



# 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...

In the hotel or restaurant business, achieving Five-Star status means that the business is among the best of the best. For schools in Indiana, achieving Four-Star status is the best possible recognition. Cedarville Elementary has been recognized for six consecutive years as being a Four-Star School. This award is based on placement in the top 25 percent in the state in student attendance rates, mathematics proficiency scores, language arts proficiency scores, and the percentage of students passing language arts and mathematics on ISTEP+.

Parents can play an active role in helping our school maintain high attendance standards by ensuring that their child comes to school regularly and arrives on time, unless the child is ill. It would also be helpful if family vacations, doctor appointments, or dental visits could be scheduled outside of the school day (as often as possible).

While Cedarville students have historically performed well on ISTEP+ and generally have a good attendance rate, there is always room for improvement if we are to remain among the best of the best schools in the state of Indiana each year. It is our goal to continue to work cooperatively with staff, parents, and students to make our school the best it can be!

## Book Fees...

Book fee payment is due on Wednesday, October 31, 2012. Please make checks payable to *Cedarville Elementary School*. Families may also pay their 2012-13 fees with on-line credit/debit card payment through the Parent Access website.

Fee statement totals by grade level for the 2012-13 school year are as follows:

Kindergarten: \$ 89.15  
Grade 1: \$142.50  
Grade 2: \$119.28  
Grade 3: \$117.37



## Did you know?

Diets higher in protein and moderate in carbs, along with a lifestyle of regular exercise are often purported by experts to reduce blood fats and maintain lean tissue while burning fat for fuel without dieters being sidetracked with constant hunger. [www.webmd.com](http://www.webmd.com)

The amount of food from the Protein Foods Group you need to eat depends on age, gender, and level of physical activity. Most Americans eat enough food from this group, but need to make leaner and more varied selections of these foods. Go to [www.myplate.gov](http://www.myplate.gov) for more information.

## Technology Update Community Meetings...

The following dates have been scheduled for technology update meetings for grades K - 12 families:

- October 18 - New Haven area schools
- October 22 - Heritage area schools
- **October 24 - Leo area schools**
- October 25 - Woodlan area schools
- October 29 - Paul Harding area schools

**Meetings will be held in the high school cafeteria for each attendance area from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.**

Discussion topics include iTunes, My Big Campus, iPad Q & A.

Before you speak...

**T H I N K !**

T - is it true?

h - is it helpful?

i - is it inspiring?

n - is it necessary?

k - is it kind?

# Teacher Feature

## Spotlighting Mr. Kaylor, Third Grade Teacher...

I was raised in Leo, and I am very excited to be teaching where I grew up. It is such a super place! I have been married to my wife, Cari, for almost thirteen years. She is a fourth grade teacher at Leo Elementary. We have two children. Addi is 9 and is in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. She is a wonderful girl with a heart of gold. We also have a son, Crew, that just turned 6, and is in Mrs. Kinsey's kindergarten class. I am currently working on my Master's degree in education technology and will hopefully have it all finished when we start school next year!

One of the things I enjoy most about teaching is the children! Nothing beats having a class full of students that are eager to learn and enjoy having fun. I really enjoy being able to use humor in the classroom as much as possible. I can say that one of my favorite things about working here is the staff. The teachers are devoted, professional as well as humorous.

I have many favorite movies, too many to name. My favorite book is Where the Red Fern Grows. It was a great story about a boy and his dogs and I could relate to that as a kid. I love to read it to my classroom and watch as they connect with the book. It can be a bit of a tear jerker but in the end, it just warms your heart!

Other than playing kickball at recess, volleyball and basketball are my two favorite sports. I coached volleyball for many years. I usually play in a few recreation leagues throughout the year. I really enjoy using technology. I have my own photography business outside of school and do lots of photos in the spring and fall. I like to edit and create photos and videos of my kids. Everyone in my house is blessed to have some sort of iPod to use.

I enjoy looking through the app store to see what's new to learn with! I like to play logic and physics games like "Ragdoll Blaster," "Super Stickman Golf," and "StupidZombie." They may sound silly but they can be a challenge for anyone's brain! I think it's great that we have iPads in our classrooms. I look forward to finding fun ways to make education enjoyable for the kids! My picture is brought to you by the app: "Crazy Hair."



## Leo "Roar of the Lions" Band...

The Leo High School Band is selling Krispy Kreme Donuts! The \$7/dozen *fresh* (made that morning in Mishawaka) original glazed donuts will be available on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, from 3:10 – 6:00 p.m., at Leo High School. Please consider treating your family and friends! Thanks for your support of the Leo Band!

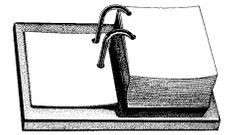
## 2012 Groundbreaking Ceremony...



**Heritage Project**  
Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>  
at 10:00 a.m.

## Please Join Us!

## Mark Your Calendar...



- Oct. 12: Rooms 112 and 114 to Art Museum 9:15-11:30
- Oct. 15: Rooms 103 and 106 to Kurtz Pumpkin Patch 10:30-12:30
- Oct. 15: Rooms 104 and 107 to Kurtz Pumpkin Patch 12:00-2:00
- Oct. 16: Rooms 101 and 105 to Kurtz Pumpkin Patch 10:30-12:30
- Oct. 17: Collaboration day-early release
- Oct. 18: Grade 2 to FFA Fall Wabash-Erie Day @ Woodlan High.
- Oct. 18: Vision Screen Day for Grades K, 1, 3
- Oct. 19: **Popcorn/Pretzel Friday and SPIRIT DAY - wear purple and/or white (new date)**
- Oct. 19: Rooms 118, 120, 124, 129A to Allen County Fair Grounds to study rocks and minerals 9:15-12:00
- Oct. 19: Rooms 117, 123, 129B to Allen County Fair Grounds to study rocks and minerals 10:00-12:45
- Oct. 19: Rooms 102 to Kurtz Pumpkin Patch 10:30-12:30
- Oct. 19: Hearing Screening for grades K-1 and any new students
- Oct. 22: **Character Counts and Red Ribbon Week**
- Oct. 24: Collaboration Day-early release
- Oct. 25: Fire Safety Program for grades K-2
- Oct. 25: Parent-Teacher Conference 4:00-7:45
- Oct. 26: Box Tops Competition ends
- Oct. 26: **Fall Parties**
- Oct. 30: Rooms 116, 121, 125, 126 to "Focus on Health" @ MEEL 9:50-12:25
- Oct. 30: Parent-Teacher Conference 4:00-7:45
- Oct. 31: Collaboration day
- Oct. 31: Rooms 112, 114, 119, 122 to "Focus on Health" @ MEEL 9:50-12:25
- Nov. 5: Mad Ants "Get Fit" forms due no later than this date
- Nov. 6: **ELECTION DAY**