

Stomach Virus Issue

We want to let all Anderson families know that, while we have had some cases of stomach aches and stomach flu, our absentee numbers are normal for this time of the year. There are no clusters of suspected virus cases in either specific grades or classrooms. We are encouraging hand washing with soap and water which has been shown to be the most effective preventative against the spread of this virus. We expect that having the long weekend for healing will also help to stop transmission. Please encourage your children to wash their hands frequently with soap and water, especially after using the bathroom. Also our Night Crew is diligently cleaning all rooms every night, disinfecting furniture and other surfaces as a prevention measure.

If your child is ill, please call our attendance line before 9:00 AM each day your child will not be in attendance and be as specific as possible with the symptoms your child is experiencing. We are watching our absences very carefully, both from a "numbers" perspective, and also from a "cluster" perspective. Below is a very useful message from Mrs. Frederick.

When can my child attend school?

Keep your child home from school if he or she has:

- A fever above 100.0 degrees
- Has been vomiting
- Has symptoms that would prevent him or her from participating in school such as: Excessive tiredness or lack of appetite, Productive coughing or sneezing, Headache, body aches, earache, sore throat.

A minor sore throat is usually not a problem, but a severe sore throat could be strep throat. It is often accompanied by a headache and stomach upset. Strep throat spreads easily through a classroom!

Keep your child home until his or her fever has been gone for 24 hours without medication.

DOES MY CHILD HAVE THE FLU?

The flu is serious. Call your pediatrician at the first sign of flu symptoms, which usually **come on suddenly**. Symptoms are:

- A high fever
- Chills
- Headache, body aches, ear aches
- Nausea and/or vomiting
- Dry cough

HOW CAN I MAKE MY CHILD FEEL BETTER?

- Make sure your child gets plenty of fluids such as water, soup, juice and ice.
- Give your child plenty of TLC
- Consider using a cool humidifier

HOW CAN I PREVENT MY CHILD FROM GETTING A COLD?

- Wash hands frequently with soap and warm water.
- Teach your child to cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or sleeve.
- Keep your child's environment tobacco free.
- Serve a balanced diet with lots of fruit and vegetables.
- Keep surfaces like door knobs, phones, remote controls, toys, and keyboards clean.

Child Parenting Development Program

Thank you to all the families who attended our Family Café this Monday!!!! Thank you for accepting our invitation and for participating in the activities brought to us by the Changing Children's World Foundation!

The Changing Children's World Foundation developed the Child Parenting Development Program (CPDP) to offer families the opportunity to gather with other parents and care-givers, to share ideas and experiences, to learn, to strive to be the best we all can be for our children, to empower and strengthen your family, to give your children the support they need to fulfill their potential.

If you want to participate in the upcoming CPDP sessions, please see the invitation below and call to reserve your place A.S.A.P. Space is limited! Special thanks to the 100-Women Who Care of St. Charles, who made possible this piloting!



Cold Weather and Recess



All students go outside for recess as long as the temperature (with wind chill) is above 0°F and it is not raining. **WE ARE SEEING SO MANY STUDENTS NOT WEARING PROPER CLOTHING!!!** Please make sure your child is dressed to go outside on days when it is cold, snowy or windy. Students should bring outerwear to school in a bag to put on before recess. Please make sure they have hats, gloves, scarves and boots if they want to play in the snow. *Don't forget to label your child's outerwear so it does not end up in the Lost & Found.*

Kindergarten Registration

Please see below for information about 17~18 Kindergarten registration.



TriCity Family Services and the Geneva Coalition for Youth are sponsoring Chick Chat on February 11th at Geneva Middle School South and March 18th at Wredling Middle School. This daylong workshop, which is designed to help girls explore their interests and issues, build interpersonal skills, and have fun, is offered to 4th, 5th, and 6th grade girls. See the flyer below or contact TriCity Family Services for more information



Conquer Kids' Cancer

This will be Anderson Gives Back fourth year!!!! We started teaming up with the St. Baldrick's Foundation back in 2013 and this event has grown to be now a district wide event!!! Save the date: March 10, 2017 at Haines Middle School. We will be sending more information shortly!

