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## Grateful For Our Book Donors

How do you build a tie to your community during a global pandemic? How do you stay connected to other people while staying socially distant? How can you learn to communicate effectively with others, while wearing a mask? These questions rattled through Mrs. Farnum’s brain this summer preparing for the upcoming school year. Many of the 2nd grade social studies standards revolve around the idea of “community.” She had an idea to reach out to members of her community to ask for help.

She put out an APB to family, college friends, local business owners, realtors, staff at ECS and former ECS grads. She asked if any of them would be willing to become a “Book Donor” for a 2nd grade student in her class. Within 24 hours she not only had enough donors lined up for her class, but had secured enough generous donations for the entire 2nd grade. These generous individuals had pledged to purchase a brand-new book for one student in the Second Grade for every month of the school year. These books were purchased from Scholastic Book Clubs and are high interest level texts given to each student (for keeps) at their individual reading levels.

Each month every 2nd grade student is gifted with a brand-new book, fresh out of the package equipped with that “new book smell.” To communicate their “thanks” to their book donor, each month the recipients write a note to their donor. What started as a “thank you for the book” has turned into a way to connect to others and communicate through letters. Students write letters explaining what they are learning, what they are feeling, and ask questions of their Book Donors. Some book donors have even written letters back! In February, in addition to their letter of appreciation, they sent along a Valentine.

One of the books studied during the month of February was a text called “Somebody Loves you Mr. Hatch” by Eileen Spinelli. In this text students learned that it only takes one small act of kindness to change the trajectory of someone’s life. We can, 100%, without a doubt, say that the 2nd Grade Book Donors have helped make the 2020/2021 school year an exciting year for learning and growing. Mrs. Farnum and Miss Auge would like to publicly thank each Book Donor for their support this school year! It is truly amazing to live within this “community.”



## One Open Seat on ECS Board of Education

Nominating petitions for the Ellicottville Central School District Board of Education are now available. The annual election will be held on **Tuesday, May 18, 2021** to fill the seat currently held by board member Mr. Roger Spell. Nominating petitions must be filed with the District Clerk by **5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 19, 2021**.

Petitions must contain the signatures and legal addresses of at least 25 qualified voters living in the Ellicottville Central School District. A qualified voter must be a United States citizen, at least 18 years of age, and a district resident for 30 days prior to the election, with their current address on the nominating petition. To qualify as a candidate, one must be a qualified voter and a district resident for one year immediately prior to the election.

The candidate (one) receiving the highest number of votes will serve a five-year term, beginning on May 18, 2021 and expiring on June 30, 2026.

Nominating petitions are available in the District Office, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (Monday-Friday) when school is in session.

**No School/Spring Break: Thursday, April 1st through Sunday, April 11th, 2021**

# Spring...A Season of Change!

Spring is just around the corner, and with it there are many changes. As we transition from cold and snow to warmer weather and green grass, it is also a period of change for the school. This year, the change is truly magnified. This is traditionally the time, that while we are still wrapping up the current school year, we also start ramping up plans for next year. The next year's budget takes shape for ratification in May, personnel needs are reviewed, graduation plans are set in motion, and curriculum needs are assessed. To be certain, all of these things are taking place this year.

However, in addition to our normal work, the COVID Pandemic has not only brought about a great many changes already this year, it is sure to perpetuate many more before the 2020-21 school year is over. At the time of this newsletter, there are changes on the horizon and rumors of even more changes. We have already realized changes to allow athletics with spectators, the Board of Regents has proposed that only a limited number of Regents exams be given in June, the Governor's proposed executive budget includes changes to the school aid formulas, and the State has indicated that changes may be coming in many other areas, but have not yet specified exactly what they will be or what they will look like.

As a District, we will move forward with the best intentions in place for students and the community. We will work to build a responsible budget with the information we have. We will work to secure our fair share of the federal stimulus funds. We are making plans so that when we are permitted to return to full in-person instruction we can safely do so. At the same time, we need to exercise patience. We need to know more about the guidance and parameters the State, Department of Education and Department of Health will establish and provide for schools. This will not happen overnight, but please be assured, we will work to make changes as safely and quickly as possible. The key here is safety. While we all want to see all kids in school every day, we also have to be mindful of safety. As a team we will get there.

