



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 an event that came down to the wire, the Cedarville / Leo Staff defeated K105 Radio Personalities **38 to 37!**

THANK YOU to K105, Dan Austin, Dude Walker, Rob and Christie Livingston, the Cedarville/Leo PTO, Mr. Rohrbacher @ LEHS, Cedarville and Leo staff members, students, and all of the families and friends of our school who planned, manned, braved the elements to attend, and enjoyed the Hoopsters basketball game at Leo High School on January 28th!

For pictures and video feed from the studio, be sure to visit <http://k105fm.com/Events/K105Hoopsters.aspx>



Volunteers needed...

Art to Remember has started and students are working on that in classes now. The artwork will not be finished until the end of February and mailed on or around the 18th of March.



Ms. Maroney is in need of parent helpers to assist with stuffing folders for the **ATR** project. If you are interested in volunteering your time, please contact Ms. Maroney at jmaroney@eacs.k12.in.us.

Leo/Grabill Sports Complex...

Leo/Grabill Sports Complex is hosting its first annual Trivia Night! Grab your friends, power up your brain and get ready for a fun-filled night of prizes, trivia, food, drinks, and loads of fun! Form a team of eight to collaborate and answer trivia questions on a variety of topics.

This a great opportunity to help the Sports Complex raise funds to further develop both the girls softball and boys baseball leagues here in Leo/Grabill. We will have a table set up on the morning of Saturday, Saturday, February 2nd, at the high school during Paw Baw. Once you've register your son or daughter for the 2013 season, stop by the table and let us know who will be on your team and how many tables you will need! Contact Beth O'Brien at 627-8939 with any questions or if you are interested in donating an item for the event.



Teacher Feature

**Spotlighting
Mrs. Zech,
First Grade Teacher...**

Hi, I am Carol Zech and I have been teaching for 36 years, all of them with East Allen County Schools. I got bumped out of buildings because of low seniority in my first few years of teaching. I didn't like it at the time, but now I am glad for the experience of teaching in all the different areas. I also was able to meet many different people and some wonderful teachers that I would not have gotten to know if it wasn't for this experience. I started out my first year of teaching at Hoagland and then went to Harlan, Highland Terrace, Woodburn, Village, Leo, and I have been at Cedarville since it opened.

I have taught 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th grades. I also taught Title 1 for several years where I worked with students who were struggling with reading skills. Most of my years in teaching have been in 1st and 2nd grade. First grade is my favorite grade to teach because I love how excited 1st graders get about learning, and their honesty! They just say what they think. Where else could I have a job where students tell me they love me every day or ask me if I am having a bad hair day?



I have always wanted to be a teacher. I have an older sister who was a teacher and I adored her! She played school with me almost every day, and she taught me to read before I even started school. I also love children, so it is the best job I could have!

I really enjoy using the SmartBoard and Ipads with the students. There are so many fun things to do with the students to teach them skills and concepts. Our class is really enjoying doing First in Math on the computer. On the Ipad, we like the books on the Tab Tale app that reads stories to us.

My husband Denny is a manufacturers' representative. I have a son, Chad, who works in Insurance Subrogation, and a daughter, Holly, who is an Occupational Therapist. I have one granddaughter, Ava Grace, who is 5 years old. Ava is such a joy, and I love spending time with her!

I think everyone who knows me, knows that I collect frogs. I have a huge collection of frogs in my classroom. I also enjoy reading and spending as much time as I can with my family. I am very blessed to have a job that I love, a wonderful family, and wonderful friends!

Family Table

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Tip of the Week:

As Valentine's Day approaches I always try to think of creative, healthy treats to make for my son and husband. It's so easy to be drawn in by the delicious looking chocolates and other baked goods. And it is okay to indulge in these delicious treats sometimes. We all do! But, I have also found that you can give into those things and still stay on track with your healthy diet. Nowadays, there are so many different things you can substitute for sugar, dyes, and other ingredients that seem to trouble our bodies. Our Family Table Pinterest page has many Valentine's Day ideas for kids, adults and even for those on a gluten free or organic diet.

Or if you choose not to make an edible treat for Valentine's Day there are also fun crafts you can make with or for your kids. This year, for Valentine's Day, I am going to write a letter to my oldest son telling them how much I love and care about him. I found the idea on Pinterest and it is called Love Letters to Your Children. This is something I know will make my son's day and he will cherish. You can also do this with other members of your family. Who doesn't want to hear how much they are loved and appreciated, right?!



Valentine's Day doesn't have to be just for couples either. It's a day you show people that you love them. You could buy someone's coffee in the Starbucks line, pay someone's parking ticket or shovel your neighbor's driveway. Get creative this Valentine's Day and spread kindness around our city!

For more information on Family Meals, visit www.FamilyTableOnline.org

Mark Your Calendar...

- 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. 11-15: Jump Rope for Heart
- Feb. 13: PTO Meeting @ LEEL 9:30 in cafeteria
- Feb. 13: Collaboration day
- Feb. 14: **Valentine's Day Parties**
- Feb. 15: Carnival Pre-Sale Raffle Sales Day
- Feb. 15: Carnival pre-sale Game Tickets go on sale and will run through Feb. 28.
- 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. 20: Collaboration day
- Feb. 22: BOX TOP\$ for Education contest ends; Popcorn/Pretzel Friday and SPIRIT DAY
- Feb. 22: Carnival Pre-Sale Raffle Sales Day
- Feb. 25: Rooms 109 and 113 to DeBrand's
- Feb. 27: Rooms 108 and 110 to DeBrand's
- Feb. 27: Collaboration day
- Feb. 28: Rooms 111 and 115 to DeBrand's
- Mar. 2: **Carnival @ LEHS**
- Mar. 6: Collaboration day

