



The District 271 School Bell

"News From Our District"

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Paw Paw School District
No. 271

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Message from the Paw Paw Interim Superintendents

There are always challenges in education. You have to move forward, to add, to improve on what you have. The key to being successful is knowing what to keep and what to change, so you have to look at where you are and where you want to go - and design a plan that takes you there.

Of course, you need to have a sound place to start, and Paw Paw is that place. As with any school, we can improve, and we can provide our students with even better opportunities to succeed. As a school district, Paw Paw is on the path to strengthening our school improvement process and our academic curriculum. Being in a place where teaching and learning are at the forefront of conversations works, and it works well.

At the February 17 Board Meeting, our school improvement progress was presented. It was good for the Board and community members in attendance to hear about the professional dialogue and strategies that are leading our district through positive change.

We have been very impressed with the faculty and staff at Paw Paw. There is a level of dedication and commitment to the students in our district that you just do not see everywhere. With a dedicated staff, great students, and supportive parents and community members, there is nothing we cannot accomplish if we work together and put the best interests of our students first!



Next School Board Meeting:

Monday, March 16, 2020—7:00 PM

Paw Paw School—Rm. #124

Spelling Bee

Winners for Elementary Spelling Bee were: First Place-Liam Crumpton and Runner-Up-Gabe Coats. For Middle School, the winners were: First Place-Adriana Allen and Runner-Up-Abby Risch.

Adriana will compete on February 20th in the Regional Spelling Bee at Dixon High School at 10:00 am.

Elementary Contestants:

- 1.Cooper Bernabei, 3rd
- 2.Kendall Burket, 4th
- 3.Gabe Coats, 2nd
- 4.Liam Crumpton, 4th
- 5.Lillian Dyer, 3rd
- 6.Everett Hickey, 4th
- 7.Raegan Ickes, 4th
- 8.Henry Johnston, 4th
- 9.Avery Kern, 3rd
- 10.Jacky Monarrez, 2nd
- 11.Helena Martin, 2nd
- 12.Bailee Richey, 3rd
- 13.Jocelyn Schoenholz, 3rd
- 14.Bailey Wilson, 2nd
15. Valerie Zvonek, 2nd

Middle School Contestants:

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| 1. Alexis Adkins, 7th | |
| 2. Adriana Allen, 7th | 17. Logan Schrader, 6th |
| 3. Michael Bedford, 5th | 18. Sarah Smith, 5th |
| 4. Brie Clayton, 5th | 19. Shane Skotnik, 7th |
| 5. Sally Diaz, 7th | 20. Sarah Zarko, 6th |
| 6. Hannah Gonzalez, 6th | |
| 7. Nick Hoffer, 6th | |
| 8. Natalie Hollenback, 8th | |
| 9. Liam McLaughlin, 7th | |
| 10. Angel Monarrez, 8th | |
| 11. Aaron Ness, 8th | |
| 12. Matthew Ness, 6th | |
| 13. Callie Pask, 5th | |
| 14. Maeve Prendki, 5th | |
| 15. Abby Risch, 8th | |
| 16. Landon Schrader, 8th | |





A big "Thank You" to a special South Carolina friend of the Paw Paw LEO Club, who donated handmade thermal cups to the raffle!

Save the Date!

6TH ANNUAL FAMILY BARN DANCE!

Saturday, February 22 • 6-8PM
Paw Paw High School



Who's Invited? All Paw Paw Families and their guests!
Cost? None!



Hosted by the Paw Paw LEO Club and the local churches and organizations that nurture our youth!

Leadership **E**xperience **O**pportunity

Monetary donations and Raffle donations will be graciously accepted by the LEOS (Make checks out to Paw Paw Lions Club.) on behalf of the Paw Paw Fire Department. The Lions will match the community's donations dollar to dollar, up to \$1,250! The PPFD Association is working to acquire new dress uniforms! Let's make it happen & have fun at the same time!

Spring Concert and Art Show

The Spring Concert and Art Show are coming up! They will be held on May 7th .
Watch for more information in the April newsletter.

8th Grade Promotion

The date has been set for the 8th grade Promotion. The Promotion will be on May 22
at 7:00 p.m.



From Student Council:


- The Blood Drive will be held on March 4th, 1-6 p.m. in Elementary Gym. Be a hero and save a life.**
- Thank you to all who purchased Crush pop for Valentine's Day.**
- Student Council is collecting coins for the March of Dimes this month. The March of Dimes Organization assists babies who are born too soon. Each class has a container to fill with coins. The collection will run the whole month of March. The class that collects the most money will receive a prize. Thank**



MARCH MENU

1% white/non-fat choc milk available at all lunches
Menu subject to change due to availability and school closings

Gr. K-6-\$2.25
Gr. 7-12 \$2.50
Adults \$2.75

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot dog Tator tots Baked beans Juice box 2	Pizza Lettuce salad Pineapple Rice krispie treat 3	Taco salad Lettuce/cheese Orange P.butter cookie 4	Brd. Pork/bun French fries Corn Peaches 5	Grilled cheese Tomato soup Carrots/p.butter Applesauce cup 6
Hamburger /bun Chips ad Carrots/p.butter Mixed berry cup 9	Cheese quesadilla Lettuce/cheese Peaches Choc.chip cookie 10	Chicken tenders Tri tators Green beans Pears 11	Rib sandwich Savory fries Corn Slushy 12	Cheese breadsticks Lettuce sal- Mandarin oranges 13 Dbl.choc chip cookie
Corny dog Tator tots Green beans Juice box 16	Pizza Lettuce salad Pineapple St.Patty cookie 17	Chicken patty/bun Mashed pot./gravy Corn Pumpkin cookie 18	Taco salad Lettuce/cheese Mandarin oranges Brownie 19	Mini calzone Lettuce Peaches Sidekick 20
SPRING BREAK				
Bar-b-que Tri tator Green beans Juice box 30	Turkey slice Mashed pot./gravy Corn/roll Pumpkin bar 31			



Calendar of Events MARCH

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| 2 4:30 p.m. | JHGBB w/Somonauk | 9-12 JHGBB Jr. 10 Tournament |
| 4 4:30 p.m. | JHGBB w/Earlville | 16 7:00 p.m. School Board Meeting |
| 4 K-8 Lifetouch Spring Pictures | | 20 2:00 p.m. Early Dismissal |
| 4 1:00-6:00 p.m. Blood Drive in JH Gym | | 23-27 NO SCHOOL-Spring Break |
| | | 30 Return from Spring Break |

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 4—Lifetouch Spring Pictures
- March 16—School Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- March 20—Spring Break Begins (2:00 p.m. Dismissal)
- March 30—School Resumes



Yearbooks on sale now!

Bring your \$13.00 to your teacher (Elementary) or the office.

Only taking orders until March 30th at noon!

Paw Paw Schools Memorial Wall

A memorial wall is being established at the entrance of the High School. Its purpose is for families to remember loved ones who have attended Paw Paw Schools and for individuals who have an attachment to the schools and want to leave a lasting legacy. To remember loved ones or leave a legacy, paw prints with names can be purchased starting at \$150. The paw prints with the names and years of life or graduating class year, will be prominently displayed on the wall. The money collected for the wall will be used for projects that are permanent. If you are interested in purchasing a paw print, contact 815-627-2841 x228.