

November 2018

West Bay

Elementary

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

West Bay Families,

Once again we've had 100% attendance for our fall conferences! Thank you on behalf of the entire West Bay staff! We appreciate you scheduling time to visit with us about your child's progress. Strong home-school communication contributes to the success of our students.

Don't forget to send warm clothing with your child for walking club and recess. We will be going outside for recess as often as we can until the real feel temps are below 20 degrees.

A few reminders for drop off and pick up. Please remember we cannot have students dropped off before 7:55 unless they are here for breakfast. Students who come for breakfast will be charged \$1.50.

Thank you for your ongoing support, please feel free to email or call me if you have questions or concerns!

Jen Coltvet-Principal
jcoltvet@epsne.org
402-289-9045

Please go to the West Bay website and scroll down to LUNCH to find the menus. You can also use this link to add money to your child's lunch account.

<https://www.elkhornweb.org/parents/lunch/lunch-account/>

WEST BAY WEB PAGE:

<https://www.elkhornweb.org/westbay/>

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOVEMBER

- 2nd Health Screenings (K-4th and new students)
- 5th 6:30 PTO Meeting
- 6th WB is a Polling Place
- 12th Veterans Day Program 8:30
- 15th 4th Grade Music Program 6:00
5th Grade Music Program 7:00
- 22nd & 23rd NO School-Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 3rd 6:30 PTO Meeting
- 21st Winter Assembly
- 21st End of the Second Quarter
- 24th-January 4th No School Winter Break

Please go to the West Bay website to check the online calendar. [Click here: West Bay Website](#)

Veterans Day Program

Monday Nov. 12th
Starting at 8:25

Hero Wall- In place of our traditional video, we are going to try a new way of honoring our loved ones who have served our country. Send a photo (no priceless originals please!) labeled with your child's name and the name of the hero in the photo to the office by Nov. 9th. All labeled photos will be displayed for the whole month of November and sent home with your child. Family members are welcome to attend! We'd love to honor and recognize any Veterans who can attend our program on the 12th.

3220 South 188th Avenue OMAHA, NEBRASKA

402-289-9045

Artist Challenge Winners

Sahana Iyer - First Grade
Lila Murphy - Second Grade
Jayde Murray - Second Grade
Aubrey Borkowski - Third Grade
Dane Michalski - Third Grade
Cooper Smith - Third Grade
Taj Somasegaran - Third Grade
Taylin Kessler - Fourth Grade
Emily Shu - Fourth Grade
Adelyn Stater - Fourth Grade
Evelyn Thompson - Fourth Grade
Mara Babias - Fifth Grade
Savanna Bradley - Fifth Grade
Yalini Lakshmanan - Fifth Grade
Laini Michaelis - Fifth Grade



Aubrey Borkowski - Third Grade

Paws-itively Awesome Students

These students were caught being safe, respectful and responsible! As a part of our Positive Behavior System at West Bay we recognize students for their actions with TIGER TICKETS.

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| Sam Jahn | Remy Swartz | Ethan Englund | Reid Miller | Allison Hill |
| Alexa Kothari | Lucas Regier | Brady Belcher | Mia Rowe | Rylan Meier |
| Ilyas Abdulrahimzai | Whitney Wilson | Hudson McCoy | Gavin Toffle | Libby McMahan |
| Parker Johnson | Mason Schlueter | Charles Lanoha | Pyper Songster | Danica Christensen |
| Ethan Whitham | Mason Fehringer | Marin Wyant | Kaaviyan | Mara Hill |
| Coltin Bonella | Eli Hamilton | Cora Heinz | Narasingam | Hayden Richter |
| Jack Pesek | Olivia Boll | Nikhil Singh | Joslyn Hudnall | Ella Fowler |
| Presley Keber | Hadley Johnson | Sloane O'Mara | Finn Shipp | Gavin Lance |
| Grace Cota Trader | Jovi Thomalla | Adalei Stumme | Rielle Fisher | Thea Marasco |
| Landon Polzin | Siddharth Rai | Amelia Arnold | Gavin Konsel | Liam Eisele |
| Landon Scarcy | Sarah Pappalil | Addison Safford | Grant Volzke | Liam Scarcy |
| Cal Kasinger | Jo Jo Anderson | Elijah Stumme | Audrey Gibson | Marin Wyant |
| Kate Wanzek | Sam O'Neill | Noah Valleley | Jacoby Sneller | Lucy Mathis |
| Hayden Fitzgibbon | Ella Cook | Harper Keber | Jack Feeny | Jett Josoff |
| Alexis Jackson | Adelyn Stater | Colin McEnroe | Nolan Joslin | Ryleigh Deaton |
| Lincoln Keber | Elijah Stumme | Laini Michaelis | Kinley Lauridsen | Jacob Sceals |
| Emersyn Wragge | Alexa Taylor | Matthew Huh | Emily Johnson | Dane Michalski |
| Lexi Rich | McKenna Stallmann | Jake Madott | Molly Ackels | Ayla Peterson |
| Jordan Brumbaugh | Niko Contonis | Lincoln Keber | Jett Thomalla | Presley McCawley |
| Ratna Kang | Gavin Lance | JoJo Anderson | Chloe Jones | Kate Helzer |
| Sameer Chandra | Hamzah Alsaleem | Nick Geiger | Topher Tsai | Tennyson Kelsey |
| Mara Babias | Arina Shaposhnikova | Barrett Polzin | Marley White | Jordyn McMahon |
| Aidan Straub | Leyton Michaelis | Paris Zurn | Gabi Wilson | Gloria Dei |
| Kylie Holloway | Logan Sharp | | Vylah Karre | Blair Zaversnik |
| Gavin Ourada | Adi Pemberton | | Ella Sokol | Dempsey Richter |

WEST BAY PTO INFORMATION



Stay Connected with West Bay's PTO

- Website: www.westbaypto.com
- Facebook: West Bay PTO
- Email: westbaypto@gmail.com

President: Katy Bode
Vice President: Tara Arnold
Treasurer: Stacey Mathis
Secretary: Kate Parsons
Community Liaison: Amy Swartz

PTO MEETING

Monday, November 5th 6:30pm - West Bay Library
Free Childcare provided in the cafeteria. We hope to see you there! Art & P.E. teachers will be presenting.

