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Sageville Elementary

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Calendar Of Events

Thursday, September 10
PTC fundraiser starts

Friday, September 11
9:45 Late Start Profes-
sional learning

Patriot Day! Wear red,
white and blue!

Saturday, September 12
1:00-5:00 Farm Crawl

Monday, September 14
9:30 Gr. 5 Four Mounds

Tuesday, September 15
School Picture Day

Thursday, September 17
Box Top Wars end

Friday, September 18
9:45 Late Start Profes-
sional Learning

Friday Professional Learning

Teachers will discuss the first two chapters of The Morning Meeting Book and plan morning meetings and review the process of Collaborative Inquiry. This process assists teachers in the data driven dialogue which informs their teaching and how it impacts students' learning.

From the Desk of Miss Mac

**Please save the date
for our Open House
on Tuesday,
September 29th.
Stop by between
6:00-7:15 p.m.**

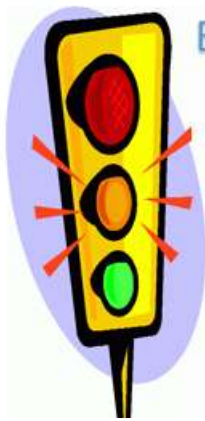
Parents, please remember to call the school office before 9:00 a.m. to report your child's absence. Due to changes that may be made for at the end of the day for your child, please call the school office. Do not call or email your child's teacher as they may not be able to check their phone or email by the end of the day. The office will get the message to your child's teacher. Thank you!

The district's elementary **Fun Run** will be held at **Dalzell Field** on Saturday, **September 19th at 10:30**. This is a family event!

Do you know about **Dolly Parton's Imagination Library**? Each month a new, carefully selected book will be mailed in your child's name directly to your home from the time your child is born until they are 5 years old. There is no cost to you, thanks to **United Way of Dubuque Area Tri-States** and Dolly Parton. Almost 47% of Dubuque's children are eligible. Go to the new Dubuque's **United Way website** and check this out. Tell your friends and family.

Our **PTC fundraiser kick-off** is today! There are many great items available and the highlights are the Mrs. Field's Cookie Dough and Yankee Candles! Thanks for your assistance. Orders & money are **due Friday, September 25**.





When Do Absences Become a Problem?

- **CHRONIC ABSENCE**
18 or more days
- **WARNING SIGNS**
10 to 17 days
- **GOOD ATTENDANCE**
9 or fewer absences

SEPTEMBER IS ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH

Build the Habit of Good Attendance! School success goes hand in hand with good attendance!

Attending school regularly helps students feel better about school and about themselves. Start building this habit during the first weeks of school so your child grows accustomed to attending daily, being on time to school and staying focused on school work so they don't fall behind on daily school work.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Students can still fall behind if they miss just a day or two every few weeks
- Being late to school may lead to poor attendance
- Absences can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help a student catch up.

Counselor Corner with Mrs. Kaiser

Welcome to the 2015-2016 School Year! During our first month of guidance class we are focusing on skills for learning. In kindergarten we discussed the meaning of the word effort. We watched a small video on never giving up and shared what we've put effort towards. In first grade we watched a small video on the engine that could. We also reviewed the meaning of effort and shared what we've put effort towards and how we felt once we have reached our goal. In second grade we made goals for our new school

year. Each student wrote a specific goal they would like to work on this school year and put a plan in place to meet this goal. Next week I will be in grades 3-5.

Tips for Parents: The first 2 weeks of school seem to be the most difficult for students who are experiencing separation anxiety. Visit this website for ways to help your child through anxiety http://www.momjunction.com/articles/types-ways-deal-anxiety-disorders-kid_0022671/2/ and as always feel free to use me as a resource.

Wanted: Parent Involvement for Sageville's Site Council!

Per DCSD Board Policy #1004, "School Improvement Through Shared Decision-Making," the purpose and function of the school site council is:

"At the school level the site council is charged with responsibility for development, oversight and evaluation of the school improvement plan. The focus of the site council work should be on those issues most closely associated with improving teaching and student learning within the instructional framework established by the district. Members include school staff, community members and parents.

Meetings will be held the fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Miss Mac with your interest to serve!