



EBENEZER ELEMENTARY

September 2019



Principal's Message

Dean W. Bozman, Ed.D.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year at Ebenezer Elementary. Over the summer our teachers have been preparing their classrooms for the upcoming school year. The custodial staff has been busy cleaning rooms, waxing floors, and beautifying the outside of our school. We are eagerly awaiting the installation of our new playground equipment once our district maintenance become available after things settle down with Union Canal Elementary School's renovation project. Over the summer, our building maintenance staff finished installing a water bottle filling station in each learning lab area of the school and outside the gym area. Not only are the bottle filling stations good for the environment they promote the drinking of water.

Upcoming PTE Events:

PTE Meeting October 2nd @ 6:30pm

Race for Education October 11th (inclement weather date October 18th)

Chicken BBQ October 23rd, 3-6PM at Sunset Outlets

Upcoming Assemblies and Programs:

September 26th Excellent Events (students are encouraged to wear their Ebenezer P.R.I.D.E. shirt or Cedar Crest Falcon spirit wear)

Fire Prevention TBD

Apple Crunch Day October 23rd

Red Ribbon Week October 28th-31st

During our monthly Excellent Event assemblies, we will continue to recognize students for earning academic achievement and demonstrating good character traits in a variety of ways such as: **Principal's 100 Club, Shining Stars, P.R.A.I.S.E. awards, and more.** Please take time to read over the topics covered in this newsletter. Become familiar with the Elementary Student and Ebenezer P.R.I.D.E. Handbooks and return to school the signed form from each handbook. The entire Elementary Student handbook is included inside the planner students in grades 3rd-5th received.

Important Dates

September 20 Hearing Screening

September 25 Title I Parent & Family Meeting

@ Union Canal 9:15 AM

Upcoming Events

October 2 Picture Day

October 11 Race for Education

October 14 No School

October 18 Race for Education (Inclement weather)



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Meet Mrs. O'Donnell

#SMILE

Learning Facilitator

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#WELCOME

Hi! This is my first year as the Learning Facilitator (School Psychologist/School Counselor) at Ebenezer, and my fifth year with the district. I provide guidance services to students, including guidance lessons, small group counseling, individual counseling, and consultation with parents and teachers. Please do not hesitate to contact with me questions or to share concerns about your child(ren). Have a great school year!

#FAVORITES

- Spending time with my (busy!) one-year-old and husband
- Trips to the beach
- Yoga
- Reading



#CONTACT

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School Counselor SPOTLIGHT

www.schcounselor.com



My name is Maeve O'Donnell and I'm so excited to be the new Learning Facilitator at Ebenezer! This is my fifth year of employment with the district, and I previously split my time between the four elementary buildings as a school psychologist. I'm looking forward to providing daily support to the students, teachers, and families of Ebenezer Elementary.

A variety of school guidance services are provided to students, including the following:

Classroom guidance lessons. I will be conducting classroom guidance lessons in grades K-5 to address social-emotional skills, academics skills, and careers.

The following are the topics of the guidance lessons:

Kindergarten—Identify Feelings, Cooperate with Others, and Show Respectful Behaviors

First—Friendship Skills and Conflict Resolution

Second—Becoming a Successful Learner & Personal Safety

Third—Bullying Prevention and Conflict Resolution

Fourth—Identify Sparks/Interests/Abilities; Explore Career Awareness

Fifth—Exploring Career Development and Career Awareness

Small group counseling. I facilitate small group counseling throughout the school year and include such topics as social skills, anger management, anxiety coping strategies, and study skills.

Individual counseling. At the request of parents, I meet with students who have ongoing difficulties and need extra support in the school setting.

Consultation with teachers and parents. There are times when a team is needed to problem-solve and devise strategies and approaches to help children succeed.

When I'm not at work, you can find me with my husband and 1-year-old daughter, Erin. We are having so much fun watching her grow!

If you have questions, need information, or have any concerns about your child(ren), do not hesitate to contact me at 717-272-1969 or modonnell@clsd.k12.pa.us. Have a wonderful school year!



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

- ✓ Parents of **kindergarten** students: Please RETURN the **private physical and private dental forms** to the nurse's office ASAP. Parents requesting a school physical or dental exam for their kindergarten child will be notified when they are scheduled. Physical and dental forms for your providers can be downloaded from the Ebenezer website.
- ✓ Parents of **third grade** students: Please RETURN the private dental form to the nurse's office ASAP. Parents requesting school dental exams will be notified when they are scheduled. Dental exam forms can be downloaded from the Ebenezer website.

