

MOORELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MARCH 6, 2020

School Office: (717) 240-6800 x36805

NEWS

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- March 10, 7:00 PM > PTO Meeting
- March 12 > District Choral Concert 7:00 p.m., McGowan Auditorium
- March 13 > No School
- March 17 > District Band Concert 7:00 p.m., McGowan Auditorium
- **March 19 > District Orchestra 7:00 p.m., McGowan Auditorium**
- March 20 > Spirit Day (Mismatch Day)
- March 20 > Early dismissal (12:30 PM)

See full calendar at end of newsletter

THANK YOU

Thank you to **Laura Powers** and **Rhonda Pine** for coordinating our Dr. Seuss Day event - always a favorite at Mooreland!

Thank you to **Meta Bowman** for coordinating our PTO family fun movie night and thank you to **Barry Hill** for making all the popcorn!

FROM OUR NURSE, MRS. MCKEE

The state of Pennsylvania requires that every student, upon entry into sixth grade, have a physical exam report in his or her school health record. If your student has had a physical exam within one year of the start of grade 6, it can be counted as his or her sixth grade physical. ***Please have your private physician complete the Physical Exam form and return it to the nurse at school as soon as possible.*** Forms can be found on the CASD website under Departments/Health Services. If you have any questions, please contact the school nurse at 240-6800 ext. 36801.

MARCH IS MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH!

For over 30 years, March has been officially designated by the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) for the observance of Music In Our Schools Month® (MIOSM™), the time of year when music education becomes the focus of schools across the nation. Join us as we highlight our upper elementary chorus, band, and orchestra programs in these upcoming concerts!

Chorus: Thursday, March 12th, 7:00 p.m., McGowan Auditorium

Band: Tuesday, March 17th, 7:00 p.m., McGowan Auditorium

Orchestra: Thursday, March 19th, 7:00 p.m., McGowan Auditorium

Our music programs will also be showcased at a brief presentation prior to the School Board Meeting on March 19.

PTO NEWS

Diversity Day: The PTO is looking for volunteers who have grown up outside of or spent extensive time living outside of the United States to help teach students about those cultures where they lived for Diversity Day. If you are interested in helping and would like to know more please email us at moorelandpto@gmail.com

PTO Meeting: Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 10th at 7pm in the MES library. All are welcome to attend and feel free to contact us at moorelandPTO@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.

Contact Us: As always, you are welcome to email the PTO with any suggestions, questions, or concerns. You can reach us at MoorelandPTO@gmail.com Our next meeting will be in the MES library at 7 pm on February 11th.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION MESSAGE FROM THE REGISTRAR

The Carlisle Area School District is currently planning for the 2020-21 school year and preparing for Kindergarten Registration. For a child to enter kindergarten, he/she must

be 5 years old, on or before August 31. If you know of someone (neighbor, relative, friend, etc), who has an incoming Kindergarten student, please relay this information to them.

If you have an incoming Kindergarten student for 2020-21, please complete the pre-registration form and review the information at <https://www.carliseschools.org/KindergartenRegistration>.

To complete the registration process, you will attend a registration session at your child's home school. In late March, parents with completed pre-registrations will receive an appointment at the school where your child will attend. Please bring your child's original birth certificate, immunization records and parent/guardian's proof of residence to this appointment.

If you have any questions, contact the Registrar at 240-6800, ext 17803 or rumbergers@carliseschools.org

Stacy Rumberger
Registrar, Carlisle Area School District

FREE TUTORING

Please click on the link to access information regarding **Tutor.com** - this is a FREE online tutoring service! The directions are on the flyer - basically you enter your library card number and that gets you into the tutoring website... from there students can access free tutoring with a human tutor. Pretty cool!!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNSELOR, MRS. OXENREIDER

Digital Safety is an important topic to discuss with children on a regular basis. Angie Lane, CASD's Technology Department, and I did a lesson for 5th graders on this topic. As a part of this lesson, we gave each student a copy of the following safety tips to take home:

- Remember never to share private information. For example; birthday, address, phone number, school, etc.
- Remember that sharing too much personal information can act like puzzle pieces and the more you share the more others can figure out who you are.
- If you feel uncomfortable with something you have read or seen on a device tell a trusted adult.
- Do not engage with people online that you do not know.

- Only say kind things.
- Remember your digital footprint lasts forever.

Please see the following parent resources link to help you talk to your child about digital safety; <https://www.avg.com/en/signal/how-to-keep-your-children-safe-online>.

DISTRICT NEWS

Grading Periods: In mid-January, District Administration proposed to the Board of Directors the 2020-2021 academic calendar. The new calendar would include a change from four grading periods to three grading periods at the elementary level. In the new model, each grading period would shift from 45 days to approximately 60 days.

