



Schroeder Elementary School

...where our mission is to ensure learning for all members of the school community

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September 16, 2011

A Message from the Principal

Dear Schroeder Community,

Welcome back to Schroeder Elementary School. I hope that you enjoyed the summer and are now ready for another great year of school! Our staff has worked very hard to make the beginning of the school year a smooth start. Our teachers have attended professional development, worked in their classrooms and developed lessons to deliver quality instruction. We are ready for another fantastic year at Schroeder.

As we welcome all of the students back to school, we also welcome our new staff. Mrs. Haezebrouck will join the Schroeder staff and teach second grade. She previously taught second grade at Leonard Elementary School in the Troy School District. Mrs. Haezebrouck has demonstrated an exceptional level of teaching and comes to us with extremely high recommendations. Mrs. Talan will be our new social worker with the transfer of Mrs. Schoenherr to other schools in the district. Mrs. Talan has worked at Bemis and Morse Elementary in Troy. Many of you know Mrs. Carmichael from a couple of years ago. Mrs. Carmichael spent the last two years teaching at Hill Elementary School. We are happy to have her return and teach our AM kindergarten and developmental kindergarten classes. We know our new staff members will be a great addition to Schroeder.

As you know, the district has a new tool for communication. School Messenger will be used to send emails, text messages and phone messages regarding emergency information and school and district updates. It is extremely important that you sign up for a School Messenger account. This will be a primary communication tool for the Troy School District and Schroeder Elementary School. You can register for School Messenger and get more information on the district website at www.troy.k12.mi.us.

Once again, we are glad to be back in school and hope that your child has had a positive first two weeks.

Sincerely,

Mr. Brian Canfield

Mark Your Calendars

Sept. 27th	Picture Day
Sept. 30th	Skate World Party 5:15 pm
Oct. 14th	Jogathon (rain or shine)

Dismissal

Please wait outside of the school when picking your child up at the end of the day. This includes all students, DK through 5th grade. It is important for us to have clear hallways for a safe and efficient dismissal. Kindergarten and DK parents should wait outside by the school sign near the kindergarten door.

Indoor Morning Line-Up

In the event of rain or extremely cold weather, we will conduct indoor line-up. This will be announced by a large white sign that indicates indoor line up. When this white sign is displayed at the crosswalk, we will have indoor line up. K-2 students will line up in the hallway at the main entrance. 3-5 students will enter through the front doors just south of the flag pole and line up in the hallway. Teachers will supervise students during this time. Parents may walk their child to the doors, but should not enter the school.



Important reminder to New Families

Please be sure you have turned in all 3 "Proofs of Residency" to complete your child's registration. This information must be submitted to the office within 30 days of your child's enrollment at Schroeder.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Emergency Cards

Please remember to complete your **Emergency Cards** and return them to your child's teacher as soon as possible. It is imperative that we have current information on file in the event that we need to contact you.

A Special Thank You!

We would like to give a special thank you to Mrs. Klingler and everyone who helped the PTO Beautification Committee these past few weeks. They donated their time and effort to improve the Schroeder landscaping and add a special touch to our school. Our school looks great! Thank you!

School Lunches

The Troy School District will again be serving hot lunch at all schools daily. Three entrée choices will be offered each day along with a fruit/salad



bar. Milk, juice and bottled water will also be offered.

The cost of the hot lunch (including milk/juice) is \$2.25. A la carte milk is 35¢. Bottled water/juice is also being offered for 50¢.

Safe Homes and School Directory

On Monday, September 12th we sent home information regarding Safe Homes and the Schroeder Directory. This information was due yesterday, Thursday, September 15th. This information is important for us to create the PTO directory in a timely manner. If you have not returned this paperwork, please do so as soon as possible.



Dairy Queen Night

Please join us for "Family Ice Cream Nights at Dairy Queen" at Maple and Coolidge.

Our first date is
Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011

A portion of the proceeds go to the Schroeder PTO.



