

Scott Elementary School

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Tiger News

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Welcome back Tigers! We hope you had a wonderful summer. We have gotten off to a great start! We would like to extend a sincere *Thank You* to Gerald Summers, Director of Safety, Sheriff Williams, and the Scott staff for all of their hard work! It is so exciting to see our halls filled with 1125 smiling students who are eager to begin another year of learning!

Our Scott family has grown over the summer. We are excited to welcome several new staff members to the Scott team.

Mrs. Lori Hardwick.....1st Grade Teacher
Mrs. Julie Tilsworth.....2nd Grade Teacher
Mrs. Ruth Cobb3rd Grade Teacher
Mrs. Laura O'Brien4th Grade Teacher
Mrs. Beckey HolderK-2 Counselor
Mrs. Allana Hodge.....Mentor Achievement Coach
Mrs. Victoria Brickey.....Special Education Coach
Ms. Angie GieslerHigh Ability Teacher
Mrs. Rhonda Deskin.....Secretary

Some of you may have heard that Mr. Underwood was recently named Principal of Vogel Elementary School. We are sad to see him leave, but he will always remain a "tiger" in our eyes. We are happy that he will be working with our sister school in the North District. We would like to thank Mr. Underwood and wish him the very best! Vogel is certainly very fortunate to have Mr. Underwood as their new leader!

Our "Back to School Celebration/Open House" was certainly a great way to kick off the new year! It was an exciting night that allowed students and their parents the opportunity to visit classrooms and meet their teachers. We would like to thank the PTA for organizing the evening, the Scott staff for the hours they spent prior to the beginning of school preparing their rooms, and all of the families who attended this event. It was great seeing so many Scott Tigers!

If you have not joined the PTA, it is not too late. We would love to have 100% participation. For **\$7.00** you can become an official member of the PTA and receive a free discount card to area restaurants and stores. We are grateful to our PTA members for supporting our students and our school. Together we can provide the best education possible for our children.

We have an exciting year ahead of us! Please feel free to call or stop by if you have any questions, comments, concerns, or if you just wish to chat. We also hope that you will drop in to have lunch with your child. Mrs. Hobgood and the cafeteria staff always serve a delicious and nutritious lunch!

*Warmest Regards,
Vicki G. Duncan*



Dear Families and Students of Scott School,

It is with mixed emotions that I write you this farewell letter. As you probably know, I will not be at Scott School this year. The corporation has asked me to serve as Principal at Vogel Elementary School. Although I am honored and excited about this opportunity to continue to grow as an administrator; this is not how I envisioned leaving Scott School. However, given all the variables, both professional and personal, in the end, I do believe this is the right choice. That being said, it does not change the fact that I am incredibly sad to be leaving such an amazing school community. I have become quite attached to the families and students of Scott School. I am honored that I was able to work in a truly caring and supportive school community. I have been impressed by the parent dedication to the success of this school and have immensely enjoyed every moment of my two years at Scott School. I will miss my daily interactions with you and the students. You and your children have been a delight to work with during the past couple of years. I have learned so much from being at Scott and will take many wonderful memories with me.

Please know that I will stay in contact with Mrs. Duncan and will be interested to hear of all the happenings at Scott School. I wish you the best this year. Scott School has left a lasting impression on me, and it will always be a part of who I am as I continue on my educational journey. Once again, thank you.

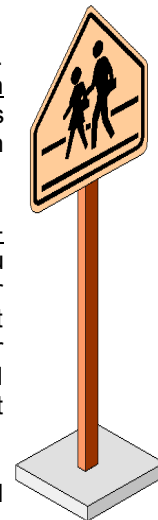
*Sincerely,
Carl D. Underwood*

SAFETY FIRST

Our students' safety continues to be our primary focus in all decisions regarding parent pick up and dismissal. Parents are reminded that in the mornings, if you are dropping your child off, please pull through the drive in the front of the building along Old State Road and let your child exit your car on the **curb side only**. Parking is not allowed in this zone at any time. We ask that you turn **right** as you exit the parking lot. Parents who wish to walk their children to their classrooms should park in the lower lot on the west side of the building.

When picking up your child after school, we ask that parents park in the lower lot on the west side of the building and meet your child on the blacktop on the northwest side of the building. A staff member will assist you by calling for your child who will be stationed in the gymnasium. From there, you will be asked to escort your child to the lower level parking lot and leave through the north exit of the parking lot. On days of inclement weather you will have the option of waiting until buses have safely departed and then drive through the lower parking lot and around to the front of the building. You are welcome to park along the curb and then proceed to parent pick up. We appreciate your flexibility and understanding as we work together to create the safest arrival and dismissal procedures for our children.

