Greetings Jerusalem Families,

Below you will find some important information to help you and your student(s) have a successful start of the year. Also, be sure to review Jerusalem’s Student/Parent Handbook for additional information at the following link:


Communication is critical to making this school year a success for everyone. If you have any questions, comments, and/or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 419.836.6111 or at jstraka@oregoncs.org  Please join ClassDojo for reminders/updates sent directly to your phone. For more information, contact your child’s teacher. We always look to continuously improve, so your feedback and involvement is always welcome. Follow us on Twitter @JerusalemJets

**Important Information and Updates:**

**Student Pick-up Cards:**
Parents that have signed out Student Pick-up cards during the school year can start dropping them off in the office if they are not using them on a daily basis. There should be 4 of each number returned. Cost of lost cards are $1.00 each. ALL CARDS NEED TO BE IN BY **May 24th**. Thank you for your cooperation. Have a great summer!!

**JPG News:**
Thanks to all of those that attended the last JPG Meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, **May 13th** at 6:30. Child care is provided! Also, the JPG
is always looking for people to serve on various committees. If interested, please contact Sarah Monto at monto.sarah@gmail
Thanks!

4th Quarter Jet Shop:
The last Jet Shop of the year is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th. The students will redeem all of their Fuel Points at this time. Thanks, JPG for all of your support/help with this program!

Field Day:
Field Day will be Thursday May 16th. This is a day of fun Physical Education activities the students have been working on. Each class will do 12 different PE activities and games throughout the day. 3rd and 4th grade will be doing activities in the morning. K-2nd grades will be doing their activities in the afternoon. If you have any questions about Field Day, please contact Gary Allen at gallen@oregoncs.org.

Children’s Summer Theater Info:
If you are interested in having your child(ren) participate in the Children’s Summer Theater, please see the attached flyer.

Clothes and Shoes Recycling Bin:
JERUSALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL and Clothes Bin® have partnered to collect and recycle old clothing, shoes and textiles! So, please do not throw them away! Just place the items in the green recycling bin in our parking lot. Every pound of recycled items supports our school!

Below is a list of items that can be placed in our bin:

Clothing:  pants, jeans, skirts, dresses, suits, shorts, shirts, tees, tanks
Footwear:  shoes, boots, heels, sneakers, sandals, socks, tights
Undergarments:  bras, underwear, slips, camisoles
Accessories:  hats, belts, ties, scarves, headbands
Handbags:  wallets, totes, luggage, backpacks, briefcases
Linens:  towels, sheets, comforters, blankets, tablecloths

As you clean out the old and bring in the new, you can help the environment and Jerusalem Elementary School too! See the attached flyer for more information.
Dress Code Reminders:
With the weather finally starting to change, below are a couple of important reminders regarding the Dress Code:

1. **Shoes**
   1. Shoes must be worn for health and safety factors.
   2. Any open toed shoes, shoes without a back strap and/or shoes with wheels are not permitted. Shoes should have no more than 1 inch heels.
   3. Gym shoes should be brought on gym days or worn to school.
   4. Boots are most appropriate for inclement weather during recess.

*Students may be kept in from recess if wearing inappropriate shoes to school.*

2. **Shirts**
   1. All shirts must cover the midriff while standing, sitting or reaching.
   2. Tank tops are permitted as long as the shoulder strap is 2” wide or more, the armholes are not excessively large and no undergarments are exposed.
   3. Mesh tops, spaghetti strap tank tops, muscle shirts are permitted if a shirt is worn underneath.
   4. Any skin-tight shirts are not to be worn unless a shirt is worn over top.
   5. Shirts containing slogans or wording that suggests inappropriate ideas or behavior not conducive to a positive school climate or is disruptive to the educational functioning of the school will not be allowed. This includes, but is not limited to, alcohol, tobacco, drugs or gang related insignias/clothing/accessories. Other examples might include: "Talk to the hand," "I hear you talking, but I'm not listening," "I'm with stupid," and etc.
   6. The principal will have the final discretion with other clothing containing slogans or wording deemed to be negative/offensive in nature or promoting inappropriate school themes.