FOOD ALLERGY NOTICE

Food allergies in children are very common. In fact, some of you may have children who are allergic to a food item. Please understand that we have students in classrooms that are severely allergic to peanuts, eggs, cow's milk, oranges, peanut butter, seafood and tree nuts. This includes walnuts, cashews, coconut and anything made with their oils. Students could have a life-threatening reaction if these foods are ingested.

For the safety of all students, please **do not** send any food treats to school without your child's teacher's approval. Thank you for your help in this important manner.

Communication with the nurse: Non-urgent information may be sent to students' parents via their home email address as noted in the school records. **Please be sure to keep your phone numbers and email address up to date with the school's main office.** Phone calls will continue to be used for all urgent information.

HEARING SCREENINGS for students in Kindergarten through third grade will be held on Friday, September 20, 2019. You will be notified if your child has a problem.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS/

MEDICATIONS

Whenever possible, medications should be given at home. If a medication must be taken at school, please ask your pharmacist to make a second, labeled bottle for school medications.

Cornwall-Lebanon School District, following Pennsylvania Department of Health Guidelines for Administration of Medications at School, has adopted the following medication policy.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

Policy No. 210 –Use of Medications

"Before any medication may be administered to or by any student during school hours, the Board shall require the written request of the parent/guardian and the written order of the prescribing physician which shall include the purpose of the medication, dosage, the time at which or special circumstances under which the medication shall be administered, length of period for which medication is prescribed, and possible side effects of medication." For the purpose of this policy, medication shall include all medicines prescribed by a physician, including over-the-counter medications, such as Tylenol, Tums, Ibuprofen, or cough/cold medications.

Medication Consent forms are available in the nurse's office or on the Ebenezer or district website. A parent or adult designee must transport all medications to and from school, including any over-the-counter medications (Tylenol, Tums, cough/cold medications, etc.). Students may not transport medications to or from school unless an order to self-carry a medication is signed by a parent and physician.

PTE President's Message

President's Message

Dear Ebenezer Families, on behalf of the Parents and Teachers of Ebenezer (PTE), I welcome everyone to a new and exciting school year! The PTE is a vital organization to our school. Please consider getting involved this school year in any way you can. There are BIG jobs and small jobs that take place both during school hours and outside of them, so there are opportunities to volunteer for every schedule and situation.

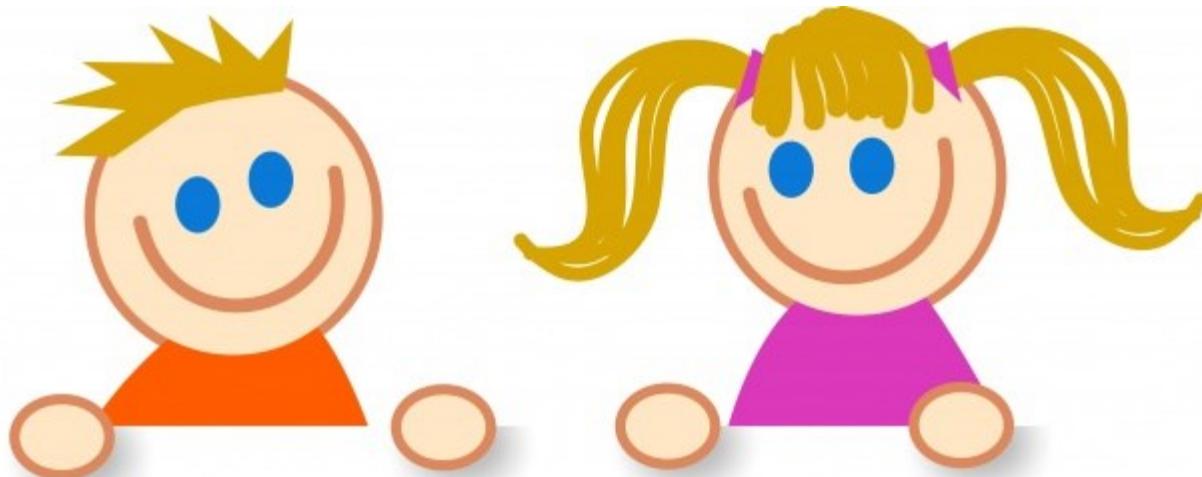
Here are some important upcoming dates to remember:

