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December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

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# Ridge-Brook Review

Steve Perry- Principal



Ridge-Brook families,

Parma Schools recently had our annual canned/boxed food drive. Our school did a great job of donating 531 items for the food drive! Thank you so much for your help and willingness to donate to help families in need during this holiday season. Our student leadership team also did a great job of sorting, organizing and helping load our donations.

On Friday, November 9th, we held our Veteran's assembly. Thank you so much to our veterans for attending this event, where we give our thanks for the many sacrifices made by our military. Thank you also to our staff and students for organizing and performing in our music presentation. We had a great turnout and our students did a wonderful job performing.

During the early part of November, we continued honoring our students of the month by delivering signs to our students at their residence. This has been well-received and I hope our students enjoy the recognition for their positive behavior. Remember, we have a core value of the month in which teachers decide which student in the class has most exhibited this core value. October's core value was **dedication** and November's will be **responsibility**.

So as the 2018 calendar year draws to a close, I want to encourage all of our students to keep working hard, make positive choices and take opportunities to help others. This can be at school or even helping parents or grandparents at home. In the end, our hope is that our students continue to grow as citizens and work to make positive choices that have a positive impact on our community. I hope everyone has the best holiday season ever.

Mr. Perry

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## Important Announcements

***NO SCHOOL-***

December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
End of Quarter

***NO SCHOOL-***

**December 21<sup>st</sup>-  
January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Winter Break:  
Enjoy the Season  
with your families  
and friends!

**Class resumes  
Monday  
January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

## Homework

The Cuyahoga County Public Library is offering two programs for the 2018-2019 school year:

**Homework Mentoring**— is a free program offered to help students with their homework individually. This program is held at the Parma Snow branch. Please call the branch for more details at (216) 661-4240.

**Homework Center**— is a free program held at the Parma Branch on Powers Blvd. This is small group mentoring. Registration is required and offered on a first come first serve basis. Please call the library for more information at (440) 885-5362.

### -WINTER BREAK-

Will be observed from December 21<sup>st</sup> until January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019



Enjoy your families and friends and we will see you on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019!!

## Intra-District Open Enrollment



Open Enrollment begins on November 15<sup>th</sup> and ends January 15<sup>th</sup>. This is for families who live within the district only. Please call student services if you have any questions!



## 2018 PEA Canned Food Drive



A huge thank you to those students and staff who donated boxed and canned food items for our canned food drive. This year, we collected approximately 531 items. Your generosity will help families in our Parma City Schools community to have a nice Thanksgiving.

Thank you to our Student Council for collecting and sorting all of our donations!



### Parent Right To Know:

You have the right to know about the teacher qualifications of your child's classroom teacher in a school receiving Title I funds. The federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires that any school district receiving Title I funds must notify parents of each student attending any school receiving Title I funds that they may request, and the district will provide the parents on request (and in timely manner), information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers, including the minimum, the following:

These qualifications include:

1. Whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
2. Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
3. Whether the teacher is teaching in the field discipline of the certification of the teacher; and
4. Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

Thanks to all the K-1 students and families who came to our literacy night. We hope you had an enjoyable time learning new ways to share books with your children!

Welcome, Mrs. Watson, to Ridge-Brook Title I. Mrs. Watson is coming to us from Renwood, where she taught Title I for two years.

## upcoming EVENTS

**November 23<sup>rd</sup>- December 24<sup>th</sup>-** 5 Below Fundraiser

**December 10<sup>th</sup>- December 14<sup>th</sup>-** PTA's Santa Shop

**December 20<sup>th</sup>-** End of second quarter

**December 21<sup>st</sup>-** NO SCHOOL- Teacher's In-Service day

**December 21<sup>st</sup>- January 4<sup>th</sup>-** Winter Break

**January 7<sup>th</sup>-** Class Resumes

**January 7<sup>th</sup>-** PTA Meeting at 5:30pm

**January 14<sup>th</sup>-** Report Cards sent home with the students

**January 18<sup>th</sup>-** Kiwanis sponsored sundae bar; father/daughter dance at Valley Forge



# PARMA AREA FAMILY COLLABORATIVE



Once again, the Parma Area Family Collaborative is accepting gifts, gift cards and monetary donations to support the children in our community this holiday season. Last year, our community elves provided support to over 900 children!

