



Fort Howard Elementary  
School  
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November 2017

**Mission:** We ensure that all will graduate college, career and community ready; inspired to succeed in our diverse community.

### Ready Bodies, Growing Minds

#### **Upcoming Events:**

**Nov 15** - Early Release, 12:30 pm - Dress Up day "ER" Day

**Nov 22-24** - No School

**Nov. 30** - School Wide Celebration - Minute to Win-it

**This Month's Theme:** *Begin With the End in Mind*

**Cool Tools:** *E+R=O, Be Prepared*

**Dress-Up Day:** *Wednesday, Nov. 15th, "ER" Day*

**Celebration:** *Thursday, Nov. 30th, Minute to Win-It*

*This month we're focusing on Habit 2, Begin with the End in Mind - Have a Plan. It teaches students to not only set goals in life, but to have a plan to reach those goals as well. Take a look at the checklist of characteristics of someone who Begins with the End in Mind. While students are encouraged to use these characteristics at school, please reinforce them at home as well.*

- Plan ahead*
- Set goals*
- Be a good citizen*
- Contribute to the school's mission and vision*



#### **A note from your Principal:**

We are off to a strong start. As we continue to challenge your child academically, they are showing signs of getting tired. Please continue to support your child with their growth and willingness to keep trying. This never give up attitude will assist your child's growth in learning. Please continue to ask your child questions about their school day. (What was something new you learned today? What did you find challenging and how did you work through the challenge? What was the best part of your day? What will you improve on for tomorrow?) Thank you for supporting your child. We could not do it without your help and support. - Appreciatively, Ms. Lehman

#### **Gifted and Talented News**

The Green Bay Area Public School Teaching and Learning Department is in the process of aligning our Gifted and Talented procedures and practices to reflect consistency and accountability across all district schools.

One of our goals is to account for all students who do not currently have an active Differentiated Education Plan (DEP) but have received gifted and talented services during the 2016-2017 school year and/or had been potentially selected to receive services beginning in September 2017. Parents of children that are in our current gifted and talented data bank, without a written Differentiated Education Plan (DEP), will be receiving notification that their child will be administered the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) as part of their child's gifted and talented portfolio.

We are making every attempt to account for all students who previously received gifted and talented services. If you do not receive notification from the district's assessment department by October 13, 2017, and your child received service between 2016-2017, please call Stephen Miller at (920) 272-7087. Your child will then be added to the assessment roster.

This data will be used to better inform educators on your child's learning needs. All students serviced in 2016-2017 that complete the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) will receive gifted and talented services. Once the assessment is completed the next step will be to develop a Personal Learning Plan (PLP) for your child. The Multi-Level System of Support process is used to monitor programming and student learning outcomes. Your child's school principal and/or Gifted and Talented Resource Teacher (GTRT) will be contacting you with additional information regarding your participation in this process.

Please contact your school principal if you have any additional questions. Thank you for your patience as these critical adjustments are being implemented.



**Friendly Dental Reminder:** November 13<sup>th</sup> is World Kindness Day. Help us celebrate this month, and every month, by teaching your children how to be kind to their teeth! The Oral Health Partnership is here to help; we work with families on oral hygiene and nutritional education. Call us to schedule a cleaning and exam at (920) 965-0831.

### **Cold Weather Reminder**

Remember cold weather is on it's way! Please make sure your child is dressed for the weather including hats, mittens, winter jacket, boots and snow pants. If your child loses an article of clothing, please be sure to stop and take a look in our Lost and Found in the school cafeteria!

### **Mark your calendars!**

This year's holiday vocal music concert and winter art show will be held in the gym on Friday, December 8 at 1:30. The students will be bringing home music to practice. Please set aside a few minutes to read the words with your child. The fourth and fifth graders will have the opportunity to walk in this years Green Bay Holiday parade. Information will be sent home. It's always a fun time! Thank you for your support of arts in the schools!

Mrs. Juelich and Ms. Gruett

**School wide Pledge** - Feel free to use at home, as well.

### **Classroom Pledge**

Every day I will try my best.  
I will not quit. I will not rest.  
If I fail I will be ok,  
I will try a different way.  
I will say I can't do it YET  
because I have a Growth Mindset.

**Every Student, Every Day, Everyone, Every Way!**