## RAIDER NEWS

W.D. RIGHARDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## NOVEMBER 2012



## The Principal's Corner

Dear Richards Families:
I can't believe it is already November! We have enjoyed so many successes during the first nine weeks of school. It has been very enjoyable to watch your children grow and learn. November and December are very busy months with the start of basketball and cheerleading as well as holiday activities. Please check the calendar for upcoming events. As the weather changes, please encourage your child to wear appropriate clothes for the colder temperatures. We go outside each day at recess unless it is below 20 degrees. Students have been doing a good job of being responsible for their coats and jackets but owe still have several lost and found items located in the back lobby by the cafeteria. Also, Jas we approach weather changes, please listen to the radio or television for delay or snow day information. You may also check the BCSC website. With weather changes it is also (important to remember that students cannot enter the building until 7:45 for breakfast or $8: 00$ to go to classrooms every morning. Please try to drop your children off closer to the designated times so they will not have to stand outside in the cold weather.

Congratulations to the members of our basketball and cheerleading squads. I know the players and coaches have been working hard preparing for the upcoming season. It takes a lot of hard work to keep up with schoolwork and attend practices and games. I would like to thank the parents of these student athletes for making sure school work comes first.

Congratulations to Richards students for excellent attendance for the first nine week grading period. Our school attendance thus far this school year is $98.05 \%$ which means we, Jare on pace to meet our goal for attendance this school year. Hopefully our excellent אattendance continues.

I continue to be amazed by the contributions of so many parents and staff members. Richards is a wonderful school thanks to your efforts. I welcome your participation in your Child's school and look forward to seeing you at the next PTO meeting or school event. FPlease feel free to call me at 376-4311 or stop by the office if you have comments or concerns. I enjoy talking with you and care about your kids.

## Mr. Darin Sprong

Big Dreams + Hard Work = Success


## Plan on attending the Math and Science

 Night at W. D. Richards Elementary School on November 8th from6:00-7:30 p.m.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY
NATIONAL DAY OF DOING GOOD

## W. D. Richards Elementary School Students Made a Difference!

In an effort led by our Kindergarten classrooms, W. D. Richards Elementary School made a difference in our community on Make a Difference Day, October 27th. Students and families donated 2,239 items to the Love Chapel. Items consisted of non-perishable food items and personal hygiene items. Congratulations to Mr. Porter's class who collected the most items to donate.


Competition for the Elementary Division of Spell Bowl will be held on Thursday, November 15th at Southside Elementary School. The Spelling Raiders have been studying their 750 words list and have participated in practices since August. Members include the following:

| 6th grade |  | 5th Grade |  | 4th Grade |
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|  |  |  |  |  |
| Austin Bailey | Keeleigh Kikendall | Alma Cambron | T.J. Barkhimer | Megan Vetter |
| Briana Crowley | Claire Kilbarger-Stumpff | Alexa Navarro | Mikayla Frenzel | Ross Wenzler |
| Matthew Frost | Kara Peetz |  | Elise Machino | Leyton White |
| Luke Harpring | Carson Whitehead |  | Chad Sims |  |

## Richards Raiders Rock

## 1st Nine Weeks Honor Roll

## GRADE 3 GOLD HONOR ROLL

Gwendolyn Anderson, Campbell Barker, Karina Bayer, Isaiah Brasher, Samuel Ferrenburg, Riley Gaskill, Samantha Gilbert, Koryn Greiwe, Yuki Ito, Katy Jordan, Kade Kikendall, Reese KilbargerStumpff, Laura Latham, Eden Long, Izabel Long, Emma Martin, Isabella Newland, Samuel Skidmore, Alivia Steinkoenig, Reece Whitehead

