



October 3, 2022

***A message from the principals...***

Happy October Lutz Families! What an amazing turnout we had for Literacy Night last week. It was wonderful to see students and families in the building again. The students have participated in many extra activities in September. A few of these were:

- ⇒ Hispanic Heritage Month
- ⇒ 5th Grade, Wilson Nature Center
- ⇒ Literacy Night

Now that October is here the students will begin talking about Halloween. Lutz will have its annual Halloween Parade at the end of the month. More information will be coming regarding the date, time and selecting appropriate school costumes.

October brings cooler temperatures. Please place a coat in your child's book bag each day in case it is needed for recess. A reminder for upcoming winter temperatures is students will have recess as long as the temperature and wind chill is 20 degrees or above.

Students will continue to take part in Zones of Regulation lessons. Please see the attached page for more information. On Wednesday of this week Lutz will begin its Tier 2 Behavior Intervention. This intervention will be provided for students needing additional time and support implementing what they have learned during their Zones' lessons. Your child's teacher will contact you if your child will be participating in Tier 2.

It has been an amazing start to the new school year. Thank you for your support and dedication to learning.

Sincerely,

Mr. Macko  
Dr. Pierce



SCHOOLS

**STRONG ACADEMICS**

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**STRONG CHARACTER**

- College Corner
- Word of the Month



**STAFF**

# THE ZONES OF REGULATION

A CURRICULUM DESIGNED  
TO FOSTER SELF-REGULATION AND  
EMOTIONAL CONTROL

Each week the students have been participating in two lessons relating to the Zones of Regulation. Below are the topics thus far that have been covered with their teachers.

Lessons 1 and 2- "Introduction of the 4 Zones", "Identifying emotions and state of alertness for each zone."

Lessons 3 and 4- "Identifying emotions viewing characters in video clips", "Identifying emotions in given scenarios."

Lesson 5 and 6- "Understanding Different Perspectives", "How does my behavior affect others?"

Lesson 7 and 9- "Identifying more emotions in th zones." "Identifying Triggers"



For Additional Information regarding Zones of Regulation, please visit:

<https://zonesofregulation.com>

Would you like to create a Zones check-in at home?

If so, please visit:

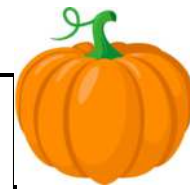
<https://youtu.be/l07xIKoNYEE>



# STUDENTS

## Final Forms

Please remember to update "Final Forms" if "pick-up", "emergency contact" etc. changes during the school year.



## Student Vacations

If a vacation is planned please remember to contact the school office at 419-332-0091. A district form needs to be filled out and approved. We appreciate everyone letting the teachers know but the office needs to be contacted as well. A friendly reminder that vacations during 3rd, 4th and 5th grade OSTs will not be approved. Please refer to the student handbook for more information. Thank you for your understanding.



## Transportation Home

If a student's transportation home is changing for the day, please contact the school office at 419-332-0091. We cannot go by a child's directive. Thank you!

## Attendance Policy

- Students are allotted 5 days of excused absences without a doctor's note in one school year.
- After 5 days of excused absences a doctor's note is needed. Otherwise absences will be considered "unexcused".
- If a student tests positive for COVID proof is needed. For example: a note sent from a doctor OR a picture of the COVID test to include student's name and date.
- If proof of COVID is presented to the office, the absences due to COVID will not count toward a student's 5 days.

## Exposure to COVID

- Students are no longer required to quarantine due to exposure unless symptomatic.
- It is recommended if exposed and symptom free a student should mask in school for 5 days. Any questions, please contact the school nurse at 419-332-0091. Thank You!

## Habitual Truancy

- 30 or more consecutive hours without a legitimate excuse
- 42 or more hours in one school month without a legitimate excuse
- 72 or more hours in one school year without a legitimate excuse

**ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW!  
ATTENDANCE COUNTS!  
ALL DAY EVERYDAY!**



## Important Dates

Friday, September 30, 2022- Midterms sent home

Monday, October 3, 2022- Blood Drive, 2:00-7:00 p.m. Lutz Gymnasium

Tuesday, October 4, 2022- 4th and 5th Grade Gifted Students to Creek Bend

Tuesday, October 4, 2022- Coloring Contest Papers Due (Taking place during school hours)

Wednesday, October 5, 2022- Mid-term Zones Review and Tier 2 Behavior Interventions (Taking place during school hours)

Friday, October 7, 2022- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS, Professional Day for Teachers

Week of October 10, 2022- "Pennies By the Pound", Students can donate pennies throughout the week. The pennies will be donated to United Way.

Tuesday, October 11, 2022- 4th Grade Field Trip, "Exploring Your Backyard"

Tuesday and Wednesday, October 18th and 19th- 3rd Grade will take the Ohio State Assessment (OST)...Attendance during these 2 days is critical.

Friday, October 21, 2022- End of First Grading Period

Wednesday, October 26, 2022- Picture Day...more information coming soon.

Friday, November 4, 2022- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS, Parent-Teacher Conferences

## Morning Drop-Off

The earliest students may arrive at school is 8:30 a.m. Thank you for your support!



# Lutz Literacy Night

STUDENTS



# COMMUNITY



## Pictures from the 5th Grade Field Trip Wilson Nature Center



## October

So, what is the most important academic skill your child needs to learn in school that will build on every other subject? If you guessed READ, you are right! You can help your child to be successful now and in his/her future by supporting positive reading habits. You can start when your child is an infant by looking at books and talking to your child. For preschoolers, point out words on signs and describe what you are doing for them as you do it. For elementary children, spend 20 minutes a day reading or having your child read to you. Older students should read on their own daily, but often still enjoy listening to adults read.

### How to Encourage Reading

- Visit a public library for books and magazines with your child's interest.
- Use a tablet to download books from the library or purchase some from an online retailer.
- Read a comic book or newspaper.
- Read in front of your child.
- Ask questions about what your child is reading.



*Future Chat questions:* What kinds of books do you like to read? What is the career name for someone who writes books? What is the career name for someone who draws pictures in a book?

**Responsibility** is the word of the month for October. Each individual is responsible for his/her choices. It is important to teach kids to be responsible at a young age so they become accountable for their actions. No one is perfect, but developing habits of responsibility will create self-sufficient adults and community citizens.

We will be celebrating Red Ribbon Week this month. Students will have the opportunity to do make a responsible choice and pledge to a healthy, drug free life. Please talk about to your child about the importance of making responsible choices to keep our minds and bodies healthy.

### ***Teach Responsibility at Home:***

- Give age appropriate chores i.e. setting the table, helping with dinner, making his/her bed, taking out the trash.
- Make your child responsible for packing and unpacking their backpack each night. You can supervise.
- Make your child responsible for completing his/her homework. You can help if needed, but without doing it for him/her.
- Set the expectation that your child cleans up him/herself.
- Set behavior expectations and hold your child accountable for his/her actions. Consequences or rewards should be followed through. It might not seem like it, but they want and need to be held accountable.

