

EBENEZER ELEMENTARY

October 2019



Principal's Message

Dean W. Bozman, Ed.D.

Dear Parents/Guardians.

It has been a great start to the school year. Prior to the start of school, many Ebenezer families visited school for our first ever Meet & Greet. It was great to see so many parents/guardians at Ebenezer's Open House to meet teachers, hear about the upcoming school year, learn about curriculum expectations, and tour our beautiful school. The presentations given by teachers should provide you with information about your child's schedule, classroom expectations, homework policy and other important information. I hope the information provided during my presentation was beneficial in giving you an overview of our school, procedures and expectations. Thank you to the parents/guardians who shared their feedback about our Meet & Greet and Open House.

During September, we held an intruder dill in lieu of a monthly fire drill. The goal of the drill is to ensure everyone's safety by quickly and appropriately responding to the notification of an intruder in the building.

Upcoming events:

Picture Day: October 2nd

Fire Prevention assembly: October 10th

Apple Crunch Day: October 23rd (each student will receive a bag of sliced apples)

Kauffman's Chicken BBQ sponsored by the PTE

During our school-wide Excellent Events on September 26th we focused on our character trait for the month of October, Responsibility. We defined responsibility as being accountable for your actions, words, and behaviors and doing the right thing so others can trust and depend on you. During the program, we also recognized students for P.R.A.I.S.E. awards, shining stars, summer reading program, and birthdays. Congratulations to all of the students who were recognized for being respectful, responsible, and ready to learn!

This is a reminder that all visitors to school must check in at the School Gate Guardian kiosk and that field trip chaperones must wear their visitor identification badge.

Thank you for a wonderful start to the school year and all of your support.

Important Dates

October 2 Picture Day

October 2 PTE Meeting 6:30 PM

October II Race for Education

October 14 No School

October 15 Falcon Foundation Applications Due

October 18 Race for Education (Inclement weather)

October 31 Halloween



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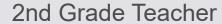
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Meet

Mrs. Cooper



#SMILE





#WELCOME

Hello My name is Mrs. Alice Cooper. I have been teaching for 35 yrs. My first several years were taught at Cornwall Elementary before moving to Ebenezer Elementary. I have taught kindergarten, extended day kindergarten, K+, 2nd grade and 3rd grade. I have a husband named Tom and two grown children, Molly and Adam. I am new at being a grandma, but I sure do love it!! Children make me smile!

#FAVORITES

- Weekends outdoors at our home in Potter County
- Snowmobiling
- Shopping/thrifting/repurposing
- Hallmark Channel during the holidays
- Sunday gatherings with the family
- Friends that make me laugh
- There is nothing better than a big smile with a hug from one of your students at the end of a very busy school day:)





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Hello! I'm your child's school counselor, Mrs. O'Donnell, and I'll be providing periodic tips and information on ways we can work together. Here are some thoughts for the month of October:

Mistakes make your brain grow

Did you know that mistakes actually help kids learn more? Use these ideas to encourage your youngster to make the most of her mistakes:

- Give your child room to "mess up." You might suspect that masking tape isn't strong enough to hold her project together. But she'll gain more from the experience if she tries, fails, and comes up with a new solution all by herself.
- Help your youngster put mistakes in perspective. Perhaps she forgot to include an important point during her class presentation. Ask her what part went well—maybe her graphics were cool and her classmates seemed interested in her topic.♥





From the Desk of Ms. Lu, Certified School Nurse:

BREAKFAST – Please be sure your child has a nutrient-packed, low sugar breakfast! If needed, your child can get breakfast in school. Information about the breakfast program can be found online on the Ebenezer webpage. You may also call the main office with questions (717-272-1969). Breakfast is essential for learning!

A good night's sleep is also essential for learning! We see a number of sleepy students -- especially on Monday mornings. They may not only show signs of being tired, but may have belly pains or headaches too. Please adopt and encourage eight or more hours of sleep each and every night.

Medications: Just a reminder that all medications, which need to be given during the school day (including over the counter medications such as Tylenol, Tums, Ibuprofen, cough drops, etc), MUST be brought to the Nurse's Office by an adult and MUST have a doctor signed medication order. **Doctor signed order(s) may be faxed to the nurse at 717-389-1879.**

Health screenings for September included hearing screenings for all students in kindergarten through grade 3. If your child was noted as having hearing difficulty, you will receive a notice from the nurses' office in October. **Vision screenings** will be conducted in late October. You will be notified if your child does not pass the vision screening.

