

# THE COLT'S TALE

Monthly Newsletter



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#### **Upcoming Events**

<mark>9/2- Teacher In-service</mark> Day - NO SCHOOL

9/5- Labor Day NO **SCHOOL** 

9/19- MCAxe Assembly

9/20- New Family Dinner

<mark>9/26- Preschool</mark> Pictures (on the stage)

9/30- Picture Day (in the gym)

10/13- End 1st Quarter

10/14- NEOEA Day NO **SCHOOL** 

10/21—Grade cards for grades 3-5

10/25- Parent/Teacher Conferences Grades 3-5 4:30-8pm

10/28- Classroom Halloween Parties

11/3-Parent/Teacher Conferences Grades 3-5 4:30-8pm

<mark>11/4- Picture Re-</mark>Take day

11/9- Parent/Teacher Conferences Grades PK-2 4:30-8pm

<mark>11/10- End 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester</mark>

<mark>11/15- Parent/</mark>Teacher Conferences Grades PK-2 4:30-8pm

11/18- Parent/Teacher Conferences Grades K-5 NO SCHOOL

11/23-25- Thanksgiving

#### WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL, COLTS!

A warm welcome back to our Cloverleaf Colts family! We are so happy to see everyone in good spirits and ready to take on another exciting school year here at CES.

Whether you are new to Cloverleaf or a returning student/family, we look forward to you being a part of the Colts family and hope you'll become involved in our schools. We encourage every student and parent to embrace the opportunity to make this a great school

We have many new staff members this year. We welcome: Kelly Schaller (Speech Language Pathologist, grades Gorman K-1). Maura (Preschool Teacher), Rosa Fatica (Kindergarten Teacher), Laura Stopper (Kindergarten Teacher), Heather Shears (Speech Language Pathologist, grades 2-5), Courtney Fruits (Art Teacher), Laura Haas (Intervention Specialist), Veronica Carano (Paraprofessional), Robin

Parsons (Custodian), Gregg Briggs (Maintenance), Deputy Mark Brooks (DARE Officer), Carrie Spangler (Audiologist). We are very excited to have all of these wonderful new staff members join our Cloverleaf family.

Some of our teachers have moved to new positions this year: Ashley Bombard (Title One to Kindergarten Teacher), Kay Rickard (1st Grade Teacher to Kindergarten Teacher), Jenny Schmitt (3rd Grade Teacher to 1st Grade Teacher), and Cindy Mack (Kindergarten Teacher to 1st Grade Teacher).

We also welcome all of our new students to Cloverleaf. Each new student got the opportunity to meet with their counselor and a group of other new students at lunch time for three weeks. During this time, new students got to take a building tour, learn more about Cloverleaf, played games, and met new friends who are also new to the building this year.

Each new school year brings with it the promise of what is before us. We believe this new year will present opportunities for our school community to grow closer together and for our school to continue our quest for excellence for every learner. A commitment toward working with, understanding, and nurturing each and every child are some of the many reasons why Cloverleaf Elementary School is such a wonderful place for children to learn and grow. look forward to working with all of our students and families to make this a successful year for everyone.

#### WELCOME BACK!



#### **Important Phone Numbers**

Attendance (Sue Weir) - 330-302-0101 Registration (Chris Goodrow) - 330-302-0102 Reception (Athena McAfee) - 330-302-0103

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For the past few years our school district has focused on improving attendance. Research has proven that there is a high correlation between school attendance and academic performance and success, while absences from school is often the greatest single cause of poor performance and achievement. Below we've listed a few guidelines from our school handbook regarding excused absences:

#### Excused Absences

- Personal illness
- 2. Illness in the family
- 3. Quarantine of the home
- 4. Death of a relative
- 5. Observance of religious holidays
- Emergencies (Please contact the school regarding the nature of the emergency as soon as possible.)

## ATTENDANCE AT CES

Taking students out of school for family trips/ vacations is discouraged. However, it is recognized that some situations are unavoidable. Please notify the school in writing at least five days prior to the expected date of absence in order for the absences to be excused. Teachers will make every effort to provide assignments if prior notification has been received.

Students who are absent from school for one of the reasons listed above are required to make up the work they miss. Upon returning to school, the students will have the same number of days they missed to make up the work.

Note: Parents or guardians should notify the school on or before the day of a student's absence. If the notification is by phone, a written note should be brought in the day the child returns to school.

