



Elmore Elementary School

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March/April Newsletter

Mission: *Elmore Elementary School is an educational community that empowers students to be lifelong learners by valuing their unique talents and learning needs.*

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School Hours

5K-Grade 5 - 7:52am-2:30pm
AM 4K - 7:40am-10:45am
PM 4K - 11:25am-2:30pm

Mark Your Calendars

April

3 - Preschool Storytime 10:50am
9 - Forward Exam Testing Begins
10 - Author Night 4:30-6pm
11 - Grade 3 to Barkhausen
12 - Statewide Tornado Drill
20 - Wear Orange for Kindness Day
20 - Grade 4 to Weidner Center
20 - Early Release Day 12:30pm
26 - Popcorn/spirit day

May

1 - Preschool Storytime 10:50am
4 - Forward Exam Testing Ends
9 - Bike to School Day
15 - Rally Point Drill 8:30am
18 - Early Release Day 12:30pm
23 - Grade 1 to Wildlife Sanctuary
24 - Popcorn/spirit day
28 - No school

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

Thank you to the parents and families that were able to attend our Spring Conferences, Book Fair and Spring Concerts. Our next Title 1 event is our Author Night on Tuesday, April 10, from 4:30pm-6:00pm. There will be student writing displayed, guest readers, a room to make a healthy snack and more. Each student who attends will be able to select a free book. We hope to see you there!

We are working on spreading kindness at Elmore in addition to addressing personal responsibility. We continue to express the importance of school-wide kindness and respect by our actions. We have also been discussing some common courtesies such as greeting someone back when they greet you, using please and thank you and excuse me. Taking time to discuss this at home would help support the continued efforts at school.

We are participating in a March Madness Attendance Challenge with Tank Elementary. Our Grade 4 and Grade 5 students are still in the competition. The first round winners were Grade 3, Grade 4 and Grade 5 and they won donuts. Our Grade 4 and Grade 5 students made it to the final four earning an ice cream treat. Our Elmore 4K AM class is in the lead right now over our 4K PM class. It is very important that students are here each day by 7:52am, especially leading into our April Forward Exam tests. Let's go Elmore Eagles!

Thank you parents and families for all that you do to support your child(ren) each and every day. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns. When we work together our kids succeed.

Your Partner in Education,
☺ Stacy Norman





Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) —

We continue to teach and reteach our students SOAR expectations and acknowledge positive behavior when we see it. We encourage all students to learn the academic and behavior skills necessary for success in and out of school.

Our teachers and staff strive to create a positive home and school relationship. When parents and schools work harmoniously together, behavioral and academic success can happen inside and outside of school. Parents can help support students by talking about positive and negative choices at home and discussing consequences of both types of choices.

Examples parents can try at home:

1. What would happen if you talk back to an adult? What would happen if you don't talk back to an adult?
2. What would happen if you don't clean your room? What would happen if you clean your room?
3. What would happen if you do your homework? What would happen if you don't do your homework?

In February students spent their earned tickets on the prize cart. Our February game day was rescheduled due to the inclement weather day and took place on Tuesday, March 13.

Students look forward to this and is a great incentive for students to work at making good choices and doing what is expected in all areas of the school, classroom, playground, lunch, and special classes.

Students continue to be recognized for good behavior by adding their names to the "Dino-Mite Behavior" board by the gym. Students nominated have to show good behavior with all teachers/adults in the building. Those student(s) who are nominated are also posted on the Elmore Elementary Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Elmore-Elementary-School-1564405833868768/>. The students are enjoying their prizes and they are also enjoying

having lunch on the stage with Mr. Corey or Mrs. Norman. We are hoping to see every students' name on the board to promote expected behavior choices at Elmore. Way to go Elmore Eagles!



SEROOGY'S



Seroogy's Fundraiser – Thank

you to all the families that took part in our 2018 Seroogy's Fundraiser. We raised a little over \$5000 this year. Beau was our top salesman with over \$500 in sales and earned the chance to be principal for a ½ day. Our top five sales people were Beau, Landin, Gavin W, Grace L, and Cora, and they earned lunch or breakfast on the stage with 3 of their friends. The class with the highest participation that earned an extra recess was Ms. Friedrich's AM 4K class. All students who participated received an Elmore pen and had their name entered into a drawing to win their class a class treat. Lucas in Mr. Harris' class won the class treat. Congratulations to all the winners and HUGE thank for all your support. The funds raised will go towards grade field trips, Walk to School Day supplies, Student Council snacks, Veterans' Day Assembly, 5th Grade Bay Beach Tickets, Camps, Box Top shipping and more.