3. **Lower Body Apparel**
   a. All lower body apparel including, but not limited to, shorts, skorts, skirts, dresses and scooters must be at least mid-thigh/fingertip length as deemed appropriate.

4. **Pants / Shorts**
   1. Elastic (waist) pants/shorts may be worn if not skin tight.
   2. Athletic pants may be worn if there is no elastic around the ankles.
   3. Pajama pants are not permitted.
   4. There is to be no wording or writing on the seat of any lower body apparel.
   5. Pants/shorts must fit snug around the waist without exposing undergarments.
   6. Belts may be worn to assure that pants fit appropriately.
   7. Snow pants are not allowed.
5. Dresses

1. **Must cover shoulders.**
2. **Must be at least mid-thigh/fingertip length as deemed appropriate.**

6. Hats / Head Coverings

1. **Hats or head coverings may not be worn in the building unless permission is granted by the building administrator.**
2. **Students are required to wear coats, hats and gloves during the winter months.**

7. Miscellaneous

1. **Hair, real or synthetic, must be of natural color.**
2. **No body piercings except the ear area.**
3. **Any type of tattoo is not permitted on the face or neck.**

*Additional clothing garment requirements may be imposed at the discretion of the principal for reasons of health, safety or to insure the educational process is not disrupted.*

Lost and Found:
We have acquired numerous winter clothing items throughout the year (hats, gloves, hoodies, etc). Please check our Lost and Found table if you are missing something.

Box Tops for Education:
We are still collecting Box Tops for Education, School Spirit (Aunt Millie breads), and pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House.... please send in trimmed and ready for counting. All items will be donated before leaving for the summer.

UT Lake Erie Center Science Camp:
A flyer regarding Science programs is attached below.

Career Café:
The Career Cafe's at Jerusalem are going strong! Our 4th grade students are really enjoying the opportunity to hear speakers from our community sharing what they do for a living. A special thanks goes out to Ellyn Fritz (WTOL Meteorologist), Brent Shimman (S&D Capitol), and Michael Suffel (IT Security) for their visits with the students.
If you are interested in sharing about your career, please contact Sally Hower: shower@oregoncs.org

**Teacher Request Process for 19-20 school year:**
Attached is the information regarding Teacher Requests for next year. Please contact Mr. Straka with questions/concerns at jstraka@oregoncs.org

**School Supply Kits:**
As we did last year, we will be working with a company to offer School Supply Kits for each grade level. See the attachment below for more information. Specifics will be coming soon!

**Kroger Community Rewards:**
Update: From November 1st through January 31st, this program raised $578.43 for Jerusalem Elementary! Currently, we have 79 households participating. Thank you!!! See below for more information on how you can sign up for this great opportunity.
Did you know that you can earn money for Jerusalem Elementary School by shopping at Kroger?? All you need to do is sign up at the website below, and present your Kroger Plus Card when checking out! All money that we raise is used for the students in the form of assemblies, rewards, and much more. [https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/](https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/)
Thanks for taking the time to do this!!

**Outdoor Recess:**
Be sure to send your student(s) to school with appropriate outdoor gear. Winter coats, hats, and gloves should be worn to school every day. Parents, please encourage your student(s) to get in the habit of putting their hats/gloves in their sleeves of their coats when they are not in use. We want to make sure students are not losing them as they enter/exit the building. Also, make sure to put the student’s name on all items in case they are lost. Students will go outside for recess weather permitting.

**FREE Reading Books:**
Be sure to grab some FREE books for your child(ren) next time you are in the building. We want to get these books in the hands of the kids! See Mrs. Freimark in the office or contact your teacher for more details.

**Dine to Donate:**
Thanks to everyone that participated in our Dine to Donate at Marco’s Pizza on Tuesday, May 7th. Mrs. Jaquillard’s class earned the most money, and will be receiving a Pizza Party compliments of Marco’s. Thanks for supporting your school!

