### **26 October 2012**



## Metzaberg News

## **Calendar** Items

- Monday, 29 October:
- Thursday, 01 November: End First Quarter
- Friday, 02 November: Teacher Work Day—No School for Students
- Monday, 5 November: Begin Second Quarter
- Wednesday, 8 November: Honor Roll Assembly 0815 MPR 4th & 5th Grades
- Monday, 12 November: Veteran's Day—No School for Students

## School Hours: 0800-1435

It's the responsibility of the parent/guardian to report student absences to the front office before 9:00 AM.

09645-917-9313/9184 or email:

NetzabergES.Attendan@eu.dodea.edu

#### **Attachments:**

- Anti-Bullying
- Turkey Trott
- School Lunch Menus





STUDENT DRESS-UP DAYS

- MONDAY, 29 AUG: BACKWARDS, INSIDE OUT DAY
- TUESDAY, 30 AUG: CRAZY HAT DAY
- WEDNESDAY, 31 AUG: WACKY HAIR AND SOCKS DAY
- THURSDAY, I NOV: WEAR RED, RED, RED

#### **End of Day Interruptions**

In order to maximize daily learning, **please do not** pick-up your child between **1400-1435**. The last **35** minutes of the day bring closure to a successful day of learning. Parents picking up their children from school are requested to wait outside. The congestion of adults and strollers make the hallways a chaotic and unsafe area.

Thank you for your support.



#### Netzaberg Elementary School Mission

To provide an exemplary education that inspires and prepares all DoDEA students for success in a dynamic, global environment.

#### **School Pictures**

Student pictures will be available for parents to view on line on October 29 at <a href="https://www.sandydavisphoqography.com">www.sandydavisphoqography.com</a>.

Orders are due to classroom teachers no later than Tuesday, November 6.

We regret that we will not be able to process orders sent in after close of business on that day. Please return your orders as soon as possible so you don't miss out.

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Club

An organization of concerned parents, teachers, and students gives excellent support to school

programs. The booster club sponsors fundraisers such as individual and class school pictures, Bingo Nights, and Fall Fest, as well as supports other activities such as Breakfast with Santa, popcorn Fridays, Terra Nova snacks, etc. Our Booster Club membership drive begins when school starts, at which time a calendar of events for the year will be distributed. A Family Membership of \$10.00. Volunteers in any capacity are always welcome!

## Good Grades Pay Off at the Grafenwoehr Exchange

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service rewards military students who excel. Students who receive a report card with a "B" average or better can choose an array of free and discounted products through the Grafenwoehr Exchange's "You Made the Grade" program. Now in its 12th year, "You Made the Grade" includes a free Burger King hamburger kids meal, Subway 6-inch combo, a magazine of their choice and even a complimentary haircut. Students "making the grade" can also register for a drawing to win a \$2,000, \$1,500 or \$500 Exchange gift card. To receive a "You Made the Grade" booklet, eligible students present a valid military ID and proof of a "B" or better average to the Grafenwoehr Exchange. Students may receive one coupon package for every qualifying report card, but may enter the gift card drawing only once per grading period.



### **Netzaberg Elementary Mission & Goals**

**OUR MISSION:** To Provide an Exemplary Education that Inspires and Prepares ALL DODEA Students for Success in a Dynamic, Global Environment.

**OUR VISION:** Netzaberg Elementary School is committed to success for ALL Students!

Goal 1: By 2011, all students will improve targeted reading comprehension skills (retelling, summarizing, and drawing conclusions) as measured by local and system-wide assessments.

Goal 2: By 2011, all students will improve their understanding of number sense and operational concepts across the curriculum as

#### **Lost & Found**

If your child has lost their sweater, sweatshirt, lunch box, etc., please check our lost & found area inside the lobby (to the right) of the main doors. It is filling up quickly!

