# College Corner Union School <u>March 2018</u>



## What is ISTEP+?

 3<sup>rd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> Graders will be taking the Part 1, applied skills ISTEP test during the weeks of February 26<sup>th</sup>-March 9<sup>th</sup>.

 The purpose of the Indiana Statewide Testing for Educational Progress-Plus (ISTEP+) program is to measure student achievement in the subject areas of English/language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. In particular, ISTEP+ reports student achievement levels according to the Indiana Academic Standards that were adopted by the Indiana State Board of Education. The ISTEP+ assessment is criterion-referenced and is designed to measure students' mastery of the standards. Student performance on ISTEP+ is part of school accountability. Source: www.doe.in.gov

 Please make sure your 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade student gets plenty of rest during ISTEP and/or IREAD-3 testing!

## **Class Dojo:**

Your child's teacher is using Class Dojo to monitor student behavior and stay in communication with you at home. The school also sends many reminders to you through Dojo. If you aren't signed up, please contact your child's teacher.

## Home/School Connection:

Read Regularly "Try to read to your child every day. You might aim for at least 10-15 minutes of bedtime reading for a peaceful end to the day. Bring along a book, and read to him/her during a sibling's sports practice. Or curl up together with a book when you get home from work. Ask your child to turn the pages while you read. Also, he/she can finish sentences that rhyme or fill in words he/she knows. Go slowly so he/she has time to understand the story and look at the illustrations. He/she will enjoy read-aloud time more if he/she plays an active role." - Reading Connection

## March Character Trait: Patience

"Waiting until later for what you want now."

CCUS will be discussing patience all month long and how we can be more understanding with our needs.

### **Miscellaneous Information:**

- Please remember that if you are going to walk your student to class, you will first need to stop at the office and sign in and get a visitor pass.
- If your child is ill and will not attend school, please try to call their absence in to the office by 8:30a.m.
- If you have an updated phone number or email address, please make sure you notify us here at the school. It is important that we have up-to-date information.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- February 26<sup>th</sup>-March 9<sup>th</sup> Grades 3-5 ISTEP+ Testing Window
- March 12<sup>th</sup>-March 16<sup>th</sup> Grade 3 IREAD Testing
- March 16<sup>th</sup> Q3 Report Cards Go Home
- March 19<sup>th</sup>-March 23<sup>rd</sup>- Star Lab @ School
- March 26<sup>th</sup>- March 30<sup>th</sup> Spring Break, No School
- April 9<sup>th</sup> No School (Snow Make-Up Day)
  - April 16<sup>th</sup>-May 4<sup>th</sup> ISTEP Part II
  - April 20<sup>th</sup> Q4 Midterms Go Home
  - April 25<sup>th</sup>- PTO Meeting @ 6pm