

Chamberlain Elementary School

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The "Buzz" From Mrs. Branham

Your child and their learning journey matter to us at Chamberlain. Safety and Learn at the two main priorities every day! It is a team effort. I want to share with you an additional way we are supporting your child this year. Each day for 30 minutes your child is in "Chamberlain Success Time". Daily, 30 minutes is devoted to meeting the individual needs of your child based on 3 week learning units. Some groups are for remediation and some are for enrichment. I believe this is key to student success!

As always, we strive to best fulfill the learning needs of you child. It is a team effort, we expect you involvement! Encourage your child each day, ask them about their learning, set a time for them to complete homework, read with your child, and connect with your child's teacher! Please continue to join us in the learning journey of your child! Feel free to contact me to discuss this further.

Mrs. Branham

PTO NEWS:

Fundraiser pick-up is on THURSDAY, OCT 17, from 3:00-6:00pm in the gym. There will be no early pick-up. Thank you to all who made this fundraiser a success!

Miss Maust (1) and Ms. Diaz (5) won the boxtop contest for August! Please continue to send boxtops. It is very helpful if they are neatly trimmed on the dotted lines.

Book Fair will be held the week of Parent/Teacher Conferences (Oct 14-18). Please contact Jess Elliott if you would like to volunteer! JessElliott77@msn.com

Next PTO meeting is Oct 7 at 7pm in the school café. Joining PTO is the best and easiest way to get involved at your child's school. All are welcome!

UPCOMING DATES:

Oct 7— PTO meeting; 7pm
Oct 14-18— Book Fair
Oct 15—Parent/Teacher Conference night
Oct 17— Picture Retake Day
Oct 17— Fundraiser Pick-Up; 3-6pm
Oct 17— Parent/Teacher Conference night
Oct 18— Popcorn Day
Oct 21-25— NO SCHOOL; Fall Break
Nov 4— PTO Meeting; 7pm

Counselor's Corner

Greetings! Welcome to Fall! We are back into the "swing of things" here at Chamberlain and enjoying another year of learning and fun.

This year, Indiana State Legislature passed HEA 1423, a law requiring all public schools to have a specific plan in place if and when alleged bullying incidents occur and are reported. There are many parts of this law, but the basics include the following:

- All students in grades 1-12 will need to have a bullying prevention lesson or presentation by October 15 of each school year.
- Schools will need to have a clear protocol of investigating bullying reports, and a way both students and the public can anonymously report bullying.
- Staff working directly with students will be trained as to what bullying is, and how to best support students in this area.

Here at Chamberlain, we are working hard everyday to make school a safe and welcome place for your student(s). Please ask your student(s) about the lessons they are learning about conflicts, teasing, and bullying when I visit their classrooms.

In the next newsletter, I will talking in more detail about the difference between conflicts and bullying, what parents can look out for, and how to best support your child when in conflict with peers or if he/she is in a potential bullying situation.

Enjoy the cooler air!

Mrs. Johnson

Notes from the Nurse:

Each year, Goshen Community Schools is required to distribute information on Meningococcal disease. This year, you can find this information in English and Spanish at: <http://www.goshenschools.org/parents-students/health-services/> Please call the school nurse if you have any questions or would like a written copy.

Please be sure your child is to school on time!
Doors open and breakfast starts at 7:35, if your child is here at this time, they are ready to learn! Students are tardy at 7:50! Thank you for your cooperation in this.