

November News for Pellston Elementary School



From Mrs. Tami Pichla Pellston Elementary Principal (231) 539-8421
November 2015



Upcoming Half Days of School: Thursday, November 12 & Wednesday, November 25
Dismissal at 12:35 and lunch will be served!

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Elementary Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, November 11th from 5:00-7:30 pm and Thursday, November 12th from 1:00-4:00 pm. We are hoping to meet ALL parents at conferences this year! Please schedule a time with your children's teachers as soon as possible!

Important Dates to Remember

October 26-30	Red Ribbon Week	
October 30	Halloween Parties	
November 4	No School -Teacher Professional Development	
November 6	End of 1 st Marking Period	
November 11	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5:00-7:30pm	
November 11	Veteran's Day Program-9:30 am	
November 12	Half Day/Parent-Teacher Conferences (1-4 pm)	
November 18	Life Touch Picture Retakes	
November 25	Half Day/Thanksgiving Break	
November 26-27	No School Thanksgiving Break	
December 8	Elementary Christmas Programs	
December 18	Last day of school before Christmas Break-Christmas Parties	
December 19-January 3	NO SCHOOL-Christmas Break	
January 4	School Resumes	

Halloween Safety Alert: NO Parking

Please do not park in front of the school on Friday, October 30 in the afternoon. This request is for the Halloween safety and security of ALL elementary students and their families.



A Salute to Our Veterans!



On Wednesday, November 11, 2015 Pellston Elementary students and staff members are planning a continental breakfast and ceremony to express our appreciation for the service and sacrifice of our local veterans. We will begin our *Salute to Veterans* with sweet rolls and coffee/juice in our elementary library at 8:30 am. This special breakfast will be provided to each veteran and their spouse or adult guest. Parents and community members are welcome to join us for our *Salute to Veterans* ceremony at 9:30 am. An RSVP is requested for breakfast and/or recognition at the ceremony.

Please RSVP for breakfast or recognition by November 6, 2015.

Please note: Elementary students will be in their classroom preparing for the day's events and will not participate in the continental breakfast. They will have breakfast during the school day's regularly scheduled breakfast hours (7:45-8:15).

If possible, we are asking veterans who attend to come dressed in uniform.

Halloween Parade and Parties

Pellston Elementary School's annual Halloween activities will be on Friday, October 30. The parade will begin at 1:30 and children will march on the sidewalk around the Middle School/High School (weather permitting). Parties will follow the parade in the children's classrooms. All costumes should be safe and appropriate for school. NO weapons (including toy weapons)



Themes for Red Ribbon Week 2015

Monday, October 26-Friday, October 30

Monday, Oct. 26	"Put a Cap on Drugs" Wear a hat all day!
Tuesday, Oct. 27	"Sock it to Drugs" Wear colorful socks!
Wednesday, Oct. 28	"Turn Your Back on Drugs" Wear something backwards!
Thursday, Oct. 29	"Red Day" Wear Lots of Red!
Friday, Oct. 30	"Halloween" Bring a costume to school!

*We are requesting 25 ¢ per day from students to participate.
Proceeds will be donated to our local food pantry!*

Help! Our Lost & Found is Overflowing!

Our lost and found table is piled high with lost items. If your child is missing something, please check the table located outside of the office.

Cold Weather has Arrived!

Please dress students warmly. We will have outside recess every day unless the temperature or wind chill drop below 0°.

NO SCHOOL-WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015-Teacher In-Service

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Positive Behavior "Bee" Winners

Drawing: October 9, 2015



Idalia Jones	Mrs. Vieau's Class
Addison Zuluski	Mrs. Matelski's Class
Adrienne Pieniozek	Mrs. Stempky's Class
Ethan Laura Hickman	Mrs. Thompson's Class
Keesha Coulter	Ms. Klebba's Class
Josiah Thompson	Ms. Saddison's Class
Willow Keshick	Mrs. Welch's Class
Gavin Lucier	Mrs. Wagenschutz' Class
Kenny Crawford	Mrs. Ingraham's Class
Sophie Thompson	Mrs. deCastro's Class
Megon Bricker	Mrs. E. Wolford's Class
LiLian Modd (Overall Winner)	Ms. Saddison's Class
Classroom Winner:	Mrs. Wagenschutz' Classroom

Congratulations to these students for being responsible, respectful, caring, and safe! The winning students had a special spooky lunch with the principal on October 9, 2015

Incident Weather/School Closings

Occasionally, weather conditions or other circumstances may cause the cancellation of school. When this occurs, the public is notified immediately after the decision is made. Ordinarily, this will be done prior to 6:00 a.m. and the announcement will be made by the following local radio and television stations:

Radio Stations

Cheboygan	WCBY 1240AM; WGFM 105.1 FM
Petoskey	WKHQ 106FM; WMKT 1270 AM WMBN 1340 AM; WXLX 93.3 FM
Gaylord	WKPK 106.7 FM
St. Ignace	WDIG 940 AM; WMKC 102.FM WCKC 107.1 FM

Television Stations

Traverse City	WPBN/TV 7/4
Traverse City	WWTW 9/10
Traverse City	29 & 8
Fox TV	WGKI

SCHOOL CLOSINGS TEXT ALERTS

Parents can sign up to receive text alerts that announce school related cancellations through Remind 101. Remind 101 is a safe and confidential one-way text messaging system. You will never see the other phone numbers in the system and they will never see yours. To receive messages via text: text **@pellst** to **(231) 237-5529**. You can opt-out of messages at any time by replying, **unsubscribe @pellst**.

Hornet Health Center Services

Hornet Health Center is located within Pellston Schools and provides FREE health services for all children ages 5-21 year around. **Please call 231-539-8550 or 1-800-432-4121** for more information.

Elementary Christmas Programs/Holiday Café - December 8, 2015



Program One-Afternoon

Introducing: Pellston Elementary's Grandparents/Special Persons Matinee Performance
1:00 p.m. in the MS/HS Auditorium
Followed by a Holiday Café

This special performance is designed for Grandparents or other special people who would like to attend a program during daylight hours, rather than drive on a wintry evening. This afternoon performance by Preschool-5th Grade students will be followed by cookies and juice in the elementary & preschool classrooms (at approximately 2:00). Please note: This performance is NOT a dress rehearsal.



Program Two-Evening

Pellston Elementary's Evening Christmas Performance in the MS/HS Auditorium

Evening Performance Schedule:

Preschool and Kindergarten: 6:30 pm
First and Second Grade: 7:00 pm
Third, Fourth, Fifth Grade: 7:30 pm

All students will meet in the HS Band Room (across from the auditorium) 15 minutes prior to the start of their scheduled performance.



All Performances will be in the Pellston Middle School/High School Auditorium.

If school is canceled on Tuesday, December 8, the make-up performances will take place on Thursday, December 10.

PLEASE Apply for Free and Reduced Lunches and Breakfasts...Again!

If your family wasn't eligible for free and reduced breakfast/lunch in September or October, please reapply if household income levels are changing. Eligibility is based on the previous month's income. Forms are available in all district offices.