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From the Office of the Superintendent

Staying The Course

We are off and running!

Indeed the school year is off to a much different start. Regardless of hallway markers, masks, student schedules, and social distancing, academic achievement and student success remains at the very core of McComb School. No matter what challenges we face together as a school community, we still need to make sure our students are prepared for future success in one of the three E's: Enroll-Enlist-Employ. The journey may look different but the destination remains the same.

As a parent/guardian you wear many hats. One additional hat you may wear is that of a learning coach. You probably have been more involved in the learning process of your child the last several months than you ever thought was possible. The good news is that you may know all about quadratic equations. The bad news is that you know all about quadratic equations.

Perhaps most important is to remain as steadfast as possible moving forward. Your actions as well as the actions of other adults have more influence on children than we may ever know. Children look to adults for safety, security, and direction. Below are 10 characteristic traits author Elizabeth Street believes all children need to learn early in life and continue developing through their adult years. Best of all, you as parent/guardian can help create lasting memories cultivating these important traits.

CURIOSITY	SOCIAL INTERACTION	RESILIENCE	INTEGRITY	EMPATHY
CREATIVITY	RESOURCEFULNESS	ASSERTIVENESS	HUMILITY	CONFIDENCE

Yours in Education,

Mr. Fenstermaker

McComb School Permanent Improvement Levy Renewal

McComb Local School district residents will be voting on a Permanent Improvement real estate tax levy renewal for a continuing period during the November 3, 2020 general election. The levy is **NOT** a new tax and there are **NO** increases in taxes. According to the Ohio Revised Code: "Permanent Improvement means any property, asset, or improvement with an estimated life or usefulness of five years or more." By law, funds generated from a Permanent Improvement Levy cannot be used to pay district operating expenses such as salaries and benefits.

The current Permanent Improvement Levy was first passed in 1995 and was voted in at 3.36 mills. Due to increases in property values over the last 25 years, the Permanent Improvement Levy effective millage currently is collecting at 1.64 mills. Please see the chart below for how Permanent Improvement Levy dollars are spent at McComb School. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Tony Fenstermaker-Superintendent at 419.293.3979 or email fenstermakert@mccombschool.org. Make sure you vote on November 3, 2020.

Bus Repairs/Purchases	Roofing Repairs	Equipment Replacement	Audio/Visual Equip.
School Security	HVAC Repairs	Parking Lot Repairs	Boiler Maintenance
Computer Networking	Laptops	Plumbing Repairs	Building Repairs

General Information

NAMES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Central Office	419-293-3979	High/Middle School	419-293-3853
Tony Fenstermaker	Superintendent	Jeremy Herr	Principal
Rindi Schaublin	Secretary	Marlene Barker	Secretary
Linda Clymer	Treasurer	Sarah Becker	HS Counselor
Lisa Kryling	Assistant Treasurer	Kristine Kern	MS Counselor
Luke Ewing	Transportation Director	Shawn Woolf	Athletic Director
Elementary School	419-293-3286		
Joyce Jackson	Principal		
Julie Buck	Secretary		
Amy Koester	School Counselor		



McComb Public Library

At this time there will be **NO** after school or in-house programs.

Evening Story Time Facebook ONLY!

We're doing Story Time a whole new way!

Preschoolers ages 3-5 can register at the library or online at: mccombpl.org under the Youth Services Tab.

Story Time videos are posted on our Facebook page each week on Tuesday @ 6:30pm.

A Craft /Activity Bag will be available for pick-up each Monday at the library, to follow along with Miss Annette. Story Time Themes for the month of October are:

Oct. 6—Apples, Oct. 13—Pumpkins, Oct. 20—Fall Leaves, Oct. 27—Trick OR Treat.

You **MUST** be registered in order to receive a Craft/ Activity Bag.

In an effort to ensure Craft/ Activity Bags will be available for everyone, please allow a one week notice when first registering for Story Time.

Google Classroom

A helpful video is available to explain how Google classroom is set up and how you can help your student stay up to date with assignments on remote learning days. If you are not signed up to get daily/weekly updates from google classroom, please email your child's teacher and you will be sent an invitation.

On youtube.com, type in Google Classroom for Parent's (2020 remote learning overview) by John R. Sowash or go to this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hGo1clL1U9o>



Senior Class Dinner

Friday, October 30

4:00-6:00 PM

Ticket Price: \$9.00

Drive Thru Carryout Only



Enter south of the football field along Panther Parkway and proceed behind the school to door #9 for meal pickup.

Tickets available from any member of the Class of 2021

Menu

Baked Steak or Boneless Chicken Breast

Mashed Potatoes / Green Beans

Roll / Dessert

Bottled Water

All tickets will be pre-sale only. The last day to purchase tickets is Wednesday, October 14.

