

Lighthouse Elementary

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Mission Statement

Our mission: Empowering all students to succeed in an ever-changing world.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER: We are winding down the school year and we have many fun events scheduled between now and the end of the year. **The last two days of school are half days- June 6th and 7th, dismissal is 12:26 PM.** Please see this newsletter and information from classroom teachers regarding upcoming Year-End events!

A special thanks to our parents and PTG for all their support this year.
Mrs. Hoffman

REPORT CARDS will be sent home on June 7th, the **last day of school!**

Summer School Program: Details regarding the district Summer School Program will be found soon on the Anchor Bay page at <https://www.anchorbay.misd.net/>

There is NO SCHOOL on Tuesday, May 7th, due to Professional Development day. This has been changed from May 8th, which is now a full day. **NO SCHOOL on Monday, May 27th** for the Memorial Day Holiday.

YEARBOOKS: Will be passed out to students during the last week of school. For students who did not order a yearbook, a limited amount will be available for sale in the office, on a first come first serve basis, for \$12 . If you are unsure if you purchased a yearbook, please call Mrs. Menotti in the office.

Thank you to all of our student helpers this year! Good job!

ATTENTION PARENTS OF NEW KINDERGARTEN OR YOUNG 5'S STUDENTS: In order to establish bus routes and develop kindergarten class lists for the 2024-25 school year, we need to have your completed registrations and all paperwork turned in. Please go online to register all new students before the last day of school at <https://www.anchorbay.misd.net/>.

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION NIGHT: is Wednesday, May 15th from 5:30-6:30pm. Bring your kindergarten-age child, tour the school on your own, meet some of the Lighthouse Staff and participate in hands-on learning activities to help your child get ready for school.

WARM WEATHER CLOTHING: We encourage students to dress appropriately for varied weather conditions and outdoor play. **DRESS CODE:** Anchor Bay Schools respects students' right to express themselves in the way they dress. All students who attend Anchor Bay Schools are expected to respect the school community by dressing appropriately for the K-12 educational environment. Student attire should facilitate participation in learning and the health and safety of students and adults who supervise them. This policy is intended to guide students, staff, and parents.

All grade levels will participate in **FIELD DAY**. There will be class activities taught by Mrs. LaPorte and led by staff. Students will need to bring their own water bottles, sunscreen, hats, wear tennis shoes, socks and class color shirts. Don't forget to turn in your Field Day lunch order forms before May 17th. More details to come...

FIELD DAY is May 31st. <https://lighthouseptg.ptboard.com>. **Remember, all volunteers for any school event must have an approved volunteer form on file for the current school year.**

PTG NEWS: Saturday, May 4th is the last day to order **VanThommes hanging flower baskets**. Flower Pickup is Thursday, May 9th, 3:00-5:30 pm, just in time for Mother's Day! Thank you for supporting our Lighthouse PTG! <https://lighthouseptg.ptboard.com> .



TEACHER APPRECIATION information was emailed home and can be found on our webpage under the PTG tab.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Keep scanning Box Tops over the summer. We receive 10 cents for each one!



MUFFINS WITH MOM is May 10th. tickets must be purchased by May 5th. We are looking to have approved volunteer dads help out, so that we can host this event.



DONUTS WITH DAD is Friday, May 24th. Registration for Donuts with Dad will go live starting Friday, May 3rd. Please mark your calendars. We are in need of volunteer moms to help with this event.





MEDICATION: Each year when school ends, we ask parents to please come and pick up any medications, EpiPens, inhalers, breathing machines or any other medications they may have in our Lighthouse office. These items need to be signed out with Mrs. Gerlach no later than Thursday, June 13th, or it will be discarded. No medications are kept throughout the summer. **New medical forms and medications are needed at the beginning of each school year and can be found online.** If you would like to pick up new paper forms, you may do so when you pick up your child's medication from the current school year.

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY: Please help your child find and return all their Library books. **All Library books should be returned by May 17th.**



CHANGE OF ADDRESS: We have had several families move to new homes within the past couple of months. Many of these families have chosen to continue to bring their children to Lighthouse to finish out the school year. This practice of finishing the school year is allowed, however if a family has moved within the district or outside of the school district we need to know about the new address. If the new address is outside of the Lighthouse school boundaries, the families must fill out a "School of Choice" form in order to have the children continue their education at Lighthouse Elementary. Please make sure that the office is notified of any change in addresses.

ARRIVAL: School starts at 9:00 am, the building doors will be opened at 8:50 AM. There is no supervision before this time and students should not be dropped off without parent supervision in the morning.

DISMISSAL: is officially 3:51 pm. Young 5 and Kindergarten students are dismissed at 3:45 pm. Please remember students must be supervised both before and after school by a parent or adult. SAC caregivers are NOT responsible for supervising children who are not enrolled in the SAC program or on the playground.

PARENT PICK UP LOT: We are asking parents to remain in cars when possible and follow the "loop" to drop students off or pick them up directly in front of Door #10. This will help us make sure that all students are safe and the traffic flow can be managed. As an alternative, parents can park in a designated parking spot and walk their child up to the door or pick them up from Door #10. Students should NOT be crossing through the parking lot without supervision or adult assistance. Thank you all for your support and assistance!



STUDENT COUNCIL AND SAFETY PATROL NEWS:

Thank you to all students who have participated in Safety the Student Council sponsored events throughout the school year. Mrs. Peck, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Eckstein would sincerely like to thank all the Representatives for all of their hard work and dedication to making this school, its surrounding communities, and our world a better place. Thank you again Student Council and Safety Patrol Reps. and parents for all you have done this year.



FIELD TRIPS and CELEBRATIONS:



- Young 5's 5/8/24 Wolcott Mills, 9:10—12:30 pm
- Kindergarten 5/28/24 Upland Hills Farm 9:30—2-30 pm
- Kindergarten 6/6/24 Celebration in classroom, 11:00 am
- 1st Grade 5/29/24 Detroit Zoo, 9:15 am—3:15 pm
- 2nd Grade 5/30/24 Picnic at Maynard Park, 9:50—1:30 pm
- 3rd Grade 5/16/24 Greenfield Village, 9:15—3:30 pm
- 5th Grade 5/30/24 The New Rink, 10:30—2:30 pm
- 5th Grade 6/7/24 Celebration and Clap-Out, time TBD



FIELD TRIP LUNCHES: Don't forget you can order ahead and get a school lunch on all field trips. See your classroom newsletter or click on the food for more details.

LOST ITEMS: There is a table of lost items near the Office. Please ask your child to check the table. Any remaining items after June 7th, will be donated to charity.

BUTTERFLIES: Y5, Kindergarten and 1st grades are observing the **life cycle of the butterfly.** Each class has a set of caterpillars and will watch them change into butterflies and then release them outside.



FOOD SERVICE has permanent part-time positions open. Please apply online: <https://abs.tedk12.com/hire/ViewJob.aspx?JobID=509> Applications are also being accepted for substitute positions. Hourly rate is \$15.00

SUMMER SAC: For details regarding Summer SAC please go to <https://www.anchorbay.misd.net/schools/early-childhood-center/>

GLEANERS: Pickup is May 21st between 1:30 and 3:30 pm. To learn more contact north-shore.org.