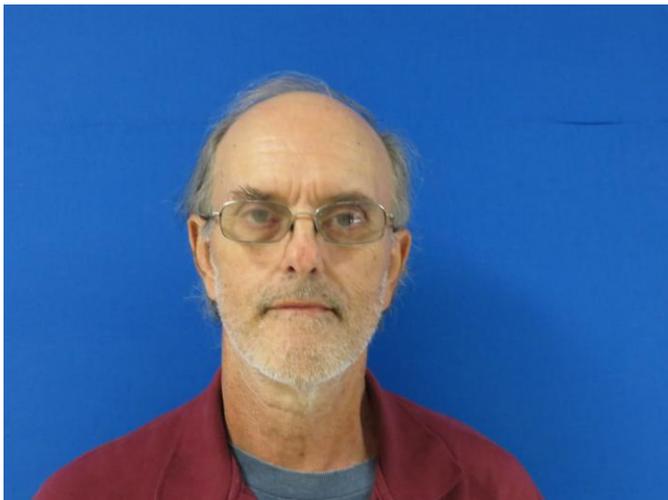


***Have a safe and relaxing summer!  
Don't forget to READ!***

*– Dr. Bakle*

## **We Will Miss You Mr. Wietfeldt...**

On behalf the staff, students, and parents of Cedarville Elementary School, I would like to express deepest appreciation to Mr. Mel Wietfeldt. Mr. Wietfeldt is one of the very few remaining original members of the Cedarville staff. He began at Cedarville Elementary as our lead night custodian on June 1, 1998; just prior to the official opening of the newly constructed building in August of that year. Mel will be retiring in just a matter of days.



Thanks for so many years of distinguished service to the students, staff, and parents of Cedarville Elementary School and East Allen County Schools! We wish you all the best as you begin a new chapter in your life!

## **Reminder from the cafeteria...**

If there is money in your child's lunch account at the end of the school year, that amount will roll over for your child for next school year at either Cedarville Elementary or Leo Elementary School. Your child's account does not need to be \$0.00 (zero dollars) at the end of the school year.

## **Registration for 2015-16...**

East Allen County Schools will have on-line registration July 28 through August 5, 2015, for currently enrolled students. **If you have computer internet access at home, you may complete on-line registration during this time.** If you do not have computer and internet access at home, schools will have computer labs available during registration on the following dates:

### **Elementary/Secondary Registration:**

**August 3, noon – 7:00 p.m.**

**August 4, 8:00 a.m. – noon.**

## **On-line Registration Requirements:**

***If you have forgotten your username/password, you should contact the school after July 26 to set-up a NEW, Parent Activation Code (temporary password). The provided activation code is only good for 30 days. The Parent Access Code allows you to create a new username and password. When the Parent Access System window opens on July 28, 2015, for registration, you will then use your newly created username and password to complete on-line registration. THE PARENT ACTIVATION CODE IS ONLY NECESSARY FOR NEW STUDENTS TO EACS OR IF A USERNAME/PASSWORD HAS BEEN FORGOTTEN.***

In addition to on-line registration, all parents need to visit their child(ren)'s school(s) during the on-site registration to complete additional back-to-school items or check out class lists.

The Parent Access System will be *unavailable from June 22 through July 26, 2015*.

Beginning July 28 through August 5, 2015, parents will be able to log into The Parent Access System to review and update their child(ren)'s emergency contact information from the prior school year.

To login into The Parent Access System use the link: <https://rds03.eacs.k12.in.us/RDSParentAccess/>

Parents with more than one child attending EACS schools can combine or "link" their children's information through the use of the activation codes into one account.

If an address change occurs, parents will need to go to the school during August registration dates to provide proof of residency in the form of a current month's utility bill or a lease/purchase agreement.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's school before June 5, 2015.

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### **4 Star Celebration!...**

On Thursday, May 15, EACS Superintendent Dr. Ken Folks, State Senator Dennis Kruse, a representative from U.S. Congressman Marlin Stutzman's office, and community dignitaries congratulated the entire student body at an assembly honoring Cedarville Elementary as a 4-Star School for the 9<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.



### **MyON Books...**

Hoosier Family of Readers and the entire Indiana Department of Education are offering free e-books to all families. This generous digital library donation is sponsored by Capstone Publishing and myON Books. Access to the digital library is **free** and runs through mid-August. This site will give you all the information you need to access.

