



West Ottawa Public Schools

Preparing Students to Be College, Career and Life Ready!



Lakewood Newsletter

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Michael Ghareeb, *Principal*

Sue Noble, *Secretary*

Greetings Lakewood Families,

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend parent teacher conferences this past Thursday. If you were not able to attend, it's not too late. We have another round of conferences this coming Tuesday from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. If you are already scheduled, thank you for doing so. If you have not yet scheduled a conference with your child's teacher, please do so as soon as possible. Our goal each year is to have 100% attendance at conferences both in the fall and in the spring.

Please be sure that when coming to the school for any reason, that all parents park in the parent lot (the lot furthest South on 168th). There have been many instances where our staff has not been able to find a parking spot in the staff lot. We have staff members coming and going all day long, so there are many people who are not here for the entire day. It's important that traveling staff have easy access to their vehicles to be able to get from location to location efficiently to best be able to serve our students across the district.

Finally, our new season of Panther Pathways will begin on November 1st. We have two opportunities for the upcoming season and they are Girls Basketball and Design Challenge. We have a number of participants currently signed up, but it's not too late to get involved. If your child would like to participate, please contact the office and we'll go over the details with you.

Please feel free to reach out to me at any time if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached directly at ghareebm@westottawa.net or at (616) 786-1300 ext. 3099.

Sincerely,

Michael Ghareeb



IMPORTANT DATES

Oct:

25

Parent/Teacher Conferences

5 - 8 pm

28

Student Half Day

Dismissal 11:52

Nov:

1st

Panther Pathways

3

Report Cards

View in Parent Portal

10

Veterans Day Assembly

CHECK OUT THE PTO PAGE FOR UPCOMING EVENTS



Lakewood Elementary School is proud to honor some of our nation's veterans with a school-wide assembly on **Thursday, November 10 at 10:00**. The assembly is a great way for us to show our appreciation to local veterans. In addition, it gives the students a chance to recognize the many men and women who have served our country in various ways.

The veterans will also be invited to a reception at **9:30**, prior to the assembly.

We need your help! Do you know of any veterans who would like to attend our Veterans' Day Assembly? If so, please invite them! Please return the bottom portion of this letter to the Lakewood office by **Monday, November 7th** if you know of a veteran who is able to join us for this special occasion. Please feel free to send in a photo of your veteran to display in the showcase as well by Monday, November 7th

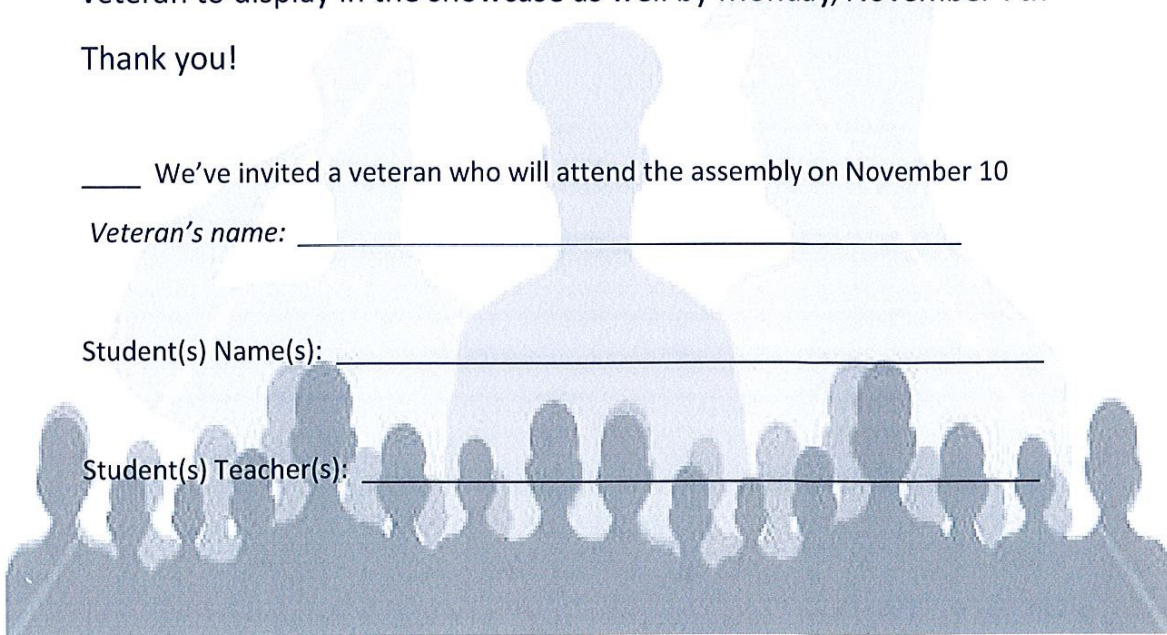
Thank you!

