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"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream" ~C.S. Lewis

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What to Know from Your PTO



Pastries with Parents ~
 Wednesday, March 5th
 8:35 am in the Den

~ Family Fun & Book Bingo Night ~ Friday, March 27th

~Family Dining Night~ Panda Express Thursday, March 19th

∼Skate Night @ The Rink ~ Wednesday, March 25th

We choose to Inspire, Believe, Achieve and Lead to empower learners for a lifetime of success. Cherokee ... a GREAT place to be! Hello Cherokee Families ~

March provides the opportunity to ring in spring & enjoy a month of reading, leading, & learning! Most importantly this time of year allows us to reflect upon student success & challenges, celebrate accomplishments, look at growth, and make plans for the future. Report Cards will be distributed to students on March 18th to help reflection and goal setting.



As we continue our leadership journey, students will be actively involved in taking ownership of their learning and are expected to share and discuss their progress with families. Evening conferences will be hosted on March 18th and 19th. Your child's teacher will distribute individualized conference invitations with this month's packet. An email will be sent out on Wednesday with information and the link to the online Collaborative Conference sign-up.

During the month of February, we honored Black History Month. Across the grade levels, we celebrated the concepts of bravery, courage, integrity, pride, honor, kindness, cooperation, perseverance, creativity and resourcefulness. As we move into the month of March, we celebrate Camp Read S'More! We invite you to join us during Reading Month by looking at this month's packet and encourage your child to track their participation by reading at home to reach their goal.

I look forward to a wonderful month of leading and learning together!

Happy Reading! ~ Lynn Mair & Anthony Lewis

WHAT'S INSI	DE THE DIGITAL IS	SUE:
Leadership!	Learning!	Events!
 Lego Robotics Competition 3/6 Science Olympiad Competition 3/7 Cutting Edge Visits 3/30 thru 4/3 	 March Reading Month Literacy Night at CMPL Calendars Specials' Spot NED Kindness Assembly 3/25 	 Spring Picture Day 3/6 4th Grade Concert 3/12 Conferences 3/18 & 3/19 Kindergarten Registration Book Fair 3/16-3/20 Leadership Celebration
	Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education Ronald Roberts, <i>Superintendent</i>	

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Dream Big – Aim High – LEAD ON! Cherokee Elementary ~ 2019-2020

Welcome Back! PTO Sit & Sob @ 8:45	9/3/19
1/2 Day @ 11:23	9/3/19
Silent Dismissal - Patriot Day	9/11/19
Cub Scouts Info Meeting	9/13/19
Art to Remember begins	9/16/19
Scouting Meeting	9/17/19
PTO Skate Night	9/18/19
K to Westview Orchards	9/27/19
Leadership PJ/Movie Celebration Day	9/27/19
PTO Walk-a-Thon	10/4/19
PTO Skate Night	10/9/19
LifeTouch Fall Pictures	10/11/19
Wildcat Pack #1 – Wear T-Shirt	10/11/19
Fall Book Fair begins	10/21/19
Collaborative Conferences	10/23/19
Collaborative Conferences - Evening	10/24/19
1/2 Day @ 11:23	10/24/19
Leadership PJ/Movie Celebration Day	10/25/19
PTO Trunk or Treat	10/25/19
1/2 Day @ 11:23	10/25/19
Red Ribbon Spirit Week begins	10/28/19
Halloween Celebration	10/31/19
1/2 Day @ 11:23	10/31/19
No School	11/5/19
Wildcat Pack #2 – Wear T-Shirt	11/8/19
Silent Dismissal - Veterans' Day	11/11/19
UMvsMSU Canned Food Drive Week	11/11/19
K-5 to Little Mermaid @ CVS	11/12/19
Giving Tree begins	11/15/19
PTO Meeting @ 6:30 pm in the DEN	11/20/19
LifeTouch Fall Retake	11/22/19
Leadership PJ/Movie Celebration Day	11/22/19
Summer Learning Celebration	11/25/19
No School-Thanksgiving Break begins	11/27/19
Santa Shop Week	12/2/19
2nd Grade Concert – 2:30 & 6:30 pm	12/5/19
Holiday Celebration	12/13/19
Wildcat Pack #3	12/13/19
PTO Holiday Event	12/13/19
Leadership PJ/Movie Celebration Day	12/20/19
1/2 Day @ 11:23	12/20/19
Holiday Break begins	12/23/19



School Resumes	1/6/20
LifeTouch Team Pictures	1/10/20
PTO Meeting @ 8:45 pm in the DEN	1/15/20
Wildcat Pack #4 – Wear T-Shirt	1/17/20
No School - MLK Day	1/20/20
PTO Skate Night	1/22/20
Leadership PJ & Movie Celebration Day	1/31/20
Wildcat Pack #5 – Wear T-Shirt	2/7/20
PTO Mom & Son Event	2/9/20
"Sharpen the Saw" Spirit Week	2/10/20
Kid's Heart Challenge Week	2/10/20
Valentine's Day Celebration	2/14/20
1/2 Day @ 11:23	2/14/20
No School – Mid-Winter Break begins	2/17/20

Leaderin Me.

School Resumes	2/24/20
Leadership PJ/Movie Celebration Day	2/28/20
Reading Month begins	3/1/20
PTO Pastries with Parents - rescheduled	<mark>3/4/20</mark>
CMPL/CVS Literacy Night @ 6:30	3/5/20
LifeTouch Spring Pictures	3/6/20
<mark>½ Day @ 11:23</mark>	<mark>3/10/20</mark>
4th Grade Concert – 2:30 & 6:30	3/12/20
Wildcat Pack #6 – Wear T-Shirt	<mark>3/13/20</mark>
Spring Book Fair begins	3/16/20
Collaborative Conferences - Evening	3/18/20
Collaborative Conferences - Evening	3/19/20
1/2 Day @ 11:23	3/20/20
NED's Kindness Assembly	<mark>3/25/20</mark>
PTO Skate Night	3/25/20
Leadership PJ/Movie Celebration Day	3/27/20
PTO Book Bingo	3/27/20
Earth Month begins	4/1/20
1/2 Day @ 11:23	4/3/20
No School - Spring Break begins	4/6/20

