



# ANDREW HAWK HERALD

LEADER IN ME, LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOL

October, November, December Edition

## Important Dates / Events



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[www.andrew.k12.ia.us](http://www.andrew.k12.ia.us)  
for up to date news/information

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Carla Till  
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The Andrew Community  
School is an Equal  
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discriminate in its educational  
programs and activities on the  
basis of age, color, creed,  
national origin, race, religion,  
marital status, sex, sexual  
orientation, or gender identity.

### OCTOBER

Oct. 1 - Lions Club Blood Drive 3:30PM - 6:30PM  
Oct. 3 - Parent Lighthouse Mtg. 6:30PM  
Oct. 10 - 1:30PM Early Dismissal  
Oct. 25 - Picture Retakes  
Oct. 26 - No School  
Oct. 29 - No School (PD Day)

### NOVEMBER

Nov. 7 - Parent Lighthouse Mtg. 6:30PM  
Nov. 8 - Middle School Concert 6:30PM  
Nov. 14 - 1:30PM Early Dismissal  
Nov. 19 and 20 - 12:30PM Early Dismissal  
PT Conferences 1:00PM - 7:30PM  
Nov. 21,22,23 - No School  
Nov. 28 - 1:30 Early Dismissal

### DECEMBER

Dec. 5 - Parent Lighthouse Mtg. 6:30PM  
Dec. 10 - Make up Date for Elementary Concert  
Dec. 12 - 1:30PM Early Dismissal  
Dec. 13 - Elementary Concert 6:30PM  
Dec. 24 - Jan. 2 - Winter Break  
Jan. 3 - School Resumes

## Andrew Community School Mission Statement

Andrew Community School District is a unique & collaborative culture, where all students, staff, and families are empowered to learn, lead, and succeed.

# Learning Today to be Leaders Tomorrow



## Hawk Herald Article - Sept. 2018

This year we have expanded our continuous improvement efforts by engaging a group of parents and staff in what is known as SIAC, or School Improvement Advisory Committee. The purpose of this group is to provide the administration and school board with input on all programming related to the school. During bi-weekly meetings we will be discussing items such as curriculum, instruction, assessment, grading, parent communication, and school discipline. Our goal is to ensure that the decisions being made by school leaders are resulting in outcomes that positively affect the students and families that we serve.

So far we have made substantial progress in identifying our current strengths along with opportunities for us to improve. Many of our recent conversations have pertained to the teaching and assessing of foundational literacy and math skills. Following the input we receive from our SIAC group we have been able to revisit our current systems with staff to discuss and implement better ways of educating our students. Following this review process we report out our actions to both the SIAC group as well as our school board. We are eager to continue this new partnership with our families to make sure that we are considering the needs and interests of all the families that we have the pleasure of working with.

We hope that by opening this new line of communication will be more closely connected to the perceptions and needs of the Andrew community. Not only do we ask for input from SIAC members, but we have also spent a great deal of time educating our team so that they can help inform and advocate for our school. Any and all Andrew residents are encouraged to provide input by speaking with staff and administration when they have ideas about how we can improve our school. Of course, it is always better to speak with the person most closely associated with the issue, but we welcome any feedback that would assist our SIAC team. If you have input that you feel would be great for our SIAC team to discuss please email our principal or superintendent.

The most recent project our SIAC group is working on is the development of a parent survey. We hope to be sending it out in the next month to gather information about topics that Andrew families would like to learn more about. These topics might include things like grading, homework, or another area of interest. Please look for this opportunity to provide input along with other chances for your voice to be heard. Together, we will continue to make Andrew CSD the best school for our kids and our community!

# From The Principal's Desk



## Behind the Results

As a new school year begins, districts are receiving last year's data and making plans to enhance student learning for the upcoming year. Andrew Community School is proud to share their results from last year! Before sharing these results, it is important to understand the process that goes into achieving these numbers.

