

# Appleton

## Elementary School

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## October 24, 2023

For Your Calendar

Oct. 24 - 6:00pm 2nd Grade Musical - South Gym  
Oct. 26 - 4:10 PTA in the library

Dear Appleton Community,

### **HALLOWEEN AT APPLETON - HELP US HAVE A GREAT TIME!**

Here is the information you need to know 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).

### **Unbelievable! Over 200 office referrals to see the Principal in the 1st Quarter!**

Ok, that headline may be a little misleading and cause some of you to wonder if Appleton's great reputation for Respect & Effort has fallen apart. Don't worry, these office referrals represent several hundred times in the first quarter that students were sent to the office for a positive celebration. That's amazing! Our staff are always on the lookout to recognize Respect and Effort and reward students when they display it.

### **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 root beer float party.
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 trophy and recognition from the school.

### **Safety Support**

Please be super careful when pulling out near the crosswalk. It can be very difficult to see our students and our crossing guard in this area so please go slow.

**Go Bookworms!**

Corey Hafey - Appleton Elementary

