



LA PORTE CITY ELEMENTARY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

"Union Community Schools-Education To Meet Tomorrow's Challenges"

Friday, March 1, 2024 | Newsletter #24

BE A DIFFERENCE MAKER

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, March 4 - 115th Day of School - Day 1 (M & L)

- Regular Day of School for TK through 5th Grades(No Preschool on Mondays)
- PTO Meeting 6:30 in the library
- Read Across America Dress Up Days - See schedule below

Tuesday, March 5 - 116th Day of School - Day 2 (ART & PE)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

Wednesday, March 6 - 117th Day of School - Day 3 (MUSIC & PE)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades
- LPC Elementary to HS 8:30-10:30 for Seussical: The Musical - HS Play

Thursday, March 7- 118th Day of School - Day 4 (MUSIC & ART)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

Friday, March 8 - 119th Day of School - Day 5 (PE & L)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

March 4 - 6:30pm PTO Meeting in the Library

March 10 - Daylight Savings Time - Set Clock Ahead

March 11-14 - Spring Break for USCD - No School

March 18 - School Resumes from Spring Break

March 23 - School Store - 7:40-8:00 am

March 27 - 1:10/1:20 Early Dismissal - Teacher Professional Development

March 29 - No School Easter Break





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NATIONAL READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK

This week we will be celebrating Read Across America Week, March 4-8. We will be celebrating it by dressing up each day. It will be a fun week.

	NATIONAL	
READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK!		
March 4 th - 8 th		
Elementary School (DG & LPC) Dress-Up Days!		
Monday, March 4 th	COZY UP WITH A GOOD BOOK DAY Wear pajamas and cozy up while reading a good book!	
Tuesday, March 5 th	WE POSITIVELY LOVE BOOKS DAY Wear your favorite shirt or a shirt with a positive saying on it and read a great book!	
Wednesday, March 6 th	READING MAKES YOU COOL DAY Wear summer clothes, bring a beach towel, and chill with a cool book!	
Thursday, March 7 th	TEAM UP AND READ DAY Wear your favorite team or Union Knights gear and read a winning book with someone!	
Friday, March 8 th	I-RISH I HAD MORE TO READ DAY Wear green and read a lucky book to celebrate St. Patrick's Day!	

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SEUSSICAL: THE MUSICAL - ELEMENTARY MATINEE

I am happy to announce that our elementary building will be able to attend the high school matinee of Seussical the Musical in the high school auditorium this upcoming Wednesday, March 6 from 9:00-10:30. We are finalizing the details but think we can get enough drivers to take our students over and back. Listed below is information about ordering tickets for the public performances on Friday and Saturday evening.

UNION HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA DEPARTMENT PROUDLY PRESENTS:

SEUSSICAL: THE MUSICAL

FRIDAY, MARCH 8 @ 7:00 PM
SATURDAY, MARCH 9 @ 7:00 PM

UHS MATT AUDITORIUM ~ LA PORTE CITY

TICKETS ARE \$8.00

BUY TICKETS HERE: [HTTPS://UNIONHIGHSCHOOL.LUDUS.COM/](https://unionhighschool.ludus.com/) OR HERE



Seussical is a fantastical, magical, musical extravaganza! Join all of our favorite Dr. Seuss characters, including Horton the Elephant, The Cat in the Hat, Gertrude McFuzz, Lazy Maysie, and a little boy with a big imagination - JoJo. The colorful characters transport us from the jungle of Nool to the Circus McGurkus to the invisible world of the Whos.



SPRING BREAK COMING UP SOON

Upcoming in the 2nd week of March, we will be having Spring Break for the Union Community School District. School will not be in session from March 11-15. School will resume on Monday, March 18.



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IOWA SCHOOL ALERTS

If you are not currently receiving school alert notifications please go to the following website to sign up to receive delay/cancellation notifications. Since this is a PDF document the below link will not directly take you to this website, so you will have to do a google search for iowa school alerts or public gov delivery.

