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## September 2017 Newsletter

Dear Blain Elementary Families:

The 2017/2018 School Year is off to a fantastic start. We had two successful events prior to day one as both PreK / Kindergarten Orientation and Open House were well attended. Beginning with the first day of school on August 24, students have shown they are ready for the challenges that lay ahead of them this school year.

Blain Elementary School continues to strive to adopt a Growth Mindset. A Growth Mindset is the understanding that through hard work and determination we can grow and learn. As a school we will: Embrace Challenge, Persist Despite Obstacles, See Effort as a Path Toward Learning, Learn from our Mistakes, and Display a Positive Attitude and Encourage Others. Our students have become accustomed to the phrase "Grow Your Brain" which has become our school's unofficial motto.



The evening of Tuesday, September 26 (6:00 – 7:30) will be Blain Elementary's Curriculum Night. This event will be slightly different from previous years in that students will be attending alongside their parents/guardians. However, the focus of the evening will continue to be on providing information to parents in regards to what students will be learning this school year. Additional information will be published soon.

I look forward to a rewarding, yet challenging school year. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have a question or concern.

Sincerely,  
Christopher Young

### Dates to Remember:

Thursday, Sept. 21 -	PTO Meeting
Friday, Sept. 22 -	No School for Students
Tuesday, Sept. 26 -	Curriculum Night (6-7:30 PM)
Monday, Oct. 9 -	No School for Students
Friday, Oct. 13 -	Picture Day
November 6 – 9 -	Parent / Teacher Conferences

We collect  
Box Tops!



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## Volunteer Information



Last school year West Perry School District adopted a new volunteer policy for any individual wishing to volunteer, which includes parents wishing to chaperone of field trips. If you have any interest in volunteering at Blain Elementary you must first be approved as a district volunteer. All necessary information can be found on the district webpage, [www.westperry.org](http://www.westperry.org). Once there, you should go to the Parents link at the top and then navigate your way to the Volunteers area. All volunteers must be board approved, so you are encouraged to get all necessary paperwork in well ahead of any event as board meetings are only held once a month.

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**At Blain Elementary School we expect students to:**  
**Be Respectful      Be Responsible      Be Safe**

### ***\*Top Mustangs***

Students are recognized for being TOP MUSTANGS when they are “caught” displaying exemplary behaviors or performing acts of kindness toward others. They receive a top mustang ticket, which is then entered into a drawing. Each Monday, six tickets are drawn and the students get to choose a prize from the Top Mustang Student Store. Encourage your student to Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe!

TOP MUSTANG		
_____	was caught being	
Responsible	Respectful	Safe
because _____	_____	
_____		
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	Great Job!	



### **We Welcome New Faces to Blain Elementary School!**

Miss Graham – Guidance Counselor  
Mrs. Smith – Nurse  
Mrs. Dalinsky – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

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### Parent Drop Off / Pick Up

Please remember all parent drop offs at the beginning of the day and all parent pick ups at the end of the day must occur at the East Entrance. If you are picking up or dropping off your student during the school day please park in the staff parking lot and then enter the school through the main entrance.

We ask that all Parent pick up calls be made prior to 2:00 PM.



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