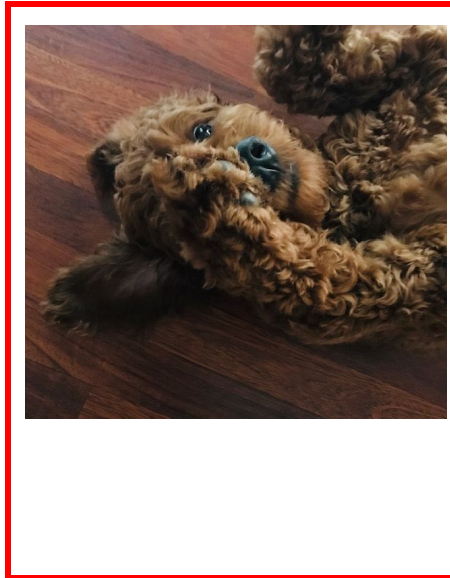


News from the Principal

I hope you are enjoying a wonderful summer. I also hope you are relaxed, recharged and ready to start a new school year. I am so delighted that you are part of our amazing learning community. I welcome and value your positive energy and dedication to excellence in education, and I look forward to working with you and your children.

The beginning of the year always holds such excitement and promise, and for us it is an annual rite of passage where we open our doors and share with you our hopes and dreams for the coming year. I speak for all Luce Elementary staff when I say, what a blessing and a privilege it is to serve you, the Luce Elementary community, where anything is possible, and the sky's the limit.



Miss Penny

Penny's Corner

By: Miss Penny

Is it time to go to school yet? I have really missed all of my school friends! I can't wait to see them all when school starts.

Social Work Scoop

This year we will be using the WhyTry program to teach social and emotional principles to our students in a way they can understand and remember. WhyTry is based on sound principles, including social and emotional intelligence, and multisensory learning.

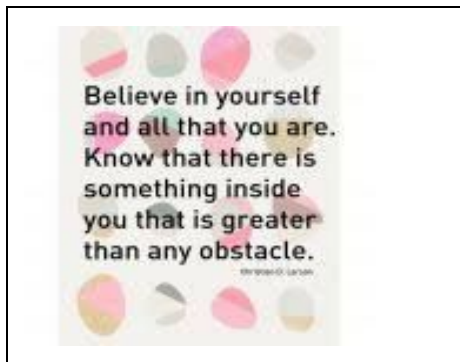
The WhyTry curriculum utilizes a series of ten visual analogies that teach important life skills (e.g., decisions have consequences; dealing with with peer pressure; obeying laws and rules; plugging in to support systems).

The visual analogies are reinforced through the creative use of customized hip-hop music, video, over 150 learning activities, journal activities that help students reflect on program concepts, and other multimedia. The WhyTry curriculum engages all major learning styles (visual, auditory, and body-kinesthetic). WhyTry is often used for RTI and PBIS.

The WhyTry Program is currently at work in over 20,000 organizations in all 50 of the United States, as well as Canada, the UK, and Australia.



Check out our FaceBook page for daily postings of the activities happening at our school.



WELCOME To the Family!!

We are excited to welcome Ellisa DeFur, Shane Shelton, Sara Voges, Hillary Hutcheson, Maggie Caudill, Amanda Tucker and Kelley James to our Luce Family!
We also have some changes in the building. Amy Chapman is now our Interventions Teacher. Jill Gross has moved to a Title One assistant position and Jenifer Jones is now part of our second grade team. Kelley James will be joining our first grade team for the first semester.

Upcoming Events

First Day of School- Thursday, August 15th

• No School on Labor Day- Monday, September 2nd

• First Early Dismissal Day: Students dismissed at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, September 10th

Luce Elementary Fun!

Luce Elementary and Rockport Elementary Teachers preparing for the year together!

