

# The Washington Way

April 2019

## 7th Annual Half-Pint Superheroes 5K



When: April 6, 2019

Where: Washington Elementary School

Time: 8am Registration

9am 5K Run/Walk

10am Kids Fun Run



Superhero costumes encouraged!

SAVE THE DATE!!

Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/y8zt77za>

### A note from Mr. Colboth:

Washington Elementary, we have some exciting events coming up this month. The Half-Pint Superhero 5K and Pirate Family Reading Night are quickly approaching. Our staff is working diligently to make these events super fun for you! Mark your calendars and I can't wait to see you there! Also, IAR Testing is coming up for our upper grades. Thank you for encouraging your children and supporting them through these next couple of weeks!

## Pirate Family Reading Night

Join us for an adventurous night full of reading and writing activities! We will have guest readers, reading stations, writing stations, prizes and so much more!!

Monday, April 15

Washington Elementary

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

RSVP "going" on the Facebook event...find it on the Washington PTO Facebook page!!

Guest Readers!

Free Snacks!

Free Books!



## IAR TESTING

As the end of the school year approaches, grades 3, 4, & 5 will begin the state mandated Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) testing. (Formally known as PARCC)

Important dates below:

April 1 - Washington IAR Kick-off Assembly

April 2 - Testing Day

April 3 - Testing Day

April 8 - Testing Day

Students will be tested in the subjects of Mathematics & English Language Arts.

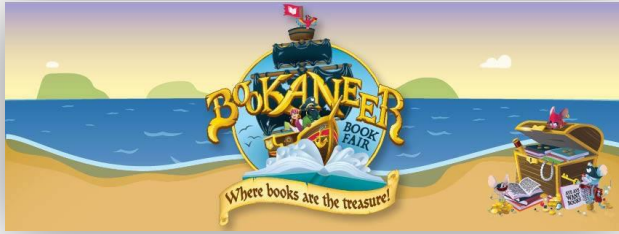
It is important to encourage your student to do their very best on the tests. Our school has done well in years past and would love to continue this pattern.

*How can you help prepare your student?*

- Set an early bedtime to obtain a good night's rest.
- Provide a balanced breakfast the morning of testing.
- Encourage your child to do their best on the testing, but not to worry too much.
- Remind your student to ask their teacher questions if they do not understand the testing directions.

You are such an important part of this process and we thank you for your support!





### BOGO Book Fair

April 15-18 we will hold the annual Buy One, Get One **Free** Scholastic Book Fair. Students will be allowed to shop with their class. Be sure to check your child's class newsletter for their shopping day. The book fair will also be open April 15, 5-8 pm. (During Family Reading Night)

### **PBIS NEWS!**

April Character Word: **COURAGE**  
Having the determination to do the right thing even when others don't; having the strength to follow your conscience rather than your peers; attempting to do difficult things that are worthwhile.

PBIS 3rd Quarter Bowling Celebration was a huge hit! Thank you, parents, for allowing your children to participate. We are planning a super-special 4th Quarter Celebration next month. Stay Tuned!! (Students with no more than 2 office referrals during the 4th quarter are invited to attend.)



## American Red Cross Blood Drive

**Tuesday, April 30**  
**Washington Gym**  
**2 - 6pm**

Walk-Ins Welcome  
Appointments preferred  
Schedule an appointment at  
[www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter  
"WashingtonSchool"  
in the *Find A Blood Drive* box.

### Sign up for the Washington School Principal Message from Mr. Colboth

Get information and updates for Washington Elementary School right on your phone. Choose how you would like to receive messages:

If you would like to receive text notifications:

Text the message **@5e16b** to the number 81010

If you are having trouble with 81010, try texting **@5e16b** to (618)690-4041

If you would like to receive push notifications on your Smartphone:

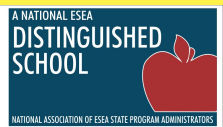
-On your iPhone or Android phone, open your browser and go to the following link: **rmd.at/5e16b**

-Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You will be prompted to download the mobile app.



### Friend Watch—Anti-Bullying Information System

Friend Watch is an online messaging system that allows students/parents/guardians to send anonymous messages to school administrators and counselors and inform them of possible bullying incidents involving students both in and out of the school setting. Look for this owl graphic on the Washington Elementary School webpage and click on the owl to open the message form. Any information provided will be sent directly to Mr. Colboth and Mrs. Patton (our school social worker). This form does not allow two-way communication (the school cannot send a reply back to you).



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