## GRADE 3 SILVER HONOR ROLL

McKenzie Acton, Morgan Allen, Elijah Ault, Devin Barkes, Ryan Behnke, Olivia Collins, Cayden Gale, Ariana Garcia, Katelynn Gibson, Rhett Harmon, Emalee Heafner, Caitlin Heilman, Alina McNeely, Timothy Moyer, Azzure Ozaeta, Kasadee Pedigo, Elizabeth Renner, Jessica Riley, Chase Sams, Gavin Steward, Bradan Thompson, Leah Whitehead, Tatiana Whitfield, Grace Wiltsey, Sydney Wise

## GRADE 4 GOLD HONOR ROLL

Haylee Acton, Ethan Glaid, Reese Harmon, Taylor Hollen, Halima Nkrumah, Emma Patrick, Tyler Stevens, Emily Walker, Ross Wenzler, Leyton White, Lexia Wilcox

## GRADE 4 SILVER HONOR ROLL

DeShawn Austin, T. J. Barkhimer, Kaitlin Brummett, Sammee Dennis, Madelyn Fear, Mikayla Frenzel, Jacob Gibson, Gavin Lafferty, Kabir Maharjan, Kyler McIntosh, William Monday, Shelby Morrow, Malachi Parks, Jakob Shafer, Peyton Siefker, Chad Sims, Haili Smith, Cameron Stattenfield, Alex Vanest, Chasyti VanHoosier, Megan Vetter

## GRADE 5 GOLD HONOR ROLL

Tyler Allen, Annabella Anderson, Kaylyn Bates, Faith Briggs, Emily Buickel, Adam Chapman, Blake Dillman, T. J. Fisher, Lance Greiwe, Sara Groover, Kayla Jones, Abigail Jordan, Chesney Loehr, Reagan Medaris, Allison Parker, Maycie Porter, Makayla Reeves, Madelyn Rohlfs, Maika Shibata, Christian Smith

## GRADE 5 SILVER HONOR ROLL

Wyatt Albertson, Alma Cambron, Allison DeBolt, Anna Emmert, Ella Goddard, Hannah Grimes, Hunter Hilderbrand, Hunter Huser, Mya Johnson, Tessa Lomax, Haley Morrow, Samuel Moyer, Hunter Newsome, Brandon Taylor, Brock Western, Brianna Wilson, Mazey Wilson

## GRADE 6 GOLD HONOR ROLL

Elise Beverly, Briana Crowley, Matthew Frost, Taylor Gaskill, Rachel Gloeckner, Julian Greenwell, Tyler Guthrie, Luke Harpring, Madison Holmes, Keeleigh Kikendall, Nadia Lomax, Evan Meyer, Kara Peetz, Ashlynn Perry, Rose Sardina, Christina Soto, Megan Wagner, Suzanne Ward, Carson Whitehead

## GRADE 6 SILVER HONOR ROLL

Austin Bailey, Jacob Bolte, Zachary Butler, Matthew Combs, Cassidy Davis, Sydney Franks, Danielle Greene, Matthew Hunt, Claire KilbargerStumpff, Luis Lopez, Victoria McAuliffe, Aaron Moyer, Nikita Neville, Molly Newton, Sarah Park, Carol Perkins, D. J. Rhodes, D’Andre Scruggs, Alyssa Sexton, Hannah Wenzler


## Student Council News

W. D. Richards Elementary School

## Student Council is collecting money for United Way

until November $16^{\text {th }}$ ! There is a coin tower in the front lobby to fill with change, dollars, anything you can give!! Please help support this organization! Ways to Donate:

- Bring in change/dollars anytime between now and November $16^{\text {th }}$ !
- Week of November $12^{\text {th }}$ - One DOLLAR a day and participate all week in these fun activities!
- Monday- Hat Day- \$1
- Tuesday- No Homework slip \$1
- Wednesday- Face Painting during lunch- \$1
- Thursday- Basketball Bracelets-\$1
- Friday- Wear Pajama pants- \$1


Whether you donate everyday or just a few we appreciate all that you do!


