



Wooster City School District

Inspiring World-Class Academic Achievement

December 1, 2023

Melrose Elementary Family Newsletter

Principal's Message

PEOPLE TO PEOPLE TOY DRIVE

Our Melrose families are invited to participate in the People to People Giving Tree Toy Drive. Melrose students will be collecting new and gently used toys starting **November 28** through **December 15th**. There will be a Giving Tree set up in the front entrance of the building. Please place all unwrapped gifts under the tree. A flyer was sent home with suggested items to bring. Please consider giving this season!

HOLIDAY SHOP

PTO will be providing students with the opportunity to shop for their family at the school Holiday Shop! Students will be able to shop on **December 11-14**. More information and order forms will be sent home with students.

WINTER CLASSROOM PARTIES

Classroom winter parties are **December 21st** from 2:30-3:15 pm. Room parents collaborate with volunteers to run parties. If you are a parent volunteer and will be helping, please send in a note with your child if you will be taking them home with you following the party.

Upcoming Events

December 6

Domino's Dine to Donate

December 1-15

People to People Toy Drive

December 11-14

PTO Holiday Shop

December 14

PE Take-Over/Wheelchair Basketball

December 19

Melrose 2nd and 3rd Grade
Concert-6 pm
Bosco's Pizza Night

December 21

Winter Party - 2:30 pm

December 22- January 5

Winter Break - No School

January 8

Students Return to School

SECOND AND THIRD GRADE WINTER CONCERT

We would like to invite you to attend our 2nd and 3rd grade winter concert on ***Tuesday, December 19, 2023***. The concert will be held at **Wooster High School** in the **Performing Arts Center (PAC)** and will begin at **6:00 PM**. Students need to arrive at **5:45 PM**. The concert will be winter themed to celebrate the holiday season. Please come support our students and see what they have learned!

LABEL HATS AND COATS

With the cold weather here, be sure to label all coats, hats, gloves, etc. Others may take clothes by mistake because they don't have any names.

NO SCHOOL

December 22-January 5 – Winter Break

January 8 - Students return to school

OUTSIDE RECESS

Students go outside as long as the temperature is at/above 20 degrees, including the wind chill. Please make sure that students are dressed appropriately (winter coats, hats, gloves, boots). Students are only permitted to be in the snow if they are wearing winter boots. Please contact the school if you need assistance for cold weather attire.

PE TAKE-OVER/WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

December 14th Adaptive Sports Ohio will “take-over” our PE classes with an assembly to introduce wheelchair basketball to our students.

THERAPY DOG THURSDAYS

Ruby the therapy dog will be visiting our school on Thursdays. She will be visiting and reading with our students in the classroom.

Counselor’s Corner with Mrs Shaniuk

We will be working on Habit #4, **Think Win-Win**, for the month of December.

THE GIVING TREE

We invite our Melrose families to participate in the Giving Tree ***November 27th-December 15th!*** In Collaboration with People to People Ministries, we will work together to provide for families in need this Holiday season. Our Giving Tree will be set up in the front entrance of the building. Please place all **unwrapped gifts** under the tree. We greatly appreciate your support.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS

The decision to delay or cancel school will be made no later than 6:00 am, but decisions are predominantly made between 5:15-5:45 am. In some cases the decision may be made the night before, if weather conditions warrant. School will be delayed or closed when frostbite can occur in 30 minutes or less.

The school district's primary source is **WeatherBug**. This weather station sits on top of Wooster High School and provides the most accurate weather information for Wooster, Ohio.

YOU CAN FIND SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION HERE:

- **Twitter Feed (@WoosterCSD)**
- www.woostercityschools.org
- **Facebook (Wooster City School District)**
- **Cleveland television stations 3, 5, 8**
- **Wooster Radio (104.5FM)**
- **Telephone calls/texts via the district's emergency and parent notification system**

When Should I Stay Home?



I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE A COUGH OR IT IS DIFFICULT TO BREATHE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL	I CANNOT TASTE OR SMELL
Temperature of 100° F or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with oozing, drainage or fever	DO NOT delay medical treatment if you are struggling to breathe	Redness, itching, and/or pus draining from eye	Hospital stay and/or emergency room visit	Within the past 24 hours

I am ready to go back to school when I am...

Fever free without the assistance of medication for 24 hours (i.e., Tylenol, Motrin, Advil).	Free from vomiting for 24 hours.	Free from diarrhea for 24 hours.	Free from rash or fever and have been evaluated by my medical provider if needed.	Evaluated by my medical provider if needed.	Free from drainage and/or have been evaluated by my medical provider if needed.	Released by my medical provider to return to school.	Consider COVID test. Consult with my medical provider before returning to school.
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If your child has strep throat or another bacterial infection, he/she should stay home until the antibiotic has been given for at least 24 hours and your health care provider has given permission for your child to return to school. We encourage you to seek medical attention when your child is sick and to follow your health care provider's recommendations about returning to school and other activities.