

- February 13
PTO Meeting @
7pm in Library
- February 15
Roller Skating
Party 6:00-8:00
PM Roll-R-Way
- February 16 In-
Service Day-No
School
- February 16-20
Mid-winter
Break



Principal's Pen

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SWEBS at Leaders Heights Elementary

SWEBS is an acronym for School-wide Effective Behavior Management System. The purpose of SWEBS is to create clear expectations for our students' behavior. The system provides rewards for those students who consistently meet the school's expectations for behavior and logical consequences for those students who do not.

Leaders Heights Elementary has four expectations for students' behavior. They are:

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be a Good Friend

Leaders Heights Elementary has been implementing SWEBS since the beginning of the school

year. As a reminder of how the system operates, each marking period, students' behavior will be tracked. Students who meet our Un-bee-lievable Expectations will be eligible for a reward at the end of the nine weeks. This reward could be a snack, an activity, and/or a prize.

Students who receive a behavior incident report and/or are referred to the principal during the marking period will not be eligible to participate. While the reward is given, those ineligible students will focus on what they can do in order to meet the expectations for the following marking period. This goal-setting will be done in a small group setting with the guidance counselor. At the end of each marking period students' behav-



ior incident referral totals will be expunged and the students will begin the new marking period with a clean slate and the opportunity to be eligible for the following end-of-marking period reward.

Our goal through this behavior system is to help our students to become more responsible, respectful, and safe.

PSSA Prep . . . Reading

PSSA testing focuses on reading. Although official testing is done in grades 3 reading is an important skill that develops from birth through adulthood. Reading and building a love of reading begins at home. When children see parents reading magazines, newspapers and books they will want to read also. No child is ever too old to have a parent read with them or to them. Set aside a time in the day where you can sit down together and read.

Reading words is important but it is essential that students understand what they are reading. Ask questions to help him summarize the reading and identify main ideas. Some questions you might want to ask are listed below:

- What was the story about?
- Where did it take place? When did it take place?
- Was there a character that you really liked? Why?
- What did you discover that you really liked? Why?
- What did you discover through reading this book?
- What was the main thing the author wanted you to learn?



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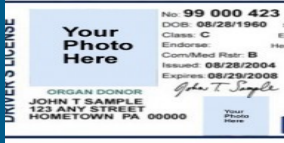
You prepare your child for greater success in school if reading is a large part of his life. Reading aloud to your child and helping your child become a lifelong reader will have a profound influence on his academic success.

Please bring your driver's license to be scanned the first time you pick up your child from school early.



Students of the Month

During the month of January the following students were recognized as Students of the Month for being determined. Weston Gerwig, Brianna Mink, Blake Crowther, Anthony Goeb, Jack Marsala, Brody Carrozza, Haley Werner, Wilson Green, and Aiden Shepp
 Congrats!!!!



When sending lunch money to school, please place in an envelope and mark it with the child's name and pin number.

As the weather is turning colder, and the thermostat temperatures are dropped to 70 degrees, please send your child to school in layers. Kids need hats and gloves for recess.



Don't forget to call or email the school each day your child is absent

Leaders Heights Elementary: Reminders

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:



- ◆ Parents and guests who are visiting for lunch are **not** permitted to stay for recess due to safety and security concerns.
- ◆ Parents must order lunch by 10:00 AM or they may get served a PBJ.
- ◆ If your child is a walker or car rider please make sure you are aware of arrival and dismissal procedures.
- ◆ Please be prompt getting your child to school. It is beneficial if they arrive by 8:45. Class begins @ 8:50. Late arriving children disrupt the class.
- ◆ Please be prompt picking up your child at dismissal. Class ends @ 3:27. Car riders are dismissed after buses pull out.

School Bus Safety



Please remind your children that the school bus is an extension of the classroom. We are seeing an increase in incident reports from our drivers. Please review with your child that they need to **BE SAFE, BE RESPONSIBLE** and **BE RESPECTFUL** while traveling to and from school.