We also realize that, at times, you may become frustrated with progress, especially with returning to full in-person instruction for all students. Keep in mind that each district in the State is different and will be able to provide accommodations accordingly. Differences between districts can include (but are not limited to) factors such as: the number of classrooms, transportation limitations, cleaning capacity, capacity to feed students, available staff, etc. As we work through transitions, if you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to the administration. We will do our best to provide answers. At the same time, please know that our hands may be tied. In these cases, we will try to point you in possible directions of others to ask additional questions such as an elected official, the State Education Department or the Department of Health.

## 2021-22 Budget Development:

I would also like to take this time to share a little more about the development of the 2021-22 budget.

- The CPI this year is less than 2%, and this decreases the ability of the District to raise funds for next year.
- The proposed state aid calculations are very complex, complicated and confusing. At a time when the District needs more funds from NYS, the current proposed State Aid formulas provide approximately \$29,000 LESS for the District than last year.
- The Governor's proposed budget also calls for changes in the STAR program which could affect the funding the District receives through this program.
- It is still too early to know for sure exactly what we will receive from the State, as it has not yet approved the final budget.
- I would also like to caution you about the funds coming via any federal stimulus package, as they may: represent a one-time payment (instead of a recurring funding stream); the State may be pulling back some of its funding and replacing it with funding from the federal stimulus package; and we are hearing that it may be our responsibility to save these stimulus funds for use over multiple years.

- As we move forward with the budget development we will be forced to use the most conservative of figures in order to create a responsible and balanced budget.

## Capital Project Update:

Since the community approved the Capital Project in December 2019, we have been busy working with our architect (SEI) and construction management company (Campus Construction Management). We recently opened bids and are pleased to report that the Board of Education has approved the low bids. This paves the way for construction to begin! We will be starting with the kitchen this April. This means that we will have to move the kitchen for the remainder of the school year. We would like to send out a huge **THANK YOU** to the Great Valley Fire Department as they have graciously agreed to allow us to use their kitchen for the remainder of the year. This means that we will have to transport meals to the school each day and the menus will be different, but we will still continue to provide breakfast and lunch every day. This will be an inconvenience for the rest of the year, but the new kitchen that will greet students in September 2021 will be well worth it.

As you can see, it is truly a time of great change in so many ways. We know that a great deal of work is before us. From creating a budget, to planning to allow more students to return to in-person instruction, to working through the capital project, there will be no shortage of work. We are, as always, committed to work to provide a brighter future for the students of ECS.



Bob



# Congratulations Kerstiana!



On January 29, 2021, Kerstiana Hutchison officially completed the necessary coursework, exams and credit hours to earn her High School Diploma.

Kerstiana is an Ellicottville Central School Senior enrolled in the CA BOCES Big Picture Program. She has worked very hard to meet these requirements, and her hard work has paid off! Congratulations to you, Kerstiana! The staff of the Big Picture Program as well as all the staff of ECS are proud of you! Keep crushing those goals!



## Kindergarten & PreK Registration:

### PRE-KINDERGARTEN

If you are a parent/guardian of a child turning 4 years old by December 1, 2021 and have interest in enrolling your child in our half-day Pre-K program, please contact Mrs. Kosinski in the Elementary Office at 699-2318, ext. 1600.

Each year, New York State reviews the funding structure for the grant supported Pre-K programs. If our Pre-K program is again funded, acceptance letters for the program will be mailed this June.

The state considers a child pre-school age if their birth date is between December 1, 2016 and November 30, 2017.

In order for your child to be considered for our program, a Pre-K application will need to be filled out and returned to the elementary office.

If you have any questions or need assistance with this application process, please feel free to call the elementary office.

### KINDERGARTEN

Do you have a child that will be Kindergarten age this fall, but is not currently enrolled in our Pre-K program?

If you do, please notify the Elementary Office at 699-2318, ext. 1600 so we may include your family in any upcoming activities this spring such as Kindergarten Screening.

Our Kindergarten program is a full school day. The state considers a child Kindergarten age if they turn 5 years old before December 1, 2021.