School Resumes	4/13/20
Fitness Night	4/15/20
Brainstormers Visits	4/17/20
Earth Week/Spirit Week	4/20/20
Earth Day	4/22/20
PTO Meeting @ 6:30 pm in the DEN	4/22/20
1/2 Day @ 11:23	4/23/20
Schoolwide Beautification	4/24/20
Leadership PJ/Movie Celebration Day	4/24/20
PTO Daddy Daughter Dance	4/24/20
Walking School Bus	5/1/20
Wildcat Pack #8 – Wear T-Shirt	5/1/20
1/2 Day @ 11:23	5/7/20
Wildcat Pack #9 – Wear T-Shirt	5/15/20
Kindergarten Kick-Off @ 6pm	5/12/20
PTO Meeting @ 8:45 in the DEN	5/20/20
Silent Dismissal - Memorial Day	5/22/20
PTO Spring Fling	5/22/20
No School	5/25/20
PTO Skate Night	5/27/20
Leadership PJ/Movie Celebration Day	5/29/20
Celebrating Success Spirit Week	6/1/20
Volunteer Appreciation & Fun Day	6/5/20
LifeTouch 5th Grade Pictures	6/10/20
Kindergarten Celebration	6/12/20
Leadership Celebration Day	6/12/20
Wildcat Pack #10 – Wear T-Shirt	6/12/20
5th Grade Completion @ 9:00	6/15/20
1/2 Day @ 11:23	6/15/20
1/2 Day @ 11:37	6/16/20



3/12 4th Grade Concert @ 2:30 and 6:30



• 9/3 @ 8:45 am

- 11/20 @ 6:30 pm
- 1/15 @ 8:45 am
- 4/22 @ 6:30 pm
- 5/20@ 8:45





Collaborative Conferences

10/23	Evening Only
10/24	Afternoon & Evening
3/18	Evening Only
3/19	Afternoon & Evening

!/2 Day Release - No School				
1/2 Day @ 11:23	9/3/19			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	10/24/19			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	10/25/19			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	10/31/19			
No School - Elections	11/5/19			
No School - Thanksgiving Break	11/27/19			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	12/20/19			
No School - Holiday Break	12/23/19			
No School - MLK Day	1/20/20			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	2/14/20			
No School - MidWinter Break	2/17/20			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	3/10/20			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	3/20/20			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	4/3/20			
No School - Spring Break	4/6/20			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	5/7/20			
No School - Memorial Day	5/25/20			
1/2 Day @ 11:23	6/15/20			
1/2 Day @ 11:37	6/16/20			

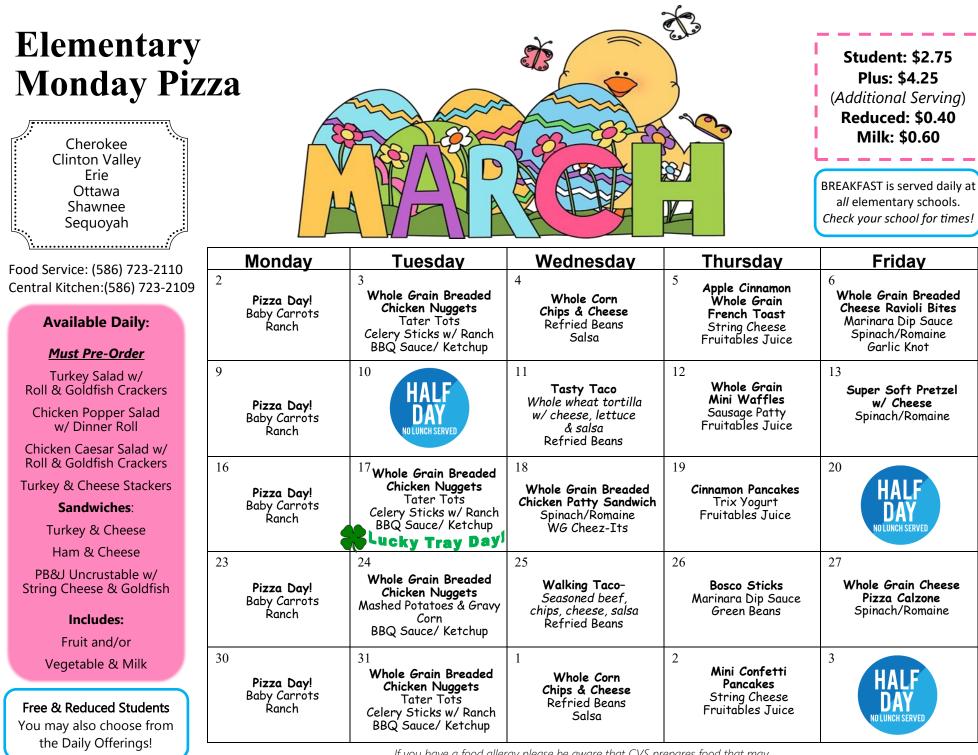


LifeTouch Pictures

10/11	Fall Picture Day
11/22	Fall Picture Retake
1/10	Team Picture Day
3/6	Spring Picture Day
6/10	5 th Grade Completion Pictures

Our Mission:

At Cherokee, we choose to Inspire, Believe, Achieve and LEAD to empower learners for a lifetime of success. Together, we make Cherokee a GREAT place to be!



If you have a food allergy please be aware that CVS prepares food that may contain or have come into contact with peanuts, nuts or other possible allergens.

