



October 2, 2023

A message from the principals...

Happy October Lutz Families! What an amazing first month of school we have had! The students have participated in many extra activities in September. A few of these were:

- ⇒ Hispanic Heritage Month
- ⇒ 5th Grade field trip to Wilson Nature Center
- ⇒ Start with Hello week

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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 completed and upcoming lessons.

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

Sincerely,

Dr. Pierce
Mrs. Roth



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.”

Upcoming lessons....

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".
- Proof of a positive COVID test is no longer excused without a doctor's note.

Grandfriends Lunch

Grandfriends will be invited to join students for lunch in November. Information with specific dates and times will be going home in coming weeks!

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

Marco's Fundraiser

Congratulations to Mrs. Gonzales' class who won the Marco's Pizza fundraiser pizza party. Keep an eye out for the next Marco's Fundraiser date!

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



Important Dates

Monday, September 25- Friday, October 6- Read-a-thon

Friday, September 29, 2023- Midterms sent home

Wednesday, October 4, 2023- 4th and 5th Grade Gifted Students to Creek Bend

Wednesday, October 11, 2023- Fire Safety Day

Thursday, October 12, 2023- 4th Grade Field Trip, "Exploring Your Backyard"

Thursday, October 12, 2023- Title I Literacy Night from 5:30-6:45

Friday, October 13, 2023- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS, Professional Day for Teachers

Week of October 16, 2023- "Pennies By the Pound", Students can donate pennies throughout the week. The pennies will be donated to United Way.

Friday, October 20, 2023- End of First Grading Period

Tuesday and Wednesday, October 24th and 25th- 3rd Grade will take the Ohio State Assessment (OST)...Attendance during these 2 days is critical.

Monday, October 30, 2023- Parent-Teacher Conferences (evening)

Thursday, November 2, 2023- Parent-Teacher Conferences (evening)

Friday, November 3, 2023- 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!



COMMUNITY



Pictures from the 5th Grade Field Trip Wilson Nature Center



Lutz Eagle Authors



Pictured: Ethan Elder, Daniel Segundo Fernando, Aria Jones, Audrey Heberling, Miss Seigley, Leo Kinsey, Ana'Leigh Sims



In February 2023, the 4th grade students (now 5th graders) were given the opportunity to enter a writing contest by Young Writers USA. The contest was titled Ancient Adventures. They were given the task to create a mini saga, which is a story that is no more than 100 words, based on a historical event. They had to choose one of their favorite historical events or person in history. Students spent time outside of school and even gave up their recess time to plan, write, edit and submit their mini sagas. Once their mini sagas were submitted, they were all congratulated from Young Writers USA with a bookmark. Families were then given the opportunity to allow their child's writing to be published in Young Writers USA Ancient Adventure book. This book contains a collection of mini sagas from students all over the United States. A big thanks to Miss Seigley for going the extra mile to help our writers and congratulations to our young authors! We are so proud of your accomplishment!



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 someone who writes books? What is the career name for someone who draws pictures in a book?

October - Gratitude

The word of the month for October is **Gratitude**. Gratitude is when you appreciate what you have and are truly thankful. It is important to show you are grateful to those who love you, challenge you, help you, work with you and also to yourself. Expressing your appreciation makes others feel good and in turn you will feel better about yourself.

Here are ways to help your child show gratitude:

- Tell them thank you
- Let them hear you say thank you
- Don't give them everything they want
- Provide them with opportunities to earn the the things they want
- Keep rewards reasonable
- Call them out when they are unappreciative
- Give back to the community
- Help them recognize the need around them
- Incorporate daily gratitudes into your family's routine
- Write thank you notes



😊 Mrs. Rosales

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