District Newsletter- December 2020

Dear Wittenberg-Birnamwood District Residents,

Normally by the time I write this particular monthly newsletter, we've got a pretty good coat of snow blanketing the ground! This year is proving to be a little different, but we all know it will be just a matter of time before Old Man Winter takes over. I certainly know that winter weather brings its challenges, but with the year we've all endured, I've chosen to take another perspective on the impending New Year and Season of Joy approaching quickly. We're provided with a sense of renewal, a season of hope, dreams and excitement that shine through in all that our children say and do. It's an annual tradition at our house to make Christmas cookies. As I'm sure it is with many others, when the process is over, there is often more frosting on the kids than the cookies. And when they pack a handful in that sandwich bag for their teacher, because they simply love them, no one really cares if they are edible by the time they get transferred to the teacher's desk. It's just what we do. We celebrate the little things in life this time of year; the first snowfall, the Elf on the Shelf, Ralphie's friend licking the flag pole, a cold glass of egg nog (yes, some do enjoy that) and the crumbled cookie in transport[©] At a time in our history where we've been divided from family, friends and forced a different kind of hand, I hope you can all enjoy the Holiday Season for what it is and is meant to be. So as it is with winter, I hope all of you have a safe and enjoyable season this year and we will do our best to make sure your children don't stick their tongue on the flagpole! Merry Christmas!

Garrett Rogowski