<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/IAEDU6536/subscriber/new> It is also found on our Union web page under the families tab - in the school alerts information.

LUNCH MONEY REMINDERS

Just a reminder to parents to add money to your child's lunch account each month. We are getting more students running negative lunch balances. The Union Community School Board Policy 710.4 is stated below:

In accordance with state and federal law, the Union Community School District adopts the following policy to ensure school district employees, families, and students have a shared understanding of expectations regarding meal charges. The policy seeks to allow students to receive the nutrition they need to stay focused during the school day, prevent the overt identification of students with insufficient funds to pay for school meals, and maintain the financial integrity of the nonprofit school nutrition program.

Payment of Meals

Students do have use of a meal account. When the balance reaches \$-10.00 a student may charge no more than one (1) meal to this account. When an account reaches this limit, a student shall not be allowed to charge further meals or ala carte items until the negative account balance is paid. Parents or students can add money to their lunch accounts using on-line system or pay at the student's building of attendance



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HAWKINS MEMORIAL LIBRARY:

- **National Read Across America Day** is on March 2. It's a day to celebrate the privilege of being able to read, so head to the library, or curl up on the couch and just be a bookworm!
- **Read an E-Book Week**, March 3 – 9, is an opportunity for book lovers and writers alike to share their passion in digital form. The week promotes the advantages of reading eBooks such as: convenience, ease of use, customization, price, and environmentally friendly. To check out free ebook reading through the Libby app, go to <https://www.laportecity.lib.ia.us/> and click on eBook & Audio.
- Purple, Green and Yellow by Robert Munsch, is the **March window story** you read while strolling through downtown. Brigid really, really loves markers. She convinces her mom to buy a new set of washable markers, then markers that smell, then never-come-off markers. Which markers do you think she uses when she colors on herself? Begin reading the book in front of the library and follow the directions to find the next set of pages. This is a great excuse for a walk!
- **LEGO building** is the weekly activity Monday through Saturday, March 4-9. Drop in for building fun and create a masterpiece from the loads of LEGOs at the library. All ages are welcome.



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Spring Break Fun at the Library

➤ **What is Alive?**

Monday, March 11, 1:30 PM

Explore seeds, soil, germination and plant growth through great hands-on planting activities with Black Hawk Co. Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom.

➤ **Art-Lit to Go! Color Creation**

Tuesday, March 12, 1:30 PM

Through hands-on activities like "Painting with Marbles" and "Permanent Marker Tie-Dye," children will embark on colorful journeys, learning the secrets of color theory. Bring prewashed white t-shirts and/or socks for tie-dyeing. Kids can also make their own crayons. This colorful program is presented by Black Hawk County ISU Extension and Outreach.

➤ **Fluffy Slime**

Wednesday, March 13, from 1:30 to 3:30 PM

Stop in for this fun and messy make-and-take activity.

➤ **Humane Society Visit**

Thursday, March 14, 1:30 PM

The Cedar Bend Humane Society visits with animals, information and pet toy activities. Please bring a donation of pet food or cat litter.

➤ **BINGO**

Friday, March 15, 1:30 PM

Play BINGO at the library for the fun of it...and for small prizes.

Hawkins Memorial Library



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UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

BREAKFAST		LPC ELEMENTARY			MARCH 2024
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
					YOGURT PARFAIT 1 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk
DONUTS 4 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit & Milk	BREAKFAST BAR WITH TOAST 5 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit & Milk	WAFFLES 6 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit & Milk	BREAKFAST PIZZA 7 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit & Milk	STRAWBERRY CR BAGEL 8 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit & Milk	
NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK					
	11	12	13	14	15
SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL					
MINI CINNIS 18 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	OMELET WITH TOAST 19 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	PANCAKES 20 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	SAUSAGE PANCAKE ON A STICK 21 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	FRUIT FRUDEL 22 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	
DONUTS 25 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	BREAKFAST BAR WITH TOAST 26 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	FRENCH TOAST 27 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	BREAKFAST PIZZA 28 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	NO SCHOOL 29	



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