

Heritage Hill Elementary

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Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

The year is in full swing. Your children are growing and challenging themselves in the classroom in many wonderful and fascinating ways. November is a busy month for Heritage Hill. This month we will celebrate two national holidays through a Veteran's Day program and no school on the 24th-26th for Thanksgiving observance. Beyond these events, Heritage Hill honors our community's veterans by garnering the distinction of being acknowledged as a Purple Star School for the 2021-22 academic year.

Your students took class pictures in October and looked so nice while doing so. If by chance your student was unable to take a picture in October or if there were issues associated with the taking of their picture, we will have a picture retake day on Tuesday, November 23rd.

As always, the staff and I truly appreciate your continued support and collaboration in developing thoughtful, independent leaders and fostering a community of support and affirmation.

We look forward to a FANTASTIC November!
Shari Hoskins, Principal

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 10

Veteran's Day Program
2:30-3:30PM

Friday, November 12

Parent Engagement
Second Cup of Coffee
9:00am

Thursday, November 18

Parent Round Table
9:15am

Tuesday, November 23

Picture Re-Takes

**Wednesday, Thursday & Friday,
November 24, 25 & 26**

No School- Thanksgiving Holiday

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Heritage Hill Elementary Awarded The Purple Star Award

Last month Heritage Hill Elementary was nominated by the Ohio Department of Education for the Purple Star Award. The award recognizes the schools' dedication to supporting their students from military families. This distinction acknowledges a school with a staff member(s) who are a point of contact for veterans or military in the community, who completes the Military Children in Ohio's Schools course and serves as a liaison for military-connected students in their classrooms. Additionally, the school maintains a military-friendly website with event notifications and resources for the community, and declares the school district-wide resolution for support of military children and families. Heritage Hill has accomplished all aforementioned criteria. This distinction came with a proclamation from State Representative, Jessica Miranda. "I applaud these military-family friendly schools for earning the Purple Star Award this fall," said Rep. Miranda. "There is no doubt that our schools go above and beyond to provide a supportive environment for students of military families, and in doing so the schools are recognizing the service of their family members serving our country."

The History, Meaning and Significance of Veteran's Day Observance

At the end of World War I, all parties engaged in the conflict that is also known as "The War to End All Wars" signed the Treaty of Versailles, on June 28, 1919. Nearly a year earlier, an "armistice" (a formal agreement to end hostilities), was signed on the eleventh day, of the eleventh month of the year 1918. The next year, in November, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the 11th day of November as Armistice Day. In 1938, congress and senate, under President Dwight D. Eisenhower, exchanging the word "Armistice" for the word "Veteran"; declared "Veterans Day" as a national holiday to be celebrated with parades and celebrations of all soldiers of all conflicts in which America was involved.

Although most Americans believe that war should be considered a last resort, even more Americans are grateful for and appreciative of the sacrifice of life freely given by our military. The concept of freedom and democracy are greatly attributed to the service of our men and women in uniform. Veteran's Day is one collective way to say "thank you" and show support for the military. Most of us know or have military in our family and take the opportunity to acknowledge these heroes not only on Veteran's Day, but as often as possible.

Our school looks forward to the Veteran's Day Program performed by our 5th grade students on November 10 at 2:30 PM.

Heritage Hill Walk-A-Thon 2021

The first ever Heritage Hill Walk-A-Thon was a fabulous day for our students. The walk-a-thon took place at the elementary school on Thursday, October 14th. Each class dressed up in colors representing the various classes, kindergarten through 5th grade; Kindergarten-purple, first grade-blue, 2nd grade- green, 3rd grade- yellow, 4th-orange and 5th- red. Each grade walked the walk-a-thon path, along with their tidied shirted teachers, collecting a bead each time they passed through the colorful balloon arch. The women's high school varsity basketball team assisted in giving the walkers their beads. The Springdale police assisted in securing the little walkers route, while many parent onlookers cheered on the students as they hurriedly circled school in hopes of gathering the most beads.

At the end of the walk-a-thon, the tired, but excited students took a break, drank water and prepared for the next part of the fun-filled day. Next, the students gathered for a group picture. After the picture, the students celebrated the closing of Hispanic Heritage Month with a choreographed dance, displaying the cultural styles of both Mexico and Argentina. Parents and onlookers were thrilled with the outdoor show. The kids were then rewarded with ice cream, donated by the neighborhood, United Dairy Farmer (UDF). Lastly, as children went inside after consuming various delicious flavors of UDF ice cream, they won really awesome gift baskets made by the teachers in a drawing to end the day. The first annual Walk-A-thon was a wonderful success, aiding in the purchase of a Gaga Pit and Soccer Goals, bringing the community together and most of all adding excitement to a day at Heritage Hill.

Save the Date

Please save the date for our holiday concert and performance-December 14-6:00 PM

We look forward to our performance by our 2nd and 3rd grade students.

Parent Engagement Second Cup of Coffee-November 12 at 9:00 AM

Our school knows the importance of the role of our parents. We strive to engage and involve all of you this year. We are combining all of our parent involvement, parent engagement and PTO to one group -PARENT ENGAGEMENT TEAM. We hope you can be involved and share your ideas on how our parents can be a part of our school. Our focus for November 12 will be on planning and providing ideas for our Inclusive Schools Week -2021 Rebuilding-Our Inclusive Community Together-December 6-12. We hope our parents will help us create school displays, bulletin boards, and other ideas to bring engagement to our students and parents. We hope you can be a part of our Parent Engagement Team. If you are unable to attend our meetings and want to be a part of our activities please contact Dr. Lynn Yosua at lyosua@vikingmail.org or 864-1400.