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Preschool Story Time – Elmore is proud to offer a preschool Story Time this year along with other schools in Green Bay. The event is open to everyone in the community. Elmore has 2 dates left on the calendar for Story Time:

- Tuesday, April 3
- Tuesday, May 1

The Story Time is from 10:50-11:20am in the Library Media Center (LMC). Check out our Elmore Facebook page for the flyer that has more locations in GBAPS with dates and times.

Popcorn/Spirit Day –Here is a list of dates for the school year.

*March 29

*April 26

*May 24

Bags of popcorn can be purchased on spirit day for \$0.50 a bag.

With the increase in price for a bag of popcorn we are earning a

profit, which goes towards student field trips. Thank you Brook, Andrea, and Tammy who

were able to pop popcorn in February. We made roughly \$34 in profit in the month of

February. Students who wear school spirit apparel or Elmore school colors of blue and yellow will have a chance to win a small prize too.



Emergency Notifications - To ensure every parent has the most accurate contact information in an emergency situation, parents must keep contact information up-to-date in Infinite Campus. If your phone number or address has changed, please contact the school secretary. The District contracts with School Messenger for its parent notification system, which enables the District to send bulk emails, automated phone calls and text messages to parents, guardians and other adults that are identified as emergency contacts. The District only uses text messaging in limited circumstances such as emergency situations, school closures/delays, and bus accidents/delays.

- **How to Receive Text Messages** - To receive text messages, text “opt-in” or “subscribe” to 67587. If, in the future, you do not receive a text message when you believe you should have, please contact the Help Desk at [920-448-2148](tel:920-448-2148) to verify the District has the cell phone number in Infinite Campus. The Help Desk is available Monday -Thursday from 6:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and on Friday from 6:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- **Not receiving text messages?** - During emergency situations and inclement weather, the District will communicate with parents/guardians through automated phone calls, emails and text messaging. The student information system pulls cell phone numbers from the mobile number field. In order to receive text messages, parents must subscribe by opting in. To receive text messages, text “opt-in” or “subscribe” to 67587.



After subscribing, if you are not receiving text messages, it may be that on parent contact information forms the cell phone number was identified as the “home” number and the mobile number was left blank. To verify your cell phone number is identified correctly in Infinite Campus, please contact the Help Desk at [920-448-2148](tel:920-448-2148). The Help Desk is available Monday -Thursday from 6:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and on Friday from 6:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Forward Exam Testing – Students in Grades 3, 4 and 5 will be taking part in the Wisconsin state assessment, the Forward Exam, beginning April 9, 2018. The Forward Exam is an online summative assessment that gauges your child’s achievement in the content areas tested compared to other students in the state. Along with local measures such as report cards, school-wide assessments, and other information about your child’s progress in school, the results from the Forward Exam provide insight into how well your child is doing on a broad measure of achievement

Here are some quick facts about the Forward Exam:

- Grades 3-8 in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics
- Grades 4 and 8 in Science
- Grades 4, 8, and 10 in Social Studies

The Forward Exam includes:

- Multiple-choice questions: the student selects the correct answers from answer options
- Short answer questions: the student provides a brief explanation in response to the question
- Writing: the student provides a response using basic writing skills to summarize, compare, and make inferences about ELA passages.

Accommodations and supports for students with disabilities and/or English language learners are built into the system so that the progress of students can be accurately measured.

The Forward Exam results provide information about student performance which allows:

students to reflect on their achievement; teachers to target instruction to student needs and reflect upon their own instructional practices; administrators to more fully understand what students know and can do in order to guide curriculum and professional development decisions; parents to understand what their child knows and is able to do in ELA, mathematics, science, and social studies; and all stakeholders to check how ready ALL students are for college and career, especially those groups that have historically been left behind.

Students at our school will begin the Forward Exam experience by taking the practice test located at <http://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/forward/sample-items>. The Online Tools Training (OTT) is intended to give students the opportunity to practice with the tools available on the Forward Exam, as well as to be exposed to the testing environment. It also gives students a chance to work with the different item types they will encounter on the exam. The OTT is not scored, nor is it intended to provide practice on test content.



Save the Dates –

Thursday, May 31, 2018 – Band/Orchestra/Recorder Concert Grades 4 and 5

Thursday, May 31, 2018 – End of Year Title 1 Event 2:30-3:30pm

Friday, June 1, 2018 – ½ Day of School – 11:45 student dismissal

Wednesday, June 6, 2018 – Elmore Field Day 12:00-2:30pm

Friday, June 8, 2018 – last day of school for elementary students

Sunday, June 10, 2018 – Timber Rattlers’ Game 1:05pm