<http://www.doe.in.gov/hoosierreaders/myon-books>

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### **Market Day for LHS Band...**

Market Day offers frozen delicious convenient food. To see a wide variety of products go to [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com).



All orders via the website should be placed by Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. Pick up will be

Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 4:30pm, at Leo High School, door 4. Profits from Market Day benefit the Leo Band. Leo Band account #: 10054

Watch for a Market Day flyer to be sent home with your child.

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### **Stress Relief Through Games...**

Adapted from an article by Reisa Schwartzman

It's important to everyone's stress level and happiness quotient that at least one activity be regularly just for fun. It has been found, that playing a game for as little as five minutes, can actually re-stabilize the brain, which in turn, refreshes focus, and results in more overall productivity, on every level. In *Playing and Reality*, psychoanalyst D. W. Winnicott highlights the importance of play for children as a means of working through anxiety. Playing games and fun activities can bring added joy and happiness to life, and can be a great way to relieve stress as well. Playing games hit reward circuits in the brain.

Whenever you think of games, the first things that come to mind are board games, because we all enjoy them and have plenty on hand. Some of them demand creativity and even some are simple silliness. Whatever these bring out in a person, they tend to show a different side than what everyone sees in a daily routine. The best way to relieve stress is to play stress relief games which are easy to win. This makes the person feel successful and provides a relaxed feeling.

Beyond board games, there's everything from charades to karaoke. Loud, even off-key singing can induce dancing and laughter, bringing friends close together and relieving a lot of pent-up stress. They take you out of your every day routine and give your mind a chance to focus on something different or, even better, nothing. All one needs is the will to have a good time.

Basically, relieving stress is as easy as having some fun. Unfortunately, in our fast paced world full of schedules and "have-to's," it's sometimes necessary to schedule that fun. Fortunately, once begun, having fun becomes easier and easier to work into schedules. Take a break and enjoy a game. Health care professionals say taking your mind off of the source of stress and focusing on something totally different for even a few minutes is very helpful and beneficial to your health.

Games played within a group setting can create bonds and be good ice-breakers for kids helping to break down social issues that may arise in group settings. Relaxation sets in and the entire group feels at ease with themselves and one another. Although group gaming can be competitive, it also makes the members feel equally adequate to one another.

According to Mr. Baldwin's research published in American Psychology Association's Journal of Personality and Social Psychology in October 2007, playing games can reduce cortisol (stress hormone)

levels by 17% in people who play games even for five minutes a day. Leisure activities and stress relief have a very close and intrinsic link. There is as a mental wind down after the experience of a stressful situation. When an individual does something he/she enjoys, the memory of the stressful situation fades away and instead they are occupied by an interesting, exciting and fun activity that instead provides a multitude of positive emotions, therefore effectively dealing with the negative effects of feeling stress and anxiety. Use your imagination, your creativity, and your interests as you select games for stress relief for your children. Remember, life is meant to include fun and games.

For more articles about the use of games in everyday life, visit <http://www.gamesforeducators.com>.

### **EACS Art Competition...**

Congratulations to London McCoy, Cedarville Elementary Kindergarten student. She was awarded top honors in the EACS Art Competition. Her artwork will be on display in the EACS boardroom (in the



administration building in New Haven) for the next five years. Additionally, at the May 19th Board meeting, London and three other winners from

grades 4-12 were presented with a gift certificate for \$25.00 to the United Art & Education store and an award certificate.

### **Lost and Found...**

If your child is missing items, please be sure to check the school's **LOST AND FOUND**, NOW located by the office. Doors are open 8:00-3:30 through June 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **Coming Home to Nest...**

For as many years as I can remember, Cedarville's courtyard has served as the spring-time nesting ground for a family of ducks. Our students have the unique opportunity to observe the mother duck as she builds her nest, patiently tends to her eggs, and welcomes her hatchlings into the world. Each year brings new and exciting experiences as Mother Duck prepares her ducklings for life in a world beyond the courtyard. It is our privilege to allow the duck family safe passage between the courtyard and the nearby pond through a small section of our hallway.



On Friday, May 1, momma and her nine ducklings were escorted from the courtyard to the pond behind school to start a new life together.

