

Elementary School Board Report

November 14 – December 12

Fall Ohio Achievement Assessment Results

Results from the fall administration of the third grade Reading OAA:

Advanced: 31%

Accelerated: 24%

Proficient: 24%

Basic: 15%

Limited: 6%

Across the state of Ohio, 59% of students performed at a proficient level or higher. 79% of our students scored at a proficient level or higher. The fourteen students who did not reach a “passing” score of 400 will receive targeted intervention in preparation for the spring test administration. These scores are in line with what we typically see for the fall test administration.

Events:

Pint Size Hero Blood Drive was held on November 30th. We had twenty more donors than our goal, with approximately thirty first time donors.

Grade Level Bus Education. During the month of December, I am meeting with each grade level to review bus safety procedures and behavioral expectations. With many students riding to and from the in town bus stops, we have found it necessary to adjust our discipline procedures. Mr. Patch, Transportation Coordinator, drafted a letter which was sent home to all families. The letter lists bus rules from the Ohio Administrative Code. This checklist will be used to communicate with parents when there is a concern about a student’s behavior on the bus. Mr. Patch will issue warnings and suspensions, as needed, for in town riders. Bus discipline for out of town riders will continue to be handled through the office.

Caring Tree Collection. We are continuing this tradition of donating needed items for the United Way. Grades K-8 are participating, and items will be delivered to the United Way on December 16th.

Dismissal Procedure:

We have observed some concerns with the dismissal procedure for car riders. Currently, parents are asked to park in the lot and students are dismissed to the lot by a teacher on duty. Working around other parked cars, some parents park facing north and others park facing south. Some cars are able to pull forward to exit, while others must back out. This could create an unsafe situation as students walk to cars. With inclement weather coming, we are also expecting more car riders and less than perfect surface conditions.

I am in the process of investigating whether parents who pick up their children believe there is reason for concern, and considering an alternative pick up procedure.