This dinner is replacing the annual Homecoming Dinner, it will be the only fundraising event for the Class of 2021. Please consider supporting our Seniors by purchasing tickets.



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VOICE OF DEMOCRACY

SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

November 7, 2020

3 Piece Honey Fried Chicken

w/ Mashed Potatoes, Corn , Roll & Butter, Dessert,
Bottled Water

\$10.00

Begin serving at 5 pm

Carry Out Only

Call ahead 419-293-2266 or walk in and pick up

CAFETERIA SUBS NEEDED!

Are you wanting to earn some additional cash? Do you enjoy interacting with students? Are you available weekdays between 8a-1:30p.

If so, the McComb School cafeteria is looking for anyone interested in subbing in the cafeteria on an as-needed basis.

For consideration, stop at the Central office and pickup an application.

Contact Steve Rider, Food Service Director, at 419-293-3979 ext. 406 with any questions.

End of the 1st Nine Weeks: November 6th

No School: November 25-27

Thanksgiving Break

Please continue to check our website,
www.mccombschool.org, for continuous updates.

Elementary School Information



Message from Principal Jackson

The Coffee Bean, by Jon Gordon, is an inspiring tale that follows Abe, a young man filled with stress and fear. Abe faces challenges and pressure from home and at school. One day after class, his teacher shares with him the life changing lesson of the coffee bean, and this powerful message changes the way he thinks, acts, and sees the world.

In the wake of hearing Abe spill out his troubles, Mr. Jackson just gestured and stated, "I know how you feel." Then, he acted in a way you probably won't anticipate. He didn't offer any words of wisdom or guidance. Rather, he gave Abe a task – and a fairly arbitrary one it seemed: Place a carrot in a pot of boiling water, watch it for some time, return tomorrow and report what occurred. Abe reported that the carrot became soft. Following the carrot experiment, Mr. Jackson asked Abe to place an egg in the boiling water. What resulted with the egg? It became hardened. Finally, Abe was instructed to place a coffee bean in the pot of boiling water. The results? The coffee bean transformed into something much better than the bean itself.

This simple experiment allowed Abe to discover that instead of letting his environment change him for the worse, he could transform any environment he is in for the better. The current environment may be viewed as a boiling pot of water (COVID, perhaps? Struggles with online learning perhaps? Other elements?) We have been in school for a month under conditions that at times have resembled a boiling pot. Each student, parent, guardian, teacher, administrator and anyone associated with the school system deals with daily challenges. I want to personally commend everyone that is working diligently to establish positive guidelines and schedules, expectations, and strategies that are assisting our students in their attempts to persevere, be successful, and develop resiliency during these trying times. Our examples, attitudes, words, and actions as adults mightily affect the mental health and attitudes of children.

Protocols that are in place in the building are working very well to keep students safe and healthy while here. I am very impressed with the adaptability of our students to current situations while here. Thank you for the roles you provide at home in doing the same. Be the coffee bean!

Coming Up:

ELA testing for 3rd grade: October 20th and 22nd

Elementary Parent - Teacher Conference dates:

October 14th: 3:30 - 6:30

December 1st and 3rd: 3:30 - 7:30

March 3rd: 3:30 - 6:30



BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

We are looking for bus drivers.

Please contact Luke Ewing,
Transportation Supervisor at
419-293-3979 ext. 405 for
additional information.

McComb Athletic Booster Membership 2020-2021

Please consider joining the McComb Athletic Boosters to support boys and girls sports at McComb. Your membership helps all the sports' programs (Junior High through High School) with athletic equipment, uniforms, weight training and other athletic department expenses. **Memberships are only \$20, your name is printed on sports banners and you are eligible for the monthly drawing for a chance at \$50 (2 winners monthly).** Drawings are held at the monthly meetings and a check will be sent to the winners.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

Memberships may be mailed to Abbie Like, Treasurer, 1182 Township Road 106, McComb, Ohio 45858.

**Thank you for your support of McComb Athletics!
GO PANTHERS!**

High/Middle School Information



Message from Principal Herr

Hindsight is 20/20.

Original meaning - when looking back at a situation or an event and having a clearer understanding of it and how things could have been done better.

While it may have been said anytime after the "Snellen Chart," a chart that identifies visual acuity, was published (1862). This phrase was first recorded in print in February of 1949.

When we look at things in hindsight we have the advantage of already knowing what went wrong and how one small adjustment or decision could have made all the difference. Like how we should approach the school year during 2020! There are certainly ways we could have better explained things, ways we could have made life easier not only for students, parents but even for ourselves... I digress.

