



EBENEZER ELEMENTARY

March 2020



Principal's Message

Dean W. Bozman, Ed.D.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

February was a busy month at Ebenezer with events including Kindergarten Orientation, My Loved One and Me Dance, and the Ebenezer Spelling Bee. During Kindergarten Orientation, we welcomed to Ebenezer the Cedar Crest Class of 2033. The PTE sponsored, My Loved One and Me Dance, was a huge success with over 300 participants. Ebenezer families had the opportunity to dance, enjoy snacks, and have their photo taken by Tim McGowan Photography. The annual Ebenezer Spelling Bee featured the talents and hard work of 26 students from 4th and 5th grade and the Cornwall-Lebanon Elementary Spelling Bee will take place March 26th at Cornwall Elementary School at 6:30 PM.

We had another amazing Kids Heart Challenge event with **100%** of our students participating. Not only did we have full participation again (7 consecutive years), but we once again raised \$50,000 in donations (4 consecutive years). During this year's Kids Heart Challenge event, Ebenezer Elementary was recognized with a plaque from the American Heart Association in recognition of ranking #9 in the United States last year.

Are you looking for something to do with your family on these cold winter days? The annual Ebenezer Carnival will be held Saturday, March 7th from 10AM-2PM and the inclement weather date for the carnival is March 14th.

The PSSA dates for Ebenezer are as follows:

ELA - April 21st-23rd
Math - April 27th-28th
Science - April 29th-30th

During our regularly scheduled Excellent Events, I reviewed with students March's character trait, **Citizenship**. We defined citizenship as: being respectful and responsible to people, animals, and the environment; caring about your community and country; being informed about the needs of your school and community, and doing your best to make your home, school, and community a better place. We also talked about how students can demonstrate good citizenship by respecting authority figures including parents, teachers, police officers, and other adults. The connection was made in regards to being a good digital citizen when using technology and students viewed a BrainPop video about internet safety.

March 4th is our next PTE meeting.

Thank you and remember spring is just around the corner!

Important Dates

March 4 PTE Meeting 6:30 PM

March 7 Winter Carnival 10 AM—2 PM

March 14 Winter Carnival (Inclement weather day)

March 17-18 Kindergarten Registration

March 19 Book Bingo 6-7 PM

March 24 DARE Graduation 9:30 AM

March 27 No School

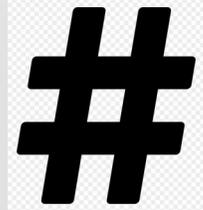


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Meet

Mrs. Richwine



Foundations Teacher

#SMILE



#WELCOME

Hello Ebenezer Families. My name is Mandy Richwine and I have been a special education teacher at Ebenezer for 26 years. I was a learning support teacher for many years before switching to teaching the Foundations classroom. I love my job and my students! I am married to a former teacher and together we have an 18-year-old daughter who is at Penn State majoring in nursing.

#FAVORITES

- Teaching—My job has been a passion of mine. I am so lucky to have found a job that I love and to have had so many wonderful students throughout my career.
- Traveling with my family to the beach
- Spending time with my family and friends
- Crafting



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As educators at Ebenezer, we want to acquaint K-5 students with the “working world” of our community, state, and nation with career awareness efforts. One of our goals is to help students relate the subjects they are learning with potential jobs and careers. We are hoping to introduce students to a variety of careers – entrepreneurs, skilled workers, welders, machinists, physicians, engineers, landscape architects, mechanics, plumbers, software developers, etc.

We are asking parents and community members to visit our school and discuss, in an informal setting, their occupations during the afternoon of **Friday, May 15, 2020 from 1:00pm -3:00pm**. Volunteers will talk and/or demonstrate for about 20 minutes to a few classes. Along the way volunteers will have a break. If needed, we will supply volunteers with a demonstration table, projector, etc.

We will be requesting volunteers in the near future!

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact our principal, Dr. Bozman, or me at 717-272-1969.

Thank you for your interest in helping our students learn about careers!





From the Desk of Ms. Lu, Certified School Nurse:

“Go for the Greens” in March:

March is “Go for the Greens” Month and is a time of learning about nutrition with an emphasis on great vegetables. We are celebrating with a chef demonstration in the cafeteria one day this month. Students will be invited to taste fresh vegetables and a delicious omelet.

Body Mass Index (BMI):

Information regarding your elementary child’s BMI for the 2019-2020 is now available on the Skyward Parent Portal. Body mass index, or BMI, is a measure of body fat based on height and weight and is used as a screening tool to identify possible weight problems for children.

