



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...

Thanks to Mrs. Ramser and all of the students, families, and staff members who made the 2nd and 3rd grade Spring Concert *FANTASTIC!*



Congratulations!

Mrs. Lara Marino has been named Cedarville's **TEACHER OF THE YEAR** for 2012-2013!



When asked about her philosophy of education, Mrs. Marino explained, "The foundation of my educational philosophy is based upon my belief that all children can learn, and that it is my obligation as their facilitator of learning, to reach out and identify their current understandings so that I may assist them in reaching the peak of their ever growing potential. I do not believe that there is a ceiling on a students' potential, but that they can continue to climb to greater heights of understanding when there is encouragement and the expectation and to do so. It is my mission to establish a cycle for learning that can be applied in a multitude of learning applications."

I believe that education has the power to change lives. It has changed the path of my life for the better at so many critical points: When I was struggling to learn to read and a teacher believed in me. When I was hesitant to go to college and my mother strongly encouraged me to do so. When my district trusted in me and I trained to be a Literacy Coordinator and again to be a Reading Recovery teacher. Education has changed my life. This belief brings me clarity and focus."

Teacher Feature

Spotlighting Mrs. Kiningham, Third Grade Teacher...

I have always enjoyed school ever since kindergarten! My husband jokes about me having the kind of memory where I can remember what I even wore the first day of school. Well, I can't, but I do remember the green little dress I wore for pictures in 1st Grade when I was in Mrs. Barker's class. I can still remember all the names of my elementary teachers. Each one made an impression on my life. The one that made the biggest impression was my 6th Grade teacher, Mr. Lang. He was an ex-marine and a fitness fanatic. He challenged any of us to meet him at our local YMCA and race him across the length of the pool. I was the only one that took him up on his challenge. Guess what? I won! He encouraged me to continue with swimming and even go out for the swim team. That was one of my favorite summers because I listened to what he said and did it. I had a blast! I continued in sports throughout junior high and high school.

When it was time to choose a career, I went to Indiana University initially in television and radio to pursue a writing career. I soon changed to Physical Education and Health. I enjoyed one year of teaching P.E. and Health in southern Indiana. When we moved up to Fort Wayne in 1984, I worked a few years and then became a mom in August of 1987. I stayed home with my two children for several years, but missed teaching. I went back to school at IPFW and completed my degree in Elementary Education. I graduated from Indiana University and I also earned my Master's Degree from Ball State. I was born in LaPorte, Indiana. My husband, Dave, and I met down at IU and have been married for 30 years this past summer. Dave is a marriage and family counselor with Youth for Christ. We attend Brookside Church in Fort Wayne. In our free time, we enjoy biking, traveling, and spending time with our two children (Rachel and Kyle), family, and friends. I also enjoy writing and searching for new and creative ways to engage students in the learning process.

I feel extremely blessed to be a part of the teaching staff at Cedarville Elementary. I did my student teaching here 12 years ago in the fall of 2001. I was hired the following year to teach first grade. I have been in 3rd grade for seven years. I am so thankful to work with such a kind, caring, and loving staff.



Market Day for Leo High School Band...

Market Day Reminder: Pick up is April 26th, at 4:30pm, Leo High School, Door 4.

New School Record...

Two students broke the record for the 1/2 – mile run set by Jon Richards in 2012. Jon's record was 2:44. This year's record setters were Zach Oechsle (2:41) and Brody Hiteshew (2:42).



Food for Thought...

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

– Nelson Mandela



Band-O-Rama...

Featuring: Leo 5th & 6th grade band, Leo Jr High Band and Leo Sr High Band
When: Thursday, May 2, 2013, at 7pm

Please join us for an evening of instrumental music at Leo Jr/Sr High School!



Mark Your Calendar...

- Apr. 26: Popcorn/Pretzel Friday and SPIRIT DAY
- May 1: Collaboration day
- May 3: Kindergarten to Hadley Farm 9:15-12:15
- May 6: Grade 2 to FW Children's Zoo 9:10-2:30
- May 8: PTO meeting @ CEEL 9:30 a.m.; Collaboration day
- May 10: Rooms 110 and 111 to Safety Village 9:20-12:30, Rooms 108 and 113 to Safety Village 11:20-2:30
- May 10: FUN DAY: 2nd and 3rd 9:30-11:45, K and 1st 12:45-3:00
- May 13: Rooms 109 and 115 to Safety Village 11:20-2:30
- May 15: Rooms 118, 120, and 129B to Metea 9:15-11:50; Collaboration day
- May 16: Rooms 117, 123, 124, and 129A to Metea 9:15-11:50
- May 22: Last Collaboration (last early dismissal for students) day of the school year
- May 22: Talent Show
- May 23: Kindergarten to FW Children's Zoo 9:05-2:30
- May 23: Grade 3 to Crazy Pinz 9:05-12:30
- May 24: Popcorn/Pretzel Friday and SPIRIT DAY
- May 27: **MEMORIAL DAY – NO SCHOOL**
- May 31: **Last day of school for students and staff**

