

Ellendale Tiger Talk Reaching New Heights in 2017-18

Spring Parent Newsletter

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A Note from the Principal....

Everybody, Everyday! Can you believe it's already May?!?! This school year has flown by, and we are nearing the end.

Now we begin our march through the last 5 weeks of the school year. This is a busy time with many spring sports and fun activities planned.

However, students should not lose sight of their classroom and personal goals. Focus and concentration must be a priority as we finish up another successful year. We have curriculum still to cover and preparation for End of Year/End of Grading testing. It is imperative that students are in attendance every day! As always, parents please be sure to check your student's planner and materials each night for homework or special instructions from teachers.

Remember that everyone at EES expects success from our students. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to contact us!

We need EVERYBODY in school, EVERY DAY.



every day counts
ATTEND TODAY -
ACHIEVE TOMORROW!

Thanks to everyone for your work and support of our School and PTE fundraisers! I know we always have things going on but these projects help us fund student recognition, class and school resources, staff professional development, Leader in Me projects, and so much more! We have 1 more Wendy's night on May 21st so invite your friends and family to come out that night!



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**Learn. Lead.
Serve. Succeed.**

Great Things are Happening at Ellendale!

Ellendale students live our mission- Learn, Lead, Serve, Succeed. It is our hope that we are not only making a difference in your child's academic education, but that we are also making lasting impacts on their lives. We have completed many service projects this school year and were very proud that all of our Student Leaders were recognized as the first place Youth Group at the Commissioner's Choice Awards in April So proud of our students, parents, and staff for valuing community service! #EESLeads



Yearbook Sale

The cost will be \$20 until May 18th. After that date, it will be \$25. The yearbook is wonderful so don't miss out! A special thanks to the yearbook committee for their work on this project to capture the beautiful memories from this school year.



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Yearbook

2nd Annual Leadership Day

"Reaching New Heights"-We had over 100 people who attended our 2nd annual Leadership Day where students led the day with classroom tours, speaking parts, and motivational songs. Each classroom showcased their classroom WIGs and Leadership Notebooks. Special thanks to all who attended and supported our student leaders!



WIGs!

WIGs: Wildly Important Goals – Leaders know how to "Begin with the End in Mind" by making a plan and setting goals. As a school, we have set goals for reading, math, and attendance. Classes and students have set their goals as a result of our school goals. Once a student sets a goal with his or her teacher, the essential question becomes "What will it take to achieve that goal?"

Involving students in goal setting yields powerful results! We can see students in all grades setting and achieving goals in literacy, math, attendance, behavior, and leadership. Ask your student about our WIGs!

Ellendale School WIGs

K-2 Reading: We will reach 80% proficiency in reading comprehension by June 2018.

3-5 Reading: We will reach 73% proficiency in reading comprehension by June 2018.

K-5 Math: We will reach 80% proficiency in math by June 2018.

Attendance: We will decrease unexcused tardies/leave earlys by 25%.

Genius Days

Our Genius Days have been held every Early Dismissal Day this year. These days have allowed students to spend time in special Exploratory Groups such as 4-H, Tech Club, PE Club, Art, Sunshine Club, Baker's Beauty Shop and much more! Grade levels also devote time on Genius Days for hands-on STEM learning projects (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math). Our students are so engaged and creative as they participate in these rigorous activities. Our last Genius Day is May 18th but I know we will look at how to continue these great things for students!



2018 End of Year Important Dates

- May 18 Early Dismissal 12:45
- May 21 EES Wendy's Earning for Learning Night 5-8 pm
- May 25 5th Grade Science EOG
- May 28 Memorial Day Holiday
- May 30 Reading EOG
- May 31 Math EOG
- June 1 Field Day - Kinder-2nd grade = 9-11 AM
3rd-5th grade = 12-2:45 PM
- June 4 EOG Makeups & 5th Grade Day
- June 5 3rd Grade Retest / Honor Roll Trip
6:00 pm 5th Grade DARE, Awards, & Graduation
- June 6 Reading Counts Reward Day / 3-5 Own It Block Party
- June 7 Kinder Graduation Program @ 8:30 am
Volunteer Recognition Luncheon 12:00-1:00 pm
Awards Day for Grades 1-4 @ 1:30 pm
- June 8 Early Dismissal @12:45 / Last Day for Students
Relay for Life Fun Day