

# Hardin-Houston Elementary

2018-2019

## May Newsletter

### Upcoming events:

- May 8: 2 hour delay for Professional Development
- May 9: K music program 7:00 pm, Y5s visit Sidney library, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade visits the Wilson-Lenox House as a part of the Bicentennial celebration
- May 10: CATS reward
- May 14: 4<sup>th</sup> grade field trip
- May 15: Field Day
- May 16: Last Day of school 2-hour early dismissal



### A message from the Principal

I hope that you consider this a positive year for your child's education. We have had many positive experiences at Hardin Houston Elementary this year, and it is always bittersweet to see the school year end. Our students are currently wrapping up testing and will get to enjoy some fun activities in the last weeks. I wish everyone an enjoyable and safe summer and look forward to the return of children's voices in the building in August.



### Best Wishes Mrs. Staley

After 38 years in the district, Mrs. Staley will be enjoying herself in retirement. Mrs. Staley has served the district with great dedication as a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher, Title 1 teacher, and kindergarten teacher. I am privileged to hear some of you reminisce on your past as students in Mrs. Staley's classroom and have heard many wonderful stories. As a principal, I have had the joy of stopping by her classroom to see her interact with her students. She has brought the joy of reading, writing, and an eagerness to explore the world to so many children in the community. I hope you will get the chance to thank her personally if she touched your life or the life of your child.

# 2019 SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS

## Mrs. Larger's Class

Calvin Jones- Moving at Linear Pace

Dylan Shaffer- Fluid Power

Dustin Strunk- You Want A Piece Of Me?

## Mrs. Knouff's Class

Owen Casto- Paw Lickin' Good

Carson Niekamp- Dancing Motor

## Mrs. Koverman's Class

Paul Samera- Meltdown Madness

Lily Vazquez- Sinking Soda

A.J. Edwards- Going, Going, Gone!



## Overall 6<sup>th</sup> Winners

Calvin Jones- *Moving at Linear Pace*

Dylan Shaffer- *Fluid Power*

Dustin Strunk- *You Want A Piece Of Me?*

## Hardin-Houston Local School Superintendent

For those of you who may not know, Mr. Claypool is retiring after 8 years as the leader of the district. He was the first Superintendent in the new building, and he will be greatly missed. Mr. Claypool has a wonderful gift of making others feel very special. I know the students love his genuine smile, friendly chats, and daily fist bumps. The district wishes Mr. Claypool the best in the retirement that he deserves after many years of service and dedication to the young people of Ohio.

As we thank Mr. Claypool for his years of service as the Superintendent, we welcome Mr. Maier as the next district leader. Mr. Maier has been dedicated to the district all of his life, and he is the perfect person to fill the position. There can be no doubt that he will do everything possible to ensure the best and safest education possible for the students in the district.



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders Help the Earth!



Throughout the school year, third graders have been learning about ways they can help the Earth and conserve natural resources. As a great way to make a positive impact on the Earth, third graders started the "colorcycle" program at the elementary. Crayola is collecting used markers from schools to recycle. At the beginning of the school year, third graders dropped off boxes and explained the program to classrooms in the elementary. All year, whenever a student had a dried up marker, they put the marker in the "colorcycle" box, instead of the trash can. Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, third graders will be collecting the boxes of used markers from the classrooms. Students will weigh the markers to see how many pounds of used markers they saved from going into the landfill. Third grade will then mail the boxes of used markers to Crayola for recycling where they will be turned into clean energy. The third graders have loved starting this program at our school. They hope this program will continue for years to come as we do our part to help the Earth.