



ETTLE CREEK SCHOOL CORPORATION

"Our mission is to provide an exemplary educational experience that maximizes each student's highest potential."

"PEOPLE ARE IMPORTANT HERE!"



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Dear Parents and Nettle Creek Community Members,

One doesn't have to look very far to find Nettle Creek School Corporation students making headlines!

Recognizing that school only provides for a part of the development of our

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K-12 Tiger students, we're proud when we find instances where our children are leading the way during

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Nettle Creek Family of Schools

their family time away from school such as during the summer and often at places very far from the Nettle Creek valley. A great example of just such a Tiger student who is making a name for herself far afield is Mattie Drew Doerstler. We came across her story in the August 2017 issue of *The Showtimes*, a nationally distributed agricultural periodical. In the article that begins on page 232, Ms. Doerstler shares her experience developing her skill showing cattle giving credit to

family, friends and neighbors for her success. Beyond her success in the show ring, Mattie and other Nettle Creek students like her who are involved in activities outside of school, are building a work ethic and sound character that will serve each of them well for the rest of their lives.

Students Assemble To Learn About Safety!

Students in both school buildings participated in safety lessons recently. We send a tip of the Tiger's tail to the men from the Hagerstown Fire Department who spoke with K-6 students about fire safety. Students in Grades 7-12 assembled in the auditorium at the Jr./Sr. high with Mr. Childs and their teachers to watch a presentation and to discuss bicycle safety.



We Don't Take Grants For Granted!

Staff at NCSC continuously seeks to stretch our resources and enhance our service to students by pursuing grant funds. We've all learned through experience that there is a big difference between writing grants and winning grants. This past week two grant applications were submitted. The first is a Title 4 Grant that if the application is successful will allow us to enlarge our Communities In Schools support to include the Jr./Sr. high. The second grant is an Early Intervention Grant which, if the application is successful, will provide training and materials for first and second-grade classroom assistants. Keep your fingers crossed!

Congratulations And Thanks To Tiger Athletes And Coaches!

Nettle Creek Athletes in every sport distinguished themselves during the Fall season! While the rest of us are thoroughly entertained during games and matches, we send tips of the Tiger's tail to the students and the coaches who obtained their levels of success by working hard at each practice and during each competition. Tiger athletes in Fall sports performed superbly in sectional, regional, and semi-state competitions. Along with building our community's tradition of Tiger Pride, our students learn that skill can be developed and that effort, perseverance and teamwork are key ingredients of success! The football team continues in



post-season play this weekend against Tri High in the second round of sectional play. We host the game at Cory Field at 7:00P.M. Please join us on Friday night. We guarantee you more Purple & Gold excitement! Go Tigers!

Tiger Cub Earns Rewards!

A disciplined learning environment is required to assure students learn in school. Not all students reach the



"finish line" at the same time, however, regardless if they are seven years old or seventeen years old. While a fair and consistent system of negative consequences teaches children the difference between right and wrong, schools understand that a system of incentives provides students with the motivation to make the right choices. Evan Thornburg is a Hagerstown Elementary School student who was caught doing something good recently and received recognition for it by his teacher. As a result, Evan received a ticket that he gladly deposited in the rotating drum that sits outside of the school cafeteria. Evan joins all of the other students who have deposited tickets in the drum for a chance to receive a special treat when winners are drawn. Good luck,

Evan! We send a tip of the Tiger's tail to you for your good work!

Nettle Creek School Corporation Celebrates Our Veterans!

You are invited to join students and staff at Hagerstown Elementary School on Friday, November 10th as we recognize and thank the veterans in our community. Ms. Sanders and the children have prepared a program of patriotic songs that they will present at 1:30P.M. the school gymnasium.



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HES PTO Supports Our Students!

The HES PTO had their kick-off this past week for the Fall Fundraiser. This year the students are selling can-



dy bars to help support school activities. The HES PTO does many wonderful things that help fill the gap for students when other funds run short. Along with fieldtrip scholarships and other day-to-day support, the PTO has purchased a new sound system for the school that makes the children's performances in the gym that much more enjoyable. Students have brought home an informational flyer and a permission slip that must be returned to school to participate in the sale. Please contact the PTO at school if you have any questions. 765.489.4555 Thank you!

A Request From Ms. Solis In The Preschool!

The Preschool is in need of large Duplo Blocks. If your kids have outgrown them, and grandkids aren't right around the corner, our preschoolers would love to put them to good use! Please contact Ms. Solis at asolis@nettlecreek.k12.in.us. Thanks!

Bus Drivers Needed!

Bus drivers at NCSC are a great group and provide a very special service. Driving a school bus is a perfect opportunity for good drivers who want a part-time job that pays well and is on the same schedule as our schools. Training is available. If you would like more information or if you know of someone who would make a great bus driver, please contact Dr. Doering at 765.489.4543.