Follow the directions below to access your child’s results. If you have questions regarding your child’s BMI results, please contact Mrs. Lu, at 717-389-1876.

To access your child’s BMI information, please follow these steps:

1. Log onto Skyward at <http://skyward.elsd.net> and navigate to Family Access.
2. On the left menu list click on HEALTH INFORMATION.
3. Next, on the top tabs, click on Display Options
4. Choose “Show Physical Exam”



From the District Office:

Did you Know?

- **The calendar of key district dates for the 2020-2021 school year** has been approved by the Board of School Directors. Check on the district website <www.clsd.k12.pa.us> under the “Community” tab.
- **District resident senior citizens are invited to attend the Spring Dinner & Dance** (formerly known as the Senior Senior Prom), Friday, March 13, 2020, 5:30-9 p.m. This FREE dinner-dance event is hosted by Cedar Crest High School and students in the Key Club. Check on the District website <www.clsd.k12.pa.us> or visit any district building to pick up a registration form. **Thank you for sharing this information with your senior family members, friends and neighbors and encouraging them to submit their reservations by March 1st for this popular event!**
- **Cornwall-Lebanon School District** has a **Facebook** page: Please “Like” us! (Be sure to use the hyphen when you search for us.) Follow the District on **Twitter: @CLSD_Schools**
- **Want to take a swim or sign up for swim lessons?** Check the District website under the “Community” tab for the aquatics calendar, open swim schedule and the Spring Swimming brochure of activities in the John W. Davis NATATORIUM at Cedar Crest High School.
- Looking for information about family activities, athletic opportunities for students, summer camps, before-and-after school care programs? Check out the listings on the CLSD **online Community Bulletin Board**, under the “Community” tab on the District website: <www.clsd.k12.pa.us>

Calendar Items:

- **March 15:** Deadline to apply for **Falcon Foundation grants and awards**. Click on the “Falcon Fnd.” Quick link icon on the district web Home page for more info, www.clsd.k12.pa.us. For further information, please contact: Arianne Chernich or Tamara Gross, Grants and Awards Committee Co-Chairs: falcon-foundation@clsd.k12.pa.us or (717) 679-5782.
- **March 16: Board of School Directors meeting**, 5:30 PM, Large Group Instruction room (LGI) at Cedar Crest High School. A Public Work Session will be held March 11, 5:30 PM, at the Educational Service Center. Both meetings are open to the public.
- **March 20 & 21: CCMS Spring Musical, “Rock of Ages: Middle School Edition,”** in the CCMS Auditorium, Friday, March 20 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, March 21 at 3 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults; \$5 for students; free for preschool children and CLSD Gold Card holders. Tickets will be sold in the CCMS lobby on Monday, March 9 and Wednesday, March 11 from 6-7 pm. Tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and free for residents with a CLSD Gold Card and Preschoolers. Please, do not contact the CCMS or District office.
- **March 23: Music In Our Schools Assemblies**, all elementary schools
- **March 24:** “Constellations of the Spring and Summer Sky,” **the final Planetarium** program for the school year, 10–10:45 AM for Senior Citizens; 7–7:45 PM for the General Public. Visit the “Community Events & Activities” tab on the District website for details.
- **March 26: 3rd Marking Period Ends**
- **March 26: District Elementary Spelling Bee**, 6:30 p.m., hosted by Cornwall Elementary School, open to the public, free.
- **March 27: No School for Students – Act 80 Day for staff**



Kids Heart Challenge

Kids Heart Challenge (KHC) was a **HEART-HEALTHY** day at Ebenezer! Special thanks to the students, parents, faculty, and staff of Ebenezer for making this year's jump so special. Our 24th annual KHC raised \$50,200, which makes four consecutive years of raising \$50,000+! **WOW!** This will be one of the best jumps in the United States! We had 100% of the school bring in a permission slip and collection envelope, which tied the school record! Thank you gifts have been ordered. They will arrive at the end of March or beginning of April. Your child will receive his/her thank you gifts during physical education class. Also, I wish to extend a big thanks to the Ebenezer Community and local businesses for opening up their hearts and wallets for this worthwhile cause.