YEARBOOK

PHOTOS: The Yearbook Committee needs your help in uploading photos for the 2018-2019 Yearbook! Upload photos from your computer or phone. Access www.RePlayit.com or the ReplayIt App, upload photos, & identify the names of the students in the photo. Or, email pics to westbayyearbook@gmail.com.
YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST: On November 22nd, a flyer will be distributed about the Yearbook Cover Contest where we ask students to draw and submit an entry for the yearbook cover. West Bay staff & teachers can not wait to see the creativity of our students. The 2018-2019 yearbook theme is "In a world where you can be anything, be kind". Entries due December 10th.

ORDER: There is still time to order your yearbook at www.westbaypto.com.

OSCAR'S FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Don't miss the November Family fun night at Oscar's on **Tuesday, November 6th, 5-9pm**. 10% of the proceeds will be donated to West Bay PTO!

Our October Chipotle Family Fun Night made \$503.32! Thank you for participating!

DID YOU KNOW

Want to know what your student's teacher likes to drink, favorite restaurant, birthday and more? You can find out all of your "Teacher's Favorite Things" by clicking the link on www.westbaypto.com.

HY-VEE RECEIPT CONTEST

West Bay will be having a November Hy-Vee receipt collecting contest by grade level. The grade with the most dollars in Hy-Vee receipts turned into school between November 1st and November 30th will win an indoor recess game pack to be enjoyed during the cold winter months. Marked grade level bins are located in the office.

CELEBRATION OF GIVING

West Bay Elementary is again participating along with many of the Elkhorn Elementary and Middle Schools in the Gift Drive program to benefit Elkhorn families. Previously the project helped serve over 80 families in the school district.

New this year, all mittens will be listed on a sign-up genius to save you time from stopping at school to select the mittens. Starting November 19th sign-up to fulfill as many wishes as you would like. **Drop off the wrapped gift by Thursday, December 6th and attach a note referencing the "code" which can be found on the sign-up (i.e. NF8) AND the sign-up slot description.**

If you have any questions please contact Jamie Agnew at mymyrtle86@gmail.com.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

Thank you parent teacher conference volunteers!
Amy Swartz, Anne Jackson, Brenda Michalski, Carie Kelsay, Christy Lovewell, Corey Auch, Danisha Hurst, Gina Joslin, Hayley Sellhorst, Jeannie Pemberton, Jen Hammond, Jen Zurn, Jessica Fauss, Jessica Marasco, Julie Wohlers, Kat Newman, Katie Keber, Katy Bode, Kellie Wanzek, Kelsey Regier, Kerri White, Kristen Brumbaugh, Kristin Sass, Lindsey Bachman, Lisa Fochler, Liz Borkowski, Lynn Griffis, Maggie Garvey, Mark Michaelis, Maria Michaelis, Megan Meier, Michelle Fitzgibbon, Missy Rowan, Nicole Schlueter, Rachel Johnson, Rebecca Wilson, Santina Johnson, Shelly Fisher, Stacey Mathis, Stephanie Paulsen, Suzi Hoefl, Tara Arnold, and Taylor Kerschke

Thank you Book Fair volunteers! Amy Toffle, Clara Tsai, Fallon Savage, Hava Meronk, Katy Bode, Kristen Brumbaugh, Laura Jones, Lindsey Fox, Liz Borkowski, Lynn Griffis, Maria Michaelis, Megan Meier, Rebecca Gerrity, Shelly Fisher, Stacey Mathis, Tanya Langton, Tara Arnold
A special thank you to Liz Borkowski & Rebecca Gerrity who put many hours into the fair. These women do a fabulous job and are such an asset to West Bay!

Thank you to our wonderful Halloween party volunteers! Students always have a spooktacular time!



District Reminders

SCHOOL MESSENGER - ARE YOU UP TO DATE?

EPS uses a parent messaging system called SchoolMessenger to send emails and phone calls to parents, including information about school and events cancellations. To ensure you are receiving important messages from your school and the District, be sure to let the office know of any changes to your email addresses or phone numbers.

TECH SAVVY PARENT TIPS

Healthy Screen Relationships

Being constantly connected can hinder active learning, as one becomes passive in taking in new information because he or she is constantly “learning” new things. Taking a step away from technology and the absorption of information allows one’s brain a needed break and creates an active learning environment. By being intentional in determining technology downtime, you are giving your brain that break to be able to focus on other things.

Below are 5 questions you can ask to determine the health of your child’s relationship with screens:

- 1) Are they physically healthy and getting enough sleep?
- 2) Are they reported to be engaged and learning while in school?
- 3) Are they pursuing other hobbies and interests?
- 4) Can they interact socially with friends and family without the use of technology?
- 5) Does their digital life appear fun and positive?

For more information on youth and their use of technology, visit www.common sense media.org.

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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