

**ADA EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOLS
2018-2019 OPENING ACTIVITIES AND OPEN HOUSE**

You are cordially invited to the Ada Exempted Village School annual Open House on **Monday, August 13, 2018, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**. The first day of school for students will be **Wednesday, August 15, 2018**, with a full day planned for Grades 1-12. School will begin each day at 8:35 am for all students. Kindergarten orientation will be held on August 15th & 16th. Kindergarten students will begin school on a staggered start schedule beginning August 17th. Dismissal will be at 3:30 pm for all students, with the exception of town students in grades kindergarten, one, two and three, who will be dismissed at 3:10 pm.

All parents of students *new* to the Ada School District are urged to contact their respective school office if they have not already registered their child(ren): Grades K-6 (419-634-2341) and grades 7-12 (419-634-2746).

Kindergarten students (and first grade students who have not already done so) must have completed their immunization program before the opening day of school. State law requires that no pupil shall be permitted to remain in school for more than 14 days unless he or she has been immunized against poliomyelitis, diphtheria, varicella, hepatitis B, pertussis, tetanus, rubeola, and rubella, or is in the process of being immunized. If a pupil's parent or guardian objects to the immunization for a good cause, including religious convictions, the child is not required to be immunized, but parent or guardian must present a written statement.

State law also requires:

All 7th grade students must have a TDAP and Meningitis vaccination prior to the start of the new school year.

Proof of vaccination **MUST** be provided to pick up schedule.

All incoming 12th grade students must have a Meningitis vaccination prior to the start of the new school year.

Proof of vaccination **MUST** be provided to pick up schedule.

All immunizations are offered at the Hardin County Department of Health.

BUILDING ADMINISTRATORS

Mrs. Robin VanBuskirk, Director of Teaching and Learning

Mr. Dan Lee, High School/Middle School Principal

Mr. Ben Thaxton, Elementary Principal

ELEMENTARY STAFF

Secretary: Alane Collins

Kindergarten: Bridgette Jones, Stacey Klingler, Kim Smittle and Meghan Kosier

First Grade: Melissa Gossard, Rachel Ludwig and Heather Etgen

Second Grade: Cindy Boehm, Christa Preston and Kyleigh Tabor

Third Grade: Brittany Daniels, Sherri Burnett and Julie Stavenger

Fourth Grade: Julie Butterfield, Deone Rieman and Susan Stuart

Fifth Grade: Erica Shadley, Julie Burris and Bethany Daft

Sixth Grade: Kim Guagenti, Kristie Reichert, and Kelsie Weber

Art: Kristie Steiner

Physical Education: Jill Laughlin

Title I Reading Intervention: Arlene Allison, Brittany Lee and Debbie Poling

Special Education: Sheila Hughes, Gwen Jochims, Stefani Koontz, Elizabeth Vogt, Cristin St. Laurent

Vocal Music: Scott Henning (grade 6) and Tabitha McPeeks (grades 1-5)

Instrumental Music: Tabitha McPeeks (grade 5) and Jonathan Lischak (grade 6)

Technology Lab: Barth Montel

Teacher Aides: Mary Garver, Valerie Hall, Janelle Hoschak, Amy Stover, Jean Stavenger and Judy Williams

Elementary Library Aide: Linda Dysert

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL STAFF

Secretaries: Andy Pifer and Angie Hall

English: David Ames and Melody Veltri

English 8 and Yearbook: Anna Yoakam

English 7: William Faine

French: Joan Faisant

Spanish: Sarah Davis

Math: Rachel Temple, Joshua Klein and Eric Perkins

Math 8: Julie Thaxton

Math 7: Shawn Christopher

Science: Dave Lusk and Christina Bowden

Science 7 & 8: Alayne Schrock

Social Studies: Ken Jochims and Kristin Salyer
Social Studies 8 and 7: Michael Styer
S.T.E.M.: Jeff Hunt
Technology: Kurt Klingler
Health and Physical Education: Morgan Bass
Physical Education: Jill Laughlin
Vocal Music 7-12: Scott Henning
Instrumental Music (Grades 7 through 12): Jonathan Lischak
Art and Ceramics: Gary Wells
Art: Kristie Steiner
Vocational Agriculture: Tony Dyer
Special Education: Tyler Craig, Elizabeth Vogt, Sean Anderson and Sheila Hughes

Also serving the school district

Gifted Education: Suzanne Hardesty
School Psychologist: Melissa Fallis
Guidance Counselor 9-12: Erinn Prater
Guidance Counselor K-8: Tracy Breidenbach
Media Specialist: Chanda Smith
Athletic Director: Trent Temple
School Nurse: Marlene Vermillion
Speech and Hearing Therapist: Sherry Miller

ONLINE FORMS

We are very excited to announce that the Ada Exempted Schools has partnered with FinalForms, an online forms and data management service. FinalForms allows you to complete and sign emergency, academic and athletic forms for your students. The most exciting news is that FinalForms saves data from season-to-season and year-to-year, meaning that you will never need to enter the same information twice! FinalForms also pre-populates information wherever possible, for each of your students, saving you time. You will review your information once per school year to verify information is current and sign the forms.

