



Harvard Elementary

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Mission: Toledo Public Schools' mission is to produce competitive college and career ready graduates through a rigorous curriculum across all grade levels by implementing Ohio's New Learning Standards with fidelity.

Dear Parents & Guardians,

As March signals the start of spring, it also ushers in the beginning of our testing. We have MAP testing first to check on the student's growth since December and then we have the OST's, (Ohio State Tests), in April and May. I want to reiterate the need for your children to take these tests seriously and to try their best. We would all like to celebrate expected growth and an equally successful passage rate, which would show on our district's grade card. To prepare for the testing, keep your children focused on keeping up on their homework and to pay attention to the teacher's lessons vs. the "drama" that distracts the students from learning. When the testing days arrive, please see that they get a nutritious breakfast after a good night's sleep. Please reinforce that the children should take their time on all of the tests for the most optimal results.

Now that half of 3rd Quarter is over, we have to look at possible retentions for next school year. If you have a parent request for a conference in the next two weeks, please take time out of your busy day to attend, so we as a team, can make a decision that is best for our students and your child. It shouldn't take more than 15 - 20 minutes. The final decision doesn't have to be made for two months, so there is time to make a difference, if possible. We are looking at many retentions this year. And even though we do not care to keep the students back for another year, we may have no other choice due to lack of progress.

Finally, I would like to make sure that everyone knows how important attendance is to the success of their children's academics. If they are in school and on time, they have a better chance of grasping the content in each of the subjects presented. Homework could be done easier too, if they were present and attentive during the lesson. Please see me if there are extenuating circumstances that prevent your child from attending. The new House Bill 410 is making it a law to create an intervention plan for the students with attendance issues. So let's work together to avoid a need for Truancy Mediation or an Attendance Hearing.

Thank you for entrusting your children to our care.

Sincerely, Mr. John Jordan



March 1st

*Spring Pictures

March 4th/11th/18th/25th

*Chess Club 3:15-4:00

March 5th/12th/19th/26th

*Holy Trinity Tutoring Night

March 6th

6:00 Camp Storer 5th Grade Parent Meeting (Library)

March 8th

*4th Grade to the Peristyle

March 10th

***Spring Ahead Saturday Night - Daylight Saving Time Begins!**

March 12th

*MAP K-1 Reading Begins

*MAP 2-8 Reading & Math Begins

March 13th

Truancy Mediation Day

March 14th

6:00 PTO Meeting (Library)

March 15th

***2 Hour Delay! End of 3rd Quarter**
Turn in Orders/Money Due for Pizza Fundraiser

*Wear Green/Jeans for \$1.00



March 17th

HAPPY ST. PATRICKS DAY

March 22nd

Grade Cards Mailed

March 27th

*Pizza Order Delivery – Large orders need parent pick-up!

March 28th

*Honor/Awards Programs

K-2 (9:30-9:45)

3rd & 5th (9:50-10:10)

6th-8th (10:15-10:30)



Student Safety: Please slow down! Cars are speeding through the parking lot and alley which is a **MAJOR** concern for all! We want to keep our kids safe! Everyone has places to go, be kind and patient and we all can get there safely. When dropping off, stay in the drop-off lane rather than letting your student cross in front of cars to get to the school entrance! Did you know that there are THREE "lanes" that should be followed? There are **parking spots** for parents that need to walk their preschooler/student that needs assistance inside, a **drop-off/pick-up lane** that should have zero cars parked and/or unattended cars, and an **exit lane** for those who are heading to the alley to exit campus as well as for our bus transportation. **NEVER LEAVE YOUR CAR UNATTENDED DURING DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP! YOU ARE INTERRUPTING THE FLOW OF THE PROCESS! THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF OTHERS!**

Third Quarter Honors Assembly: March 28th will be the day that we celebrate all of our students' accomplishments of the 3rd quarter. Mark your calendar: Grades K-2 (9:30), Grades 3-5 (9:50), and Grades 5-8 (10:15). We look forward to seeing you there!

PTO News: The next meeting will be on **March 14th at 6:00** in our school library. The meeting will only last an hour. If you have not attended a meeting this year, we think you will enjoy it! There are tons of upcoming fun events to plan, come and help to make them spectacular!

2-Hour Delay Day This Month: Just a reminder that there will be a 2-hour delay on Friday, March 15th for the end of the 3rd quarter; teachers will be working on grades. For their safety, please do not drop your student off earlier than 10:45 because adult supervision will not be available.

Preschool Registration: If you have a child that will be the age of 4 before the end of next September, pick up a registration form from Christie at the front desk. The registration will need to be submitted to the enrollment office at the DeVilbiss building on Upton. Spots fill up quickly and then there will be a waiting list. We just wanted to give our Harvard families a heads-up to begin this process now.

Spring Pictures: Spring Picture Day is Friday, March 1st. Students can dress up that day only if they are ordering pictures. All money is due on Spring Picture Day and can be sent in with your student or can be paid online by midnight prior to picture day.