## Yearbook Information

- **Old yearbooks are available for purchase, as long as supplies last.** The 2020 yearbook is \$50. Books from previous years are \$10. Contact Mrs. Bauer ([cbauer@ecsny.org](mailto:cbauer@ecsny.org)) for more details.
- **COVID is hitting yearbook hard.** This year's book will be smaller than previous years. There will NOT be an elementary book this year, only one book PreK-12. The cost of the book is \$40. There will be less books available this year as well so if you want one you will need to reserve one. You must put at least \$10 down to reserve one. Contact Mrs. Bauer for details.
- **We need to rely on the community for pictures.** Students are not all in the building together and cannot travel freely for candid. Therefore we are asking that you send us your pictures. **LOTS AND LOTS OF PICTURES!** All pictures taken at school will be masked. But we can accept unmasked pictures from you if you have them. We need pictures of all students at all grade levels. We need pictures at sporting events. We can accept pictures taken in any environment (home, public, out in the woods, etc...) Please email pictures to [cbauer@ecsny.org](mailto:cbauer@ecsny.org).



**Thursday, March 18th: Parent/Teacher Conferences**  
**½ day of School for Students**

**ECS INCOME TAX CODE: 181**

# Honor & High Honor Roll, Grades 6-12

## Second Quarter: November 2020–January 2021

### High Honor Roll

#### 12th Grade

Butler, Bryce  
DeKay, Ryan  
Evans, Jalee  
Flora, Jianna  
Fredrickson, Hayly  
Fredrickson, Logan  
Hadley, Jenna  
Hunt, Alexander  
Jennings, Caleb  
Lendvay, Cameron  
Lin, Sammi  
Pitillo, Olivia  
Ploetz, Abigail  
Quinn, Erin  
Rowland, Clayton  
Saunders, Sydney  
Silvernail, Adam  
Snyder, Gabriel  
Steinbronner, Noah  
Tomczak, Kelsea  
White, Macy  
Wilson, Summer

#### 11th Grade

Bush, Maddox  
de Orbe, Ignacio  
Dimpfl, Kyleigh  
Epps, Antonia  
Kilby, Kaleb  
Neumann, Carly  
Privitera, Aiden  
Schwartz, Samuel  
Steffenhagen, Emma  
Woodarek, Elsa  
Wyatt, Jocelyn

#### 10th Grade

Andrews, Breana  
Ballard, Jacob  
Conklin, Lita  
DeChane, Katrina  
Dietrich, Gavin  
Hawkins, Madeline  
Jennings, Katryna  
Krotz, Katie  
Romero, Kayla  
Smith, Selena  
Stock, Samantha  
Tupchik, Leah  
Weber, Sarah  
Williams, Alysa  
Wood, Bryce

#### 9th Grade

Bauer, Evan  
Benatovich, William  
Butler, Brooke  
Calarco, Christopher  
Carls, Emmylu  
Chudy, Abby  
Colburn, Shelby  
Edwards, Samuel  
Finn, Keelin  
Kaleta, Cameron  
Kerns, Layla  
Lafferty, Emma  
Lewis, Bailey  
Pfeffer, Allison

#### 8th Grade

Bless, Kathryn  
Edwards, Benjamin  
Fisher, Alivia  
Fuller, Tea  
Johnson, Maddox  
Kerns, Michael  
Marsh, Courtney  
McGuire, Liam  
Sundeen, Sophia  
Weber, Adelaide  
Woodarek, Ava

#### 7th Grade

Adamucci, Ava  
Andera, Patrick  
Baker, Nevaeh  
Balicki, Leila  
Burlingame, Faith  
Bush, Bianca  
Byroads, Grady  
Coburn, Isabelle  
Crowley, Kalyn  
Ficek, Drew  
Finn, Teaghan  
Folts, Jordan  
Hayes, Kayedance  
John, Parker  
Klein, Harper  
Kruszynski, Jackson  
Mendell, Cameron  
Myers, Delaney  
Nazareth, Anna  
Northrup, Ande  
O'Connell, Jordan  
Velazquez-Garcia,  
Daliana  
Wedvik, Oliver  
Wood, Skye

#### 6th Grade

Andrews, Adalynn  
Bless, Kristen  
Byroads, Breanna  
Carls, Coleman  
DeChane, Timothy  
DeChane, Trinity  
Dunkleman, Danielle  
Edwards, Ainsley  
Edwards, Christopher  
Freunds Schuh,  
Amberlynn  
Fuller, Ava  
Green, McKenzie  
Grundy, Ella  
Klein, Tosh  
LaCroix, Jaxson  
Mann, Jonah  
Murray, Eliza  
O'Connell, Juliana  
Pasinski, Ava  
Santiago, Nora  
Velazquez-Garcia,  
Yanieliz  
Weber, Ava  
Wedvik, Benjamin  
Wilder, Isabella

