

About AJS

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Anthony J. Schmidt Elementary School is located on Lake Shore Road. Our school is situated across from Lake Erie in Angola on the Lake. As you enter our driveway you will notice that we are fortunate to neighbor the firefighters from the Lake Erie Beach Volunteer Fire Company.

Built in 1962, our school houses 28 classrooms, library, computer lab, gymnasium/auditorium and cafeteria. This summer we have made improvements in our cafeteria; with a fresh coat of paint and new bulletin boards, student work will be posted for all to see.

In the past three years, our staff has collaborated on a number of instructional initiatives to respond to learning needs and increase test scores. Students have also participated in a number of student centered activities, specifically, in our newly created Student Council.

If you have never been to AJ Schmidt and would like a tour of our facilities, please contact Mrs. Makowski at 926-2351 for a tour.

We continue to emphasize positive behavior in our school. Several specific programs have been initiated to reinforce responsibility and respect. The first program relates to the enforcement of five (5) general rules to be followed throughout the schools. They are "At AJ Schmidt we show respect by...

- keeping our hands, feet, and objects to ourselves
- following teacher directions the first time they are given
- being responsible for things we say and do
- being safe in our school
- listening to others and using kind words

A second program centers on monthly themes that encourage positive characteristics. These themes are:

- September - Citizenship

- October - Respect

- November - Responsibility

- December - Caring

- January - Tolerance

- February - Honesty

- March - Trustworthiness

- April - Diligence

- May - Courage

- June - Fairness

The Character Education themes are linked to our "Soaring Eagles" recognition program. Students are selected for the "Soaring Eagles" program for demonstrating in an exemplary manner the pillars of Character Education.

Our Caught Being Good program recognizes students who "do nice things" for other people. When a student is "caught being good", their picture is taken and hung in the hallway.

While this gives you a quick glimpse of some of the good things at our school, I encourage you to learn more by viewing the monthly newsletter, visiting the school, or giving us a call at any time! I hope this school year is a positive one for both you and your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 926-2351

Jennifer E. Makowski, Principal