We are on the web! http://www.netz-es.eu.dodea.edu





Office Hours: 0730-1600

Netzaberg Elementary School

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Bavaria District Superintendent's Office

Unit 28614. APO AE 09177

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON GRAFENWOEHR UNIT 28130 APO AE 09114-8130

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Bavaria Military Community Policy Letter #34; Anti-Bullying

- 1. Effective Date. This policy letter remains in effect until superseded or rescinded.
- 2. <u>Commander's Philosophy.</u> The Bavaria Military Community (BMC) and the Department of Defense Dependents School (DoDDS) Europe Bavaria District are committed to making our community and schools safe, caring, and welcoming places for all our children and youth. We will treat each other with respect, and we will refuse to tolerate bullying in any form in our community or our schools.
- 3. <u>Bullying Definition</u>. *Bullying* is a one-sided activity intended to harm, where those doing the bullying get pleasure from a targeted child's pain and/or misery. Bullying can be verbal, physical, or via cyber medias. Bullying can be directed towards race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, physical, or mental ability. Examples of bullying include but are not limited to:
  - a. Taunting.
- b. Using put-downs, such as insulting or making fun of someone's race, religion, physical ability or disability, mental ability or disability, gender and/or perceived or actual sexual orientation.
  - c. Threatening or ganging up on someone.
- d. Stealing or damaging another person's things; stealing or damaging can also be considered a criminal offense.
  - e. Spreading rumors about someone.
- f. Physically hurting a targeted child, including, but not limited to hitting, kicking, tripping, pushing, and shoving.
- g. Unwanted touching, patting, grabbing, hugging, kissing, cornering, blocking passage, and/or bumping.

- h. Shunning or purposefully excluding a targeted student, or trying to get other students not to play with targeted child.
- i. Using a cell phone, gaming device, the Internet, or other social media to threaten, stalk, ridicule, humiliate, taunt, spread rumors, lock out of a game, or hack into a targeted child's account.
- j. Hazing, or any intentional, knowing, or reckless act by one person alone or acting with others, directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being initiated into, affiliating with, or holding office in an organization.

#### 4. Bullying Prevention.

- a. Child, Youth & School Services (CYSS) and DoDDS staff will:
  - (1) Closely supervise children and youth in all areas of the facility/school and playground.
  - (2) Watch for signs of bullying behavior and stop it when it happens.
- (3) Teach the <u>Steps to Respect</u> program and/or other supplemental <u>Social Skills</u> lessons to increase awareness and empowerment in all children and youth.
- (4) Provide training opportunities for students and Families regarding awareness and prevention of bullying.
  - (5) Take seriously Families' concerns about bullying and create a procedure for reporting.
  - (6) Look into all reported bullying incidents and respond quickly and appropriately.
  - (7) Assign consequences for bullying based on the school discipline code.
- (8) Maintain open communication between CYSS staff and school staff for optimal support of all children involved in a bullying incident.
  - (9) Provide immediate consequences for retaliation against students who report bullying.
  - b. Students, Children and Youth will:
    - (1) Treat each other respectfully.
    - (2) Refuse to bully others.

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- (3) Refuse to let others be bullied.
- (4) Refuse to watch, laugh, or join in when someone is being bullied.
- (5) Report bullying to an adult.
- (6) Strive to include everyone in play and social interaction, especially those who are often left out.

#### 5. Discipline Procedures.

- a. Consequences for bullying will always include a procedure for holding accountable perpetrator(s) and any bystanders who played an active supporting role in the bullying. Other procedures can range from positive behavioral interventions to expulsion from the DoDDS School, or removal from the CYSS program. These consequences are dependent on the nature and severity of the behavior, the age of the student, and the student's past behavior. The purpose of these procedures is to hold student(s) accountable for the bullying; preventing another occurrence; and, protecting the targeted child and/or youth. Consequences for bullying may include, but are not limited to the following:
  - (1) Notify parents/guardian of the incident and consequences.
  - (2) Assisting the perpetrator(s) to find more appropriate ways to relate to peers.
  - (3) Meet with teacher, principal, student, and/or parent.
- (4) Referral to School Counselor, School Based Behavioral Health Counselor, Military Family Life Consultant, and/or Garrison Chaplain.
  - (5) Corrective instruction.
  - (6) Behavior management plan.
  - (7) Temporary removal from the classroom.
- (8) Loss of school privileges as determined by the Principal or CYSS program privileges as determined by Program Director and CYSS Coordinator.
  - (9) Classroom or administration detention.
  - (10) In-school suspension.
  - (11) Out-of-school suspension.