If you have any questions or issues dealing with the health of your children, please do not hesitate to call me at 717-389-1876 to discuss.

Completed private physical forms and private dental forms are due by October 1st 2019 for all kinder-garteners.

Completed private dental forms are due by October 1st 2019 for all 3rd grade students. If you have not already return these forms to the nurse, please do so as soon as possible. Reminder letters will be coming home with your children after October 1st if you have not return these forms.

Communication with the nurse: Non-urgent information may be sent to students' parents via their home email address as noted in the school records. Please be sure to keep your email address and phone numbers up to date with the school's main office. Non-urgent messages may be emailed to Kim Lu, School Nurse, at klu@clsd.k12.pa.us

Phone calls will continue to be used for all urgent information. Please updated Skyward if your phone number(s) changed or ask the Ebenezer main office personnel for assistance if you are unable to update your phone numbers and email (717-272-1969).

PTE President's Message

Hello Ebenezer Families!

Our first and BIGGEST fundraiser of the school year is approaching soon, Race for Education! Race for Education will be held on Friday, October 11th during the school day. Students will walk/run around a ¼ mile area for about 45 minutes (kindergarten will run for less time). The Race raises funds for assemblies, field trips, Read to Succeed, Winter Carnival, classroom resources and so much more! You are more than welcome to come the day of the Race and cheer the students on! Hope to see you there! Race schedule is below:

Race for Education Schedule

 3rd Grade
 9:15am-10:00am

 AM Kindergarten
 10:05am-10:25am

 4th Grade & LS/AS
 10:30am-11.15am

 5th Grade
 11:45am-12:30pm

 2nd Grade & IU13
 12:40pm-1:25pm

 PM Kindergarten
 1:27pm-1:47pm

 1st Grade
 1:50pm-2:35pm

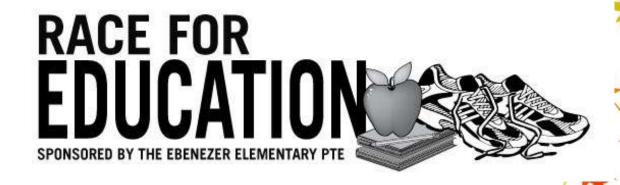
Other important dates to remember:

Boscov's Friends Helping Friends – Wednesday, October 16th
Kauffman's Chicken BBQ sale, Wednesday, October 23rd, 3pm-6pm, Sunset
Grocery Outlet

Box Tops for Education Fall Submission: Wednesday, October 23rd

Thank you,

Melissa Kessler, PTE President



From the District Office:

Student Breakfast/Lunch Reminders: Looking for the menu for your child's school ...? Want to check or add money to your child's food service account in Skyward ...? Need to refile an application for free and reduced school meals ...? Click on the "Lunch Menu" quick link icon on all CLSD websites (www.clsd.k12.pa.us) to find information and helpful links. Important Note: Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019, is the deadline for the carry-over applications from the 2018-19 school year. If the District has not received a new application by Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019, (the date all applications from last year expire), students will be charged full price for breakfast and lunch beginning October 2, 2019. Families that have applied for the year 2019-20 school year will have received a letter stating if they are free or reduced by October 1, 2019.

Falcon Foundation applications are due October 15: The Falcon Foundation, educational foundation for the Cornwall-Lebanon School District, is pleased to announce that grants and awards will again be offered this fall to district students, employees and community members. Three types of sponsorship are available – Student Educational Opportunity Awards, Employee Educational Opportunity Awards, and Project Grants. Descriptions and applications for these grants and awards are posted online. Visit any CLSD school or the District website (www.clsd.k12.pa.us) and click on the "Falcon Foundation" quick link icon for more details. Deadline for submitting applications is Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2018.

Special Invitation for CLSD Veterans & our Military families: A complimentary breakfast is planned for Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019, to honor veterans who reside within the district. We also extend this invitation to those within our district family (employees, parents/guardians of district students) who are currently serving in the United States military. Please complete the Military Families Survey you receive via Skyward, or call 389-1810, to register prior to October 31. Each veteran may bring one guest. Reservations are required as space is limited.

