

TURRILL NEWS

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Daily Schedule

8:15	Office Opens
8:30	Student Drop Off Begins
8:35	First Bell Students Enter Building
8:39	Second Bell School Starts
3:40	Dismissal
4:15	Office Closes



Allergies

At Turrill we have a wide variety of students with allergies ranging from peanut, tree nut, walnuts, citrus, bee stings, eggs, and many more. Each classroom that has students with various allergies will receive letters informing families of the allergies and what to avoid when sending treats, snacks, and lunches to school.

With these letters we have designated areas of our school either nut free including classrooms, certain tables in the lunch room, as well as grade levels. Turrill staff, families, and students appreciate all that you do to help keep our students safe and following through with the various unique situations and requirements with our students.

Football/Cheerleading Sign Up!

4th and 5th grade Football/Cheerleading sign up is happening now. Information will be going home soon. Practice will begin on August 17.

Principal's Notes ...

Welcome back to the 2015/2016 school year. I hope everyone had a great summer. I could not be more impressed with how great the students did on the first day. Students entered school excited and ready. Even though the first day of kindergarten is tough on both students and parents, I have never seen more smiling faces the first week of school students came in ready to learn. The many routines our school has built over the last three years was evident as our students immediately came in utilizing these routines successfully beginning on the first day of school. This was amazing to witness.

With students working so hard on the routines of the building I wanted to share with new families, as well as remind returning families, the routines of our pick-up and drop-off area. The pick-up and drop-off areas at elementary schools always seem to be the most congested due to families being in a hurry. If you use this drop-off/pick up area, please use the below information to assist staff with making this area more effective for parents and safe for students.



- **Please pull as far forward as possible during both drop-off and pick-up times:** A red line is painted on the sidewalk for students' safety so students can exit their cars and walk behind the painted red line until they get to the door they enter. Regardless where students enter into the building, they can exit their car at any point and walk behind the red line to enter the building. Staff will encourage students to stay behind the red line but it's always helpful to remind students of this before they exit your vehicle. I know that this is difficult if your son or daughter enters at the main entrance or second grade doors, but students can walk behind the red line to their door. If you have students at both doors, please pull as far forward as possible and drop off all children at one time. During pick-up time please follow the guidelines of pulling as far forward as possible and we will have your son or daughter walk behind the red line until your car has stopped. Please encourage your child to point out your vehicle as you approach.
- **Early 5's, kindergarten, and first grade will enter the building at 8:30:** By having these grades enter the building using the doors located by the gym, students can line up and be ready to start their day. All other grades enter the building using the front doors or the doors by the second grade classrooms at 8:35.
- **Please use the designated parking spots if you want to exit your vehicle during both pick-up and drop-off times:** I realize that we have limited parking but unless your son or daughter needs assistance with getting into your vehicle, please don't exit your vehicle during pick-up and drop-off times.
- **Please only use the lane closest to the curb for drop-off and pick-up:** If we all work together with the drop-off and pick-up area, families will be able to move through the area more safely and effectively. I realize that when there is a long line it can be tough to wait but having students walk between cars not only causes a dangerous situation, it impedes on the traffic waiting to exit the parking lot.
- **If you park your car, please get out of your vehicle and walk your child to the curb:** It's very unsafe to allow your son or daughter to exit a vehicle and walk through the parking lot alone. We have a large number of families who use our drop-off and pick-up lane each day so please if you choose to park, walk your child to the red line.
- **Please move through the parking lot at a slow rate of speed, especially during drop-off and pick-up times:** I realize that at the end of the day we are all very busy and would like to get out of the parking lot but when cars move too fast it, causes a very dangerous situation.

Thank you again for all your support to make our drop-off and pick-up routines run smooth and safe and efficient for our students, families, and staff. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding these areas.

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Principal - Turrill Year-Round Elementary

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Turrill Blog: <https://turrillyearroundelementary.wordpress.com/>

MAPS Testing

During the 2015/2016 school year kindergarten, through fifth grade students will be taking the Measures of Academic Progress™ also known as the MAP test. The MAP test is an online computer based assessment that students take three times during the school year. Each assessment automatically adjusts for each student’s ability and is paced based on their testing session. Students will take the MAP test at the start of the year to get a baseline score, mid-way through the year to display growth, and at the end of the year to see if students meet the projected growth based on the initial baseline assessment. After all three MAP assessments during the 2015/2016 school year, a parent report will be sent home explaining your child’s score.

Walk With Us!

We would love to have you come and walk with us in the Lapeer Days Parade on Saturday, August 22nd. We will meet downtown Lapeer at 10am at the Old Train Depot and you will be directed where to line up. The parade will start at 11am. We would love students and families to join us! The first 100 children will receive a helium balloon to carry in the parade.

Public Notice

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibits discrimination against individuals with handicaps by school districts receiving federal financial assistance. This includes all district programs or activities. These regulations require every public school in the United States to identify and evaluate 504 handicapped students and to provide appropriate services and procedural safeguards. For further information please contact your child’s building principal or the Director of Special Education and Student Services at 810-538-1627.

