

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joy Elementary School



April 9 through April 13, 2012

1. Welcome back! I hope you had a restful and fun Spring Break.
2. The IREAD-3 assessment results are in but embargoed. Here are the overall results for our third graders:
 - Overall Percent Passing: 82% (47 out of 57 Passing)
 - Overall Percent Not Passing: 18% (10 out of 57 Not Passing)
 - Percent Passing Minus New Students (Enrolled at Joy less than 126 days): 85% (47 out of 55)
 - Percent Passing Minus Special Needs Students: 96% (47 out of 49 Passing)

Do not share this information with students or families. It is still embargoed by the Indiana Department of Education. Congratulations to our kindergarten, first, second, and third grade teachers! All of your hard work in helping our students to develop their literacy skills to their fullest potential is paying off.

3. Welcome back Debbie Frederick! Debbie will be substituting for our Life Skills class for the remainder of this school year. If you get a chance, please stop by Room 110 to say hello and welcome her back.
4. Earth Day is Sunday, April 22, 2012. During the week of April 16th through April 20th, the 5th grade will be working on collecting trash around the east side of the school. Please do not pick up trash with your class on this side of the building. Fifth graders will need all of the trash that they can find for their project.
5. The next JSA Meeting is this Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 6:00 pm in the library.
6. Check the School Calendar for information on upcoming activities. If you do not have access to the calendar through your Zimbra account, please let me know.
7. PM Supervision for:

April 9-April 20, 2012

Horseshoe Parking Lot/Door C – **Sloane**
Carroll Street Lot (In front of playground/Challenge Ed.) – **Oberholtzer/Hopper**
4th Grade Doors - **Huber**
Front/Center Area – **Schultz, Frederick**
Horseshoe Parking Lot – **Dabagia, Drake, and Schreeg**

8. Professional Learning Communities/Staff Meeting Agendas

- A. Monday, April 9, 2012 at 3:10 pm
 1. We will have a staff meeting in the library to discuss the following topics:
 - A. Dress for Success
 - B. Take-Home Folders with school information/fliers
 - C. 2012-2013 Related Arts Schedule
 - D. 2012-2013 Grade Level Supply List
- B. Wednesday, April 11, 2012
 1. Grade level teams will work together today looking at your latest Acuity math/mCLASS math data. Your goal is to analyze and determine the three skill areas that students in your grade level are struggling with the most. Please email your responses to Jason by Friday, April 13, 2012 at 4:00 pm. This information will be used in guiding the Building Leadership Team in developing a math goal for our School Improvement Plan.
 2. School nurses will meet together today.
 3. School counselors will meet together today.
 4. Special needs teachers meet together today to discuss any scheduling needs for the next year. Any additional time will be used for working on the ISTAR assessment.
 5. Related arts teachers will work on planning upcoming events either independently or together (4th-5th grade performance, Field Day, etc.)

"There are two kinds of people; those who do the work and those who take the credit. Try to be in the first group; there is less competition there." -*Indira Gandhi*