March 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday 👩	Saturday
1 5 th Grade Battle of Books @ CVHS	2 Dr. Seuss' Birthday Visit the Library or bookstore this week	3 Bookmark Contest begins	4 Pastries w/PTO @ 8:30 in the DEN Spring Conference Sign-Up Opens @ 5 pm	5 Visit the Library! CMPL Literacy Night 6:00-8:00 p.m.	Lifetouch Spring Pictures Lego Competition at CVHS	Science Olympiad Competition CVHS
8 SPRING FORWARD 1 hour on clocks Give up technology & read together this week	9 Bring In your Reading Calendar Pennies for Patients Fundraiser begins this week	10 ¹ /2 Day @ 11:23	MARCH	12 4 th Grade Concert 2:30 & 6:30 pm	13 Wildcat Pack Wear Cherokee Gear	1. Read a poem today!
15 Snuggle Up and Read this week	16 Bring In your Reading Calendar	17	18 PM Conferences	19 PM Conferences PTO Family Dining @ Panda Express	20 ¹ /2 Day @ 11:23 am	2 Read a book about Spring to someone tonight!
	Follett Spring Book	Fair all Week ~ Visit D	uring Conferences – F	riendship Grams Sold	This Week in Café	
22 Spirit Week this Week @ Cherokee! Spend time together having fun as a family this week	23 Bring In your Reading Calendar Bookmark Contest Ends Today Spirit Week: Wear S'More Colors	24 Spirit Week: Wear Wild & Wacky clothes & hair 😊	25 Spirit Week: Wear Animal Print Ned Kindness Assembly Grades 1-5 PTO Skate Night @ The New Rink	26 Spirit Week: Wear "Camo" print	27 Leadership Celebration – PJ & Movie Day PTO Family Fun & Bingo Night	2 Read jokes to someone tonight!
29 Cutting Edge Gymnastics Visits Cherokee This Week!	30 Bring In your Reading Calendar! Cutting Edge	Cutting Edge Gymnastics	Cutting Edge Gymnastics	2 Cutting Edge Gymnastics	3 ½ Day @ 11:23 am	SPRING

Use your goal sheet to keep track of your reading progress each week. Remember to bring your calendar to school every Monday.

READ S'MORES WALLI CAS & CWDP Chippewa Valley's Annual Literacy Night (Linton-Macomb Public Library THURSDAY, MARCH 5TH 6:00 - 8:00 PM All Chippewa Valley Students & Families Welcome DDY TRAIL CAMPFIE 40900 Romeo Plank Rd., Clinton Twp. Mi 48038

Leading the Way Together!

JANUARY IS BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH!



Thank you for supporting our school & helping to make Cherokee (and CVS!) a GREAT place to be!

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Our New Donation Station

Cherokee Elementary is excited to partner with Kennedy Clippers & the American Veterans to Reduce, Reuse & Recycle. Visit the donation station in Cherokee's parking lot. Clean out your closets, toy boxes, garage, attics and help raise funds for Cherokee at the

same time. Used clothes, toys, books, small electronics are accepted.

For furniture or large donations, please call 833-384-8590 to schedule an at-home pickup. A tax receipt will be given for your at-home pick-up/donation.



Notes to Know



Substitute teachers are needed!

Looking for a rewarding part-time job? Do you have family or friends who may like to substitute teach?

Chippewa Valley Schools is in need of substitute teachers in our schools. Applicants must be a certified teacher or simply have 90 hours of college credit. Teachers get paid \$80 a day and receive a \$100 bonus for every ten full days they work for us. To apply go to <u>www.edustaffonline.com</u>.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



If you have an incoming Kindergartener or know someone who does, please

call the school office to get your child added to our kindergarten classes!

Kindergarten Registration packets are now available online! Registration begins Feb. 3rd!

- Visit: <u>https://www.chippewavalleyschools.org/for-parents/kindergarten/</u>
- Children must be 5 years old by September 1st to register for kindergarten.
- Please fill out the packet online and print it off to bring into school. If you are not able to get the packets online, copies are available in our School Office.
- When you have filled out the enrollment packet and have all the necessary documentation, packets can be returned during normal school days between 9 11am and 1 3 pm.
 Please call our office at 586-723-4800 to set up an appointment. We will also be accepting registrations on the evenings of March 18th and 19th during Collaborative Conferences.
- In order to expedite your actual time spent in the office, please be sure you have all the necessary information when you come in. *If packets are not complete or you do not have all the documentation required, we will not be able to accept your registration.*
- Necessary Documentation:



- Registration Packet
- Original birth certificate
- Proof of residency 2 current utility bills (gas, electric, telephone) with the name and address or signed closing/settlement papers or signed lease agreement
- Current immunization records
- Vision and hearing screening

BODDESDAY Want to miss this event Pastries with Parents WEDNESDAY March 4th at 8:30am

Parents and students please join your Cherokee PTO in the Den!

Parents, join us for a PTO Meeting following the event!

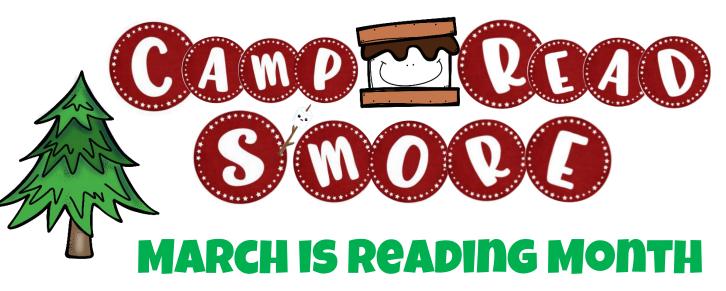


RSVP Cherokee PTO by March 3rd

Due to the Snow Day, this event was rescheduled. Please RSVP online by visiting:

https://tinyurl.com/PastriesMarch4

To ensure there are enough Pastries for everyone **RSVP** is **MUST** to attend, Thank You!



Our staff invites your family to join us in celebrating of reading & success!

Nightly Reading Activities

- Our Goal: Cherokee students will practice reading at home each evening to improve their reading success! All students work to reach their independent reading goal by reading & recording their progress each night.
- **Students bring in their Reading Log EACH MONDAY!** Classrooms record participation each week. We will track our progress together & post results.
- The grade level with most participation earns a Popcorn Party on April 3rd!

