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Sageville Elementary Newsletter

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From the desk of Miss Mac:

It's been very busy at Sageville this week welcoming our wee ones...incoming preschoolers and kindergarteners. We also welcomed back the class of 2019 on Sunday to take a picture of their class with their Kindergarten teachers. It was exciting for me to connect to our new families and past families. Sageville School is certainly a special place.

Our Sageville Parent Teacher Club is still looking for leadership. Might you be interested? Lack of involvement may mean that several activities won't be able to happen or be funded. For the past eight years, four officers have realistically tried to make everything happen. That is a heavy workload for a small group of people. I think that many of the events that PTC has taken care of have happened so smoothly that many parents may not be fully aware of what goes on behind the scenes. Many of our parents are working full-time and have evenings busy with children. How can we share the workload to make this continue? Can a parent or two team up and take care of the book fair? Can a parent or two organize spring and fall conference meals for teachers? Can a group of five or six take on the yearly fundraiser? Can a parent or two organize the skating parties and movie night? If we can't, just think of the field trips that won't be able to happen for Grades K-5? Here is a list of the places our students have been able to go to this year: Swiss Valley Nature Center, EB Lyons, American Trust, HyVee, National River Museum, University of Dubuque Heritage Center, Clarke University, Grand Harbor, Dubuque Trolley Tour, Four Mounds, Dubuque Symphony, Challenge to Change Yoga Studio and the Madison Zoo. Think of the events we've had: Skating Parties, Movie Night, School Dance, Spring Fling, School Yearbook, Book Fairs, Apparel Sales! Think of the things PTC has bought for our school: Garden Supplies, Technology, Books, and a Potter's Wheel. Easily over \$20,000 is spent on items each year. We still need officers to direct the work but it would go much better if parents could group together to host or organize an event/activity. Email me if you are willing to head up a certain area of PTC or be an officer! We need to keep up the tradition of excellence of our PTC and not let our students or staff down!



Classmates of 2019 come back to Sageville for a picture with their kindergarten teachers!

Calendar of Events

Monday-May 27

Memorial Day! No School

Tuesday-May 28

Orchestra & Band fly up to Jefferson during the day and have their evening concert there at 6:00 PM

Wednesday-May 29

11:45-12:45 Preschool Picnic

Thursday-May 30

Opus Choir

Friday-May 31

No Late Arrival
8:15 Gr. 1 leaves for the Madison Zoo



**Reminder:
There is no
later arrival
tomorrow!**

Iowa School Performance Profiles updated and released with new features

DES MOINES – The Iowa Department of Education today announced new features have been added to a recently launched online school accountability reporting system.

The Iowa School Performance Profiles website first launched in December to meet a federal education law called the Every Student Succeeds Act. ESSA, which replaced the No Child Left Behind Act, requires all states to publish report cards reflecting the performance of public schools.

The initial version of the website included each school's scores on a set of accountability measures, such as graduation rates, and specified schools that were identified for additional support and improvement based on their performance.

The new features include additional data required by ESSA, such as student suspensions and expulsions and chronic absenteeism, and a feature to compare school and district performance. The website also folds in data and ratings from the former Iowa School Report Card, developed to meet a 2013 state law.

"School report cards make it easier for education stakeholders to understand how their schools are serving students," Director Ryan Wise said. "Our goal was to have one school performance reporting tool that fully meets both state and federal requirements."

The new features did not change the school accountability scores calculated in December. Those scores will be updated later this year as part of an annual update to the website.

The fact sheet summarizes the new features that users will find on the updated Iowa School Performance Profiles.

For more information, visit iaschoolperformance.gov.

Sageville's designation has gone from Acceptable to Commendable!

Our school community is proud and will continue working diligently for increased student achievement and positive and safe school climate.



Standard-Based Report Cards will be emailed home by the school district. If you would like a printed copy, please call the school office by Wednesday, June 5th. Thank you!

Grade 3 enjoyed their Dubuque Trolley Tour last week and learned a lot about our city. This is one of many fantastic field trip opportunities that our PTC provides through their fundraising efforts.

Thank you!

