

Ouabache Times

Fun facts about the new staff:

Mary Wishert– School Counselor

“My parents are former owners of H&C Amusements and current owners of H&C Concessions (Family fun Carnival rides and Foods) I grew up running the show with them from age 13-18. “

Krystle Moore– Pt Secretary

“I am a professional clown.”

Kimberly McCullough– First Grade

“I have taught at two schools- the one I went to growing up and now the one my husband went to growing up!”

Arielle Coleman– Second Grade

“I was on an episode of Blue's Clues as a baby!”

Brandis Lemmons- Second Grade

“I used to be a photographer and a DJ.”

Taylor Christy–Second Grade

“My dad's name is "Chuck" and my name is "Taylor." I was (accidentally) named after a shoe!”

Debra Whitehouse– Third Grade

“I love to solve the word Jumble in the Terre Haute Tribune-Star”

Sarah Frey– Fourth Grade

Brittany Canino– Fifth Grade

Talitha Flowers– ED Classroom

Megan Fulsom– Functional Classroom

“I taught in North Carolina before moving to Indiana and I'm a huge Carolina Tarheel fan!”

Ila Frazier– Functional Classroom

“I have four sisters.”

Gretchen Lance– SPED

“I enjoy going to concerts with my best friend.”

Cynthia Barbee– SLP

“I have lived in Ohio, Florida and California”

Ashlea Brown– Functional EA



Katherine Gonzalez– ED EA

Important Dates:

Sept.7th– Spell bowl practice

Sept.7th– Rachel's challenge presentation

Sept.19th– PTO meeting 3:00pm,

Sept.19th– Midterms sent home

Sept.28th– Vision screening 1st, 3rd, 5th grades

Oct.3rd– 2 Hour Delay

Spell Bowl

First spell bowl practice is September 7th.

Permission slips are coming home in Tuesday folders.



Title One

Welcome Back to School! It is wonderful to see our hallways bustling with students again! Thank you so much for attending our Title 1 Open House and our

Title 1 Family Night at the Children's Museum. As always, we look forward to hearing any ideas or

suggestions you may have to assist our families and increase our family involvement opportunities.

Once again, we are going to promote 20 minutes of reading each night. Students that reach this goal will be invited to celebrations throughout the school year, as well as, a Reading Prom in May.

Research indicates that reading for 20 minutes each night increases overall reading levels and promotes a love of reading.

Keep reading!

Mrs. Burpo

Ms. Hammond

Student Leaders

Student Leader Applications were sent home in the August 29th Tuesday Folder



Conscious Discipline

Our staff is starting a book study this year and implementing Conscious Discipline. It is based on current brain research, child development information, and developmentally appropriate practices. Conscious Discipline has been specifically designed to make changes to the lives of adults first.

Some strategies to try at home:

Be a STAR (Smile, Take a deep Breath, and Relax) Noticing instead of judgment is the key to safety.

ex: I notice you cleaned up the family room so our family can be safe.

I notice your fist are clinched and your head is down.

I notice you did all your homework before dinner. You did it!

Rachel's Challenge

This is a corporation-wide initiative to bring back kindness and combat bullying in our schools. Our presentation for Rachel's Challenge is this Thursday. Please view the segment from WTWO to learn more.

<https://www.mywabashvalley.com/news/local-news/kindness-creating-a-chain-reaction-at-vigo-co-school-corporation/>