### Honor Roll

#### 12th Grade

Bomberry, Hunter  
Comstock-Eastlick,  
Willow  
Dimpfl, Logan  
Imhoff, Justin  
Lewis, Riley  
Sexton, Courtney  
Tomsick, Jillian

#### 11th Grade

Coolidge, Joshua  
Ficek, Harley  
Frank, Ethan  
Ruiz, Emilee  
Venturin, Courtney

#### 10th Grade

Bomberry, Tristin  
Grundy, Bryan  
Moore, Errol  
Rowland, Allison  
Winslow, Aaliyah  
Zeher, Ian

#### 9th Grade

Goode, Zoe  
LoGiudice, Aaron  
Potter, Madison  
Woodmancy, Isabelle

#### 8th Grade

Aronson, Brianna  
Coburn, Tobias  
Doherty, Owen  
Doutt, Jayden  
Metzger, Ryan  
Robinson, Kyle  
Rust, Cheyenne  
Smith, Carter

#### 7th Grade

Baldwin, Keira  
Ginnitti, Emily  
Howard, Brogann  
Liskow, Alexa  
Potter, Makayla  
Tighe, Olivia  
Wilson, Lanie  
Woodarek, Hunter

#### 6th Grade

Atwater, Eli  
Benjamin, Rylan  
Curtis, Malie  
Joesel, Kaiser  
Krause, Abigail  
Nazareth, Reed  
Smith, Blake  
Whitmer, Riley

# AWESOME JOB!

# Fifth Grade Honor Roll ★ ★ ★

**Second Quarter: November 2020–January 2021**

**Mrs. Moore's Class**

Meegan Olson  
Nigel Poulin  
Abigail Rust

**Mrs. Peter's Class**

Zachary Brennan  
Daniel Kruszynski  
Grayson Neal  
Colin Weber

**Mr. Smith's Class**

Jersie Czapl  
Audrianna Finch  
Rian Johnson  
Coleman Milks  
Matthew Rzucek

## B.U.G. Awards (*Bringing Up Grades*)

**Mrs. Moore's Class**

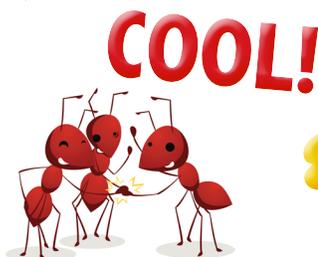
Jacob Fish  
Paul Hurlburt  
Carter Kaleta  
Meegan Olson  
Abigail Rust  
Ty Seneca

**Mrs. Peter's Class**

Kelsey Feldbauer  
Camden Howard  
Daniel Kruszynski  
Katie Lafferty  
Grayson Neal  
Jocelyn Stokes  
Jackson Tomsick

**Mr. Smith's Class**

Rylie Button  
Audrianna Finch  
Angus Howard  
Landon LaBelle  
Carson Mendell  
Coleman Milks  
Sawyer Miller  
Karle Northrup  
Peyton Pierce  
Payton Quinn  
Matthew Rzucek  
Jennifer Sliviak

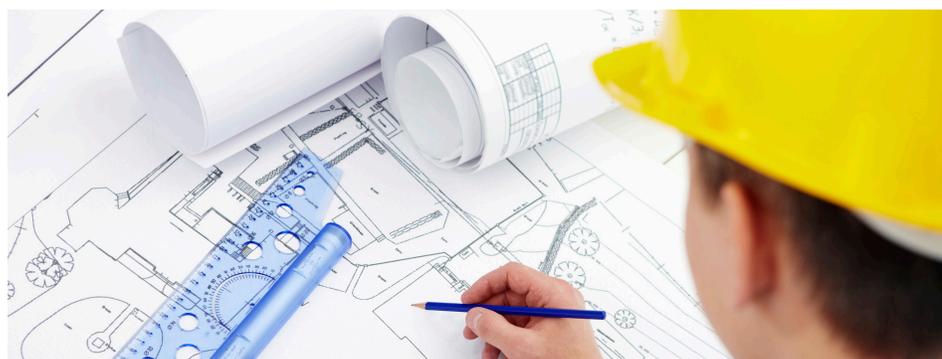


**Excellent  
WORK!**



## We Made It!

Students were excited recently to celebrate the 100th day of school! While things are still not yet “normal,” we are happy for this accomplishment!



