

We're on the Web!



Neosho School Notes

FROM MR. SABOL

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2011



Spring Book Fair & Battle of the Books

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- March 21-25—
Scholastic Book
Fair
- March 24—
Battle of the
Books Assembly
- March 25— End
of 3rd Quarter
- March 28 –
April 1—Spring
Break
- April 11-15 —
Tornado Aware-
ness Week
- April 14—
Regular Board of
Education Meeting
- April 14—
Elementary
Cinderella Field
Trip
- April 22-25—
No School

Our family night for the Spring Book Fair is tonight! We encourage parents and students to stop by at our special event. The Yearbook Staff will be sponsoring fun carnival activities to support this year's publication. This is our first year of hosting two book fairs. It's great to see the student excitement and interest in reading as we work together to raise funds for the LMC. We hope you can stop by to take part in the fun!

Thirteen teams (Grades 5-8) competed in the Battle of the Books throughout the past two days with the final "battle" ending in an all school assembly at 2:30 p.m. We are all looking forward to our first ever Battle of the Books assembly where two teams will put their heads together to compete in a trivia contest based upon a predetermined book list. In addition to the literacy competition, we will be taking the time to recognize the winter sports participants and are excited to applaud their great seasons.



From the Music Department

This winter's solo & ensemble results are impressive! Out of 69 events that took place on Saturday, February 26, Neosho School received 6 bronze medals, 12 silver medals, and 51 gold medals. In addition, all of the participants in this spring's WSMA competition did very well. We are proud of their accomplishments and their excellent representation of Neosho School. The results are as follows:

Gold Medals –

- Kayla Noll – Class A Vocal Solo
- Callie Neu – Class C Flute Solo
- Alia Bartelt – Class C Clarinet Solo
- Laura James – Class C Clarinet Solo
- Marcos Rodriguez – Class C Drums Solo

Silver Medals

- Kayla Noll – Class B Piano Solo
- Kayla Noll – Class B Flute Solo
- Destiny Laplander & Kaitlyn Grinwald – Class C Drum Duet
- Callie Neu & Ashley Buchmann – Class C Flute Duet
- Alia Bartelt & MacKenzie Eifler – Class C Clarinet Duet
- Sammi Spudich – Class C Clarinet Solo
- Albert Parris – Class B Drums Solo
- Albert Parris & Marcos Rodriguez – Class C Drums Duet



*Ashley Bagley, Ashley Buchman, Stephanie Dei, Madisyn Eifler, Destiny Laplander, Thomas Popies, and Danielle Schneider all received excellent comment from their judges! Way to go Neosho!



Student Attendance

Informational letters updating parents regarding the status of their student's attendance will be sent home with 3rd quarter report cards. Please note that the state of Wisconsin permit students to be excused by parents for 10 days of school per school year due to illness and our personal reasons. Additional days of absence are permitted for the following: doctor's excused absences, court, religion, and/or family emergency.

Your student may have exceeded the amount of days the state permits a parent to excuse your child from school. You may be asked to provide additional documentation to support excused absences for your child if they have exceeded the legal limit. Thank you for you following the attendance requirements as outlined in the student handbook. Please do not hesitate to call me should you have any questions or would like additional information about attendance procedures at Neosho School.



Have a great spring break and an excellent 4th quarter at Neosho School.

Neosho J3 School District Mission Statement

"Together with family and community we strive to provide each child with the foundation needed to become an educated respectful, and productive individual."

Change in Temperature = Change in Student Attire

Tomorrow is the final day of third quarter! We experienced a fast paced and productive winter at Neosho School. The weather peaked a couple of weeks ago as the temperatures reached the high 50's. However, it looks like we are still in for a cold spell when we return from spring break and likely to have a wet spring. Please make sure that your children are dressed appropriately for the weather.

Students are required to wear a jacket/sweatshirt for outside recess for days below 50 degrees Fahrenheit. In addition, proper footwear for school is required at all times. Shirts that show midriiffs, "short" shorts, and slippers are not be worn to school. Thank you for your assistance in making sure our students are dressed for success at Neosho School.



March Birthdays

This month's birthday table was Wednesday, February 23, 2011.

