

Thursday Thoughts  
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All of our teachers attended the OCEA Convention that was held in Cincinnati on October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. This convention is held every-other-year in Cincinnati and features speakers who address a wide-range of topics in the field of education along with exhibits that show the latest in educational products that can be used in the classroom as teaching aides to the subject matter being taught by the teacher. It is also an opportunity to talk to and listen to other teachers about curriculum and ways to address the needs of our students. The convention provides good learning opportunities for all of our teachers.

As a side note, usually this convention coincides with our county fair when our students have Thursday and Friday off. Such was not the case this year, as you well know!

Finally, don't forget that next week, the week of October 19<sup>th</sup>, is Terra Nova Achievement Test week. As I said a couple of weeks ago, these are very important tests and give the parent, student, and teacher an idea of student academic progress over the past year. Please make sure that your child gets plenty of rest, eats a good breakfast, and stays as healthy as possible. Washing hands frequently and staying home when your child is sick seem to be the best ways of preventing the spread of flu and colds.

Those are my short thoughts for this week. Enjoy the four day weekend with your children. The next break won't be until Thanksgiving!