



Francisco Elementary School

October Issue 2022

October-Breast Cancer Awareness Month

October 3—Custodian's Day—Thank you LeNora and Leo; Volleyball Game @ Haubstadt-A only 4:30

October 5—Photo Retakes

October 6—Do something nice for someone.

October 6—Volleyball Game @ Princeton-A only 5:00

October 7-Volleyball Tourney @ WMHS @ 4:30;

October 10- School Board Meeting 6.

October 11-4th Grade Field Trip to Farm Fair

October 13—End of First Quarter

October 14-17—Fall Break

October 19-Dress like a Pumpkin—Wear Orange and Black

October 20—Report Cards; Take a walk at School Day @ 2:15

October 21—Decorate your Classroom Doors

October 24-28—Red Ribbon Week

Oct. 24-Camo Day

Oct. 25-PaJama Day

October 26-Wear Red Day; K-1-2 Field Trip to Pumpkin Patch; PTO Meeting @ 4

October 27—Wear Western Attire.

October 28—Halloween Walk at 9 a.m.

October 31—Happy Halloween!!!

A Note from the Principal:

Fall Break is coming! Fall Break is coming!

For everyone, it is a chance to catch their breath, re-charge, and get ready for grading period #2. We've made it through the start of a new school year, all the initial testing, and settled into our routines. As crazy as it sounds, Winter Break is almost here. After Fall Break, it's just five weeks until Thanksgiving! After that, three short weeks until Winter Break. I'm certain all of it will be an exciting blur.

As you go over your student report card, please remember to reach out to the teacher if you have questions or concerns. Parent support and involvement is one of the leading factors in ensuring student success. Understanding your student's achievements and challenges in the classroom is an essential part of education and it helps the school and home forge a strong partnership and commitment to support each other.

Once again, we are excited to be having our annual Halloween Walk. This will take place on Friday October 28th at 9 am. Students will be walking weather permitting on the walking path if the highway is not open. We will communicate with parents the location of the walk closer to Oct. 28th. Parents will be asked to park in the East parking lot and will be permitted to pass out treats to students again this year. The treats must be in the original package and purchased from the store. This will allow for us to take care of all our allergy students and make sure that those students are safe.

This year our basketball teams will be a combination of all three schools. Girls will be practicing and playing most of their games at FES and the boys will use the BTS facility. Please pay close attention to the sports schedule when you get the information to make sure that you know when and where your child will be playing. Mr. Malin worked with other schools to create our basketball schedules and will be helping supervise games at both facilities. If your child is going to be out from practice, please notify the coach of that status.

Please take the time to read over the material sent via email about being a Title 1 school. Each year we are required to conduct an annual meeting which will be completed virtually this year. All our elementary schools at East Gibson are Title 1 schools. Title 1 funds are used to support effective, evidence-based educational strategies that help close the achievement gap and enable students to meet the states challenging academic standards. We are very lucky to have Ms. Mayer serve as our title 1 instructor and work with students to help support their needs. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me or Ms. Mayer.

Sincerely,

Jane A. Reed
Principal of Francisco Elementary School





2022-2023 Indiana Assessment Windows

Indiana Learning Evaluation Assessment Readiness Network (ILEARN)		
ILEARN Biology End-of-Course Assessment (ECA) December ¹	November 28, 2022	December 16, 2022
ILEARN Biology ECA February ²	February 6, 2023	February 24, 2023
ILEARN Grades 3-8	April 17, 2023	May 12, 2023
ILEARN Biology ECA May ³ and Optional U.S. Government ECA	April 17, 2023	May 19, 2023
Indiana Statewide Testing of Education Progress Plus (ISTEP+) Retest		
Winter Retest	November 7, 2022	December 9, 2022
Spring Retest	February 6, 2023	March 3, 2023
SAT		
SAT Primary Testing Dates	March 1, 2023	March 3, 2023
SAT Make-Up Testing ⁴ Dates	April 12, 2023	April 19, 2023
Preliminary SAT / National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT)		
PSAT/NMSQT Primary Testing Day	October 12, 2022	
PSAT/NMSQT Alternate Testing Day	October 25, 2022	
Indiana Reading and Evaluation Determination Grade 3 (IREAD-3)		
Spring Administration	March 6, 2023	March 17, 2023
Summer Administration	May 22, 2023	July 14, 2023
Indiana's Alternate Measure (IAM)		
IAM	April 3, 2023	May 12, 2023
WIDA ACCESS for English Learners		
WIDA ACCESS Annual Assessments	January 9, 2023	February 24, 2023

Halloween Walk

Francisco Elementary students in grades K thru 6 will participate in the annual Halloween Walk on Friday, October 28th. The walk will begin at approximately 9 a.m. weather permitting. The Halloween parade will take place this year on the walking path if the highway is not open. Parents will be permitted to park in the parking area on the East end of the building and line up to watch the parade. Parents may line the walking path and bring in store bought, bagged treats to share with the students. Treat bags will be sent home with the students at the end of the day. Students are encouraged to dress in their favorite costume. Guidelines for costumes are: (1) No costume may include ANY type of toy gun or weapon. (2) No scary or vulgar masks or fake blood. (3) All costumes must be age/school appropriate. Happy Halloween!!!



School Pictures

Students who did not get their picture taken on August 30th will be getting their photos taken. If you received your school picture order from Aug. 30th and you were not happy with your child's photo the packet will need to be returned on retake day. **Retakes are scheduled for October 5th.**

PTO Needs You!!!

We will be having our PTO meeting on October 26th at 4 p.m. We need some volunteers to serve as officers for our PTO. Please consider volunteering to serve as an officer. We would hate to not have a PTO group this year due to the lack of interest because of all the fun activities they provide for our students. Please contact the office if you are willing to help at (812) 782-3207. Working together we make a difference for all our students.

Red Ribbon Week—October 24-28

This year we will be having a door decorating contest for students at FES. Students will be helping their teacher decorate their classroom doors. Students will then be allowed to vote using pennies for the door that they like best. Contest Winners will be announced on Oct. 28th.