



# Dawson Newsletter May 2012

## Dates to Remember

- May 2** ~ ACES, All Children Exercising Simultaneously, 1:45 pm
- May 4** ~ 2nd grade field trip to Kalamazoo Nature Center
- May 7** ~ **5th grade track and field day**  
School Board meeting at the Admin. Bldg., 7:00 pm  
*Young 5's Field Trip to Teusink's Pony Farm*
- May 8** ~ **ELECTION DAY**
- May 8** ~ **4th grade track and field day**  
Dawson PTO meeting, 6:00 pm
- May 9** ~ **3rd grade track and field day**  
*1st grade field trip to John Ball Zoo*
- May 10** ~ **Track and field make-up date**  
*Young 5's trip to Fennville Children's Museum*
- May 11** ~ **Track and field make-up date**  
K-1st grade spring music program—9:45am/1:30 pm  
"Muffins For Moms," 7:00 am to 8:00 am
- May 14** ~ **Track and field make-up date**  
*Young 5's Field Trip to Teusink's Pony Farm*
- May 16** ~ *Kindergarten field trip to Binder Park Zoo*
- May 18** ~ Dawson Carnival, 12:30—2:20 pm
- May 22** ~ *4th grade field trip to West Side County Park*
- May 24** ~ Dawson's 5th grade students visit the middle school
- May 25** ~ Dawson Rampage/5th grade kickball game
- May 28** ~ **No School, Memorial Day**
- May 29** ~ **Kindergarten Graduation at 1:00 pm**  
**Fifth Grade Salute. 7:00 pm**
- May 30** ~ Awards Assemblies for 1st—4th grades  
*5th grade field trip to Little John Park*
- May 31** ~ Last Day for Students/Career Day

## Elementary Building School of Choice

Parents may request that their children attend the elementary school of their choosing within the district. Requests are granted based on the availability of room in each class. Applications have been mailed if you live outside the Dawson area. If you did not receive yours you can pick one up at the Dawson office. The deadline for applications is Thursday, May 31, 2012.

## Dawson Carnival

On Friday, May 18th, from 12:30-2:15 p.m. we will be holding our Dawson Carnival. Our PTO parents and volunteers will be conducting these **free** fun filled activities for our Dawson students. Some of the events planned for the day are carnival games with prizes, tattoos, face painting, inflatables, cake walk, candy art, popcorn, and freeze pops.

We need at least 25-30 volunteers to make this a successful/fun day for the students. If you would like to work at our Carnival, please call the Dawson office at 673-6925 and please make sure that you have filled out a Background Check form.

Also call the office if you are able to bring treats for the cake walk. We prefer individually wrapped treats, because some students put the treats in their bag and don't eat it right away.

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS AND  
VOTE  
ON MAY 8TH!!**

## Appropriate Attire

With warm weather coming, our students will be wearing lightweight clothing. We have no objections to summer wear unless it disrupts the performance and educational process of students.

The staff at Dawson feels the following attire is definitely inappropriate in elementary school: short shorts, halter tops, midriffs showing, skimpy tank tops, items with inappropriate sayings or pictures, being shirtless, and deliberately ripped, torn, or cut clothing.

If it is determined that your child's dress or grooming is distracting or disruptive to the functioning or educational process of the school, you may be contacted and asked to bring a change of clothing to school.

We would hope that you will help us in this matter by monitoring your child's attire before he/she leaves home. We thank you for your cooperation.



## Your Opinion Matters

Allegan Public Schools would like your input in a brief survey concerning our elementary Title I Program.

Please copy the survey web link listed below (or click on the link from the APS website).

Printed copies of the survey are available in the office. All responses will be kept confidential. When completed, the overall results of the survey will be shared with the public.

<http://www.zoomerang.com/survey/WEB22FGKJRLX64>

## Track and Field Days

The upper elementary students (Grades 3, 4, & 5) will be participating in District-Wide Track and Field Days this spring at the Allegan High School track. Our elementary P.E. teachers will be conducting this activity. Students will have the opportunity to compete against students from North Ward, Pine Trails, and West Ward. Because the meet will run past the lunch hour, students are requested to bring a sack lunch and a drink on their Track and Field Day.

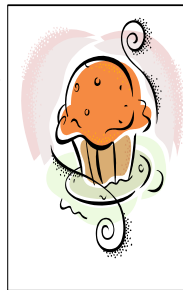
Any parents who would like to volunteer to help at the Field Day, please call the office at 673-6925.



