



WEST ELKTON INTERMEDIATE PRINCIPAL  
NEWSLETTER  
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Special Date of Interest:

- 8/26-9/13 - MAP Testing
- 9/2 - NO SCHOOL
- 9/12 - BOE Meeting
- 10/3 - Fall Pictures

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER:

**THANK YOU PARENTS**

I would like to start this months newsletter by thanking everyone that showed up at our Open House. The teachers, as well as myself, were very impressed by the turnout. We greatly appreciate you taking an interest in your child's education.

The beginning of the school year can be extremely hectic. Thus far, it has gone very smoothly, due in large part to you the parents. Your timely manner in returning school forms and documents is much appreciated.



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### Book Fair:

Our annual Book Fair will take place from September 16th -20th. The Book Fair is a great time to take advantage of the quantity and quality of books that are at your children's disposal and will greatly benefit your child's love for reading. Students with money can come to the Book Fair during their lunch or recess.



### "Try-It Night" (Band)

On Tuesday, September 3rd at 6:30 PM in the West Elkton cafeteria we will be hosting an instrument try-it-night for any 5th or 6th grade students wishing to participate in the band program at West Elkton. The meeting will consist of all available instruments to try that are played in the band that consist of the Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, French Horn, Trumpet, Baritone, Trombone and Bells/Percussion (Drums). There will also be an info session about the West Elkton band program and a presentation by local music companies that rent out and sell instruments to beginning band members. Please mark this date and time on your calendar for your students to experience a fun musical filled evening. Please contact the band director, Mr. Lewis with questions at either [Lewisd@psarrows.com](mailto:Lewisd@psarrows.com) or call 937-787-3541 Ext. 2112.



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Gifted Program:

The Ohio Legislature's Amended Substitute House Bill 282 states that all school districts must identify any gifted K-12 student in their district. This law pertains only to the identification of gifted students. It does not mandate academic programs of gifted students. Preble Shawnee is not offering gifted classes for the 2018-2019 school year. At West Elkton, we will be using the CoGat to test all 6th grade students during the week of October 22nd.



Arrows on Target/PBIS:

School-wide positive behavior intervention and supports (SW-PBIS) is a system of tools and strategies for defining, teaching, acknowledging appropriate behavior, and correcting inappropriate behavior. It is a framework for creating customized school systems that support student outcomes and academic success. SW-PBIS is for the

whole school, it is preventative, and it changes the paradigm of focus from negative behaviors and exchanges to positive expectations and interactions.

There are four main elements in SW-PBIS:

- Customized practices to support student behavior, such as defining and teaching appropriate behavior
- Systems of support for educators in the school; such as school-wide behavioral expectations, indicators, and coaching
- Data-based decision making, which is the cornerstone of the behavior problem-solving process



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- And, the combination of these to enable school-wide outcomes, which promote social proficiency and academic success

Through these practices, it's our hope, to make a safe, healthy, and positive environment that is conducive for learning.

#### Progress Book:

"...Parent Access to Progress Book accounts can be accessed by clicking the "Parent Access link" on the right-hand side of the Preble Shawnee Homepage and entering your login information.

If you have forgotten your login information, click the "Can't access your account?" link from the Parent Access login page and follow the steps to have your user name and/or password sent to you.

If you would like to set up a new Parent Access account, please send an email to [pbhelp@psarrows.com](mailto:pbhelp@psarrows.com) with the student(s) name(s), your name, and grade level to request the registration key and setup instructions.

If there are any problems with an existing account, please send an email to [pbhelp@psarrows.com](mailto:pbhelp@psarrows.com) describing the problem...."



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