## Cafeteria Kitchen Construction

The construction of a new high school kitchen will begin around April 1, 2021. The project will make it necessary for the current kitchen to be housed off-site. Mrs. Williams and the cafeteria staff will be preparing meals off-site and transporting them back to the school to be served.

There will be no hot meals when the kitchen is housed off campus. All meals, both breakfast and lunch, for the months of April, May and June will be cold.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Vicky Williams, Cafeteria Manager, at [vwilliams@ecsny.org](mailto:vwilliams@ecsny.org).



## Non-Public School Transportation Requests Due April 1

Requests for transportation of non-public school children should be submitted to the Ellicottville Central School District Superintendent's Office by April 1, 2021.

Regulations require that the district transport students to non-public schools when a student resides within 15 miles of the non-public school. The 15 miles is measured from the home of the student to the non-public school.

**Please send requests to:**  
Ellicottville Central School  
ATTN: Mr. Robert Miller,  
Superintendent  
5873 Route 219  
Ellicottville, New York 14731

# Using Over-the-Counter Medicines With Your Child



By Karin Hager, RN

“Over-the-counter” (OTC) means you can buy the medicine without a doctor’s prescription. This *doesn’t* mean that OTCs are harmless. Like prescription medicines, OTCs can be dangerous if not taken the right way. Talk with your child’s doctor before giving your child any medicine, especially the first time.

All OTC medicines have the same kind of label. The label gives important information about the medicine. It says what it is for, how to use it, what is in it, and what to watch out for. Look on the box or bottle, where it says “**Drug Facts.**”

## Ask the Doctor or Pharmacist:

Check the chart on the label to see how much medicine to give. If you know your child’s weight, use that first. If not, go by age. **Check the label to make sure it is safe for children under age 6.** If you are not sure, ask your child’s doctor.

Before you give your child any medicines, be sure you know how to use them. Here are some questions you can ask the doctor or pharmacist:

- How will this medicine help my child?
- Can you show me how to use this medicine?
- How much medicine do I give my child? When? For how long?
- Are there any side effects from this medicine?
- How can I learn more about this medicine?
- What if my child spits it out?
- Does it come in chewable tablets or liquid?

**Also, always tell your child’s doctor or pharmacist:**

- If your child is taking any other medicines.
- If your child has any reactions to a medicine.

## Call the Doctor Right Away If...

Your child throws up a lot or gets a rash after taking any medicine. Even if a medicine is safe, your child may be allergic to it.

Your child *may or may not* have side effects with any drug. Be sure to tell the doctor if your child has any side effects with a medicine.

## About Pain and Fever Medicines:

**Acetaminophen** (uh-SET-tuh-MIN-uh-fin) and **ibuprofen** (eye-byoo-PROH-fin) help with fever and headaches or body aches. Tylenol is one brand name for acetaminophen. Advil and Motrin are brand names for ibuprofen.

These medicines also can help with pain from bumps, or soreness from a shot. Ask the doctor which one is best for your child.

## What Else You Need to Know:

- Never give ibuprofen to a baby younger than 6 months.
- If your child has a kidney disease, asthma, an ulcer, or another chronic (long-term) illness, ask the doctor before giving ibuprofen.
- Don’t give acetaminophen or ibuprofen at the same time as other OTC medicines, unless your child’s doctor says it’s OK.
- **The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) does not recommend OTC cough or cold medications for children under age 6.**



## A Warning About Aspirin:

Never give aspirin to your child unless your child’s doctor tells you it’s safe. Aspirin can cause a very serious liver disease called **Reye syndrome**. This is especially true when given to children with the flu or chickenpox.

Ask your pharmacist about other medicines that may contain aspirin. Or, contact the National Reye’s Syndrome Foundation at 1-800-233-7393 or [www.reyessyndrome.org](http://www.reyessyndrome.org).