Weekly At-home Family Activities

- o See monthly calendar & participation form in packet
- Students completing family activities earn prizes. One entry per family for each family activity completed. Students who complete all family activities get to "Camp Out with Mrs. Mair & Mr. Lewis"

Community & School Events

- March 9-March 27: Help us raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Send in pennies, dollars, or checks to donate or donate online.
- o Join us on Wednesday, March 5th at 8:30 in the DEN for Pastries with Parents & the PTO
- Join us on Thursday, March 6th from 6:00 -8:00 pm for Chippewa Valley Literacy Night at the Clinton Macomb Library – Main Building for an evening of fun-filled, free, literacy events!
- o Join us on Tuesday, March 19th for Family Dining Night @ Panda Express Restaurant
- o Join us on Wed, March 18th or Thurs, March 19th to celebrate our Leaders at Parent Conferences.
- o Join us on Friday, March 27th for a Family Fun & Book Bingo Night

Spirit Week - March 23rd - March 27th

- o 3/23 Put S'More Color in Your Life: Dress in a collection of colors
- o 3/24 Wacky in the Wilderness of Reading: Wear wacky hair/hat/clothes today
- o 3/25 We're Wild for Reading: Dress in animal print
- o 3/26 "Camo" out and Read: Dress in "camo" colors
- o 3/27 Dream Big Aim High LEAD On! Dress in PJs for Leadership Celebration Day

You Light My Fire! Friendship Gram Sale to benefit the Leader in Me

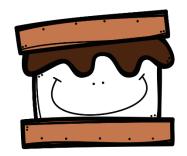
- Three ways to purchase the \$1 friendship gram (note and friendship bracelet)
- o Families send in a completed form found in this packet with payment
- o Friendship-Grams can be purchased during the week of/at conferences on March 18th and 19th





CAMP CAR The S'More You Read; The S'More You'll Know! My goal is to work on reading for _____ minutes each week. I will track my progress every day using the calendar. My action plan for working on reading: 1. | will _____ 2. | will _____ 3. I will ______ I will record my progress below, by coloring in a section of the scene each week I reach my goal. I will bring this paper to school each Monday. Signed: week #1 I'LL READ s'more this Week #4 **Week!** Week #2

Bookmark Contest Entry Form



Name

Teacher

Using the outline to the left, design a bookmark to go with our Reading Month theme:



There will be one winner from each grade level. The winning bookmark will be printed and distributed to all students in the grade level.

Return this ENTIRE FORM to your teacher by March 23rd.



MARCH IS READING MONTH

Reading together as a family is! Each weekend in March, students can practice Habit 3 (Put First Things First) by reading while enjoying some family time together. When your family participate in an event, complete, sign and return the slip below and your child(ren) will earn a Reading Month prize.



Only	one	form i	s need	ed	per	familv	1.
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V	eek 4 - Family Time Together - Due	MARCH 30 TH
Student Name:	Student Name:	Student Name:
Parent Signature:	What our family did together:	
	Ieek 3 - SNUGGLE VP AND READ - DUE N	
tudent Name:	Student Name:	Student Name:
arent Signature:	What our family read together:	
week 2	- GIVE UP TECHNOLOGY & READ TOGET	Her – Due March 16'
Week 2 tudent Name:	- GIVE UP TECHNOLOGY & READ TOGET	HER – DUE MARCH 16' Student Name:
Week 2 <pre>tudent Name:</pre>	- GIVE UP TECHNOLOGY & READ TOGETStudent Name: What our family read together:	HER – DUE MARCH 16 ¹ Student Name:
Week 2 tudent Name: arent Signature:	- GIVE UP TECHNOLOGY & READ TOGET	HER – DUE MARCH 16 ¹ Student Name:
Week 2 tudent Name: arent Signature:	GIVE UP TECHINOLOGY & READ TOGET Student Name: What our family read together: What our family read together:	HER – DUE MARCH 16 ¹ Student Name:

YOU LIGHT MY FIRE! To:	YOU LIGHT MY FIRE! To:
Classroom Teacher:	Classroom Teacher:
Message:	Message:
From:	From:
YOU LIGHT MY FIRE! To:	YOU LIGHT MY FIRE!
Classroom Teacher:	Classroom Teacher:
Message:	Message:
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Monday, March 16th - Thursday, March 20th

The Follett Book Fair is Coming to Cherokee:

• A wide-selection of books will be available to purchase during the week of Collaborative Conferences



- Students will visit the Book Fair with their class (schedule on back)
- If students are making purchases, send money on his/her scheduled day
- All sales are subject to 6% sales tax).
- Payment can be made with cash, check or a Follett gift card. The gift cards are an easy prepay alternative, so your child does not have to deal with cash. Gift cards are purchased digitally: buy it, print it and send it in with your child. (If you have a remaining balance on a previous gift card, you are welcome to use that!) To purchase a gift card, visit: www.follettgift.com

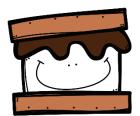
All checks are made payable to Cherokee Elementary School.

Families are welcome to visit during October's afternoon and evening conferences.

March 18th Wednesday 5:30pm - 8:00pm March 19th Thursday 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Volunteers Needed to assist at the book fair during the school day!

- Please come help while our students shop the book fair!
- All scheduled volunteers receive a 20% discount.
 - Please sign up to volunteer by visiting: <u>https://tinyurl.com/March2020BookfairVolunteer</u>



Feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you for your support.

~ Mrs. Jaster





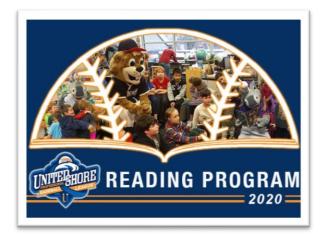
2020 SPRING BOOK FAIR CLASS SCHEDULE

	MONDAY 3/16/2020	TUESDAY 3/17/2020	WEDNESDAY 3/18/2020	THURSDAY 3/19/2020	FRIDAY 3/20/2020
9:00		ROBERTS/BRACKEN		CURCURU	CLOSED
9:30		KONCZALSKI		AUSTIN	
10:00		HOUCK		DEPERRO	
10:30			CARTER		
11:00			BURKS		
11:30			SAVOY		
12:00		OSMINSKI		MAKEUP SESSION	(½ day school)
12:45	WOCHASKI	MACHALA	CRABTREE	MAKEUP SESSION	
1:15	KRAJEWSKI	BELIVEAU	SEMLOW	MAKEUP SESSION	
1:45		MUSZYNSKI	HATCHER	MAKEUP SESSION	
2:30	MAISANO	SADOWSKI (2:15pm)	BETTINI	MAKEUP SESSION	

Reminders:

- Follett Book Fair is open the week of March 16th and during Collaborative Conferences.
- 6% Sales tax is added on to each purchase so be sure to send enough money to cover the cost of a book *and* the sales tax!
- Payment can be made with cash, check made payable to *Cherokee Elementary School*, or gift card.
- Purchase gift cards by visiting: <u>www.follettgift.com</u> (remaining balances carry-over to following years).





