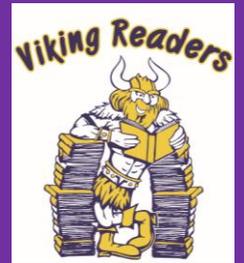


Viking Readers Monthly

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October 2017

Dates

→ Oct. 5
Parent Teacher
Conferences
No School

→ Oct. 6
No School

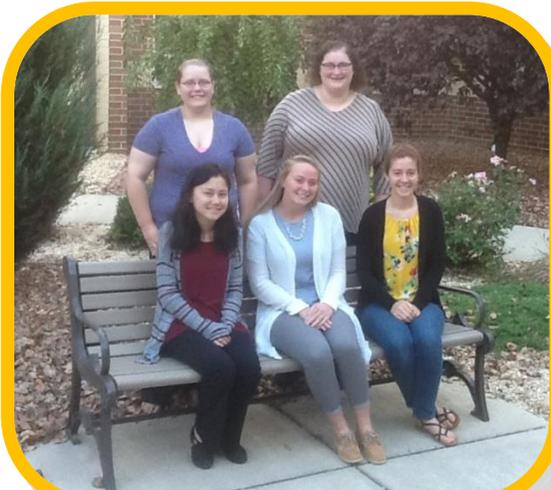
→ Oct 24 and 25
3rd grade testing
No 9:15, 11:50
and 12:30



Mr. Henry, elementary principal, has joined our mentoring team. He has always supported our program and didn't hesitate to step in when we needed his help.

Thanks to each of you for committing to help the students at Leipsic Elementary School! Our mentoring team consists of 43 adult volunteers, 5 college students, 35 high school students taking the Viking Readers class and 21 high school study hall students.

This newsletter will serve as a way to communicate with all mentors. Hopefully, you will find the reminders, tips, and information about Leipsic Public School and Viking Readers helpful. Please do not hesitate to ask Judy or Patty any questions or offer suggestions.



We would like to welcome our 5 new Bluffton University students: Olivia DePalma, Anna Miller, Caylin Morstadt, Logan Neal and Victoria Silveus! We appreciate them mentoring our students 4 periods every Thursday morning as part of their college level Phonics course. The experience they gain working in our program will help them create a necessary skillset they need as they progress through their teaching program.

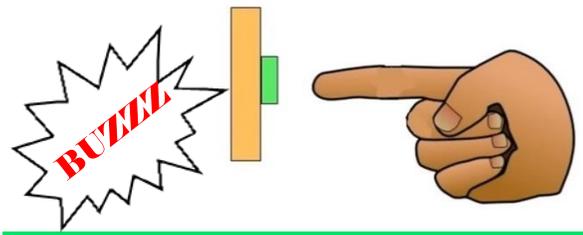
Our mentors busy at training





Texting Announcements

We are using "Remind Me" a group texting program to announce changes with your mentoring times when school is delayed or cancelled. Judy or Patty will see you soon about this.

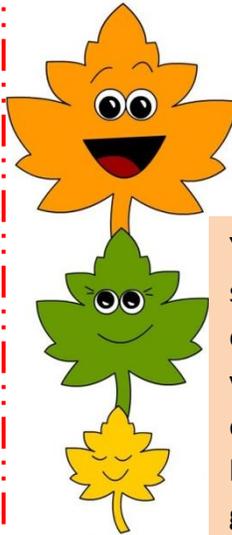


Entrance into School

You can always get in the first set of building doors, but you will need to be buzzed into the next set of doors. If the elementary secretary is not at her desk to buzz you in, please press the button on the wall just inside the foyer. This alerts the upstairs High School secretary that someone is at the school entrance. The upstairs secretary will check the cameras and buzz you thru the downstairs office door. Please remember to sign the clipboard on the secretary's desk whether she is in her office or absent.

New Activity Cabinets

We have added 3 cabinets to the activity table to help mentors select unique activities just for their students. You will notice each drawer is labeled by the day of the week and the bottom draw is labeled "extra" activities. If you finish your entire day's lesson plan, the mentor can go to that day's drawer and select an activity to do with their student. Please look through the previous days comments on your student's lesson plan to make sure you don't duplicate an activity already completed with your student. We have "A," "B" and "C" cabinets for our different activity levels. We will let you know what activity level your student will use.



Your student has been waiting since the beginning of school to see you! They will be so excited when they enter the room and see your face. While this bond you make with your student is crucial to the success of their improvement, there may be times the student has a little too much energy and you will need to give gentle reminders to your student. Some common things to be alert as we begin the program:

- ❖ Encourage your students to stay seated in their chair.
- ❖ Mentors get thing in/out of the Student Folder, the student shouldn't do this.
- ❖ While there are a lot of fun things inside the baskets on table, baskets are to only be used by mentor.
- ❖ Mentors should color in attendance calendar boxes.
- ❖ Mentors should put tally marks on Viking Word Bank words, not students.



Next issue...

- New packets added this year
- Spotlight Mentors of the month

We *fall* for our mentors!



On a 2 hour delay we will begin our program at 12:30.



It is that time of year when we might experience some fog delays. If a fog delay is in effect, we will send a Remind text to you with any changes to our schedule. If school is cancelled for any reason, we will not have Viking Readers.