



# The Grizzly Gazette



Jamie Alexander, Principal

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*Our Mission Statement: To develop life-long learners and globally minded citizens by fostering the academic, creative, and social skills needed to achieve excellence in a multi-cultural environment."*

Dear Greenbriar Families,

We have had a great month at Greenbriar. Students have worked hard and we are so proud of them. Thank you to all parents who have helped to ensure students are at school on time every day and prepared to learn. Our 3-5 graders will continue taking ISTEP through March 9. All 3rd graders will take IREAD3 the week of March 12. Please arrive on time.

We held a subtraction math fact competition during February. The students were excited to celebrate. We had 232 students that were entered into the drawing and 21 students were able to throw a pie in the face of a staff member during our ISTEP rally. Thank you for helping out at home; continue to focus on math facts for 10 minutes each night.

A great reading and math resource to use at home is Lexia and Moby Max. If you have access to the internet at home, your student can log in each day and work to improve their reading and math fact mastery. If you do not have access to the internet at home, the Marion county Public Library has free access for students to use each day. Make this a great opportunity for the whole family to visit the library. If your son/daughter cannot remember their login and password, please contact their teacher.

Lexia at Home: <http://www.lexiacore5.com>

Moby Max at Home <http://www.mobymax.com>

Lace up your shoes and gather your family, friends and neighbors for the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Great North Run! Please sign up now as Greenbriar will earn \$2 per registration. With **110** registrations, we will earn \$500 to use toward programs at Greenbriar. In case you don't feel like running that day, you can register and choose the sleep in option. Be sure to select Greenbriar as your school. Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 10. The races start at 9 am (1K, 5K or 10K), immediately followed by a health and fitness fair. Wear your Greenbriar spirit wear and comfortable tennis shoes! Visit <http://www.advancementcenterwts.org/> for more details.

Mrs. Alexander  
Greenbriar Elementary Principal

**ISTEP TESTING THROUGH MARCH 9  
NO TARDIES, ABSENCES APPOINTMENTS  
GRADE 3 IREAD MARCH 12-16**

**EXAMENES DE ISTEP HASTA MARZO 9  
NO TARDANZAS O AUSENCIAS  
NO HACER CITAS MEDICAS  
3er GRADO IREAD MARZO 12-16**

	MARCH
1-9	ISTEP CONTINUES ~ NO ABSENCES/TARDIES
2	DINING WITH DADS
10	GREAT NORTH RUN/FAIR NCHS 9 AM
11	ARTISTICALLY TALENTED ART SHOW, NCHS 1-2:30 PM
12-16	IREAD
13	MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE, 7-8:30 PM
15	SPRING FLING , 6-7:30 PM
20	SPRING PICTURES
21-23	PTO SURPRISE EGG SALE
22	STUDENT EARLY RELEASE, 2:15 PM
22	TALENT SHOW 6 PM
23	REPORT CARDS GO HOME
26-30	SPRING BREAK, NO SCHOOL
APR 2	STUDENTS RETURN
	MARZO
1-9	EXAMENES DE ISTEP, NO CITAS/TARDANZAS
2	ALMUERZO CON LOS PADRES
10	FERIA DE ATLETISMO/CARRERA NCHS 9AM
11	PRESENTACIÓN DE TALENTO ARTÍSTICO, NCHS 1-2:30 PM
12-16	EXAMENES DE IREAD NO CITAS/TARDANZAS
13	CASA ABIERTA ESCUELA SECUNDARIA 7-8:30 PM
15	PTO, EVENTO DE PRIMAVERA 6-7:30 PM
20	FOTOGRAFIAS DE PRIMAVERA
21-23	VENTA DE HUEVOS DE SORPRESA, PTO
22	SALIDA TEMPRANO, ESTUDIANTES 2:15 PM
22	NOCHE DE TALENTO, 6 PM
23	LAS CALIFICACIONES VAN A CASA
26-30	DESCANSO DE PRIMAVERA /NO ESCUELA
ABR 2	ESTUDIANTES REGRESAN

**PRE-ORDER YEARBOOKS!**  
**FORMS ON LOBBY**  
**COUNTER**



**CASH OR CHECK \$15**

**EARLY RELEASE DAY**  
**MARCH 22**  
**2:15 PM DISMISSAL**

**SALIDA TEMPRANO**  
**ESTUDIANTES**  
**MARZO 22**  
**2:15 PM**



## Music Notes

*Mrs. Perry*

Thank you to 3rd Grade for a wonderful program. You reached the goal to complete a fantastic performance! Fourth grade has completed their assessment of the orchestra instruments. They did a great job!

Fifth and 4th grade have been playing recorders these past few weeks, building their brains! They are going to be smarter as they take the ISTEP!

Grade 2 has been learning about the composer Camille Saint Saens and the music he wrote to sound like the animals at the zoo.

Grade 1 finished their "Peter and the Wolf" project with the music by the Russian composer Sergei Prokofiev.

And Kindergarten is 'be boppin' away with Freddie the Frog and his adventures in Music.



**Greenbriar 2018-2019 Kindergarten**  
**Registration Daily 9 am - 2:30 pm**

Bring Birth Certificate, Shot Records, Valid Lease/  
Mortgage for township residency, and Utility Bill

**Inscripción de Greenbriar Kindergarten**  
**Para 2018-2109 9 am - 2:30 pm**

Necesita presentar documentos:  
Acta de nacimiento, record de vacunas,  
comprobante de que UD. Reside en el  
Municipio de Washington  
(contracto de renta),  
recibo de pago de luz, agua o teléfono



## Spotlight on New Staff Stars

### Michelle Culp ~ Gr. 5 Teacher

My name is Michelle Culp. This is my second year teaching 5th grade. I graduated from IUPUI. I've been married for 3 years and have a 17 month old boy, named Ryan, who is my pride and joy. I am having a girl in April. I grew up outside of Philadelphia in West Chester, PA. I am a very proud Philly sports fan and love the state. I miss it! I enjoy being outside, working out, watching football and basketball. I don't know a stranger and love to travel!