## Outdoor Recess

## Reminder

Fresh air and outdoor play activities are beneficial to students. We do go outside for recess whenever the weather permits. In the winter a combination of the wind chill factor and temperature is used to determine the possibility of going outside for play. Twenty degrees is used as the cut off for outside recess. All students should have appropriate clothing for outside play. Contact our school nurse if you need assistance in obtaining warm clothing. Students with health conditions that are not allowed outside play must provide a doctor's statement. All students must participate in outdoor recess, unless a doctor's statement is on file.

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Car Rider Safety Reminder


Please remind your children to always enter vehicles using the car door on the curb side of the back circle drive. It is also helpful to pull forward around the circle drive so more students can be picked up in a safe manner. Also, it is important to remember that students should not be dropped off before school in front of the building.

## Athletics in the News

## Boys' Basketball Team

Logan Brewer<br>Carson Whitehead<br>Matthew Frost<br>Evan Meyer<br>Julian Greenwell<br>D'Andre Scruggs<br>Matt Hunt<br>Jeremy Clark<br>Hunter Huser<br>Adam Chapman<br>Lance Greiwe

# Girls' Basketball Team 

## Head Coach

Cathy Brummett

## Assistant Coaches

Melissa Voils
Rusty Brummett

Student Manager
Zoie Hendershot



## Dear Parents,

I hope that you all got a chance to see and enjoy your child's artwork during conferences. All of the students worked very hard to demonstrate their best work! Grades should be accessible now, due to the second nine week grading period, being visible for the related arts. Please take time to check those via the ParentPortal on the BCSC website. If you see an " M " in the grade box, it means that they are missing an assignment. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. You can reach me by email-larsone $a b c s c . k 12$.in us, or phone-376-4311\#1112.

## What do the arts do for your child? See below:

1. The arts teach children to make good judgments about qualitative relationships. Unlike mach of the curriculum in which correct answers and rules prevail, in the arts, it is judgment rather than rules that prevail.
2. The arts teach children that problems can have more than one solution and that questions can have more than one answer.
3. The arts celebrate moltiple perspectives.

One of their large lessons is that there are many ways to see and interpret the world.

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4. The arts teach children that in complex forms of problem solving purposes are seldom fired, but change with circumstance and opportunity. Learning in the arts requires the ability and a willingness to surrender to the unanticipated possibilities of the work as it unfolds.
5. The arts make vivid the fact that neither words in their literal form nor numbers exhaust what we can lmow. The limits of our language do not define the limits of our cognition.
6. The arts teach students that small differences can have large effects.

The arts traffic in subtleties.
7. The arts teach students to think through and within a material.

All art forms employ some means through which images become real.
8. The arts help children learn to say what cannet be said.

When children are invited to disclose what a work of art helps them feel, they must reach into their poetic capacities to find the words that will do the job.
9. The arts enable us to have experience we can have from no other source and through such experience to discover the range and variety of what we are capable of feeling:
10. The arts ${ }^{*}$ position in the school curriculum symbolizes to the young what adults believe is important.


# PTO News 

The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, November 6th at 7:00 p.m. Free childcare provided.

Fall Festival Friday, November 2nd 5:30-8:30 p.m.
Come join us for a night of family fun.

## - Games

Food (chili, hot dogs, nachos, drinks)
Bake Sale
Silent Auction (including tickets to Disney World)

Thanks to everyone who supported the
W. D. Richards PTO by attending the family night at Chuck E. Cheese. We were able to raise $\$ 304$ as a result of your support.

Please remember to recycle your paper in the Abitibi Paper Retriever located in the back parking lot of the school. Money collected goes directly to our students and their classrooms.



# "WHY DOES MY APPLE LOOK FUNNY?" 

Nancy Millspaugh, RD,CD

BCSC Director of Food Service

As children head back to school this fall, they may notice something different about their apples...they may not be so perfect looking!

The reason for the change is simple. BCSC Schools will be featuring locally grown produce on its menu when available! As part of a farm-to-school project, students can choose from locally grown apples, watermelon, and tomatoes picked at their peak, and bursting with flavor!

