

# Gorsuch West Elementary...The Place to Be a Family

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wed, Nov. 6 Student of Nine Weeks Assembly (K-2)  
Parents Invited by Letter
- Thur, Nov. 7 Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:45-7:15
- Fri, Nov. 8 Banking Day
- Mon, Nov. 11 Wear Red, White, and Blue  
Veteran's Day Assembly @ 2:00pm
- Wed, Nov. 13 Student of Nine Weeks Assembly (3-5)  
Parents Invited by Letter
- Thur. Nov. 21 PTO Meeting @ 4:00
- Mon, Nov. 25 Columbus Children's Theatre  
Mr. Scrooge
- Nov. 27-29 Happy Thanksgiving

## WHAT TO DO WHEN ROUTE 22 IS SHUT DOWN!

Route 22 was shut down twice last week. Did you know we have a Walnut Street back entrance? If you can get to the old Cedar Heights School on Rt. 188 (Cedar Hill Road), you are in our backyard. Turn on Ohio Street away from Cedar Heights. Take Ohio Street to the stop sign at Walnut Street. You are behind our school. You can park and walk easily to pick up or drop off your child. During these unexpected events, we have walked bus riders out this way to meet awaiting buses. This can save you time and stress!

## PREVENTING POWER STRUGGLES Workshop for Parents Mount Pleasant Elementary

Wednesday, November 6  
6:00-7:00pm Presentation  
7:00-8:00pm Question & Answer Session

This session will focus on how to help children shift from defiance to compliance. Cooperation follows Connection! Assertive Communication and Choices encourage children to follow directions.

Presented by Mandy Lloyd, a Conscious Discipline Certified Instructor

## GRIT IS THE SINGLE GREATEST PREDICTOR OF SUCCESS!

Adults have stolen the need for Grit from the lives of our young people.

Grit means sticking with something for a long time!

The "Google Reflex" assumes we can click and find answers in seconds (which we can). Which in turn means we don't have to memorize as much, wait as much, or work as hard as we once did.

Some common sense thoughts on "Grit" for our young people.

1. The more we do for them, the less they learn to do for themselves.
2. The easier life is for them, the less they naturally develop grit.
3. The more we prescribe for them, the less they're apt to develop grit.
4. The faster their solutions come, the less they tend to develop grit.
5. The more resources we give them, the less resourceful they become.

Conclusion: Stop doing the grit for our young people.

## AFTERSCHOOL HARVEST HOOPLA A Family Event filled with Sandwiches, Soup, and Smiles

Thursday, November 7  
3:00-7:00pm  
Connexion West (old West Elementary)

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