



CEDARVILLE CONNECTION

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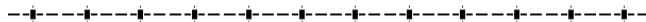
Our mission at Cedarville Elementary School is:
To build a solid academic foundation and develop fundamental skills that will lead our students into a lifetime of success.

From the desk of the Principal...

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to the following individuals as they join our Cedarville staff:

- Kindergarten: Mrs. Heather Voirol
- Grade 1: Mrs. Lori Fipp
- Instructional Coach: Mrs. Renita Peters
- Music: Mrs. Jennie Chen
- Speech: Mrs. Laura Minich
- Special Ed: Mrs. Courtney Adams

Please feel free to contact your child's teacher or the school office if you have questions, concerns, or suggestions. We're looking forward to a TERRIFIC year!



Food Allergy Awareness...

The rates for heart disease and obesity in children have been rising across America in recent years. Many of our students also have food allergies (especially to dairy products, eggs, gluten, nuts, and/or peanuts) and some of them can be very severe. If a parent is planning to bring a treat, please check with your child's teacher to see if food allergies are a problem in your child's classroom.

With these considerations in mind, East Allen County Schools, in compliance with the Indiana Code 20-26-0-18, would like to have healthy treats and snacks brought in for celebrations/daily snacks. We are asking that parents consider alternatives to cupcakes, sugary treats, or treats containing nuts/peanuts. When planning to bring in a snack or treat for the students, please consider healthy options in support of the EACS Wellness Policy.

We are making efforts to go "nut/peanut – free" for snacks and treats brought in to our classrooms; however, it may be virtually impossible to completely eliminate peanuts/nuts from the lunch menu (or from the lunches students bring from home). Children with severe allergies are allowed to eat at tables on the stage area of the cafeteria to reduce the chance of exposure to food allergens.

Meet Your Teacher/Open House...

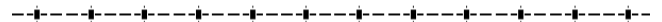
You are cordially invited to join us on Thursday, August 21st between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m., for Cedarville's **Meet Your Teacher Night/Open House for grades 1 – 3.**

Teacher will share classroom goals and expectations at 6:00, 6:30, and 7:00. Pick the time(s) that best suits your schedule. The remainder of each session will allow time for students to share their classroom with parents. This is also a great time for parents and students to talk with each other and to personally meet the teacher! If you have individual concerns, please schedule another time to discuss them with your child's teacher.

When you are not visiting a classroom, be sure to go to the Media Center to sign up for Parent-Teacher Conferences (currently scheduled for Tuesday, November 4th from 4:00 - 7:45 p.m., and Wednesday, November 5th from 4:00 - 7:45 p.m.) There will also be tables for PTO, Spirit Wear, Scouts, and many others during the evening.

Feel free to pick the **Meet Your Teacher Night/Open House** session(s) that works best for your family's schedule. In any case, please remember to sign up for conferences.

We look forward to seeing you at **Meet Your Teacher Night/Open House!**

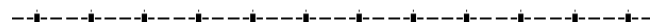


Collaboration Wednesdays...

From now through May 20, 2015, each Wednesday will be a Collaboration Day. School will dismiss at 3:10 p.m.



If there is a weather-related 2-hour delay on a Collaboration Day, school will be released at the regular time.



School Pictures...

School pictures will be taken on August 19th.



Cafeteria News Flash...

Elementary Full Price Lunch	\$1.60
Elementary Reduced Lunch	\$.40
Elementary Full Price Breakfast	\$1.00

To view student's lunch account balance:

- Go to EACS website
- Scroll down to Parent Access on left side
- Enter your Username and Password
- View account balance

To Access or set up Electronic Lunch Payment

- Go to EACS website
- Scroll down to Meal Account Payment on left side
- Set up account, if new user or enter your Username and Password
- Note: There is a \$1.00 transaction convenience fee for each electronic checking payment that you make. For payments made by credit or debit card, there is a convenience fee of \$2.45 per each \$100.00 increment in the transaction. You may put money in more than one account within the same transaction, so you are only charged once.

If sending in a payment with your child please make sure it is in a clearly marked envelope with the student's **first and last name**. Please put student ID# (if known), student's room number, or teacher's name on envelope. If you have more than one student, **at the SAME school**, you may put all payments in one envelope.

Please help our cafeteria staff in planning the number of lunches to prepare by sending a note to your child's teacher or calling the school by 9:40 a.m., if you plan to join your child for lunch. This will ensure that you are included in our lunch count.

New for 2014...

In addition to our regular fundraiser that begins August 22, we will have available memory/photo books with calendars and greeting cards for all occasions. It will be similar to shutterfly and snapfish, but with a bit fewer bells and whistles. The memory items will go on the same regular order form with the magazines and you will receive a certificate via snail mail if the regular order form is used. Online purchases @ www.gaschoolstore.com school# 2669687 for both magazines and memory books are encouraged.

Students will receive credit for any sales after July 1st for any prizes we offer during the regular sale. The memory book portion of the website is scheduled to Go-Live on August 15. Please support our school and encourage leisure time reading by the whole family with this program.

90-Minute Stop Sign...

As part of our Reading Curriculum, students in every classroom at Cedarville Elementary engage in 90 minutes of uninterrupted Guided Reading time each day. This time is truly intended to be free of interruptions from within and outside of the classroom.



Classrooms or grade levels may operate on different schedules, so teachers will post a "90-minute Stop Sign" on their doors during Reading time.

Visitors to our school are asked to not enter a classroom when the "90-minute Stop Sign" is posted. Your understanding and cooperation are greatly appreciated!

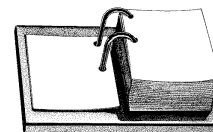
Volunteers' Photo IDs...

If you are a regular volunteer for Cedarville Elementary, please stop in the office between now and the end of September to have your picture taken for a photo ID badge. Badges may be hung in the office when you are not in the building. This procedure will make it easier for our staff members and students to put names with faces for our school volunteers.



Thanks for all you do as a volunteer to make our school SPECTACULAR!

Mark Your Calendar...



- Aug. 19: **School Pictures Day**
- Aug. 20: Collaboration Day
- Aug. 21: Open House for grades 1-3, 6:00.-7:30 p.m.
- Aug. 22: Fund-Raiser Kick Off in the gym 9:30 (1st and 3rd) 10:10 (K and 2nd).
- Aug. 27: Collaboration Day
- Sept. 1: **LABOR DAY – NO SCHOOL**
- Sept. 2: Character Counts September is "Responsibility Month".
- Sept. 3: Salad Bar begins for staff and grade 3
- Sept. 3: Collaboration Day
- Sept. 9: Teacher In-service Day – **NO SCHOOL**

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