**Jet Fitness Club:**
Spring session for the Jet Fitness Club runs from Tuesday, April 9th through Thursday, May 9th. The club meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 am – 8:45 am. Fitness Club is cancelled if there is a 2-hour delay. Contact Mr. Allen with questions at gallen@oregoncs.org

**Re-Registration of Students:**
Just a reminder to re-register you student(s) in the Oregon City Schools Parent Portal. This must be done each year. If there are any questions, please contact the office at 419-836-6111. This needs to be completed to ensure we have the correct contact information, and give permission for field trips, computer usage, student handbooks, and photographs. More information can be found at the following website: http://www.oregoncityschools.org/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=5YIBGB&dasi=3IAB

**Morning Drop-Off Routine:**
Please see the following important information involving morning drop-off routine for students.

- Please drive slowly.
- Please drop off your student(s) at or close to the entrance.
- Please stay in the car drop-off line, until your child(ren) exits the vehicle. **Do not drive around other vehicles, to move ahead in line, or to exit the lot.**
- Please have any and all children in your vehicle exit on the building/driver side of the vehicle.
- Do not park in the parking line. It is preferred that students are dropped off at the entrance rather than walked into the building. If you need to enter the building for an appointment, you must park your vehicle in a parking space.

Thank you for following these procedures, as we all work together to make the arrival process safe for students, parents, and staff.

**Parent Pick-up Expectations:**
For your student’s safety: Please remember to have the adult that is picking up your child(ren) have one of your assigned “pick-up cards”. If they do not have a card, they will be asked to check your child(ren) out through the main office. Parents using the parent pick-up system will be issued cards through the office. Thank you for your help in keeping our students safe!

**New Policy- Deliveries for Students:**
Jerusalem Elementary has implemented a new system for items to be delivered to students once the day begins. Please leave items on the table outside the office door, complete the delivery log, and notify the secretary of your delivery. Thanks for your cooperation!

**School Fees:**
School fees are $45.00 and can be paid in the building with cash or check. Also, fees can be paid through EZ PAY, or with credit cards at CHS. If your family qualifies for free/reduced lunches, your school fees could be reduced or waived. See below for the link to apply for free/reduced lunches.

**Student Nutrition and Free/Reduced Lunch Application:**
Take note that the school breakfast/lunch prices are as follows: Breakfast is $1.25 (reduced price is $0.30), and lunch is $2.75 (reduced price is $0.40). For more information on Student Nutrition, [Menus](http), Pre-payment options, and Free/Reduced Lunch Applications click on the following link: [http://www.oregoncityschools.org/FoodService-StudentNutrition.aspx](http://www.oregoncityschools.org/FoodService-StudentNutrition.aspx)

**Jerusalem’s Facebook Page:**
Jerusalem is excited to introduce our new Facebook page! Check us out at [https://www.facebook.com/JerusalemElementarySchool](https://www.facebook.com/JerusalemElementarySchool)

**Jerusalem Elementary is on Twitter:**
Jerusalem’s Twitter account is now active. Please follow us @JerusalemJets to see some of the great things happening at Jerusalem Elementary!

**Attendance Policy Update:**
Due to a new state law, we have made some changes to our Attendance Policy. The current policy can be found in the School Handbook located at the following link: [http://www.oregoncityschools.org/Downloads/2018-19JerusalemHandbook.pdf](http://www.oregoncityschools.org/Downloads/2018-19JerusalemHandbook.pdf)
Please call the school with questions/concerns.

**OCS FLYER Distribution Center:**
Oregon City Schools has a Flyer Distribution Center with the purpose of communicating school and community information in a centralized location. Many of the flyers for district-wide and non-OCS events and activities you might normally find in this newsletter, will now be posted on this centralized site. Please visit the site here: http://www.oregoncityschools.org/PublicationsFlyerDistributionCenter.aspx

**Grade Level Updates:**

**STEAM:**
This week in STEAM all grade levels were excited to experience on open maker with all of their favorites plus some new projects like sewing out to allow the students to be "makers".

Kindergarten:
We are working on the hunk and chunk (digraph) TH this week. The students have done a great job with SH and CH. Our final library day will be this week. Check with your child's teacher if you can't remember the assigned day. We will not be checking out any books for the rest of the year. Please be sure to return library books to avoid fees. Also, our field day is scheduled for Thursday. Be sure the students wear comfy shoes to be able to run and move!