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- (12) Community Service, as determined by the Civilian Misconduct Action Authority (CMAA).
  - (13) Loss of logistical support as determined by the CMAA.
  - (14) Expulsion or removal from all CYSS programs.
  - (15) Legal action.
- b. If the school or CYSS can handle the behavior problem internally, it is within their right to do so. Should the behavior escalate, or present a danger to the order, discipline, and safety of the Garrison, the individual should be referred to the CMAA. Any behavior that constitutes a criminal act or breaks the law must be reported to the Military Police.
- c. Bullying that happens off of school grounds, including all forms of cyber bullying, can impact the feeling of safety the targeted child has upon returning to school with the perpetrator(s) and can create an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment for all students. The school and the CMAA will address these actions when necessary for the well-being and safety of the community and all students involved. All suspension and expulsion documents, if forwarded to the CMAA, may be used as aggravating factors when considering administrative action in juvenile civilian misconduct under Army Europe Regulation 27-9.
- 6. <u>Support for a Target of Bullying</u>. The effects of bullying on the targeted youth cannot be over emphasized. Isolation, lack of friends and/or support, and a feeling of helplessness that targets of bullying experience can be devastating. The Garrison and school will ensure that targeted youth receive all support necessary. Actions may include, but are not limited to:
- a. Notify parents/guardians immediately of the incident. Give them the method to use to report any further targeting of their child.
- b. Take effective measures to keep the targeted youth safe at school and at CYSS, give him/her tools to stand up to the perpetrator(s), and support to keep the targeted youth from succumbing to the bullying.
- c. Identify a person or persons to whom the targeted youth can safely report any further bullying incidents.
- d. Parents will be notified in the event that the targeted youth appears to be in immediate danger of hurting himself/herself. If parents are not available, the Military Police will be contacted and asked for an immediate and emergency referral to Social Work Services.
- e. Provide referrals to counseling services, such as Social Work Services, Garrison Chaplain and Military Family Life Consultants.

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f. Maintain open communication between CYSS staff and school staff for optimal support of the targeted youth. For mistakes, mischief, and mayhem that unintentionally or intentionally create serious problems of great consequence, the "Three Rs" Restitution, Resolution, and Reconciliation, are incorporated into the four steps of discipline.

7. <u>Points of Contact.</u> The points of contact for this memorandum are the BMC School Liaison Officers at DSN 475-1770 (Grafenwoehr), DSN 466-2082 (Hohenfels), DSN 440-2393 (Garmisch).

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Bavaria District Acting Superintendent

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#### A First for the Sure Start Parent Education Program

Sure Start is the DoDDEA program for children who may be at risk for school success. The program has four components including Health and Nutrition, Social Services, Education, and Parent Involvement. Our Parent Involvement program includes Parent Education Meetings each year. The Netzaberg Sure Start had their first parent education meeting on 18 October. We were delighted to have the Military Child Education Coalition Parent to Parent team present a workshop called "The Importance of Reading to Your Child At Home." The presenters, Maria Elena Mendelson and Lorraine Bergstrom, brought many useful ideas for the parents. There were handouts and information for parents to take home. Child care and snacks for the children were provided as well.

Sounds like an ordinary Sure Start Parent Education meeting? Not so!! We were very proud and extremely excited to have one of our deployed fathers participate in the meeting from Afghanistan! Specialist Bobby Ortiz, who is stationed at Kandahar, emailed Dr. Lisa Starnes, Sure Start Teacher, in September and asked if it were possible for him to participate via an online conferencing platform.

With the assistance of Kristie Mashburn and Sorin Vartolomei, at Netzaberg Elementary, and Patti McNaughton, Dexie Galvez, and Vincent Robinson at the Bavaria District Office we established a connection. Specialist Ortiz was able to watch the Parent to Parent presentation in the classroom and ask questions. His dedication to being involved in his son, Nathaniel's, education goes way beyond our expectations! We were delighted to be able to include him and want to try to expand this idea. We are working on a way for Specialist Ortiz to participate in Parent-Teacher Conferences, hopefully paving the way in the future for more deployed parents to be involved in their child's education.

## Sleep and Children

Sleepy school children make crabby classmates, while students who get plenty of sleep are better behaved, according to a new study published this week in the journal Pediatrics.

"Extending sleep opens the door to an effective, feasible way to improve children's health and performance," says study author Reut Gruber, director of the Attention Behavior and Sleep Lab at the Douglas Research Center in Quebec, Canada.

#### The study

Gruber and his colleagues wanted to find out if the behavior of elementary school children was affected by how much sleep they got. The researchers, with the permission of parents, enrolled 34 students ages 7 to 11 in the study. These were healthy kids who didn't have sleep problems or behavior or academic issues.