Thank you,
Mr. Bare

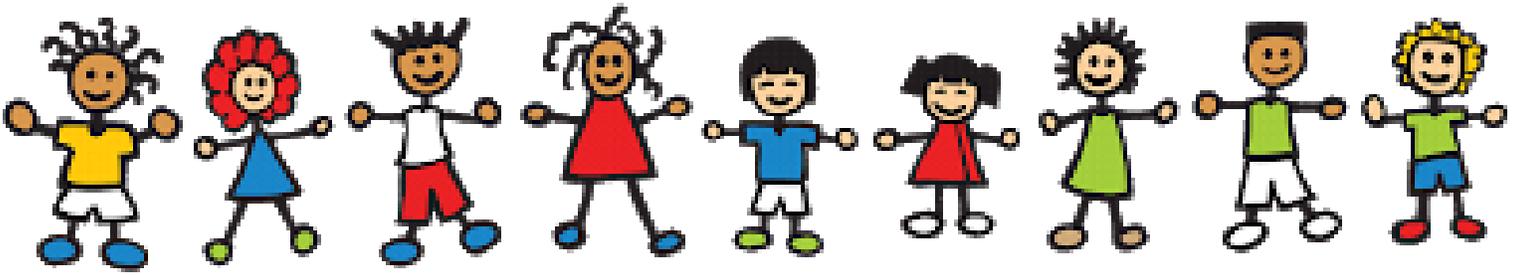


Yearbook orders are still being taken online. Simply log on to ybpa.lifetouch.com and enter code: 10860419

If you have any questions or are unable to place an order online please contact:

Amanda Sanders at beaursanders@hotmail.com

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KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:

Parents/guardians are asked to access the online registration process via the District's home page www.clsd.k12.pa.us. In order to locate the online kindergarten registration link, hover over the departments tab at the top of the page and select student registration. Once on the student registration page, select kindergarten registration from the menu on the left. After the information from parents/guardians is received, a welcome letter will be emailed with additional information about registering a kindergarten age child for the 2020-2021 school year.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION DATES WILL BE:

CORNWALL: MARCH 9 & 10
SOUTH LEBANON: MARCH 11 & 12
EBENEZER: MARCH 17 & 18
UNION CANAL: MARCH 19 & 20



Attention Parents/Guardians of **Third** Grade Students:

It's Time to Join the Band!

Enrollment in the Cornwall-Lebanon Elementary Band Program is available to current third grade students. Students who wish to enroll in the band will begin studying their instruments during the Summer Band Program! The program takes place from June 11 – July 15. (Mark your calendar!) Daily lessons for current third grade students last for 30 minutes and are typically available between 7:30am and 9:30am.

Students who wish to join the band may choose from the following instruments: flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone, tuba, or orchestra bells.

Students will receive enrollment information at an assembly in April. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Thompson at sthompson@clsd.k12.pa.us.

We look forward to seeing your child in the band program this summer

PTE NEWS

Don't forget the Winter Carnival is Saturday, March 7th from 10am – 2pm! Join us for a FUN time! There will be cotton candy, popcorn, hot food, baked goods, an obstacle bounce course, henna, games, raffles and more. Raffles will include: American Girl Doll, HersheyPark tickets, LEGO sets, scooter, gift cards to GREAT restaurants and FUN places to go with the family!

Thank you so much to Shandelle McGowan and everyone that helped her make our “My Loved One & Me Dance” a HUGE success! Everything looked GREAT and all your time and effort is greatly appreciated!

UPCOMING EVENETS:

- Winter Carnival, Saturday, March 7th from 10am – 2pm
(inclement weather date, Saturday, March 14th)
- PTE Meeting, Wednesday, March 4th @ 6:30pm

Missy Kessler, PTE President
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2019-2020 Parent Requests

Assignment of children to the next grade is a carefully planned process. Students are assigned with the purpose of creating heterogeneous and balanced classes. All schools begin developing class rosters in the spring and continues throughout the summer as new students enroll within the Cornwall-Lebanon School District. Last minute changes occur up until the beginning of school, and we need to be able to alter and adjust classroom assignments as necessary based on enrollment changes. In order that we have the flexibility to develop appropriate and educationally sound classrooms, **Cornwall-Lebanon schools will not honor requests for specific teachers.** By honoring requests, we would lose the ability to meet our needs in developing educationally sound homerooms. However, we realize that there are times when a strong reason exists for a parent not wanting a particular placement. While efforts will be made to honor a parent request **not to have a (one) certain teacher**, it cannot be guaranteed. **Requests that identify more than one placement or request a specific teacher will be returned for resubmission.** All written correspondence should be directed to my attention, Dr. Dean Bozman, Principal, by **Friday, April 17, 2020.** Requests submitted after this date will not be considered. Your child's placement is important to you and is a priority to us. We ask that you trust our staff to make the best decisions for all students.



Reading News



From Mrs. Cassel, Mrs. Wenrich, and Mrs. Williams

Ebenezer's Tournament of Books Has Begun!

