

October 2019

Upcoming Events:

<u>October</u>

7th 6:30 PTO Meeting in the Manchester Library
9th-10th 5th Grade Outdoor Ed
14th Red Ribbon Week
16th Respect Assembly
17th End of 1st Quarter
18th Teacher Inservice
21st Health Screenings
31st 2:00 p.m. Halloween Parties

<u>NOVEMBER</u>

4th 6:30 PTO Meeting in the Library 4th-7th Book Fair

5th 6:00 2nd Grade Music Program 7:00 3rd Grade Music Program

7th 5:30-7:30 p.m. Pancake Man and Book Fair Event

11th 9:00 a.m. Veterans Day Program 19th 6:00 4th Grade Music Program

7:00 5th Grade Music Program 27th One Hour Early Dismissal 28th-29th Thanksgiving Break

From Mrs. Addink:

I want to thank you for valuing the collaboration that occurs during Parent Teacher Conferences. Once again Manchester had 100% attendance, which is quite impressive! Our students excel because of the strong working relationship between home and school; thank you!

Please notice the dates at the left and the updated PTO calendar at the end of the newsletter.

Please call or email if I can be of assistance.

Sarah Addink, 402-289-2590 saddink@epsne.org

Links

SODEXO-Lunch

https://www.elkhornweb.org/parents/lunch/lu nch-account/

MANCHESTER WEB PAGE https://www.elkhornweb.org/manchester/

EPS 2019-20 Calendar

Lunch & Recess

We welcome parents to join their child during the designated grade level lunch period.

Find out more at:

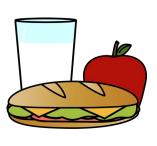
www.ManchesterPTO.com

evenings.

Manchester PTO meets

monthly on Monday

Grade	Lunch	Recess
Kindergarten	10:55-11:20	11:20-11:40
	Recess	Lunch
First Grade	11:00-11:20	11:20-11:40
Second Grade	11:15-11:35	11:35-11:55
Third Grade	11:40-12:00	12:00-12:20
Fourth Grade	12:00-12:20	12:20-12:40
Fifth Grade	12:20-12:40	12:40-1:00



Workroom Volunteers

If you are available and interested, we would appreciate extra help in our workroom with material preparation. The dates are found on the sign-up genius link below.

Workroom Volunteer Sign-up

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Junior Achievement

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM?

At Manchester we offer the Junior Achievement program to all grades K-5, but we need parent volunteers to make it successful. We are asking parent volunteers to share their time for 30-45 minutes during five visits. Junior Achievement enhances the students' understanding of the local economy. Student lessons teach about spending, saving, business, and many more topics.

Grades 3-5 will have JA in the Fall and K-2 will need volunteers in Winter/Spring.

If you can help, contact Candice Milone at cmilone@epsne.org and give your name and your child's teacher. Thank you for making a difference!

Arctic Adventure Scholastic Book Fair

Make plans now to visit our "Arctic Adventure" Scholastic Book Fair November 4-7! Every book fair purchase benefits our school and this year our goal is to sell \$9,500 worth of books. We earn books and money for our media center based on our total sales. This money is used to buy books, PebbleGo, and Playaways for our library.

Book fair hours will be:

Monday, November 4 th	2:45-4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, November 5 th	2:45-4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 6 th	2:45-4:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 7 th	2:45-7:00 p.m.

On Thursday, November 7th, come eat pancakes with the Pancake Man and stay and shop at our book fair.

If you are unable to stop in at our book fair, you can shop our online book fair from October 26-November 8. Check out our book fair webpage at <u>http://www.scholastic.com/bf/manchesterelementaryschool</u> for more information. Hope you see you at our book fair!





October Counseling Corner

School Counseling:

- Red Ribbon Week October 14th-17th (see handout)
- RESPECT: Assembly October 16th K-5

There are many programs through our school and community for families during the Fall and Holiday seasons. Here are a few programs that are available:

<u>Counseling:</u>

- Arbor Family Counseling (Every Elkhorn Public School student may have 2 free visits) Phone: 402-330-0960 Website: <u>www.arborfamilycounseling.com</u>
- Nebraska Family Helpline: I-888-866-8660 or <u>www.nebraskafamilyhelpline.ne.gov</u>

Families in Need:

- Celebration of Giving Project: This program provides families with gifts around the holidays. (Due November 2nd to participate) (Please contact me at: <u>swiley@epsne.org</u> if you would like to participate)
- Snack Pack program: Your child will receive snacks every Friday to take home for the weekends.

Outside Programs for Parenting Websites:

 Love and Logic: 800-338-4065 or loveandlogic.com (Great Parenting Website)

Community Programs for Health Care:

- Healthcare: Kids Connection of Nebraska (DHHS): Health insurance for kids: Medicaid: Omaha (402) 595-1178 and Economic Assistance: Omaha (402) 595-1258
- One World Health: 402-734-4110
- C.O.P.E.: Food, Clothing & Assistance: 3434 North 204th Street Elkhorn, NE 68022 Phone Number- (402) 616-2330

<u>Guidance Class:</u>

During the month of October the main focus is Self Regulation Skills (coping with difficult feelings for K-5). Please let us know if you have questions. Thank You!

