

# Alexander Elementary School News

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## Upcoming Events

October 05 – Grade 3 OAA Fall Test  
October 19 – Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.  
October 21 – End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter  
October 27 – Picture Retakes  
October 28 – Grade Cards Go Home  
October 28 – Classroom Parties

## Grade 3 Reading OAA

On Wednesday, October 5th, third grade students will take the fall Ohio Achievement Assessment for Reading. According to state guidelines, this test will also be administered in the spring. Students have already been preparing for this test but could also use some encouragement and support from home. Please make sure your child is present and well rested. Thanks for your help.

## OAA Practice Tests

The Ohio Department of Education has a website that permits access to practice tests as well as released questions from previous tests. You can either Google Ohio Success or go to the website:

<http://www.success.ode.state.oh.us/>

## Count Week

If at all possible, please make sure your child is present the week of October 3rd through October 7<sup>th</sup>. If your child has to miss school, please be sure to send a written excuse for the absence. This is COUNT WEEK, the week the State of Ohio determines the funding for each school district. If your child is not present and we do not receive a written excuse we will not receive funding for your child this year. Thank you.=

## Halloween Parties

All Halloween parties will be held on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Parking is available in front of the school between 8:00 and 2:00. Parties will end by 2:00 and all cars must be moved before 2:00 so that buses may enter.

Individual teachers or grade levels will convey the necessary information. Students are *not* permitted to wear their costumes to school. Costumes should be appropriate for school with no weapons or depictions of violence. Please do not send hair spray or paint for the students to apply at school.

## September Star Students

The five qualities that a star student demonstrate are: show respect, study, shows responsibility, smile/serve others, and share. A student from each homeroom will be selected monthly for this honor.

K-2: Alexis Belville, Shaya Coen, Ava Green, Alyssa Malanowski, Lauren Mansfield, JoJo Mathena, Gabrielle McCoy, Holly Meyer, Halee Robinson, Miah Trout, Phoebe Wilson

3-5: Kylee Cain, Colby Carsey, Hailee Clark, Madison Grant, Drew Harris, Daryn Hoffer, Austin Holcomb, Lauren Howard, Brooklyn Kesterson, Marisa McClain, Bradley McCollister, Jaylen Reeves, Caylin Stephenson, Seth Thompson, Isaac York