



February 2020 Eisenhower Express

EISENHOWER.....YOU ARE AWESOME!



School Principal News!

~Mr. Ferguson

Dear Eisenhower Families,

I hope this newsletter finds you doing well. In an attempt to honor your time and be brief, I will give you some highlights of major happenings going on at Eisenhower.

- At this time last year we were in the midst of a brutal winter and dealing with many weather related school cancellations and delays. It's nice that the winter this year has been more forgiving so far. Please continue to ensure that your child is dressed for the weather as we do go outside daily for recess except with the wind chill is below zero.
- January was a busy month for us. We focused on our character word of the month which was perseverance. We celebrated all of the "Difference Makers" who help our school be a great place to learn and grow. Students also took part in lessons on computer programming during our Hour of Code week. And our students completed our winter district assessments for FAST (Kindergarten and 1st grade for math, K-5 for reading) and our MAP test (2nd-5th graders). You will receive information about these results at our conferences coming up next week.
- Teachers have also been busy with numerous professional development sessions. We have been focusing on our most current assessments to help inform us of the best ways to improve student learning and increase achievement. We have also learned more about mindfulness and how to help students manage emotions and self-regulate their feelings. Teachers have been extremely busy as we continue the implementation of our new math curriculum, Math Bridges. The implementation year of any new curriculum is challenging from a planning and instructional delivery standpoint, but teachers have done an awesome job of delivering outstanding instruction in the area of math and early word is that students are responding well to this new curriculum.
- As I mentioned before, our spring conferences will be taking place next week on February 18, 19, and 20. We will have evening conferences on the 18th and 19th and then morning conferences on the 20th. Students will not have school on February 20th or 21st. We look forward to seeing you at your scheduled conferences and continuing our educational partnership on behalf of your children.
- Looking ahead, our character word for this month is Kindness. We have also revised and condensed our Eisenhower school rules so be sure to ask your child about those and how we are showing kindness at Eisenhower. In March we will focus on respect and we are busy planning a "Respect Week" on March 2-6 where we will partner with Special Olympics on the concept of respect and inclusion. Our leadership students will also be coordinating a service project to benefit Special Olympics.
- The end of our 2nd trimester occurs on February 27 so teachers will be completing the standards based progress reports for your child at the end of the month. These will be ready for your viewing on March 6 with updated information and comments.
- In March, look for ways to communicate any needs or requests for next school year.

Have a great month of February and we'll see you all next week at conferences!

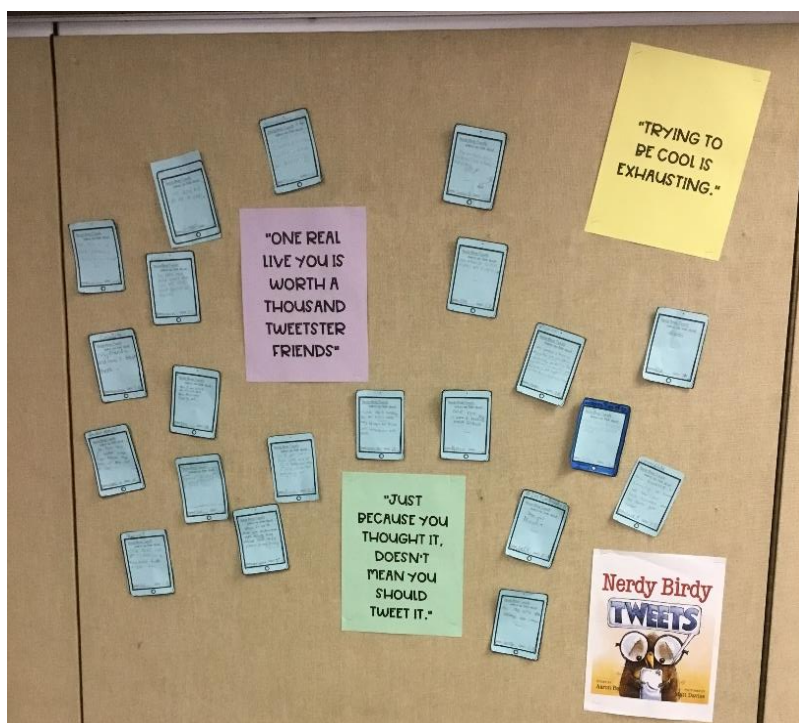
Sincerely,

Andy Ferguson
Principal

School Counselor News!

