

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

Joy Elementary

Michigan City Area Schools



September 3 through 7, 2012

1. Labor Day is Monday, September 3, 2012. School is closed. Enjoy your Labor Day vacation!
2. Teacher PM Supervision—Door C Outside—Kanyer; Carroll Street Lot (In front of playground/Challenge Ed.) – Yelton; 4th Grade Doors Outside—Ward; Main Entrance Outside—Przybylinski; 5th Grade Doors Outside—Ochoa; Horseshoe Parking Lot—Dabagia, Schreeg, and Stepp
3. Evening Cleaning Schedule—Tuesday—A; Wednesday—B; Thursday—A; Friday—B (Primary classrooms, GT, Room 101, 110, and 111, and the Counselor and Speech Offices are cleaned on Night **A**; Intermediate classrooms, Art, Library, and Rooms 125-126 are cleaned on Night **B**; Please remember that on days when your classroom is not being cleaned to place your trash can outside the door at the end of the day. If there is a stain that needs cleaned, please place a not on your door for our custodian to see.)
4. This Week's PLC—Content "Specialists" K-8 (GT Teachers, Art, Music, PE, Library) meet together; Special education groupings meet together; Nurses meet together; Counselors by grade cluster or as one group meet together (TBD by Dr. Radford); All other teachers will meet in the library for a presentation on our School Improvement Plan
5. Instructional Assistants Coverage Schedule—(For September 3-14) Marita and Diane will provide lunchroom supervision; Brandi, Dana, and Mary Ann will provide recess supervision
6. Teachers—This year students will be receiving the National Geographic newspaper. I have not received any details on when it will start. I will let you know as soon as I hear anything about this.
7. Laminating—If you need something laminated, please drop it off in the library office on the counter, which is right behind the laminator. There is a box lid where you can place things.
8. We have an anti-bullying convocation on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 2:00 pm in the gym for all students. Thank you to Counselor Julie for setting up this program for us!
9. Teachers—Please don't forget to send school notes and information home with students every Wednesday. Information to send home will be placed in your mailbox on Tuesday. If something needs to go home last minute on a Wednesday, it will be delivered to your classroom.
10. Teachers—In your mailbox you will find a redish pink cardstock page which has all of the assessment dates on one side and a PLC schedule on the reverse side. Please let me know if you have any questions about this information.
11. The mCLASS Reading assessment window is from 8-22-12 through 9-20-12.
12. The mCLASS Math assessment window is from 9-12-12 through 10-11-12.
13. Read 180 students may take the SRI from 8-22-12 through 9-5-12.
14. Students not in Read 180 may take the SRI from 8-22-12 through 9-23-12.
15. The Acuity Predictive A assessment window is from 9-24-12 through 10-5-12.
16. Our ENL assistant this year is Nancy Moldenhauer. Nancy will be at Joy for half days on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
17. Grade Level Teachers—On Tuesday in your mailbox, you will see a red form for each student called a Home-School Compact. The compact is a Title I requirement. The purpose of this form is to show that the student, the parent, and the teacher all agree to make each child's education a priority. Please read over this with your students and have them sign it. Please sign it with your name as well. (Mr. or Mrs...) Send it home for parents to sign. We need one of these forms returned for every student. If you have any questions about this compact, do not hesitate to let me know. As these are returned, give them to Bev. She will keep a binder containing all of them so that if we are audited by the IDOE for compliance, we can show that we have these.

Watch your thoughts, they become words.

Watch your words, they become actions.

Watch your actions, they become habits.

Watch your habits, they become your character.

Watch your character, it becomes your destiny.—Unknown