Recess Begins Again: March 4th, the students will be on the cafeteria/recess schedule. We will conduct recess unless the temperature or wind-chill is below freezing. Keep those gloves/hats/scarf/coats out and ready to wear to school.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Mahaney: Karley Honsberger

McManus: Mwa'Quim Triplett

Kapelski: Iyanah Bills

Stebli: Timothy Buchanan

Guenin: William Myers

Diebold: Javonte Butts

Bainter: Lanier Jenkins

Marquis: Sean Mauder

Sieminski: Landon Vaughn

Ratigan: Carleigh Speelman

Pass: Elijah Yeary

Chisholm: Nathan Deck

Newhouse: Christopher Deck

Hatmaker: Vianna Johnson

Pieper: Miles Rearick

Youssef: Rose Swiatecki

Golini: Savana Sniegowski

Garand: Cameron McGovern

Hall: Jude Rutan



Little Caesar's Pizza Fundraiser Has Begun!

This is one of our big fundraisers for the year and we need your help! The top 20 sellers will be awarded a day at the zoo with lunch included! The class that sells the most will be treated to a pizza party. All who sell one item will get to Silly String Mr. Jordan. The sale runs through March 15th. All orders and money are due on that date to be included in the prizes.



HARVARD ELEMENTARY TESTING SCHEDULE English/Language Arts

Check the schedule below to find out when your student is testing. A good night's sleep, a good breakfast (at home or at school), and **ARRIVE TO SCHOOL ON TIME** is all that they need to **SHOW WHAT THEY KNOW!**



- March 26th ➔ 5th Grade
- March 27th ➔ 5th Grade
- March 28th ➔ 3rd and 5th Grades
- March 29th ➔ 3rd and 5th Grades
- April 2nd ➔ 7th and 8th Grades
- April 3rd ➔ Diebold
- April 4th ➔ Diebold, 4th and 6th Grades
- April 5th ➔ 4th and 6th Grades

Important Dress Code Reminder: During the past few months, we all have noticed that the dress code requirements need a quick reminder for many. Beginning on March 1st, during the morning announcements, students will be checked by their teachers for the appropriate dress-code attire.

- 1st offense: Sent to the office and warning is documented & parent notified on Dojo.
- 2nd offense: Sent to the office and parent/guardian is called to bring appropriate clothing. If parent/guardian is unable to be reached, the student will jump to the consequence of the 3rd offense.
- 3rd Offense: Parent called, student will serve an after-school detention.
- 4th Offense: Parent/Student meeting with administration.

ITEM	FEMALE	MALE	COLOR
SWEATERS/JACKETS No Hoods on cardigans, pullovers, jackets, sweaters and vests Light weight jackets only Collars must be worn at all times with the exception of spirit wear	Cardigans, pullovers, jackets or vest in any color fleece or fabric.	Cardigans, pullovers, jackets or vest in any color fleece or fabric.	Any color or patterns; No graphics or text.



KID'S HEART CHALLENGE

Families, it is time for your student to show heart! This year, we are launching the Kids Heart Challenge. It is your student's chance to be a Heart Hero by learning about heart health, spreading the word and raising funds to save other children. Have your student go to heart.org/kidsheartchallenge so they can take one of the three challenges and email family and friends to ask for donations. Your student will earn a glow-in-the-dark wristband just for registering online. When they get donations, they will receive Echo, Finn, and a clasp. Thank you for supporting the physical and emotional well-being of our students and the American Heart Association. The Kids Heart Challenge will run from 3/18 to 3/29 during PE classes and all money collected for the American Heart Association will be due 4/1. More information will be coming soon! Mrs. Smith (Phys. Ed Teacher)

<p>TOPS In addition to traditional polo shirts and other allowed tops, TPS/School spirit wear t-shirts, sweatshirts; hooded and crew neck are also allowed. Collars must be worn at all times with the exception of spirit wear</p>	<p>Blouses with a collar, traditional polo shirts with collars as well as turtlenecks, sweaters & cardigans. The items listed below must be TPS/School spirit wear ONLY t-shirts and sweatshirts; hooded and crew neck.</p>	<p>Dress shirts, polo or oxford button down shirts with collars as well as turtlenecks, sweaters & cardigans. The items listed below must be TPS/School spirit wear ONLY t-shirts and sweatshirts; hooded and crew neck.</p>	<p>Any color or patterns ; No graphics or text.</p>
<p>BOTTOMS No sweat suits for either males or females Pants must be worn at the waist No Jeans, jeggings, leggings or yoga pants allowed</p>	<p>Skirts, jumpers, casual pants, slacks, shorts or skorts and capris. All items must be just above knee length or longer.</p>	<p>Dress, casual, or corduroy pants as well as knee length shorts.</p>	<p>Any solid colors of Dark Blue/Navy, Khaki/Tan, Black, Brown, or Gray. No graphics or text.</p>
<p>SHOES/BOOTS/TENNIS SHOES</p>	<p>Shoes/boots with enclosed heels and toes. No platforms or slippers.</p>	<p>Shoes/boots with enclosed heels and toes. No platforms or slippers.</p>	<p>Any color or pattern; No graphics or text.</p>



*New DOJO Incentive Contest
Coming Soon!*

*Earn 95% From March 25th -
May 17th To be included in the
ULTIMATE reward day!*