



Goucher Elementary School News



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Ms. Ashley Clary, Principal

“EXPECT THE BEST”

June 2010



Mrs. Davis’s 2nd grade class would like to thank everyone who collected pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. We will be turning them in the first week of June, so if you have any you need to send, please do so by Friday May 28.

May– Important Dates & Events

- May 24th Field Day 3-5 Grades
- May 25th Awards Program K-2 8:30 and 3-4 10:00
- May 26th Half Day for Students
- May 26th 1:30 SIT Meeting
- May 27th Last Day for Students, Half Day for Students
- May 28th Work Day for Teachers



HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!!!

Relay For Life:

We still have relay shirts for sale. Please call the office if you would like to order, 206-6890. We have a few select sizes (on hand) of each color. You can buy these and not have to wait.



Parents,

Please note that you will receive your child's teacher information for next year by August 1. As usual we will mail out a letter stating the teacher your child will have for the 2010-2011 school year, and the date and time of our Back to School Orientation. If we do not have your current address on file in the front office it is very important we get this information before the last day of school. Also remember, if your child has an outstanding fee or fine he or she will not receive a class placement for next year until the fee is paid in full.

Thanks,
Ms.Clary

From the Principal....

Fees

Please be sure all fees are paid before the end of the school year. Remember students will not receive report cards or a letter telling them which class they will be in for the 2010-2011 school year until all fees are paid in full. This may include lunch money, library books, and/or text book fees. It is extremely important any fifth grade student going to middle school has all fees paid at Goucher. Students **WILL NOT** be allowed to pick up a schedule for middle school until all fees are paid. This rule is strictly enforced at the middle school!

Teacher Requests

Parents, some of you like to call or come in to make teacher requests for your child for the upcoming school year. Please understand it is impossible to keep up with all the requests and fulfill everyone's requests. Much thought and hard work is put in each year to creating class rolls. Classes must be balanced in many ways. This year we have made available a form **Parent Input for Student/Teacher Placement**. If you would like to have some input on where your child is placed next year, please request one of these forms in the front office and fill it out **ASAP** and return it to the office. **Only information turned in on these forms will be considered when placing students in classes for next year.**

NO VERBAL REQUESTS FOR CLASSES WILL BE TAKEN!

Thanks so much for your help and understanding in this matter.

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May 2010

Dear Parents,

According to the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB), a district is identified as in Corrective Action if the district has not met the state's definition of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for four consecutive years. Cherokee County has now reached the Corrective Action stage.

Corrective Action status requires a district to develop a plan to target the district's instructional and organizational challenges. The implementation of a corrective action plan provides the district the tools to strengthen the system so that children will be provided opportunities to develop the skills necessary to meet the levels required in state performance standards and to increase levels of academic proficiency.

Cherokee County has chosen to respond to this status by creating a district wide comprehensive Corrective Action oversight team. The purpose of this team is to provide support to building principals as we work to improve instruction in areas that are hindering our progress. For example, Cherokee County School District AYP data indicates that specific groups of students are traditionally unsuccessful on state assessments. The Corrective Action team will develop strategies to raise the success level of these students.

This team will provide staff development for principals and teachers in these and other problem areas. Additionally, the team will monitor instruction, meet regularly with principals to discuss curricular concerns and the interpretation of test data. Team members will assist district instructional coaches with model lessons and professional development as well. Team members will provide information to the school board and the media as needed.

The Cherokee County School District is committed to providing a quality education for every child attending our schools. Further information about Corrective Action is located on the state department of education website at . Parents are invited to attend PTO meetings and other school advisory sessions to become involved in this improvement process.

Thank you

Congratulations to Andrew Patton for being honored with the Goucher Hero award during the 5th grade awards program. We are so proud of him!!!



Thanks to everyone for turning in Box Tops this year!! By turning in Box Tops, we were able to buy supplies for the art program.



**Mrs. Bridges
Art Teacher**

From the nurse.....



Parents, please pickup any medications for your child that have been left in the nurse's office on or before May 27th. This is the last day of school for students. Students cannot carry medication home with them. If the medicine is not picked up by the last day of the school year, it will be destroyed.

**Thanks,
Mrs. Cindy Parker**