Participate in the USPBL Reading Program

Practice Reading & earn a FREE ticket to a baseball game at Jimmy John's field in Downtown Utica Michigan

What to Do: Just 5 EASY STEPS!

- 1. Set your weekly reading goal on your goal sheet.
- 2. READ each week.
- 3. Record your progress on your reading log.
- 4. Turn your Reading Log in each Monday during March.
- 5. Turn in your completed Calendar and Reading log on March 30th to your classroom teacher

Reading logs must be turned in <u>during the week of March 30th</u> to receive a certificate for ticket to a game.

Then What: Every student who reaches his/her reading goal each week during the Month of March earns a free ticket to a USPBL Summer baseball game at the Jimmy John's Field in Downtown Utica. (Families will be able to purchase additional tickets at a discounted rate.)

> A redemption certificate and code for students will be sent home after Spring Break so families can order tickets.



PARENTS: Not only does your students get to enjoy a Jimmy John's Field game when they complete the program, they will be recognized on the baseball field for all their hard work! They will be bringing all USPBL Reading Program ticket holders- students, teachers and parents- on to the first and third base lines before the first pitches. Feel free to take pictures, say hi to the mascots, and listen as our announcer gives our school a shout out.

March 10, 2020

Macomb County Education Enhancement Millage

Macomb County residents will see a question on our ballot this March asking whether we want to increase funding for our school districts through a "regional enhancement millage."

- People choose Macomb County because of its strong public schools, and it is a great place to raise a family and grow a business.
- Macomb Schools have a long-standing reputation for providing quality programs, carefully serving as stewards of funds provided by state, federal, and local revenue sources.
- The enhancement millage gives our communities an opportunity to provide a stable source of funding that goes directly to our students and will attract and retain a talented workforce.
- All public schools including public charter schools would receive funds raised through the millage.
- According to the 2019 Macomb Equalization Report, the average Macomb County home is valued at close to \$200,000. The 1.9 enhancement millage would cost approximately \$190 per year on a home valued at \$200,000 or approximately \$95 per year on a home valued at \$100,000.
- A comparison of neighboring counties, utilizing MDE Bulletin 1014, demonstrates that Macomb County schools receive on average several hundred dollars less per student.

100% of the money raised by the Education Enhancement Millage would go toward K–12 education!

This proposal would:

- Create a 1.9 mill, ten-year, countywide millage that would generate a dedicated source of funding of approximately \$55 million annually for all school districts in Macomb County.
- Provide dedicated resources that go directly to students and would allow each Macomb County district to determine how to best support the needs of their community's children, including retaining qualified teachers and keeping co-curricular activities.

How much money would the Education Enhancement Millage raise for our schools?

Every district in Macomb County would receive over **\$400 per student in additional resources -** an investment in our students' success!

How would the money be distributed?

Funds would be distributed on an equal, per-student basis to each individual school district and charter school in Macomb County.



Learn more at www.misd.net

Notes to Know!



May 3rd Last day to deposit checks into lunch account

Cookies On SALE during Lunch starting March 2nd!

During lunch, students will be able to purchase whole-grain chocolate chip or M&M cookies for \$0.50

Café Corner

- We Need Your Help! Ordering the correct amount of food for a school of 600 students can be challenging. Ensuring that enough food/not too much food is ordered for ALL our students relies on parent/student help. This is what YOU can do:
 - Kindergarten and First Grade Parents Please be sure to correctly preorder your child's lunch for the month. Encourage leadership by involving your child in this process by allowing them to choose their meals for the month. Remind students on the day to



get their lunch. Grades 2-5: Please be sure to be proactive by discussing lunch choices, providing payment and reminding students to order a day in advance.

Please Remember:

- Students continue to go outside for recess when the temperature/wind chill is above 20 degrees, so remind your child to dress for the weather.



Supporting Our Students

At-Home Resources

In order to support your child's learning & success, CVS and Cherokee have provided resources for families to use at home:

Bridges Math:

Links to online information can be found by visiting:

http://tinyurl.com/CherokeeMathInfo

RAZ Kids

 Login information was distributed to students in October. Be sure to use these resources to support learning at home.









Cherokee's Policies & Procedures are in place to keep our students safe. Click on the image above to access current policies & procedures.

Cherokee's School Improvement Plan – Spotlights Student Growth and Success!

Our School Improvement Goals for the 2019-20 School Year:

- All students at Cherokee will improve in applying mathematical practices across the curriculum.
- All students at Cherokee will improve in reading and writing across the curriculum
- All students at Cherokee will utilize Leader in Me habits to achieve school-wide, classroom and personal goals.

To help reach our goals again this year, our staff will incorporate the following research-based instructional strategies across the curriculum:

- Cooperative Learning Skills
- Thinking Map
- Close & Critical Reading Strategies
- 7 Habits of Highly Successful People (The Leader in Me)



Watch D.O.G.S @ Cherokee



The Watch DOGS Have Arrived!

Thank you to our Dads for joining us in January – what a great kick-off! We appreciate you and welcome all Dads and Father-Figures to Sign-Up to be a Cherokee Watch DOG by visiting: <u>WatchDogs Sign-Up</u>

















Together, we make Cherokee a GREAT place to be!



Memo from the Media Center

Happy New Year from the Cherokee Media Center!

As you begin to plan your celebrations for 2020, remember the birthday book program at Cherokee is still available. This program not only helps to maintain current books in our school library, but will act as a lasting reminder that your child attended Cherokee Elementary and will allow other students to enjoy their book for many years to come.

A birthday book is a book purchased by a student's family in celebration of their birthday. This book will remain in the school library with their name and picture honoring their special day.

