

Adams Update November 6, 2020

Welcome to Adams: Mrs. Grillo, 1st Grade Teacher

Mrs. Grillo is a Midland H.S. and Central Michigan University graduate. While at CMU she was a scholar-athlete and four-year starter on the Chippewa Volleyball team. Mrs. Grillo has more than six years of experience teaching elementary school, and lives in Midland with her family. Welcome to Adams Elementary, Mrs. Grillo!



Last Day to Order Adams Spirit Wear

The Adams Spirit Wear deadline is tomorrow: Saturday, November 7. Check out the gear here:

<https://adamsspiritfall2020.itemorder.com/sale>

Adams Spirit Wear makes a *great* gift, too!

November 9 – 23 = Time to Sign Up for Transition from Virtual Academy to Face-to-Face

If your child is in the Virtual Academy, and you want to transition to face-to-face instruction for the second semester, the window to sign up is **November 9 – 23**. There will be a link in the Superintendent's Communique, and in the *Adams Update*. Please reach out and let me know if you have any questions.



Playground Addition: our New Basketball Hoop!

This week our grounds crews completed the installation of the latest addition to our playground: a new basketball hoop! The hoop was gifted to Adams by an anonymous donor, so thank you very much. With the beautiful weather this week our students are already enjoying the hoop on a daily basis.

Thanks again, to our Adams Family!

Student Risk Screening, Opting Out

Midland Public Schools is committed to improving the culture and climate of our schools, and supporting the whole child. One way we are addressing the whole child is by looking at social, emotional, and behavioral wellbeing. Next week teachers will be completing a universal screening for all students using the Student Risk Screening Scale. This assessment consists of a brief rating scale of twelve internalizing and externalizing factors, which teachers fill out independently. Together this information helps us to understand the needs of all our students and to make effective plans at the district, school, class, and individual level. If you would like to opt out of this assessment for your child, please contact me. Additional information on the Student Risk Screening Scale can be found here: <http://www.ci3t.org/screening#tools>

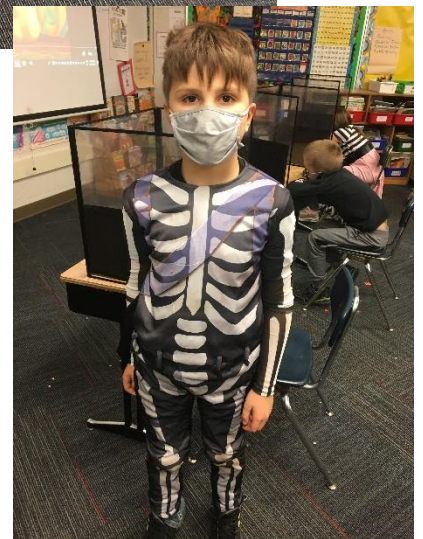
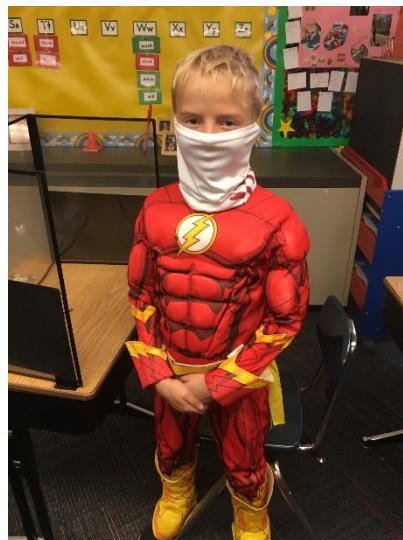
FREE Walk-In Flu Shot Clinic

