

## *April 2022 Administrative Reports*

Primary Education Center (attached)

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Intermediate Education Center

Please click the link below to view the IEC Report

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Middle School (in-person)

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High School (attached)

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# APRIL 2022

## Primary Education Center Newsletter



### Classroom Instructional Design

Dear PEC Families,

Spring has sprung! Our program planning for the 2022-2023 school year is already well underway. The Primary Education Center Staff believe that parental involvement in a child's educational program is an essential cornerstone for a successful school year. We also recognize that each child has a unique learning style. To nurture your child's strengths, we will continue to create a dynamic instructional design at each grade level. The following education programs may be implemented at the Primary Education Center next school year:

**Traditional Elementary Classroom:** Students remain with the same academic teacher for the entire instructional day.

**Departmentalizing Model:** Students transition to another class for one subject. Teacher specialize in a curriculum area like math and writing.

**Co-Teaching Model:** Students are in one classroom and are instructed by two teachers for part of the day.

**Looping:** This is an educational design or structure in which a whole class stays together for two consecutive years with the same teacher.

\*Combined Looping and Departmentalizing is also sometimes an option.

**Multiage Model:** This Educational design is composed of students of mixed ages. Most of the children spend two to three years with the same home-based teacher. This model incorporates the concept of looping, departmentalizing, and peer mentoring.

If you need more program information, please contact me at 286-7220, or write a letter or email with specific information on your child's learning needs. Although we can not always honor teacher requests, we are interested in placing your child in a classroom design that meets his/her needs. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,  
Mrs. Larson

# Primary Education Center

## April 2022

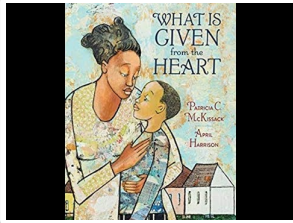


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 NYS Grades 3-8 ELA Assessment- Make-Ups computer based and paper based Day 4	2
3	4 Board of Education Work Session @6pm Day 5	5 Day 6	6 Day 1	7 Day 2	8 Pre-K Applications due by 4:00pm Day 3	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Good Friday District Closed	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Happy Earth Day	23
24	25 Regular Board- Meeting @ 6 pm, CRC Day 4	26 Early Release for Elementary Students 8:40-2:25 NYS Grades 3-8 Math Assessment-paper based Day 5	27 NYS 3-8 Math Test, Day 6	28 Day 1	29 NYS Grades 3-8 Math Assessment- Make-ups paper based & computer based Day 2	30

### Book of the Month!

Our Diversity/Habit book of the month is What is Given from the Heart by Patricia C. McKissack. It focuses on Habit 4: Think Win-Win.

Here is a link to view and listen to this story.

