# Updates from Principal Keller

#### Student of the Month Character Traits: Please ask your child what it means to display these character

traits. November's focus is Gratitude December's focus is Respect

## Jog-a-thon

It was a great day at the Lenz ES Jog-a-Thon this year. The weather was warm, students were excited and ready to run. This fundraiser brought in over \$17,000. Thank you to all the parents, staff, students, and PTA for putting together such a great event. Every dollar goes directly back to our students, and your donations help us continue to support our children and our awesome neighborhood school.

# 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report Cards

As report cards come home, please remember that your child's school experience will not mirror yours. Several years may have passed since you were attending a K-12 school and public schools have experienced many changes. Most of the changes relate to the curriculum that is being taught and how it is being taught. Keep in mind, the traditional grading systems have changed very little in the K-5 setting. We encourage you to shift away from seeing the grade as a single representation of achievement. Look closely at the math and literacy standards that were taught for the quarter and focus on your child's competency as it relates to a curriculum standard. In grades  $3^{rd}-5^{th}$  the grade of C represents a student who has shown competency in a standard. Grades above a C represent high competency and high levels of performance.



## Welcome Mrs. Wilson

We would like to welcome Mrs. Wilson to Lenz as our PE teacher. Once again, the PTA has set aside money to ensure students would have this opportunity. Thank you, Mrs. Wilson, for your hard work and PTA for securing the

funding.

#### Parent- Teacher Conferences

As always, we appreciate parents taking the time to meet with their student(s) teacher. It was great to see

so many families in attendance working to support their child(ren).



Fun with Mrs. Wilson

## **Technology Updates**

The last 3 years have brought our students a variety of new technologies. Lenz ES went from no iPads for students in the 19-20 school year to almost 100 iPads in this school year. Laptops for students has also dramatically increased from about 25 to 240 new laptops. The student Computer Lab refresh is now complete with 35 new desktops with 23-inch monitors. Thank you to our Lenz families and the PTA.

#### **Important Dates**

- Report Cards Thursday, 11/3
- No school for students (Election Day) Tuesday, 11/8
- PTA Fall campus clean up Tuesday, 11/8 @ 2pm
- Veterans Day no school Friday, 11/11
- Lenz ES Book Fair 11/9-11/18
- Thanksgiving Break 11/23-11/25

#### **Dismissal Reminders**

- No pets of any kind are allowed on WCSD/Lenz ES school property. This includes cute puppies.
- Avoid parking in the front parking lot during bussing times before and after school.
- Bikes and scooters must be walked while on school property. Remind your student not to climb trees/fences on campus