During the month of your child's birthday, he/she visits the Media Center where a selection of "Birthday Books" are available for them to choose from. For those students that will be celebrating their birthday during the summer, they will have an opportunity to come down during the school year so that they can participate as well. A label including their name, picture, birthdate and school year is placed inside the front cover of their birthday book. The birthday child will be the first person to have the opportunity to check out their very special book. Once your child returns the book, it is placed on the shelves for other students to check out. Birthday Book Club

~ Mrs. Jaster

~ Cherokee's Birthday Book Club ~

Yes, we want our child to be part of the PTO Birthday Book Club! We have enclosed a \$12 check make payable to *Cherokee PTO* for each child:

Student Name:	Birth Date:	Teacher:
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What to Know from Your PTO

Cherokee Elementary & Kroger Community Rewards Program

This is an exciting opportunity for our families to help earn additional funds for Cherokee just by shopping. Each purchase from Kroger can earn our school 1% with a minimum of \$25 each quarter and a maximum of \$50,000!!! Think of the potential!

How Can I Help!

There is NO additional cost to you, just a little bit of computer time. All you have to do is register your Kroger Plus Card:



- <u>http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com</u>
- Sign In or Create an Account
- Link your Kroger Plus Card to your online account using your Kroger Card #, or Alternate ID (such as the phone number associated with account)
- View your Account Summary to select Community Rewards
- Under "Find your Organization," search for Cherokee Elementary or enter our NPO number #HI588
- Click to select Cherokee Elementary from the list and click Confirm
- Verify you are enrolled correctly, see your organization's name on the right side of your information page (Computer version, not necessarily Mobile version).

If you do not have a Kroger Plus card, you can stop by any Kroger location and pick one up from the customer service desk. It take a couple of days to fully attach your card with the school. Watch the bottom of your receipt for it to indicate Cherokee Elementary!

PTO Meeting ~ January 15th at 9:00 am. Mom & Son Event ~ February 9th.





Collect → Clip → Submit → Repeat! Keep Collecting!

Clip this slip & attach to a baggie or envelope w/box tops

- Student Name: _____
- Teacher/Grade: ______

Celebrating Leadership

CHEROKEE LEADERS WERE HONORED FOR LIVING THE 7 HABITS & DISPLAYING EXTRAORDINARY LEADERSHIP FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY.





Aleezah Imran August Lasher Aydan Albright Ben Chambers Castiel Steveling Chase DePestel Cora Finch Dakotta DePestel Dzanna Durakovic Emmett Winters Henry Kozinski Jack Laezza Jack Laezza Jaden Ashburn Jaxon Pointer Jovana Nastevska Jovana Nastevska Karmen Owens Kiley Brantley Landon Brantley Landon Harms Leah Savona Lejla Sukanovic Logan Carter Madison Ernat Madison Heyza Madison Jones Maria Cirenese Michael Griffin Miles Ezell Molly Naylor Nickolas Morin Nicole Harms Raniyah Reynolds Riley Emerson Sydney Szczepkowski Talan Larson Tamaya Morgan

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Pastries with Parents – Rescheduled for March 5th Panda Express Dining Night – Thursday, March 19th PTO Skate Night – Wednesday, March 25th

Family Fun & Book Bingo Night – Friday, March 27th





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Hello Cherokee Families ~

The fourth-grade music program GOAL! is being presented on Thursday, March 12th. The students and I are so excited to present this upbeat show! Beginning the week of March 16th, students should bring in their recorders. If your child is new to Cherokee, or has lost their recorder, information will be sent home about purchasing or borrowing one.

All students are studying about notes, rests and rhythms. Upcoming music elements include: Pitch, Form, Articulation and Tempo.

Third grade students received a letter about learning to play the recorder. Students have the option to purchase, borrow, or use a recorder they already have. Please read the letter carefully as not all recorders will work in the music classroom. Students should keep their recorders in their back-pack so they have them for music class.

Ms. Hunter

GOAL! We're about to score with the 4th Grade Music Concert Coming Soon!

> Thursday, March 12th @ 6:30 pm





Dear Cherokee Families:

Our Kid's Heart Challenge (Jump Rope for Heart) is in full swing and the donations are continuing to pile up. We are currently at \$7,100 for on-line donations only. Last year our total amount collected was \$11,624.37. So, based on last year's amount, I have set this year's goal at \$12,000. Currently, we are heading in the right direction as the donations continue to climb. However, there is only about a week's time left to donate. Our last day to become a heart hero is Friday, March 8th.

There are still many cool prizes and key chains available. For as little as five dollars, your child will get a very cool looking unicorn key chain and clip (for backpack). If you have lost the big Kid's Heart Challenge envelope, no worries. Simply put the money in a regular envelope and send it with your child to school. Please write your child's first and last name, along with his/her teachers name, and Kid's Heart Challenge or Jump for Heart. Then, when your child comes to gym class, I will be sure to give him/her their key chain.

The Kid's Heart Challenge professes that every \$50 raised helps to save a life. So, keeping that in mind, Cherokee has saved many lives throughout the years. Another great reason to donate and/or sign up on-line is the fact that Cherokee receives money to buy sports equipment for gym class every year. This year, as a special incentive, if 50% of our student population signs up on-line, then the American Heart Association will give \$500 toward purchasing new sports equipment. So, if your technologically inclined, please feel free to sign up at Kid's Heart Challenge.com (even if you decide to donate by sending in your funds).

I'm amazed every year how generous our families are when it comes to donating toward the health and benefit of others. Thank you all so much for helping to fight heart disease this year, as well as in years past.

Have a great rest of winter everyone and think Spring.

It's just around the corner. 🕹

Sincerely,

Mr. Behnke Cherokee P.E. Teacher





Have n' FUN with the SUNdberg

5th: Japanese masks and the connection of Japanese theater "Noh"
Vocab: FORM, SHAPE, value, 2-D, 3-D, facial features, convex, concave.
4th: One-point Perspective
Vocab: vanishing point, atmospheric perspective, diagonal, horizontal, vertice

Vocab: vanishing point, atmospheric perspective, diagonal, horizontal, vertical.
3rd: Aboriginal art and the connection to Earth's Neutrals & Organics.

2nd: Complementary Color and Resists with Wax and Tempera paint.

