What's New in K-2!

The latest Urbana Elementary news for our students in

Grades Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd

Go Little Climbers!

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A Message from your K-2 principal, Mrs. Anders

HILLCLIMBERS Welcome students and families of kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade students! I am honored and proud to be your principal and excited for another year of learning and growing together. If you should ever have any questions or concerns about your child or our school, I am here to help. You can contact me by phone at (937) 653-1453, extension 2124 or by email at Melanie Anders Qurbanacityschools.org.

SAVE THE DATES ...

Monday, 9/5/22: NO SCHOOL (Labor Day Holiday)

Tuesday, 9/6/22: Hand Chimes Auditions (2nd grade)

Wednesday, 9/14/22: Boy Scouts will visit students

Thursday, 9/15/22: Boy Scout Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Monday, 9/19/22: Grades K-5 Fall School Picture Day

Monday, 9/26/22: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

(Teacher Inservice/Professional Development Day)

Urbana Elementary Climber Club



The Climber Club is our family-teacher organization. The club's mission and objectives are:

- To promote the education and well-being of all children at home, in school, and in the community.
- 2. To provide a forum for discussion and foster communication between families, administrators, educators, and the community.
- 3. To enhance facilities and opportunities for the students in kindergarten through eighth grade that are not otherwise provided for in the school budgets.
- 4. To sponsor projects and events for the benefit of kindergarten through eighth grade students.
- 5. To raise funds as required providing for all of the above objectives.

Membership in the Club is just \$5.00 for the entire family for the year. You don't have to participate in events to be a member, however, we do have opportunities for you to be involved or donate to activities or events throughout the school year. If you haven't yet joined and are interested, please contact your child's teacher for a membership form. The Climber Club needs **YOU**!



SHOUT OUTS!

- THANKS AND GRATITUDE to the Urbana United Methodist Church and Christopher Dinnell for your continued support and love for our students! We appreciate you!!
- POSITIVE REPORTS were sent to the Principal this week for the following students: Jensen Adams, Anson Armstrong, Maverick Benz, Camryn Campbell, Vivian Coffman, Maximus Conrad, Gunner Copley, Westly Foster, Lincoln Karg, Katelin Nease, Gracie Ropp, Ryleigh Simsa, and Jonah Weber.

Newsletter # 1

Counselor's Corner

With Mr. Dorsey

Hi, my name is Cris Dorsey and I am your student's school counselor. I am starting my 10th year at UES and I want you to know I am here for you and your student. If you need to contact me you can call me at (937) 653-1453, ext. 2120 or email me at

cristopher.dorsey@urbanacityschools

Here are a couple of ideas to help your child get off to a great start at school this year!

First, getting enough sleep will help your child get up on time, feel good, and be ready for a full day of learning. In general, children ages 5-9 years old need 10-12 hours of sleep per night to be at their best and ready to learn each day. Establishing a consistent bedtime during the week, and limiting electronics an hour before bedtime, are good ways to make sure your student is getting all the sleep they need.

Second, it will be easier for your child to complete daily lessons, homework, and tests if he gets to school on time every day. Limit the time your child misses for family trips and activities. Contact the school immediately if your child will be absent.

Our Climber Code:

Be Respectful, Be Responsible,

Be Ready!



PBIS: Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports

PBIS is an

evidence-based framework used by schools to improve school culture and student behavior, promoting a safe environment for learning. PBIS is based on several decades of research by major universities across the country. A key aspect of PBIS is focusing on more **positive behaviors** and less on negative behaviors.

Here's What's Happening in Our K-2 Classrooms!

Kindergarten: Featuring Mrs. Andreassen's classroom



Mrs. A's class is working together and exploring their learning stations.

First Grade: Featuring Mrs. Anderson's classroom



Mrs. Anderson's class hit the ground running this year with building (literally) on what the students learned in kindergarten! The students have been very busy working on a STEM project called If I Built a School. They are learning about architecture, Architects, and floor plans. First, students read the book If I Built a School by Chris Van Dusen and then each student created their own floor plan of a school they would like to create, including rooms like a gaming room, an animal room, and a waterslide! To complete the project, they built the frame for their plans to go in. It was a great first STEM project for the students and they really enjoyed the hands-on learning experience of applying all of the different content areas!



Second Grade: Featuring Mrs. Jacobs' classroom

Mrs. Jacobs' class has been working hard on beginning of the year routines and getting to know each other. Last week they drew self-portraits and painted them with watercolor paints. Students also brought three (3) things from home that described them in "Me Bags." This week, they've been working together with students from Mrs.