_____ We've invited a veteran who will attend the assembly on November 10

Veteran's name: _____

Student(s) Name(s): _____

Student(s) Teacher(s): _____



Need to contact the office?

Office Hours

Monday through Friday
7:45 AM—4:15 PM

Phone

(616) 786-1300

Email

nobles@westottawa.net

Sue Noble

Building Secretary



Visit the West Ottawa Public Schools website at www.westottawa.net for information on bus-
ing, food service, school calendar, etc.

Have you signed up for a Parent Portal account?

Access your child's student data from any-
where with Internet access! Visit
www.westottawa.net/parent-portal to log in or
for instructions on registering your account.



Volunteering?

Remember to submit a

Volunteer Profile

Click here for the link

[https://docs.google.com/forms/
volunteer](https://docs.google.com/forms/volunteer)

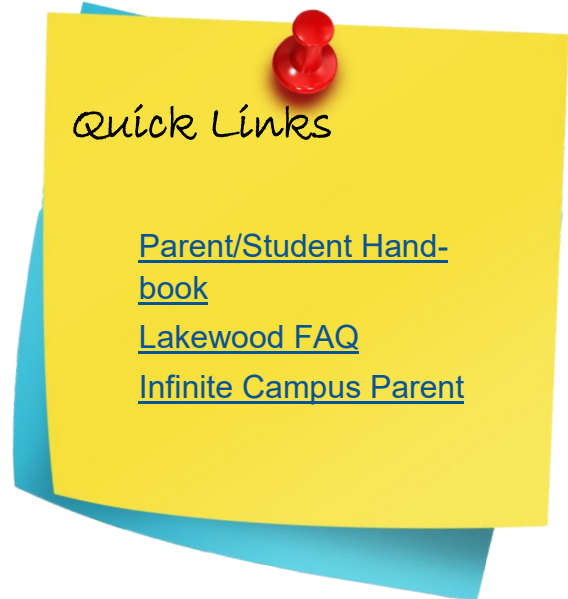
FOOD SERVICES

Need to add money to your student lunch account?

1. Call 616.786.1300 to receive your student's number
2. Click here to set up your account

<https://westottawa.familyportal.cloud/>

Apply for free and reduced lunches at the link
above



Get in the Loop with Lakewood!

Morning Drop Off

The morning bell rings at 8:36 AM. **Students arriving after 8:36 are considered tardy.**

To drop off a late student, please park in the south parking lot and walk your student to the front office.

Please remember to sign in your student.

Student Pick Up

If you need to pick up a student before normal dismissal time, please **give the front office a call** and email **your student's teacher**.

After 9:00 AM, you can park in the driveway directly in front of the office.

Please remember to sign out your student.



Please **do not** park in the circle drive by the front office between 8-9am and 3-4pm.

You may park in the large parking lot on the southside of the building.

Our special needs buses use the circle drive during those times and need full access to the drive to safely pick up and drop off our special needs students. Thank you for understanding!

SICK STUDENTS

Illness happens—we understand! If your student must stay home due to illness, **please call the front office. Tell us your student's name, teacher, and symptoms.**

Call 616-786-1300 and press "1" for the attendance line.

