

WESTERN WAYNE SCHOOL DISTRICT

EverGreen Elementary



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
August/September 2023

WORDS FROM MR. PIDGEON



Welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed the summer break.

Mrs. Kerrie Fitzsimmons and I would like to welcome all new students, faculty and staff to EverGreen. We are eager to build upon the successes experienced in years past and continue to develop a culture of excellence in the Western Wayne Community. We are ready for another fun, exciting school year!

The foundation for your child's success is laid in the elementary school years and we will make every effort to help your child achieve, both socially and academically. EverGreen Elementary has an excellent teaching staff with a wealth of knowledge. We will continue to be dedicated to your child's education and ensuring academic growth is achieved.

As a stakeholder in the school community, we must come together to build a school district that will prepare our children for future endeavors! We encourage you to become involved in our schools; whether it's a member of PTA, attend our school board meetings, cheer on the Wildcat athletic teams, or support our extracurricular activities/clubs.

Show your Wildcat pride!

I look forward to an exhilarating school year!

Justin Pidgeon
Principal

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ENROLLMENT

Early Intervention	10
Pre-Kindergarten	62
Kindergarten	69
First Grade	75
Second Grade	82
Third Grade	69
Fourth Grade	92
Fifth Grade	82
Outside placements	<u>0</u>
Total	541

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Positive Behavior
Intervention Support

PBIS at Western Wayne!

Positive Behavior Support is a initiative of the Western Wayne School District. It is a school-wide strategy for helping all students achieve important social and learning goals. We know that when good behavior and good teaching come together, our students will excel in their learning. EverGreen Elementary is proud to be a part of this exciting initiative.

As part of the PBS program, we have established several clear rules for the behavior we expect in all areas of our school. We will explicitly teach those expectations to the students and reward them frequently with positive notes and prizes for their great behavior. The expectations for all student behavior will be clear throughout our building and playground areas, cafeteria, gymnasium, and classrooms. You will be able to ask your student, “What are the rules in your school?” “How do you follow those rules?” “What happens when a teacher sees you following the rules?”

Our school rules will provide for a safer school environment and give more time for instruction. We will apply consistent consequences and positive reinforcement for all kids. By detailing every expected behavior and teaching to kids in a positive way, we will provide a common language for everyone in our building, including students, teachers, front office staff and our paraprofessionals.

Students will have an opportunity to earn “**Cat Cash**” for use at the **CAT CASH SHOWCASE**. There they will be able to buy coupons for special privileges within the school or items that catch their eye. Money is earned by students when they display desired school behaviors. There will be opportunities to earn additional money when students demonstrate exceptional acts of kindness, generosity and leadership. At the end of each month students who maintained appropriate behavior will be invited to attend a building-wide “**BLOW-OUT**”. We have some awesome events planned for the students.

While our primary goal is to be positive, consequences are a part of PBIS as well. When students violate a rule or expectation, a report is generated.

The consequence will vary depending on the severity of the infraction. Students with six or more minor offenses or three or more major offenses in a month will not be permitted to attend a BLOW OUT. The student will be required to attend a social skills lesson. For more about permissible and non-permissible behaviors, check out our table at open house.

We believe that by helping students practice good behavior, we will build a school community where all students have an environment where they can succeed and grow.

Please contact us at school if you have any questions or need further information.

Thank you for your support!



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FACULTY AND STAFF

SCHOOL YEAR 2023 - 2024



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Justin Pidgeon

Assistant Principal

Kerrie Fitzsimmons



Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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EARLY INTERVENTION	Susan Larkin Juliana Muta (AM)	ART	Yana Swingle
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KINDERGARTEN	Susan Kotchessa	MUSIC	Hannah Fornes
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