## Appleton



## **Elementary School**

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#### October 17, 2023 For Your Calendar

Oct. 17 - Spell -a - Thon begins Oct. 18 - Students in school Parent/Teacher Conferences 4pm-8pm Oct. 19 -Students in school - Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00pm-8:00pm Oct. 24 - 6:00pm 2nd Grade Musical - South Gym

Dear Appleton Community,

Spell-A-Thon!!!

Appleton's super fun Spell-A-Thon is on!

Help us fund new playground equipment on our small playground with the pledges you receive.

What else will donations from the Spell a Thon support?

- Instructional Aides who help kids with reading and math.
- A professional artist to teach our kids art lessons.
- Technology resources.
- Library and Bookroom books.
- Music resources for concerts.
- and much more!

This is a HUGE fundraiser for us! Several years ago, our PTA made the shift from doing multiple "product sales" fundraisers every year that returned 10% to 40% profit. The Spell-A-Thon returns 100% of the profits. These profits benefit your kids. This fundraiser is so different from most fundraisers in that the focus is on academics for our students, too.

Thanks for your support!

Here are the Spell-A-Thon incentives this year:

1. All participating students will receive a special treat from the PTA for a great community effort.

- 2. Students who spell their words 100% correctly (not including Bonus Words) will have their name displayed on the Top 100% chart and receive a recognition incentive from the PTA.
- 3. Classrooms with at least 75% of students earning \$5 or more will receive a <u>root beer float party</u>.
- 4. Students who earn \$100 or more will get to choose one of three different toys.
- 5. Students who earn \$250 or more will receive a pizza party with Mr. Hafey.
- 6. The class with the highest earnings will receive a party (details TBD).
- 7. The student with the highest earnings will receive a <u>trophy and recognition</u> <u>from the school</u>.

#### Thank You Coldstone's Creamery

We'd like to thank Linda & Dustin Smith from Coldstone's Creamery and their super friendly staff for making "Ice Cream with the Principal" such a fun event. Their support of the Appleton Carnival and PTA silent auction are much appreciated. Thank you!

## **Conference Time is Here!**

Conferences are October 13, 18 & 19.

# If you are unsure of your scheduled time, please confirm with your child's teacher.

Conference thoughts...

- Greater than 95% of Appleton parents attend their child's conference.
- Conferences are a great way to find out your child's growth.
- Conferences help you know what you can do to help your child.
- Conferences provide even more reasons to hug your kid for their effort over the first quarter.

### HALLOWEEN AT APPLETON

I know it is a little early but to help in your Halloween costume planning, here are the protocols for our Halloween celebration:

- Parade We will have a costume parade out on the north playground, weather permitting at 10:00 am on Tuesday, Oct. 31. In case of poor weather the parade will be canceled and will not be held in the hallways.
- No weapons or facsimiles of weapons. This includes: all martial arts weapons, bullets, bullet casings, all guns, all bladed props (swords, knives, scythe, tridents, etc.), bows and arrows.

• Parents/Guardians - Parents are allowed to participate in person at the parties and the parade. Parents will be asked to sign into the parade (a sign-up table will be set up on the north playground and for parties).

#### Go Bookworms!

Corey Hafey - Appleton Elementary