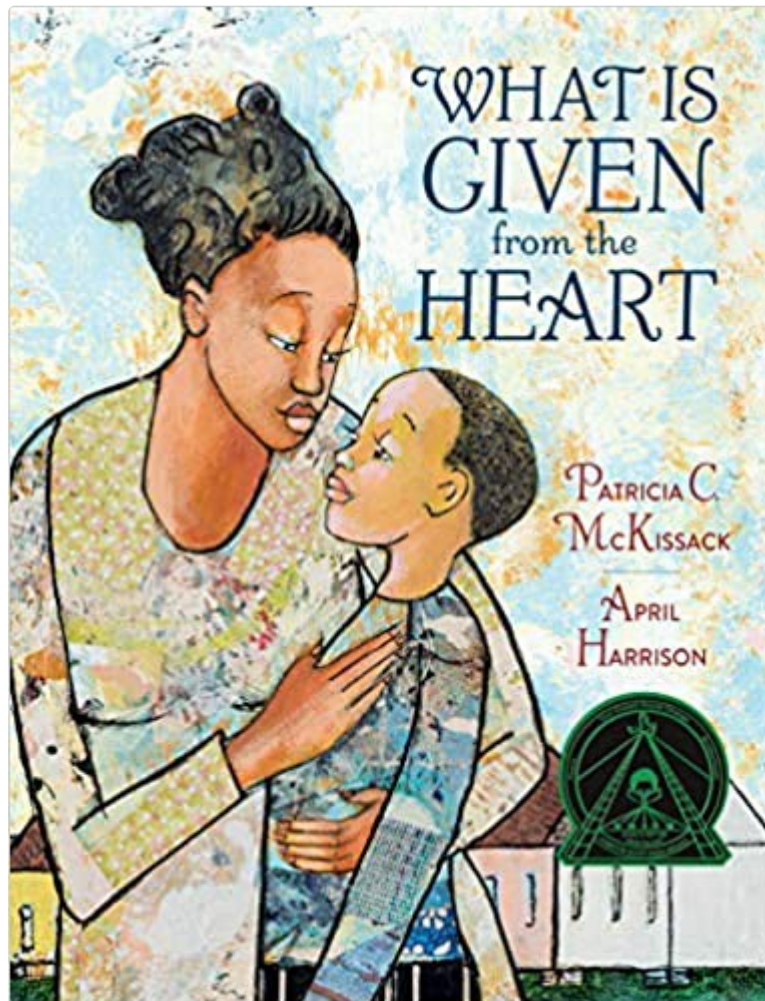


## [Given From The H...](#)

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#### **Kindergarten Students in 2022-2023**

If you have a child who is now in UPK or is going to be a newly registered Kindergarten student for the 2022-2023 school year, please be aware that they will need their vaccinations to start the school year. You do not have to wait for them to turn 5 years old.

**Call the doctor now to avoid the rush!!!**

NYS law prevents students from attending school beyond the 14th day of the school year without being up to date on their immunizations.

Students going into 1st or 3rd grade in 2022-2023

Reminder: Health examinations are required in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11. You can get a jump ahead by having the health examination completed now and faxed to 716-286-7855.

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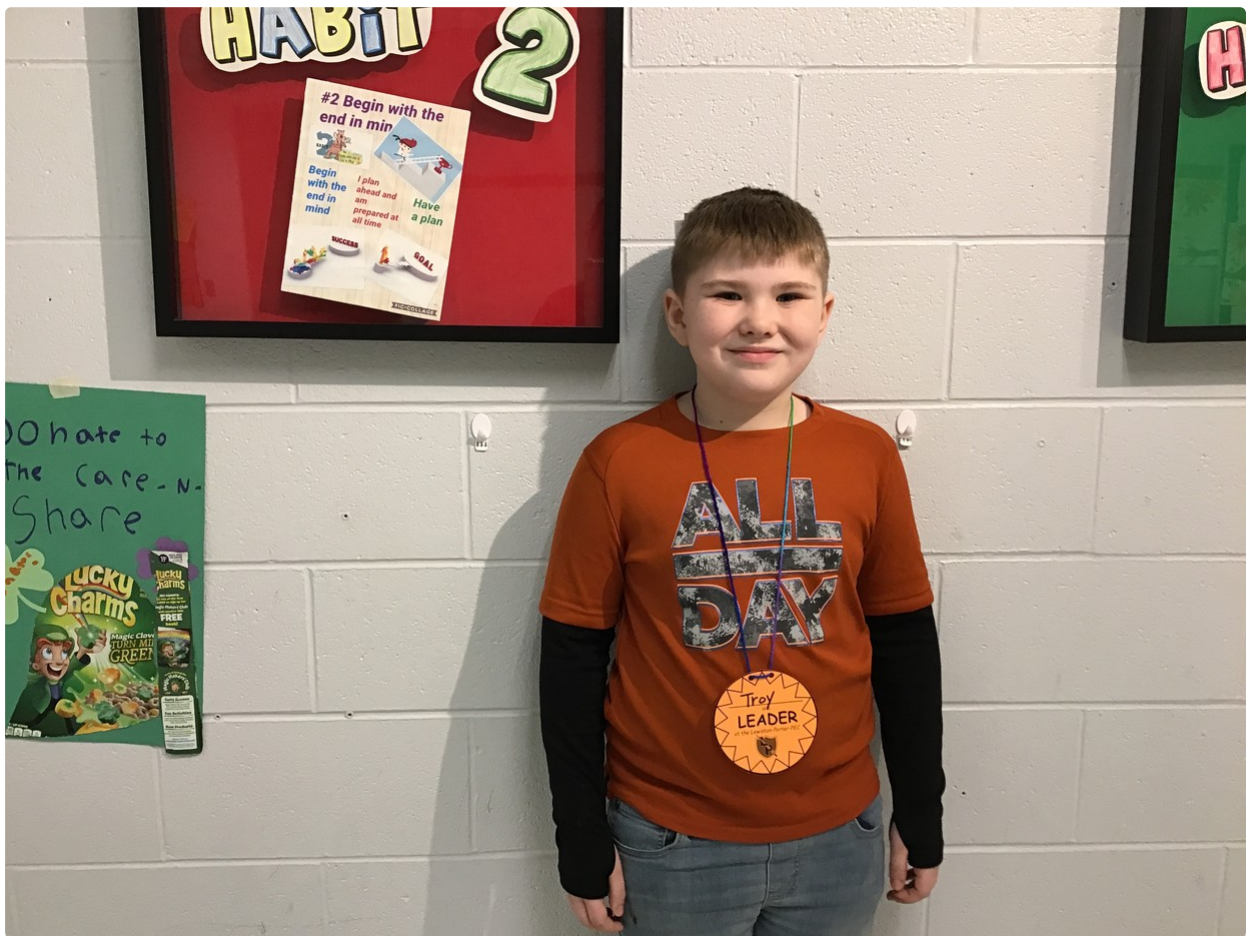
# LEADER IN ME