1st Grade:
Our spelling next week will focus on compound words. Other than spelling practice of words, we will not have math or reading homework. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes and clothes for our field trip on Wednesday May 15th, and for Field Day on Thursday May 16th. Remember to pack a lunch in a disposable bag and bring a drink for our field trip.

2nd Grade:
The 2nd graders will be going to the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge on Monday, May 13. We will leave at 9:15 a.m. and return to school by 2:00 p.m. Your child will need to bring a disposable sack lunch and drink. No money is needed for the field trip. We will be outside all day, so please make sure your child dresses appropriately for the weather.
3rd Grade:
Thank you to everyone that was able to chaperone our field trip to Sauder Village! Everyone had a great time, and we had no problems at all. We are very proud of how all of the students represented Jerusalem Elementary. Please check your child’s Friday Folder for a note that indicates what we would like your child to bring to our Third-Grade Cookout on Wednesday, 5/15. Non-perishable items can be sent in any day before the cookout if you’d like. The students are also looking forward to Field Day on Thursday, 5/16.

4th Grade:
Next week is going to be busy! Tuesday, May 14th is the last Jet Shop of the year. The students have been very conscientious on being "Respectful, Responsible and Ready". On Wednesday, we will be heading to Fifth Third Field to watch the Mud Hens play the Norfolk Tides in a morning game. Thursday is Field Day. Mr. Allen and the children having been preparing for this day all year!

**Upcoming Events:**

**Week of May 13th...**

- **Monday, May 13th**
  - 2nd Grade Field Trip to Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge
  - 6:30 JPG Meeting

- **Tuesday, May 14th**
  - 4th Quarter Jet Shop

- **Wednesday, May 15th**
  - 1st Grade Field Trip to CHS VoAg & Pearson Park
  - 4th Grade Mud Hens Game
  - 12:35 3rd Grade Cookout

- **Thursday, May 16th**
  - Field Day

- **Friday, May 17th**
Looking Ahead...

May
13  JPG Monthly Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
14  Jet Shop
16  Field Day
22  Dine to Donate: Buffalo Wild Wings
22  Jet Jamboree
23  Jet Jamboree Rain Date
24  Student Recognition Assembly (students only), 10:00 am
24  Last Day for Students, 2-Hour Early Release (K-8)
31  4th Quarter Grades Final

Have a great week!
The Jerusalem Elementary School *Student of the Month* program is for those students who continuously do the right thing. The program is based on qualities such as character, leadership, and citizenship. This is not based solely on academics. The student of the month is a diligent student, completes his/her assignments on time, shows a strong effort to learn subjects to the best of their ability, is prepared for class, and has good classroom participation.

The student of the month demonstrates excellent behavior in and out of the classroom, is well mannered, and respectful to both peers and adults. The student of the month displays excellent citizenship by working together with classmates in a cooperative attitude. Lastly, the student of the month demonstrates character through his/her compassion, honesty, trustworthiness, responsibility, optimism, and loyalty by helping to create a positive school environment.

Each classroom will acknowledge one student per month to be the Student of the Month. Nominations will be done by the classroom teacher(s) and other staff members within the building. Teachers are encouraged to use the following guidelines:

**RESPECTFUL**
- Honest, trustworthy, and respectful
- Polite and respectful towards other students, staff, volunteers and all guests and visitors.
- Uses kind and positive words
- Listens to the speaker (teacher or peer)
- Be respectful to themselves, each other, their school and their community

**RESPONSIBLE**
- Follows directions and gives 100% of their best effort in class.
- Student is a positive role model by example.
- They are actively engaged in their learning.
- Student follows class and school rules.

**READY**
- Comes to school prepared and ready to learn.
- Uses class time wisely and completes class work in a timely manner.
- Student participates and puts forth good effort in all areas
- Student arrives to school daily and on time

Each nominated student will be acknowledged at the end of the month by enjoying pizza and pop with Mr. Straka, and a special prize will be given. Also, look for the names of these students to be displayed on our Student of the Month bulletin board! Acknowledgement days will take place on the last Friday of the month, unless otherwise specified.
March, 2019

Throughout the next few months, we will begin the process of planning for next year. This includes assessing our master schedule, the effectiveness of our curricular programs, establishing our staffing needs, and, of course, creating class lists for 2019-2020 school year.