Please take note of these few things:

1. Students who are in the Red and Black groups should get themselves in the habit of checking every Google Classroom every day. No exception to this during remote days. Remote days are not days off from school - ever.
2. Become better acquainted with our school's website and how to navigate to our Middle and High school tabs to find the Homework Matrix where teachers are submitting weekly assignments. There are also valuable announcements and other information added to our website daily. This is a critical communication tool (especially in 2020).
3. When in doubt, contact the school - the 7-12th grade office phone is 419-293-3853 and my office email is herrij@mccombschool.org

The next three months (Oct - Dec 2020), when things go wrong at your home or here at school - just remind yourself that **~Hindsight is 2020~**

Until next time,

Mr. Herr

Congratulations Middle school Student Council Members for the 2020-2021 school year

7th-Kennedy Babcock, Caroline Bryan, Ryleigh Felgar, Aubrey Hassan, Gracin Romero, Grady Schroeder, Lily Sebring, & Brayden Welty

8th-Hailey Ebright, Cameron Jackson, Kelsey Jenkins, Kacey Like, Marissa Pitz, Laney Rader, Rylee Scheff, Dakota Shellenberger, & Hannah Sherick

Little Caesar's Sale

The Junior Class is currently selling Little Caesar's Pizza kits. Orders are due by Friday, October 9th. Orders are expected to come in on Monday, October 26th. Order from any junior or order online. To order online, go to pizzakit.com and use the fundraiser ID 386175. Profits will go toward the 2021 Prom, which is planned for Saturday, April 24th. We appreciate your support.

On September 12, 2020 the high school marching band held senior night at Doc Miller field. The seniors walked across the field with their parents while their achievements were read. The band then played pregame featuring the fight song, Barbara Ann, and Star Spangled Banner. Marched a halftime show consisting of Batman TV Theme, Live and Let Die, and Batmobile Chase. The show finished with the fight song and a slide show.

Senior band members are Mercedes Steen, Reilly Sammet, Mason Pierce, Arelia Adams, Alejah Martinez, Riane Denney, Gabe Bell, Reagan Carter, Aubree Funchion, Sam Morse, Justin Zeigler, Albaney Turner, Emily Torres, and Jaye Remaly. Congratulations and thank you to all the seniors!!!

REMOTE MEAL PICK-UP

Starting Wed 9/30, remote meal pick-up will switch from a daily pickup to once a week with multiple meals being picked up at that time depending on the child's weekly school schedule/status.

The following is the weekly process to register for meal pick-up on Wednesdays:

Go to the school main website (www.mccombschool.org) and click on the "Remote Lunch Pick-up Form" located on the right, beneath the "McComb School Covid-19 Dashboard".

Complete the form with required information for each child your requesting meals for.

A weekly sign-up (via the Remote Lunch Pick-up Form) must be filled out by Tuesday evening by 10:00pm.

(NOTE: Sign-up must be done weekly anytime from Thurs – Tues by 10pm).

Number of pick-up meals for each child will be based on the # of days they are remote/online (excluding Pre-K and younger)

Grades 1-4 = 1 breakfast & lunch meals

Grades KG & 5-12 = 3 breakfast & lunch meals

Non-school age kids & Online only students = 5 breakfast & lunch meals

Pick-up is on Wednesday's from either 11:45a-12:30p or 5:45p-6:30p at door 8 outside the kitchen. (Take Panther Parkway thru parking lot to door 8).

A roster will be present to check off meals as they are picked up.

Failure to pick-up requested meals could result in removal from future pick-ups. Call 419-293-3979 ext. 406 (by 11am for the lunch pick-up & 3pm for the evening pickup) should an unexpected conflict arise so removal ahead of time can be done.

***NOTE:** Any child/student age 1-18 is eligible for FREE breakfast & lunch through approved USDA funding until December 31, 2020 or when the funds are exhausted. NO STRINGS ATTACHED.....SIGN UP TODAY.*



ALL STUDENTS EAT FREE

McComb Local School is excited to announce that the USDA has extended free lunch and breakfast meals to ALL children (ages 1-18) AT NO COST through December 31, 2020 or until the federal funding runs out. This program is intended to give nutritious meals to students while minimizing potential coronavirus exposure.

****Note:** The purchase of any additional items (extra entrée, ala carte, etc.) beyond the standard daily breakfast and lunch option will be charged and must be paid for at the time of purchase whether from funds off the student's lunch account (preferred) or with cash.

FREE AND REDUCED meal applications still need to be completed by those who qualify during this time so upon expiration of the USDA program all eligible meal status's will be in place. Failure to complete the application prior could result in meal charges at that time. School fees will also not be waived without an application.

