

# Liberty Elementary School Newsletter

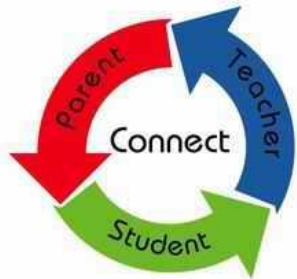
October 2018

LifeSkills for October: Initiative & Flexibility



## Parent/Teacher Conferences

Information is coming home regarding Parent/Teacher conferences. Conferences will take place **on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00-7:15 p.m. each evening**. Parents will need to call the school office to schedule an appointment to meet with your child's various teachers. Appointments fill up quickly, so don't wait too long to schedule. Parents or guardians should also think about scheduling conferences with the Special Areas teachers, Title I, and Special Education teachers if you have any questions about their programs or how your child is doing in their class. **\*Students will be in attendance on both conference days!**



## Power School & Severe Weather Notifications

Parents recently received 2 notification letters regarding setting up their Parent Portal accounts in Power School. The information actually has 2 purposes:

- Set up the actual Parent Portal
- Set up the Notification alerts

For reasons within Power School, both of these actions cannot be done together, the reason for the 24 hour wait between the 2 actions. Parents must log back in to their newly created Parent Portal account to set

up the notifications they wish to receive. These notifications might include, but are not limited to:

- **School delays & school closing alerts**
- Grade updates
- Attendance updates
- Other school information

The Power School notifications can be set for phone calls, text messages or emails. **\*Please note that UCCJSD no longer uses the One Call system.** This is one reason that it is critical that parents set up both their accounts and their notifications. If you need help or need access to a computer, please call the school office and we'll be happy to help.

## Parent Corner: Suggestions for talking to your student about reading!

- Take a moment to ask your child what they are reading and what they are enjoying about it.
- Encourage your child to use lots of details in their answers?
- Older students should be able to tell you what genre they are reading and details about the characters, setting, and the problems in the story.
- Younger students should be able to describe the setting and the main characters.
- Encourage your child to make connections from the story to real-world experiences.

## Halloween Parade

The annual Liberty Elementary School Halloween Parade will take place on Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

This is a fun event enjoyed by our whole school.

Parents are welcome to bring a chair and view the parade from the back parking lot or from the auxiliary gym if the weather is not fit. **Parents will not be permitted in the building for the parade.** By having parents and spectators view from outside, it allows for our students to parade safely. We have several students with mobility issues that are made worse with crowded hallways.

**A reminder that costumes must be appropriate for school. Absolutely NO WEAPONS or FAKE BLOOD are allowed on ANY part of the costume.**

## October is Anti-Bullying Month!

In our continued efforts to make our school a "Bully Free Zone", we have set up 2 ways for students to report bullying anonymously:

1. On the school web site, under the tab for Student Resources, there is a link that students can go to report bullying. The report sends an email to the principal.
2. The second way to report bullying is to fill out a **Bullying** sheet and put it in the **Bully Box** which is located in the school library.

Throughout the month of October, teachers, staff, and students will spend time discussing related issues and how students can handle different situations when it comes to being bullied or witnessing someone else being bullied.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

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▪ Oct 1	Book Fair begins
▪ Oct 3	Bk Fair open till 6:30pm
▪ Oct 4	Kinder- Pumpkin Patch
▪ Oct 5	Book Fair Ends
▪ Oct 5	3 <sup>rd</sup> Gr - Trip to Whitewater
▪ Oct 8	Star Lab Week begins
▪ Oct 8	UCCCSJSD Bd Mtg 7:00
▪ Oct 10	Corner Market Open
▪ Oct 10	Student Council Mtg
▪ Oct 11	Grandparents Group 6:00
▪ Oct 11	PTO Mtg. 6:30pm
▪ Oct 11	3 <sup>rd</sup> Gr Fire Truck Rides
▪ Oct 11	School Smiles Dentists
▪ Oct 12	End of Grading Period
▪ Oct 16	1 <sup>st</sup> Gr- Dougherty Orchard
▪ Oct 18	Family Math/Science Night
▪ Oct 22	P/T Conferences 4-7:15
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▪ Oct 23	COSI on Wheels!
▪ Oct 24-26	Fall Break- NO School
▪ Oct 30	Chipotle PTO Fundraiser
▪ Oct 30	5 <sup>th</sup> Gr Red Ribbon Event
▪ Oct 30	Duke Energy Play
▪ Oct 31	Halloween Parade 8:30am
▪ Nov 1	Picture Retake day

## Red Ribbon Wednesdays & Anti-Bullying Month

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L.E.S. will be celebrating Red Ribbon Wednesdays and Anti-Bullying month during the month of October. Red Ribbon Wednesdays focuses on educating students about healthy choices, especially the choice to avoid drugs. More information regarding the month's activities will be sent home soon.

**Please save your Box Tops  
for our school!**