If a student becomes ill while at school, we may send the student home for monitoring with a parent or guardian. **Ensure your contact information and preferred emergency contacts are up to date in your student's file!**

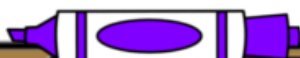


NORMAL ILLNESS PROCEDURE

To reduce the spread of any illness within the school, we ask that you keep your child home if they are sick.

Please also keep your child home until they are 24-hours free of vomiting, diarrhea, and fever (without the use of fever-reducing medication).

And, of course, keep your child's teacher and the front office posted.



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The Great Start Readiness Program

The GSRP is a state-funded program for low-income families or families with certain environmental risks. To qualify, children must be four years old by September 1st of the enrollment year *and* proof of income submitted.

West Ottawa offers the GSRP at Pine Creek Elementary, Great Lakes Elementary, and Lakewood Elementary.

APPLY
HERE

Or visit www.helpmegrowottawa.org for more information,

Or call a **Care Coordinator** at Help Me Grow Ottawa: **(844) 233-2244**

SPANISH SPOTLIGHT WITH SEÑORA DILLON

Second graders are learning calendar vocabulary. We will have a Spanish days of the week song using sign language movements. Also, students will practice the Spanish months. Did you know that Spanish days and months are not capitalized?



One great resource is my website with online games and activities to practice Spanish:

<http://senoradillon.weebly.com/>





ART News



Please visit the Google Sites link below to keep up to date with all the awesome things happening in our Lakewood art room.

<https://sites.google.com/westottawa.net/mrs-halls-art-news/home>

Don't forget!

ART Makes You SmART!

Mrs. Hall





Moving with Metz!!

Hi Lakewood Families,

I hope you're having a great week. In Physical Wellness we are right in the middle of indoor soccer in all classes. We've worked on our soccer skills and it's now time for us to start to use those skills in game-like situations. So far, students are playing hard and having a lot of fun. It's great to see. Have a fantastic day!

Mr. Metz





LAKWOOD - WEST OTTAWA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

THE TECH LAB

Week of 10/17 - 10/21



Happy Digital Citizenship Week!

This week students have been sharing their knowledge and understanding of digital citizenship and cyber safety. Lower elementary students learned how staying safe online is similar to staying safe in the real world, and explained rules for traveling safely on the internet. Students also were able to recognize the differences between private information (what we shouldn't share) and personal information (favorite hobbies, food, etc) that are ok to share! Students discussed how to also say good-bye to technology when it seems really hard to! Ask them to show you the "Pause, breathe, finish up" routine!

Upper elementary students also focused on personal and private information and displayed what they learned by creating a Canva poster. We also discussed how online activities affect the digital footprints of themselves and others.

Students visited Interland, a favorite game that focuses on digital safety and citizenship!

I hope you all have a wonderful, happy weekend!

~Mrs. Fredrickson
fredricksonk@westottawa.net



Lakewood students are busy in music class learning a collection of patriotic songs as we approach our Veterans Day assembly on **Thursday, November 10th**. We are delighted to return once again to a face-to-face celebration.

Songs we are learning include, “America, the Beautiful”, “America” (also known as “My Country ‘tis of Thee”) and our national anthem, “The Star-Spangled Banner”. In addition, students are preparing a beautiful song entitled, “Thank You Soldiers”, as well as a student favorite, “This is My Country”.

Many students like to practice our songs and movements outside of school. Listed below are the YouTube links to some of the songs we are learning.

