

White Oak Elementary Leaflet

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Principal's News

Dear Parents,

There is a feeling of kindness and appreciation in the air at White Oak! Our Social Emotional Learning (SEL) trait of the month is EMPATHY, and teachers have been discussing with students different ways that we can show empathy toward others. Also, because it was World Kindness Day on Wednesday, I observed several acts of kindness around the school. In addition, the month of November always brings multiple opportunities to engage in thankfulness, which has been promoted around the school and encouraged on the home-front as well!

In keeping with the *thankful* theme, I would like to publicly thank and recognize those White Oak employees whom I often refer to as the "Behind-the-Scenes Superstars!" I am referring to our amazing custodians, cafeteria staff, and bus drivers. The custodians work relentlessly to keep our school clean and in tip-top shape. The cooks in the cafeteria not only prepare delicious breakfast and lunch meals for our students, but serve those items with a heart-warming smile. Our bus drivers arrive to work early and stay late while keeping student safety as their top priority. White Oak simply could not effectively operate without these key players! I am so thankful for these amazing individuals.

Behind-the-Scenes Superstars!

...Custodial Staff: Mrs. Kaper, Ms. Cannon, & Ms. Shepherd

...Cafeteria Staff: Mrs. Cantleberry, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Holland, & Mrs. Esparza

...Bus Drivers: Mrs. Ashley (#79), Mrs. Gomez (#36), Mrs. McMillan (#29), Mr. Hancock (#17), Mrs. Guzaldo (#15), Mrs. Hostetler (#111), Mr. Odem (#13), Mr. Strahm (#133), Ms. Clouse (#11), Mrs. Taylor (#16), Mrs. Waling (#31), Mrs. Sizemore (#63), Ms. Glancy (#64), Mrs. Taylor (#84), & Mrs. Eastridge (#85)

Upcoming Events

- ◆ November 20
Thanksgiving Meal
- ◆ November 27-29
Thanksgiving Break - No School
- ◆ December 2
Project A.N.G.E.L. Food Drive Begins

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Have a great weekend!
Mr. Gatlin





Thanksgiving Meal

Don't forget our White Oak Thanksgiving Dinner!
It will take place on
November 20, 2019.

There is a correction on the price of the meal. The guest meal will cost \$3.50 and comes with a milk. Bottled water can be purchased for \$0.75.



Want to Help Your Community?

The Hendricks County Community Foundation is looking for your feedback! You can complete a brief survey by going to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HCCFNeedsSurvey19>.

Update from the School Nurse

The Indiana State Department of Health sets the immunization requirements for students attending public schools in Indiana. For the 2020-2021 school year, all students in grades K-12 will be required to have 2 appropriately spaced doses of Hepatitis A vaccine. Contact your health care provider to ask what vaccines your child may need. Low cost immunizations are available at the Hendricks County Health Department at 317-745-9222.



Project A.N.G.E.L. Coming Soon!

The 2019 ACSC Project A.N.G.E.L. Food Drive will go from Monday, December 2nd through Friday, December 13th at White Oak. We will have a list of "items of the day" to donate in order to get a variety of items. Project A.N.G.E.L. helps the community in a variety of ways, but their main project is during the holiday season when they facilitate a community-wide gathering of food and monetary donations from businesses, individuals and groups. These donations are given to help families who have been approved through a confidential application process. Each year, they assist more than 100 families and over 300 children with gifts, clothing and non-perishable food items. The list of items will be posted next week through ParentSquare. Thank you!



Update on Testing

CogAT Testing this fall for Kindergarten, 2nd and 4th grades ACSC administers the *Cognitive Abilities Test*, or CogAT, to all students in Kindergarten, 2nd and 4th grades to measure students reasoning and problem solving skills using different types of verbal, quantitative and nonverbal questions. The test is administered in a group setting. Kindergarten students will take a shorter screener version of the CogAT. 2nd grade students will take the full battery of the CogAT in a paper-pencil format, while 4th grade students will take the full battery of the CogAT in an online testing format. CogAT results will be sent home with your child's 3rd Quarter report card. ACSC utilizes the results from the CogAT to tailor instruction for students and for High Ability Identification for grades 3 and above.