
Grant at a Glance

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Fall Fun Fest

Thanks goes out to Donna Reber and Beth Crotteau, the Grant School P.A.G. and parent volunteers, for a GREAT evening of fun!! The event was a wonderful chance for our students to model their costumes, display their pumpkin carving skills, and enjoy some games. Thanks for an evening of family fun at Grant.

Grant Attendance:

School attendance is vital to the educational success of your child. The Grant Learning Community is dedicated in providing parents with information regarding attendance laws and monitoring how well our children are doing in attending school. For the month of October, our student body achieved overall 98% attendance level.

Parent Tip:

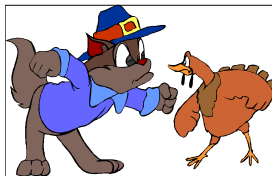
A tardy counts toward the number of absences (5) that a student can have without being considered truant. Our school doors open with a bell tone at 8:40 and the school tardy bell rings at 8:50.

From the Desk of Mr. B.....

The month of November marks the traditional time for conducting parent-teacher conferences. Parent-Teacher conferences at Grant School will be held on the evenings between Monday, November 17th and Tuesday, November 25th. A conference slip indicating each parent's appointment time will be sent home with your child. The following are suggestions to assist you and your child with a successful conference.

Before the conference:

Talk with your child. Find out if your child has any favorite classes or activities or if there are any problems that should be discussed with the teacher.



Review the child's work assignments to this point in the year. For older students, look over the agenda planner and discuss the information that has been written down.

Check to see if the child should be a part of the conference. There may be times when a problem is most effectively dealt with when the child, parent, and teacher are present.

Happy Thanksgiving

The day of the conference:

Be on time. The conference schedules are very tight due to the number of parents that attend. If you must cancel, please do so early so that a reschedule date can be set.

Do not take it personally. It is important to keep an open mind when trouble spots are discussed. Working together with the teacher will help your child succeed.

Make plans with your child's teacher. Decide what you can do together to help your child improve during the remainder of the school year.

After the conference:

Discuss the teacher's comments with your child. Praise your child on the things that your child is doing well and share the teacher's compliments. If needed, discuss the areas that your child can improve.

It is important to follow up with the classroom teacher at a later date. When needed, arrange a later time to contact each other as a follow-up to concerns or areas of improvement that were discussed at the conference.

It is always impressive to see the outstanding number of parents who attend our conferences. Remember, our school welcomes parent involvement throughout the school year. If you have questions or concerns about your child's development and progress, feel free to make a contact or appointment to meet with our school personnel.



NOVEMBER

07	Recordkeeping Day, No School
11	Veterans Day Program, 9:00
18	Market Day
18	P.A.G. Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
17/25	P/T Conferences 4:00-8:00
27-28	No School/Thanksgiving

If your child has asthma... please be sure to have an inhaler at school. Cold weather, illness or physical activity often triggers asthma. As we approach cold and flu season the chance that your child will have problems with asthma increases. Your health care provider can FAX an order for an inhaler directly to Grant School at 422-6175. We will keep your child's inhaler in the office and administer it when needed. Providing an inhaler now can prevent an emergency situation from occurring.

NEW STUDENTS!!!

Adan Rohmeyer – Kindergarten
 Neala Tepley – Second
 Danassa Rohmeyer – Fourth
 Kaitlyn Meddaugh – Fifth
 Caleb Meddaugh - Sixth

Welcome to Grant School!!!

COLD AND FLU SEASON

Flu and cold season are approaching. Here are a few tips to keep you and your child healthy.

- Drink a lot of fluids every day, (water and 100% fruit juices)
- Eat a well balanced diet that includes all the food groups. Don't skip meals.
- Get plenty of rest. Children should have 8-10 hours of sleep each night.
- Encourage your child to get plenty of fresh air by playing outside.
- Remind your children to wash their hands **often** using proper technique. Proper hand washing requires the use of soap and warm water. Hands should be scrubbed vigorously for at least 20 seconds and rinsed well under running water. When using a public restroom, use a paper towel to turn off the faucet and open the door.
- When you cough, bury your mouth in your sleeve—not in your hand.
- Limit exposure to infected people.
- Get the flu vaccination.

If your child complains of being sick, be sure to check his temperature before sending him to school. Children with a temperature above 100 degrees Fahrenheit should not come to school.

Milk and Juice Charge

A carton of milk is included with all meals served at school. Regardless of the payment status of your child's account, there is an additional cost of \$.30 for juice or a second carton of milk. Please check with your child and reinforce if he/she may have the extra milk or juice for which the account will be charged.



Cold Weather

With cold weather just around the corner, it is time to remember to dress children appropriately for the weather. Please remember to bring boots, hats and mittens to school to stay warm on the playground. We ask ALL children to wear boots beginning with the first snowfall. If it does get warm during the day, they can always take off a layer, but better to be prepared than to be without warm clothing.



Winter Weather Clothing

K-2 Students are expected to wear:

Snowsuits or winter coats/snowpants
 Winter boots
 Hats, headbands, gloves/mittens

3-4 Students are expected to wear:

Winter boots or hiking boots (change into different shoes for classroom.)
 Snowpants or snowsuits
 Hats, headbands, gloves

5-6 Students are expected to wear:

Winter boots or hiking boots (change into different shoes in the classroom). Snowpants or snowsuit if leaving the blacktop area. Hats, headbands, gloves.