AT THIS SCHOOL,  
WE BELIEVE  
EVERY CHILD  
CAN BE A LEADER!

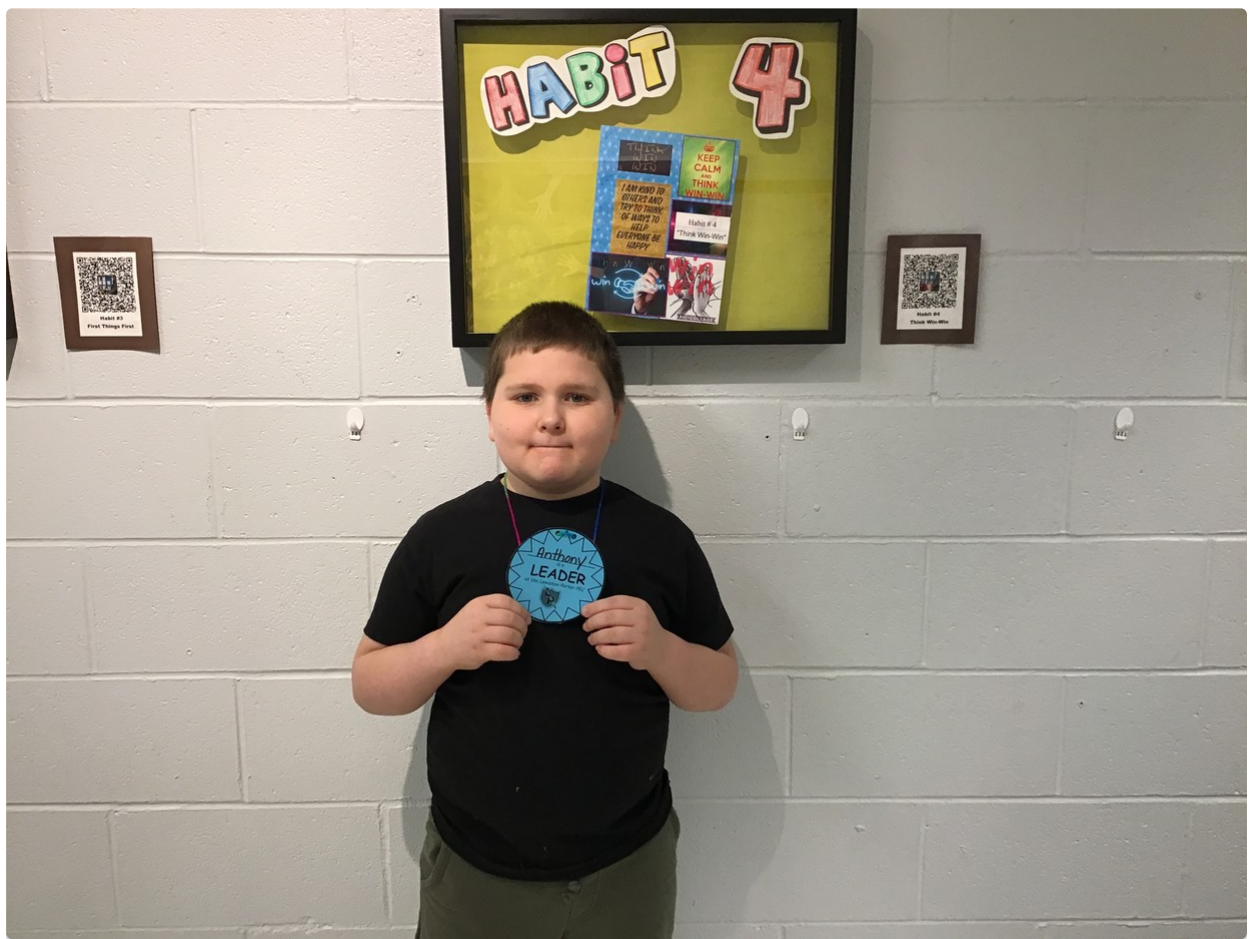
## **Congratulations to our March Leaders!**