Turrill Programs

At Turrill Year-Round Elementary School we offer a wide variety of programs and opportunities for all of our students, both during the school day as well as after school. Some of our programs are designed to offer interventions for our students where others are designed to offer enrichment. Regardless, our goal at Turrill Year-Round Elementary School is to support each student to be as successful as they can be both socially and academically. One great opportunity we have here at Turrill is to house our district center base Cognitively Impaired Program, also known as our CI classrooms. Students in our district CI programs work to be successful in their individual classroom and in the general education classrooms. Turrill CI Program has a lower elementary, roughly EK/K-2, as well as an upper elementary, roughly 3-5, we also have 19 traditional classrooms. I am very proud to have so many wonderful students and staff at Turrill Year-Round Elementary School every day. The growth we are able to see in our students with combining our balanced calendar along with quality education is amazing. Thank you for your support as we continue to push our students to reach their highest potential both academically and socially.

2015-2016 Turrill Year-Round Staff

Principal

Kenneth Janczarek

Secretary

Annette Stoutenburg

Dean of Students

RaeAnne Fielder

Early Fives Teacher

Emily Hawkins

Kindergarten Teachers

Nicole Badyrka

Kristal White

Elizabeth Turvill

1st Grade Teachers

Nancy Abeare

Theresa Hribar

Cheryl Smith

2nd Grade Teachers

Jennifer Christian

Chris Craft

Jessica Oliver

3rd Grade Teachers

Amy Baxter

Ellen Powers

Marie Tripp

4th Grade Teachers

Bridgette Chaffin

Dave Chaffin

Phyllis Van Horn

5th Grade Teachers

Crystal Hoganson

Perilyn Decker

Linda Short

Special Education

CI Teachers

Holly Rajewski

Nicolette Wilberding

Special Education

Teachers

Roxann Johnson

Rebecca Finton

Speech Teachers

Melinda Williams

Cathy Frazee

Learning Coaches

Katherine Ruhlman

Beth Shemanski

Social Work

Lynn Ramos

Paraprofessional

Garrett Brodt

Shannon Newton

Nicole Clay

Robin Estrada

Bob Lalley

Dawn Nowodworski-Peskey

Kim Sullivan

Carolyn Stroh

Stefanie Heddy

Wendy Hellner

Theresa Henry

Sanya Johnson

Yvette Wright

Charleen Nagy

Karen Howard

Kim Higgins

Carole Rafferty

Lindsey Dougherty

Ann June

Jennifer Hoeft

504 Paraprofessional

Kathy Manchester

Art Teacher

Kaili Burgess

Technology Teacher

Robert Losinger

Music & Band Teacher

Stephanie Harrington

Media Center

Stefanie Heddy

Physical Education

Teacher

John Fitzpatrick

Intersession Coordinator

Jennifer Christian

Child Care

Stephanie Heddy

Day Custodian

Dennis King

Night Custodian

Rick Martin

Kitchen

Jennifer Putnam

Emma Bulgaski

In Closing

The first full week went great and I am anticipating a wonderful school year. During the course of the school year please look for communication from both the school and your child’s classroom. This communication will be in a variety of methods including newsletters, Facebook pages, Blog posts, and School Messenger (an automatic messaging system). If you would like to update your email, cell phone, or add additional numbers or people to this system, please complete the below information sheet. Information and reminders will be sent out using School Messenger frequently, so please make sure we have your most up to date information.

Thank you again for all that you do to make Turrill great for our students, families, and staff, Kenneth Janczarek

School Messenger

Monthly newsletters are posted on the website and emailed to families who have an email addresses in the School Messenger system. If you are not receiving the monthly newsletters or other School Messenger messages through email and would like to, please complete this document and send it back to school with your son or daughter.

Students Name _____ Grade _____

Parents Name _____

Email _____



August 2015

Turrill Year-Round Elementary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7 Popcorn Day \$.25 Per Bag	8
9	10	11 Band Parent Meeting 6pm	12 PTC Meeting 3:45	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Whole School Outside Picture	22
23	24 Fall Fundraiser Begins	25	26	27	28 Picture Day	29
30	31			Turrill Year-Round Elementary 785 S. Elm Street Lapeer MI 48446 (810) 667-2438		



September 2015

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 No School	3 No School	4 No School	5
6	7 No School— Labor Day Holiday	8	9 Box Tops Due Fall Fundraiser Ends PTC Meeting 3:45	10	11 Popcorn Day \$.25 Per Bag	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Parent Teacher Conferences	22	23 Parent Teacher Conferences	24	25 No School	26
27	28 No School	29	30 Box Tops Due	Turrill Year-Round Elementary 785 S. Elm Street Lapeer MI 48446 (810) 667-2438		



October 2015

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Penny Wars Begin	6	7 PTC Meeting 3:45	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Spirit Wear Sales End Registration Due for Intersession #1	15	16 Penny Wars Ends	17
18	19	20	21	22 End of First Trimester	23 No School— Records Day	24
25	26 No School— Intersession #1	27 No School— Intersession #1	28 No School— Intersession #1	29 No School— Intersession #1	30 No School— Intersession #1	31