



# RITZMAN CLC



## FEBRUARY PTO NEWSLETTER

We hope you are enjoying the mild winter season so far and are looking forward to the remainder of the school year. We have lots of fun activities coming up. Our next big event is the Ritzman Family Game and Raffle Night April 24<sup>th</sup>. We are working hard to create several raffle items and baskets. If you or a business you know would like to donate please let us know. Remember we have changed dates for the PTO meetings as noted in the upcoming events, we hope to see you there! Thank you to all of our COSI Volunteers for helping bring the "Energy" to our students, as it is one of the best days for them!

### Rams



### Stand Against Bullies

One thing that doesn't change no matter what time of the year it is or what grade your child is in, from elementary grades through college years — is **bullying and cyberbullying**.

No one is immune to becoming a victim of a bully. No one is immune to being an up-stander either. Let's begin by wearing a wristband that lets everyone know you won't tolerate bullying.

**Be an up-stander!** Be proactive — be a voice that creates kindness! Kindness is a choice — as is bullying. Make the choice to STOP Bullying! Being an "Up-stander" requires awareness, understanding and a commitment to have each other's backs.

The profits earned will help cover the cost to bring **Jim "Basketball" Jones** to our school for his popular Anti-Bully Education assembly. He will teach us the following:

**Applying Kindness**- Knowing what it takes to be kind is great, but when we apply kindness and take action — then we truly make a difference in our lives and the ones around us.

**Be an "Up-stander"**- An "Up-Stander" is someone who has the backs of others. They are aware of their surroundings and they are committed to making others feel important.

**We All Matter** — Everybody brings something special to your school. We can be our **BEST** only when **EVERYBODY** gets involved and buys in to being an "Up-Stander".

**School is FUN!**- School is a fun safe place for you to be the best version of yourself. Be creative and allow others to be the best version of themselves.

We are going to start selling Ritzman band bracelets and smencils for our anti-bullying assembly. They will be sold in the mornings the week of February 3rd-7th to kick off the fundraiser. We will also have them during treat sales and PTO events. Both items will be sold for \$1 each. We have 5 different colors bands to choose from.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### February

- 3<sup>rd</sup>- March 27<sup>th</sup> OELPA ESL ELA Proficiency Assessment
- 3rd-7th Anti-bully bands and smencils sale in the mornings
- 4<sup>th</sup> Donatos Ellet Night 5-9 Must have flyer dine-in or carry out only
- 6<sup>th</sup> Report Card Awards- recognition 5:30  
Math Night 6:00
- 7<sup>th</sup> PTO Treat Sale  
Father/ Daughter Dance 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Valentine's Day Parties
- 14<sup>th</sup> **No School** for Students and Teachers
- 17<sup>th</sup> **No School** President's Day
- 19<sup>th</sup> PTO Meeting 6:00p.m
- 18<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> DAP Assessments Art, Music, P.E
- 21<sup>st</sup> PTO Treat Sale with Bands and Smencils
- 26<sup>th</sup> Fun Night Urban Air in Fairlawn Purchase passes from 4-8 and mention Ritzman
- Feb 24<sup>th</sup>-March 6<sup>th</sup> Winter MAP Assessments KG-3 ELA & Math

#### March

- 6<sup>th</sup> PTO Mother/ Son Night
- 11<sup>th</sup> Essential Trip Grade 4 at the Art Museum
- 13<sup>th</sup> PTO Treat Sale
- 17<sup>th</sup> Wear Green for St. Patrick's Day
- 18<sup>th</sup> PTO Free Skate Night (\$3 skate rental)  
PTO Meeting 6:00p.m
- 19<sup>th</sup> Marking Period 3 ends  
Essential Trip Grade 3 in the classroom Hale Farm  
Grade 2 at Cleveland History museum  
Grade 5 at Stan Hywet
- 20<sup>th</sup> **No School**-Teacher Professional Development
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period 4 begins  
OST ELA Assessments 3rd, 4th, 5th grade Begin
- 23<sup>rd</sup> -April 9<sup>th</sup> OST ELA Assessments 3rd, 4th and 5th grade
- 25<sup>th</sup> Chipotle Dining to donate 4-8 Can mention Ritzman or show flyer
- 27<sup>th</sup> PTO Treat Sale with Bands and Smencils
- 31<sup>st</sup> Monthly Attendance Recognition Breakfast

### \*Dining to Donate\*

#### February 4<sup>th</sup> Donatos Ellet 5-9

Present the flyer when picking up or dining in and Ritzman gets 20% back **Oldies & Goodies Family Diner**

Mention **Ritzman CLC** every Thursday and they will donate back to us for the entire school year!