## What to Do for Poisoning:

**You can call the Poison Center in any state at 1-800-222-1222 at any time of day or night.**

Call the Poison Center if you’re not sure. Sometimes parents find their child with something in his or her mouth or with an open bottle of medicine. The Poison Center can help you find out if this could hurt your child. Don’t wait until your child is sick to call the Poison Center.



**Call 911 or your local emergency number right away if your child:**

- Is passed out and can’t wake up, OR
- Is having a lot of trouble breathing, OR
- Is twitching or shaking out of control, OR
- Is acting very strange.

**Don’t use syrup of ipecac.** If you have syrup of ipecac in your home, flush it down the toilet and throw away the bottle. Years ago people used syrup of ipecac to make children throw up if they swallowed poison. Now we know that you should not make a child throw up.

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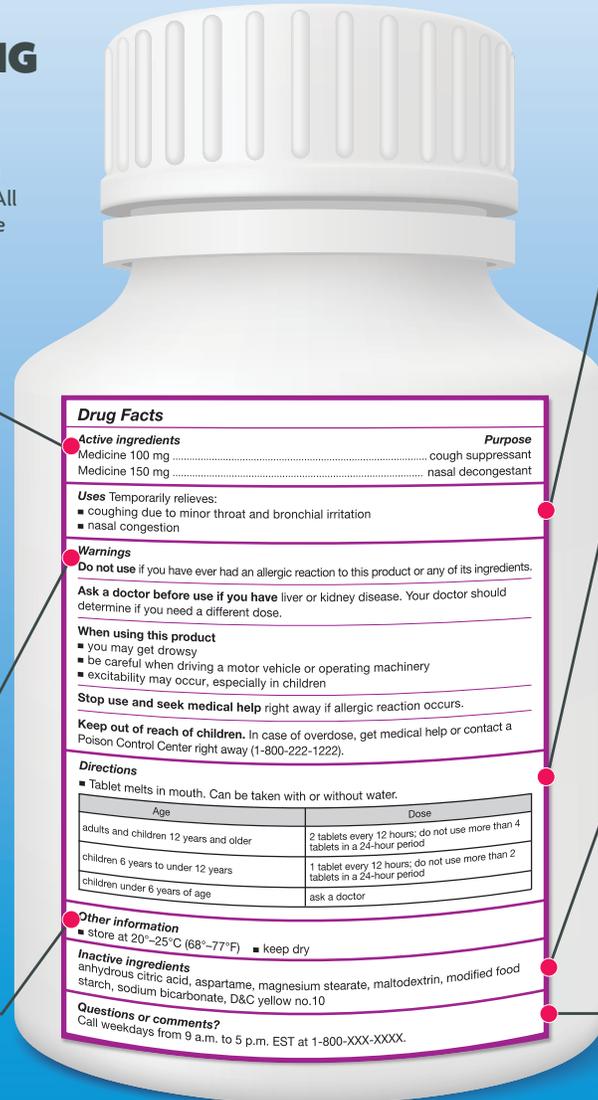




# OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICINE SAFETY

## UNDERSTANDING THE LABEL

The *Drug Facts* label helps you understand the medicines that you take and how to take them safely. All medicines should be taken with the direct supervision of a parent or trusted adult.



**USES**  
Describes the symptoms that the medicine treats.

**DIRECTIONS**  
Indicates the amount or dose of medicine to take, how often to take it, and how much you can take in one day.

**INACTIVE INGREDIENTS**  
Ingredients not intended to treat your symptoms (e.g., preservatives, flavorings).

**QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?**  
Call the company if you have questions about a specific medicine.

**ACTIVE INGREDIENTS**  
The ingredients in the medicine that make it work.

**WARNINGS**  
Safety information, including side effects, the questions you should ask a doctor before taking the medicine, and which medicines to avoid using at the same time.

**OTHER INFORMATION**  
How to store the medicine.

**Drug Facts**

**Active ingredients**

Medicine 100 mg	cough suppressant
Medicine 150 mg	nasal decongestant

**Purpose**

**Uses** Temporarily relieves:

- coughing due to minor throat and bronchial irritation
- nasal congestion

**Warnings**

**Do not use** if you have ever had an allergic reaction to this product or any of its ingredients.

**Ask a doctor before use if you have** liver or kidney disease. Your doctor should determine if you need a different dose.