During one week of school, half the students were put to bed earlier than normal, averaging about 27 minutes more sleep a night. The other half stayed up later than their routine bedtime, losing about 54 minutes of shut-eye each evening.

#### The results

Teachers - who didn't know the sleep status of the students - reported significant differences in how the children behaved and coped with everyday challenges. Students who were sleep-deprived not only seemed overly tired, but were more impulsive and irritable than their well-rested classmates. They were quick to cry, lose their tempers or get frustrated.

The children who got plenty of sleep had a better handle on their emotions and were more alert in class.

Sleep experts say these results make sense and provide more evidence about the importance of sleep.

"We know that sleep deprivation can affect memory, creativity, verbal creativity and even things like judgment and motivation and being (engaged) in the classroom," explains Dr. Judith Owens, director of sleep medicine at Children's National Medical Center in Washington. "When you're sleepy, (being engaged) isn't going to happen."

And when children have trouble coping with day-to-day situations, Owens adds, this can affect a child's relationship with teachers, as well as their success in school, social skills and the ability to get along with peers.

#### Tips for parents

So how do you know if your child is getting enough sleep? Children in elementary school generally need between 10 to 11 hours each evening, but no two children are alike. Parents should look for clues, experts say.

"Kids in this age range should not be sleepy during the day," Owens says. "If the are falling asleep in the car or watching TV, that's a red flag."

Another way to gauge your child's sleep need is to pay attention to how much they sleep during school vacations, when they're sleeping without a time schedule. If they consistently sleep longer than on school nights, your child probably isn't getting enough sleep.

#### Take action

Parents can take steps to get their children off to bed at a reasonable hour.

- About a half hour before bedtime, have your kids start winding down put down the electronic devices, turn off the TV and shut down the computer
- Have a consistent bedtime and wake time and try to make this apply to the weekends as well
- Be good role models for your children. Go to bed at a reasonable time and talk to them about the importance of sleep

"Consider that (sleep) is one of the building blocks of your child's health, well-being and academic success," Owens says. "It's equivalent to good nutrition, exercise and all the other things we try to foster and provide for our children. You've got to put sleep right up there at the top of the list."

Post by: Leslie Wade - CNN Medical Producer

Filed under: Children's Health • Living Well • Mental Health • Sleep

### Grades K-5

## November 2012

## Monday

## Tuesday

## Wednesday

## **Thursday**

## Friday

## Did you know?

Though many competing claims exist, the most familiar story of the first Thanksgiving took place in Plymouth Colony, in present-day Massachusetts, in 1621.

#### Chicken or Black Bean(V) Quesadillas Beef & Broccoli Bowl

#### Mexican Chicken Salad Fresh Veggie Bowl Broccoli Banana **Applesauce**

#### Teacher Work Day

No School

#### BBQ Pork Ribletts\* Baked Chicken<sup>3</sup>

Bean & Rice Burrito (V) \*Whole Grain Dinner Roll

Baked Beans Garden Salad Orange Wedges Pineapple

#### Broccoli Cheese Minis (V)

Corn Dog Tuna Wrap

Snap Peas Cucumber & Carrot Sticks Apple Slices

Pears Chocolate Chip Cookie

#### Cheese Omelet or Sausage Patty\*

\*French Toast Sticks Turkey or Veggie Wrap (V)

Deli Roasters Broccoli Grapes Mandarin Oranges

#### Mozzarrella Sticks (V) Chicken Veggie Alfredo

Fajita Chicken Salad Steamed Carrots

Green Beans Banana

Applesauce Carrot Bread

#### **Buffalo Chicken Bites** Chicken Bites\*

Chik'N Nuggets (V) Ham Salad

\*Mashed Potatoes/Dinner Roll

Fresh Veggie Bowl Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots Fresh Fruit Fruit Cocktail