Authorization for Medication

If your child needs to take medication during the school day, an Authorization for Medication Form must be completed, signed by a physician and returned to the office. We cannot administer medication without this completed form. The form is available on the Schroeder website at <http://schroeder.troy.k12.mi.us/Forms/MedicationProcedures.pdf>. A new form must be completed every year. It is also important to immediately bring your child's medication to the office. We have disposed of medication from the last school year. It is also important to share any important medical information with your child's teacher.



Background Checks

If you plan on volunteering in the classroom and will be working with students beyond the supervision of a teacher, you will need to complete a background check form. Please complete the form and submit it to the office as soon as possible. A background check form is included at the end of this newsletter or can be retrieved on the Schroeder website at <http://schroeder.troy.k12.mi.us/Forms/Volunteer Check 2010 11.pdf>.



If your child will be absent or late to school for any reason PLEASE call the Absence Line at 248-823-3601.



“I’m Going Home With a friend”

If your child’s going home plans should change from the usual routine (for example: Riding a different bus than usual, getting off the bus at a different stop, walking home with a friend, or riding home in another parent’s car.) he/she **must have a note from a parent** stating the arrangement. This note should be given to the teacher and then brought down to the office to be signed. If your child normally goes to CARE after school, you need to notify them also.

Students will not be allowed to call parents to ask to go home with a friend. These plans need to be made prior to coming to school and a note prepared and sent to school with your child.

Taking Medicine at School

The Troy School District policy prohibits school personnel from giving any medications to students without written permission from the parents and written instructions from the physician. **This includes non-prescription, over-the-counter medication such as aspirin, cough syrup, and cough drops.** **There will be no exceptions.** The medication MUST be in the bottle from the pharmacy with the name of the medicine and the dosage clearly labeled. It must be kept in the school office and administered by the building or the his designee. Authorization for Medication forms are available under “Forms” on the Schroeder Website.



Round Table

Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Carmichael look forward to another great year of Round Table! Elections for third, fourth, and fifth grade representatives will be held towards the end of September. Students meet before school on the first Thursday of each month (October through January) to plan community service events for all Schroeder students. More information will come home shortly.

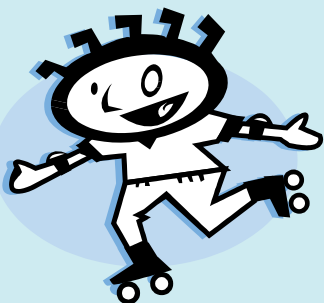
Thank you in advance for a great year!

Picture Day is September 27th

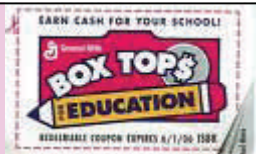
Picture forms have been sent home with the students earlier this week. Please note that the completed forms and payment should be brought to school ON picture day.



Save the Date



**Schroeder Family Skate
Party on Friday, Sept 30
@ 5:15 to 7:15 . Details
to follow.**



Parents, please bring in all the box tops you collected over the summer.

We will be collecting Box Tops again this year to help our school.

Thank you for your help.
Box Tops Co- Coordinators,
Jennifer Feld and Sue Buechner

Point of Sale Lunch System

You are encouraged to prepay for your child's lunch. By prepaying, you will assure that money is always in your child's lunch account on any day he/she chooses to buy lunch. Checks should be made payable to "Troy Food Service" and should be sent or brought to school in an envelope marked with your child's first and last name and the words "Lunch Money". If you are sending one check for multiple children, please indicate how the money should be divided. This will ensure each child gets the appropriate credit. There is not a set amount to pay; however, many parents find that \$30-\$40 is a good starting point. You may also choose to prepay for your child's lunch using Pay-Schools. You may access Pay-schools by going to the Troy School District Website: www.troy.k12.mi.us.