Online Community Bulletin Board: Check the online Community Bulletin Board regularly for information about upcoming events, activities and fundraisers throughout the CLSD community (Click on the "COMMUNITY" tab on the District website: www.clsd.k12.pa.us, or Look under the "SERVICES" tab on any CLSD school page.) Currently, you can find out about sports activities for the participant and spectator ... Scouting opportunities ... Student club Fundraisers ... community events & activities ... and many more items of possible interest!

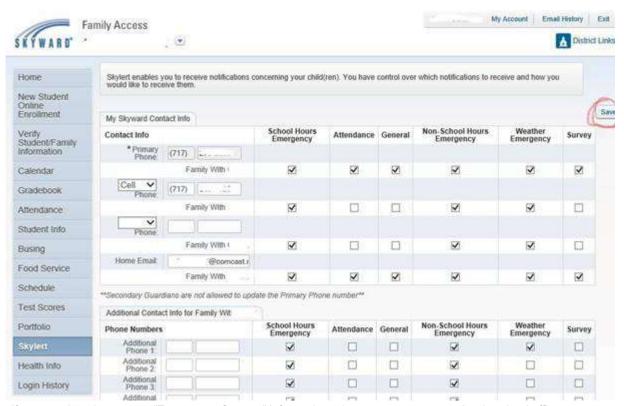
Inclement Weather Procedures & Skylert Notification System: The decision to close school or open two hours later will be announced before 7:00 AM on the CLSD Home page, www.clsd.k12.pa.us, as well as on the Cornwall-Lebanon School District Facebook and Twitter pages (@CLSD_Schools), and on local radio and TV stations. The Skylert automated notification system also will be used to contact parents/guardians during the school day in the event of a building power failure, hazardous situation, or an early dismissal. Please review the important information that is printed inside the front cover of the CLSD 2019-20 Calendar of Events. The District website is the first place important information is posted. Please, do not contact school or District offices in the case of these events as it is important for our phone lines to be available for emergency communications.





Remember, the Skylert notification system is only as accurate as the information you have provided to the District. Be sure your phone and email settings allow (does not Block) these numbers: (717) 272-2031 and (717) 389-1810, and emails from @clsd.k12.pa.us addresses. Please review your information and make any updates in Skylert (for general information sharing, including school closings):

- 1. Login to your Skyward account.
- 2. Click the word "Skylert" in the left menu.
- Fill-in and check or uncheck your desired settings.
- 4. Click "SAVE" in the upper right side of the page when you are done.



Note: If you need to change any "Emergency Contact" information, please contact your student's school office.

Volunteers and Chaperones: Cornwall-Lebanon School District greatly appreciates the volunteers and chaperones who provide assistance to students and teachers through their participation in classroom support, as well as special events and activities. Volunteers are essential to the success of students. Anyone who will be serving as a long-term or short-term volunteer for the District must submit completed clearances to the School District prior to serving as a volunteer. Look under the "Community" tab on the District Home page for more details: www.clsd.k12.pa.us

United Way Campaign: Our district continues its dedicated support of the United Way this year. In addition to asking our staff for contributions, we are asking our students once again to consider donating to the Miles of Quarters Campaign. This campaign will be held in October. We encourage each student to consider a donation of one quarter for each year of their age. For example, an eight-year-old student would donate eight (8) quarters, or \$2. United Way of Lebanon County is making a difference in the lives of families, children, veterans, and our neighbors most in need. One-hundred percent of your student's contribution supports individuals and families right here in our county through programs focused on health, education, and financial stability, in addition to basic needs and safety net services.

October Calendar Items:

Oct. 14: No School for Students. This is an Act 80 Day for staff professional development.

Oct. 14: School Board Public Work Session, 5:30 PM, Educational Service Center

Oct. 17: Cafeteria Workers Recognition Day

Oct. 15: Application Deadline for Falcon Foundation Grants & Awards

Oct. 21: School Board Meeting, 5:30 PM, CCHS LGI

Oct. 24: School Bus Drivers Recognition Day

Week of October 28: Red Ribbon Week

Oct. 31: <u>Deadline to register</u> for the Nov. 6 Breakfast Program for Veterans & Students of Military Families – See info above.

