



November 2017 Eisenhower Express

Eisenhower, make the world a better place by...
acting responsibly, treating others fairly, showing respect,
and being a good citizen.
And remember Eisenhower, **YOU ARE AWESOME!**



School Principal News!

~Mr. Ferguson

November 2, 2017

Dear Parents,

Hello from Eisenhower! November has snuck up on us and the weather has made a quick and significant change. And now we are almost one-third of the way done with the school year already! It's hard to believe! Progress reports will be finalized the week of November 20 to reflect student progress for the 1st trimester. You will be able to see those on PowerSchool or you can request a printed copy from the main office.

We are thankful for another successful round of Parent/Teacher/Student conferences and I thank you all for your partnership with us so that we can best help your child(ren). We had over 98% participation for the fall conferences! Thank you for making conferences a priority and for our strong collaboration to ensure we are all working together on behalf of the students. Mark your calendars for the week of February 12, 2018 when we will again meet with you for spring conferences.

The month of October saw our annual PTO sponsored Walk-a-thon! Eisenhower families and friends again went above and beyond with hard work and generosity by organizing a successful fundraiser with donations over \$15,000 for Eisenhower and YOUR children! While the weather did not cooperate and allow us to have our traditional outdoor walk-a-thon, we made the best of the situation and tried to have some fun while also encouraging healthy choices. Your generosity and the generosity of the friends, families, and neighbors who donated is much appreciated! All of the money raised stays right here at Eisenhower and goes towards fulfilling the mission of the PTO and Eisenhower. This year the money will be put towards outdoor enhancements, technology for the classrooms, and field trip funding. The prize assembly and silly string "battles" were a fun culminating activity. Thank you to everyone and especially the Eisenhower PTO volunteers!

It's November so ITP (formerly the ITBS) tests are upon us again. Students in grades 3rd-5th will take these tests during the mornings of November 7, 8, 9, 14, and 15. A letter went home in mailbags today to all families with students in those grades who will be taking the tests. We thank you for ensuring your child gets plenty of rest, a healthy breakfast, and to school on time each and every day but especially on testing days.

As we look ahead this month, our new playground equipment is in the process of being installed. The kids are excited to give it a try once it's finished. Thanks to our district buildings and grounds workers who are doing the installation. Reminder that Wednesday, November 22, is a non-school day for students but teachers will have a professional development day. The weather already feels like winter is right around the corner so thank you for making sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. We go out for recess each day that it isn't raining or below 0 degrees, and we don't want any of our students getting cold or sick due to not being dressed for the weather. Thanks for your help with that!

Have a great month of November!

Sincerely,

Andy Ferguson, Principal

School Counselor News!

~Mrs. Klein

Dear Parents,

Our guidance theme this month is "The Growth Mindset" and "Thankfulness."

With this in mind, I would like to extend my tremendous appreciation for all the care, compassion, and hard work that you provide in the raising of your children. Their thoughtfulness, good manners and caring spirits are evident as they greet us at school every day.

It is obvious that our children are growing up right before our eyes, and we are grateful to you for all that you do on their behalf. Wishing you and your family bountiful November and a wonderful Thanksgiving,

Mrs. Klein



We had a great turn out for our Back to School Night Book Fair in September. Thanks to all of your purchases, we were able to earn \$2600 in Scholastic money to purchase new books and materials for our school library! Way to go!!

Last month we had our annual Walk-A-Thon fundraiser and it was a huge success! This year we surpassed our goal of \$15,000 and we raised a total that is nearing **\$16,000!** Thank you to all of the students, families, staff and local businesses for all of your amazing support! While the weather didn't cooperate for us to be able to walk outside, the kids still had a great time dressing up for spirit week, walking in the hallways and participating in some fun classroom activities. A special "Thank You" to all of the staff and families for being so accommodating to our unexpected change of plans and for going with the flow.

We would like to thank these "Friend of Eisenhower" business sponsorships for supporting Eisenhower Elementary School with their generous donations.

- Domino's Pizza
- MMC Mechanical Contractors, Inc.
- Horsfield Construction, Inc.
- Advanced Wellness Center
- Core Investments Group, Inc.
- Lincoln Financial Group

We would also like to say "Thank You" to these businesses for donating prizes for the prize assembly.

- American Girl
- Domino's Pizza
- Better Roofing
- Steve's Ace Hardware

The new playground additions that we raised money for last year are due to arrive really soon! Keep an eye out for some exciting changes on the playground!

We have a few events coming up this month that helps support our school. We hope to see you there and thank you for your continuing support!

(Watch for further details in your child's mailbag)

- November 9th- Splash Bash
- November 19th- **Wendy's Night**

[Our next PTO meeting will be Monday, November 13th at 6:30 PM in the library.](#) Free childcare will be provided.

Every parent/guardian and Eisenhower employee is automatically a part of the PTO and we would love to have you join us. We are always looking for new ideas and suggestions to help improve our school!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at bridget_ott@hotmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 8

**5TH GRADE ARTS TREK TO THE SYMPHONY @
FIVE FLAGS**

NOVEMBER 9

SPLASH BASH 4-8 PM @ GRAND HARBOR WATERPARK

NOVEMBER 13

1ST GRADE FIELD TRIP TO HERITAGE CENTER

NOVEMBER 16

PICTURE RETAKES

NOVEMBER 21

EISENHOWER SCHOOL SPELLING BEE

PRESCHOOL PIE DAY @ 10:00 AM AND 2:00 PM

WENDY'S NIGHT 5-7 PM

NOVEMBER 22

NO SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 23

NO SCHOOL-HAPPY THANKSGIVING

NOVEMBER 24

NO SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 27

4TH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO HERITAGE CENTER