Dates to Keep in Mind

Jan. 16	MLK Jr. Day ~ NO SCHOOL
Jan. 17	PTO Clubs Week
Jan. 20	Institute Day ~ NO SCHOOL
Jan. 30	CPDP First Session
Feb. 1	PTO meeting
Feb. 6	CPDP Second Session
Feb. 7	AT Math Placement Test 3rd & 5th Grade
Feb. 8	AT Literacy Placement Test 3rd & 5th Grade
Feb. 10	PTO's Family Dance
Feb. 13	CPDP Third Session/PTO Clubs Week

Have a stunning long weekend!



Strengthening Anderson Families!

Save the Date!!!

There's Something New at Anderson!!!

We're offering the **Child Parenting Development Program** in 9 sessions

As a community we will

- Build relationships & strengthen our community
- Provide families and students with tools for success

Families will learn about

- building better relationships with their kids,
- supporting academic success, &
- addressing behavior concerns

While adults meet, kids will enjoy some play time together

We'll start off as a community
&

Separate for sessions in English & Spanish

Child Parenting Development Program

Who should attend?

ALL Anderson Families & Students

What

Light dinner & Parenting Group + kids' care

Where

Anderson Elementary School

When

Mondays, January 30 - April 10

Dinner: 5:30 p.m.

Group: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Cost

Free to Anderson Families

SPACE IS LIMITED!

Please call the office A.S.A.P. to register at
331-228-3300 by January 23, 2017



Kindergarten Enrollment

February 1, 2017



If your child will be 5-years old on or before September 1, 2017
it's time to register for kindergarten.

DO NOT WAIT until summer to enroll your new kindergarten student. Kindergarten enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year will be at all Community Unit School District 303 elementary schools on February 1. Enroll at the elementary school where children in your area currently attend.

9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.			
Bell-Graham Elementary	(331) 228-2100	Munhall Elementary	(331) 228-2600
Corron Elementary	(331) 228-6900	Norton Creek Elementary	(331) 228-2700
Ferson Creek Elementary	(331) 228-2300	Wasco Elementary	(331) 228-2900
Lincoln Elementary	(331) 228-2500	Wild Rose Elementary	(331) 228-3000
9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.			
Fox Ridge Elementary	(331) 228-2400		
9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.			
Anderson Elementary	(331) 228-3300	Davis Primary	(331) 228-2200

Community Unit School District 303 offers both Half Day and All Day Kindergarten programs. All Day Kindergarten is a tuition-based program for the additional 1/2 day of instruction. Information regarding All Day Kindergarten tuition can be found on the District website at d303.org/all-day-kindergarten.

The following information is **required** when enrolling for kindergarten*:

- Reliable proof of child's identity and age (*birth certificate+, passport, visa, etc.*)
- Verification of Parent/Guardian Identity
- Two documents as proof of residency
- Parcel Identification Number (PIN)

*New student residency and enrollment information, *including links to required notices and kindergarten enrollment forms*, can be found on the District 303 web site (district.d303.org/enrollment-and-registration).

+Required to comply with the Missing Children Records Act [325 ILCS 50/5]

Complete information about physical examinations, dental examinations and immunizations will be available at the February enrollment event. Students are expected to have all requirements completed by the first day of school. Student assignments will be available in August.

Enroll on February 1.

Your cooperation will enable the school to better serve your child.

Chick Chat by HGNA

Attention 4th, 5th and 6th graders!

Spend a day learning about what makes you unique -- and learning how you can build positive friendships!

Chick Chat is a full-day workshop where fourth- through sixth-grade girls can explore their interests, address common challenges facing young girls today, build interpersonal skills, and have fun - all within a safe and nurturing environment.



Workshop Includes:

- Small group break-out Chat rooms
- Relaxing and invigorating yoga session
- Dynamic team-building exercises
- Healthy lunch and snacks
- 2016 event t-shirt
- Take-home tips and tools

Throughout the day, girls break into small groups — unique to each grade level — with professional facilitators to discuss topics such as understanding feelings, coping with stress, dealing with drama, cultivating inner beauty, and developing healthy family and peer relationships.

Workshop: Saturday, February 27, 2016

Place:

Geneva Middle School SOUTH
1415 Viking Drive, Geneva

Time:

8:30 AM to 3:15 PM
*Check-in from 8:30 to 9:00 AM

Mom & Dad Chat:

**"Are You & Your Child Ready for Social Media?!? ...
... What Every Parent Needs to Know!"**

Melissa Hemzacek, LSW, Internet Safety Specialist, Office of the Illinois Attorney General
Light Breakfast: 8:45-9:15 Presentation: 9:15 - 10:15 AM

REGISTER or Learn More: www.TriCityFamilyServices.org

Questions? Call Michelle Clark at TCFS: 630-232-1070 ext. 336

Chick Chat by HGNA is brought to you by:

TriCity Family Services and the Geneva Coalition for Youth

with the support of the Geneva, St. Charles, Batavia, Kaneland, and Central school districts.

