



## PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

Dear Parents,

The new school year is off to quite a success. The staff and students are working hard to make Stamm School a place where everyone wants to be for learning. This year we will continue our focus on manners and respect. As you read through this newsletter, I am sure you will be impressed with all the learning that is taking place so far in the school year.

Some new things for this year include the Healthy Snack program. Because Fremont City Schools received a grant, the staff and students at Stamm get to enjoy a daily healthy snack. These snacks include apples, broccoli, and even figs and jicama, which everyone was encouraged to try. This is an exciting new program, and we thank our Children's Nutrition department for bringing this new opportunity to our learning community.

The week of October 3<sup>rd</sup> brings us to high stakes state testing for our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will complete the OAA Reading tests and 5<sup>th</sup> grade will take the CoGat and IOWA tests. Testing dates are October 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>. We are encouraging students to take these tests seriously. Students who are present for their tests and take their time to complete the tests will earn rewards each day. Any class with 100% attendance on any of the testing dates will earn a surprise.

If you have children in the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grades, please have them get a good night's sleep and feed them a good breakfast on test dates. We will provide all testing students with pencils to take these important tests.

We are also beginning our Fall fundraiser today. Students are bringing home the information as well as their school pictures. Please support this fundraiser as the proceeds will benefit all the students of Stamm School. For more information on the fundraiser, please join us for our PTO meeting on October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Yours in Education,

Mrs. Christine Oravets  
Principal

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## Stamm School Pledge

- ❖ I will respect myself, property, and others.
- ❖ I will keep myself and others safe.
- ❖ I will be responsible for my actions.
- ❖ I will come to school ready and willing to learn.

## District Mission Statement:

The Mission of the Fremont City Schools is to develop well-educated life-long learners prepared to be responsible, productive and respectful members of their communities.

## District Goals:

1. INCREASE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
2. CLOSE SOCIO-ECONOMIC, ETHNIC AND DISABILITY GAPS IN STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
3. BUILD HOPE, TRUST AND RESPECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

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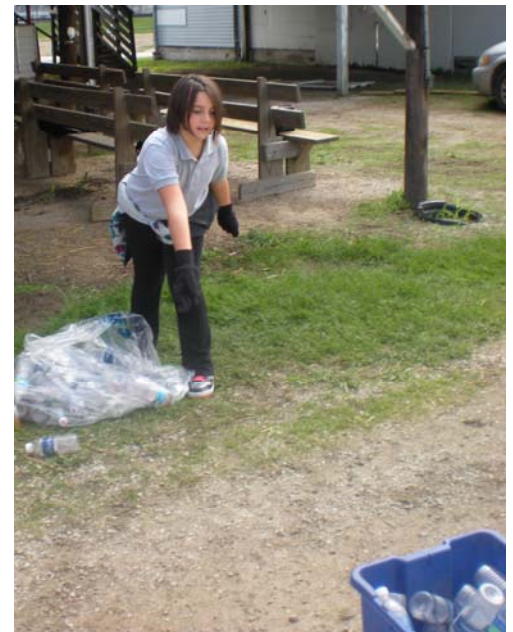
### Important Dates:

- September 29<sup>th</sup> – Fall Fundraiser begins  
Market Day pick up  
1<sup>st</sup> grade Family Book Club at 6:30 p.m.
- September 30<sup>th</sup> – Interim Reports are distributed

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***Exploring Your Backyard***

Each year, the fourth grade students attend a field trip at the Sandusky County Fairgrounds called "Exploring Your Backyard". On this field trip, students rotate from station to station to learn about local animals and ways to protect the environment. Some of the favorites from this field trip included the Recycling Dude, Black Swamp Bird Observatory, and Ohio Mammals, along with much more. The Recycling Dude reminded students about the importance of recycling to protect our environment, especially since we are using up much of the Earth's nonrenewable resources and one day we will no longer have oil and such. The Black Swamp Bird Observatory showed student how they band birds in order to monitor their flight patterns and learn more about their way of life. At the Ohio Mammals station, students learned about different mammals that are nocturnal and diurnal, as well as their adaptations to help them survive. Did you know that the opossum has such a small brain that when they sense a predator coming, their brain goes into overload which causes them to pass out or 'play dead'? To find out more about our exciting field trip and the new things they learned about our environment, have any of the fourth graders explain what their favorite part of the field trip was.



**MIDTERMS FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER**

Every student in grades K-6 received a midterm report on Friday, September 30, 2011. Please review this report with your child and discuss his/her goals for this quarter. If you or your student has questions about the midterm report, please contact the teacher to set up a conference. A conference can be a positive experience which allows the student, parent, and teacher to ask questions and seek information that can be helpful to the student's success in the class.

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**Let's Get Organized Campaign**

Where's my backpack? Where's my homework? Where are my keys?  
Aaaahhhh!!!!

Have you or your child ever uttered these words? If so, it's time to get organized.

Being organized is a good idea for everyone, especially a student. If a student is organized he/she has a better chance at being academically successful.

This year, as with every year, organization will be stressed to students in all grade levels, but this year we are going to make it a school-wide and community event.