1. **Race for Education** Friday, October 11, inclement weather date, Friday, October 18
2. **Boscov's Friends Helping Friends**, Wednesday, October 16
3. **Kauffman's Chicken BBQ sale**, Wednesday, October 23, 3pm-6pm, Sunset Grocery Outlet
4. **Box Tops for Education Fall Submission**: October 25 – **Please continue to keep on clipping as well as using the Box Top app on your phone.**

We have a lot of fun things planned this school year. I look forward to working with parents to help make this a great year for our children. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or PTE ideas/suggestions. I can be reached via email: ebpte@clsd.k12.pa.us

Thank you,

Melissa Kessler, PTE President



From the District Office:

Rachel's Challenge Community Event: Thursday, Sept. 19, 6:30-7:30 PM, CCHS Auditorium. Based on the life and writings of Rachel Joy Scott, the first victim of the Columbine school shootings, Rachel's Challenge is making a positive impact in the lives of millions of people every year. *Note: This free community event is not suitable for children under age 11 due to the graphic nature of some of the information that will be shared during the event.*

Student Breakfast/Lunch Reminders: Looking for the menu for your child's school ... ? Want to check or add money to your child's food service account in Skyward ... ? Need to refile an application for free and reduced school meals ... ? Click on the "Lunch Menu" quick link icon on all CLSD websites (www.clsd.k12.pa.us) to find information and helpful links. Important Note: Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019, is the deadline for the carry-over applications from the 2018-19 school year. If the District has not received a new application by Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019, (the date all applications from last year expire), students will be charged full price for breakfast and lunch beginning October 2, 2019. Families that have applied for the year 2019-20 school year will have received a letter stating if they are free or reduced by October 1, 2019.

Falcon Foundation applications are due October 15: The Falcon Foundation, educational foundation for the Cornwall-Lebanon School District, is pleased to announce that grants and awards will again be offered this fall to district students, employees and community members. Three types of sponsorship are available – Student Educational Opportunity Awards, Employee Educational Opportunity Awards, and Project Grants. Descriptions and applications for these grants and awards are posted online. Visit any CLSD school or the District website (www.clsd.k12.pa.us) and click on the "Falcon Foundation" quick link icon for more details. Deadline for submitting applications for Fall Student Awards is Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2019. Funding for Fall Student Awards may be used from December 1, 2019, through May 31, 2020.

Online Community Bulletin Board: Check the online Community Bulletin Board regularly for information about upcoming events, activities and fundraisers throughout the CLSD community (Click on the "COMMUNITY" tab on the District website: www.clsd.k12.pa.us, or Look under the "SERVICES" tab on any CLSD school page.) Currently, you can find out about sports activities for the participant and spectator ... Scouting opportunities ... Student club Fundraisers ... community events & activities ... and many more items of possible interest!

Volunteers and Chaperones: Cornwall-Lebanon School District greatly appreciates the volunteers and chaperones who provide assistance to students and teachers through their participation in classroom support, as well as special events and activities. Volunteers are essential to the success of students. Anyone who will be serving as a long-term or short-term volunteer for the District must submit completed clearances to the School District prior to serving as a volunteer. Look under the "Community" tab on the District Home page for more details: www.clsd.k12.pa.us





Girls on the run...So much FUN! We have now begun our Fourth season of GOTR at Ebenezer. Girls on the run is a program that lifts self-esteem, body image and attitude through physical activity. We are proud to announce that we have 22 girls from grades 3-5 participating this year. As the girls gather after school twice a week, they are learning and applying tools that will give them the confidence to activate their STAR power, celebrate their bodies, recognize their gifts and share their voices.

The magical Girls on the Run 5k, presented by OAL, will be held on November 23 at 9:00am at Millersville University. If you have not witnessed or participated in this event before, we invite you to do so as it will inspire you for years ahead! To register for the 5k and to learn more about the event, visit: www.gotrlancaster.org



SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS

*Be Respectful

*Be Responsible

*Be Ready to Learn

and Be Safe

Dr. Bozman would like to invite you to subscribe to Class remind!

WHAT IS REMIND AND WHY IS IT SAFE?

Remind is a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that helps me share important updates and reminders with parents and families. Subscribe by text, email or by using the Remind app. All personal information is kept private.

