



Elementary News...

May 2020

This Month at a Glance

Important Dates

- May 11th - BOE Meeting
- May 27th - BOE Meeting

A Message from Ms. Guidry

Typically, around this time, school staff members begin to receive requests for information regarding class placement decisions for the upcoming school year. Please understand that great care and time are taken when placing your children. We consider input from each child's classroom teacher, special area teachers, support staff, our school counselor, and the administration. The entire process is long and will undergo a vast amount of scrutiny, with a focus on every child's best interest. Final placement decisions are the responsibility of the school administrators.

Each class list must reflect a balance. When creating classes, many areas are given consideration, such as: academic ability, social or behavioral issues, learning styles, academic needs, boy/girl balance, along with allergies or other health concerns. It is important to note that while some grade level homerooms support the specific needs of students with individual education plans or those of gifted learners, all our homerooms support the needs of regular education students.

If you wish to write a letter sharing specific information about your child, please feel free to do so. It will be read and information will be considered.

Please see the **Placement Letter** enclosed in this week's Take Home Thursday for additional information regarding the placement process and deadline for submitting a placement input letter.



Nursing Notes

I hope you and your families are all doing well. Just a reminder to please continue to follow appropriate physical distancing when you find it necessary to go out and to wear a mask as suggested by Governor Murphy when shopping for essential items. Continue to maintain good handwashing throughout the day! Lastly, please take some time to practice self care. On the rollercoaster of life it's incredibly helpful to have an accessible mindfulness tool at our disposal at all times. Our breath is that tool. Practice bringing your awareness to the quality of your breath a few times a day. You can start by spending 15-30 seconds noticing your breath before every meal. This small practice will help you anchor yourself when needed. This can even be done together as a family before a meal or anytime throughout the day!

Please feel free to reach out to me for any questions or concerns

Be well,

Lori Blazier

School Nurse

Ask Your Student About This Month's Character Virtue...

May's Character Virtue...

Honesty

Ask your child what this word means to him or her. Then challenge your child to find everyday examples of Honesty.



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