All students have received a short lesson on the benefits of organization, tips for being organized and an introduction to our "Let's Get Organized" campaign.

If your child is interested in participating in this campaign you will be hearing them ask for a letter and signature from you confirming that they organized something at home: a closet, their room, the refrigerator, their backpack, etc.

Once we receive your confirmation, the student will be entered into the monthly drawing for organizational prizes. Students will also be involved in other various "organizational" activities while in school. The response to this campaign has been amazing. We have had over 300 organization tickets turned in for the month of September.

**Congratulations to September Winners of the Let's Get Organized Campaign**



- K: Dominik Cruz (Cheek)
- 1: Ethan Byrne (Lather)
- 2: Emma Laub (Batey)
- 3: Ashanti Elkins (Morris)
- 4: Andrew Born (Dickman)
- 5: Kassie Brown (Barbour)
- 6: Tyler Newell (Ruble)



***Effort Students of the Month***

The following students have been chosen by their grade level teachers as the one student in each grade who exemplified EFFORT during the month of September. These students may not have always gotten the right answer, but they PERSEVERED and kept trying. We want all of Stamm's students to put forth their best effort in all they do. These students have their pictures hanging in the hall, and they are:

- Kindergarten – Elijah Bagley
- 1<sup>st</sup> grade – Melany Herrera
- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Brian Pierce
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Xavier Hull

- 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Lucas Villareal
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Ja'Wuan Parks
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Sierra Bulger



### *Parent Database*

We want to create a Parent Database that allows parents to receive daily announcements and any last minute communications from our school. Please complete the database info sheet attached to this newsletter and return it to the school office. It is our goal to have this in place by the end of this month.

### *Grandfriends Day - October 26<sup>th</sup>*

We invite all of our Grandfriends to join us for lunch and a visit to the Scholastic Book Fair. If you want to order a lunch from the cafeteria, please fill out the information on the invitation and return it with the cost of the lunch - \$2.25 as soon as possible.

### Donations Needed

Each classroom is creating a gift basket for the 43<sup>rd</sup> Stamm School Chili Supper. Please donate items necessary for the gift basket. The proceeds support our students!



### **United Way - Pennies by the Pound**

The staff and students of Stamm School will participate in the competition that will collect money for the United Way of Stamm School. During the week of October 31<sup>st</sup>, students and staff will collect pennies for points for their classroom. They can also put silver coins and dollar bills in the buckets of other classrooms to earn those classes negative points. We anticipate a lot of fun as we collect pennies, silver, and dollar bills that will help the United Way who in turns helps all of us in Sandusky County. Consider joining in the fun to add your pennies to the buckets of your favorite classrooms.

### **Which Class will win?**



## CHARACTER IN ACTION

During this school year, Ms. Guthrie, our school counselor is promoting a C.I.A. Project, which stands for Character in Action. One student from each classroom is chosen to be the classroom representative for the C.I.A. because he/she has shown awesome character traits in his/her behaviors. For the month of October the following students are Stamm's C.I.A. agents:

Summer Lagrou (KC)	Vivian Kunkle (4A)
Keyana Jones (KD)	Zachary Whipple (4K)
Carma Johnson (KE)	Chloe Shorts (4D)
Lazaro Jimenez (1L)	Layne Earnest (5A)
Melany Herrera (1R)	Ari Paredes- Gutierrez (5B)
Brianna Boskovich (1S)	Hannah Priddy (5J)
Jacob Marsh (2B)	Zamara Tucker (6E)
London Johnson (2S)	Morgan Cress (6R)
Jayden Ruiz (3H)	
Audia Swain (3M)	
Jenna Ruiz (3T)	



Message from Nurse:



**PTO News:**

The next PTO meeting is Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Computer Lab. Please consider joining us for this meeting.

- ❖ PTO Fall Fundraiser – Students are bringing home today the information for Stamm’s Fall Fundraiser. We ask each family to please try to sell items and return the order forms and money to the school by October 12<sup>th</sup>. Items will be sent home with students for distribution to your family, friends, and neighbors on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Online orders are due by October 18<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds from this sale will allow PTO to purchase items for students and the school such as treats, perfect attendance breakfasts, and field trips. All your support is appreciated.
- ❖ Chili Supper is October 28<sup>th</sup>. We are accepting donations for gift baskets. Please consider donating to help make the 43<sup>rd</sup> Stamm Chili Supper Event the best one ever!

**Vision and Hearing Screenings**

During the month of October the students of Stamm School will be having their vision and hearing screened by our school nurse, Mrs. Amor. If Mrs. Amor feels there is reason for your child to have his/her hearing or vision checked by a doctor, a letter will be sent home to you. If Mrs. Amor has no concerns, then no communication will be sent home.



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**Please consider supporting Stamm School by purchasing pizza from Papa Murphy’s on Wednesday, October 5, 2011. Stamm School gets a percentage of the proceeds made during this time. All each family has to do is say that you are buying the pizza for STAMM SCHOOL then we get the proceeds! Please contact the school office for details.**

**We appreciate all your support!**

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