



COLLEGEWOOD

Elementary School

Dear Collegewood Families,

WOW! We are off to a great start this year! I have enjoyed being in classrooms to talk with students and observe their learning! This past month I read the book *Say Something* to each class. We discussed the power of our words.

I am proud to announce that Collegewood is the recipient of the Positive Behavior Intervention Support PLATINUM Award. This distinguished honor was earned because of the way we provide targeted academic intervention in conjunction with social-emotional learning practices in the classroom. You will see evidence of this when you visit our campus and see that all students and staff have identified goals to work on. This helps show students that we are all working on something to make ourselves the best we can be!

Please be sure to read below for additional school information. We encourage you to visit our website and sign up for Remind texts for updated information.

Fondly,

Mary Wendland, Ed.D.

PLATINUM Award for PBIS

Collegewood has been named a platinum award recipient for Positive Behavior Intervention Support. We were recognized for providing targeted academic intervention in conjunction with specific teaching of social-emotional learning strategies. This includes teaching students to breathe when their feelings get big, setting goals and identifying a support system to help them reach their goals.

Our school counselor, Ms. Robledo has organized mindfulness activities to help students in the classroom when they start to feel overwhelmed or anxious. Our approach to teaching students to take care of their emotional health has helped us show them the importance of self-care.

It is an honor to receive this award after receiving the Gold Award for the past three years. Way to go, COUGARS!



Dr. Mary Wendland
Principal

Laura O'Donnell
Elementary Learning Specialist

Tamie Liptak
School Administrative Assistant

Gaby Manganiello
Office Assistant

Upcoming Events

September 2

No School-Labor Day

September 9

Fall Picture Day

September 10

Volunteer Badge Pictures
from 8:30-10 AM through
September 13th

September 13

Kona Ice after school

September 18

8:45 AM Community Club
Meeting

Parking Lot

Please follow procedures for drop off and pick-up. We do not permit students to walk through the parking lot. We ask that ALL people, children and adults, use crosswalks in the parking lot and in front of the school. I know that having nearly 600 students enter and exit school in such a confined space is not easy and I appreciate your willingness to be flexible and patient while we work together to make this time safe for our kids.

- Please follow directions of staff and crossing guards
- Please demonstrate respectful language and patience for our students
- Please make sure your child can enter and exit the vehicle on the same side as the sidewalk so that students are not walking in the street
- Please have students keep backpacks in the car so that they are not standing between cars to put things in the trunk of the car

More Important News

Cougar Booster Drive

This fundraiser is based on direct donation which means every dollar donated goes directly to our school to purchase technology, decrease the cost of field trips, supply community events such as movie nights, etc... We are grateful for any amount you are able to give.

Emotional Intelligence and Character Development

This month we will be focused on learning about and demonstrating self-control and responsibility while identifying support systems of people that can help us when we need it. We are teaching students to name their feelings, express them with respect and self-regulate while working through their feelings.

Visual and Performing Arts

We are fortunate to have been the recipients of a grant that allows us to provide performing arts to students in Grades 1-3 to expand upon the music program offered to fourth and fifth grade students. This trimester, our third grade students will be learning dance. Be sure to follow us on twitter for pictures of these fun experiences with our students!

Parent Symposium

Please join us for our third annual Parent Symposium on September 28th from 8 AM-1 PM at Walnut High School. We will have a speaker share strategies for raising emotionally healthy children. We hope to see you there!



September 20

Spirit Assembly

September 24

Minimum Day-Parent Conferences

September 26

Minimum Day-Parent Conferences

September 28

Parent Symposium at Walnut HS 8:00-1:00

October 1

Minimum Day-Parent Conferences

October 3

Minimum Day-Parent Conferences