



**You are safe at Abbot.  
You belong here.  
You matter here.  
We care about you.  
We believe in you.  
We see you.  
We hear you.  
We value you.**

**Curriculum  
Night  
will  
begin  
soon**

# Shared Expectations

Abbot Staff



- Maintain high academic and behavioral expectations for all students
- Differentiate instruction to meet the needs of all students
- Provide opportunities for parents to be involved
- Provide regular communication

A school compact, to be agreed on by teachers, families, and students, will be coming home soon highlighting the areas in which we can support each other.

Hello Families:  
Meet your:  
Young Fives  
Kindergarten  
First Grade  
Second Grade  
Third Grade  
Fourth Grade  
Fifth Grade  
Teachers!

# Welcome to Abbot Elementary School



Psychologist

Speech



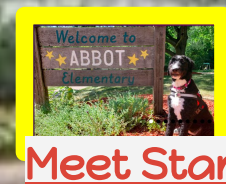
Support Staff



Custodian



Meet Our Principal

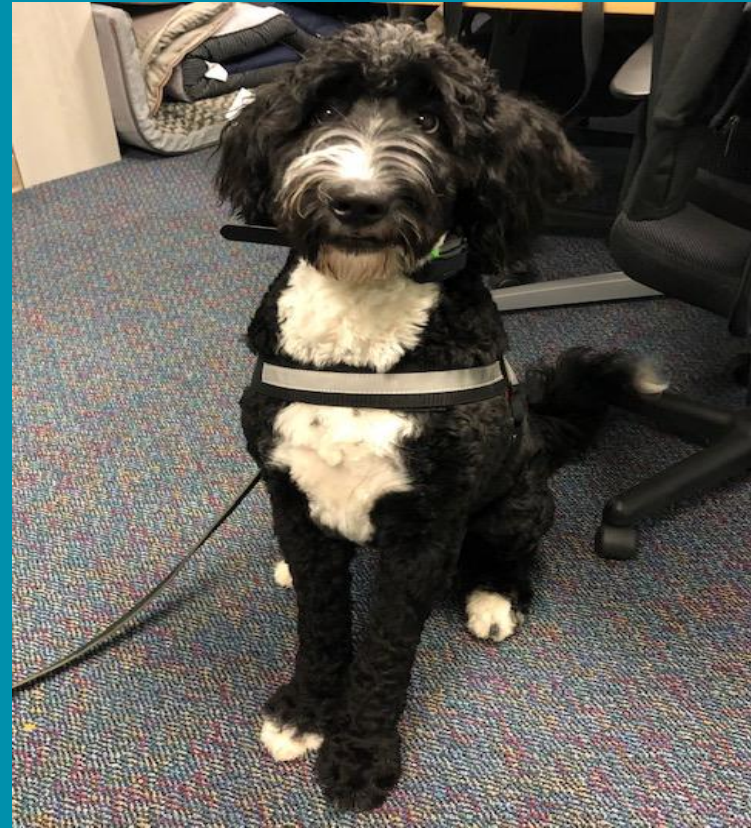


Click on an image or text to explore our school!



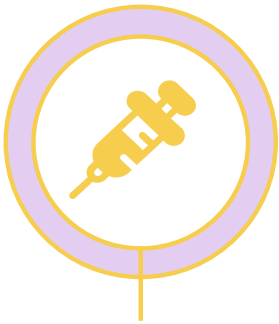
# Therapy Dog Program

- Abbot is the first school in Ann Arbor with a full-time therapy dog
- Therapy dogs help reduce student stress and anxiety
- More children are starting school depressed and anxious than ever before
- Therapy dogs can teach empathy and help develop social skills



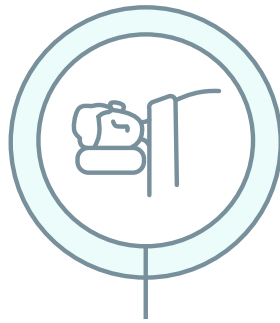


# PARENTS ARE ESSENTIAL PARTNERS IN COVID-19 PREVENTION



## **Get vaccinated**

Make sure all household members over age 12 are fully vaccinated.

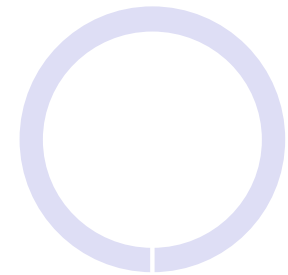


## **Keep your symptomatic student at home**

Contact your school nurse or medical provider and seek testing.



