



# Washington Elementary

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## From the Principal, Ms. McLarty

Happy New Year!

I always enjoy the New Year and the opportunity that it brings. The Washington Staff and I are committed to providing the very best education for your child and we value you in this process! We look forward to working together in the new year!

### New Year Goals

The New Year is a perfect opportunity to visit with your child about success and goals so far in the school year. Ask your child how is school going so far? How are his/her goals progressing from the start of the year?



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## PTO News

### PTO WINTER SOCIAL & ANNUAL HOLIDAY BREAKFAST

It has been a fantastic year for our school and our school community. It takes each person to help make it all work to benefit all students. Thank you for being a part of it and we look forward to the new year.

### Recommendations Needed for Washington Elementary School's Tour of Homes!

If you or someone you know is interested in having your/their home on the school's Tour of Homes please contact Emily Bridges and let her know ([emily.r.bridges@gmail.com](mailto:emily.r.bridges@gmail.com)). The Tour is set for Saturday, May 18 & all the homes need to be in Washington's School Zone (or VERY close to it).

### January

#### January 7

Third Quarter Begins

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Report Cards go home

#### January 14

PTO Spirit Night 5:30-7:30

#### January 21

MLK Holiday  
No School

Join us for our Washington Spirit Night  
Tonight, Monday, January 14  
Starlight Skatium  
5:30-7:30 \$6.00 for skating

## Library News, Mrs. Champagne

We hope everyone had a restful Winter Break

Get ready for Book Hogs. February 1st, students will begin to log their reading time! The goal is to read for 360 minutes (outside of school) during the month of February. Prizes will be rewarded for achieving 360 minutes, most minutes read, and beating Ms. Champagne! Look for the playbooks to go home the week of Jan. 28th!

Stay warm and keep reading!

## Spelling Bee Winners



**Congratulations to**

**Nathan Gosman**

For winning the annual  
Washington School Spelling Bee.

**Pablo Lock**

First Runner Up

Washington will participate in the Washington  
County Spelling Bee  
This month.

## Community Spotlight

The Fraternity of Kappa Kappa Gamma will begin their spring semester volunteering with our students. The ladies of Kappa report to us that volunteer times are in high demand with their members. Teachers request for days and times where the young women come to work with students with their work.

Washington and Kappa are 10 years strong in our partnership. This partnership has grown stronger every year. Also, Washington is one of the chapter's main philanthropies. Many times Washington Elementary is mentioned in their national news.

*Many thanks go to the ladies of Kappa Kappa Gamma  
for the care and support to our school.*

## Choose Love

As we move into the new year make a resolution to practice choosing love! As a school we will be taking gratitude time outs once a month to practice focusing on what we are thankful for rather than what we do not have or what we do not like.

Try this with your family. It just takes a few minutes! A gratitude time out is when everyone drops what they are doing and thinks or writes or draws about the many people, things and activities they are thankful for.

This collective energy can make a real difference in your day, week, month or year. If you are interested in learning more about choose love please come to our choose love family connection nights this spring!

Mrs. Lechtenberger



Congratulations to these Washington students  
Who completed  
Sit, Stay, Read

Many thanks to Cheri Coley and her furry  
friends, Winston and Stormy  
And the  
Fayetteville Public Library for their continued  
support to Washington students.

Check out our Parent Library Center

We have books parents can check out  
that cover a full range of topics  
that you may be interested in reading such as:

Student Motivation  
Parenting 101  
Strategies to help struggling students



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### Send your Box Tops to Schools

Turn in your Box Tops. Just send them to school to your child's teacher or drop them in the cereal box next to the Portrait of President Washington.

### Our School Earns Cash

Twice a year, General Mills will send our school a check worth 10 cents for each Box Top redeemed.

## 10 Ways to Start Off the New Year for Kids and Grownups Let's all practice "Begin With the End in Mind "

- Eat a Healthy Breakfast in the morning.
  - Get to school or work on Time
  - Practice your Math Facts
    - Read Everyday
    - Try Your Very Best
- Set Goals for the New Year- Academic and Personal
  - Get Along With Others
  - Eat Healthy and Exercise
    - Listen to Others
  - Take time for yourself



