



MARY A. GOETZ ELEMENTARY HOME OF THE PANTHERS

NOVEMBER 2020

****Reminder to call 261-2100 if your child is going to be absent. Upon their return to school send a parent or doctors note into your child's homeroom teacher to ensure the absence will be excused.**

November

- 2 NO SCHOOL
- 3 Election Day
-NO SCHOOL
- 13 2nd Quarter Progress Report go home
- 25 NO SCHOOL
- 26 Thanksgiving-
NO SCHOOL
- 27 NO SCHOOL

December

- 3 Picture Retake Day

Masks REQUIRED. As a part of our return to in-person instruction, all students in Kindergarten through 12th grade will be required to wear a mask while in the school building. We are also asking all preschool students to wear a mask upon entrance and dismissing from school. This is a requirement from the Department of Health, but it will also ensure that we are reducing the chances of transmission, thus increasing the chances of continuing with in-person schooling.

Picture Retake Day

If you were not at school or do not like the way your fall pictures turned out, we will have our Fall Picture Retake Day on Thursday, December 3rd. Virtual students that did not get their pictures in October are also able to come in and get their pictures taken this date.

We have had a great return to in-person instruction last month. As with everything this year, we have had to adjust as things change in our world. Just couple of reminders for November:

- 1) Starting November 1st, students will not longer be able to wear shorts to school until Spring Break
- 2) As students begin wearing coats/jackets to school, they will be required to put these items into their Ziploc bags during the school day. If you do not have one, they can be purchased at stores and Amazon. They are Ziploc XL bags and come four to a box. You can also purchase one in the office for \$2.
- 3) Students need to have headphones each day for school. If you child breaks or loses their headphones, they also can be purchased in the office for \$2.

Sick Day Reminders

If your child is going to be sick from school, please make sure that you call the office at 261-2100. We will not be doing an automated call this year. Instead we will be personally calling parents when their child is not at school. If a child has a fever, they must be fever free for 24 hours, without medication, before returning to school. If you have been in contact with anyone that has been diagnosed with Covid-19, we are asking you to contact the school office to see what steps are to be taken for your child come to school. We have protocols for contact with Covid-19, illnesses, and guidelines for returning to school. We ask that you error on the side of caution if your child has been exposed to Covid-19 or has been sick, by calling the office to find out the guidelines for returning to school.

Before school each day, we ask that you follow through on asking your child the healthy at school questions and refrain from sending your child to school if they are not feeling well.

Purchase Extra Masks

After the first couple of weeks of school, parents are realizing that keeping up with cleaning of masks can be an on-going chore. If your child forgets their mask, we do have a disposable mask for the them to have during the school day. Masks should be cleaned frequently and we encourage everyone to purchase several extras for your child. The mask mandate will be a long-term requirement, so we should all plan to have plenty of masks for school days and have several extra in case you are cleaning them.