### **Keep Learning Over the Summer...**



The "Summer Slide" is a real thing! Students, on average, lose approximately 2 months of grade level equivalency over the summer if they are not engaged in learning activities. Reading and math practice is vital for children to start off the next school year without

falling behind. Although tutoring through the summer is always a great option, not everyone has the time and/or money to set that up. Fortunately there are some FREE and easy to use options available to you! One of our favorite programs is the Allen County Public Library's summer reading challenge. They have a wonderful program with incentives and great activities. If you can't make it to the library, then have your child use our online programs throughout the summer!

**First in Math, Storia School, and Compass Odyssey** are all available throughout the summer with your child's current login information.

**Storia School** ([www.storiaschool.com](http://www.storiaschool.com)) has over 2,000 books to choose from at no charge to you (Cedarville already paid for it). Your child can search through the gigantic library for topics they enjoy or you can help them find books near their reading level! We plan to renew our license with them next year as well.

**First in Math** ([www.firstinmath.com](http://www.firstinmath.com)) is

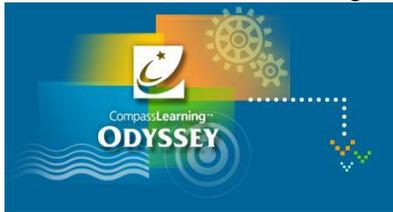


one of the best math programs available and again it is already paid for! There are so many ways to practice their math facts and develop problem solving skills. Even though the cutoff date for awards has passed, your children can still earn stickers,

set and beat personal goals, and do math at their individual levels.

### Compass Odyssey

(<http://odyssey.eacs.k12.in.us/clologin.aspx>) is a great way to keep up on math and language arts skills as well. There are tons of educational games covering the entire curriculum! They can finish up assigned tasks from the current school year to get caught up on things they need to know and



explore some of the areas they don't get to during computer lab in school!

I hope you all get a chance to utilize some of these FREE tools over the summer with your children!

### Giving Back with Ronald McDonald...



Laughter was the main ingredient at Cedarville Elementary as we welcomed the ever hilarious Ronald McDonald and his side-kick, Larry, as they shared their message of Giving Back with Ronald McDonald® is all about helping students learn how to share their time,



talent, and gifts with each other and their community.

The show includes great music, engaging magic, and lots of fun for all elementary grade audiences.



Everyone regardless of their age or ability has a gift to share. Ronald McDonald® reminds us all that we can "Give Back"!

### Fun Day...



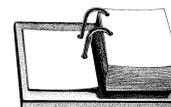
### Student Principals...

Grace Keener and Ella Wehrle were the "Student Principal for the Day" raffle winners from the PTO Liki Tiki Carnival held in March. Dr. Bakle finally got around to giving up his office (and chair) so the ladies could do the hard work of running the building. They did their best impersonation of being the building leader by doing evaluations of classroom teachers, having lunch at Pizza Hut with friends, hosting the "Giving Back with Ronald McDonald" assembly, spinning around in the office chair, deleting spam e-mail, playing with the walkie-talkies, and taking a short nap!! Frankly, we think they are ready to take over full-time.



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### Mark Your Calendar...



- Aug. 3: **First day to register children for the 2015-2016 school year**
- Aug. 10: Kindergarten Orientation Meeting for those that missed it in May.
- Aug. 10: Meet the Teacher Night (more information to follow)
- Aug. 11: First day of school for students. School day 9:00-3:40.

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# EACS

## EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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**Best Wishes for Success  
to Cedarville's 2014-2015  
THIRD GRADERS!**

Alissa M Adams  
 Karly A Adams  
 Kayla H Adams  
 Janelle A Albrecht  
 Delanie D Allen  
 Ivy E Arruza  
 Hailey G Bair  
 Emma G Barnett  
 Andrew Baumert  
 Ashley N Beachy  
 Rayne I Bell  
 Sophia E Biggs  
 Rachel R Blankenhorn  
 Abigail A Bovie  
 Kennidie E Brandt  
 Sophia F Bresnahan  
 Alex R Brita  
 Joseph A Brita  
 MiaMackenzie M Brita  
 Rachel J Brooks  
 Aleeyah L Bryant  
 Gracyn A Burchfield  
 Ethan W Byanski  
 Michael R Cagle  
 Jackson T Callow  
 Aiden A Cantu  
 Hannah L Carter  
 Zachary R Carter  
 Walker K Cason  
 Breanna M Chaney  
 Jaden A Chin  
 Ayzha L Christensen  
 Conner J Clayton  
 Colton D Clevon  
 Lawson M Clevenger  
 Emily A Cogdell  
 Isabel G Collins  
 Kayden M Conn  
 Eli J Coolman  
 Isaac P Copeland  
 Elena L Creech  
 Kailey A Cummins  
 Carson R Daenell  
 Gabriel S Dager  
 Scarlett R Dager-Miller  
 Clover O Davidson  
 Alejandro C Davila  
 Akayla N Day  
 Aiden W Derrow  
 Jacob A Detmers  
 Claire E Dove  
 Jathen D Ellington  
 Jacob R Elliott