~Mrs. Summer

Hello Eisenhower families! In February, students will continue to learn the importance of being kind through the process of making and keeping friends. Friendship skills are an important part of growing up. Having positive friendships is an essential part of a student's social and emotional development. Positive friendships are attributed to social competence, altruism, self-esteem, and self-confidence. As children grow and mature, friendships can help them reduce stress and navigate challenging developmental experiences. This month's lessons will encourage the continued development of these important skills through the exploration of manners, treating others fairly, losing and keeping friends, and understanding real friends versus virtual friendships.



Secondary Open Enrollment

Secondary Open Enrollment. **Applications currently being accepted through 4:00 p.m. on Monday, 3/2/2020.**

Elementary Open Enrollment applications will first be available on Monday, 3/16/2020.

School Nurse News!

~Mrs. Rogan

Hello families!

I hope everyone has had a great start to the new year! The health office would like to send out a couple of winter reminders. Please remember the 24 hour rule. If your child has a fever, diarrhea, or vomiting, they should stay home until symptom free for 24 hours.

The health office is fortunate to have an extra supply of clothes and winter gear for students that may need some throughout the school year. Please try to remember to send these items back to school with your child once they are done using them. Thank you!

As always, please call or email (arogan@dbqschools.org) with any questions or concerns you may have.

EISENHOWER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



PTO NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2020

President's Message:

Hello Eisenhower Families!

Just as a reminder, the PTO's re occurring monthly events will no longer get a flyer sent home!

Please keep your eye out for a calendar in the Thursday Mail Bag, the LAST thursday of the month! This will be the calendar for the upcoming month! There will be information at the top of the calendar highlighting an event for the month! You can find extra copies on the bulletin board by the main office. There will also be a calendar sent out with The Eisenhower Express!

Feel free to print this or keep a digital copy! Reminders for events are also on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter! Have a great month!

-PTO President - Christy Heller

Used Marker Collection

The Eisenhower Green Team adopted the Crayola ColorCycle program last year! The ColorCycle program is a marker recycling initiative through Crayola.

There are two locations in the school that students and staff are encouraged to drop off their used markers. One is located by the main office and the other is by the dinosaur. Once the totes are full the markers will be mailed into Crayola and recycled! They will accept ANY style and brand! This is a great opportunity to get kids involved with recycling!

Last year we collected and sent in two totes!



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BRING MARKERS FROM HOME!

Thank You To These Committees ...

Concert Host, Movie Night,
Conference Meal, Box Tops,
Bulletin Board, Skate Night,
Communications,
Holiday Treat For Staff,
Wendy's Night,
The entire PTO, and
Staff for your help
and Support!

Meeting Information



*All meetings are held in
the Eisenhower Library

*FREE CHILD CARE

NO FEBRUARY MEETING

MARCH MEETING

03/09 - 6:30 - 7:30

BRING A FRIEND!

MONTHLY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 3	5 TH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO UD 6:00 PM IOWA CAUCUS TAKES PLACE (EISENHOWER IS A HOST SITE)
FEBRUARY 6	10:30-11:30 KINDERGARTEN 100 DAY SPIRIT DAY-BOX TOP COLLECTION AND POPCORN SKATE NIGHT @ SKATE COUNTRY 6-8 PM
FEBRUARY 7	NO SCHOOL-PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY
FEBRUARY 10	NO PTO MEETING
FEBRUARY 12	4 TH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO RIVER MUSEUM
FEBRUARY 13	YOGA DAY
FEBRUARY 14	FAMILY GROUPS
FEBRUARY 18	WENDY'S NIGHT 5-7 PM SUPERINTENDENT STAN RHEINGANS VISITS EISENHOWER 1:00-2:00 PM
FEBRUARY 18,19,20	PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES
FEBRUARY 19	ADOPT-A-MUSICIAN
FEBRUARY 20 & 21	NO SCHOOL
FEBRUARY 27	SECOND TRIMESTER ENDS