The aim of this project is to grow healthy children and a healthy community. The typical food item in the U.S. travels 1500 to 2400 miles from farm to plate. Currently $1 / 3$ of U.S. children are obese and or overweight. By providing locally grown produce on the BCSC school menus, we help support our local economy, help to reduce our carbon footprint by using less gasoline, serve fresh, great tasting produce with less nutrients lost in transit, as well as encourage students to eat more fresh fruits \& vegetables to reduce their risk of obesity and other health related disorders.

It takes a whole community to put nutritious foods from local farms on the menu in schools and we need your help:

- Talk to your children about this exciting new program and encourage them to try the locally grown produce offered in their school cafeteria.
- Help your child understand where their food comes from and how their food choices affect their bodies, environment \& community.
- Plan education opportunities such as farm tours, trips to farm markets, etc.
- Offer more locally grown fruits \& vegetables at home to role model a healthy lifestyle for life!



## It's a Whole School Effort

Maybe you already know that the lunch served at school must meet dietary guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. But what rules apply to foods your child might buy in an a la carte line, at concession stands, or the candy or can of soda your child may get for a prize for a perfect spelling test? Your school wellness policy can give parents answers to these and other important wellness issues.

The revised BCSC Wellness Policy contains five categories:

1. Nutrition Education and Wellness Promotion
2. USDA Child Nutrition Programs \& School Meals
3. Nutrition Standards for Competitive Foods and Beverages
4. Physical activity and Physical Education

5. Evaluation of the Policy

Nutrition Education and Wellness Promotion-This section addresses nutrition education activities with the goal of helping children acquire lifelong skills for making nutritious food choices for a lifetime. Some of the key areas of this area of the policy include encouraging teachers and staff to serve as role models; display healthy choices prominently in the cafeteria and on menus, and wellness councils/PBIS to be developed at each school.

USDA Child Nutrition Programs \& School Meals-This section addresses the federal breakfast and lunch program. Key areas of this portion of the policy include the school environment in the cafeteria, encourages recess before lunch, proper hand washing/ sanitation stations available, student input on foods served, baking and steaming foods prepared. MyLunchMoney.com is a way for parents to register online to monitor your child's spending habits in the cafeteria line, view account balances, receive low balance notices and view meal purchases all for FREE! A user charge is only applied for those parents who choose to use their credit or debit cards to make lunch account pre-payments.

Nutrition Standards for Competitive Foods and Beverages-This section addresses all foods in competition with the federal lunch program. Examples might include vending, a la carte, classroom parties, fund raising. $50 \%$ of items serve should meet Better choice Food Criteria for $35 \%$ or less total calories from fat; no more than 10 gm saturated fat not more than $35 \%$ total wt from sugar and individual items will not have more than 300 calories per serving. Fundraising will strive to support healthy eating and wellness. Classroom celebrations should focus on activities rather than food. Not offering sugar sweetened beverages or candy as a classroom reward.

Physical activity and Physical Education-The following are key considerations from this section of the policy: Joint use agreement means that community is allowed to use the school facilities when they are not being used for school activities, Safe routes to school promotes waling and biking to school for physical activity, standards are outlined for physical activity and Physical Education.

Evaluation-This section addresses implementation of the policy and plans for revision.
BCSC revised the original wellness policy developed in 2006 after having the policy scored by public health professionals using The School Wellness Policy Evaluation Tool. This tool offers a consistent and reliable means of assessing the comprehensiveness and strength of school wellness policies. Our newly adopted policy scored 174, the highest in Indiana! But it is not about having a policy in place, it is about putting it into practice and that takes a team effort from staff, students, parents and the community.

Developing a sound local wellness policy allows BCSC to get ahead of the curve and take a proactive approach to promoting good health to children. Parents can support the efforts of the policy by encouraging healthy eating and daily physical activity and serving as role models for their children to teach and encourage healthy habits for life.

WELLNESS....
Bringing schools and families together for the health of all our kids!