Grade 5—Monday, May 7th—9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.  
Grade 4—Tuesday, May 8th—9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.  
Grade 3—Wednesday, May 9th—9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.  
Thursday, May 10th—RAIN MAKE-UP DAY  
Friday, May 11th—RAIN MAKE-UP DAY  
Monday, May 14th—RAIN MAKE-UP DAY

## Muffins with Moms

*Moms please join us on Friday, May 11th for Muffins with Moms. This event will be held in the Dawson Gym from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 A.M. This will be a special time for Moms and their children to spend quality time together before classes begin.*



## Breakfast/Lunch Charges

As we are coming to the end of another school year, students will not be allowed to charge breakfast or lunch after Monday, May 14th. Any student who either forgets his/her lunch or lunch money will need to call home. Also, notices have been sent home regarding unpaid accounts. Please pay these promptly. Thank You!



## Medication

Medication administered by the school should be picked up by parents no later than Friday, June 1st. No medication will be sent home with a student. Medication can not be sent home on the bus. Medication not picked up from the office will be disposed of at the end of the day on June 1st.

## Requesting A Teacher

Parents who would like to request a teacher for the fall of 2012 must submit a completed form by May 25, 2012. Placing children in classes is not an easy process. Teachers and the principal must make careful placements. However, if you have a compelling, educational reason for making a specific request, a request form is available in the office.

## PTO Meeting

Our next PTO meeting is scheduled for Tuesday evening, May 8th at 6:00 p.m. We will elect PTO officers for the 2012-2013 school year.



Dawson 5th graders will visit the Middle School for an orientation session on the afternoon of Thursday, May 24th.

## Awards Assemblies

The Fifth Grade Salute will be held on Tuesday evening, May 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the Dawson gym. The fifth graders will receive a variety of awards, be challenged to do their best at the Middle School, and enjoy refreshments with their friends and families.



Kindergarten will receive promotion certificates and awards on Tuesday, May 29th at 1:00 p.m.

The assemblies for grades 1-4 will be on Wednesday, May 30th. Grades 1-2 will be at 8:30 a.m., and grades 3-4 will be at 9:00 a.m. Honors will be awarded in a number of areas, which include: Student Council, Perfect Attendance, Excellent Attendance, Honor Roll, and various other awards

**We invite parents to come and enjoy these happy occasions with us!**

## 2012 Free Summer Hearing & Vision Clinics At The Allegan County Health Department

The Allegan County Health Department offers free Vision/Hearing clinics the first Monday of each month. Please call 673-0205 for extended summer hours.

*Allegan Public School District's Board of Education complies with all Federal and State laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination. It is the policy of Allegan Public Schools that no person shall be discriminated against, excluded from participating in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination in any program and/or employment, on the basis of race, color, religion, political belief, national origin, or ancestry, age, sex, height, weight, marital status, or handicap.*

*Inquiries related to Non-discrimination policies should be directed to the Superintendent of Schools, 550 Fifth Street, Allegan, MI. 49010; (269) 673-5431*



## 3RD MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

### 3RD GRADE

Thomas Blodgett  
Kylar Boylan  
Zachary Delor  
Alex Field  
Joe Fish  
Sophia Hamilton  
Joshua Hamman  
Isabela Hatfield  
Anthony Hiscock  
Kaylynn Joynes  
Mason Kleeves  
Olivia Kubizna  
Jenna Kutscher  
Chase Leggett  
Justine Lytle  
Eda Mendell  
Tyler Montgomery  
Nia Nash  
Araseli Navarro  
Anthony Rodriguez  
Tristan Schuyler  
Maya Shreve  
Korbin Sisson  
Mason Stahl  
Alex VanOrder-Young  
Devin VanTilburg

### 4TH GRADE

Thomas Clawson  
Angel Cox  
Noah Festerling  
Emma Hunt  
Hannah Joynes  
Evelyn Kubizna  
Roxanne Loftus  
Taylor Long  
Jessica Lytle  
Sally Merrill  
Baillie Morton  
Benjamin Powers  
Brooklyn Reed  
Abbie Smalla

### 5TH GRADE

Sabrina Armstrong  
Allison Bowden  
Ashlyn Clement  
Cameron Day  
Brooklyn Delor  
Quentaisja Edwards  
Dakoyta Emelander  
Garrett Fairbanks  
Caleb Fink  
Noah Fowler  
MacKenzie Grandmason  
Annika Hansen  
Hayden Kruithoff  
Zachary Lang  
DaVontae Lawshea  
Brandon Nicholson  
Christian Ohst  
Hannah Ostema  
Alex Powers  
Kristen Quade  
Caylie Riess  
Kylie Rocha  
Bobby Schanz  
Zachery Sisson  
Danielle Tellman  
Anthony Thomsen