Happy birthday to Ashley Bagley, Alex Duursma, Gavin Hein, Albert Parris, Toby Pein, Alex Peters, Alyssa Peters, Megan Petit, Ethan Redelings, Isabella Redelings, Lauren Rieck, Evah Simmons, Dalton Uhing, Nathan Whelan, and Mrs. Mohr-Whitman & Mrs. Wald!



EXTRA EFFORT

When: Monday - Thursday (3:20-4:20)
Where: Neosho School Library
Why: Students needing help, a quiet place to work, any other great reason
Who: Mr. Pohland will be there to help

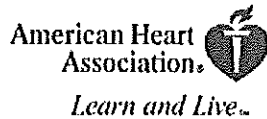
Students can be signed up for any or all days each week. Please turn in this form to your teacher.

Parents: Please be prompt in picking up your child at 4:20 P.M.! I look forward to working with many of our children this year.

_____ Monday, April 4
_____ Tuesday, April 5
_____ Wednesday, April 6
_____ Thursday, April 7

Students Name _____ Grade _____ has my permission to attend Extra Effort. I understand that I must pick my child up at 4:20 P.M.

Parents
Signature _____



Dear Parent/Guardian,

March 24, 2011

This week we begin raising money for **Jump Rope for Heart**. All donations should be collected over the next three weeks. **The fundraising envelope can be turned in anytime before April 8th**. If you need an extension, it is okay, just let me know.

This event offers many benefits. First, the money our school raises will help fund potentially lifesaving research into heart and blood vessel disease and stroke, our nation's No. 1 and No. 3 killers. It will also fund the development of educational materials that teach the importance of heart health and staying fit.

The fun stuff: Take a look at the thank you gifts illustrated on the fundraising envelope that your child has received. The thank you gifts will be distributed to those who earned them during the Jump Rope for Heart event on May 27th.

Family and friends are welcome to support your child's participation by making contributions. However, *we ask that children not go door-to-door or ask strangers for donations.* **Checks should be made payable to the American Heart Association.**

On the reverse side of this letter you will find information about how to **raise money on-line**. The minimum online donation is \$5. This will be a very efficient and effective way for you to raise money from friends and relatives that live far away or do not like writing checks or carrying cash.

Thank you for your and your child's participation in Jump Rope for Heart!

Sincerely,

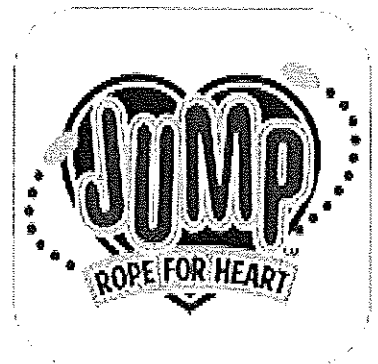


Mr. Aaron Erickson
Jump Rope for Heart Coordinator

Date to remember:

Date to turn in fundraising envelope by: April 8th

Event Day: May 27th



Students - How to SIGN UP to Make Your Web Page!

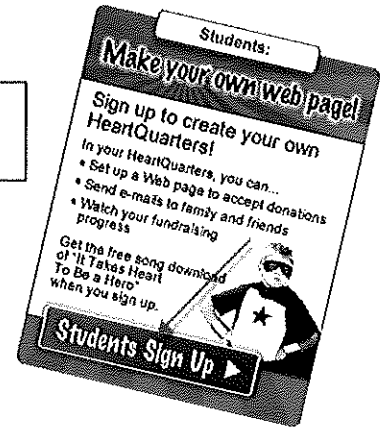
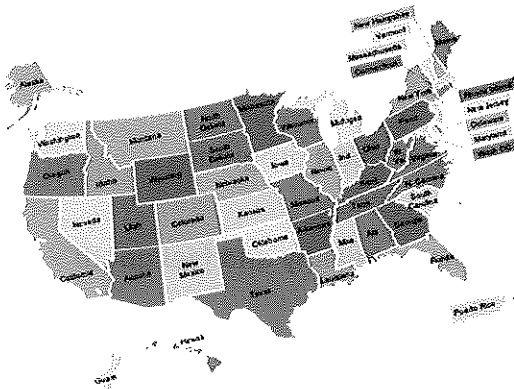
American Heart Association
Learn and Live



Make a Jump Rope For Heart Web Page and YOU will have super powers to raise more life-saving donations! To get started - you will need to Sign Up and Join your School Team. Here's how...

or www.heart.org/hoops

Step 1: Visit www.heart.org/jump and click on the button that says 'Students Sign Up'.