This process of creating class lists requires time and careful consideration. Initially, your child’s teacher will review his/her current class list. During this stage, your child’s teacher will indicate the academic and behavioral needs of individual students. This information along with the overall composition of the class is considered in order to make the best possible classroom assignment for each student.

If you feel that a particular learning situation may be more appropriate for your child, you are asked to provide a description of the suggested classroom setting to the building principal so that it can be taken into consideration. Specific teacher requests will not be honored. Parent letters with specific information that may help place a child in the most appropriate setting need to be submitted to the building principal by the end of April.

Class balance is extremely important for the success of all our students. Rosters are composed with consideration to each individual’s learning style, peer relationships, gender ratio, disciplinary concerns, and the academic needs of all our students. We appreciate you placing trust in the professionals who work with your children on a daily basis in the learning environment.

Sincerely,

Hal D. Gregory
Superintendent

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The Oregon City School District adheres to Title VI, Title IX, ADA, and Section 504; thus, does not discriminate in educational programs and employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex or handicap.
School Name: Starr, Coy and Jerusalem

Breakfast Times: 8:30 a.m.

Prices: $1.50, Reduced Price: .30 and Free Students .00

Location Served: School Cafeteria

Other info:
We have a number of back issues of year books and will sell them for $5.00 each. Please contact the office at 419-836-6111 to make arrangements.

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Nature of Maumee Bay
Lake Erie Center
Science Programs for Kids

Science camps featuring laboratory exercises, art, and outdoor activities at the University of Toledo’s Lake Erie Center in Oregon

Four options available for Summer 2019

» Week long, day camp for entering 4th-8th graders
  June 10-14, 9:00-12:00, $75
  July 10-14, 1:00-4:00, $75

» One day, mini-camp
  Thurs., June 20, 9-3:00, 4th-8th graders, $40
  Tues., July 16, 9-3:00, 6th-8th graders, $40

Scholarships and sibling discounts are available. Class sizes are limited.

For more information or to register please contact Rachel Lohner at 419-530-8364 or rachel.lohner@utoledo.edu

Lake Erie Center, 6200 Bayshore Rd. Oregon, OH 43616
www.utoledo.edu/nsm/lec
Clay Class for Adults!

What is Clay art? It is a two-part evening event, dedicated to the “big kids” ages 18 and up only! Come solo, bring a group of friends and share this creative experience with laughter and enjoyable small talk. Complimentary light appetizers or tasty treats served.

This ceramics class is the perfect way to introduce yourself to pottery. You will spend the evening learning proper ceramics techniques from a local ceramic artist and will create 2-3 pieces all your own. Bring your favorite non-alcoholic drinks and munchies to enjoy in the studio, get a little muddy, and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere with a friend, significant other, or just treat yourself! All clay, glazing and firings are included in the class fee, and you can pick up your pieces two weeks after the workshop. Cost: $45 each artist.

Classes are held at:
Oregon Community Room
5330 Seaman Road
Oregon, Ohio 43616

Clay Art Class 2: Slab Vessels
2-part class, 6:00-8:00 pm
Create: Thursday, January 10
Decorate: Thursday, January 24

Clay Art Class 3: Luminaries
2-part class, 6:00-8:00 pm
Create: Thursday, March 7
Decorate: Thursday, March 21

Clay Art Class 4: Spring Vessels
2-part class, 6:00-8:00 pm
Create: Thursday, April 11
Decorate: Thursday, April 25

Please register at www.oregonrec.recdesk.com
ATTENTION… ATTENTION
(THAT MEANS YOU!)

This is NOT a garbage container!!

Boy Scout Troop 131 is asking for your help to help the environment. They are collecting your old, unusable printer/toner cartridges. This service is FREE. Simply bring the old cartridge and deposit it in this blue labeled basket.

Help to solve the problem of cartridges in the landfills and RECYCLE!!
Dear Parents,

Skip the stores and save a summer day! Why battle back-to-school shopping when you can easily purchase your child’s school supplies in a custom, pre-packaged kit.