Do you have a hobby/area of interest? Exercise & sports

What is your favorite:

Book? *The Hunger Games* series

Movie? Anything with Mel Gibson  
and Russell Crowe

Song? I love Justin Timberlake.

Food/Restaurant? Sushi and all Asian cuisine!

Vacation? Hawaii

If you weren't in education, what other occupation would you choose? Probably something in business.

If you could have dinner with anyone, living or deceased, who would it be? My paternal grandfather. He passed away when I was very young. I hear so many stories about him and I wish I would've gotten to know him.

Tell us something interesting about you that would surprise other Greenbriar staff? I have swam with great white sharks near Seal Island in South Africa where they film Shark Week!



## PTO HAPPENINGS

Thank you to the families who enjoyed the HotBox pizza dine-out, and to **Adrienne Johnson** for organizing our dine-outs.

Spring Fling is **Thursday, March 15, 6 - 7:30 pm** in the Greenbriar Gym. We will enjoy a fun family evening, carnival, and silent auction. Watch for the volunteer signup in school messages and social media. If you can contribute to the silent auction, help with games or help us plan in any way, email us at [GreenbriarPTOSpringFling@gmail.com](mailto:GreenbriarPTOSpringFling@gmail.com) for details.

Please think about what YOU would like to see your PTO do next year to support students and teachers. Nominations and planning are continuing for the 2018-19 school year. You can find information about leadership and volunteer opportunities on the PTO Facebook page. We need **your** talents!

Spring G.R.O.W. classes begin April 2 right after Spring Break. Look for your student's class confirmation mid-March. Thank you to **Anne Wilson** and **Elyse Boyles** for your hard work in organizing this fun and popular student after-school program.

Your PTO Co-Presidents, Heidi Sexson and Regan Zwald  
**Follow us on Facebook:** Greenbriar Elementary School PTO  
**Email:** [GreenbriarPTO@gmail.com](mailto:GreenbriarPTO@gmail.com)



## Greenbriar Annual Talent Show

Greenbriar Gym March 22 at 6 PM  
\$3 per adult/\$1 per child



Come watch our talented students and enjoy an evening of fun and laughter. The money collected will go towards field trip costs for 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade.



## ART NEWS

**Ms. James**

The Artistically Talented Art Show will be Sunday, March 11 at NCHS from 1-2:30 pm. The AT students are excited to share their artwork with you. Please enjoy some art as everyone is welcome!

The Colorific Class award is for classes earning 4 green days in Art class. During each Art class, students earn a color (green, yellow, or red) based on their cooperation and respect for each other and art materials. Congratulations to the following classes with green day designation: Mrs. Brown's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, Mrs. Ferguson's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, Mrs. Williams' 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Mrs. Culp's 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Until next time, Grizzlies, keep doodling and creating!

## GREAT NORTH RUN MARCH 10, 2018

Join us Saturday, March 10, 2018 at 9 a.m. for the Great North Run & Fitness Fair. As in past years, there will be a 10K, 5K and Fun Run. All three events are open to both runners and walkers.

After the completion of the run/walk, the high school comes to life with dozens of area vendors and activities. It is one of the largest community gatherings of the year!



SATURDAY, MARCH 10 • REGISTER EARLY & SAVE  
[www.AdvancementCenterWTS.org](http://www.AdvancementCenterWTS.org)

**Please visit the link to register and choose Greenbriar as your school. We need at least 100 people to register. Choose to "Sleep In" if you want!**  
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## Greenbriar Alumni Scholarship

The Greenbriar PTO is offering an alumni scholarship to qualified former Greenbriar students graduating next May 2018. The \$500 scholarship may be used at any college of the choice for any fees incurred by the student. Applications are available at the NCHS office.

Applicants must have attended Greenbriar for 4 consecutive years and must be a student in good standing at North Central with a minimum g.p.a. of 3.0. An original essay of 500 words or less that addresses one of the two required questions must be included.

If you know of a former Greenbriar student who may be interested in this opportunity, please tell him/her to pick up an application from the Scholarship Coordinator, North Central Guidance Office.

Questions: Call Patty Hunter, Scholarship Chairman, at 317-291-5861.

## PTO Surprise Egg Sale March 21-23

Celebrate Spring with the PTO's Surprise Egg Sale! Each egg is guaranteed to contain at least one surprise spirit stick. Many eggs will have a bonus surprise as well! Eggs will be for sale directly to students during their grade's lunch period March 21, 22, and 23. \$1 per egg, cash only.



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\* **SPRING BREAK** \*  
\* **MARCH 26-30** \*  
\* **NO SCHOOL** \*  
\* **STUDENTS RETURN** \*  
\* **APRIL 2** \*  
\* **DESCANSO DE PRIMAVERA** \*  
\* **NO ESCUELA MARZO 26 - 30** \*  
\* **ESTUDIANTES REGRESAN** \*  
\* **EL 2 DE ABRIL** \*  
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**PTO SPRING FLING**  
**MARCH 15 6-7:30 PM**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**  
**SIGN UP NOW**



## Spring Picture Day March 20

Join the fun for Spring Picture Day! Pictures are optional for any student who returns the forms with payment. Parents may also pay online, which is preferred. Again, only those that pay will have pictures taken. Be sure to choose your background style on the form. Forms will be coming home soon! To pre-pay online be sure to use Greenbriar's unique order code: 27420SA at [www.inter-state.com/order](http://www.inter-state.com/order). Haircuts, spring clothes, and perfect smiles required!