Check out the Schroeder
Website at
<http://schroeder.troy.k12.mi.us>

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, November 10th * Kids4Kids Sale

Once again Schroeder will be having our Kids4Kids Rummage Sale benefiting *buildOn*. As in the past, we have teamed up with *buildOn* to build schools in less fortunate countries. This will be our third year in the program and our third school built. The previous two schools that we have helped build are currently thriving with happy students! We are asking each student to donate 3 (or more) items for our rummage sale. In return, the money we raise will help children around the world get an education. Here are some suggested items to think about donating: games, crafts, winter coats, DVD's, action figures, Legos, dolls, etc. (Please do not donate clothes, hats or toys with weapons.) More details will follow in the near future.

Also, PLEASE register your Kroger Plus Card. (If you registered in May/June 2011 you are all set.) Please take five minutes and do this immediately. We are looking for more participation since our numbers are lower than previous years. With all the handouts and information we receive, we know it gets tempting to procrastinate...but sometimes later never comes. By registering your card, a percentage of money automatically goes to *buildOn* and costs you NOTHING extra. You can also have family/friends register as well. Thank you for your support. **Please contact Jen Weallans with questions at (248) 792-4140 or ladyjennifer@wowway.com.**

Directions to Re-enroll – This is for people that have previously participated.

Go to HYPERLINK "<http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com>" www.krogercommunityrewards.com

Click "Michigan"

Click "Re-enroll" (only if you were registered in the program last year).

1. Enter your e-mail address.
2. Enter your password (If you forgot your password, please go thru the "forgot your password" procedure).
3. Find your organization by typing in your organization's NPO number (#83517, should say buildOn)
4. Click "Select Your Organization."
5. Click "Save Changes"

Directions to Enroll – This is for people that have not yet participated in the program.

Go to HYPERLINK "<http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com>" www.krogercommunityrewards.com

Click "Enroll"

1. Click "Sign up today" (to the right).
2. Enter your zip code and click "Search."
3. Click on the arrow to display the list of stores in your zip code and highlight your preferred store.
4. Enter your email address and password.
5. Click "Next"
6. Key in your Kroger Plus Card Number
7. Enter the security code (from the box above it).
8. Enter your contact information.
9. Click "next"
10. Verify that your account information is correct. Check box for agreement of the terms/conditions and click "complete information."
11. Kroger will send an email to your entered email address (this can take up to 10 minutes).
12. Open and read the email that Kroger sent. Either click on the link within the email or copy and paste it into your browser.
13. Sign in: click on the "Click here" button and then type in your email and password.
14. Under *Kroger Community Rewards* section at right, click "Edit Kroger Community Rewards Information."
15. Find your organization by typing in your organization's NPO number - #83517(should say buildOn)
16. Click on the appropriate organization name so that the name is highlighted.
17. Click on "Save Changes"
18. Scroll over the page and make sure all information is accurate. **You are now registered!**

Schroeder Physical Education

The purpose of elementary physical education is to empower all students in the personal development of skills, fitness and positive character traits that lead to a healthy active lifestyle.



The Troy School District's Elementary Physical Education program uses EPEC (Michigan's **E**xemplary **P**hysical **E**ducation **C**urriculum). The Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Health and Sports and The Michigan Fitness Foundation sponsor this program. Additionally, this school year we will be implementing four new fitness assessments based on a fitness level system for second through fifth graders. There are five areas of fitness that will be assessed: muscular strength, cardio-respiratory endurance, flexibility, coordination and muscular endurance. Kindergarten and first grade will be introduced to these fitness assessments and will be tested in coordination and cardio-respiratory endurance. We believe these additions to our program demonstrate the increased need for fitness awareness with our students. Furthermore, this will help students experience effective goal setting while tracking their personal fitness levels during their elementary years. As we continue to evaluate current methods of standardized fitness tests, we believe this new level system will be highly motivating and strongly impact many more of our students.

