

# Carver Elementary School

## Carver Courier

### 2017/18



**May 24, 2018**

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## Daily Schedule

**8:25 a.m. – Supervision Begins**

- Students should not arrive prior to 8:25 a.m.

**8:25 a.m. – Breakfast Begins**

**8:40 a.m. – First Bell**

**8:50 a.m. – Tardy Bell, breakfast ends**

**3:30 p.m. – Dismissal**

### Friday 5-25-18

1-hour late start (District PD)

1G to Fulton, 11:10-2:00

### Monday 5-28-18

No School, Memorial Day

### Tuesday 5-29-18

Preschool walk to Asbury Library and Park, 9:00-11:00

1C and 1G walk to Asbury Library and Park, 9:40-1:00

KN walk to Adams Pet Hospital, 9:45-11:00

1L and 1T walk to Asbury Library and Park, 11:20-2:30

Preschool walk to Asbury Library and Park, 1:00-2:30

KF walk to Adams Pet Hospital, 1:30-2:45

### Thursday 5-31-18

4<sup>th</sup> grade to Asbury Park, 9:00-12:00

3L and 3P Trolley Tour, 9:00-11:30

KK walk to Adams Pet Hospital, 9:45-11:00

3D and 3H Trolley Tour, 12:30-3:00

KG walk to Adams Pet Hospital, 1:30-2:45

### Friday 6-1-18

1-hour late start (District PD)

### Monday 6-4-18

5<sup>th</sup> grade to Skate Country, 12:45-3:15

### Tuesday 6-5-18

Last day of classes

End of year assembly, 9:00

Field Day, movie, classroom activities throughout the day



### **June 1**

Mozzarella breadsticks OR Sunbutter and jelly sandwich, steamed carrots, fresh cauliflower, fresh strawberries, milk

### **June 4**

Grilled chicken sandwich OR Sunbutter and jelly sandwich with string cheese, Green beans, baby carrots, pears, milk

### **June 5**

**SACK LUNCH ONLY**

Deli turkey, celery sticks, orange wedges, cookie, milk

## Principal's Corner

The end of the year is fast approaching and our 5th graders will be moving on to middle school. We wish them the best of luck and look forward to hearing great things about them in the future! To quote Dr. Seuss, "Congratulations! Today is your day. You're off to Great Places! You're off and away!"

Thanks for a great school year! I hope that you can enjoy summer with time to relax and enjoying time with family and friends. To those students, staff and families moving on, thanks for making Carver an amazing place to learn. We're glad that you were part of the Carver family!

Mr. Maloney

## Health Office News

Alex and Alicia Ellerbeck, parents of Carver first grader Zenner Ellerbeck and owners of *Elle & Becks* in Galena, have graciously offered to treat our students to gelato on the last day of school!

Please be aware that we have looked into the nutritional

information, and there will be several options to accommodate our students with dietary restrictions. Thank you, Ellerbeck family! Our Carver families ROCK!



# Staff News

## Ms. Weber Retirement

I want to thank the Carver families, staff and students, I have had the honor to work with and serve these past eleven years. After 42 years in education, it is time for me to look toward the next chapter in my life, whatever that may be. I will be retiring at the end of this school year. My heart is full of wonderful memories of the people who have come into my life in my years in education. I am grateful to all of you for the many things I have learned from each of you and for the relationships we have built. I will miss the students, staff, and parents who worked together to build Carver from a building with no history to a school of excellence with time-honored traditions. I have been blessed in my professional career with people and families who truly are AMAZING!

Ms. Weber, Guidance Counselor

# Library News



Congratulations to the Carver 5th Grade Battle of the Books team that competed at the 11th Annual District meet at Hoover on May 18. Members of the team were Mahi Patel, Morgan Ludescher, Ella Kiefer, Addy LuGrain, and Madelyn Johnson. The team spent three months reading 20 Children's Choice award books and were able to answer correctly 21 out of 22 questions the day of the competition. Their score earned them a 3rd place finish. Congratulations Cougars!

# 4<sup>TH</sup> Grade News

Students will be finishing the Regions of the United States with learning about the Southwest and West. They will take virtual fieldtrips to explore important landmarks in these areas. Students will analyze the design of the Hoover Dam, identify the challenges faced by people along the U.S.-Mexico border, reenact and describe a land rush in Oklahoma, and discover tourism in Hawaii by planning an exciting trip with their peers.