We ask that parents send a note with their child to their homeroom teacher regarding alternative dismissal procedures. Phone calls for alternative dismissal procedures should be limited to emergency situations only. This will help to insure your child's safe dismissal.



FROM THE COUNSELORS' DESKS

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES PROGRAM

Once again, we are very pleased to be able to offer a wonderful program called Strengthening Families. This program is free and sponsored by Youth First, Welborn Baptist Foundation, and BlueGrass United Methodist Church. This program will help families learn to work together. Parents will sharpen their parenting skills while children learn behavioral and communication strategies through play. A variety of interesting topics will be discussed, including how to get and stay organized, controlling unwanted behaviors and how to effectively communicate with your child.

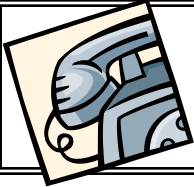
Families will participate in a 10-week program at Scott School beginning Monday, September 14 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. (Dinner will be provided)

If you would like to take advantage of this excellent opportunity, please contact Karin Bagby or Beckey Holder at 867-2427.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Aug. 31..... Paragon fundraiser kick-off
Sept. 7..... Labor Day - No School
Sept. 14..... Paragon order forms due
Sept. 17..... Constitution Day - Wear Red, White & Blue!
Sept. 23..... Mrs. Steedman/Ms. Couch to Lincoln Memorial/8:15 AM-2:00 PM
Sept. 24..... Mrs. O'Brien/Mrs. Minnette to Lincoln Memorial/8:15 AM-2:00 PM
Sept. 25..... Mrs. Tweedall/Mr. Cole to Lincoln Memorial/8:15 AM-2:00 PM
Sept. 25..... All 5th grade to Angel Mounds/American Indiana Days/8:15 AM-1:45 PM
Oct. 8..... 9-week grading period ends
Oct. 9..... No School
Oct. 22..... Paragon delivery
Oct. 24..... PTA Chicken Supper/4:00-8:00 PM
Oct. 27..... School Pictures - Smile!

Mark Your Calendar!



ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

If your child is ill, going out of town, etc., please call in the child's **absence and homework request** to our **Attendance Line at 429-9334 by 8:45 A.M.**

On the first day of school, students were given a calendar and an EVSC form for parents to sign verifying they have read the SCHOOL INFORMATION, STUDENTS CONDUCT AND SCHOOL RULES. If you did not receive the calendar or the EVSC sign-off form please pick one up at the school office. Included on the EVSC sign-off form are consents for Photo Release, On-line Network User's Agreements for student and parent, and Fundraiser Participation Consent.



FROM THE DESK OF NURSE JACKSON

If you have a child with (chronic) asthma that requires an inhaler, allergies that require epi-pens, and other disorders that may need immediate attention, please contact me so that I can develop an action plan and inform their teachers of your child's medical needs. Thank you for your help in this matter.
My hours this year are from **8:00 AM until 2:00 PM.**

Krista Jackson, R.N.

JUNIOR FIRE WARDENS FOR 2009-2010

Isaac Conger
Isaiah Fleming
Paige Gates
Lauren Harris
Emily Hahn
Ra'Deja Johnson
Rachel Keneipp
Jenna Lucas
Alexa Unfried
Blake Vondersaar
Aaron Walker
Jeremiah Yancey

Mr. Boyer has been training the students to be aware of fire hazards and to check their assigned areas during a drill.

We thank these students for their efforts.

NEWSLETTERS AND LUNCH MENUS

For those of you who have internet access, the monthly school newsletter and lunch menu will be put on the Scott EVSC web page. The address is: www.evscschools.com/scott. Look for the Scott School Newsletter tab and the Cafeteria tab. On our school web site you can also check the school calendar for upcoming dates, events, and teacher messages.



The lunch menu will be displayed in classrooms, and it is also printed daily in the Evansville Courier & Press. If you need a hard copy, you can pick one up in the school office at your convenience.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, veteran status, national origin, age, limited English proficiency, or disability in its programs or employment policies as required by the Indiana Civil Rights Law (I.C.22-9-1), Title IV and Title VI (Civil Rights Act of 1964), the Equal Pay Act of 1973, Title IX (Educational Amendments), and Section 504 (Rehabilitation Act of 1973).