- 1st: Robot Geometry and dynamic shape.
- K: Whacky Lions and neighboring colors.

Festival of the Arts is Coming April 28th! Clay on the Way!



Leaders in Action!









KINDERGARTEN 100 DAY PARADE





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Leaders in Action!

LEADING THE WAY!



Congratulations to Cherokee's Destination Imagination Team competed on Saturday, Feb. 29th

- Tryst Bukowiecki
- Miles Ezell
- Myrra Bukowiecki
- Darry Early
- Aydan Albright

Congratulations to Cherokee's 5th Grade Battle of the Book's Team competed on Sunday, March 1st

- Alyssa Allous
- Tryst Bukowiecki
- Scott Belau
- Brooklyn Goitko
- Aleezeh Imran
- Caleigh Freidmann
- Grady Freidmann
- Malana Bennett
- Jessica Chika





Leaders in Action!









SPIRIT WEEK!







FUNDRAISER EVENT

Help Us Raise Money For: Cherokee Elementary PTO



10:30 AM to 9:00 PM Ha	Panda Express located at: Hall Rd & Windward PX 4812 Hall Road Sterling Heights, MI 48313 5865666278	In-store: Show paper or digital version of flyer Online: Enter 313379 in the promo code box during online checkout.

20% of event sales will be donated to: Cherokee Elementary PTO

Participating fundraiser guests are required to present a valid fundraiser flyer (paper copy or digital image) with each order to receive credit towards the fundraiser. Flyers may not be distributed inside or within the vicinity of the restaurant including, without limitation to, the restaurant parking lot before or during the fundraiser. Panda Restaurant Group reserves the right cancel any and all fundraiser events for any reason and/or withhold payment of associated donation, if the Panda Restaurant Group Fundraiser Guidelines are not followed.

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Family Dining Night ~ March 19th



hey families!

NED'S KINDNESS adventure.

NED's Kindness Adventure assembly is visiting our school! The performance will inspire your child to be **kind-hearted and caring** through storytelling, music and an interactive video of NED's trip to Kenya.

sale dates

time







DID YOU KNOW?

Our school gets the assembly for **free** because we're hosting a Kindness Sale. With each purchase, you help *keep kindness going* in three ways:

- 1 Gives your child a kindness reminder
- **2** Sends the Kindness Adventure to other schools for free
- **B** Provides income for artisans in Kenya
- Each school that hosts the assembly and the Kindness Sale is helping provide clean water for kids in Kenya. Learn more about this year's well project at KindnessAdventure.com/giving.html.

kindness sale items available for 5 school days

Mark desired items and send payment to school with your child. Or, visit together at the time/location above. *Make checks payable to our school.*





Prices effective for 2019-20 School Year

CHEROKEE ELEMENTARY PTO



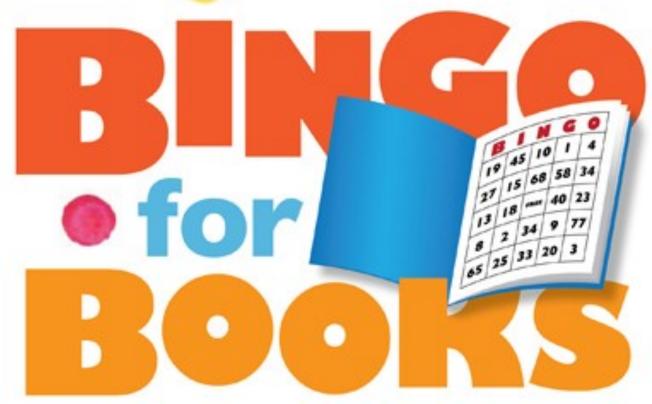
Wednesday, 3-25 6 pm - 8 pm \$7 Admission \$2 Skate/Blade Rental Food & DRINK AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

50625 Van Dyke Avenue ~ Shelby Twp., MI 48317 ~ www.thenewrink.com

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Roller Sports Complex

Cherokee PTO Presents



Family Fun Night

BRING A BOOK (NEW OR GENTLY USED)





This is a Free EVENT!

Student		ן – - ו ו
Number Attending	Teacher	י ו ן ן



Please RSVP to Cherokee PTO by Tuesday April 14th

Teacher	Grade	
Number Attending	X \$45 Per Couple \$	
X \$20 Additional Daughter \$	Total \$	



https://tinyurl.com/CherokeeSpring19-20





Save the Date! Thursday, April 23, 2020

Join us for the 10th Annual Chippewa Valley Educational Foundation Taste Fest & Auction

"A Taste for Education"

The best restaurants & caterers in Metro Detroit will participate in the Chippewa Valley Educational Foundation's major fundraising event. The event supports classroom mini-grants that provide extraordinary educational opportunities for more than 15,800 students attending Chippewa Valley Schools.

Chippewa Valley Educational Foundation 10th Annual "A Taste for Education" – Taste Fest & Auction Thursday, April 23, 2020 6:00-9:00 pm The Mirage Elegant Banquets & Catering 16980 18 Mile Rd., Clinton Twp.

Call 723-2240 for tickets!

DAKOTA BASEBALL SPRING CAMP

For All Baseball Players!!!

Grades: 3rd Grade - 8th Grade

Camp Coordinator: Angelo Plouffe, Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach Contact Info: (586) 610-2661, aplouffe@cvs.k12.mi.us

Dakota Baseball Camp provides a quality camp experience for players of all ages and skill levels. Our forcus is on helping each attendee take the next step in his or her development as a player, regardless of what that next step might be. Our ultimate goal is to help kids love the game of baseball while they learn the game of baseball in a safe but competitive enviroment!!!