## Veteran's Day

No School

Chicken Parmesan Southwest Taco Bowl

Mexican Chicken Salad

Carrot Sticks Green Beans Apple Slices Peaches

#### Chicken Frvz **Buffalo Chicken Wrap** Cheese Salad (V)

Garden Salad

Sweet Potato Crinkles Grapes Mandarin Oranges Banana Bread

#### Hamburger Chicken or Chik'n (V) Patty Sandwich

Craisy Turkey Apple Salad

Baked Beans Steamed Carrots Banana Applesauce Oatmeal Raisin Cookie

#### Cheese Pizza (V) Pepperoni Pizza

Chicken & Mini Dumplings Ham Salad

Broccoli

Tomato & Cucumber Salad Fresh Fruit Peaches

Fruit Swirl Cup

#### Chicken Tenders\*

Vegaie Burger (V) Turkey Wrap

\*Whole Grain Dinner Roll

Snap Peas Garden Salad Pineapple Orange Wedges

#### Macaroni & Cheese (V)

Chicken Patty Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sub

Green Beans **Sweet Potato Crinkles** Apple Slices

Peaches Fruit Swirl Cup

#### Meat Nachos

Chicken or Black Bean (V) Fiesta Wrap

Chef Salad

Tomato & Cucumber Salad Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots Grapes Mandarin Oranges

### Нарру Thanksgiving!

#### Recess Day

No School

#### Cheese Pizza (V) Pepperoni Pizza

Tuna Tetrazzini

Chef Salad Garden Salad

Pineapple

Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots Orange Wedges

#### Chicken Bites\* **Turkey Salad** Veggie Wrap (V)

BBQ Chicken Bites\*

\*Mashed Potatoes Tomato & Cucumber Salad

Corn Apple Slices Pears

#### Mozzarella Sticks (V) Chicken Egg Roll & Rice

Asian Chopped Salad

Carrot Sticks Snap Peas Grapes

Mandarin Oranges Fruit Swirl Cup

#### Chicken or Black Bean (V) Quesadillas Beef & Broccoli Bowl

Ham Wrap

Fresh Vegaie Bowl Broccoli Banana Applesauce Oatmeal Raisin Cookie

#### Chicken Parmesan Orange Ginger Chicken

Bowl Veggie Burger (V)

Peas Green Beans Fresh Fruit Peaches Fruit Swirl Cup

#### Why is milk a required part of School Lunch?

Milk is a required component of the National School Lunch Program. Milk contributes important nutrients such as protein, calcium, riboflavin, Vitamin A, and Vitamin D.

> Drink milk to grow up strong!

#### Items in Italics only served to Grades 2-5

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\*items served together

~ Milk Served Daily ~





## **Tell Me A Story:**

Making Connections and Finding Support through Literature

## TMAS Event Guest Reader: COL Keith A. Barclay

Regimental Commander of the 2nd Cavalry Regiment



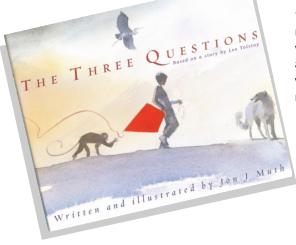
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Coalition's Tell Me A Story:
Making Connections and Finding
Support through Literature
(TMAS) is an initiative created to
empower our military children by
using literature and their own
stories. Tell Me A Story is geared
toward children ages 4-12. Each
family will receive a copy of the
featured book. Hands-on
activities, snacks, and a fun
learning experience will be
provided!

Questions about the MCEC Tell Me A Story Program? Contact Judy Glennon at 254.953.1923 or Judy.Glennon@MilitaryChild.org. To learn more about other MCEC programs and initiatives, visit

www.MilitaryChild.org



"... this moving story will amaze and inspire young readers..."

> -School Library Journal

#### **TMAS Event Book:**

## The Three Questions

By Jon J Muth Based on a story by Leo Tolstoy



Saturday

November 3, 2012

Time: 1300-1500

## **Rose Barracks School Age Center**

BLDG. 2237 (Across from Vilseck Elementary School)

Grafenwöhr/Vilseck

## **ADMISSION IS FREE**

but space is limited!

Please reserve your space by Email to Maria Elena Mendelson:

PtoP.Graf\_Vilseck@militarychild.org

# USAG GRAFENWOEKR TURKEY TROT ONOVEMber 12





Men and Women

Open - (29 and under)

Masters - (30 and older)

Family Walk

AWARDS: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place Trophies will be presented in each age category, and a turkey will be presented to the top over-all Male and Female finisher.

Raffle- Three turkeys will be raffled off to participants.

On-Site Registration: 0730–0845, at Little Mike Softball Field, Bldg. 1108.

Safety Briefing: 0845 hours. Start time: 0900 hours.

"FREE" Event T-shirts for the first 100 participants

For more information, contact the Rose Barracks Fitness Center (RBFC), Bldg. 323, DSN: 476-2998 or CIV: 09662-832998.