There are several reasons for this proposed change. First and foremost, the District's transition to standards-based report cards several years ago has highlighted the need to build in more time at the beginning of the school year to allow students to acclimate to a new grade level, develop strong relationships with peers and their teacher, and understand procedures before they can successfully begin to learn and master reportable standards. Additionally, increased time between grading periods adds instructional time, reduces assessment time, and creates more opportunities for students to achieve mastery. Although one formal report card will be removed from the calendar, teachers will continue to monitor student learning as the District's commitment to early and frequent communication with families remains constant. Finally, adjusting grading periods would allow for the precise alignment of the first report card and the November family conferences, yielding data and conversations which are more relevant, timely, and meaningful for the student, family, and teacher. In summary, the Administration anticipates that this change would yield only positive changes for students and their families.

The elementary principal team and teachers are working together to ensure that our students and families experience a smooth and simple transition. The building principal also welcomes any questions from families about the new grading periods, and looks forward to sharing more information throughout the winter and spring months.

Flexible Instruction Days (FID): Recently CASD sent the following information. It is repeated here as a reminder.

There are two options the District may choose to follow a school closing.

1. **Flexible Instruction Day (FID):** Schools are closed and students complete assigned work remotely.

The following message will be sent through the District's notification system alerting families of a potential FID:

*Potential Flexible Instruction Day (FID) Tomorrow: The weather forecast leading into tomorrow may result in conditions unsafe for travel. You will be notified **IF** school buildings are closed tomorrow. If the Carlisle Area School District decides to close buildings tomorrow, a Flexible Instruction Day (FID) will be in effect. If you receive an announcement that school buildings are closed, information regarding FID activities will be available from teachers OR posted on the teachers' website (www.carliseschools.org -> School Directory) by tomorrow morning.*

If school is then cancelled, an additional message will be sent in reference to *Buildings Closed and FID in Effect*. A similar message will be posted to the District's website and Facebook page, WHTM ABC27, WHP CBS21, and WPMT FOX43.

2. **There may still be instances when the District will close and not use a FID.** The notification message will be the same as in the past, noting that *School is Closed*. We will then use a scheduled make-up day as listed on the District Calendar.

Please refer to www.carliseschools.org/FID for information and a FAQ page.

HELPFUL LINKS & INFORMATION

Spirit Wear: Our spirit wear store is still running if you would like to show some school spirit. All items are made to order from College Lane Sportwear. You can view our available items and shop here:

http://artisticimprints.3dcartstores.com/Mooreland-Elementary_c_632.html

Box Top\$ for Education: The Box Tops for Education program is changing. Over the summer, participating brands have begun to change their packaging from the traditional Box Top clip to the new Box Tops label. Going forward, instead of clipping from packages and checking expiration dates, all Box Tops will be earned digitally by scanning your receipt. Learn more about these changes at BTFE.COM.

Giant A+ School Rewards: If you shop at Giant, please click on the link below to register for the school rewards program.

http://moorelandpto.weebly.com/uploads/2/4/3/4/24349707/new_this_year-web_pdf_1.pdf

Re-Cycle it! Used markers? Don't discard them - we collect used markers (any brand). Please send them to school and place them in the box on the lobby.

We are a re-cycling center for **plastic grocery bags** - please send plastic bags to school and place them in the collection box in the lobby!

STUDENT DIRECTORY

The student directory is available using the link below. Information included in this link is based on parent/guardian permission via the annual InfoSnap registration/update process at the beginning of the school year.

The URL to the page is http://Mooreland.carliseschools.org/students/student_directory

Username: MoorelandParent

Password: mRLND74*

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK POSTER CONTEST

It's time for the 2020 National School Bus Safety Week Poster Contest and PennDOT has announced the following opportunity for students to learn about school bus safety while promoting it to others.

Details for entering this fun and educational contest are found at the following link:

<http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Public/DVSPubsForms/BDL/BDL%20School%20Bus%20protected/posterContestGuidelines.pdf>

We look forward to your participation - and thank you!

A MESSAGE FROM THE YEARBOOK

- Yearbooks are now on sale for the 2019-2020 school year!
- To order, please go to <http://www.memorybook.com/online-pay/parent-pay/>
- Enter the school code **189032** then click "Go to your school account login"
- Click on the link below the school name
- Login if returning or register as a "new user"
- Yearbooks are on sale for \$15 with the option to create a personalized yearbook for \$20. You also have the option this year to add a "Love Line" for \$5.00

Order now before you forget!

Should you have any questions, please feel free to email Mandy Kirby, Yearbook Advisor at kirbym@carliseschools.org

FROM MRS. BOHN, SCHOOL SECRETARY

- Please remember to call the office and send a note if your student is absent (717) 240-6800 ext. 36805.
- Communicate all schedule changes concerning dismissal directly with the school secretary and the teacher by 2:30 pm. If you email the teacher, please be sure to include the school secretary when sending the email (bohnv@carliseschools.org).
- Contact the school secretary with all changes including address, phone numbers, and emergency contact information.