In the fall, kindergarten through fifth grade students are given reading assessments called FAST assessments, to test their current abilities. After the assessments are administered, staff meet in Professional Learning Community Teams to look at and analyze the data that was gathered. These teams work together to place kids in appropriate learning groups. The groups are designed to target specific academic deficits based on student results and teacher observations. After placing the students in meaningful groups, the staff strategically plan for the intervention or enrichment groups using research-based lessons. The lessons are taught in small groups for three weeks. After three weeks, students are re-assessed to see if they have gained the needed skills or if they need more time in the group to achieve those skills. If students have obtained the needed skills, they are then placed in a new group that focuses on other areas of need and the process begins again. The FAST assessments are given again in the winter and spring to see what progress each student is making.

The numbers support that the process at Andrew is working. The state compiles the scores from kindergarten through third grade and this is the information they report out. In the fall of 2017 Andrew had 49/75 (65.3%) students reading at or above grade level. This ranked Andrew 304/392 schools reporting in Iowa. After all the work of staff, students were reassessed in the spring and Andrew had 61/73 (83.6%) students reading at or above grade level, ranking them 37/391 among schools reporting in Iowa. This places Andrew in the top 10% for FAST scores in the entire state. The growth from fall to spring increased 18.2% and was the 5<sup>th</sup> highest in the state. These are numbers to celebrate! Looking at the data, it's clear to see the systems put into place at Andrew are providing students top-of-the-line instruction that strives to meet all student learning needs.



The Kids are having a great time at this years LEAP. Here's what some of them had to say:

Erin says it's fun to hangout with friends and loves movie night best.

Arabella says crafts are her favorite

Easton likes Arts & crafts in the lunch room and hand puppets.

Lucavi likes board games and making new friends



Carleigh enjoys the fun activities we offer on early out Wednesdays

Briley liked the apples with colors and it was fun talking about them.

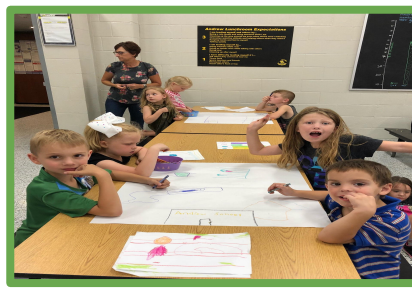
Atty enjoys playing gaga ball & crafts



First Quarter Leap has been off to a great start. Our numbers have skyrocketed since last year! We average 35-50 kids a night! Early out Wednesday's have been a hit also with 70 kids registered. We have a variety of different activities this quarter: Monday nights we have flag football for the older kids and crafts for the younger ones. Tuesday nights we have Kathy's crafts for the big kids and Iowa state Extension: Art Explosion for the younger ones.

Wednesday nights we play legos and board games. Thursday nights we head to different parks throughout our area! On Friday's we end the week with popcorn and a movie on the big screen!

Quarter 2 starts October 30th and runs through January 11th with a new list of fun and exciting activities! The choices for 2nd quarter include the Mississippi River Museum, ISU Extension, Kids Cooking Club, Bumper Bowling, 3D Printing, P.E. Games Galore and Movie Night!





# Meet The New Faces at Andrew School



My name is Zeena Zumwalt and I am the new shared art teacher between Andrew and Maquoketa. I grew up in Muscatine, Iowa and I am very excited with the change in scenery of this area. I am a recent graduate of the University of Northern Iowa where I majored in Art Education with an emphasis in ceramic, and was a professor of art history's assistant. I have a bulldog pug mix named Mitchell who is also very excited to be here with me. I have a strong passion in creating an environment for students to feel safe and welcome while also encouraging risk taking in the artistic process. I have strong faith that this position was the correct one for me, and I'm sure of an amazing year in Andrew and Maquoketa.

My name is Sadie Ambrosy. I am a recent graduate of Iowa State University, with a degree in Event Management. I am originally from a small town in the northeast corner of Iowa, but now I live in Andrew with my husband, Isaac, and our dog Charlotte. In my free time I enjoy spending time with family and traveling with my husband. I am so excited to be here at Andrew!



## YARD SIGNS

What a great way to show your pride in Andrew Schools. You can purchase an Andrew Hawk yard sign for only \$10.00. Stop in at the school office and we will be happy help you out!