Instrumental Music Program

Attention Parents of 3rd Graders!

Did you know that there is a very high correlation between positive self-esteem, high test scores, total interest in school involvement, and the study of music? We would like to introduce you to the opportunities available to your child in the Cornwall-Lebanon Instrumental Music Program. We offer lessons in violin, viola, cello, string bass, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone, tuba, and orchestra bells.

Students are introduced to the string and band instruments in the <u>spring</u> of 3rd grade. The majority of students in the band program begin studying their instruments in the summer following 3rd grade (for more information, please contact Mr. Thompson). String lessons begin in September of 4th grade. A number of students participate in both the band and the string programs, so we want you to know that is a possibility for your child.

Studies have shown that music participants receive more academic awards and earn higher grades than students who do not participate in music!

If you have any questions before your child receives information about these programs, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you!

Dr. Campbell, Orchestra Director

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Mr. Thompson, Band Director

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SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS

*Be Respectful

*Be Responsible

*Be Ready to Learn

and Be Safe

Dr. Bozman would like to invite you to subscribe to Class remind!

WHAT IS REMIND AND WHY IS IT SAFE?

Remind is a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that helps me share important updates and reminders with parents and families. Subscribe by text, email or by using the Remind app. All personal information is kept private.

Text to: 81010 message: @mrbozman1 (5th grade)

@mrbozman (4th grade)

@mrbozman5 (3rd grade)

@mrbozman6 (2nd grade)

@mrbozman7 (1st grade)

@drbozman8 (Kindergarten)

Paleon Foundation

#CheckItOut!

The Falcon Foundation has award money available for Ebenezer students.

This money can be used to cover the costs of after school and weekend classes/ workshops

Awards are given based on achievement and/ or need

BUT, you need to apply!

(academic/financial)...

Here's what you can do...

Find an educational opportunity for your child. (Hint: Check the newspaper, college websites, museums, local arts and music programs, etc.)

Download an application—<u>clsd.k12.pa.us</u> under the Community tab. Then, select Falcon Foundation.

Complete the application and mail it by the October 15th deadline.

Applications must be postmarked by October 15th.

Contact Miss Baumbach (272.1969 ext. 2362 or jbaumbach@clsd.k12.pa.us) with questions.

Reading News

From Mrs. Cassel, Mrs. Wenrich, and Mrs. Williams

Fall Community Library Roundup

Don't let your family reading time get boring just because summer is over! Your Lebanon Community Library is still hosting many fun, FREE events this fall that will keep your family reading! Check out their website https://lebanon.lclibs.org/ and get involved with your local library!

Here are some great events happening this month:

Paws to Read with Luna the Therapy Dog: Every Tuesday at 4pm.

Children grades 1-5 may sign up for a 20 minute session to read to Luna the Dog!

STEM in Action: First Monday of each month, 6pm, ages 6-10, no registration required

October 7, 2019: TrashBot!: Learn about all types of pollution in our world

November 4, 2019: I Don't Believe My Eyes!: Invisible air pollution

December 2, 2019: Take a Tap Water Tour: Where does our tap water come from, what's in it?

January 6, 2020: Waste Invaders: Where does our trash and dirty water go?

February 3, 2020: Wonders of a Watershed

March 2, 2020: Citizen of Science: How everyone can make a difference

April 6, 2020: To be announced May 4, 2020: To be announced June 1, 2020: To be announced

We hope to see you at the Lebanon Community Library!



Real Kids Wear Pink of Central PA

About Real Kids Wear Pink

Mothers, fathers, aunts, grandmas, and friends—nearly every one of us knows someone who has bee impacted by breast cancer. But can kids really make a difference in fighting this disease? YES! Real Kids Wear Pink brings together schools, sports teams, clubs, and organizations and gives kids a chance to make a difference in the fight against breast cancer. Launched in 2017 in Albany, NY, the Rea Kids movement has been helping kids get involved in the fight against breast cancer, by raising funds an awareness—and by wearing PINK on Friday, October 25—the official 2019 Real Kids Wear Pink Day!

