



Sageville Elementary

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Calendar Of Events

Students will be taking Iowa Tests on Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday next week

Friday, November 13

9:45 Late Start for Professional Learning Sheriff Deputy Synder is getting his head shaved today for Special Olympics!

Monday, November 16

4:00 Team A Volleyball Game here
6:00 Band Concert @ Hempstead
7:00 PTC meeting

Wednesday, November 18

4:00 Team B Volleyball Game here

Thursday, November 19

6:00 Gr. 5 Band Concert at Audubon

Friday, November 20

Scrip orders due

9:45 Late Start for Professional Learning

Friday's Professional Learning

The staff will dig deeper into the Iowa Core in Math with teacher leader Ann Johnson and our district math coordinator Bridget Hamilton.

They will also work in their collaborative inquiry groups on student learning & instruction.

From the Desk of Miss Mac

Greetings Sageville families & friends,

The steak feed at *The Barn* was very enjoyable last Sunday. Food, Sageville family and fun! The student helpers were outstanding. Everyone was impressed with their service. Kudos to our PTC and the Breitbart's!

Congratulations to the fourth and fifth graders on their excellent musical performance highlighting **November's Bounty**. Many thanks to Mrs. Griffin for preparing the students so well. The Cranberry Boys were an added delight. I wonder if they will make more guest appearances throughout the year?

Our November celebration assembly will be held on Monday, November 30th at 9:10 a.m.

If you have snow pants or boots your children have outgrown, please consider donating them to school. We can always use extras. Thank you!

Our kindergarten students are enjoying their new creatures from the science kit
Animals 2x2!

The next school garden meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18th at 8:10 a.m. in the conference room. Kudos to Mrs. McClellan for writing a successful Theisen grant. She and two other district teachers who have school gardens will share \$2500.00.



Paul Gasser, a noted Marriage & Family Therapist is coming back to Sageville. **Save the Date! Thursday, December 3, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the gym.** He will highlight parenting skills. Babysitting will be provided for children age 2 and older.





Proclamation

WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility, and equality; and

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

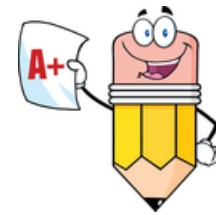
WHEREAS, education employees both in and out of the classroom work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, schools encourage community, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders, and elected officials in a common enterprise.



NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Donohue, on behalf of the Dubuque Community School District Board of Education, do hereby proclaim November 16-20, 2015, as the:

ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK



Counselor Corner-Mrs. Kaiser

During the week of November 9th – 13th I have been in grades 3 thru 5. During the month of November we continue to work on collaboration skills. In third grade the students generated a list of teamwork characteristics, then they were divided into small groups and were given a task to complete. The goal was to show good teamwork while working in their small groups. In fourth and fifth grade the students also generated a list of teamwork characteristics. The students then were divided into groups of four and did the activity cup-stacking. Again, the goal was to show good team work skills and

to examine what they could still work on as a group. Next week I will be working with small groups.

Tips for Parents: "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
-Helen Keller

<http://www.doublethebatch.com/5-ways-get-kids-cooperate-fight-less/>



Building Blocks of Reading!

Have you ever heard the term "phonics" and wondered exactly what it means? How about the term "phonemic awareness?" These are just two of the five foundational skills that are critical in a child's reading development. I know sometimes it can be intimidating to hear your child's teacher mention a term in a parent/teacher conference and you might not feel comfortable asking what it means. The IRRRC offers two resources to help families get a better understanding of those five foundational reading skills (and more). The Iowa Reading Research center has a wealth of information for parents. Copy and paste this URL for your browser and check it out now.

<http://www.iowareadingresearch.org/literacy-resources/teacher-family-resources>