



L-B EAGLES!

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LIBERTY-BENTON ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL OCTOBER LUNCH CALENDAR. Table with 5 columns (Monday-Friday) and 6 rows of lunch items.

TICKET TIME !!!!!

October 17th 3 to 7 pm.

Don't stand in line the day of the carnival! Buy your tickets now and get special deals only available for pre-sale buyers!

- Pre-Sale Pricing: 40 tickets + 5 free for \$10.00, 80 tickets + 15 free for \$20.00, 120 tickets + 25 free for \$30.00, Wristbands \$8.00 (will be \$10 at door)



Name _____ Qty. of tickets _____ Qty. of Wristbands _____ Total Amount Due _____

CARNIVAL TIME !!!!

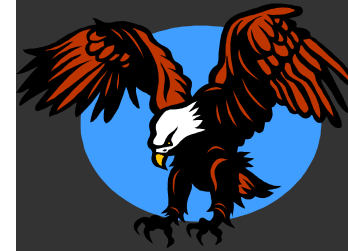
Bring the whole family for a day of fun !!

Oct. 17th 3 to 7 pm.



There will be over 25 games, a dunk tank, bake walk, maze room and inflatables for all ages! Most games earn tickets for redemption prizes. This event is for the entire Liberty-Benton Community, so plan on attending !

October 2009



LIBERTY - BENTON ELEMENTARY

Eagle Newsletter

News from Mr. Burkett

Well, we're off and running! Everything seems to be going quite well one month into the school year. We would like to thank all our families for such a great beginning this year.

For those of you who are dropping off your students in the morning, please remember that there is only one entrance/exit into the parking lot, which is located down by the basketball courts.



FUNDRAISER FOCUS OF THE MONTH:

SHOP AT L-B (L-B Gift Card Program)

This is a very simple way to help your school and it doesn't even cost you a dime! The amount you purchase is the amount you can spend at a local eatery, department store, grocery, gas station, etc.

- 1. You simply purchase gift cards to use at a later time or to give as gifts. For example, you can purchase a Cheddar's or a Kohl's gift card for \$25.
2. You take the gift card and make a purchase at the business. The gift card takes \$25 off the total of your purchase.
3. By doing this, PTO receives 10% and 5% respectively back off because of your purchase from these businesses.

It's that EASY! These gift cards can be purchased in the elementary office or superintendent's office each weekday. These are not the only businesses you can get gift cards for.

This is such an easy way to help our PTO raise funds to benefit your child's classroom and school. I encourage you to try purchasing gifts cards doesn't just have to be for you either.

Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 5th—Stevi B's Night Oct. 17th—Fall Carnival 3-7 pm.
Oct. 8th—Picture Retake Day Oct. 19th—Max & Erma's Day
Oct. 12th—NO SCHOOL Oct. 23rd—End of 1st Grading Period
Oct. 15th—Market Day Pick-Up Oct. 30th—Classroom Fall Parties 2:30 pm.



The Eleventh Annual Liberty-Benton Local Schools Talent Show

The Liberty-Benton Local School District is promoting a talent show to feature the performing arts and varied talents of our individual students. The shows are scheduled for **Sunday, November 15, 2009**, at 2:00 P.M. and **Monday, November 16, 2009**, at 7:00 P.M. in the Liberty-Benton High School Auditorium.

Auditions: The shows are open to students in grades 1-12. All entrants must perform the material they wish to do in the show and pass a judged audition. During the audition, the act must be performed as if it were the actual show, and this means the correct music, act, props, etc..., must be used. If the act does not appear to be well rehearsed, it will not be placed in the show. All acts must be in good taste, and the judges reserve the right to disqualify any act. Auditions are scheduled for October 20 and 22, 2009. Elementary and Middle School students will audition Tuesday, October 20, 5:00-9:00 P.M. in the Liberty-Benton High School Choir Room, and High School students will audition on Thursday, October 22, 3:00-5:00 P.M. in the Liberty-Benton High School Choir Room. [As a word of advice, if you plan on singing a song in the show, the music accompaniment must be without any words in the background. I know from experience you will not be able to find a newly released song in the karaoke version easily so be sure to select your song carefully. You may sing to a karaoke tape, instrument accompaniment, or a capella.

Rehearsals: All acts chosen for the show must attend the mandatory rehearsals. During the rehearsals, all acts must be performed as if it were the actual show. These rehearsals are necessary to practice the show from beginning to end smoothly and to make sure everyone is in the right place at the right time. Rehearsals are scheduled for:

October 26, 2009	6:00-9:00 P.M. (Monday)	All Acts
November 2, 2009	6:00-9:00 P.M. (Monday)	All Acts
November 9, 2009	6:00-9:00 P.M. (Monday)	All Acts

Judges: Judges for the Talent Shows are area professionals and celebrities. Judges for the auditions will consist of a panel of teachers and college students majoring in the performing arts.

Cash Prizes: Students will compete in three different divisions based upon their grade levels. Each division will be awarded with cash prizes in the final show for the top three places. All students will receive a certificate for participation. Prizes: Division I - 1st-\$100, 2nd-\$75, 3rd-\$50; Division II - 1st-\$75, 2nd-\$50, 3rd-\$25; Division III - 1st-\$50, 2nd-\$30, 3rd-\$10. Division I will feature all high school performers. Divisions II and III will be split as evenly as possible based upon the grade levels of the participants. This could be a split of grades 1-4 and 5-8 or a split of grades 1-5 and 6-8. From previous personal experience, I assure you that a student's grade level does not give any kind of advantage to the rating of the student's performance. Overall, we want to more evenly divide the grades 1-8 based upon the number of selected acts. This will be determined once we know what acts are in the show.

