



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...

This is shaping up to be one of the earliest flu seasons in years. Flu season usually peaks in February, but high flu rates have been reported across the country. Flu symptoms, such as fever, chills, body aches and dry cough, usually begin one to four days after a person has been exposed to the flu virus, but a person can be contagious even before having symptoms. People who are experiencing symptoms such as cough, runny nose or fever are asked to stay home from work, school or public places.

Flu prevention measures

- **Wash your hands** often with soap and warm water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Use alcohol-based sanitizer if soap and water is not available.
- **Cover your nose and mouth** with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it. Cough or sneeze into your sleeve, rather than your hands, if a tissue is not available.
- **Stay home from work or school** and limit contact with others if you are ill. Try to avoid other people who are sick.
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.** Germs spread that way.

For more information on flu prevention, go to www.fighttheflu.org.

Photos Needed...

Help capture Cedarville's most memorable moments! The yearbook committee is looking for photos from class and school events to include in the 2012-2013 Cedarville yearbook. We need everyone's help to make sure all the special events at our school are included in the yearbook. Include the grade, classroom, and event captured in the photo. Please send your digital pictures to Melissa Bratten at Cedyear10@gmail.com marked "Pictures for Yearbook". Please remember to send pictures that do not have the date on the front.



Family Fun Hoopsters Night...

K105 Radio Personalities vs Cedarville/Leo Staff



Come and join the fun as staff and teachers from Cedarville and Leo Elementary Schools face off against K105 fm Country Radio personalities in **THE basketball event of the season!**

WHEN: Monday, January 28, 2013
Doors open at 6:15p.m.
Game starts at 7:00p.m.

WHERE: Leo High School Gymnasium
ADMISSION: Only \$2.00 per person

Plan now to join us for an action-packed evening of some of the best family entertainment you can find anywhere!

News from the Cafeteria...

It has been discussed recently, and we hope to have electronic payments for school lunches up and running for next school year (2013-14). The logistics of the process are still being refined, such as how parents will pay, how that will be put into the students' accounts, etc. Thank you for your interest and your patience in this matter!

Spirit Day...

Wear your Super Fan t-shirt, Cedarville Spiritwear, or any other purple clothing to school on **January 28th**, to show your support of our Leo-Cedarville team!

Teacher Feature

Spotlighting Mr. Linson, Third Grade Teacher...

Hi, I am Mr. Linson, and this is my 36th year of teaching. Cedarville Elementary has been open for 15 years, and this is my 14th year here.

When Cedarville opened, it was a kindergarten through 2nd grade building, and I was teaching a third grade class at Leo Elementary. The following year we were moved “temporarily” to Cedarville, and third grade has been here ever since... (Although rumors of the third grade being moved BACK to Leo were around for about the next 10 years...)

My wife (who is the Superintendent of the East Noble School Corporation) and I have two children, Zack (an elementary technology coach at East Noble) and Kelli (a fourth-year special education teacher at New Haven Middle School), and three dogs; Millie, Sophie, and Gracie. (**NO ONE** should have three dogs!)

Computer technology has always been an interest of mine. I’ve had a computer in my classrooms since 1982, when I purchased an Atari 400 to use in my first grade classroom. I became proficient enough in programming the Atari computer, that I had three of my programs published in the national Atari magazine, A.N.A.L.O.G. Computing. In 2005, I received a Best Buy TE@CH Award to purchase and use Palm handheld computers with my students. Since then, I traded up to Apple iPod Touches and currently have 14 in my classroom.

I tend to prefer creative-type apps for our iPads and iPod Touches. We have several math and language skill and drill apps, but I really like apps that challenge a child’s creative side. There are several good “comic strip” apps available. With these, students can mix pictures with text, and even sound and video. In the past I have used a comic strip app to have students “dig deeper” into stories we are reading, or to present an idiom or something similar.



I also really like “problem solving” games, like Rush Hour, Geared, Cat Physics, Crayon Physics, and Blokus. There are many excellent strategy/puzzle games available.

BOX TOP\$ for Education contest ...

February 1st is the kick-off of our **BOX TOP\$ for Education** contest! The class that brings in the most box tops between February 1st and February 22nd will win a PIZZA PARTY! The top class in each grade level (second place class for the grade level with the top class in the school) will also earn a special treat!



Remember –

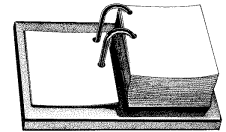
Bring in as many Box Tops as you can between February 1st and February 25th to help your class totals!

If you have the time:

- *Clip the box top out neatly around the edges*
- *If you have 50 box tops, place in one Ziploc bag and label it “50”*

(Of course, we take them any way we can get them! Just keep sending them to school!)

Mark Your Calendar...



Jan. 21: MLK Observance – **NO SCHOOL**



... where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.
Martin Luther King, Jr.

- Jan. 23: Collaboration Day
- Jan. 24: Philharmonic Brass Quartet @ 9:30 and 10:15
- Jan. 25: Popcorn/Pretzel Friday and SPIRIT DAY; Campbell’s Labels for Education contest ends

Jan. 28: **Scholastic Book Fair 9:00-6:30**
Jan. 28: **Hoopsters**

Basketball Game 7:00 p.m. @ LEHS (CEEL and LEEL staff vs. K105!!!) Doors open @ 6:15



- Jan. 29: Book Fair 9:00-6:30
- Jan. 30: Book Fair 9:00-3:30
- Jan. 30: Collaboration Day
- Jan. 31: Book Fair 9:00-3:30
- Feb. 1: BOX TOP\$ for Education contest begins and runs through Feb. 22
- Feb. 6: Collaboration day
- Feb. 10: SCHOOL CHOICE FAIR 1:00 - 4:00 P.M. @ NEW HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL
- Feb. 13: PTO Meeting @ LEEL 9:30 in cafeteria
- Feb. 13: Collaboration day
- Feb. 14: **Valentine’s Day Parties**
- Feb. 18: Presidents Day (NO SCHOOL) – will be used as a make-up day if there are any school cancellations prior to this date
- Feb. 22: BOX TOP\$ for Education contest ends