**If you have any questions, please call  
440-887-4865 or email [collabsupport@parmacityschools.org](mailto:collabsupport@parmacityschools.org)**

## **-Kids Café-**



**Ages 18 & under**

**We serve free healthy meals  
provided by the Greater Cleveland  
Food Bank.**

Parma Heights Branch  
Monday- Friday at 4:00-4:30pm

See all of our Kids Café times and  
locations at

[cuyahogalibrary.org/kids-café](http://cuyahogalibrary.org/kids-café)  
Kids Café runs through the week of  
May 13, 2019





### PTA WING DING



The annual PTA Wing Ding has been rescheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. Stay tuned for more details!

### SANTA SHOP



Santa Shop will take place from December 10<sup>th</sup> through December 14<sup>th</sup>. Students can shop for parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and pets. Items range from \$.50 to \$10, with 80% of items being less than \$5.

We need elves to help our little shoppers choose gifts for their family members. Be on the lookout for a flyer to come home requesting volunteers.

### BOX TOPS



Holidays are here! There are many items out there with box tops so please clip them and send them in to the office. Every little bit helps!

### FACEBOOK



You can find a ton of important school information and info on upcoming PTA events. Please follow us at **Ridge-Brook Elementary PTA**.

### 5 BELOW FUNDRAISER



Starts Thanksgiving night and goes until Christmas Eve. Flyers were sent home with students, if you need additional copies to give out to friends and family, please let PTA know. We will have copies in the office for your student to pick up or you can send an email to [ridgebrookpta@gmail.com](mailto:ridgebrookpta@gmail.com) and we can send you a digital copy.

### GIANT EAGLE APPLES FOR STUDENTS



Each time your Giant Eagle Advantage Card is scanned through March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019, your purchases will automatically earn funds used to obtain our overall education needs.

**CODE: 2712**



Our next PTA meeting will be on January 7<sup>th</sup> at the Parma Heights library. It will start at 5:30pm in Meeting room A.



**Art Experiences— Grades K-8.** Engage your imaginative self with open-ended art explorations. Examine the works of art masters and explore various mediums such as paint, pastels and clay. All materials are included. Fridays at 4:00 p.m., December 7th and 14th at Parma Branch Library, 6996 Powers Blvd. <https://tinyurl.com/ArtExpParma>

**Engage with Me: Recipe for School Success—** Families of students in K-8th grade come together to learn about resources and ideas to help your children succeed in life, and meet other people from your community to share ideas and support. Pizza served. Tuesday, December 11th at 6:45 p.m. at Parma Branch Library, 6996 Powers Blvd. <https://tinyurl.com/EngageDecember>

**Gingerbread Houses --** Children of all ages with a caregiver. Listen to stories and make a graham-cracker gingerbread house for the holiday season. December 8th at 11:00a.m. or 2:00 p.m. at Parma Branch Library, 6996 Powers Blvd. <https://tinyurl.com/GingerbreadMorning> or <https://tinyurl.com/GingerbreadAfternoon>

**Student Volunteers: Gingerbread -- Grades 4 – 6.** Help families make gingerbread houses. Earn Community Service Hours. December 8th at 10:00a.m. or 1:00 p.m. at Parma Branch Library, 6996 Powers Blvd. <https://tinyurl.com/MorningVolunteers> or <https://tinyurl.com/AfternoonVolunteers>

**Master Builders -- Grades 4 – 6.** Are you a LEGOTM fanatic? Want to tackle building challenges with friends? Bring your imagination and we'll supply the bricks. Third Thursday of each month. December 20th at 6:30 p.m. at Parma Branch Library, 6996 Powers Blvd. <https://tinyurl.com/MasterBuildersDec>

**Brick Builders Club -- Grades K-3.** Do you love LEGOTM? Come build with us! We supply the bricks, you supply the imagination. Last Tuesday of each month. December 18th at 4:00 p.m. at Parma Branch Library, 6996 Powers Blvd. <https://tinyurl.com/BrickBuildersDec>

**The Grinch: Holiday in Whoville -- Ages 5 – 8.** Celebrate with the Grinch, Max and all the Whos! Listen to the classic Dr. Seuss book, make holiday crafts and enjoy some Whoville treats. December 13th at 6:30 p.m. at Parma Branch Library, 6996 Powers Blvd. <https://tinyurl.com/HolidayinWhoville>