



Elementary News and Notes

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have a few exciting events taking shape at the elementary this week and in the weeks to come. We are a little behind getting this out to you as we waited on some details of a couple of the events. So, without any further delay, here are this week's news and notes!

Coins for Cancer: We are wrapping this up this week and will donate all money to the Eagles Telethon. As a school we have raised over a thousand dollars already and several grades are in contention for the pizza party at the end. This will end Friday, February 28th and money will be counted and finalized Monday to give to the Eagles Telethon. We are proud of all our Eagles for their efforts to raise money for a cause that has affected so many!

Kindergarten Registration: We will be hosting a Kindergarten Registration Night on Tuesday, March 4th at 6:30pm-7:30pm or until done. Get information on Kindergarten, Nature Based Kindergarten, and more. We will meet in the elementary cafeteria.

Preschool Registration: We will be hosting Preschool Registration Night on Wednesday, March 5th at 4:30pm-6:30pm in the preschool wing of the school. If



interested in our course offerings, for 3, 4, and 5 year olds, please stop on by to get questions answered and sign up.

Field Trip Sponsorship: The elementary school recently had a sponsorship for field trips for the 2024-2025 and the 2025-2026 school years. **Just Between Friends** has graciously donated \$15,000 for field trip costs. The elementary would like to thank Shelley Yohe and her business Just Between Friends for supporting our field trips. Here are a few of the details from the press release:

Dover-Eyota Public Schools is excited to announce a generous sponsorship from

Shelley Yohe, owner and CEO of Just Between Friends (Rochester), who has committed to covering the district's elementary field trip expenses up to \$15,000 for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years. "I am so proud that a local, small business owner like me can provide such fun and educational field trips for elementary children," said Yohe.

This incredible partnership with a thriving local business ensures that our youngest Eagles will continue to experience valuable learning opportunities beyond the classroom. Field trips are essential to a well-rounded education, offering students hands-on experiences that enhance their learning, curiosity, and understanding of the world around them.

"At a time when the district is facing financial challenges, Just Between Friends has stepped up to make a difference! We encourage our community to return the



favor by supporting this outstanding local business—owned by one of our very own colleagues and a dedicated Dover-Eyota parent,” said Jeremy Frie, Superintendent.

Support Just Between Friends Rochester

The Just Between Friends Children's Consignment Sale is a semi-annual event offering families access to quality children's clothing, toys, books, and more at affordable prices. The upcoming sale will take place:

- 📍 April 10-13, 2025 at Graham Arena #3, Olmsted County Fairgrounds
- ◆ Free Parking & Free Tickets (Required for Entry)
- ◆ Follow on Facebook: Just Between Friends Rochester

For more information about Just Between Friends Rochester, and to get your tickets for the event visit Rochester.jbfsale.com.

Dover-Eyota Public Schools extends its heartfelt gratitude to Shelley Yohe and Just Between Friends for their generosity and support of our students.

Kids Heart Challenge: Back after a couple of years off, our P.E. staff is helping to promote healthy hearts. The following includes some of the details of the event with dates and information.



Dear Dover-Eyota Elementary Families,

Mrs. Schott and Mr. Scheevel are bringing back the Kids Heart Challenge (Jump Rope for Heart/Hoops for Heart) for our school to participate in. It has been since 2021 that we have partnered with the American Heart Association, and we are excited to host this event once again helping raise money for a wonderful cause. I am sure most, if not all of us, know someone who has a heart-related health condition. Please join us in the month of March to celebrate healthy hearts. Our school's goal is to collect \$2,500 to support heart health initiatives.

Kids Heart Challenge Kickoff: Monday, March 3

Kids Heart Challenge Packets Due: Friday, March 14

Kids Heart Challenge Online Donations End: Friday, March 21

Remember, this fundraiser is OPTIONAL. Students who sign up online will receive a special wristband as a token of their commitment. There are various donation levels, with different prizes available based on the amount of money raised. Regardless of whether students fundraise or not, all students will participate in our **Kids Heart Challenge celebration, which will take place on March 17 and 18 during your scheduled PE time.** The plan for our celebration is to partner with high school students to enjoy jump rope and basketball activities together. At the end of each class, students will enjoy a healthy snack and beverage that has been sponsored by P.A.T.T. (Dover-Eyota Parents and Teachers Together).

First & Second Grade Music Program: On Friday, March 21st at 9:30 and 2:00 the students in 1st and 2nd grade will perform "A Day in the Country". We are asking families to join us at one of the two times. Jeans, flannel, and country-wear is the dress code, sorry no hats.



Yearbook Orders: Don't forget to order your yearbook!

Yearbooks must be purchased online.

<https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A09822369>

Ordering closes on Friday, March 21st

Upcoming Events:

March 21st- 1st & 2nd Grade Music Performance

March 28th- 4th & 5th Grade Spring Party (After School)

March 28th- End of Quarter 3

March 31st- No School

Elementary Calendar: For the elementary calendar please use this link.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sqv-dCUg_sY5FtyKY7GbDSAcBO3MQ96n/view

Let's make it a great week! Go Eagles!

Sincerely,

Ben Midge- Elementary Principal