Win a Prize!

Register by January 31st to
be entered in a raffle for
exciting prizes!

Registration CLOSES
February 17th!

"Chick Chat by HGNA" was created by Helping Girls Navigate Adolescence a non-profit organization dedicated to creating change for adolescent girls by challenging the negative images and information bombarding girls today. For more information on HGNA go to hgna.org.

From Anderson Elementary PTO:

We are a TEAM!

Together / Everyone / Achieves / More!

**We need your help! Contact us for new volunteer opportunities, or
send comments & concerns to:**

pto.anderson@gmail.com

Visit our website and Facebook for more information

<https://sites.google.com/a/d303.org/andersonelementarypto/>

<https://www.facebook.com/andersonelementarypto/?ref=hl>

PTO Board Elections at the Feb 1st meeting

Red Carpet Dance is Feb 10 - volunteers needed –
contact Carrie carrie_needham2005@yahoo.com

St. Baldrick's is March 10th at Haines –
contact Vickie dpto.anderson@gmail.com

Anderson Elementary PTO Nominations & Elections for 2017-2018

- I want Anderson Elementary to be one of the best schools in Illinois.
- I want my child to have a great school year – to learn and to have fun!
- I want to help decide how PTO fundraising moneys are spent.
- I want all the students at Anderson to be successful.

If the above statements are true, then “help us help the school”. Parent involvement is critical for a successful school, so volunteer as a PTO officer or a committee chair for 2017-2018. There are jobs that take no more than a couple hours a month, some are that are seasonal, and a few that require a routine commitment.

Dedicated teachers, staff, and PARENTS help make Anderson Elementary a great school! Join us – it’s rewarding, it’s important, it’s even fun!

Nominate yourself or someone else. All positions can be shared. Contact Vickie Nicewarner at pto.anderson@gmail.com with any questions.

Due to extenuating circumstances, Anderson Elementary PTO is holding early elections for the 2017-2018 school year. Voting will take place during the PTO General Meeting on Wednesday, February 1st. All candidates for officer positions must have nomination forms turned in by January 18th. Please return this form to your child’s teacher, school office or email Vickie at pto.anderson@gmail.com. The new Board Members will be announced at our March 1st meeting and sworn in on April 5th. New Board Members are asked to begin shadowing their predecessors for the remaining of the year.

Officer Descriptions

President: Serves as principal executive officer of the organization. Supervises and controls activities of the organization and works with the Principal of the school. Presides and participates in all executive and membership meetings.

Vice President: Acts as aide to the President and performs the president duties in the absence or inability of the President. Performs other delegated duties as assigned by President.

Co-Vice President: Acts as aide to the Vice President and performs the Vice President duties in the absence or inability of the Vice President. Performs other delegated duties as assigned by Vice President.

Secretary: Keeps the minutes of the proceedings of the membership and executive committee. Keeps a copy of the by-laws and facilitates meeting agenda’s 3 days prior to meeting. Post meeting minutes and agenda on the google page. Performs other delegated duties as assigned by the President.

Treasurer: Responsible for all funds of the organization, deposits to the bank and recording all information in Quick Books. Provides a Profit and Loss Statement at each meeting and reports on the activities/events of that month. Performs other delegated duties as assigned by President.

Some of the things we do...

- Field Trips
- Movie Night
- Penguin Patch
- Dance
- Box Tops
- Clubs
- Assemblies
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Color-A-Thon
- Fundraisers
- Family Nights
- Bingo
- Fall Fest
- Yearbook
- Directory
- Donuts/Dad & Muffins/Mom
- Much, much, more!

Without Parent involvement these programs can be in jeopardy.

**Anderson Elementary PTO
Nominations 2017-2018**

Completed forms should be sent in an envelope labeled PTO NOMINATIONS by Monday, January 16, 2017 or email pto.anderson@gmail.com. All forms will be tallied and presented on Wednesday, February 8, 2017.

Elected Officers

Nominee Name

Contact Info

President

Vice
President

Secretary

Treasurer

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Special interests or talents to bring to the PTO:

Special Committee Interests:

Please consider volunteering. "A burden shared is a burden halved" -T.A. Webb