Links:

“America, the Beautiful”: <https://youtu.be/YMmRK3rEVfk>

“Thank You Soldiers”: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PYw0qQIPNHE>

“This is My Country”: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EyHYbfUfFH0>

Choreography: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZaAi1wooYus>

“Star Spangled Banner”: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=skhdXSJK5nM>



PTO EVENTS

Fall 2022



HIKING CLUB

OCTOBER 26TH

POPCORN FRIDAYS

OCTOBER 21ST, NOVEMBER 4TH & 18TH

CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER

OCTOBER 25TH 4-8PM

TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 28TH 6-7:30PM

VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY

NOVEMBER 10TH

FALL BOOK FAIR

NOVEMBER 14TH - 17TH

FAMILY NIGHT NOVEMBER 17TH 4-7PM

PTO MEETING

NOVEMBER 15TH 3:45PM



Simple Ways to Support LAKEWOOD ELEMENTARY PTO



Simply by shopping at any local Family Fare or D&W Fresh Market and sending your receipts to school with your students, you can help us achieve our next goal!

For Every \$150,000 in receipts we collect, we will earn a \$1,000 donation from SpartanNash! With your support - and your receipts - we'll be continuing to raise money for Lakewood!

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DID YOU KNOW?!

When you shop online for your friends & family, Amazon will donate a portion of your purchases to our school. It's easy! Here's how:

- Head to <https://smile.amazon.com/>
- Login to your Amazon account
- Choose "Lakewood Elementary PTO" as your charity
- Start shopping!

OR

- Download the Amazon app on your phone
- Log into your Amazon account
- Go to Settings > AmazonSmile and "turn it on"
- Choose "Lakewood Elementary PTO" as your charity
- Start shopping!

LAKEWOOD ELEMENTARY PTO

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BOOK FAIR!
COMING SOON!

NOVEMBER 14TH-17TH

8:45AM-3:30PM

Monday & Tuesday classroom preview/wishlist days
Wednesday & Thursday classroom shopping days

FAMILY NIGHT!

NOVEMBER 17TH 4PM-7PM

Come shop as a family and enjoy a sweet treat



Lakewood Library News



We are looking forward to a great year in the library

Ask your student about how they picked a book

and have them share their choice with you.

Library Check-Out Days

Tuesday & Thursday



Thank You!

Thank you Lakewood Families and PTO for the delicious food brought in during Parent Teacher Conferences and the Coffee/Parfait Friday.

Greatly Appreciated.

From Lakewood Staff.

Miles of Smiles

Dental Services



Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Miles of Smiles (MOS) dental program was established in 1995 and provides dental services for children at approximately 30 Ottawa County Schools annually. The mobile unit is 40 feet long, has 2 patient rooms, digital x-ray, waiting area and a wheel chair lift.

Unfortunately, MOS will not be visiting your child's school this year. However, we want to inform you that your child can be seen on our mobile unit when we locate at another Ottawa County School.

If your child/children have the qualifications listed below, please use the link or QR code to complete the dental consent form for each of your children.

Children 0-20 years old with **Medicaid insurance/Healthy Kids Dental or uninsured** who:

- Live or attend school in Ottawa County
- Do not have a dentist
- Have not had a dental checkup in the last 6 months
- Qualify financially

Click link below (Ctrl+Click):

[Electronic Miles of Smiles Application](#)



*If you have any questions or concerns please call **1-616-393-5694**.*

Sincerely,

Megan Arreola, RDH (*she, her, hers*)

Dental Hygienist/Practice Manager

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O: (616) 393-5797 / F: (616)393-5643

Lakewood Panther Pathways Fall 2022 Schedules

Come and cheer on your Lakewood friends!!

Games start at 3:50

Girls Volleyball

Date	Teams	Site
10/4/22	Sheldon Woods vs Lakewood	LW
10/6/22	North Holland vs Lakewood	LW
10/12/22	Pine Creek vs Lakewood	LW
10/18/22	Great Lakes vs Lakewood	LW
10/24/22	Lakewood vs Waukazoo #1	WZ

Boys Soccer

Date	Teams	Site
10/4/22	Sheldon Woods vs Lakewood	LW
10/6/22	North Holland vs Lakewood	LW
10/12/22	Pine Creek vs Lakewood	LW
10/18/22	Great Lakes vs Lakewood	LW
10/24/22	Lakewood vs Waukazoo #1	WZ