



## News from the Logan Elm Local School District

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### Laurelville Elementary uses "Club Time" to Allow Students to Explore a Variety of Interests

At Laurelville Elementary, clubs are the "in" thing. All students selected a club to join and clubs meet once a month, on a Friday afternoon. Clubs were designed to help encourage students to get involved in areas that are of interest to them. Some clubs are Walking Group, Exploring Rocks, Board Games, Get Physical, Spirit/Cheer Group and Nature Group.

Fourth grade students use club time to focus on environmental issues. They are split into four groups for the purpose of developing ideas to reduce waste at school. The groups are Reducing Packer Waste, Reducing School Lunch Waste, Cardboard Waste Storage and Washable Silverware. The club activities support the Fourth Grades' Problem Based Learning project, Operation Elimination. This project is in partnership with Carrie Gibbons and Megan Almeida from Athens-Hocking County Rural Action and their Zero-Waste initiatives.



Fourth Grade students collaborate with a community partner during Club Time.



Spirit Club practices cheers to build school spirit during Club Time.

### Art and Science Collide at Washington Elementary

The 4th grade science classes at Washington Elementary, under the instruction of Mrs. Petty recently collaborated with Ms. Tate, the art teacher, to incorporate simple circuits into their art projects.

The 4th graders have been learning how to make simple circuits in their Science class. The students then applied this knowledge to create a simple circuit board in their Art class to illuminate their Chihuly

sculpture project with LED lights. The results were definitely illuminating!

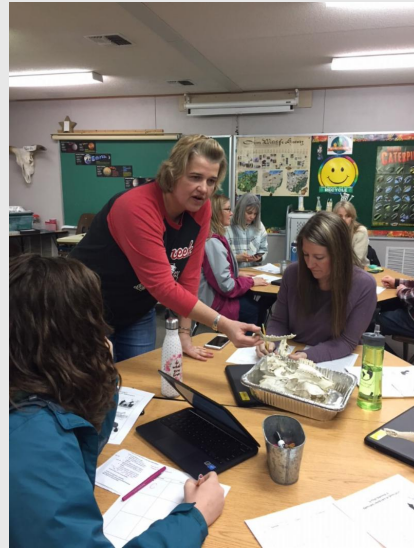


## Salt Creek Science Teachers Host Workshop

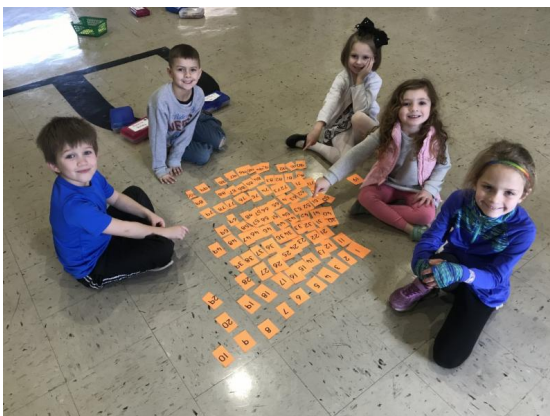
Empress Bethel and Lorrie Huysman, Salt Creek Intermediate teachers who were OEEC 's 2018 Environmental Science Teachers of the Year, recently facilitated a professional development workshop for teachers and naturalists from all over Ohio. The event was held at Salt Creek Intermediate and was sponsored by Ashland University and Camp Oty'Okwa.

This workshop gave participants a chance to step inside the classrooms of the award winning environmental science teachers as they shared how they use inquiry in their classrooms at Salt Creek Intermediate. Using models, simulations, argumentation, and technology, participants discovered ways to stimulate research and inquiry based learning.

Lorrie and Empress also shared how they set-up their classrooms, use journals and various science tools as the students work through their investigations, and incorporate science activities throughout the school. Attendees also learned about Salt Creek's Land Lab, recycling program, trash audit, classroom pond and Junior Naturalist program.



## Thank You



Thank you for reading the Logan Elm Newsletter! We appreciate your interest in the students and activities of all Logan Elm schools! Watch for our e-newsletter on the second and fourth Friday of each month.

*Pictured at left are Kindergarten students from Pickaway Elementary celebrating 100 Days of School by working together to put number cards from 1 to 100 in order.*

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