

## **October 2018 Eisenhower Express**

And Remember Eisenhower... Be Kids of Good Character and... YOU ARE AWESOME!



School Principal News! ~ Mr. Ferguson

Hello Eisenhower Families! We've already entered the month of October and it sure feels like the "rainy season" instead of autumn. It seems like we've had more indoor morning lineup and indoor recess times already than we sometimes have in a whole school year. Thanks for your patience and understanding, especially on those hectic indoor morning lineup days. As always when dropping off or picking up at Eisenhower, please drive slowly and when in doubt, please pull ahead as far as possible in the drop off line.

The three big events for October include the PTO Walk-a-thon, our fall Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences, and our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade music concert.

The PTO Walk-a-thon is the main fundraiser held annually by our PTO and is a fun activity that helps promote wellness for students and staff AND allows us to raise money without having to sell any goods and deliver them to family and friends. We were actually lucky on Friday that the weather cooperated and we were able to have our event as planned. Thank you for pledging your child(ren) and supporting the PTO. Any last minute pledge envelopes can be turned into the main office this week and we'll have our celebration/prize assembly on Friday afternoon when we'll hear our grand total for the fundraiser. We appreciate your generosity to the PTO where <u>ALL</u> of the money raised stays right here at school to benefit our school and your child.

Regarding conferences, we will continue to offer two night options, which are traditionally the most sought after slots, as well as morning options on the third day. In order to help accommodate the demand for night conference slots while still offering some morning slots and times over the lunch hour, we are offering the following dates/times for fall conferences:

Tuesday, October 16, 2018	Conferences held 4:10-7:50 p.m.
Wednesday, October 17, 2018	Conferences held 4:10-8:10 p.m.
Thursday, October 18, 2018	Conferences held 7:50 a.m12:50 p.m.

We hope that these dates and times will provide more evening timeslots and flexibility for families as you make every attempt to attend this very important home/school connection. The site for Online Registration for conferences has closed so if you did not get a slot scheduled, please call the Eisenhower office as soon as possible or the office will be scheduling you into any remaining timeslots. Thank you to those who have already scheduled your fall conference.

Our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are busy preparing for their music concert taking place on Thursday, October 25. The concert will be at Roosevelt Middle School and students should arrive at 6:00 p.m. with the concert beginning at 6:30 p.m. We'll see our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade families that day!

Finally, looking ahead to November, we'll be celebrating Eisenhower Elementary School turning 50 years old! That's right, Eisenhower opened in 1968 and we want to honor this special time with a "birthday" celebration. On Friday, November 16, we'll be doing some special events with students in the morning. That will be followed by a small program for the community in the afternoon where we'll have some guest speakers, welcome some past Eisenhower staff, and offer tours. We look forward to this special event!

See you all at conferences next week!

Sincerely, Mr. Ferguson

## School Counselor News!

≁Mrs. Klein

The passing days are soon changing from season to season with winter on its way, and the lack of sunshine begins to affect our students and our overall environment. During our guidance lessons, we will be discussing anger management and self-control. We know that we are at our best when we are calm and able to think with kindness and respect of others. Although there are times of disagreement and conflict, students will learn about maintaining positive interactions and working with one another in thoughtful, peaceful ways. Expecting that we each maintain self-control throughout our entire day both at home and at school can make life better for all of us.

Please feel free to spend some time helping your son/daughter practice his/her own personal self-control and management.

Your efforts make all the difference in the lives of our children and are greatly appreciated,



Hello Eisenhower Families!

We had a great turn out for our Back to School Night Book Fair. Thanks to all of your purchases, we were able to earn \$3,032 in Scholastic money to purchase new books and materials for our school library! Way to go!!

Our annual Walk-a-Thon Fundraiser is here! All of the kids looked great dressing up for the different Spirit Days this week. We hope you can join us on **Friday, October 5**<sup>th</sup> for the Walk-a-Thon to walk with your child(ren). Grades Pre K-2<sup>nd</sup> will walk from 12:50-1:50, and grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> will walk from 2:00-3:00, rain or shine!

The kids have been working really hard to raise money and we look forward to revealing the grand total on **Friday, October 12**<sup>th</sup>

at 2:15 at our Prize Assembly where we will also be giving away prizes to random winners! Everyone is welcome to join us on the playground to help celebrate the students' hard work! All of the money raised will stay at Eisenhower. This year's fundraising will be used to purchase and install an Outdoor Classroom Pavilion and a Gaga Pit, as well as field trips, technology and supplies for the classrooms, and much more!

We hope everyone enjoyed the option of online fundraising this year. Online donations received by the end of school day on Tuesday October 9<sup>th</sup> will count towards the students total for prize entries. You can securely donate online at **https://www.eisenhowerpto.com/** 

We have a few events coming up this month that helps support our school. We hope to see you there and thank you for your continuing support! (Watch for further details in your child's mailbag)

### -October 4th- Skate Party

-October 16th- Wendy's Night

Our next PTO meeting will be **Monday, October 8**<sup>th</sup> **at 6:30 PM** in the library. Free childcare will be provided. Every parent/guardian and Eisenhower employee is automatically a part of the PTO and we would love to have you join us. We are always looking for new ideas and suggestions to help improve our school!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at <u>bridget\_ott@hotmail.com</u>.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR	
OCTOBER 4	PTO SPONSORED SKATE NIGHT 6-8 PM
OCTOBER 5	WALK-A-THON-12:50-1:50 p.m. PREK-2 <sup>ND</sup> 2:00-3:00 p.m. 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> GRADE
OCTOBER 8	PTO MEETING 6:30 PM EISENHOWER STUDENTS SAY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AT BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 8,9,10	HEARING SCREENINGS
OCTOBER 10	EAGLE POINT PARK FIELD TRIP FOR KINDERGARTEN 9:20-1:05
OCTOBER 11 & 12	PICTURE DAY
OCTOBER 12	WALK-A-THON PRIZE ASSEMBLY
OCTOBER 16	WENDY'S NIGHT 5-7 PM
OCTOBER 16-18	PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT CONFERENCES
OCTOBER 18 & 19	NO SCHOOL
OCTOBER 23	11:55-1:00 DUTRAC TRAINING
OCTOBER 25	4 <sup>TH</sup> AND 5 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE CONCERT @ ROOSEVELT 6:30 PM
OCTOBER 26	IOWA STATE PRESENTS WATER ROCKS TO 4 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE
OCTOBER 30	DUTRAC GRAND OPENING 11:55-1:00
NOVEMBER 1	HEARING RECHECKS

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# **Openings Available**

Individual or Group Classes 1. \*income guidelines apply

## WE CAN HELP YOU:

- Save money shop and waste less food
- Save time at the store and in the kitchen
- Help picky eaters try new foods
- Learn to make easy and low-cost meals
- Strengthen family relationships

## SIGN UP NOW!

To register and for more information contact:

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