## **When not at school, avoid time indoors with unvaccinated people**



## **Be sure all of your student's childhood immunizations are up to date**

**In the past 24 hours, has your student experienced any of the following NEW or UNEXPECTED symptoms:**

- ☐ Fever of 100.4 or higher or feeling feverish (chills, sweating)
- ☐ New cough
- ☐ Difficulty breathing
  - ☐ Sore throat
  - ☐ Vomiting or diarrhea
  - ☐ New loss of taste or smell
  - ☐ New runny nose or congestion
  - ☐ New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever

If YES → Stay home, contact your child's health care provider, seek a COVID-19 test.

# Academic Support at Abbot

- BUILDING LITERACY EXPERT
  - PROVIDES PULL OUT LITERACY SUPPORT LESSONS TO STUDENTS IN K-2
  - PROVIDES PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LITERACY COACHING TO CLASSROOM TEACHERS
  - PROVIDES PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS
- TITLE ONE TEACHER AND TUTORS
  - PROVIDES PUSH IN AND LIMITED PULL OUT SUPPORT TO STUDENTS IN K-5 FOR LITERACY AND MATH
  - PROVIDES PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS
  - PROVIDES PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO CLASSROOM TEACHERS

## Title I at Abbot

### What is Title I?

- Federal support facilitated through the State of MI
  - ◆ Schools become eligible for Title I, Part A funding based on the percentage of students enrolled in the free/reduced lunch program.
- Provide high-quality supports for students
- Access to above and beyond

### Title I at Abbot

- Entrance criteria
  - ◆ Students become eligible for Title 1 direct support through showing they need support in academic areas through NWEA scores and classroom assessments regardless of free/reduced lunch status
- No Income Criteria
- No Cost to Families
- Support
  - ◆ Building Support Team and tutors
    - Small groups
  - ◆ Family Events
  - ◆ Classroom Support



# WHO IS ON YOUR BUILDING SUPPORT TEAM AT ABBOT?



Pam Sica  
Principal



Emily Wark  
Building Literacy Expert



Colleen McAlinden  
Title One Teacher

El and  
Title One  
tutors,

**AND...**

# Who is on your BUILDING SUPPORT TEAM AT ABBOT?

Created by Netia Tynge  
from Netia Project



# YOU



You are the most  
important  
resource in your  
child's education!

Since we are a schoolwide Title One school ALL students benefit from materials and supplemental purchases... if your child qualifies for DIRECT ACADEMIC SUPPORT from me or our tutor I will let you know!

Contact me ANY time with questions or concerns or good vegetarian recipes. :-)

# Important for ALL Families

We need all families to fill out the Free and Reduced Lunch Application Form by October 11, 2021



Paper form - return to the office

Breakfast and lunch are free for ALL families this year!  
However, to maintain our Title I funding, we must get an accurate count of our free and reduced lunch applications



Online Application

- Application information is **NOT** shared with the school or any other entity or agency
- Filling out the application helps fast track Rec & Ed scholarships
- This application is a prerequisite for the P-EBT card

# ABBOT PTO

**PTO HELPS SUPPORT STUDENTS, TEACHERS**

**AND THE COMMUNITY THROUGH:**

- Academics (Events, Materials, Equipment, etc.)
- Field Trips and Assemblies
- Extracurricular Events
- Appreciation Events

HOW DO I HEAR ABOUT WHAT IS  
GOING ON?

- Backpack Mail – when we are in person
- Facebook Postings  
[facebook.com/abbot.elementary.pto](https://facebook.com/abbot.elementary.pto)
- PTO Emails
- Email us at: [AbbotPTO@gmail.com](mailto:AbbotPTO@gmail.com)

# ABBOT PTO

First PTO Meeting - 9/21 at 7:00. A Zoom link will be sent by the PTO

Abbot Runathon -October 2, 9:00-3:00

We need many volunteers for this event, including lap counters and help with food sales.

Please email Sean McKale at [smckale39@gmail.com](mailto:smckale39@gmail.com)



# Abbot PTO

A great big "Thank you!" to all past and present PTO volunteers and sponsors!

## PTO Executive Board

President: Sean McKale

Vice President: Jen Fojtik

Secretary: Kate Sharkey

Treasurer: Martha Hannah

Communications: Robben Schulz



# After School Programs

THE PLACE TO BE AFTER SCHOOL

- ★ After school enrichment classes are available at every elementary and K8 school
- ★ Focus on creativity, exploration, physical activity, and fun
- ★ Art, chess, drama, language, science, sports, and more!
- ★ Most classes go until 5:30 p.m.

Info and registration:  
**aarecedonline.com**

## **MANY SCHOLARSHIPS**

are available for after school classes!

Call Rec & Ed at  
(734) 994-2300 ext. 0

To Fast-Track your scholarship application, fill out the online Free/Reduced Lunch Application first! It's available on the Food Service webpage or here:

<https://annarbor.familyportal.cloud/>

# Transportation

734 994 2330

<https://www.durhamschoolservices.com/durham-bus-tracker/>