### October 2018

# Shawnee Elementary

"Expectations, Excellence, Extraordinary Students, Every Day!"



Parent - Teacher Conferences

The most important goal of parent-

Bridging Home and School

teacher conferences is to help children succeed in school. These conferences allow you to meet with teachers to share information about your child's strengths and discuss any areas of concern. They allow you the opportunity to work together with the teacher to help strengthen your child's skills and address any concerns. The conference can also be used to strengthen your relationship with your child's teacher. A strong relationship allows you to work together more effectively to help your child do well in school.

Many parents took advantage of our early sign-up for conferences at our Open House Night. If so, you will be receiving a confirmation from your child's teacher in the coming days. If you were unable to sign-up at the Open House, you will be receiving an option of times from your child's teacher. Our goal is to meet with 100% of our Shawnee Families!

# Attendance & Absences

It is very important for parents to keep in touch with the school regarding their child's attendance. Please call Shawnee at 372-6461 if your child is absent. You are able to leave a message 24/7 to notify us of an absence. Messages are checked on a daily basis. Also, if a student is ill and will have to miss school for more than one day, remember to get a note from the doctor that can be turned in to the office within 5 days or it will be an unexcused absence.



#### A GLANCE AT

Box Top Contest October 1-31 Start collecting now!

Healthy Halloween Hustle October 1-31 This is a virtual fundraiser for the Xenia Community Schools Foundation.

Woodwind Quintet October I Grades 5

Children's Opera October 4 Grade 3

PTO Meeting October 8 3:30-4:30 in the Art Room

Ballet October || Grade K

Scholastic Book Fair October 15-18

**Picture Retakes** October 16

Conference Night #I 3:30-7:00 \*Book Fair Open 3:30-6:45 p.m.

**Grandparents Breakfast** October' 18 8:15-8:45 \*All grandparents are invited and the Book Fair will be open 8:00-9:00 a.m.

Conference Night #2 October 18 3:30-6:45 \*Book Fair Open 3:30-6:45 p.m.

End of 1st Quarter October 18



# Notice of Right to Know Teacher Qualifications

Several changes have been made recently to federal legislation, most particularly the NCLB (No Child Left Behind) Act. Under this law, all schools are required to provide information on teacher qualifications to parents who ask. Here at Xenia Community Schools, we have always been happy to provide this information, even before the federal law became effective. We work hard to recruit and hire the strongest teachers possible. For example, nearly 100% meet or exceed the federal standard of being "highly qualified". Also, many of our teachers continue to attend seminars, workshops and graduate classes each year to strengthen their teaching skills. We are proud of the training and qualifications of our teaching staff, and we'll gladly answer any of your questions about their qualifications, training, and educational backgrounds. Please contact Mike Earley at the Xenia Board of Education at 376-2961 with any questions you may have.

# Shawnee Students of Character for September



Mario Cochran Jr., Gabriel Sparks, Kolten Harlow, Ja'maur Jackson, Tucker Lamb, Journey Woodrick, Dicey Hurley, Divine Kabala, Jeremiah Goodrum, Ephraim Mulindilwa, Alber Adams, Deondre Blanks, Carmi Harkleroad, Riley Beck, Aiven Jones, Chase Hawkins, Ameenah Chappelle, RJ Ward, Tamari Stills, Tori Mitchell, and Skiley Massey

These students have been positive role models in their class and have been extremely hard workers during the first month of school. Congratulations!

AT A GLANCE Continued...

No School October 19

Orchestra and You October 23 Grade 2

OST ELA Grade 3 October 23-24 State Testing for Grade 3

Conference Night #3 October 25 3:30-5:00

Report Cards Sent Home

Trunk or Treat October 30 Shawnee Bus Loop at 5:30

Brass Quintet November 5 Grade 4

Chemistry Club November 6 Grades K-5

PTO Meeting November 12 3:30-4:30 in the Art Room

DPO Trio November 16 Grade 1

Interim Reports November 16

Thanksgiving Break November 19-23

## Reminder

Stay up to date with our school by going to <u>www.xenia.k12.oh.us</u> then click on the schools tab. From our website you can access Progress Book and PayForIt.Net





We are excited to have our first Breakfast with Grandparents which is being sponsored by the Shawnee PTO and Faith Community Church. We are very thankful for these community sponsorships for this event!

# We invite all Grandparents to attend on... October 18th 8:15-8:45 a.m.

The Scholastic Book Fair will also be open this morning from 8:00-9:00 a.m.





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# Interested in Volunteering at Shawnee?

During the school year we need volunteers for classroom helpers, field trips, book fairs, field day, and many other activities. The district will pay for the cost of the fingerprinting if you are willing to become a volunteer. If you would like to become a volunteer below are the steps you will need to take:

### 1. Pick Up The School Volunteer Form From The Shawnee Office

### 2. Fill Out The School Volunteer Form

### 3. Contact Central Office At 376-2961 To Schedule A Time To Get Fingerprinted

(Make Sure You Take The School Volunteer Form With You) \* It can take a few days or up to four weeks to get the fingerprint results back before you can start volunteering.

### 4. Contact The Shawnee Office, Your Child's Teacher, Or The Shawnee PTO To Let Us Know That You Are Ready To Volunteer

