



Cougar Happenings

School Newsletter

OCTOBER 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Perry Hill Families,

It is hard to believe that it is October already! The leaves are starting to fall and the crisp, cool autumn mornings are coming. School is in full swing, and we are almost to the end of the first quarter. It is a true joy to see the children enter our building each morning. It's honestly one of my favorite parts of the day. They are coming in with smiles and ready to learn. Thank you for sending them to us with such wonderful attitudes!

Each grade level has a 90 minute block of time scheduled for reading and a 60 minute block scheduled for math. These two subjects are SO IMPORTANT for the students to make grade level progress. We are seeing fantastic growth in our students, and that is great. However, when we have a student for whom the regular curriculum seems to be a struggle, we meet in an IDEAS team meeting to come up with interventions to help that student be successful. Your child's teacher will be keeping you informed if your child's progress should be discussed at an IDEAS team meeting.

Speaking of keeping you informed, Parent/Teacher Conferences are coming up soon – on Friday, October 20th. The teachers will discuss student progress, report cards, and NWEA reports with you on that day. The students won't attend school, and we will be looking forward to meeting with each of you. Teachers have or will be sending out sign-up information soon so you can choose the time and format that works the best for you. The school and home working together provide the very best opportunity for your child to succeed.

In September we had our first ALICE/Lockdown drill, and we've already practiced safety procedures for fire. In October will also have an Earthquake Drill. The Earthquake Drill is part of the Great Central U.S. Shake Out which includes over 2 million participants from 14 states in our region. Safety is a top priority for us at Perry Hill and we practice these drills to make sure staff and students know what to do in the event of a real emergency. If you have questions about any of the drills that we practice, please contact the school office or your child's teacher.

I hope each of your families has a chance to enjoy the beautiful October days! Thank you again for all the support and encouragement to the Perry Hill staff. It is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely, Caleb T. Miner, Principal

IMPORTANT dates and events

OCTOBER

- 1- COLOR RUN
- 3- DAIRY FARM (K)
- 6- SCIENCE
CENTRAL (3RD)
- 13- PICTURE
RETAKES
- 13- COUGAR CEL.
- 18- REPORT CARDS
GO HOME
- 20- P/T CONF
(NO SCHOOL)
- 23- FALL BREAK
(NO SCHOOL)
- 25- ZOO (GRADE 1)
- 27- FALL
CELEBRATIONS

NOVEMBER

- 3-PICK UP
LABRAID
- 6-VISION
SCREENS
(GRADES 1,3,5)
- 10- VETERANS'S
DAY PARADE
- 13-MAKE UP
PARADE



VETERANS' DAY

PARADE

NOVEMBER 10, 2023
1:15-1:45

Calling on ALL Veterans, both retired and active, to participate in our Veterans' Day Parade. The parade will begin at 1:15-1:45pm.


Stay in the comfort of your vehicle while the students & staff of Perry Hill & Oak View celebrate your service to our country!

Parade Route:

STARTING AT THE COLDWATER ENTRANCE, THE PARADE WILL GO AROUND THE PH PLAYGROUND. THE ROUTE WILL CONTINUE BETWEEN OAK VIEW AND PERRY HILL.

THERE WILL BE LOTS OF SIGNS, WAVING & MUSIC TO GIVE OUR VETERANS A HEARTFELT THANK YOU!!!!





Parent Teacher Conferences

Oct 20, 2023

Please sign up to meet with your child's teacher. There will be no school on this day!

PH Related Arts Conferences

The Related Arts (PE, Art, and Music) teachers are available for conferences on October 20. As student grade cards are only given for these classes at the semester, this is a great time to meet and discuss how your student has progressed in these content areas during the first quarter of the school year. You can schedule a conference with all three Related Arts teachers [HERE](#). If you would like to set up something individually, please email that specific teacher.

Looking forward to seeing you!

Mrs. Carlson – Art Bonnie.Carlson@nacs.k12.in.us

Ms. Merkling – Music Carlee.Merkling@nacs.k12.in.us

Mrs. Poor – PE Ann.Poor@nacs.k12.in.us





COUGAR CELEBRATION T-SHIRTS

AS ALWAYS, A SPECIAL THANK YOU GOES
OUT TO OUR PTO FOR PROVIDING OUR
COUGAR CELEBRATION SHIRTS TO OUR
NEW STUDENTS. OUR PTO IS
OUTSTANDING!
THANK YOU

LOST & FOUND

Our Lost & Found is piling up! Items not collected by the end of the quarter will be donated to a local organization. If you are missing anything, please encourage your child to check our pile or call the office at 637-3158.

TIP: Please put your child's name on items.



PERRY HILL:
**WHERE WE DO THE RIGHT THING
& TREAT PEOPLE RIGHT**



Guidance Newsletter

October 2023



A few updates from Mrs. Pannabecker:

I hope you have had a great start to the school year! As we settle into our routines and get to know students, I wanted to share a couple of updates.

I will begin going into classrooms for my monthly guidance lessons! This month is Bully Prevention Month, so we will be talking about how to be an upstander, and not a bystander. We will also talk about the difference between a mean moment, conflict, and bullying. I am looking forward to getting back into the classrooms!

Students and parents are invited to join my Canvas page! If you do not see the Guidance page on your homescreen in Canvas, click "All Courses" and it should be in your list. Email me for a new invitation!

If you have any questions or concerns I may be able to help with, please don't hesitate to contact me. I am here to help students and families as we navigate school and the success/challenges that come along with it.



October Lifeline:

Responsibility

I look forward to seeing you at the Color Run!



Feel free to reach out to me at any time with questions or concerns. I am happy to help!
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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for a daily position or want to sub? NACS may have what you are looking for. Currently NACS is taking applications for Food Service, Instructional Assistants and Bus Drivers. If interested, please check out the NACS website under “Employment”.



NACS HAS PARTNERED WITH THE ALLEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO HELP CREATE A SAFE COMMUNITY FOR OUR CHILDREN. ONE OF THE RESOURCES THAT CAN HELP YOU IS OFFENDERWATCH. YOU CAN GO TO THIS FREE SITE (WWW.OFFENDERWATCH.COM) TO FIND OFFENDERS THAT ARE LIVING IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THE OFFENDERWATCH LINK IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE NACS WEBPAGE UNDER THE “PARENT” LINK. PLEASE CONTINUE TO TALK WITH YOUR STUDENT ABOUT EXERCISING CAUTION AROUND STRANGERS.