From left to right:  
Christopher Ashak  
Jonathan Wolf  
Camden Wilczek  
Troy Amato  
Anthony Penzotti  
Riley Sherrer  
Avriella Cramer  
Lily Wager  
Charlotte Harden













## Lighthouse Leader's Serve Our Community!

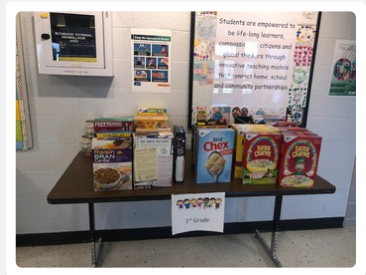
The Lighthouse Leader's served our community the month of March by collecting boxes of cereal for the Care-N-Share food pantry!



**Pre-K**



**Kindergarten**



**1st Grade**



**2nd Grade**



**Multi-Age**







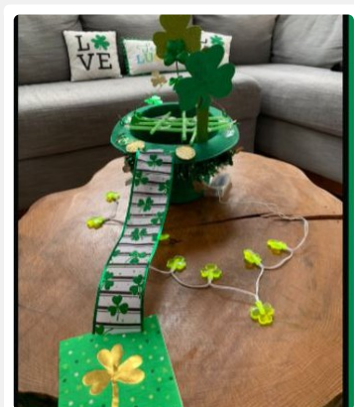
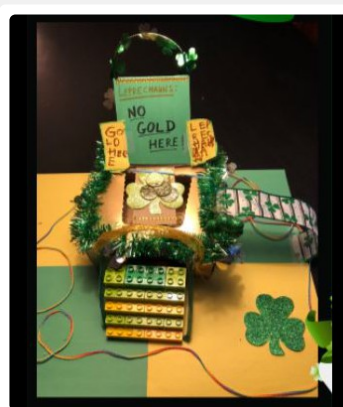
## Smile Day!

Wednesday March 2nd, 2022 marked our first mask-less day in school since September of 2020. While we still implement numerous safety protocols to combat COVID-19, it was absolutely WONDERFUL to see our student's smiles again! Wearing masks is currently optional for families and will be respected by all who enter the PEC.





**Our Kindergarten classes tried their luck at catching leprechauns!**



## **National Scribble Day!**

In honor of National Scribble Day on March 27, Kindergarteners in Mrs. Riehler's Art class created "Scribble People," inspired by the picture book story, I'm Not Just a Scribble. They created some amusing pictures with funny emotions and postures. Take a look!