National School Hot Lunch Week is October 15 - 19. Our kitchen staff (Jill Huling and Karen Kilburg) work hard everyday to serve nutritious and healthy meals. If you would like to join your student for lunch on any of these days please **select the day that you plan to attend, print how many will attend/eat that day, include your payment and return to school by Monday October 8.**

By doing this ahead of time we can be sure to prepare plenty of meals for the day.

Meal times:

Cost per Adult Meal: \$3.65

K - 1 10:50 - 11:10

Cost per Child Meal: \$2.35

2 - 5 11:30 - 11:50

6 - 8 12:00 - 12:20

\_\_\_\_Adults

**Monday October 15**

\_\_\_\_Children

Pulled Pork Sandwich, Tater Tots, Corn, Fruit, Milk

\_\_\_\_Adults

**Tuesday, Oct 16**

\_\_\_\_Children

Nacho Grande, Ranchero Beans, Fruit, Milk

\_\_\_\_Adults

**Wednesday, Oct 17**

\_\_\_\_Children

Breaded Chicken Drummy, Garlic Bread Stick, Mashed Potatoes w/ Chicken Gravy, Carrots, Fruit, Milk

\_\_\_\_Adults

**Thursday, Oct 18**

\_\_\_\_Children

Lasagna, Cheese Basco Stick, Romaine Lettuce Blend Salad w/ Dressing, Fruit Milk

\_\_\_\_Adults

**Friday, Oct 19**

\_\_\_\_Children

Beef Stew, Warm Biscuit, Cherry Side Kick, Fruit, Milk

**Please send payment with your selections**

# Eat Smart To Play Hard

Use **MyPlate** to help you fuel up with foods from each food group.



## USDA Nondiscrimination Statement

All FNS nutrition assistance programs, State or local agencies, and their subrecipients, must post the following Nondiscrimination Statement:

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the [USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), (AD-3027) found online at: [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), and at an USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call 866-632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

1. mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
2. Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
3. 1400 Independence Avenue, SW
4. Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- 5.
6. fax: 202-690-7442; or
- 7.
8. email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov)





# Free Little Pantry

## What is a Free Little Pantry??



A "Free Little Pantry" is a mini food pantry where those who want and/or need a nonperishable food item and/or a personal care item can go and get it.

Where: The "Free Little Pantry" is located next to the Andrew Little Leaders Daycare.  
Why: There is a local need for FREE nonperishable food items and personal care items.

The "Free Little Pantry" is for ANYONE! The students of Andrew School will work to maintain and stock the "Free Little Pantry" with nonperishable food items and personal care items.  
If you are in need please help yourself.



Trick or Treat for the town of Andrew is **tentatively** set for Sunday October 28, 2018  
4:00pm - 6:00PM



With the cooler temperatures upon us please remember to send a jacket to school with your child.

### Remember to Save the Following items:

- Box Tops for Education
- Prairie Farm Milk Caps
- Milk Moola Caps and Plastic Labels
- Pop Tabs

**Don't forget to ask Grandmas, Grandpas, Aunts, Uncles and Neighbors to save these items. Either drop them off at school or send them to school with a student. Thank you for helping us earn some extra cash for our school. All the pop tabs go to Iowa City Hospitals to support the Ronald McDonald Home!**

**Keep on saving!!!**

## Asbestos Notification 2018

Each year the school district is required to notify the public concerning asbestos in the schools. The district has an asbestos management plan, which is available to the public, which details the specific asbestos building material in the school building. The district's primary asbestos materials include floor tile, and some mudded pipe joints in the maintenance tunnels. All of the materials are inspected on a regular basis and the results of those inspections are included in the management plan. For asbestos to be dangerous to the human health it must be in a friable condition, one that allows fibers to enter the air. The district has no exposed friable asbestos materials and all asbestos containing building materials are in good condition. The district believes that there is no threat to the health of students, staff, or visitors to the building from asbestos building materials. The Andrew Community School district is a member of the consortium of schools in the area, which has it's own asbestos technician who oversees the compliance issues and provides technical assistance. If you have any questions concerning asbestos in the Andrew Schools or would like to see the management plan, please contact Jim Till at 563 672-3221



# virus



Arm yourself  
with an annual flu vaccination!