Need a few reasons why supply kits are the way to go?

✓ Kits contain everything your teacher requested
✓ A convenient one-stop, one-click shopping experience
✓ Save time by not driving from store to store to find specialty items
✓ Affordably priced! Plus, save money by avoiding in-store extras
✓ Quality brands which are designed to last the school year
✓ Kits will be delivered before school starts

If you have any questions please contact:

Mrs. Freimark at Jerusalem. 419-836-6111
85% of clothing & textiles are discarded into landfills!
(source: 2012 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Facts & Figures)

WHAT ARE TEXTILES?
Textiles include items made from cloth or artificial fabric, like vinyl. Nearly all textiles can be recycled, such as:
- **CLOTHING**: Pants, jeans, skirts, dresses, suits, shorts, shirts, tees, tanks
- **OUTERWEAR**: Coats, jackets, gloves, hats, scarves
- **FOOTWEAR**: Shoes, boots, heels, sneakers, sandals, socks, tights
- **UNDERGARMENTS**: Bras, underwear, slips, camisoles
- **ACCESSORIES**: Hats, belts, ties, scarves, headbands
- **HANDBAGS**: Wallets, totes, luggage, backpacks, briefcases
- **LINENS**: Towels, sheets, comforters, blankets, tablecloths

GREEN BENEFITS:
- Electronic Sensors Monitor Bin Fill Levels to Avoid Overflow
- Carbon Footprint Reduction
- Clean Air Preservation
- Reduced Energy Consumption
- Water Conservation
- Woodland Conservation
- Reuse Clothing & Accessories

Clothes Bin will place a Bin at your school or organization for the ongoing collection of clothing, shoes and textiles.
MAKE EVERY DAY EARTH DAY
JOIN THE CLOTHES BIN® GREEN RECYCLING REVOLUTION!
SAVE THE PLANET & MAKE MONEY FOR YOUR SCHOOL.

GREEN FACT:
Did you know that 85% of all shoes & clothes end up in the trash?

GREEN FACT:
The average person throws away 70 lbs. of clothing, shoes & textiles each year.

GREEN FACT:
Each year, nearly 17 billion lbs. of textiles get thrown away - that equals filling a school bus nearly half a million times.

GREEN FACT:
Did you know about 70 million barrels of oil are used each year by the clothing industry - that represents the average miles per gallon of gas it would take to drive from Earth to Saturn.

GREEN FACT:
Did you know that teachers spend about $500 a year of their own money on school supplies - the money earned from The Bin® could go a long way to helping them help you.

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Learn more, visit FillTheBins.com
Oregon Community Theatre and Oregon Recreation Department

Children’s Summer Theatre

For students who have finished 2nd grade - finished 8th grade

Rehearsals 9 a.m. – noon, M-F

Beginning June 3 (first two weeks at Clay High School)

Audition Workshop – Sat. May 11, 10 a.m. – noon
At St. Mark Lutheran Church, 611 Woodville Road, East Toledo

Auditions – Fri. May 24, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Sat. May 25, 6:30 -8:00 p.m.
Alternate audition date ONLY if your child cannot attend regular auditions is
Tuesday, May 21, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Invited callbacks Monday, May 27, time
TBD. All at St. Mark Lutheran Church.

All students should prepare 16 – 32 bars of a musical theatre song that
showcases best range and acting ability. Bring sheet music for accompanist or
digital instrumental karaoke file on a CD or drive. There will be a dance audition
so wear comfortable clothes and appropriate shoes for dance (no sandals or flip-
flops.) A student only needs to come to one of the Friday/Saturday auditions.

If you would like to know more about the characters in the show, or see the
vocal range and songs for each, go to
https://www.mtishows.com/disneys-beauty-and-the-beast-jr and
click on the “Audition Central” link.

There is a mandatory parent/actor meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May
30 at St. Mark. Information about show schedule, volunteering, etc. will be
shared. For each student who resides in the Oregon school district, the
costume/participation fee is $50. For those outside the district, the fee is $100.
Financial assistance is available.

Regular updates are posted on the OCT Children’s Summer Theatre Facebook
page. For questions, call Beth Giller at 419-699-3442.