The elementary physical education program will continue to be built upon the following five goals which are part of the state and national content standards. These goals are stated in terms of student performance.

1. Demonstrate competence in selected motor skills
2. Demonstrate competence in selected lifelong games, sports, and activities
3. Demonstrate the ability to assess, achieve and maintain health-related levels of physical fitness
4. Demonstrate the ability to apply cognitive concepts in making wise lifestyle choices
5. Exhibit appropriate personal-social character traits while participating in physical activity

Philosophy

Our philosophy in teaching elementary physical education is to focus on the student's physical, cognitive and personal/social development. We provide activities that develop muscle strength, coordination, skill development and endurance. Our classroom environment is designed to create attitudes that help foster cooperation, teamwork, leadership, sportsmanship, fair play, and responsible behavior choices. We aim to challenge our students to do and be more than they ever imagined they were capable of achieving. We feel it is very important that students learn and develop healthy habits concerning daily nutrition and optimal fitness levels that will continue throughout their lifetime.

Parents: You Must Help at Home!

Parents play a BIG part in the total physical development of their children. You can help at home by providing nutritious, well-rounded meals. After school snacks should consist of fruits and vegetables. Make sure that your child gets a minimum of 10 hours of sleep every night. Encourage your child to participate in physical activity at home. Purchase a jump rope or chin-up bar and provide an opportunity for your child to participate in recreation department sponsored programs. Monitor time spent on the computer and video games and encourage your child to get involved in physical activity.



Make a Note Of It!

At times during the school year, your child may not be well enough to attend physical education classes. They may be injured or under a doctor's orders not to participate in physical education class. Under these circumstances, please send a note stating why and for how long your child will be unable to participate. For prolonged injury or illness, a release from the doctor or parent is needed to resume participation. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Checking Email

FYI

The best way to reach me is by email. I will check my email daily, first thing in the morning and at the end of each school day.



Gym Shoes & Clothing

All students are required to wear clean, dry and proper fitting gym shoes (*shoe laces or Velcro*). **FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILD, PLEASE NO ZIPPERS.** When purchasing gym shoes for your child, please make sure that the soles are non-marking and less than 1 inch in height. It is also recommended to wear comfortable clothing that will not prohibit movement. Skirts and dresses may prohibit participation in some activities. If your child does not come properly dressed for participation and misses 5 or more classes during the semester, they will receive a **NEEDS IMPROVEMENT** grade in the Effort section of their report card.

Gym Rules

- Enter and leave the gym quietly and orderly.
- Give Me Five rule.
- No food or other objects in your mouth.
- Clean, dry, proper fitting gym shoes are required.
- Respect yourself, others and property.



Have a healthy year!

Mr. Fralick

Gfralick2@troy.k12.mi.us

Schroeder Elementary School, Troy MI

Cultural Connection Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2011



Brian Canfield, Principal

Sindhu Nair, Editor

Welcome!

The Cultural Committee at Schroeder's PTO is excited about the new school year. Hopefully we can provide our students along with their parents with a few good events. Our work includes a monthly Cultural Connection Newsletter at Schroeder Reporter, Schroeder World Tour (a spring event showcasing the different cultures at our school and including an ethnic fashion show, dances, songs, displays...), a monthly Conversational English Hour, and this year we are hoping for an international potluck, too.

As we plan for this year, we are calling on parents to join us with their ideas and suggestions. Please contact Rouba Samman at rbsamman@comcast.net or Jen Hilzinger at jenhilzinger@mac.com or Sung Son at myciel19@hotmail.com if you are interested. Meeting dates to be announced later.

Our monthly **Conversational English Coffee Hour** is open to parents, new or old, who would like to visit with other parents, learn about Schroeder, and maybe bring a snack to share. We will meet on a Wednesday, from 1-2pm. The date for the first Coffee is Oct 5. Please mark your calendar and bring a friend. Email rbsamman@comcast.net to add you to our email list.