Shelly Wiley, School Counselor, <u>swiley@epsne.org</u>



Dear Manchester Families,

Our Manchester PTO has once again teamed up with Square 1 Art!

What is Square 1 Art?

Square 1 Art is a unique kind of fundraiser. Besides raising money for both our PTO and art department, Square 1 aligns itself with learning goals and curriculum. It allows students the opportunity to create a masterpiece in art class, then purchase their work on items such as magnets, keychains, T-Shirts - the list is pretty impressive!

How does it work?

Every student makes a project in art class. This project is made on special paper. The projects are then sent to Square 1 Art. Once received, Square 1 will send each student an order packet with complimentary stickers showing how their artwork turned out. These will arrive in Friday Folders. Parents and guardians are then given a window of time to order items. A portion of proceeds goes directly to our PTO!

What do I need to do?

Keep your eyes open for the Square 1 Art order form. Ask your student what they have made in art class for Square 1, and check out the Square 1 website to see what items will be available to purchase and learn more about the company! Website: <u>https://www.square1art.com/</u>

Thank you for supporting the art department, the PTO, and the artistic accomplishments of your children! It is so appreciated! - Mrs. Chelsey Bang, Manchester Art Teacher

September Pawsitive Pride Winners

These students were caught being respectful, responsible, and safe!

Art: Quinn C. Music: Sricharan T. PE: Trasyn A. Kindergarten: Charlotte A., Kyrav R., Marley B., Quinn B., Camila B.

| <mark>First Grade</mark>: Amelia B., Ryden Z., Ty M., Anabelle B., | Sawyer R.

Second Grade: Bahaar W., Neva W., Olivia O., Bryce K., Harper O.

Third Grade: Leah J., Ella T., Sehaj C., Gabby H., Isaac T. Fourth Grade: Grace H., Asher S., Charlie L., Grady W. Fifth Grade: Berkeley F., Grant S., Camden H., Aidan M.

The monthly Pawsitive Pride Red Ticket winners will eat lunch with Mrs. Addink on Friday, October 4th!





The Box Tops program is changing to an app, making it easier to earn cash for Manchester! See the instructions on the last page of this newsletter for more information. For questions contact Megan Wagner at <u>meganLwagner@hotmail.com</u>

Health Screenings

Student Health Screens of height, weight, hearing, and vision will be performed at Manchester on Monday, October 21st from 8:15 a.m.-approximately 11:00 a.m. 32 volunteers are needed in order to make this go as smoothly and quickly as possible. No medical background is needed and nurses will give instructions at 8:00. Please use the sign-up genius link to sign-up to help. (No younger siblings please.)

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10 C0C48AAA923A3FA7-manchester1

Thank you so much for your help! Sara Bird and Becky Jefferson Manchester PTO Health Screen volunteer coordinators



The Manchester staff would like to thank the numerous volunteers who worked tirelessly to plan and execute a successful fundraiser and enjoyable family color run! Thank you to the PTO committee: Amanda Becker, Jen Bohlsen, Sarah Freeland, Shelli Klemke, Melanie Krings, Tami Kruse, Kari Marcley, Mary Metschke, Kayla Navin, Betsy Peter, Julie Studer, and Katie Wills!

Also, thank you to the multiple families who donated delicious food for our staff during conferences. Thank you to Anne Revers for organizing, setting up, and cleaning up.

We truly appreciate all of the volunteers!



Manchester Directory Managed by Manchester PTO

The Manchester Online Directory has been great for connecting parents with other parents in order to establish social connections outside of school.

Signup is not mandatory and parents have control over the information published. We hope that you can utilize the FREE online directory to keep connected.

This will also be the place that you can find signup information for upcoming events and those registered will also receive newsletters from the Parent Teacher Organization.

The past couple of years, the school has used MySchoolAnywhere as their online directory. Unfortunately, the company was acquired by Membership Toolkit and MySchoolAnywhere will no longer be active. Information was transitioned to Membership Toolkit BUT with all these transitions, there have been glitches to work through and your patience is appreciated during this process.

Which means, for those previously registered with MySchoolAnywhere, their main emails ARE tied to the Membership Toolkit system. Please create a NEW USER ACCOUNT for Membership Toolkit with THAT email. You will make a new password with your new user account and then be able to verify or update any information transferred. https://manchesterpto.membershiptoolkit.com/login

If you are NEW to the school and have never registered yourself or student(s), you will also create a NEW USER ACCOUNT with Membership Toolkit. Your email address will not be in the system thus you are creating an entirely new account and will have to add ALL the information. https://manchesterpto.membershiptoolkit.com/login

And with every new year, please remember to assign your student to a teacher, to make for searching fellow classmates a bit easier.

Also remember to save information!

Download the new app and get started! OR use your internet browser, however if you are using a tablet/smartphone, it is easier with the app.

