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Mrs. Melissa VanHulle, Principal

Ashley Elementary Mission Statement

The Ashley Elementary community will create a positive environment that will foster the growth of students academically and socially. We will encourage our students to become responsible, kind, and respectful citizens.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct. 4: Starbase Bergeron's Class
Oct. 10: Spirit Wear Delivery
Oct. 11: Starbase Bergeron's Class
Oct. 12: Starbase Beck & Walker's Class
Oct. 13: Fire Dept Program KD – 2nd
Oct. 18: Starbase Bergeron's Class
Oct. 19: Starbase Beck & Walker's Class
Oct. 26: Starbase Beck & Walker's Class
Oct. 31: Halloween Information to follow



The Ashley All Star 5th Grader's will be attending StarBase during the month of October.

STARBASE is a leading innovator in providing unforgettable and meaningful science, technology, engineering, and math learning experiences for young students. STARBASE creates an educational playground that is full of practical, hands-on activities that excite kids, sparks their imaginations, builds confidence, and nurtures a life-long resiliency to learn.

Notes from the Principal:

Dear Ashley All Star Families,

We are off to a great start! Students are busy learning new routines, schedules and curriculum. A special thank you to all of those who attended our Open House. It was great to see so many proud students sharing their families with our teachers.

I would also like to thank all of our parents who attended the PTG/ Parent Advisory meeting in September. We had a great turn out and are excited to plan all of the student-centered events for the year.

The students have enjoyed the student led morning announcements along with our Ashley All Star Song! All Star Tickets are pulled every Friday, as we recognize our students for a job well done. Our Positivity Project is in Full Swing. If you are new to Ashley or your child did not receive a Positivity Shirt last year please fill out the attached form. We are excited to celebrate our Positivity in Action! this week we focused on the character trait of "Teamwork" The students participated in team work activities and watched a video on the power of Teamwork.

We are looking forward to celebrating Halloween Festivities. We will be celebrating with our School Wide Parade on October 31st, weather permitting. This parade will take place on the MSN track @2:00. Students will then return to their classrooms to celebrate with their teacher and friends. More information to come.

New Baltimore Fire Department Visits: October 13th

Ashley Elementary Bond Presentation Mr. Jankowski:
October 25th @ 6:00

Ashley Boo Bash & Pumpkin Walk: October 27th
Drop in between the hours of 5:00 – 6:30

Dear Ashley Families!

Welcome to Ashley Elementary library. Our library has many wonderful books and resources for your child to discover. Please read and discuss the expectations below with your child.

- Your child is allowed to check out one book a week.
- Books must be checked out and returned by the specified library date.
- If a book is not returned, no additional books may be checked out.
- Lost or damaged books must be paid for so we can order a replacement.
- Keep books in a safe place away from pets, babies, food and drinks.
- Never write or draw in a book.
- When you are not reading your library book, keep it in your backpack or the classroom.

I look forward to getting to know the students and am excited to be a part of your child's school year.

Happy reading,

Deb Zientak



SCHOOL PHOTO RELEASE

Anchor Bay School District students may be photo-graphed or videotaped and their name and/or work displayed for educational and/or not-for profit use in various ways: newsletter articles, building videos, athletic team rosters, club rosters, as well as district, building and classroom web pages, etc. Students may also participate in additional learning opportunities through distance learning and virtual field trips. If you do not want your child to participate in the above activities, make your request in writing to the building principal.

**KEEP OUR STUDENTS SAFE
DURING**

DROP OFF & PICK UP

**PLEASE USE THE CROSSWALKS
WHEN DROPPING OFF OR PICKING
UP YOUR STUDENTS**



Overall, the most important precaution is to keep your child home if he or she is not feeling well or has any of the symptoms listed below. This simple act alone can reduce transmission more than any other action.

- Temperature 100.4°F or higher when taken by mouth
- Sore throat New or worsening cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea or vomiting
- Headache
- Chills (severe chills with shivering)
- Loss of taste or smell
- Runny nose or congestion
- Muscle Aches
- Fatigue
- Nausea



Our goal is to be able to keep students and staff safe and provide the best education possible. Through these guidelines developed with the Macomb County Health Department, based on the available data, we believe that we will be able to have a successful school year without interruption.



ANNOUNCERS

Ashley's 5th Grade announcers from Mrs. Beck's for the Month of October:
Briana Neumann, Brynn Podleski, Eric Nelson, Aubrey Hayner, Henry Muirhead,
Asher Kelley, Landon Sprague, Cameron Kelof and Emelia Kaiser

Remember, it ALL drains to our lakes and rivers

Storm drains and roadside ditches lead to our lakes and rivers. So, any oil, pet waste, leaves or dirty water from washing your car enters a storm drain gets into our lakes and rivers without being treated. With almost five million people living in Southeast Michigan, we all need to be aware of what goes into our storm drains. How can you help? Simple.

1. **Sweep it.** Do you have extra fertilizer, grass clipping or dirt on your driveway or sidewalk? Sweep it back onto your lawn. Hosing your driveway sends these pollutants into storm drains that lead directly to our lakes and rivers.
2. **Keep it clean.** Whether in the street or in your yard, remember to keep leaves, grass clippings, trash and fertilizers away from storm drains.
3. **Only rain in the drain.** Never dump motor oil, chemicals, pet waste, dirty or soapy water, or anything else down the storm drain. All of these materials pollute our lakes and rivers.
4. **Label it.** Volunteer to label the storm drains in your neighborhood to inform residents that storm drains flow directly to our lakes and rivers. Call your local community for more information on storm drain stenciling programs.