REMINDERS

SAFETY AND SECURITY: VISITORS PLEASE SIGN-IN

VISITORS PLEASE COMPLETE SIGN-IN PROCESS WITH EACH VISIT: REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR ID EACH TIME YOU VISIT

In the interest of the safety and security of our students and staff, the Carlisle Area School District uses a visitor management system. The visitor management system provides the District with the ability to keep an up-to-date verified log of visitors. Visitors include parents/guardians and volunteers who are given access to schools when school is in session.

All visitors will be required to present a photo identification card (every visit), preferably a valid, state-issued driver's license, or other photo identification, to the front office personnel before entry to the school is granted. The ID will be scanned using the visitor management system.

This procedure applies when school is in session:

- Pick-up an elementary or middle school student
- Gain access to the school beyond the office or the front door/window when necessary
- Attend an event on district property such as concerts, plays, field day, etc.

If a person does not have a valid state issued driver's license, an alternate form of photo identification such as a military ID, passport, or other government issued ID will need to be provided. The visitor management system will conduct a background check using a national sex offender database.

The school will be equipped to scan the ID and take the visitor's photo to create a badge for any visitor that requires access to the school. This system has the ability to provide alerts on individuals who may jeopardize the safety of students or staff. Once entry is granted, the visitor management system will print a badge that identifies the visitor, the date, time, photograph, and the destination of the visitor. Visitors must return to the office to return the badge and check out of the system upon leaving the school.

Your support in the ongoing efforts to enhance the safety and security of our schools is appreciated. Thank you for your patience and cooperation. Should you have further questions or concerns, please contact your school principal or Eric Sands, Carlisle Area School District's Director of Management Services at 717-240-6800 x 17804 or sandse@carliseschools.org

For more information regarding the Visitor Management System, visit the following link:

https://www.carliseschools.org/our_district/visitor_management_system

BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

Our neighbors on Wilson Street are extremely supportive of Mooreland Elementary School! Please be considerate and respect neighborhood properties by not blocking driveways or littering. Thank you for your cooperation!

INFO SNAP

The District is responsible for the safety and security of your child; therefore, we need complete and accurate information in the event of an emergency within the district involving your child. The District sent parents/guardians instructions to complete required online forms via **InfoSnap**. The sooner we receive this information, the better prepared we are to provide services to your child. **Please complete the Infosnap process as soon as possible.**

OUR EXPECTATIONS

We are committed to academic excellence and success for all students. Our faculty engages in on-going professional development aimed at enhancing instruction for our students. In turn, we expect students to:

- Attend school every day and arrive on time
- Complete daily classroom assignments and homework
- Follow school rules by demonstrating respect, responsibility, and safe behavior at all times
- Ask an adult for help when needed

The Carlisle Area School District is committed to the highest standards of academic and ethical integrity. Respect for self and others is the foundation of educational excellence and expected behavior as visitors enter our buildings and grounds. As such, we cultivate an environment of mutual respect and responsibility. Whether we are students, faculty, parents or members of our community everyone has a right to be in a safe environment, free of disturbance and civil in all aspects of human relations.

Please adhere to these principles as you enter our schools. Volatile, hostile or aggressive actions and words will not be tolerated, and individuals who engage in these activities can be issued citations from our school police officers.

It is our mission to create a safe, secure and nurturing environment for our students.

VOLUNTEERS/CLEARANCES

Parents are encouraged to volunteer at school. On July 16, 2015 the Carlisle Area School District Board of Directors approved Volunteer Policy #916. This policy is in accordance with the Child Protective Services law.

Volunteers - Please review the application/check list accessible through the Carlisle Area School District link below. Volunteers must complete all requirements prior to any volunteer activity in a school or on a field trip. It is important to understand who is a volunteer. Please go to the following link for detailed guidance regarding volunteers and instructions for obtaining clearances:

http://www.carlisleschools.org/community/volunteer_chaperone

The district requires all clearances to be turned in at least **one week** prior to any volunteer activity.

Please note that volunteers must renew clearances at least every five (5) years to remain eligible as a volunteer. Volunteer clearances are "portable" provided they are not out of date.

SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY RULES

- *Avoid walking/driving through the parking lot. Parking is by permit only.
- *Avoid double parking.
- *Avoid parking in (yellow curbed) bus zone. Avoid idling.
- *Exit car to sidewalk, not street-side.
- *Be a good neighbor and respect neighborhood properties by not blocking driveways or littering.
- *Walk on sidewalk, not street.
- *Cross at crosswalks.
- *When biking to school, **wear a helmet** - it's the law!
- *Follow bus rules.
- *Special note to parents: avoid texting/talking on cell phones in school zone.
- *In an effort to promote wellness, reduce traffic congestion, and ensure safety, we encourage students within walking distance to walk to and from school.