Absence during any part of the day for one and a half hours to four and a half hours will be counted as a half-day absence. Absence during any part of











the day for less than one and a half hours will be counted as an early dismissal or a tardy. The Ohio Revised Code requires that a parent or guardian notify the school when a child is absent. Please contact the school between 7:30 am and 9:30 am to report an absence. When reporting an absence state the name of the student, the reason for the absence, the date of the absence, and your name and relationship to the child to the secretary. The schools' direct attendance line is 330-301-0101

With the help of our Cloverleaf families, we can improve our attendance rates even more this year! Keep up the good work, families!



#### SUBS FOR MATERNITY LEAVE

This year we have 4 staff members who are out on maternity leave. These following staff members have substitutes in their positions:

- Mrs. Reep, one of our Intervention Specialist, had a baby boy born on Aug. 31. Mrs. Maag is her substitute.
- Mrs. Fruits, one of our Art Teachers, had a baby girl born in August. Mrs. Zambetti is her

substitute.

- Mrs. Stafinski, one of our School Counselors, had a baby girl born in July. Mrs. Pinkerton is her substitute.
- Mrs. Stalter, our School Psychologist, had twin boys born in June. Mrs. Lockhart is her substitute.

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR NURSES

The mission of the Nursing Services Department is to optimize student and staff health, supporting a quality education for every student every day.

Nursing services in the Cloverleaf provided Local Schools are by **Registered** Nurses (RNs) who have master's level nursing and have also taken the special education requirements to be licensed as School Nurses by the Department of Education. The elementary school has a full time RN for the building and the middle school and high school full-time share second а RN. Please contact the school nurse if your child has a medical condition, needs daily medication or has a chronic health condition, especially if that condition may affect their school day. Students with medical conditions usually attend school more regularly when parents and school nurses work together. No medication (including OTC and herbal) can be given at school without an order from your health care

provider.

The forms listed below will help facilitate your child's medical needs while at school. Please print the forms (or request them from the nurse) for the following reasons:

- 1. <u>Daily Medication form</u>: If your child needs to take a daily dose of a prescription medication or you would like to keep a medication in the clinic for occasional situations (i.e. headaches, cramps, etc.). **DO NOT** fill this form out for medication due to asthma, food or insect allergies, or seizures.
- 2. Asthma Action Plan (2 pages): This form needs to be filled out if your child needs to use or carry an inhaler at school. This form includes the medication prescribed, self-carry permission, and emergency action plan that the school is to use.



- 3. Insect or Food Allergy Plan (2 pages): This forms needs to be filled out if your child needs to use or carry an epinephrine auto injector or store other allerreaction medication qic at school. This form includes the medication prescribed, selfcarry permission, and emergency action plan that the school is to use. Remember: If selfcarrying an epinephrine auto injector, the Ohio Revised Code requires that a second one be stored in the school's clinic.
- 4. Seizure Action Plan (2 pages): This form needs to be filled out if your child needs to have medication on hand for the management of a seizure while at school. This form includes the medication prescribed and seizure management plan that the school is to use.

#### A.L.I.C.E. TRAINING AT CLOVERLEAF

During the week of August 29, our students had the first of a series of school safety trainings called ALICE.

ALICE, which stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate, was created through analysis of many armed intruder case studies in this country. It's not a one-size-fits-all method of training; rather, it gives students and teachers options beyond the traditional lock-the-door-and-hide-behind-the-desk procedures of the past.

The training will be similar to what students in Cloverleaf

schools received last year in the initial year of ALICE in Cloverleaf.

Staff members have been fully trained and are prepared to implement ALICE procedures to ensure the safest possible environment in our schools.

If you have any questions about the training, please feel free to call the school office and ask to speak to one of our principals.



Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate

## Cloverleaf Home Football Games

Recently parents have received a half sheet titled "Cloverleaf Home Football Games". This sheet was given to all Cloverleaf families to provide communication about the rules for game night at the new stadium.

-All elementary level students must be accompanied by an adult in order to gain entrance to the football game.

-Spectators are not permitted to bring balls into the stadi-

-Students are expected to be in the stands during the game unless they are moving to and from the restrooms or concessions.

-Beverages are not permitted to be brought into the stadium.

-Standing will not be permitted along the fence in front of the home side bleachers.

-Only authorized personnel will be permitted access to the press box.

-Only personnel are to stand on the track

-The band will occupy the south bleachers