



Lakeview ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

October 2026

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and contribute positively to society.*

SWEATER WEATHER



Dress For The Weather

As the weather begins to cool, please be sure your child is dressed appropriately for playing outside.

Name on Coats, Hats, Gloves, Etc.

Please write your child's name on their coats, bags, hats, sweatshirts, etc. so we can return them to your child if lost.

Morning Arrival at Lakeview

Students should not arrive at school before 7:30 a.m. Parents may drop students off on the east side of the school, or out front of the building. Students are supervised by staff beginning at 7:30 a.m. Entry will not be allowed into the school including the front door airlock until 7:30 a.m. daily.

Lakeview Elementary PTO Trunk or Treat Event Thursday, October 29th

Come join us for our annual Trunk or Treat! We're back at Lakeview Elementary (back parking lot) and the event has been moved to Thursday this year.



Teach to Heal Information

Teach to Heal is a trauma-responsive approach to education that helps students feel safe, understood, and ready to learn. Centerville School District has adopted this program to meet the needs of our students.

We focus on:

- Building strong, trusting relationships between students and adults.
- Recognizing and responding to the impacts of trauma.
- Teaching skills for self-regulation, problem-solving, and resilience.

We believe students can thrive when their emotional needs are met and they have the tools to succeed.

Teach to Heal helps by:

- Reducing classroom stress and conflict
- Supporting positive behavior and decision-making

Why it Matters:

Children learn best when they feel safe, connected, and valued!

What is the R&R:

The R&R (Regulate and Return Coach) is a trained staff member who assists students in regaining control of their emotions and assists them in developing new strategies. Students who become dysregulated may see the R&R Coach. Mrs. Bridgette Strickler is our R&R Coach at Lakeview.

BUILDING CONTACT INFO

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, October 9th

School Day Friday

10/2, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30

No School Friday's

Thursday, October 29th

Lakeview PTO Annual Trunk or Treat

5:00 to 6:30 pm

Lakeview Elementary Parking Lot

Transportation Changes

If you are needing to make a change in your child's destination for drop-off, or if your child who normally rides the bus will not be riding the bus, you will need to call Lakeview Elementary by 1:30 pm that day at the latest to ensure that change can be made.

Help Us Eliminate Tardiness

We need your support to ensure that every student starts their day on time. To help prevent tardiness, please aim to

have your child arrive at school on time. Doors open at 7:30 am. Students arriving after 8:05 are considered tardy. Establishing a consistent morning routine and preparing things the night before can make a big difference. Your cooperation in getting students to school on time is greatly appreciated and helps set them up for a successful day of learning!



Halloween Parties and No Costumes Notice

Teachers will share details about upcoming classroom parties directly with families through the BAND app. Please watch for updates from your child's teacher.

As a reminder, **Halloween costumes are not permitted at school.** Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain a safe and focused learning environment for all students.

Parent Teacher Conferences in November

We wanted to give an early heads up that our Lakeview Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences this year are scheduled for Monday, November 2nd and Thursday, November 5th. Please be looking for a note in late October from your child's teacher for scheduling your conference time.



School Counselors Mrs. Kirkland (grades K-2) and Mrs. Swenson (grades 3-5) are both seeing their classes once a month. This allows the counselors to be available for one-on-one counseling and small group work.

At the end of the month we will celebrate Red Ribbon Week (October 23-31). Red Ribbon Week is a week set aside to learn about and celebrate a life without the need for drugs, alcohol, and bullying.



The counselors are here to support all students with their social, emotional and academic needs while at school. Feel free to contact Lakeview to speak to either of our professional school counselors!

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**Big Reds are: Learning,
Engaged, Active, Dependable**



Checking In on Student Growth & Learning

During September, all K-5 students were screened in reading and math using FastBridge. FastBridge is an assessment system that helps teachers understand student learning and identify areas where additional support may be needed.

Teachers use screening results to plan instruction, provide targeted support when needed, and monitor student progress throughout the school year. **Screening** helps identify students who may benefit from additional instruction, while **progress monitoring** helps teachers determine whether that support is helping students meet their learning goals. Our goal is simple: use assessment information to better understand, encourage, and support every student's learning and growth.

PK-5 Leadership Team

Working together for student success! Our PK-5 Leadership Team—made up of two administrators, an Instructional Coach, and seven Teacher Leaders—meets monthly to align our strategies and ensure a consistent, supportive learning environment for every child. Together, we work to support the district's mission: *"All students will learn well, become lifelong learners, and contribute positively to society."*

Our work focuses on the **whole child**—including:

-  **Academic support** – helping students grow as learners
-  **Behavioral support** – helping students develop positive behaviors and routines
-  **Social-emotional support** – helping students build confidence, relationships, and skills for managing challenges