IMPORTANT LINKS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT MOORELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

https://mooreland.carliseschools.org/our_school/about_mooreland

FOOD SERVICE/ MENU

http://www.carliseschools.org/student_services/child_nutrition_services

VOLUNTEERS/CLEARANCES

http://www.carliseschools.org/community/volunteer_chaperone

COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR DISTRICT FAMILIES

<http://www.carliseschools.org/community/CommunityEvents>

OUR FACULTY

- Principal: Ms. Truckenmiller
- Secretary: Mrs. Bohn
- Counselor: Mrs. Oxenreider
- Nurse: Mrs. McKee
- Kindergarten: Ms. Brown/Mrs. Kirby/Mrs. Runkle
- Grade 1: Mrs. Schmitt/Mrs. Steinour
- Grade 2: Mrs. Fair/Mrs. Good/Mr. Sniscak
- Grade 3: Mr. Arvey/Mrs. Skupnick-Mrs. Wroblewski/Ms. Whiteman
- Grade 4: Mrs. Bjerke/Mrs. Kuntz/Ms. Taylor
- Grade 5: Mrs. Eschenmann/Mrs. Wohlgemuth-Ms. Fetterolf/Mrs. Harig
- Speech & Language: Mrs. Pandya
- Support/Intervention Teachers: Mrs. Becket/ Mrs. Lerew-Mrs. Rauhut/Mrs. Salomone
- ELD Teacher: Mrs. Howland
- Gifted Teacher: Dr. Rogers
- PE Teachers: Mrs. Rossow/Mr. Grala/Mrs. Rodgers/Ms. Yost
- Music: Ms. Brown/Ms. Wilson/Mrs. Ream/Mrs. Weaver
- Art: Ms. Davenport/Ms. Davis (Ms. Barr)
- Librarian: Mrs. Kean/Ms. Justice
- Instrumental Music: Mr. Wolf/Mr. Kuehrmann

Please visit the following link to access staff directory/teacher websites:

http://mooreland.carliseschools.org/our_school/staff_directory

March 2020 MES Family Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	Day 1 2 Dr. Seuss Day – 1:45 pm 3:30-4:30 pm – Pokemon (K,1,2), and Bloxels Clubs	Day 2 3	Day 3 4 Yearbook club – 3:30-4:30	Day 4 5 5 th grade Field Trip 12:15- 2 pm 3:30-4:30 pm Cubing, Lego, and Spanish Clubs	Day 5 6 Spring Picture Day 1:30 pm 5 th grade assembly – ½ MPR	7
8	Day 6 9	Day 1 10 PTO Mtg. 7 pm	Day 2 11 School Store Yearbook club – 3:30-4:30	Day 3 12 School Physicals	13 <i>No School</i>	14
15	Day 4 16 M&M Field Trip 3:30-4:30 – Clubs	Day 5 17 3:30-4:30 – Clubs	Day 6 18 3:30-4:30 – Clubs	Day 1 19	Day 2 20 Spirit Day: Mismatch Day <i>Elementary Early Dismissal</i>	21
22	Day 3 23 Book Fair 3:30-4:30 – Clubs	Day 4 24 Book Fair	Day 5 25 Diversity Day 1:15-3:15 pm – MPR 3:30-4:30 – Clubs Book Fair Family Night 6- 8 pm Yearbook club – 3:30-4:30	Day 6 26 Book Fair 3:30-4:30 pm – Go Girls Go and Go Guys Go 4-8 pm – PTO Family Night – Panera	Day 1 27 Book Fair	28
29	Day 2 30 3:30-4:30 pm – Go Guys Go 3:30-4:30 – Clubs	Day 3 31 ABE Field Trip 3:30-4:30 pm – Go Girls Go 3:30-4:30 – Clubs				

Carlisle Area School District Equity Statement

The Carlisle Area School District is an equal opportunity education institution and will not

discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, creed, religion, gender, gender-identity, sexual orientation, ancestry, national origin, marital status, pregnancy, disability or any other status protected by law in its activities, programs, or employment practices as required by Title VI,

Title IX and Section 504.

No person shall on the grounds of race, color, age, creed, religion, gender, gender-identity, sexual orientation, ancestry, national origin, marital status, pregnancy, disability or any other status protected by law be excluded from participation in or be subjected to discrimination in any program or activity funded in whole or in part by federal funds. Discrimination on the basis of sex or religion is also prohibited in some federal programs.

For information regarding civil rights or grievances procedures, services, activities and

facilities that are assessable to and usable by handicapped persons, contact:

Dr. Colleen M. Friend

Title IX Coordinator

Section 504 Coordinator

540 West North Street

Carlisle, PA 17013

717-240-6800

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