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McComb Local Schools - Hybrid Menu

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

28 **ATTN: BREAKING NEWS!!!**
ALL CHILDREN AGES 1-18 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE BREAKFAST & LUNCH THRU APPROVED USDA FUNDING UNTIL DEC 31, 2020 OR THE FUNDING RUNS OUT. NO STRINGS ATTACHED

**** Weekly Remote Meal Pick-up will on Wednesday's from 11:45a-12:30p and 5:45p-6:30p (subject to change). Go to the school website (www.mcombschool.org) and click on the "Remote Lunch Pick-up Form" to sign-up & for more info. Sign-up must be done weekly ****

5	Mini Pancakes	6	Donut Holes	7	Remote Learning Day Remote Meal Pick-up from 11:45a-12:30p & 5:45p-6:30p. Online pre-order required for meal pick-up.	8	Breakfast Sandwich Mac-N-Cheese and MORE Cheese or Breaded Chicken Breast w/ side of Mac-N-Cheese, Salad Bar, Broccoli, Fruit Bar, Milk	9	Pancake Wrap Pepperoni or Cheese Stuffed Crust Pizza, Salad Bar, Sweet Potatoes, Fruit Bar, Milk
12	Breakfast Bar Breaded Chicken Sandwich or Corn Dog, Salad Bar, Spicy Curly Fries, Fruit Bar, Milk	13	Breakfast Burrito Crispitos or Chicken Fries (Sticks), Salad Bar, Refried Beans, Fruit Bar, Milk	14	Remote Learning Day Remote Meal Pick-up from 11:45a-12:30p & 5:45p-6:30p. Online pre-order required for meal pick-up.	15	Mini Pancakes Pepperoni Filled Breadstick or Cheese Pizza Cruncher Bites, Salad Bar, Carrots, Fruit Bar, Milk	16	Donut Holes Chicken Nuggets or BBQ Pork Sandwich, Salad Bar, Green Beans, Fruit Bar, Milk
19	CC French Toast Fiestada Pizza or Cheese Filled Breadstick (Bosco), Salad Bar, Carrots, Fruit Bar, Milk	20	Funnel Cake Sweet & Sour Chicken or Mongolian Beef, Salad Bar, Asian Blend w/ Baby Corn, Fruit Bar, Fortune Cookie, Milk	21	Remote Learning Day Remote Meal Pick-up from 11:45a-12:30p & 5:45p-6:30p. Online pre-order required for meal pick-up.	22	Breakfast Burrito French Toast Sticks or Mini Pancakes, Sausage Links, Hash brown, 100% Juice Choice, Fruit Bar, Milk	23	Breakfast Bar McRib or Breaded Pork Sandwich, Salad Bar, Straight Cut Fries, Fruit Bar, Milk
26	Pancake Wrap Grilled Cheese (Amer or Swiss) w/ Tomato Soup, Salad Bar, Broccoli, Fruit Bar, Milk	27	Breakfast Sandwich Bacon Cheeseburger or Popcorn Chicken, Salad Bar, Baked Beans, Fruit Bar, Milk	28	Remote Learning Day Remote Meal Pick-up from 11:45a-12:30p & 5:45p-6:30p. Online pre-order required for meal pick-up.	29	CC French Toast Pepperoni Calzone or Cheese Pizza (Deep Dish), Salad Bar, Sweet Potatoes, Fruit Bar, Milk	30	Funnel Cake Chicken Strips or Popcorn Fish Basket, Salad Bar, Tater Tots, Fruit Bar, Milk

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BREAKFAST INFO

Breakfast	\$1.25
All Grades & Adults	\$0.30
Reduced	\$0.30
Extra Milk (1/2pt)	\$0.50

Breakfast served 7:25-7:50 a.m.

BREAKFAST MENU

Hot Breakfast: Daily Hot Breakfast Option is stated on the Menu (at left). Alternate Daily Breakfast Options: Instant Oatmeal, Cereal, Cereal Bars, Pop Tarts, Muffins, Whole Grain Donuts.

LUNCH INFO

Lunch	\$2.25
Grades 1-5	\$2.55
Grades 6-12	\$3.15
Adult	\$3.15
Reduced	\$0.40
Extra Milk (1/2pt)	\$0.50

All grain products are **WHOLE GRAIN** unless otherwise noted.

*** Menu Subject to Change ***

If you qualify for free or reduced meals this also applies to breakfast

**** Breakfast includes whole fruit, juice and milk ****

***** We are an Offer vs. Serve school which means students can build their own meal by choosing a minimum 3 of the 5 daily meal components (meat/meat alternative, fruits, vegetables, & milk) being offered with one being a fruit or vegetable to make it a complete healthy meal. *****