**When using this product**

- you may get drowsy
- be careful when driving a motor vehicle or operating machinery
- excitability may occur, especially in children

**Stop use and seek medical help** right away if allergic reaction occurs.

**Keep out of reach of children.** In case of overdose, get medical help or contact a Poison Control Center right away (1-800-222-1222).

**Directions**

- Tablet melts in mouth. Can be taken with or without water.

Age	Dose
adults and children 12 years and older	2 tablets every 12 hours; do not use more than 4 tablets in a 24-hour period
children 6 years to under 12 years	1 tablet every 12 hours; do not use more than 2 tablets in a 24-hour period
children under 6 years of age	ask a doctor

**Other information**

- store at 20°–25°C (68°–77°F) ■ keep dry

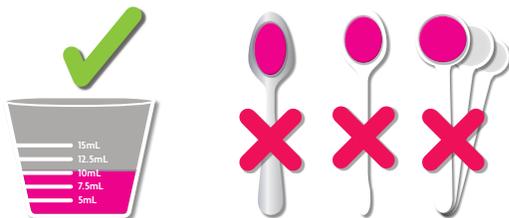
**Inactive ingredients**  
anhydrous citric acid, aspartame, magnesium stearate, maltodextrin, modified food starch, sodium bicarbonate, D&C yellow no.10

**Questions or comments?**  
Call weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST at 1-800-XXX-XXXX.

This is not an actual *Drug Facts* label.

## MEASURE IT CORRECTLY

To get an exact measurement, it is important to only use the dosing device that is provided with the medicine. The *Drug Facts* label tells you how much medicine you should take based on your weight and/or age. Take only one medicine with the same kind of active ingredient at a time.



**FACT** Household spoons come in various shapes and sizes, which means they hold different amounts of liquid.

## ASK FOR HELP

Always talk with a parent or trusted adult to learn more about the responsible use of all medicines. Other resources include doctors, nurses, and pharmacists as well as your local poison control center.

On average, America's poison control centers manage almost

**650,000**

medicine exposure cases involving children, tweens, and teens!

**Poison Help**  
**1-800-222-1222**

## DID YOU KNOW?

Poison control centers are staffed with experts, including doctors, nurses, and pharmacists who can help answer questions about medicines or can provide help over the phone if you come in contact with a poison. Calls are free and private.

Source: American Association of Poison Control Centers, National Poison Data System, Data covers April 2018.

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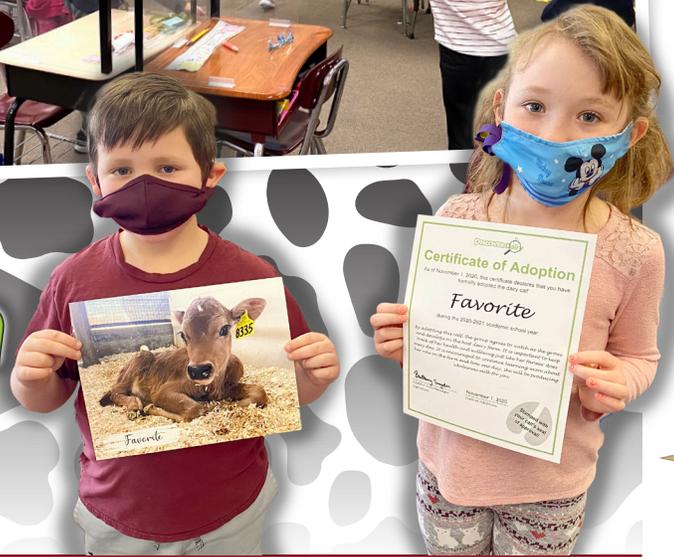
Mr. Robert Miller, Superintendent  
Mr. Erich Ploetz, 6-12 Principal  
Mrs. Maren Bush, Elementary Principal / Director of Curriculum



# Discovering Dairy

## First Graders Adopt "Favorite!"

Mrs. Keller's First Grade class has made an unusual acquaintance this year. Through the Discover Dairy program, they've adopted a Jersey calf from a dairy farm in Schodack Landing, New York. While learning loads of information about the importance of dairy farming, they also receive bi-monthly updates from their host farm about the health and well-being of their cow. They were even able to help choose her name – Favorite! What's more, they also get weekend emails with fun cow-themed activities that they can do during the week.



**Be Sure to Visit Our Website: <http://www.ellicottvillecentral.com>**