## Free Flu Vaccine Clinic

Andrew School and Genesis have teamed up again to offer Free Flu Vaccines to all students in Kindergarten to 5th grade. A consent form will be coming home with your child in a couple of weeks. Please sign it and return it to school on or before Wednesday, Oct 24th if you would like your child to receive it.



**WEDNESDAY, OCT 24TH**

**CONTACT NURSE KELLEY WITH  
ANY QUESTIONS!!**





# Welcome to the Hawks Nest



## Introducing

Colson Edward Laban

Born 8/8/18 at 12:21am

8 lbs 20 1/2 inches long

Colson is the son of Katie and Jeff Laban. Katie is the director of Little Leaders Daycare.

Congratulations to the Laban family!



## Introducing

Eliana Lorene Read

Born on 9/11/2018 at 9:11pm

7 lbs. 10 oz. 19.5 inches long

Eliana is the daughter of Chris and Angie Read. Angie is the 4th grade teacher at Andrew Schools.

Congratulations to the Read family!



## Veterans Day

Honoring All Who Served



Andrew staff and students would like to celebrate the military service of our local veterans.

Veterans and their families are invited to celebrate Veterans Day on Friday, November 9th in the Andrew Gymnasium at 2:15 p.m.

We hope to see you there!

## Red Ribbon Week

October 22 - October 25

Monday - PJ and Stuffed Animal Day (Wear your PJ's and bring your favorite stuffed animal)

Tuesday - Dress like your favorite person (TV, Movie Character, person, celebrity)

Wednesday - Sports Day (Wear your favorite jersey and/or hat)

Thursday - Wear Red Day (Wear red to celebrate being drug free)

CHOOSE  
Be  
DRUG  
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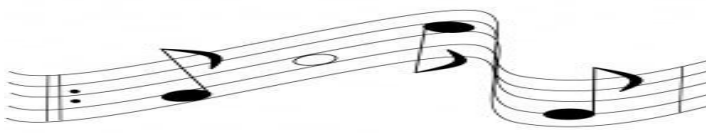
## Color Run Fun

On September 7th, our students participated in a "Run for Readers" color run. Students raised money to help support the purchase of new books for our school library. As a celebration for all of their hard work and fundraising, students enjoyed getting messy and full of colors during the color run. As a school, students raised nearly \$700.00. Students are excited to help Mrs. Bruck pick out some new books!

Thank you Andrew families for supporting this fundraiser!







## **Upcoming Music Events:**

### **Tri-Rivers Conference Junior High Band Festival at Easton Valley, October 18th, Concert at 7pm.**

This festival is an invitation-only event for band members in 7th and 8th grade. Erin Courter, Emilea Haut, and Isabel Fullbright will be representing Andrew School in this exciting large group band opportunity. It's going to be a great experience for these students to play in such a large ensemble!

### **Middle School Concert November 8th at 6:30, Andrew Gym, All Middle School Students.**

The Middle School groups will be showcasing a variety of music for you this month! Including music from the region of west Africa and other fun songs! We hope you can join us to see how the middle school moves to the beat of their own drums!

### **Elementary Winter Concert December 13th at 6:30pm Andrew Gym, All K-5 students.**

## **Additional Music Notes:**

- World Drums have come to Andrew School! With help from a gracious donation from a community member we were able to fully fund the purchase of 24 Remo drums for our African Drumming Unit that students will be participating in this year. We have 12 Djembe's and 12 Tubanos as well as one Shekere and one Gankogui. We utilized the proceeds from the sale of a set of Timpani along with the charitable contribution provided by Wanda Cornelius through the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque's "Great Give Day" to purchase our new drums. THANK YOU Wanda Cornelius!
- Check out the Middle School Music program on Instagram! [andrewmsmusic](#)
- If you're interested in helping the music program at Andrew please contact Mrs. Arnold or check out our wish lists on [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) or the Andrew Music Website!



