



March 2010 Parent Newsletter
Read-A-Million Words Update

Other Items of Interest

- 9 Spring Picture Day
- 9 AEA9 Math Bee Competition
- 9 Talent Show 4:30 pm Lg Gym
- 11 Dance for Water 4-5:30 pm Lg Gym
- 12 Teacher In-service NO CLASSES
- 20 Band & Orchestra Festival West HS
- Large Group Band Contest AM
- Orchestra contest PM
- 20 3 On 2 Basketball Tournament
- 22 Music Dept. Winter Concert 6:00 Lg Gym
- 24 Kid's Night Out 4-5:30 pm
- 29- Apr 5 Spring Break NO CLASSES
- Apr. 6 Classes resume

TAG REPORT

The AEA 9 Math Bee Competition will be held on March 9. The following students will be representing JB Young: Morgan Barclay, Bryan Nguyen, Rebecca Karwoski and Jasmine Jaime. Adrianna Boyd will be our alternate.

Three JB students competed in the annual AEA9 Regional Invent Iowa Competition held Saturday, February 20, 2010, at the Family Museum in Bettendorf. Eighth grader, Karina Cobos, and sixth graders, Adrianna Boyd and Kelsey Metzger, showed off their inventions in fine style. The inventions at this year's competition were some of the best that Mrs. Hill has seen in years and the competition was tough. Congratulations to these fine young women for representing JB at the competition.

Notes from the Nurse

Getting ready for high school – all incoming 9th graders and students new to the Davenport School District from out of state are required by law to have proof of a dental exam within the past year. This record must be turned into the school nurse on an Iowa Dental Certificate as soon as possible. Please contact your dentist or school nurse if you have questions.

If you have a 7th grader in your family, I have been doing vision testing this month. If a referral slip was sent home, your student needs to have a follow-up vision test from an eye doctor. As always, call if you have questions. I am at Young every Monday, Wednesday and every other Friday.

Judy Hawthorne, RN, BSN

During Black History Month, a total of 408 students were impacted during their Language Arts and Reading classes with the 'African-American Read-In' which ended on February 22, 2010.

Parents: JB Young students have been reading like crazy! The goal each month remains 280 pages in order to reach ONE MILLION words by the end of the school year. The reading team, who calculates the numbers, has noticed that some students have not been turning in their reading logs or carrying them around school. Please remind your student to use reading logs at home and school for everything they read. We also noticed several outstanding readers that are reading well over the minimum amount of 280 pages. We even had some students read more than 800 pages in a month! **THERE WILL BE A FIELD TRIP TO A RIVER BANDITS GAME ON APRIL 12. ONLY STUDENTS WHO HAVE MET THEIR GOALS WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND!!!!**

Students: Carry and use your reading logs! Keep up the good work. Your effort is noticed! Keep reading for your chance to win:

bracelets, bookmarks, field trips, and MORE! ☺

Achieve Quad Cities

Every 26 seconds a student drops out of high school

Did you have an adult in your life that you looked up to? Did you know what you wanted to be when you grew up? Did school equip you to be successful in your career and in life? Where would you be today if you had not created a future plan, if you had not pursued your educational goals?

Many young people in the Quad Cities area don't have a role model and don't feel they can succeed...until now.

Achieve Quad Cities is an alliance of community partners working to increase and improve opportunities for all Quad Cities youth to be successful in school, in life and in a career. The alliance is small, but growing daily. Achieve Quad Cities is a partnership of area businesses, chambers of commerce, educators and school districts, community agencies and committed volunteers.

Achieve Quad Cities is seeking volunteers to mentor students in grades 6 through 8. By dedicating a few hours each month, you will be helping an area student prepare for a successful transition into high school and beyond.

To volunteer today, or to learn more, contact Ray Porter by calling 563-344-0339- or emailing rporter@unitedwayqc.org.

REMEMBER -
SPRING BREAK IS FROM MARCH 29TH THROUGH APRIL 5. STUDENTS WILL RETURN TO CLASSES ON TUESDAY, APRIL 6.

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Wednesday, April 7