

OPTIONS WEEKLY



Student Clubs:
Tuesdays— Games Club
3:00-4:30pm
Thursdays—Chess Club
3:00-4:00pm

**Teacher Appreciation
Volunteer Link:**
[www.volunteerspot.com/
login/entry/367203048046](http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/367203048046)

FEBRUARY DATES:

29th—Leap Year

Would you be willing to donate gift cards from area fast food and gas stations to help reward students for keeping up with their school work?

We are checking grades every Friday and students passing all classes earn a ticket into our monthly drawing. We'd love to have lots of prizes to give away at the end of the month. Please no more than \$5 each.

Thank you! You can drop prizes off to Krysti at the front desk.

TRIVIA QUESTIONS:

**Why is it important to have leap year?
What happens if we don't have leap year?
What is a Gregorian Calendar?**



**Intramural Basketball
Hamilton County Sports
Complex
9625 E 150th St,
Noblesville, IN 46060
Every Tuesday: 3:30pm-
5pm
January: 5, 12, 19, 26
February: 2, 9, 16, 23**

CONGRATULATIONS!

Abdullah Aldermaki is February's Student of the Month

Questions/comments? mwalden@optionsined.org or call (317) 815-2098

Michelle Walden—Interim Principle

Do you believe that all children are not only able to learn but have a desire to do so? I do. Last week, I spent several days with the authors of Love and Logic, Dr. Charles and Jim Faye, learning how to be a better school leader, mother, educator, etc. I was reminded, while I was there, how important it is for the adults with influence on children to enforce good habits that produce positive results. All too often, we focus on that bad grade, missing assignment, tardy to class, or other negative behavior and we end up reinforcing those behaviors. For example, if I decided to give up sweets for 30 days and every day I woke up and went to bed thinking “I’m not going to eat sweets” what would I want to do every single day? You’re right: eat sweets. By focusing on the negative action, I inadvertently trained my mind to desire only that. How can we apply this to our children? Let’s “band together” to focus on the positives. Log into PowerSchool and find an assignment that your child received a good grade and ask them how they did it. Once they get over the shock of the question, they’ll likely respond with a shrug of the shoulders and “I dunno.” With a little probing, I bet you can get them to admit that they either worked hard, practiced, or persevered to get that grade. By doing this each day, we can begin to reprogram their brains to enforce what we know to be true – that they are learners and can be successful at anything they choose to work hard, practice, and persevere through. They must believe before they can achieve. **Belong. Believe. Achieve.**

If you need help getting your PowerSchool login and password, please contact your child’s advisor. We also offer extra help and tutoring for any students interested from 4:00-8:00pm on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

TRIVIA QUESTIONS ANSWERS:

Leap years are needed in order to keep up with our modern day Gregorian calendar. This will allow us to be in alignment with the Earth’s orbit around the sun.

It takes the Earth approximately 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 4 second to circle once around the sun every year. This is called a tropical year.

The Gregorian calendar only has 365 days in a year. Since we lose almost six hours every year, having leaping year every four years helps balance it out. If we didn’t have leap year, after only 100 years, our calendar would be off by around 24 days!