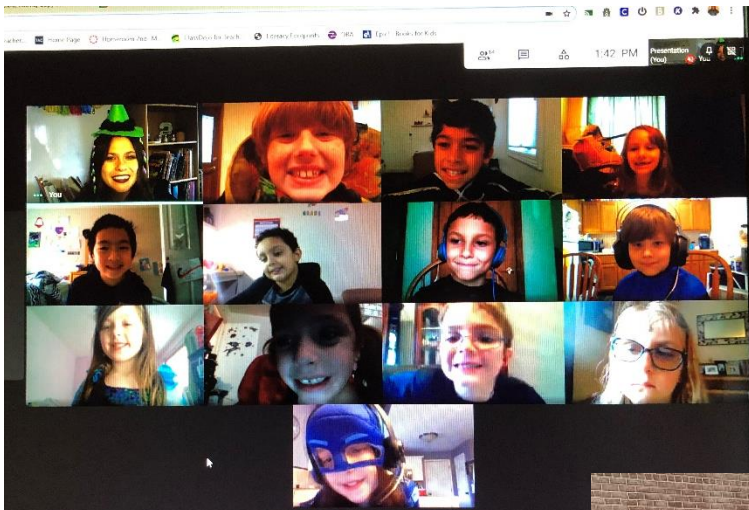
The Midland County Department of Public Health is offering free flu shot clinics, with drive-thru service available. The final clinic is:

Wednesday, November 18, 9am – 6pm, Homer Twp. Fire Dept. (222 S. Homer Road)

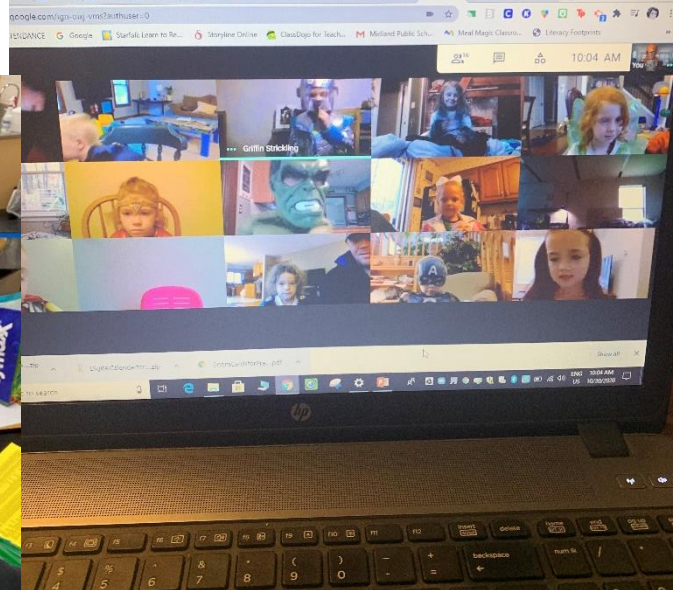
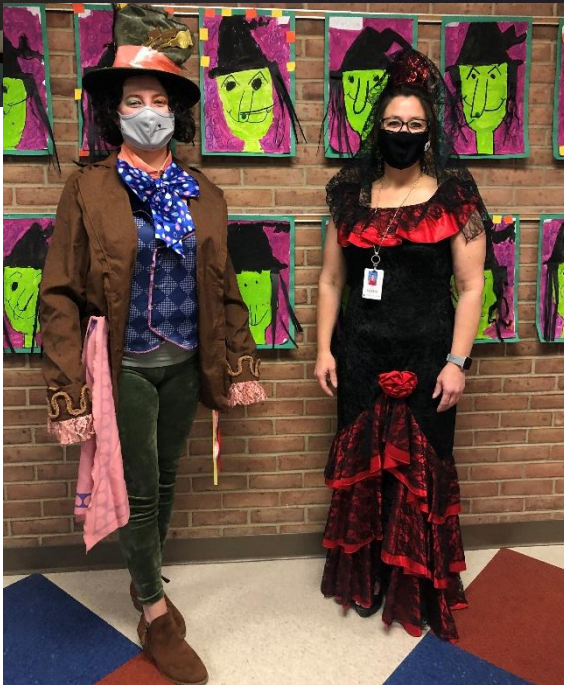
Halloween Fun!