## A FREE program for children and their families held on the first Friday of each month, November through April, 6:00 PM at The Commons.

November 2, 2012 Harry the Dlrty Dog, presented by ArtsPower Theatre, tells the wonderful children's story of Harry the dog who runs away and gets so dirty his family doesn't recognize him when he returns home.
December 7,2012 Babaloo, a one-man musical comedy act, is a high-energy, over-the-top, funfilled show for kids of all ages. It's a bit of carefully controlled chaos.
January 4, 2013 Jason Huneke, well known for his dance routine on America's Got Talent, brings his magic, comedy, and juggling act to Columbus. His live show will leave children of all ages mesmerized.
February I, 2013 Rumpelstiltskin, presented by ArtsReach Theatre, a Cincinnati-based theatrical troupe, is a light-hearted play that captivates children with its imaginative retelling of this well-loved story.
March I, 2013 Program TBD
April 5, 2013 Fractured Falry Tales presented by Columbus' own Dancers Studio finishes the season with a mix-up of some of children's favorite parables.
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For more information visit www.artsincolumbus.org or call 812.376.2534.

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| PBIS Focus: Hallway Procedures |  |  |  | Choir Practice 7:25am. Spell Bowl Practice 2:45-3:45 (Room 309) Basketball Parent Meeting 5:30 | 2 <br> Fall Fund Raiser \$ due by 8:30 a.m. PTO Fall Festival and Book Fair Family Night | Basketball at East Richards v. Parkside 8:00 (Boys) <br> 9:10 (Girls) |
| 4 <br> PBIS Focus: Restroom Procedures <br> Day Light Savings Time Ends | 5 Awards Convo. (Gym) 8:30 am. Spell Bowi Practice 2:45-3:45 (Room 309) Lego Team practice 2:45-3:45 (Room 308) | 6 <br> Choir Practice 7:25 a.m. Spell Bowl Practice Grade 2 Fieldtrip (Children's Museum) <br> ELECTION DAY <br> Lego Team Practice PTO (Room 305) $7: 00$ p.m. | Spell Bowl Practice Lego Team Practice | 8 <br> RIF (Grades 2\&4) Spell Bowl Practice <br> Math/Science Night 6:00-7:30 | $\begin{gathered} 9 \\ \text { Veteran's Day } \\ \text { Program } \\ \text { K-3 8:30 } \\ \text { Gr. 4-6 }=9: 45 \end{gathered}$ | 10 |
| II <br> PBIS Focus: Cafeteria Procedures | 12 <br> Spell Bowl Practice 2:45-3:45 (Room 309) PTO Skating Party at Skateland 6:00-8:00 United Way Week (Hat Day) | 13 <br> Choir Practice 7:25 a.m. <br> Spell Bowl Practice <br> United Way Week <br> (No Homework Pass) | 14 <br> Spell Bowl Practice Basketball (H) <br> v. Mc. Healthy <br> 5:30 Boys - 6:30 Girls United Way Week (Face Painting) | 15 Student Council 7:30 am. (Room 114) Spell Bowl at Southside 5:30 United Way Week (Basketball Braceless) | 16 <br> Spell Bowl Celebration <br> United Way Week (Payama Day) | 17 <br> Lego <br> Competition |
| 18 <br> PBIS Focus: <br> Playground <br> Procedures |  | $20$ <br> Choir Practice 7:25 a.m. <br> Basketball (A) <br> v. Taylorsville <br> 5:30 Boys - 6:30 Girls | $21$ | $22$ <br> Thanksgiving Break | $23$ <br> Thanksgiving Break | 24 |
| 25 <br> PBIS Focus: Hallway Procedures | 26 | ```2 7 Choir Practice 7:25 a.m. Green Team 2:45-3:45 (Room 307)``` | 28 <br> Baskectall (H) <br> v. Rockcreek <br> 5:30 Boys - 6:30 Girls Market Day Pickup 5:00-6:00 | 29 | 30 |  |