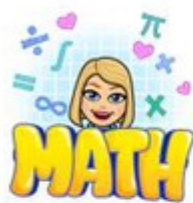




## **Simply put: music class brings us joy!**

In music class at the PEC, second grade students from Mrs. Shultz's class were having fun singing spring songs with accompaniment parts on the xylophone and drums.





## Ms. Orsi's Monthly Math Musings

April, 2022

### Math Doesn't Take a Vacation

Are you looking for some ideas to keep math on the mind of your child during spring recess? Well, this month I would like to offer a list of suggestions of things you and your child can do while traveling:

- Keep track of how many miles you drive or fly. For younger children, group miles by 5's or 10's. For older students group by 50's or 100's. This is great skip counting and place value practice. Take it to the next level by organizing or graphing the data in some way.
- Talk to your child and help them determine how much tip to leave when dining out.
- Count the charge if you pay cash for anything while traveling.
- A new twist on the license plate game - give any letters on the license plates a number value, then have your child add all the numbers together. If more than one child is playing, compare the values to see who spotted a license plate with a greater value.
- Count and sort cars by color or type while on a road trip. They can make a chart and use tally marks. What did they see most while traveling? You can do this with luggage at an airport too!
- Magic number of the day - to start each day select a magic number and then look for it! Look on signs, menus, and license plates, for example. Build more interest by adding in a small prize for the person who spots it the most!
- Talk about time. This is a great opportunity to help children understand units of time and begin to measure or at least estimate how long units of time are. This is likely more instruction on your part, but building that awareness can be helpful. We already know the first question, "How much longer till we get there?"

Relax and enjoy while keeping the math muscles working! If you have suggestions for math topics that will help support you and your child at home, please reach out to me at [orsi@lew-port.com](mailto:orsi@lew-port.com). Until then, remember MATH ROCKS!

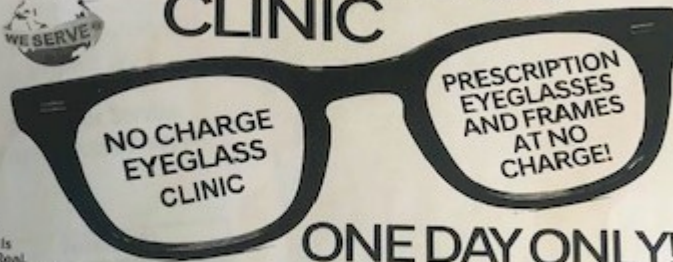
## Help me! I'm lost!

Our lost and found is overflowing! If you're missing something, please check the Lost and Found in the front entrance vestibule!





# POP-UP EYEGLASS CLINIC



Yes,  
This Is  
For Real.  
No Gimmicks,  
No Strings  
Attached.

## ONE DAY ONLY!

**SATURDAY MAY 14, 2022**

9AM – 4PM

**The Salvation Army of Niagara Falls**  
7018 Buffalo Ave Niagara Falls, NY 14304

- ⇒ Clinic staffed by NYS Licensed Doctors of Ophthalmology & Optometry
- ⇒ **FREE** eyeglass screenings **AND** fitting of eyeglasses
- ⇒ Wide selection of frames to choose from
- ⇒ Prescription lenses **AND** frames at **NO COST**
- ⇒ **ALL** are welcome- Children **AND** Adults
- ⇒ **NO** appointment necessary - **NO** ID required
- ⇒ First come – First Served
- ⇒ Early attendance is recommended and encouraged



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Lions Club**





If your child has a birthday that you wish to celebrate in their classroom please contact:

**Personal Touch Food Service**

**@ 716-286-7288** (Need 48Hrs for all orders)

and place your special birthday event for your son/daughter

**Menu Items Available:**

**Assorted Snack Basket w/ Juice-- \$1.50/PP**

Cheddar Goldfish and Munchies Mix

**Ice Cream Treat w/ Juice-- \$1.60/PP**

**Cookie Platter w/ Juice-- \$2.15/PP**

**Veggie Platter w/ Juice-- \$2.25/PP**

**Cheese/Cracker Platter w/Juice-- \$2.40/PP**

**Fruit Platter w/ Juice-- \$2.35/PP**

We can also supply special paper products for the event with additional cost.