<u>https://manchesterpto.membershiptoolkit.com/directory_options</u> Apologies in advance with the new directory and website. If there are questions, please contact kerrydepewphotography@gmail.com





OCTOBER 2019

District Reminders

TECH SAVVY PARENT TIPS - APPS TO KNOW

Classlink: Elkhorn Public Schools



ClassLink is a single sign-on platform that allows students to use one username and password to access online resources already being used in the classroom, including online textbooks, Moodle courses, and more. ClassLink saves all school related passwords within the security of your ClassLink password

ClassLink is a safe, secure way for students to connect with applications and resources. The website does not collect or share any personal student information, which is important to us. Best of all, it is very easy to use and is a great resource for students and families.

Information about getting started with Classlink for EPS students can be found here.

PowerSchool App



The Elkhorn Public Schools District uses a student information system called PowerSchool. This is a web-based system with a mobile app option that is intended to provide parents and students with a tool to review student progress. An important feature in PowerSchool is parent/guardian access.

This feature offers real-time access to attendance, class information and the option to update student information easily. Students in grades 3-12 also have the ability to view current grades.

PowerSchool also offers parents a single sign on method so they have the ability to link multiple student accounts together and access the accounts via one login and password.

Activity Scheduler: rSchool Calendar



EPS middle and high schools use on an online calendar called rSchool to track all events and activities. rSchool also has an app option for individuals to view their schools rSchool calendar and view events by date or by activity category.

To use the app, download Activity Scheduler in your phone's app store and choose the your school based on the conference they are part of. To view and subscribe to any building's calendar, click <u>here</u>. For reference, Elkhorn High School and all EPS middle schools are part of the Eastern Mid Conference and Elkhorn South High School is part of the Metro Conference.

Elkhorn Public Schools Policy 507.13—Internet Safety Policy was written in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act. Tech Savvy Parent tips are intended to inform and educate parents of technology that may be available to their students. Tips may feature apps that are educational as well as those that may be a cause for concern to parents.



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NATIONAL RED RIBBON CAMPAIGN October 14th-17th

THEME: "How to be Kind in an Electronic World" "I Love My Drug Free Selfie"

Manchester Elementary will join with schools all over the country in celebrating Red Ribbon Week from October 14th through the 17th. This week is a reminder of making healthy life decisions and responsible choices, free of drugs. Manchester will also be collecting hygiene items for the Open Door Mission. (e.g. Shaving cream, soap, socks, Kleenex, etc)

We will be celebrating the week with the following themes: (Wear your Red Ribbons all week)

- Monday (10/14) "Team up Against Drugs" Wear favorite Team Jersey
- Tuesday (10/15) "Superhero Selfie" Dress up as your favorite superhero/role model.
- Wednesday (10/16) "Being Kind is No Sweat"-wear workout or exercise clothes. Assembly Today: RESPECT: "Net Nanny" Grades 3-4-5 (Digital Citizenship 1-2:00 pm) and "Stop and Think" K-1-2 (Making Good Choices 2:15-3:00 pm)
- Thursday (10/17)" School SPIRIT Day": Wear Manchester Shirts or Colors.
- ≻ Friday (10/18) No School
- Manchester will be collecting Hygiene items for the Open Door Mission. Here is a website to see the items they need: <u>https://www.opendoormission.org/volunteer/hygiene-kits/</u>

The Pancake Man, Balloon Brigade, Face Painting & Book Fair Family Night OH MY! Thurs., Nov. 7th from 5:30-7:30!!



Join us on Thurs., Nov. 7th from 5:30-7:30pm for The Pancake Man, Balloon Brigade, Face Painting and Book Fair Family Night at Manchester Elementary! The cost is \$5 per plate.

The Balloon Brigade will be there to make your favorite balloon creation as well as Elkhorn Highschool volunteers for face painting! Be sure to also shop the Book Fair in the Library after dinner!

The PTO needs volunteers like YOU to help with the event! Your help is much appreciated.

Sign-up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044CAAAB2AA3F58-pancake





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- 2. Give your receipt to your favorite school
- 3.Hy-Vee donates \$1 for every \$200 of receipts collected*

*See store for complete details and program specifics

.Program runs Thursday, September 1st though Saturday, December 31st 2019.

.Includes all Omaha, Papillion, and Plattsmouth.

.All schools (public &private) In the Omaha, Papillion, and Plattsmouth area are invited to participate.

Help raise money for your school-IT'S EASY!

MANCHESTER ELEMENTARY | 2019-2020 DISTRICT & PTO CALENDAR*

2019-2020 Manchester PTO Board President - Shelli Klemke Vice President - Sarah Freeland Treasurer - Mary Metchke Secretary - Amy Ruhlman Communications - Kolleen Benjamin PTO Meetings are held the first Monday of the month in the Manchester library. FREE CHILDCARE PROVIDED!	Get Connected Website: http://www.manchesterpto.com Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Manches terPTO/ Email: manchesterpto1@gmail.com	J A NU A RY 2020 S M T W Th F S 0 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	 Dec 23-Jan 3 Winter Break 3 Teacher In-service NO School 6 PTO Meeting 6:30 10 Kindness is Contagious Assembly 13-17 Kindness is Contagious Week 20 Teacher In-Service NO School 27 Kindergarten Round-up Parent Meeting 6:00 31 Kindergarten Round-up, No School for Current Kindergartners
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