

UNION ELEMENTARY @ LA PORTE CITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

"EDUCATION TO MEET TOMORROW'S CHALLENGES"

"ALL IN - EVERY CHILD - EVERY DAY"



APRIL 27, 2018

Next Week's Schedule

Mon., April 30 - NO SCHOOL

TEACHER INSERVICE

Tues., May 1 - 153rd Day of School - Day 3
- 4th & 5th Gr. Maturing class

Wed., May 2 - 154th Day of School - Day 4
- Regular Day of School

Thurs., May 3 - 155th Day of School - Day 5
- PTO Fundraiser Delivery 3-6pm

Fri., May 4 - 156th Day of School - Day 6
- Regular Day of School

No School - Monday

Just a reminder that there will be no school on Monday as the teachers will have a professional development in-service. The time will be spent with teachers from both elementary buildings collaborating on technology integration, along with literacy, math, science, and social studies strategies and standards. The day will be a busy one for our teachers.

4th & 5th Grade Maturing Talks

On Tuesday, we will have our 5th grade boys maturing talk, by our high school PE teacher, Scott Denner. We will also have our school nurse and Kristin Beerman give the girls maturing talks to 4th grade students and then 5th grade students separately.

PTO Fundraiser Pickup - Thursday

On Thursday, from 3:00-6:00pm in the gym, parents can come in and pick up the PTO Cherrydale fundraiser items. Contact the office, if you have questions.

Upcoming Important Dates

April 30 - No School Professional Development

May 1 - 4th/5th Grade Girls - 5th Boys Maturing Class

May 3 - PTO Fundraiser Delivery 3-6:00pm (GYM)

May 3-4 - Mile Run in PE 3rd

May 7-11 - Teacher Appreciation Week

May 7 - 5th Bechtold to MS Shadow Day

May 7 - 6:00 PTO Meeting

May 9 - 5th Jackson to MS Shadow Day

May 11 - Track & Field Day for (3-5) at HS (AM)

May 11 - Fun & Fitness Day for (K-2) at LPC Elem(PM)

May 11 - All 2nd Gr. to LPC Nursing Home
for an Ice Cream Social

May 15 - Mr. Rozen's Retirement Party-LPC 3:30-5:30

May 16 - 1st Grade to Black Hawk County Landfill 9-11

May 18 - 5th Gr. to Hartman Reserve

May 22 - 1st Gr. to Cedar Valley Arboretum

May 25 - 3rd to John Deere Tractor Museum

May 25 - Early Dismissal - 2:25 Walkers/2:35 Bus

May 28 - No School - Memorial Day

May 31 - Regular Day of School - Make Up Day

June 1 - Last Day of School - Make Up Day

- 8:30 Awards Assembly - 11:10 Dismissal

Preschool Registration for Fall 2018

Registration will be held on May 7 from 7:00- 8:00 PM. Registration fee for the Caterpillar classes is \$40. One month's tuition of \$80 is required as a deposit to hold your child's place in preschool. Children must be 3 by Sept. 15, 2017 and toilet trained. Caterpillars meet on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00 - 10:00 OR 10:15-12:15. If we have enough enrollment we will have 2 sections of Caterpillars. The cost is \$80 per month. Transportation for preschool is the parents' responsibility. Financial Assistance applications will be available in August. Butterfly classes meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:00 - 11:20 OR 11:50 - 3:10. There is an instructional materials fee of \$50 but no tuition for these classes. You must sign up even though the classes are free. There is a limit of 20 students per section. Transportation for the Butterfly classes is the parents' responsibility. Please call 319-342-3141 if you cannot come to registration on May 7. We will also accept registrations any time after May 7.



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Reminder for Visitors

Just a reminder for parents as stated in our handbook that the last part of the year is very busy with field trips and special activities. If you want to visit your child or eat lunch with them please do so in the next few weeks. The cooks are trying to plan out exact number of meals for each day for the remainder of the year.

Last Day of School for 2017-18

Superintendent Travis Fleshner announced that based on action by the Union School Board at their April 9, 2018, meeting, the final day of school for TK-12 students will be Friday, June 1, with an 11 A.M. dismissal. Last week's snow day was also considered. District students will have met the State-mandated requirement for instructional hours and will therefore not have to return for the last three school weather make-up days that were scheduled for June 4, 5, and 6.



Next Year's Elem. Class Lists

We are in the process of compiling class lists for next year. We believe we have a competent and experienced teaching staff which works hard to provide the best education possible for all students. We take many factors into consideration when putting together these lists. They are: number balance, gender balance, behavior balance, and academic balance, which involves Title I reading, ELP, and Resource students. If you have a **special concern based on only educational reasons and not in the area of social reasons** for your child's placement next year, please contact me at the elementary office. **This year, we are using our FAST data to help place students to have balanced classrooms. Due to the new state mandated FAST assessments, weekly progress monitoring, and interventions, parent special concerns will be considered but may not be able to be met. We have to keep a balance of student academics with the FAST progress monitoring and assessments in each classroom.**

Change of Date to K-2 Fun/Fitness Day on our Calendar to May 11

The date for the La Porte City Elementary Fun and Fitness Day for kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade students will now **be changed to Friday, May 11.** This will still take place at the La Porte City Elementary playground. This date is a change to what is on our school calendar. Our activities will begin at 12:45 and will end before 3:00. As always, you are welcome to come and watch your child participate in this fun day. **With this change, we will now have both the Track & Field Day for 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade students (Morning @ UHS Track) and the Fun & Fitness Day for K, 1st, and 2nd grade students (Afternoon @ LPC Elem. Playground) on the same day, Friday, May 11.**



Hawkins Memorial Library

Listed below are some fun educational activities held at our La Porte City Hawkins Memorial Library. Contact Jolene Kronschnabel if you have any questions.

- * A tisket, a tasket, come create a May Day basket. Make a basket for May Day from Thursday, April 26 through Tuesday, May 1.
- * Paddington 2 is the movie at 1:15 PM on Monday, Apr 30. Paddington picks up a series of odd jobs to buy the perfect present for his Aunt Lucy's 100th birthday, only for the gift to be stolen. Rated PG, animation/adventure/comedy, plays 1 hr. and 43 min.
- * LEGORAMA is coming up again on Tuesday, May 1. Attend this fun hands-on LEGO building program held from 4 to 5:30 PM.

