

# The Colt Connection January 1, 2024

## Mark Your Calendars

## January

Wednesday, January 3 - First Day Back from Winter Break

Thursday, January 4 - Ring in the New Year by showing your school spirit
Wear Leeds Gear or blue and white

Wednesday, January 17 - Donuts with Grown-Ups PreK-1 at 8am

Thursday, January 18 - Spirit Day - wear your favorite winter sweater

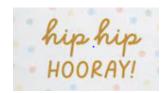
Thursday, January 25 - Leeds Math Night w/Free Pizza Dinner for Families

Tuesday, January 30 - North East Feeder Pattern Parent and Community Informational Meeting @ North East Elementary School



#### This Week's Menu:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	2	3	4	
No Information Provided	No Information Provided	ENTREE	ENTREE	ENTREE
		Mozzarella Sticks	Nachos	Mickey's Cheese Pizza
		w/ Sauce Piggle Stick w/ Syrup	Turkey Sub	Meatball Sub Sandwich
			VEGETABLE	VEGETABLE
		VEGETABLE	Baked Beans	Broccoli
		Tater Tots	Baby Carrots w/ Dip	Baby Carrots w/ Dip
		School Choice	House Salad	FRUIT
		FRUIT	FRUIT	Assorted Canned Fruit
		Assorted Canned Fruit	Assorted Canned Fruit	Fruit Ice
		Fruit Ice	Assorted Fresh Fruit	





Leeds Elementary

2022 - 2023 School Report Card



Again this year, Leeds has received a 4-star rating on the Maryland Report Card. Congrats to our students, families, staff, and community organizations.

For Parents who have Students with Disabilities LEADers 1.0 with the Parents' Place of Maryland Flyer

# Looking for Behavioral Health Resources

<u>Cecil County Behavioral Health Resources</u> - this is a list of mental health providers within Cecil County. The list includes services provided, whether or not the provider accepts Medical Assistance, and contact information. <u>Behavioral Health Provider List</u>- this resource includes information on behavioral health resources both within Cecil County and surrounding areas.

Looking for Adults to be Reading Buddies

<u>CCPL Reading Buddy</u> - Cecil County Literacy Chapter services our community across the county.

## **A Final Note**

Over my 31 years in CCPS, I have always believed the New Year brought endless possibilities for the 9 schools I was a part of, but this year is different. Another year of maintenance of effort, the required minimual funding required by law, from our County Executive is going to change how our schools operate. At Leeds we are already dealing with large class sizes. Within the four years I have been here, we have lost 5 teaching positions as well as two student support positions and a reduction in service in the area of gifted and talented. In addition, most recently we lost our assistant principal part time to another school. How much more can a school take?

So this year, my New Year's message to our Leeds families and community is still going to be about hope. Why? Because after all these years, I believe in the power of the communities I have served and continue to serve. We can change this narrative. It's time! It's time for us to impact how our community is shaped through voting in the upcoming primary election in May. Please take the time to learn about the candidates, their views, and how to make the biggest impact as an engaged citizen. It is imperative for the future of our children and the community we love. Let's continue to learn, grow, and support each other. Wishing you all a wonderful and prosperous year.

• Round Table Video: <u>HERE</u> is a link to the video of the Cecil County Government/Board of Education Roundtable.

As always, thank you for your continued support of our school and children. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Have a wonderful week.

Mrs. Kelly Riser Proud Principal of LES

