

COUGAR TRACKS

The Coralville Central Elementary Newsletter

February 2nd, 2018

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Is your student ILL?
Follow the RULE;
Keep your student
Home From School!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, February 5th

CASH Begins
3:00-4:00pm

Monday, February 5th

PTO Meeting
7:00pm
Coralville Central Library

Wednesday, February 7th

Preschool Registration
Online Registration ONLY
12:00pm (noon)

Wednesday, February 14th

Dress Up Fancy Day &
Valentine Café

Tuesday, February 20th

2nd & 3rd Grade Field Trip
Coralville Center for Performing Arts
Eulenspiegel Puppet Performance
12:45-2:15pm

Thursday, February 22nd

Parent Teacher Conference Night
2:00-7:20pm

Wednesday, February 28th

NO SCHOOL!
Parent Teacher Conferences &
Kindergarten Registration
7:40am – 7:20pm

Thursday, March 8th

Spring Photos
8:00am

Thursday, March 8th

International Night
6:00-7:00pm

March 12th through 16th

NO SCHOOL!
Spring Break

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are in the midst of the cold and flu season, and many are struggling with these symptoms. We are seeing an increase in absences and want to remind you of our district protocol regarding student illnesses:

- Keep your child home from school when he/she has a fever of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or greater, and for 24 hours *after* the fever has gone away, without taking Tylenol or ibuprofen.
- Keep your child home from school when he/she has diarrhea and/or vomiting and for 24 hours after these symptoms have subsided.

The following are links to the district webpage, which includes information about keeping your child home and the guidelines for when a child will be sent home from school, as well as the CDC, Center for Disease Control, regarding detailed information about the flu:

<https://www.iowacityschools.org/Page/15737>

<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/school/guidance.htm>

Finally, if you take your child to a healthcare provider, please ask for a written report to share with the school. Particularly if your child has been diagnosed with a contagious illness like Influenza or Strep Throat. The information is helpful when documenting trends and outbreaks.

For questions or concerns regarding this information, please contact Aimee Shibata, School Nurse at 319-688-1100, or via email at shibata.aimee@iowacityschools.org.



Coralville Central Families,

The month of February is all about love; and we love, love, LOVE everything that Coralville Central has to offer! Our calendar is loaded with opportunities for students and families to become entrenched in the positive atmosphere that is uniquely Coralville Central!

Our faculty and staff value the contributions that each family makes towards helping their child down the road of academic success. There is no question - success at school starts at home. Studies confirm that family is the greatest influence on a child's performance in the classroom and we are grateful for that firm foundation that we are able to build on every day. One of the best ways to support your child in the classroom is to attend Parent Teacher Conferences. Spring conferences are scheduled for Thursday, February 22nd from 2:00 to 7:20pm and Wednesday, February 28th from 7:40am to 7:00pm. Please make every effort to attend. We are aiming for 100% parent participation!

Another golden opportunity for parents to get involved is the Parent Teacher Organization. The PTO works hard to provide our students and staff with supplemental activities and materials that support and enhance our curriculum, through programs such as Box Tops for Education and Dine Out events. We couldn't do what we do without the unwavering support of our fabulous PTO! Make plans to attend a meeting, which are always the first Monday of each month at 7:00pm in our very own Coralville Central Library. You'll be glad you did!

Dust off those suits and ties and unpack your sequined gowns for our annual Dress Up Fancy Day and Valentine Café on Wednesday, February 14th! Students and staff, especially me, look forward to this event every year. Getting a chance to eat lunch with the students is the highlight of the day for all of our teachers. Plus, you never know who'll you'll run into in all of your finery. Maybe Brad Pitt or Halle Berry!

Kindergarten Registration will be held on Wednesday, February 28th from 7:40am to 7:00pm. Children who will be 5 years of age on or before September 15th, 2018, are eligible to enroll for the 2018-19 school year. Please help spread the word to all families that you know of that are kindergarten age appropriate.

Wishing all of you a happy and healthy February, where the groundhog does not see his shadow, spring comes early, and your Valentine puts a smile on your face and a song in your heart.

Andy Gahan
Principal

STUDENT FAMILY ADVOCACY NOTES



Winter Weather Gear

If your child is in need of winter weather outerwear, such as coats, hats, mittens, snowpants and boots, please contact Student Family Advocate, Becca Bender. Requests for items must come from parents and may be in written or verbal form.

Requests will be fulfilled on a first come, first served basis, and as items are available.

To make a request call 319-688-1100 or email request to:

bender.becca@iowacityschools.org.



**Thursday,
March 8th**

**6:00 to
7:00pm**

OPERATION BACKPACK

Operation Backpack is a program that temporarily provides students with nutritious, easy to prepare, shelf stable food, at times when other food resources may not be available; specifically on weekends and during school vacations. Operation Backpack is run through the HACAP Food Reservoir with the help of parent and community volunteers. If you feel your family may benefit from this service, please contact Becca Bender, SFA, at 319-688-1100.



The PTO will host its next meeting on Monday, February 5th at 7:00pm in the Coralville Central Library. All are welcome to attend.

Please continue to collect and turn-in your Box Tops for Education! This year, we will collect box tops continually rather than having two big collection drives.

Box Tops are a very important part of our school community, as they help to fund classroom projects, supplies and field trips that would otherwise be impossible due to budget constraints.

This year, Hy-Vee graciously donated 10,000 Box Tops to our school! Usually we have a challenge to encourage a little friendly competition among the classrooms, but this year is a little different! An **All-School Challenge** has been proclaimed to collect **5,000 Box Tops collectively**. The reward will be a Dunk Tank rented by the PTO! Who will we put in it? Mrs. Winkler? Mr. Hynek? Mr. Gahan? Collect the 5,000 Box Tops and find out!

Coralville Central's International Celebration is Thursday, March 8th.
When: 6:00p-7:00p on March 8th
Where: Coralville Central Elementary

Sherehe ya Kimataifa ya Coralville Central itakuwa Alhamisi, Machi 8.
Lini: 6:00p-7:00p on Machi 8
Wapi: Coralville Central Elementary

La Celebración Internacional de Coralville Central será el Jueves, 8 de Marzo.
Cuando: 8 de Marzo de las 6:00 pm-7:00 pm
Donde: Coralville Central Elementary

La Fête Internationale de Coralville Central est le Jeudi 8 Mars.
Quand: 18h00-19h00 le 8 Mars
Ou: Coralville Central Elementary

科拉尔维尔(Coralville)中心小学的国际庆祝活动将于3月8日星期四举行
时间: 3月8日晚6:00 – 晚7:00
地点: 科拉尔维尔中心小学(Coralville Central)

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الزمان: ٦ إلى ٧ مساء يوم ٨ مارس
المكان: كورافيل سنترال الابتدائية

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY AND CELEBRATE THE CORALVILLE CENTRAL CULTURES WITH US!

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

It's time once again, for Jump Rope for Heart!

Did you know that heart disease is the No. 1 killer of all Americans? 80% of it may be preventable through lifestyle changes! Jump Rope for Heart will teach children the importance of heart-healthy habits – a foundation for the rest of their lives. Students will be jumping their way to healthy hearts during PE throughout the month of February.

Students have received their fundraising envelopes and may collect donations through February 23rd. Donations can be made in cash or online.

This year's fun theme is **The Scare Squad: On the Prowl for Heart Health**. Students can earn Thank You Gifts for reaching denominational fundraising goals.

For more information regarding Jump Rope for Heart, please contact Keith Hynek, Physical Education teacher, at hynek.keith@iowacityschools.org.

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