Text to: 81010

message: [@mrbozman1 \(5th grade\)](#)

[@mrbozman \(4th grade\)](#)

[@mrbozman5 \(3rd grade\)](#)

[@mrbozman6 \(2nd grade\)](#)

[@mrbozman7 \(1st grade\)](#)

[@drbozman8 \(Kindergarten\)](#)

Trouble using 81010? Try texting (717)850-9512 instead and select the message from the list above. Or to receive messages via email, send an email to mrbozman5(or replace with the message from the list above without the "@"symbol)@mail.remind.com. You may 'unsubscribe' anytime.

Falcon Foundation

#CheckItOut!

The Falcon Foundation has award money available for Ebenezer students.

This money can be used to cover the costs of after school and weekend classes/ workshops
Awards are given based on achievement and/ or need
(academic/ financial)...

BUT, you need to apply!

Here's what you can do...

Find an educational opportunity for your child. (Hint: Check the newspaper, college websites, museums, local arts and music programs, etc.)

Download an application—clsd.k12.pa.us under the Community tab. Then, select Falcon Foundation.

Complete the application and mail it by the October 15th deadline.

Applications must be **postmarked by October 15th.**

Contact Miss Baumbach (272.1969 ext. 2362 or jbaumbach@clsd.k12.pa.us) with questions.

Reading News!

From: Mrs. Cassel, Mrs. Wenrich, & Mrs. Williams

POP Open a Good Book Summer Reading Challenge 2019

This past summer, 140 Ebenezer students and the staff took part in the POP Open a Good Book and READ Summer Reading Challenge. Students entering Kindergarten through 4th grade were challenged to read a total of 1,000 minutes!

All participating students in the summer reading challenge got their name put on our “Reading Wall of Fame,” a certificate, and their choice of reading prizes. In each grade level five lucky students won a \$5 gift certificate to use at the school book fair in November. All of these prizes were made possible through the money that was made at our Ebenezer Book Swap and Sale.

Way to READ, Ebenezer!

Follow us on Twitter  @ReadingEbenezer

Lunch Menu

To download a pdf file of the October Lunch Menu click the box on the right hand side of the CLSD website titled ‘Lunch Menu: www.clsd.k12.pa.us

Community Events-Activities-Organizations-Athletics

For information on Community Events, Activities and Organizations available to Cornwall-Lebanon School District Residents please go to <https://www.clsd.k12.pa.us>

1. Select the **Community Tab** from across the top of the screen.
2. Select **Community Bulletin**.

For an Athletic Schedule go to <https://www.clsd.k12.pa.us>

1. Select Athletic Calendar from the tabs running down the right and side of the screen.

Parent's Night Out!

Friday, November 15 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Cedar Crest High School

Bring your kids for a night of fun,
games, crafts, snacks and more!

Open to all Cornwall-Lebanon students in grades 1-5.

Cost- Families in the same household: \$20 for one child,
\$30 for two children, or \$40 for three or more children.

All proceeds will go toward the Four Diamonds Fund.
Money will be used to aid families of children with cancer
and to fund cancer research.

Starting October 15th Registration information will be found on the community bulletin board or
in the main office of each elementary school. Paperwork will be due by October 31.

Ebenezer Elementary School Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences will take place on Thursday, November 21 Kindergarten **ONLY**, (1:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.), Monday, November 25 (2:00 PM until 9:00 PM), and Tuesday, November 26 (8:00 AM – 3:00 PM). A letter will be sent home with all students on Friday, October 4, 2019, regarding this year's conferences. Scheduling will be done online through PTCFast. Parents will find the link on our district website under each elementary school. The registration process requires parents to provide a valid email address. The online scheduling will open at 7:00 PM on Monday, October 7 and will close at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, October 23.

If you are not able to schedule using the internet, paper request forms will be available in the school office, on the district website, and with your child's homeroom teacher. If you are choosing this option, please have the form returned to our school office as soon as possible. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Ebenezer School Office 717-272-1969.

Dates

- *October 4* – Letter will be sent home with all students regarding this year's Parent-Teacher Conferences
- *October 7* – Online schedule for Parent-Teacher Conferences opens tonight @ 7:00 P.M.
- *October 23* – Last day to register online for Parent-Teacher Conferences, closes @ 7:00 P.M.
- *Note:* all parents/guardians who have not selected a date and time for a parent-teacher conference by October 23 will have one assigned.