**Here are some helpful phone numbers for people to reach out to:**

Child Protection Services (CPS) Niagara County Department of Social Services:

716-278-8650

Mandated Reporters: 1-800-635-1522

Public Callers: 1-800-342-3720

Domestic Violence Hotlines

Lockport: 433-6716

Niagara Falls: 285-6984

North Tonawanda: 692-5643

National: 1-800-799-7233

Crisis Services hotline(24 Hours)

Niagara County: 285-3513

Erie County: 834-3131

Haven House, Ellicott Street #451 Buffalo ,  
NY 14203: 884-6000

Rape Crisis Services-YWCA of Niagara, 32 Cottage St. Lockport, NY 14094: 343-2858

Family Justice Center: Services for Domestic Violence Victims

330 North Forest, Amherst, NY 14221 :634-4309



## **Wear-n-Share Clothing Closet**



**Mondays: 11- 1 pm**

**Wednesdays: 11 am - 1 pm & 6 - 8 pm**

**Sundays: 11 am - 1 pm**

**Lew-Port Community  
Resource Building  
4061 Creek Road  
Youngstown, NY 14174**

**[intercommunityservices.org](http://intercommunityservices.org)**





### Primary Education Center

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Grades PK – 3

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## **Brad Rowles - Board Report - Written Report - April 25, 2022**

### ***Activities that have or will be occurring at the High School:***

- ***Science Honor Society - Wednesday, March 29th***
- ***Race and Diversity Town Hall Discussion - Thursday, April 7th***
- ***Close of the 3rd Marking Period- Friday, April 8th***
- ***Tuesday, April 26th - Early Release Day***
- ***Advanced Placement (AP) Exams - Monday, May 2nd- Thursday, May 12th***

### **A few items to report to the Board of Education and Superintendent**

#### ***Principal's Activities:***

- I attended the Science Honor Society Ceremony on Wednesday, March 29th.
  - 24 students were inducted
- I attended the PTSA meeting on Wednesday, March 29th where I discussed high school related events and programs.
- Our student services team and I toured the Niagara Academy ONBOCES program on Wednesday, March 29th. Mrs. Bennett and her assistant principal walked us through their building, numerous classrooms and program areas.
- I participated in a webinar sponsored by EdWeek. The webinar focused on "Tackling student and staff mental health issues in COVID's wake" on Thursday, March 31st.
- Dr. Lyon and I held our monthly "chat" on Friday, April 1st.
- I participated in our 2nd meeting of the Innovative Leaders initiative.
- I held a Restorative Practice meeting on Tuesday, April 5th to continue the planning of our next Early Release Day on 4/26/22.
- We held a Green Team meeting on Wednesday, April 6th.
- I held our monthly Peer Coordinator meeting on Thursday, April 7th.
- I attended the district wide town hall meeting to discuss race and diversity on Thursday, April 7th.

#### ***Principal's Message:***

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable Easter Break! As we return from the two week break, three quarters of the school year have been completed. It is always shocking how fast the school year goes by! With the passing of each day, we near the always stressful end of the year exam period. Next week, our Advanced Placement students will take their end of the year exams. Advanced Placement teachers have been for weeks preparing our students to meet and or exceed their personal best. Please remember that students must earn at least a 3 out of 5 on the scoring rubric to earn college credit on an Advanced Placement exam. Mr. Evert continues to work with building staff to build our proctoring schedule for Local and Regents exams for this coming June. The first Regents Exam this year will be Wednesday, June 1st with a special administration of the United States History Regents Exam.

I want to take a moment and express how proud I am of this district following our town hall meeting on Thursday, April 7th. I am not sure that many districts would have the fortitude to hold such a meeting. At times the conversation was uncomfortable, but absolutely necessary. As I have stated many times, the success of our students is reliant upon home and the district working collaboratively. This collaboration can not only happen when things are going well, but maybe even more importantly when tough issues or decisions face the Lew-Port Family. I know that the conversation on April 7th was only the first step, but this first step was crucial. I want to thank Superintendent Casseri for his leadership and willingness to stand front and center during this difficult time!

Thank you,

Brad Rowles  
Go Lancers!!!