Walters' and Ms. Roby's classes on STEM team building activities. They are getting the hang of logging into their Chromebooks and working on tasks assigned by Mrs. Jacobs. There are many experts in the class too on various topics—especially animals, bubble tea, and chocolate!



What is your favorite part/thing about our school?

"To hang out with my friends and be together at school," ~ Anson

"The playground! It's fun!" ~ Dewey

"The teachers, the principal, and the cop." ~ Thea

"The things we are allowed to do and the things we are not allowed to do. But I like the good things the best." ~ Sapphira



Technology Tidbits
From the desk of Mrs. Marsh

<u>FinalForms</u>

If you have not yet done so, please make sure to update all student information on FinalForms. Parents/Guardians need to sign forms online at urbana-oh.finalforms.com each year. If you have previously logged into your account, login to that same account and update your forms. If you have never logged in-choose "Login" under the Parent Icon and then choose "Never Logged In"--DO NOT CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT. Enter your email address. A confirmation link will be sent to you. If you do not receive a confirmation link, or have any issues, please contact kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org.

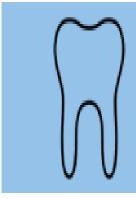
Remind

The staff at Urbana City Schools will be using Remind to share pertinent information with parents. Remind allows our staff to share information through messages that can be received by text, email or through the Remind app. Please make sure your mobile number is updated in FinalForms to ensure that the Remind system works properly. If you are not receiving information through Remind, please contact your child's teacher or Kelli Marsh at (937) 653-1453, extension 2126 or kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org.

A student in Mrs. Jacobs logged in and ready to learn on his Chromebook.



1st & 2nd grades 1:1 Chromebooks



HEALTHY MOUTH, HEALTHY LIFE.

SCHOOL BASED DENTAL OUTREACH PROGRAM

The School Based Dental Outreach Program provides dental services right at your student's school. The program is open to all students. There is no out of pocket cost for the program.



The Dental Team will be visiting your student's school:

2/10 - 3/10/2023

Complete the consent given to you by the school.

Return the consent to your student's teacher or school nurse.

Questions about the program or services? Please, call 567.825.0226.





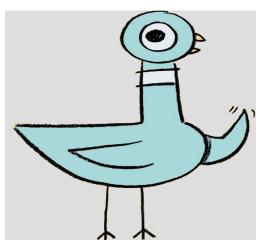


MOBILE DENTAL CARE IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY:



Mrs. Jacobs 2nd graders





Lovin' Literacy

Mrs. Deitrick, what are YOU lovin' about literacy?

Mrs. Deitrick's kindergarten class has been reading Mo Willems (author) books, such as The Pigeon Books, Knuffle Bunny, and Leonardo the <u>Terrible Monster</u>. The students love the humor in the stories and really enjoy finding the Pigeon hiding in other Mo Willems books they have in their book tubs. During buddy reading time, students have been hunting for the Pigeon in Mo Willems books together. Mrs. Deitrick says she loves how Mo Willems uses speech bubbles to show which character is talking and how you can see the movement in his illustrations.

Congratulations to one of our own K-2 teachers!

On behalf of the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics, first grade teacher, Mrs. Jaimie Anderson, has been selected for the 2022 OCTM Myrtle Miller/Marijane Werner Elementary Award. It is always a pleasure to thank and honor outstanding teachers for their hard work and dedication to our students! Your staff and students are proud of you, Mrs. Anderson!

Champaign County Library

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September 1, 2022

Urbana City School Parents/Guardians:

We are pleased to have an opportunity to provide library cards to Urbana students! With a library card, students can check out books, audio books, eBooks, music CDs, and access the Library's many online resources.

We know that many students already have Champaign County Library cards. If you are unsure if your child has a card or need to check on the status of the card, please contact the library.

Did you our child misplace your library card? During the month of September 2022, the library will be giving away FREE replacement cards to anyone!

We have two options for your child to receive a card.

Option 1: Apply online for a library card for your student if they do not already have one. You can go to our website at champaigncountylibrary.org and click on Catalog. In the upper right corner of the page, click on Create Account and enter the child's information. A temporary card number will be assigned. The actual library card will be mailed to you. By registering online, you are agreeing to abide by the library policies.

Option 2: Visit either of the Champaign County Library locations.

The Main Library hours are Monday-Thursday 9am-8pm, Friday-Saturday 9am-5pm. The North Lewisburg Branch Library is open Monday-Wednesday 4pm-8pm, Thursday & Saturday 10am-2pm.

Please call the Library at 937-653-3811 or 937-747-3043 if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Pam Sanders Youth Services Coordinator Champaign County Library psanders@champaigncountylibrary.org www.champaigncountylibrary.org