



Unity in the CommUnity

One District, One Community, One Book

Elephant in the Room by Holly Goldberg Sloan

Family Guide

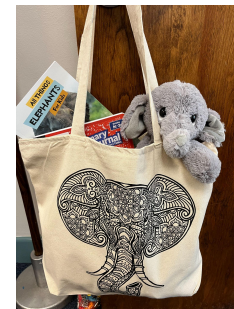


What is One District, One Community, One Book?

- The Unity in the CommUnity program is an initiative of the Committee to Promote Global Education.
- One of the goals of the committee is to bring the community together while celebrating diversity, promoting unity and encouraging a love of reading. Check out the [EGCSD website](#) for even more info.
- All students and staff at all seven schools, plus community members, will read *The Elephant in the Room* by Holly Goldberg Sloan.

Elephant in the Room Morning Trivia-& The Traveling Veda Bag

- During morning announcements schools will ask questions about the previous day's reading to students.
- One correct answer will be pulled; that student will take the Veda bag home for the day and can:
 - write/draw in journal about what they did together
 - read more about elephants with nonfiction selections in the bag



Where's Veda?

- A large stuffed elephant will travel to businesses throughout out the community (Map & schedule attached).
- There will be tickets and photo opportunities.
- Tickets are to be returned to school and pasted to school wide board to see how and where we collect.

Things to do at Home:

- Reread and discuss the chapters read at school that day. (*You will be tempted, but try not to read ahead! :-)*)
- Follow the Where's Veda map, send any pictures to [Mark Adam](mailto:adamma@egcsd.org), adamma@egcsd.org. (Send any photos of reading at home too!)
- Write to the author, draw illustrations for the book.

March 2023

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Bell Top Elementary School 518-207-2600 Red Mill Elementary School 518-207-2660



One District,
One Book
*Elephant in
the Room*

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

APRIL 2023

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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

Week
1

1

Kick Off
Ch 1

2

Ch 2 & 3

3

Catch Up Day

4

CHS Musical, 7 p.m., CHS

6

Week
2

Ch 4-6

7

Ch 7 & 8

DP
GN
Goff PTO Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Red Mill PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.

8

Ch 9 & 10

Be
7 p.m., CHS
Friends of Music Meeting,
7 p.m., Goff

9

Ch 11 & 12

College Admission Panel,
6 p.m., CHS

10

Catch Up Day

11

12

Week
3

Daylight Savings Time Begins

13

Ch 13 & 14

Genet PTO Meeting, 6 p.m.

14

Ch 15- 17

15

Ch 18 & 19

16

Hat Day
Fundraiser

Ch 20 & 21

17

R-12 NO SCHOOL,
(Professional Development)
Goff Musical, 7 p.m., CHS
St. Patrick's Day

18

Goff Musical, 2 p.m.
and 7 p.m., CHS

19

Week
4

20

Ch 22 & 23

First Day of Spring

21

Ch 24 & 25

CHS Pops Concert #1
(Orchestra), 7 p.m., CHS

22

Ch 26 & 27

Board of Education Meeting,
7 p.m., CHS
Red Mill Spring Picture Day

23

Ch 28 & 29

R-5 Half Day
CHS Pops Concert #2 (Band),
7 p.m., CHS

24

Catch Up Day

25

26

Week
5

27

Ch 30 & 31

Spring Professional Development
Spring Meet the Coaches
Night, 7 p.m., CHS

28

Ch 32 & 33

CHS Pops Concert #3
(Choral), 7 p.m., CHS

29

Ch 34 & 35

Genet STEM Fair, 6 p.m.

30

Ch 36 & 37

Grades 9-12
CHS PTSO Meeting, 7 p.m.

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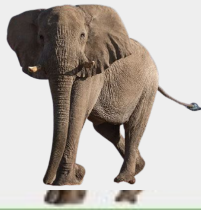
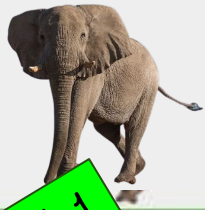
Catch Up Day

Education Foundation Gala



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2	3 Ch 38 & 39 Genet PTO Meeting, 6 p.m. Bell Top PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.	4 Ch 40 DPS PTO Meeting, 6 p.m. Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m., Bell Top	5 Catch Up Day			8
9	10	11	12			15
SPRING RECESS						
16	17 RECESS DAY (school is in session if 3 snow days/emergency closings are used)	18	19	20	21 Jazz Cabaret, 7 p.m., Goff End of Marking Period, Grades 6-8	22
23	24	25 NYSSMA Majors, CHS Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m., Red Mill CM Kindergarten Screening by Appt.	26 NYSSMA Majors, CHS CM Kindergarten Screening by Appt. DPS Kindergarten Screening by Appt.	27 District-wide String Festival, 7 p.m., CHS CM Kindergarten Screening by Appt. DPS Kindergarten Screening by Appt.	28	29
30	4/17-5/26 NYSESLAT SPEAKING TEST					



Where's Veda?



Week 1
Grocery

3/16-3/17
326 Columbia Trnpke
Rensselaer

East Greenbush



3/2-3/6

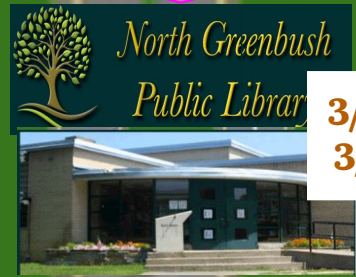
NASSAU
FAMILY
DOLLAR
3/6-3/8

Week 2
Stewart's
Shops

3/13-3/15
95 Troy Road
East Greenbush

3/9-3/12
3516 Highway 20
Nassau

Week 3
Libraries



3/18-
3/20



3/21-3/23

Week 4
Recreation



3/27-3/29



3/24-3/26
Nassau Free Library



3/30-4/2



4/3-4/5