Carter H Fahl  
 Rabon C Forrest  
 Taylor A Freeman  
 Lukas J French  
 Brett M Fuller  
 Aiden W Furnish  
 Jagger D Galbreath  
 Keila A Garton  
 Kacey G Gibson  
 Kasey E Gillhouse  
 Tia M Glass  
 L Marie Glenn  
 Xan J Gomez  
 Darren J Graber  
 Julia G Graber  
 Ronnie J Graber  
 Cayden M Cook  
 Kailyn J Grear  
 Braden K Green  
 Logan M Greene  
 Riley W Greene  
 Troy C Grorud  
 Evan T Gross  
 Brayden M Gustafson  
 Jake W Halsey  
 Abigail L Harding  
 Sarah Harhigh  
 Carter J Hasselman  
 William D Hayman  
 Anna J Heath  
 James L Herman  
 Justin M Hicks  
 James D Hitchcock  
 Trey D Hiteshew  
 Kaydence J Hudson  
 Tyler Thomas-Lee Hyre  
 Elijah D Jacobs  
 Nicholas S James  
 Tyler D James  
 Paiten N Jannings  
 Simranjit Kaur  
 Grace A Keener  
 Eli S Keirn  
 Ethan E Keller  
 Emilia M Kennedy  
 Willow J Kieffer  
 Andrew J King  
 Kayden A Kirtley  
 Kayden R Knoblauch  
 Emily R Koch  
 Landen L Kramer  
 Hudson P Kurtz  
 Eli W LaGrange

Tazebew D Lantz  
 Tysen J Leeper  
 Esther G Lengacher  
 Ellie E Livingston  
 Jackson R Lung  
 Elijah D Mack  
 Connor P Mahoney  
 Danica A McAfee  
 Leah N McCann  
 Morgan A McMaken  
 Kayla M Melchi  
 Phoebe F Miller  
 Jasmine M Millet  
 Molly R Miner  
 Madyn M Mohr  
 Emily N Murphy  
 Rose M Myers  
 Zayn Nofzinger  
 Maya E Norris  
 Isandro A Ochoa  
 Jacob T Oltman  
 Madyson M Omo  
 Ross M Osborne  
 Ava M Papenbrock  
 Zackory W Pascute  
 Tegan T Patterson  
 Makenna Rae Peconge  
 Trinda R Pence  
 Benjamin C Pennington  
 Kaitlin J Peters  
 Mariah R Pickett  
 Monica J Pickett  
 Keaton J Poley  
 Jacob D Poppele  
 Jadon N Prell  
 Oliver M Ream  
 Isaiah V Renninger  
 Andrew D Resor  
 Brooklyn Olivia Rice  
 Nicholas S Rigdon  
 Kendall N Robison  
 Dylan J Rochelle  
 Sydney E Ross  
 Andrew W Roth  
 Raegan D Samuels  
 Charles R Schilb  
 Krista K Schmucker  
 Rebecca H Schneider  
 Jozlyne K Schwartz  
 Ashlyn E Scroggins  
 Lucas W Sheron  
 Natalie P Slattery  
 Kadie S Slentz

Camden T Smith  
 Mariah Stayer  
 Riley D Stewart  
 Isaiah R Stoller  
 Ava K Stuckey  
 Makenzie E Tam  
 Briana F Thomas  
 Brooke A Thomas  
 Mia FuTian Tierney  
 Braylon J Treesh  
 Jessica L Veatch  
 Mia R Villareal  
 Rachel C Wahl  
 Kaylie M Wallace  
 Evan J Way  
 Aidan R Webb  
 Samantha L Wells  
 Ayden D White  
 Bay M Wieland  
 Olivia S Williams  
 Taylor M Williams  
 Bailee R Willyard  
 Madelyn KWilson  
 Ava D Wisniewski  
 Nathan J Wolf  
 Anna L Woods  
 Isaiah J Yoder  
 Kamden M Zeisloft  
 Makenna Zollinger