# Andrew Fire Department

## Fall Breakfast

Sunday, October 7, 2018

7 a.m. to 12 noon

### Menu:

Fluffy Pancakes, Fresh Eggs, Famous Sausage  
Applesauce, Cold Milk, Juice, Hot Coffee

Adults  
\$8



Kids 6-12, \$4  
5 & under, Free



**AFD**



September 20, 2018

## Middle School Families,

We have a fantastic opportunity to take our classroom learning into the field! The Maquoketa Caves to be more exact! We are just finishing up the Solar System and will be onto the water cycle, earth systems and earth history! The Maquoketa Caves are closing soon so we are going to get in there and get some prior knowledge before starting the unit.

We are teaming with Jessica Wagner from the Hurstville Interpretive Center and two other conservationists to guide us through the caves.

**The NGSS Science standards that we will be studying at the Maquoketa Caves are:**

1. Understand and apply knowledge of the water cycle, including events that impact groundwater quality.
2. Understand and apply knowledge of the structure and processes of the earth system and the change of the earth and its surface.
3. Understand and apply knowledge of earth history based on physical evidence.

**Our trip will be on Tuesday, October 9th.**

11:30 AM	Leave school
11:45 - 12:15	Picnic Lunch
12:15 - 2:00	Cave tour, geology hike
2:00 - 2:20	Clean up
2:20 PM	Depart

We will eat lunch there. Students can bring their own lunch or purchase a sack lunch from school. The students will be split into two groups. Each group will have two ACSD teachers and a conservationist.

As always, parents are invited to attend with their student. Students should plan to wear older clothes and closed toe shoes. Please, no flip flops or shoes that fall off easily. Students should also be dressed for the weather. Bug spray is also recommended.

In order for students to participate in this trip, they must have all of their missing work completed by Monday, October 8th at 3:30 and no more than fifteen "1's" for the two weeks prior.

**Please let us know if you have any questions!**

\_\_\_\_\_ My child will bring their own lunch. Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ My child would like to take a sack lunch from school. Name\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will attend the field trip with my student. Name \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CUT & RETURN THE BOTTOM OF THE FORM BY TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2nd!**



1st Annual Andrew CSD  
“**Move for Meals**”  
5K Run/Walk & Kids Fun Run  
Saturday, October 13, 2018  
(Sponsored by the Andrew Parent Lighthouse Team)

**8:00 am:** Same day registration and t-shirt pick-up for all races  
(located in the park shelter)

**8:30 am:** Kids Fun Run (1/4 mile and 1/2 mile), **9:00 am:** 5K Run/Walk  
Adult Entry Fee: \$20/Student Entry Fee: \$10  
Register by October 1st and receive a T-shirt

Come and join us for a run/walk to view some of the most beautiful fall foliage in Iowa and to raise money for a great cause. This is a family event and everyone is welcome to participate. The race will begin in Andrew and continue towards Springbrook and return in Andrew. Snacks will be provided in the park shelter following the race and prizes will be awarded. Please complete the bottom portion of this form and return to the school office. Make checks payable to Andrew CSD Parent Lighthouse.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**T-Shirt Size** (if registered by October 1st) **Adult Size:** S   M   L   XL   XXL **YTH:** S   M   L

Make Checks Payable to: **Andrew CSD Parent Lighthouse**

**Liability Release:** I hereby certify that I agree to hold harmless the city of Andrew, Andrew Community School District, Andrew Parent Lighthouse, organizers, members and anyone else affiliated with the 1st Annual 5K Run/Walk, where any part of the event is held, from loss, damage, or injury resulting in participating in the above event.

Signature of Participate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information contact: Tara Notz (563) 357-3502

**Please mail or drop off registration forms** at the school office: 13 S. Marion St. Andrew, IA

(Money raised will be used to help fund the district's nutrition fund. At times students and families may need help to sustain a positive balance in their meal plan account. It's important for all students to eat healthy meals to continue learning at high levels.)

“Not all readers  
are leaders, but  
all leaders are  
readers.”

- Harry Truman

# The Leader in Me™



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