Each week this month students are reading two picture books and discussing the "Be Bold and Brave" theme represented in each. Class votes for the winner are tallied and a winner in each bracket is chosen to move on to the next round.

Which book will be awarded Ebenezer Book of the Year?

Don't Forget...Book Bingo!

Thursday, March 19th 6:00-7:00pm

Bring your family! Play bingo! Win a book!

Drinks and bingo materials provided.

Bring a snack to share with your family.



Ebenezer Book Swap and Sale Update

Donations of gently used books are being collected for our end of the year Book Swap and Sale! As you spring clean those bookshelves we appreciate your donations. Thank you!

2019-2020 PSSA Testing

Please do not plan trips or appointments during your child's PSSA testing window.

Dates for testing are as follows:

Grades 3, 4, 5—English Language Arts testing—April 21, 22, & 23, 2020

Grades 3, 4, 5—Math testing—April 27 & 28, 2020

Grade 4—Science testing—April 29 & 30, 2020

Birthday Invitations

Classroom teachers are able to provide parents/guardians a list of homeroom student names (first only) for occasions such as birthday party invitations and Valentine's Day Cards. If birthday invitations are distributed at school, they may only be given out to **ALL** of the students in their homeroom.

Lebanon Valley College Valley Fest

When: Sunday, April 19, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

What: Music, craft vendors, food vendors, children's act
Hershey Vineyards joining from 12 p.m.—4 p.m.

Where: Lebanon Valley College, Sheridan Avenue
www.lvc.edu/valleyfest

Rain or Shine!



\$\$Falcon Foundation\$\$Falcon Foundation\$\$

As an Ebenezer Elementary student and family, **you** are eligible to apply for an award from the Falcon Foundation.

The Falcon Foundation Grants and Awards committee is currently accepting applications for educational opportunity awards. The awards are for any student who has shown superior achievement warranting recognition or for a student displaying academic or financial need.

For an application, go to <http://www.clsd.k12.pa.us> under the Community tab and select Falcon Foundation.

Check out these ideas for summer opportunities...

Academic enrichment and tutoring: Check with the guidance office.

SPLAT! Art Studio

Lebanon Valley Council for the Arts

Camp Invention: www.campinvention.org

Art Camp at Lancaster Museum of Art: www.lmapa.org

Lancaster Science Factory: www.lancastersciencefactory.org

Penn State's Action Potential Science Experience: www.sciencecamps.psu.edu/

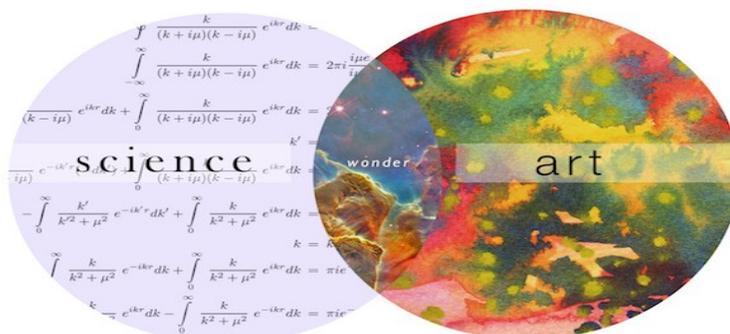
Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts: www.whitakercenter.org

Lebanon County Historical Society: www.lebanonhistory.org

Lancaster County Historical Society: www.lancasterhistory.org

North Museum of Natural History and Science: www.northmuseum.org

The application deadline is March 15th.



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Interested in a Falcon Foundation full or partial grant for your child to attend camp?

Falcon Foundation Offers Grants in Aide and Scholarship—

Deadline for spring applications this year is March 15, 2020

Go to the website at: <https://www.clsd.k12.pa.us/Page/3317>

and then click on APPLICATIONS to get the forms you need...

Camp Invention is an exciting and motivating adventure in creativity that immerses children in exciting, hands-on activities that reinvent summer fun. Led by local educators, kids are challenged to explore creative connections between technology, engineering, construction, architecture, innovation, math, and the many sciences.

Participants spend their time with their age/grade appropriate team problem solving, creating, thinking, and having fun during 5 different STEM activity sessions per day!

To learn more about Camp Invention go to watch us at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KqXfn6DvUkg>

Open to all CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA Elementary Students

July 13-17, 2020 Monday-Friday, 9:00 am -3:30 pm

Held at Cornwall Elementary School for its 13th season great season!

For students currently in grades 1-5 for the 2019-2020 school year

Director: Chuck Kindt, Retired Principal of Cornwall School

Contact: CI2013@comcast.net



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