A taste of France: the Crêpe

A crêpe is a type of very thin pancake, usually made from wheat flour. The word is of French origin, deriving from the Latin *crispa*, meaning "curled". Their consumption is widespread in France and they are considered a national dish.

Crêpes are made by pouring a thin liquid batter onto a hot frying pan or flat circular hot plate, often with a trace of butter on the pan's surface. The batter is spread evenly over the cooking surface of the pan or plate either by tilting the pan or by distributing the batter with an offset spatula.

Common savory fillings for crêpes are cheese, asparagus, ham, spinach, eggs, ratatouille, mushrooms, and various meat products. When sweet, they can be eaten as part of breakfast or as a dessert. They can be filled and topped with various sweet toppings, often including Nutella spread, preserves, sugar, maple syrup, lemon juice, whipped cream, fruit spreads, custard, and sliced soft fruits or confiture.

A crêperie is a restaurant or stall that serves crêpes. What is your favorite way of eating crepes? Try them with different toppings and enjoy!

Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cr%C3%AApe>



A sweet crêpe served with strawberries and whipped cream

September Holidays and Festivals

- September 1** – Ganesh Chaturthi (Hindu)
- September 5** – Labor Day (USA, Canada)
- September 8** – Nativity of Virgin Mary (Christian)
- September 28** – Rosh Hashanah (Jewish)
- September 28** – October 6 – Navaratri (Hindu)

For any suggestions/comments, please contact Sindhu Nair at sindhunair2303@gmail.com

Troy School District



Introduces the new cafeteria
recycling program...

RESUSABLE BASKETS



- Replaces 5 compartment Styrofoam trays!
- Reduces landfill waste!
- Just be sure to throw your trash in the receptacle and stack your basket on the bin.



Reusable Basket Program Handling Procedures

New unused baskets are washed, rinsed, sanitized and allowed to air dry using a triple sink ware washing procedure prior to lining and using for the first time.

Washing procedures include:

- Submerge soiled baskets in hot soapy wash water, shake vigorously and or use a sponge to remove any and all contaminates, shake off any excess suds and soapy water.
- Transfer to the rinse compartment of the sinks; submerge baskets to remove any and all soapy suds. Shake off any excess clean water.
- Transfer to the sanitizer compartment sink and submerge baskets for at least 5 seconds, Remove and shake off any excess water.
- Transfer to drying area, allow to air dry until all water has been evaporated.
- Stack clean sanitized dried baskets and store until ready to line for service.

Lining baskets:

- Using an approved 12x12 paper food safe liner purchased from approved vendor.
- Place (1) piece of 12x12 paper liner into every basket allowing for even amounts to hang off the edges.
- Place another basket on top of the paper lined basket and repeat process until all baskets have been lined. Stack only enough to avoid them from toppling over.
- Once you have stacked and lined an amount that can be moved easily, leave the last basket on top with out a liner. (It will most likely blow out and be wasted).
- Store the lined baskets on every food serving station for the customers to use. Do not stack to high out of customers reach.
- Utilize paper food boats and additional cups for items that will saturate the paper liner and/or cause other components to become saturated or soggy.

Collecting soiled used baskets:

- After use, instruct customers to discard any and all food and paper waste into trash receptacles.
- Instruct customers to carefully stack the baskets (without any thing left inside them) in the provided receptacle located next to the trash.
- Throughout service have custodial staff transfer soiled stacked baskets to ware-washing station in the kitchen.
- Replace basket receptacle for other customers to utilize.
- Repeat when necessary and/or at the end of each meal period.
- Check trash receptacles periodically for any baskets that may have been discarded by mistake.
- Stack soiled baskets at the dirty/wash area of the ware-washing station or triple sink.
- Continue to washing procedures and repeat as needed.