Students are encouraged to wear pink on Friday, October 25th.



Parent's Night Out!

Friday, November 15 6:00-9:00 p.m. Cedar Crest High School

Bring your kids for a night of fun, games, crafts, snacks and more!

Open to all Cornwall-Lebanon students in grades 1-5.

Cost - Families in the same household: \$20 for one child, \$30 for two children, or \$40 for three or more children. All proceeds will go toward the Four Diamonds Fund. Money will be used to aid families of children with cancer and to fund cancer research.

Starting October 15th Registration information will be found on the community bulletin board or in the main office of each elementary school. Paperwork will be due by October 31.

Ebenezer Elementary School Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences will take place on Thursday, November 21 Kindergarten **ONLY**, (1:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.), Monday, November 25 (2:00 PM until 9:00 PM), and Tuesday, November 26 (8:00 AM – 3:00 PM). A letter will be sent home with all students on Friday, October 4, 2019, regarding this year's conferences. Scheduling will be done online through PTCFast. Parents will find the link on our district website under each elementary school. The registration process requires parents to provide a valid email address. The online scheduling will open at 7:00 PM on Monday, October 7 and will close at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, October 23.

If you are not able to schedule using the internet, paper request forms will be available in the school office, on the district website, and with your child's homeroom teacher. If you are choosing this option, please have the form returned to our school office as soon as possible. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Ebenezer School Office 717-272-1969.

Dates

- October 4 Letter will be sent home with all students regarding this year's Parent-Teacher Conferences
- . October 7 Online schedule for Parent-Teacher Conferences opens tonight @ 7:00 P.M.
- October 23 Last day to register online for Parent-Teacher Conferences, closes @ 7:00 P.M.
- Note: all parents/guardians who have not selected a date and time for a parent-teacher conference by October 23 will have one assigned.

Little People's Palace

Cedar Crest High School Family and Consumer Science Department

Dear Parents/Guardians:

A preschool laboratory, Little People's Palace, runs every year at Cedar Crest High School to give students enrolled in our preschool program an enrichment experience. This year, Little People's Palace will run Tuesday and Thursday's (there will be some weeks that run differently because of schedules and testing at the high school) from 10:30 a.m. to 11:55 a.m. Classes will begin on December 5, 2019 and run until May 7, 2020.

We are seeking 10-12 children ages 3 and 4. To attend our preschool, children must be potty trained. The program will include story time, arts and crafts, playtime and snacks. The cost of the program is \$100 per child (make checks payable to Cornwall- Lebanon School District). Transportation to and from the high school is to be provided by the parent. Children will need to arrive at the high school's main entrance by 10:25 a.m. and need to be picked up promptly at 11:55 a.m.

Enrollment is on a first come first serve basis with spots held only when payment and completed paperwork is returned. The deadline for registration is November 1, 2019. Enrollment packets will be available at the high school front desk. If you would like more information or have additional questions, please contact Mrs. Noll at knoll@clsd.k12.pa.us or call (717) 272-2033 x5508 and leave a message.



THE BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

Students will shop at school during their Library class.

Ebenezer Book Fair Hours:

Friday, Nov. 1st (Act 80 Day) 9:00 AM –3:00 PM

Monday, Nov. 4th 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Tuesday, Nov. 5th 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Wednesday, Nov. 6^{th} 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Thursday, Nov. 7th 9:00 AM -3:00 PM

Spend \$10.00 or more and you will be entered for a raffle prize!

Books make great gifts! You can purchase a book for your child's teacher and we will save it until the holidays!

Make checks payable to <u>Cornwall Lebanon School District</u>. Cash and credit cards will also be accepted. Remember to add 6% sales tax to your order.

Two NEW shopping options! Book Fair eWallet is a safe and convenient digital payment option for your student to shop the Fair cash-free. If you're not able to attend the Fair, try our new online shopping. We've partnered with the Scholastic Store to offer over 6,000 products that ship direct to home (with free shipping on book-only orders of \$25 or more)! Visit our homepage to get started:

https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/ebenezerelementaryschool1

BOOK FAIR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers help students select books to purchase and assist younger students with price identification. To volunteer for any of the above dates please email Sherry Krall at Slkrall65@icloud.com.