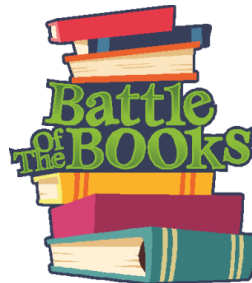
In Lead21 we are finishing up Unit 7, "What Makes the West Exceptional?" Students have discovered how geography and economy are connected in the mountain and pacific states. Also, what it is like in these interesting areas.

On May 4, all fourth grade students in our district were able to participate in "Go the Distance" at Loras College. This was great opportunity for our 4th graders to be physically active and promote wellness within our community of Dubuque. Students had a great time!

# PTG News

PTG is pleased to announce our newly elected officers for the 2018-2019 school year. Tricia Manderscheid and Erica Freihoefer will serve as Co-Presidents. Erica will also continue to serve as volunteer coordinator.

The following parents will continue in their current positions for next year: Michelle Hingtgen and Tara Metz, Co-Treasurers, Wendy Kiefer, Secretary, and Elizabeth Schmitt, Vice-President.



# Office News

Please notify the office if any of your information changes over the summer. If no one is able to answer the phone, please leave a voicemail, and we will be happy to return your call.



## Carver Elementary Students Competing in Invitational Round of Global Robotics Competition

This year marks the first year that twenty-six fifth grade Carver students competed in the 2017-18 Wonder League Robotic Competition. The Wonder League is a growing, worldwide network of elementary coding and robotics clubs using Wonder Workshop's all-inclusive program to inspire an early love of coding, computer science, tangible learning and STEM education. Carver teams met before school from October through February, under the guidance of coaches Staci Walsh and Donna Schmitt. Students learned to program Dash & Dot robots using Blockly coding. More than 7,100 teams from 63 countries participated in this year's competition. "We are inspired by the incredible response to this year's Wonder League competition. To see the number of teams participating continue to grow points to what we all know to be true: all kids love putting their boundless imaginations and intuitive problem-solving skills to work in concrete environments," said Vikas Gupta, CEO and co-founder of Wonder Workshop. "As parents and teachers, by providing all kids with access to robotics and coding today, we are giving rise to a far more diverse future generation of creators and problem solvers."



Every robotic team at Carver completed Round 1, Mission 1 and 2 of the competition, which included navigating Dash the robot across Space Island, and keeping a journal of the design engineering process. At each weekly meeting, students identified problems, brainstormed ideas, designed and built attachments, and then tested and revised their plan. Teams developed a growth mindset and creativity skills through learning to code and making attachments for the robot. Four Carver teams made it to Round 2 of the competition, including The Pro Programmers (John D'Souza and Will Houselog), The Dream Team (Madelyn Johnson, Ella Kiefer and Ava Lassen), Team Green (Carson Viertel and Korbin Deutsch) and Morse Code (Mitchell Tackney and Quinn Breitbart). The Pro Programmers also made it to Round 3 of the competition, and for their efforts, were invited to participate in the Invitational Round of the Wonder League Global Robotic Competition. Wonder workshop invited only 232 teams to the Invitational Round, and John and Will were among the 175 teams that submitted their code, journal and a video of Dash completing the final challenge. Mrs. Schmitt said that the Pro Programmers accomplishment as one of 223 teams to make the Invitational Round recognizes the hard work and dedication John and Will put into the competition over the past few months. Schmitt added, "This was one of the best robotics competitions available for elementary students because it was full of opportunities for many students to collaborate, identify problems and creatively solve them." In the culminating Invitational Round (which lasted from March through April), John and Will were able to program Dash to pick up, transport and deliver a ping pong ball to a designated area. On May 23<sup>rd</sup>, the winning team from Massachusetts received a \$5,000 STEM grant grand prize. There were many great examples of creative problem solving with coding and robotics from across the globe this year. "We are inspired by the incredible response to this year's Wonder League competition. To see the number of teams participating continue to grow points to what we all know to be true: all kids love putting their boundless imaginations and intuitive problem-solving skills to work in concrete environments," said Vikas Gupta, CEO and co-founder of Wonder Workshop. "As parents and teachers, by providing all kids with access to robotics and coding today, we are giving rise to a far more diverse future generation of creators and problem solvers."

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**It's an Amazing Day to be a Carver Cougar!**