Communicate procedures to all departments involved or effected

- District Leadership
- School Leadership
- Student Population
- Custodial Management & Staff
- Kitchen staff



TROY YOUTH ASSISTANCE presents:

ACTIVE PARENTING NOW

for Parents of Children Ages 5 to 12

- Learn non-violent discipline techniques that work
- Improve communication with your children
- Diffuse power struggles
- Teach responsibility and other important values

Six-session classes will be presented: MONDAYS from 7:00-9:00 P.M.

- **September 19,26**
- **October 3,17,24**
- **November 7, 2011**

Registration: Paid in Advance
 \$15.00 per person; \$20.00 per couple
 Babysitting for children up to age 12 will be available for those paid in advance
 Optional workbook \$15



Presenter: Larry M. Cranston, a certified "Active Parenting" Instructor

Stone Haven Free Methodist Church

1349 W. Wattles Rd.

between Crooks and Coolidge

Questions? Call 248-823-5095 or e-mail rlilly2@troy.k12.mi.us

Mail or Deliver registration to

Troy Youth Assistance Office

4420 Livernois Troy, MI 48098

Active Parenting NOW

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

I need babysitting: Yes _____ How many _____ No _____



Family Day

The more often teenagers eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use illegal drugs.
 That's the reason the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University conceived **Family Day**
A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children, now in its tenth year.

The Troy Community Coalition and local merchants invite you to celebrate Family Day 2011 in Troy on Monday, September 26!

Bring this flyer to participating locations for these exciting offers!
One discount per family, per visit.



Bangkok Bistro
 Specializing in Traditional Thai Cuisine Dine in only

\$5 off any FOOD purchase over \$25, only on Family Day – September 26, 2011.
Papa Romano's Pizza: 3065 and 5399 Crooks Road
 Discount offer valid for one week: 4 p.m.-7 p.m. 9/23-30/2011

\$5 off any FOOD purchase over \$25, only on Family Day – September 26, 2011.
at Bangkok Bistro: 1941 W. Maple Rd.
Dine In Only at Bangkok Bistro
 Discount offer valid: 4 p.m.-7 p.m. on 9/26/11



\$5 off any FOOD purchase over \$25,
Offer valid any time Friday, September 23 thru Family Day – September 26, 2011
 at all area Hollywood Markets.



\$5 off any FOOD purchase over \$25,
Offer valid anytime Friday, September 23 thru Family Day – September 26, 2011
 at Nino Salvaggio's International Marketplace, 6835 Rochester Rd in Troy



\$5 off any FOOD purchase over \$15,
Offer valid for two weeks! Any time Friday, September 23 thru Oct. 7, 2011
 at Noodles & Company, 3119 Crooks Rd. in Troy

Parental involvement is the single most effective tool in preventing substance use and abuse among youth!
 For more information call the Troy Community Coalition at 248-823-5088 www.troycoalition.com





Become an Advocate for Troy Youth and Families!

Troy Youth Assistance invites you to become an inaugural member of TYA for just \$25!

Troy Youth Assistance is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation committed to *strengthening youth and families by preventing and reducing juvenile delinquency, child neglect and child abuse through community involvement.*

Troy Youth Assistance offers family education classes such as: “Active Parenting Now” and “Active Parenting with Boundaries.” TYA presents speakers on topics that are relevant to the youth and their parents in our community, including nationally-recognized speakers. Troy Youth Assistance offers financial support for qualified Troy youth to participate in camp and skill-building opportunities.

TYA Membership Benefits:

- Advance notification of and registration for all TYA-sponsored events
- Family education class discounts
- Invitations to attend TYA meetings to hear informational/ educational speakers

Yes, I want to become an advocate for Troy Youth and Families! Enclosed is my \$25 check, made payable to Troy Youth Assistance.

Name: _____ (Required)

Address: _____ (Required)

Email: _____ (Required)

Phone: _____

Return this completed form and your check to:

Troy Youth Assistance

4420 Livernois

Troy, MI 48098

For more information, visit our website at: www.trooyouthassistance.org