Step 2: Click on the state you live in and follow the screen instructions to find your school team. When you find your school, click 'Join This Team'.

Step 3: Set your fundraising goal! You can also kick-start your fundraising efforts by making a personal donation when you sign up!

***For NEW students who did not make a fundraising web page last year, select the option that says this is your first time making a web page. If you are a RETURNING student, select the option that says you made a web page last year.*

Step 4: Fill out your information. Next, come up with your own Username and Password.

***Be sure it's easy to remember. A Username is like a code name. You will need a Username and Password to get into your HeartQuarters.*

* User Name: 5 to 60 characters
* Password: 5 to 20 characters
* Repeat Password:

Step 5: Have your parent or guardian sign off on the online waiver.

Step 6: Double check your information. Click the button 'Complete Registration' to finish signing up.

CONGRATULATIONS! You are done joining your school team. Now, you can go make your fundraising web page in your very own HeartQuarters and send out emails to friends & family! Write your Username and Password below so you don't forget.

MY USERNAME: _____

MY PASSWORD: _____

americanheart.org/jump

If you need additional assistance, you may call our Help Desk toll-free at 877-824-8531 between 8 am - 6 pm (Central Time), Mon - Fri.

IT TAKES HEART TO BE A HERO!



"I think there is tremendous power in kids helping kids. It develops so many of the qualities every parent wants to see in their child: generosity, acceptance, self-respect and self-empowerment.

My son has a donor valve. If this type of research keeps getting funded, I am confident that in the future, one sick child's life will not depend on the tragic death of another child. This is an exciting time in history, and donations made to the AHA can make this future vision a reality."

~ Abigail, mother of James, Age 8, heart disease survivor

Help Your Child Save Lives and be a Heart Hero!

HOW: Support your child in the American Heart Association's Jump Rope For Heart program

WHAT: A life-saving and educational community service program

WHY: Your child will help kids with special hearts, learn about how to be heart healthy and feel good!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are thrilled to share our school is supporting the American Heart Association's Jump Rope For Heart program! When your child participates in Jump Rope For Heart he/she:

- **Learns about the importance of the heart – how it works, and how to take care of it:** Through classroom exercises and educational information provided by the American Heart Association.
- **Helps kids with special hearts:** Our *safe* online tool makes it easy for your child to set-up a web page and send emails to invite friends and family to support their fundraising efforts and to share life-saving information. Please see instructions on the back of this letter.
- **Feels good for making a difference in people's lives!** Funds raised support American Heart Association research and education initiatives that *save lives in our community*. Congenital heart defects are the most common cause of infant death from birth defects. Many children are alive today because of treatments not available even 10 years ago. *Funded research and advancements have changed and saved their lives!*

We hope you are as excited as we are to support our students in this important experience! If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please let me know. Let's help our children be *heart heroes!*

Visit www.heart.org/jump to get started today!

Please return your child's donation envelope by:

Special Notes:

**Please make checks payable to American Heart Association.*

**For the safety of our children, we ask that your child not go door-to-door or ask strangers for donations.*

**Our school also has the opportunity to earn free physical education equipment.*

PARENT-TEACHER GROUP NOTES

MARKET DAY

Due to Spring Break this month's Market Day pick-up will be on **Thursday, April 7th** from 3:00-4:00pm. All order forms need to be to school by today, Thursday, March 24th. If you need a later pick-up time please contact Jennifer Spudich @625-3819 or jspudich@charter.net.

MIDDLE SCHOOL PIE SALE

The Middle School is selling Market Day pies to raise money for the 8th Grade field trip. If you would like to order a delicious fruit or cream pie, please contact a middle school student or Jennifer Spudich.

FLOWER SALE

Don't forget to return your Plant Sale order forms by **Wednesday, April 6th**. Pick-up will be on May 18th from 1:00-4:00pm.