



Inspiring World-Class Academic Achievement

December 1, 2024

## 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 *December 3rd- 17th*. 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 will be sent home with some 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 9-12*. More information and order forms will be sent home with students. SIGN-UP HERE TO VOLUNTEER- [Volunteer here](#)

#### WINTER CLASSROOM PARTIES

Classroom winter parties are *December 20th* 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 2**

4th Grade music concert - 6PM

**December 4**

Domino's Dine to Donate

**December 1-15**

People to People Toy Drive

**December 9-12**

PTO Holiday Shop

**December 10**

PTO Meeting 6:30

Childcare will be available

**December 14**

PE Take-Over/Wheelchair Basketball

**December 16**

Melrose 2nd & 3rd Grade Concert-6 pm

**December 20**

Winter Party - 2:30 pm

**December 23- January 3**

Winter Break - No School

**January 6**

Students Return to School

## SECOND AND THIRD GRADE WINTER CONCERT

We would like to invite you to attend our 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade winter concert on **Monday, December 16, 2024**. 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!

### OUTSIDE RECESS

Students will go outside for recess as long as the windchill is at 20 degrees or higher. Please dress your student appropriately. (winter coats, hats, gloves, boots) They must be wearing winter boots to be in the snow.

### NO SCHOOL

**December 23-January 3** – Winter Break

**January 6** - Students return to school

### RECENT PTO ACTIVITY

- We funded and supplied refreshments for the Veteran Day celebration.
- We helped fund the Trunk or Treat.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences- we provided the dinners for the staff.
- Book Fair Planning: We organized and ran this event for your kids.
- We designed, ordered and paid for t-shirts for the whole school.
- Breakfast Buddies supplied food and set up for the 4th & 3rd grades
- Pig Raffle raised \$6000.
- Organized classroom Halloween parties.

Our next meeting is *Tuesday, December 10th at 6:30*. Childcare is provided. Everyone is welcome to join.

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa at [ptomelrose@gmail.com](mailto:ptomelrose@gmail.com).

### 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 **December 3 - December 17th!** 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](http://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.



# WOOSTER CITY SCHOOLS

## ENROLLMENT TIMELINE CHANGES 2024-2025



- **Intra-district Open Enrollment:** Allows families living **within** the Wooster City School District to request that their child attend a different elementary school within the district instead of the school assigned based on their residence.
- **Inter-district Open Enrollment:** Allows students living **outside** the Wooster City School District to apply for enrollment within Wooster City Schools.

For more information, please visit our website: [woostercityschools.org](https://www.woostercityschools.org).

