

Wade Park School

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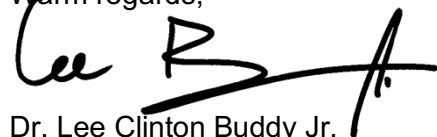
Principal Message

Dear families,

This is the time of year when we give thanks. I am grateful for our students. They are all full of energy and promise. Our scholars continue to enrich our lives and we are committed to their success. We have amazing educators who continue to work diligently to provide targeted lessons to meet the needs of every scholar. If you need any support, please reach out and let us know.

Together with your assistance, we can continue to make Wade Park School the best school in Ohio. Please have your child read a book every night. As you spend time with your family this Thanksgiving season, let your children know how proud and grateful you are that they are a part of your life. From our school family to yours - Happy Thanksgiving!

Warm regards,



Dr. Lee Clinton Buddy Jr.
Principal



Upcoming Events

November 10, 2020 S.P.O.
Meeting on Zoom session

November 18, 2020
Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 20, 2020 | National
Parent Involvement Day "King &
Queen Tea Party" | 9:00am

November 23, 2020
Turkey Giveaway for families.

November 24: Independent
Learning Time | 12:00pm-
3:00pm

November 25-27, 2020
Thanksgiving Break

Choose Greatness!

Primary Headlines

First grade has been working hard on our learning! In Math we have been working on addition and subtraction strategies. In Language Arts we have been working on sight words, spelling with short a, and short I and asking and answering questions while we are reading. When your child is completing work in Seesaw please let them try to do the work on their own and then check over it when they are done. It's okay to turn in work with mistakes on it, that is how we will know what we need to keep working on in class!

Just as a reminder, Wednesdays are still an academic learning day. Your child will have assignments to complete in Seesaw and should spend 20 minutes on I-Ready Reading and I-Ready Math. Wednesday assignments can always be found in Schoology as well as in Clever under announcements. Please make sure your child is keeping up with their work on Wednesdays as this is how they get credit for attendance on those days.

If you have not had a chance to pick up your child's workbooks and school supplies from the school, please make a time to do that. We will begin having children working in their workbooks starting the 2nd quarter and it will be very important for them to have these supplies.

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[Join Mrs. Parker's Class Dojo](#)



[Join Ms. Stepp's Class Dojo](#)

Thank you so much for all of your help with your child's learning this year. We couldn't do it without you 😊



MISSION

The mission of Wade Park is to provide each child with engaging and personalized instruction using 21st century technology that addresses individual styles and needs in a cooperative, nurturing, and safe environment!

Congratulations to the following scholars for winning \$2,000 in the Arby's Foundation National Competition.

Sapphire, Leah,
Demanuel, Dominiqe, Ayanna,
& Chloe!

Phonics is Back for 2020

By Ms. Erica Colvin

In recent years, Reading Instruction has heavily emphasized “whole language” and “cueing systems” to teach word-sound associations. However, some of us, (30 and up), can remember that old PHONICS BOOK. This is where we learned that “f” was for “fan”.

We traced the letter, colored the picture and held that association in our minds forever. Our brains were trained to know the sound associated with that letter (except for special words like *phone*). We saw a word and *sounded it out*.

According to the founder of The Teachers College Reading and Writing Project, Lucy Calkins, balanced literacy needs rebalancing. The organization calls for an increased focus on ensuring that children can recognize the sounds in spoken words and link them to letters. So, in this virtual environment, my message to you, the parent is this.

Don't be afraid to use these words: *SOUND IT OUT!*



Important Information:

All K-8th grade scholars are required to complete iReady assignments each day for at least 20 minutes. Scholars receive a grade for completing required minutes.

i-Ready Learning's instructional resources help educators accelerate growth and grade-level learning. These tools provide rigorous and motivating reading and mathematics instruction that:

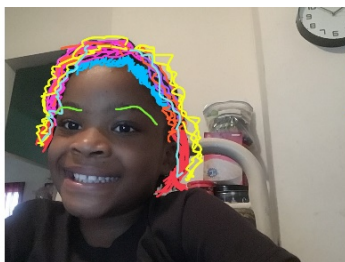
- **Personalize** pathways to growth with precise instruction that is guided by *i-Ready Assessment* data
- **Motivate** students to persist in building their skills
- **Provide scaffolded support** that meets the needs of all students.

ENRICHMENT | The following enrichment classes are offered at Wade Park:

-Cooking, Band, Orchestra, STEM, Recording Arts, Dance, Poetry/Spoken Word, Bucket Drums, Puppets, and Arts/Crafts. Sign up today!

Second Grade

The scholars are doing a fabulous job reading fantasy stories and responding to the text through writing. Our team is excited to see the scholars reading 20 minutes every night and seeing the huge number of books read in getepic.com. The scholars are also doing a wonderful job building math fluency by solving addition and subtraction number sentences and word problems. Please continue to have your scholars memorize addition and subtraction math facts. We are currently working on ways to identify and creating equal groups. Your scholars will be sharp knowing how to find the total number of objects in arrays and practicing them. Additionally, in Reading scholars enjoyed completing an Emoji activity in Seesaw, where they needed to use Emoji's to name a person, place, thing, or an animal. They also enjoyed the story "The Fuzz Frenzy" about prairie dogs who found a tennis ball and they didn't what it was, they tore it apart and made different things and had an argument about whose fuzz it was. We made text to self-connections and discussed a time when it was hard to share something. Continue to work on your Seesaw and Schoology activities daily. Also, the second-grade classes had a great time celebrating "Crazy Hair Day" virtually sharing their creations.



Middle School News | 5th-8th

1st Quarter marking period ended Friday, November 6th. We are proud of all of the students who are logging in, participating, and completing assignments. Thank you to parents for your support during our 1st marking period of distance learning. Students should continue to complete 20 minutes of I-Ready reading and 20 minutes of I-Ready math DAILY. This is a great program that helps to close gaps that students may have in their learning. Your child should also be reading every night for 30 minutes.

If you are still in need of devices or textbooks or are having trouble with the devices you have, please contact the school so that we can get that taken care of ASAP. Students will be provided with graded Thanksgiving activities to complete over the break. Please make sure they complete them. Each teacher holds office hours on Wednesday. If you know your child is struggling, please encourage them to attend. They are very helpful.

Middle school is looking forward to participating in CTAG for our boys and girls in November. Stay tuned! We would like to thank you for your continued support and we are looking forward to a great year!

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