AN ACT CAN BE AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP OF STUDENTS. However, the more students in the group, the more they will need to share any cash prize. Cash prizes are awarded to the act, not to each student in the act. Students may only participate in one act (they may accompany an additional act but will not be judged). Teachers are encouraged to perform, but they will not be competing for cash prizes.

For more information, contact Brenda Hoyt-Brackman, or Liberty-Benton H.S., at (419) 424-5351, or E-mail at bhoyt49@aol.com.

The Eleventh Annual Liberty-Benton Local Schools Talent Show Sign Up Form

Auditions:

Elementary/Middle	Oct. 20, 2009	5:00-9:00	H.S. Choir Room
High School	Oct. 22, 2009	3:00-5:00	H.S. Choir Room

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Talent Shows:

November 15, 2009	2:00 P.M.	(Sunday)	H.S. Auditorium
November 16, 2009	7:00 P.M.	(Monday)	H.S. Auditorium

NAME(S) GRADE(S) PHONE NUMBER(S)

* _____
 (*main contact person if a group)

School: _____

Title of the Act and/or Song: _____

Description of the Act: _____

Length of the Act: _____ minutes (Should only be a few minutes.)

What equipment will you need provided and set-up by the school? (piano, chairs, stands, microphone,)

This form must be turned in to Mrs. Brenda Hoyt-Brackman, at Liberty-Benton High School by October 9, 2009 with a parent's signature. Auditions are scheduled on an appointment basis. Submit this form as early as possible, and you will be contacted by phone for your audition time.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Hoyt-Brackman at Liberty-Benton High School at (419) 424-5351, or by e-mail at bhoyt49@aol.com.

All auditions, all rehearsals, and the Talent Show will be held at Liberty-Benton High School. The Talent Show is open to all LB students grades 1-12.

***PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____

ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE

Mrs. Gazette

The year has gotten off to a busy and successful start! It has been great working with students, staff and parents. I would like to highlight some of the activities and happenings coming in October.

Classroom Visits: In Kindergarten and First grade, I will be visiting once a week to work with students on developing empathy. This is the first unit in our Second Step program. Students will be able to identify feelings that others may have in various social situations through discussion, role play and songs. Second grade just began a listening unit to become a better listener in school and social situations. Third, Fourth and Fifth are learning about friendship skills through the Steps to Respect program. I will be in the Second through Fifth grade classrooms every other week. Next month, I will describe these programs in more detail and how they contribute to our students' social emotional learning.

Groups: I am beginning to form pro-social groups. These groups hit upon many topics and build from the strengths students already possess. If you feel your child would benefit from groups, please contact me. These are lunch bunch groups once a week and meet by grade level. I will be also forming groups for kids that are dealing with family issues, such as divorce, separation or custody.

Individual Counseling: I meet with individuals for various reasons (skill building, crisis related issues, friendship issues, and behavior.) Contact me if you feel your child may need this service.

Testing News: Grade 3 will take the Ohio Achievement Assessment in Reading on October 6th. Testing begins around 9:15 a.m. This is a 2 ½ hour assessment. October 7th-14th Grade 3 will take the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) and Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAt). Grades 4-5 will take the ITBS and CogAt starting on October 5th - 9th. Your child's teacher will have a more specific schedule, but there will be testing mainly in the morning.

New Club NEWS!!! We are in the process of forming a service club for grades 3-5. Information will be coming your way to let you know all about the Liberty Benton Elementary Kids Care Club.

Red Ribbon Week October 26th-30th: Saying YES to a drug-free healthy lifestyle is what we are all about!!!! Thank you so much for allowing me to work with your wonderful kids! Contact me with any questions or concerns, School: 419-422-9161 Home: 419-425-8557 or e-mail BGAZETTE@LB.NOACSC.ORG



"SHINE YOUR SMILE DAY" IS COMING

Liberty-Benton Elementary School is hosting the Smile Programs...the mobile dentists on Wednesday, December 16, 2009. We have invited the Smile Programs to bring their on-site preventative dental care services to our school because we know how important good oral health is to our children's overall general health.

A publication from the Centers for Disease Control states: "Children receiving dental sealants in school-based programs have 60% fewer new decayed pit and fissure surfaces in back teeth for up to 2.5 years after a single application. Among children, 90% of decay is in the pit and fissures."

The Smile Program's team will set up a mini-dental office in our building and can provide these services for all children who return completed forms. The Smile Program can provide these services to families who need financial assistance and it has subsidized fees for those who choose to pay for the preventative care. The Smile Program will complete dental exams and paperwork required by State mandated programs, where required.

Signing up your children to see the Smile Programs...the mobile dentists team is an easy way to get necessary preventative dental care. If you want your child to see the dentist on "Shine your Smile Day", then just fill out the permission slip and return it to school by Friday, October 23, 2009.

You can learn more about the Smile Program...the mobile dentist by going to its website: www.mobiledentists.com and watching the short video about the preventative dental care program.