



Elkhart Elementary: Growing Champions!
Letter from the Principal
October 2018

Dear Families of Elkhart Elementary,

We have finished our first six weeks, and are beginning our 2nd 6 weeks! WOW! Time has flown already! October is a busy month, so get ready!

Tutorials have begun on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please be here by 4:30 to pick up your children.

Our WatchDOGS will also begin volunteering on our campus this month. We appreciate the men taking their time to help our kids read, practice PE skills, art, music, and math as well as learn to be better citizens by watching great role models as they are present in our school.

We are having a SCHOOL HOLIDAY ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 8th.

On Tuesday, Oct. 9th, we will be having a rescheduled school board meeting that had to be cancelled on Sept. 24th. We will meet in the H.S. library at 7:00 p.m. Our regular October School Board meeting will be on October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the H.S. library.

Our Elkhart Volunteer Fire Dept. will be presenting a fire prevention program to our campus on Wednesday, Oct. 10th. We appreciate these ladies and gentlemen always volunteering their time and energy for our students to teach them ways to be safe in case of a fire, as well as how to prevent them.

Our second grade will be traveling to the Palestine Civic Center on October 11th for a fire safety program.

Homecoming will be celebrated on Friday, October 12th. Our campus will be having our own homecoming parade that morning in the bus lanes at 8:30 a.m. Students can color their hair in Elkhart colors, and can wear painted faces if they wish to do so. Please come to enjoy our little ones as they parade in their mums, shake their shakers, and wave their banners!

Progress reports will go home on Friday, October 12th. (Some teachers send them home on Monday in Monday folders.)

The Big Kahuna fundraiser will be kicking off their program for us on Monday, October 15th.

The money we make from this fundraiser is always put back into the campus funds for supplies, treats, prizes, etc. for our students and staff. This fundraiser will take place through October 30th.

October 20th will be the date for our annual Fall Fest! We will meet on the softball field from 5:30-7:00. Get ready for some new and exciting booths and activities for your children!

Red Ribbon Week is October 22-26. The themes each day are:

Monday, 10/22- "Hiding from Drugs" (wear camo); **Tuesday, 10/23-** "Too Bright to do drugs!" (wear neon or bright colors); **Wednesday, 10/24-** "Hats Off to Drugs!" (wear a hat/cap) **Thursday, 10/25-** "Team up Against Drugs!" (Wear a favorite jersey); **Friday, 10/26-** "Don't be caught sleeping- Say NO to drugs!" (wear pajamas) During this week, Mrs. Farrow, our PE teacher, talks about various issues regarding drugs, and the students learn chants to perform for our assembly on Friday.

October 31st is our "Dress-Up Day!" (Please remember that we don't want violent/bloody characters to attend our school on that day. Leave all props at home.) We will have our "dress-up" parade that morning at 8:30 in the bus lanes.

Mrs. Trim wants us to remember that **October is SOCKtober**. If you can, please send **new** socks to collect for our homeless shelters and Hope Station. We are also collecting food for the Elkhart Food Bank, and Mrs. Farrow will be sending notices about what you can donate each month. Don't forget the BoxTops for Education!

Please remember that we have lunch on Fridays 15 minutes earlier than the schedule says, and we **release school at 2:20**. If you can't be here to pick up your child on time, please make arrangements for your child to ride a bus home.

As a "heads up," we will be wearing **purple on Thursday, November 1st** to represent "citizenship," our 2nd 6 weeks' character education word.

Thank you for all you do to help our "Elementary Champions" grow!

Sincerely,

Tana Herring, Principal

