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# Michener Elementary School Newsletter



Hello Michener Families!!!

We hope that you all are doing well and that everyone is staying safe. We have a couple of reminders for you. All students need to come to school in a clean mask each day. It's important to make sure masks get washed each night so that any germs have been cleaned off. If your child forgets their mask, we will get them one at school. Also, please make sure that your child's water bottle is washed and returned to school daily. Along with the winter season, winter clothing is a must for all of our students. Students go outside for all recesses with weather permitting.

Did you know there is a Child Protection Registry? The state of Michigan offers a free program to stop adult-oriented advertisements from reaching e-mails and mobile phones (text messaging ads) of our children. The Michigan Child Protection Registry, created by Michigan's state legislature in 2004, allows Michigan schools and families to protect their students from receiving adult-themed content and is located at www.ProtectMiChild.com.



### And the WINNER IS... Trenton Butler!! His family will receive a \$10 gift card for their reward for good attendance. Congratulations!!!! A very special congratulations to the 35 students who had perfect attendance for January!

Many people think that missing the occasional day at school here and there can't do much harm. But even taking a short amount of time off can be a problem. Your child might fall behind in their work and not be able to catch up. If there are gaps in their knowledge, they will suffer when school assessment time comes around. Children who miss school are missing out on social aspects, which impacts their ability to make and keep friends, and it can reduce their confidence in attempting new work and working alongside their peers.

If your student needs to miss school, there are things that they can do at home. Each student had access to their google classroom, where all assignments are listed. If they are well enough, have them log in and complete some work, so they do not fall behind. If your student will be out for an extended time and you do not have access to technology, please contact the school and request a chrome book and a hotspot if needed.

Small changes can make a big difference! Why not pack your child's bag or lunchbox the night before? Set the alarm clock ten minutes earlier? These small changes can help everyone be ready to leave home at a good time, arrive at school punctually, and prepare for the day ahead. Thank you for your support in helping to raise our school attendance.

## What's Happening in February

February 10<sup>th</sup> Count Day

<u>February 11<sup>th</sup></u> Surviving Virtual School for Parents Class @ 7:00-8:00pm

<u>February 12<sup>th</sup></u> Half Day Dismissal @ 12:10 p.m.

February 16<sup>th</sup> Virtual Math Night

February 24<sup>th</sup> Picture Day

### CONGRATULATIONS MRS: PIFER'S CLASS #10 IN THE NATION THE FIRST WEEK OF READBOWL





Hello! Another strong month of reading under our belts!

We started January off with READBowl 2021, a program sponsored by First Book, Share the Magic Foundation, and Malcolm Mitchell. Each class has been competing against classes all over the nation to be top in the nation for reading. In the first two weeks of January, your children have read almost 45,000 minutes! We have had some amazing readers in Mrs. Pifer's 1st Grade Class who ranked #10 in the Primary Board, which includes all Pre-K through 2nd Grades, the first week of the program. A huge shout out to them! We are in our final two weeks, with the Grand Finale being announced on Superbowl Sunday Morning!!! So encourage your children to read for at least 20 minutes each night and record it on their reading logs.

Speaking of First Book, your child has been given access to their free app 'OPEN eBooks.' Have fun exploring both collections of books!

Open eBooks All Ages Collection (1 User Code + PIN)

Your code: AI3V21NU5E

Your PIN: 7769

Open eBooks Elementary Collection (1 User Code + PIN)

Your code: EM5UTMQDJ4

Your PIN: 9380



The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go. —Dr. Seuss

## Virtual Math Night

## JOIN OUR MICHENER TEACHERS AS THEY:

- SHARE A VARIETY OF MATH STRATEGIES USED IN • THE CLASSROOM,
- SHOW SOME GAMES AND ACTIVITIES YOU CAN USE . **TO REINFORCE LEARNING AT HOME, AND**
- **ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS**

#### This meeting will be recorded.

Mrs. Lacasse will be sending out a Zoom link before the meeting, and the link will also be posted on Facebook.

**Tuesday, February** 16th @ 6:00 pm

Dear Families,



During this challenging time, our teachers and students need more

help than ever. No matter what school looks like, Box Tops for Education is a fast and easy way for you to help out from home.

The Box Tops program has been around for over 20 years, and it really works. In fact, Box Tops for Education has helped give almost a billion dollars to schools since 1996. In 2019, the program evolved to become digital so that you can earn for your school with just the touch of a button.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: Buy participating products and use the Box Tops mobile app to scan your store receipt. The app identifies eligible products and automatically adds Box Tops to your school's earnings online. Even if you're shopping online or doing grocery pickup, you can still submit your ereceipts and earn Box Tops. Twice a year, our school gets a check!

Your earnings may seem small, but they really do add up. The more people that participate, the bigger the impact we can make. So let's give our teachers the support they need and help give more kids the opportunity to dream. Little by little, we can help make a big difference.

DON'T HAVE THE APP YET? **DOWNLOAD IT TODAY!** 



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Picture day will be on February 24th. Our face-to-face students will have their pictures taken during school hours. Virtual students pictures will be taken after school from 2:15-4:00. More information will be sent out at a later date.