Last Day of Registration: March 20th. Coaches cannot accept payment. A \$20 fee will be assessed for any returned checks (Full refunds due to illness/unforseen circumstances) Payment can be made: Online at https://onlinereg.cvs.k12.mi.us or mail this form to: Chippewa Valley Schools, Payment is due in full at the time of registering. \$20 fee assessed on returned checks Withdrawls: 50% Refund will be given through March 14th. No Refunds will be given after March 14th

2020 Dakota Baseball Spring Camp - March 21st, 2020 Registration fee -\$60 Payment can be made: Online at https://onlinereg.cvs.k12.mi.us or mail this form to: Chippewa Valley Schools, 19230 Cass Avenue, Clinton Twp. MI 48038. Make checks payable to: Chippewa Valley Schools

Activity # 636053-01 (3rd - 8th Grade)

Student Name:					_ DOB:	_ School:
Parents Name:			E	mail: _		
Phone:					Alternate Phone: _	
Address/City/Zip:						
						Exp. Date:
Name on Card:					-	
T-Shirt (Circle One):	S	М	L	XL	XXL	



Dakota Softball



2020 Instructional Clinic

Conducted by the Dakota Softball Coaching Staff March 21, 2020 Dakota High School 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

(LUNCH FIRST WITH SOFTBALL GIRLS 12-12:30) Program Coordinator: Dan Vitale, Dakota Varsity Softball Coach

(248)207-6111 dan@vitales-perfect-game.com

\$50 per participant

(PRICE INCLUDES LUNCH, T-SHIRT, AND EXCELLENT INSTRUCTION)

This camp is open to all girls currently in grades 4 - 8. Fundamentals in hitting, throwing, fielding, and base running will be covered. The camp will utilize the indoor and outdoor facilities at Dakota High School (weather permitting). Parents and Youth League coaches are encouraged to stay for the day and watch!

<u>Proper attire and equipment required</u>: glove, shorts/sweats, and gym shoes ... Additional equipment/attire may include cleats, helmet, softball bat, and batting gloves. Dakota HS is not responsible for lost or stolen items!

Registration is due by 2:00 pm on March 13, 2020 a begins at 11:30 AM at the Athletic Entrance in the Main E

Check-in begins at 11:30 AM at the Athletic Entrance in the Main Building Late registrations at check-in are subject to a \$10 fee and accepted based on space availability. (Late Registration <u>does not</u> guarantee a T-Shirt.)

Detach the following stub and include with	n proof of payment.			a
Payment can be made online at https://onli	nereg.cvs.k12.mi.us, or n	nailed to:		
Chippewa Valley Schools, Adult	and Community Education	on, 19230 C	ass Avenue, Clinto	on Township, MI 48038
Payment can be made in cash, VISA or Ma assessed for return checks)	asterCard or checks payab	ole to: Chipp	ewa Valley School	s (\$20 fee
Withdrawals March 16 – March 20 are refu PAYMENT IS DUE IN FULL AT TIME OI	FREGISTRATION!	-		
Return this stub with Payment (#636057-01)	\$50 Dakota Softball Clinic	(March 21		stub with Payment (#636057-01)
Participant's Name:	DOB:		Current Grade:	
Parent Phone:	T-Shirt Size (Circle One)	YS YM	YL AS AM	AL
Parent/Guardian Name:	Em	nail:		
Address/City:		Zip:		
Visa/ Mastercard#	Exp. Date:			

Name on Card:______Signature:_____

SPRING IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER...LET'S GET READY!



Join varsity baseball coach Gregg Sadowski, the Big Reds Coaching staff, and Varsity baseball team for a day filled with baseball instruction and fun! Participants will learn the basics of the game from the CV coaches and players, and also be able to use the skills they learn in a fun game of indoor whiffle ball.



When: Saturday, March 21st Session 1: 1st- 4th Grade (9:00am-12:00pm) Check-in will begin at 8:30 in the hall between the gyms

Session 2: 5th – 8th (12:30-3:30pm) Check-in will begin at 12:00 in the hall between the gyms

Where: Chippewa Valley High School Main Gym, and Auxiliary Gym Cost: \$35



Please Register through Community Ed on or before MARCH 16th. Forget to Register? Got the flyer late? Email Coach Sid for a late registration request.

Points of Focus for the Camp:

Participants will be split into groups based on age and ability level. Each group will go through a rotation of stations. Each station will have drills and activities that will help build and develop your young athletes baseball skill set.

Throwing Outfield Hitting Pitching Infield Base Running *Please bring proper baseball equipment: Bat, Glove, Protective Gear, Etc.*

Questions: Contact Coach Gregg Sadowski at chippewavalleybaseball@gmail.com

Registration Information: On-line at <u>https://onlinereg.cvs.k12.mi.us</u> or mail the completed the application below, enclose your payment for \$35.00 and mail to Chippewa Valley Schools, Community Education, 19230 Cass Ave., Clinton Twp. 48038. We accept cash, checks, VISA or MasterCard. All withdrawals are subject to a \$8.00 processing fee. Withdrawals after registration due date but before the start date are refunded at 50%. A \$20.00 fee will be assessed for any returned checks. Payment is due in full at the time of registration.

Saturday,	Yalley Baseball – Spring Camp March 21st, 2020 in Chippewa ber: 636032-02 Session 2 Cla	Valley Gyms				
Players Name:	DOB:	School:				
Parents Name:	Phone:	Grade:				
Address:						
Email Address:						
Payment Info (circle one): Ca	ash / Check / Credit					
Visa/MasterCard # Exp. Date:						
Name on Card:						

ATTENTION DEBIT USERS LEAVING THE DISTRICT

2019-2020 school year

Thank you for participating in our debit system this year. We hope you found it an easier and quicker way to purchase food.

If you will not be attending Chippewa Valley Schools next year, please complete this form regarding the disposition of your funds.

To close out your account efficiently, we will need this form returned to the Food Service Department by Friday, June 12, 2020.

Debit Refund - Return	by 6/12/20					
Distribution of funds:						
Please transfer the funds to the benefit of: Or Please issue a check to clear my student's debit accoun						
Please print: Student Name						
School:	Grade:					
Telephone number:	_					
Home addressStreet	City	Zip				
Required information	on below *					
Print						
Parent/Guardian first name Parent/Guar	[•] dian last name					
Signature of Parent/Guardian:						
*The cost of a postage stamp will be deducted from the refund balance to cover the cost of mailing the refund check. USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.						
Please fax (586-723-2001) or send this completed fo	orm to:					
Chippewa Valley Foo 19120 Cass Av Clinton Twp., MI Attn: POS Sys	enue 48038					