We are asking that ALL parents of students use FinalForms for the beginning of the 2018-19 school year. All forms should be completed and signed before the first day of school. You may create your account and sign your forms immediately. Please register at – <https://ada-oh.finalforms.com> -- now and electronically complete ALL forms! You will also find a link to FinalForms on our website - www.adabulldogs.org - as well.

For high school (grades 7-12) students are required to have their Emergency Medical Form completed prior to schedule pickup. Students who do not have their forms completed at their schedule pickup time will not receive a schedule.

WORKBOOKS

Workbooks for 7-12th grade students will be purchased through the school for those classes requiring workbooks. Middle School and High School fees are determined based on grade and if courses scheduled have fees attached. Elementary workbook fees are as follows: Kindergarten-\$60.00; First Grade-\$59.00; Second Grade-\$48.00; Third Grade-\$54.00; Fourth Grade-\$43.00; Fifth Grade-\$55.00; Sixth Grade-\$45.00.

Both the high school and elementary offices will have the complete list of fees. *School fees may be paid during Open House.*

CAFETERIA Cafeteria Manager - Ann Hersey

Cafeteria Staff: Susan Baughman, Kelly Kloeppel, Amy Sheldon, Sarah Staley, Ramona Sumney, Tami Thompson and Angie Wurst
The cafeteria will be in operation on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 and every school day thereafter. Lunches will be **\$2.15** for students in *Grades K-5* and **\$2.40** for *Grades 6-12*. Students may pay daily as they go through the cafeteria line *or* have their lunch account debited. *Cafeteria staff will be available at Open House for parents to make a deposit to their child's lunch account.* Students will be advised when their account has a low balance. Ada Schools will be participating in the Free and Reduced Lunch Program. Forms will be available during Open House and also sent home with elementary students on the first day of school. Information concerning this program will be available at **Open House on Monday, August 13, 2018.** *(The USDA is an equal opportunity employer.)*

MAINTENANCE/TRANSPORTATION Maintenance/Transportation Manager – Michael Lenhart & Assistant Dave Allen

Custodial Staff –Jane Donley, April Guthery, Doug Miller, Brock Sumney, Chaise Sumney, and Matthew Waugh
Transportation Staff - Chris Christopher, Jean Conley, Marie Gossman, Janelle Hoschak, Eileen Risser, Sharon Shaw and Judy Williams

BUS ROUTES

Transportation to and from school will be provided for children in **Kindergarten thru Grade 6** who live in the following areas *within* the Corporation limits:

- A. South of the railroad
- B. North of the railroad and east of SR 235; and
- C. North of SR 81 and west of SR 235
- D. **Grades K-12 south of Lima Avenue**

Transportation to and from school will be provided for children in **Kindergarten through Grade 12** who live outside the Corporation limits. Transportation *may* be provided to and/or from a babysitter, on a permanent or long-term basis, for **Grades K-8**.

Students are requested to be ready *approximately ten (10) minutes early on opening day*. Students will be scheduled for busing based on their home address. Any changes in pick-up or drop-off must be requested in writing and approved by the transportation supervisor. Parents are reminded that students will go home their regular way unless a written note is received indicating a change and received prior to 2:00 p.m. during the school year.

Bus drivers and pick-up times are as follows:

Bus 1 – Eileen Risser	Approximate first pickup time	7:15 am
Bus 2 – Sharon Shaw	Approximate first pickup time	7:15 am
Bus 7 – Chris Christopher	First pickup time <i>Apollo</i>	7:20 am
Bus 5 – Marie Gossman	Approximate first pickup time	7:15 am
Bus 8 – Jean Conley	Approximate first pickup time	7:15 am

The bus transporting the Apollo Career Center students will leave from the Vocational Agriculture Building at 7:20 am each morning and will leave Apollo when classes are dismissed in the afternoon and return to Ada. These students must furnish their own transportation to the Ada School each morning. However, they may ride the rural buses home each evening if they wish. Students are to meet in front of the VoAg Building each morning.

PICK UP AND DROP OFF

Parents driving student(s) to and from school are to drop-off students in the front of the school directly off of State Route 81. Students will enter through the front doors (north side) of the building. Students should not be dropped off before 8:15 am, as doors will be locked prior to this time. We ask for your cooperation in this matter to help keep our students safe.

STAY ALERT ON SCHOOL DELAYS/CLOSINGS

Ada Schools offer text or email alert services in the event of school delays and/or cancellations. To sign-up, visit our website and select "Sign-up for text/email alerts" under the quick link column on the right side. If you have problems or need assistance in signing up, call the school offices for assistance.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS AND CENTRAL OFFICE STAFF

Board members are: Dr. Amy Mullins, President; Ron Fleming, Matt Gossman and Ernest Daugherty. Kim Light serves as Treasurer for the district, Cami Nichelson as Assistant to the Treasurer, GiGi Fetter is the Executive Secretary in the Central Office and Meri Skilliter is the Superintendent of schools.

The Ada Schools website is adabulldogs.org and we invite parents to visit to find a wealth of information including the following: district calendar listing various school activities, lunch menus as well as your student's lunch account balance (password required), bus request form, and many other informational items. You can follow us on Facebook and/or Twitter as well.

We look forward to seeing you at our **District-wide Open House on Monday, August 13, 2018**, and our students as they arrive on the first day of school, **Wednesday, August 15th!**

Sincerely,



Mrs. Meri Skilliter
Superintendent of Schools