Even though this Halloween was different from years past, there was a lot of fun and laughter here at Adams Elementary last Friday. Thank you for understanding the changes that we had to make, and please enjoy these pictures from our fun day!





HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



Repeat from last week: Report Cards

First Marking Period Report Cards will be filled out and available on **November 11**, for all students. If your student works with Special Education teachers, you may access their input through *Home Access Center* as follows:

- Log into *Home Access Center*
- Go to *Grades*
- Click on *Report Card* tab
- In *Report Cards*, click on *Print* button
- The *Print* button will display the *Report Card* and *Special Education Progress Report*

Art Update

I am so excited to share what we have been up to in Art class. Holding art in the classrooms hasn't stopped us from doing what we love. The kids have been really great at adapting the new procedures and rules. I'm really so proud of them for being so flexible and having the best positive attitude!

We started the year full of paint! The whole school (kindergarten-fifth grade) completed two painting projects to start off the year. The first focused on watercolor paint and the second focused on tempera. It will really nice to get all the kids back on the same page using our art terms like brushstroke and craftsmanship.

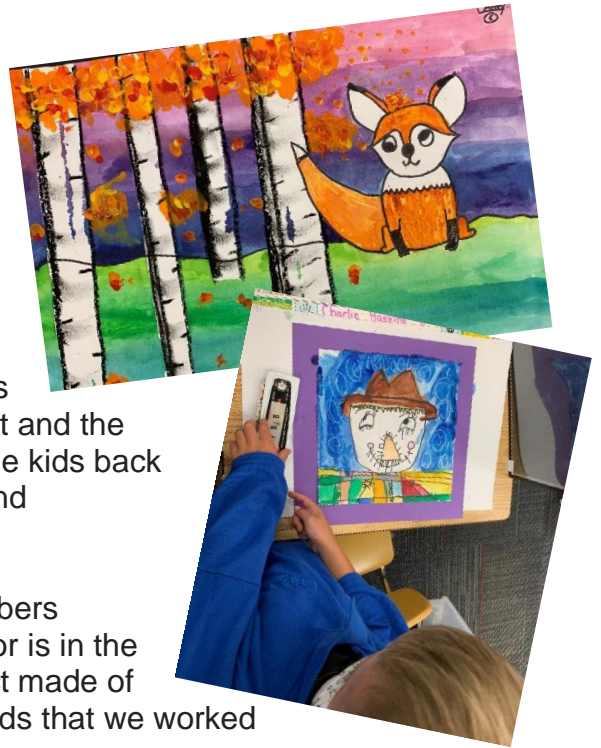
For the past three art classes, we have moved into our fibers units. Each grade completed (or is in the process of completing) a project made of yarn. Some art vocabulary words that we worked on were: LOOM, WARP STRING and WEFT STRING. Through creating our fiber projects, we learned that fibers add texture and contrast to our creations.



Looking forward, we plan to spend November on food. Not eating food, but creating art about food. Since November is known for filling our bellies with yummy food, we are going to fill our paper with the same. Alongside with learning about Wayne Thiebaud, students will create their own 'food art'. We plan to make them look good enough to eat!

If your student does not have an art shirt, please make sure they have one available. This can be any OVERSIZED t-shirt to protect their school clothes.

Artfully yours,
Mrs. DuLude



PTO Update

[Please click here for this week's PTO Update](#) to see the PTO calendar, ways to get involved, and our current fundraising opportunities. Include in this week's update:

- Great pictures from last week
- The next PTO meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, November 9
- The Virtual Book Fair is **November 13 – 26**

Upcoming Events

Mon, November 9	PTO Meeting (Virtual) 7:00pm
Wed, November 11	Parent-Teacher Conferences; 1/2 Day for Students – 11:51 Dismissal
November 13-26	Adams Virtual Book Fair
Wed, November 25	1/2 Day for Students – 11:51 Dismissal
November 26 - 29	Thanksgiving Break

We had a great week here at Adams, and we look forward to seeing you and your students again next week. Have a good weekend!

Educationally yours,

Scott Cochran

Principal