Falcon Forecast: September 24, 2018

Mrs. Teddy's Tidbits

Good evening Falcon Families!

Our annual curriculum night is fast approaching. I want to personally invite each you to our Parent University Night on September 27, 2018 from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM. We will share Online Resources, Specific Teaching Strategies, Curriculum Goals and Skyward How To's. All of these topics come up frequently with parents during conferences and conversations, so we want to provide this information all in one night to support you in working with your children as our partners in education. We will serve pizza and have fun activities for the kids in the gym and cafeteria while parents explore these curriculum topics:

- Reading and Writing Strategies
- Intentional Problem Solving in Math
- · Science Resources, CER, and Notebooking
- Handwriting for PK and Kinder
- Social Studies Curriculum and Skyward TIPS
- 4th/5th Grade iPad Tips
- Science/Math Activities in the Cafe and Gym for kids

Our Kindergarten Playdate is this Saturday, the 29th from 9:30-10:30 at I.C.E playground. All family members are welcome to attend. This is an excellent opportunity for families to get to know one another and meet the children in their child's class. I want to encourage families to introduce yourself to one another and talk to all the children. The more parents they know, the more comfortable they feel in the community. We can't wait to see you there!!

Our first PTA Meeting is at 5:30 PM, preceding the Parent University in the cafeteria. Please read below for more information about upcoming PTA events, including a Chili Cook off Contest and Reflections Contest for students!

In an effort to connect with you more about education and our school, I will be offering a time for *Table Talk* on October 11, from 8-9 AM, @ Indian Creek. Please RSVP here:https://goo.gl/forms/ixc5y77Gb9vmn5EF2

Thank you to all our families and Dads Of Great Students that joined us on Friday night for our Falcon Father's game night. Thanks to Mrs. Pacheco for her work on this night and our Watch DOG program!

Have wonderful week!

Sincerely,

Amy Teddy, Principal

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Important Dates

<u>September</u>

- 24-27 2nd Grade Water Safety Program 8:45-10:30 AM
- 27 PTA Meeting @ 5:30 PM
- 27- Parent University 6:00 to 7:30 PM
- 28 4th Grade LISDOLA Field Trip
- 29 Kindergarten Social 9:30-10:30 AM ICE playground

October

- 1- Red Ribbon Month begins
- 4- Read Across Indian Creek
- 8- Student Holiday NO SCHOOL
- 10- Walk to school day
- 11 Table Talk with Mrs. Teddy 8:00 9:00 AM
- 12- Student Early release 11:45 AM
- 12- Fall Festival 5:30-8:30
- 16 Super Citizen Music performance 6:15 PM
- 23 3rd grade UNT Elm Fork Field Trip
- 24- Hebron Homecoming parade 6:00 PM at Hebron High School
- 26 Hebron Homecoming
- 27- 1st Grade Playdate- Spurwood park 9:00 AM

Counselor's Corner

You will be able to preview the LISD counseling curriculum at our Parents' University Night, September 27th, 6-7:30 p.m. I hope to see you there!



Leah Pacheco, M.S.

School Counselor

Message from Ms. Jones

Chefs? Retail? Engineers? Sales? Educators/Coaches? Transportation experts? Cosmetology? Legal field? Medical Field? Fashion?

Any profession will be so fun to learn about!

Colleges to learn about- this could be a trade school, a prep program, a 2 year program, 4 year program, Master's program and beyond! It's so important that we start educating our students about all the interesting possibilities that lie ahead for them to work towards!

If you are interested in speaking to ICE students this year, please contact Meredith Jones, ICE assistant principal, at jonesml@lisd.net

Also, if you have a family member or know of a business or community organization that we can partner with, I would also love that information! Thank you!

In your email please include:

- Your first and last name
- Name of your ICE student(s)
- Preferred email and phone number to contact you
- Colleges attended and/or your current profession

Additional details to help:

ICE College/Career Days will be held two times this year. Dates to be announced. The program will run in the morning for all of our learners. You will travel to individual classrooms to speak and interact with students for 10-15 minute sessions.

What should I bring/talk about?: Please come dressed in your favorite college shirt or the apparel that you wear for your career! Be ready to share what

prepared you for college/current career (ex: subjects, teachers, goals, dreams, experiences prior to), fun college traditions, what degree you earned and/or a brief job description in kid friendly terms! Any visuals you can bring will help with student understanding. Students will also have prepared questions to ask!

Your time and participation are both greatly appreciated! I look forward to hearing from you! J

Gig 'em!

Meredith Jones

Proud Assistant Principal

Indian Creek Elementary

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As parents ourselves, one of our goals as your school's PTA is providing effective ways to make your job as an involved parent easier. Visit our website for up to date information on upcoming events, ways to help support our school, helpful links, and all things Indian Creek!



GOT A GREAT CHILI RECIPE?

ENTER TO WIN THE

FIRST ANNUAL INDIAN CREEK

CHILI COOK-OFF

2018 FALL FESTIVAL INDIAN CREEK ELEMENTARY OCTOBER 12, 2018

Deadline to Enter: September 28th!

Grand Prize:

Instant Pot®

SIGN UP AT:

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REFLECTIONS : A NATIONAL PTA ARTS IN EDUCATION PROGRAM

Reflections has been a staple arts program in many schools for 50 years. Through the efforts of our Local PTAs, millions of students have found a creative outlet in the areas of dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography, and visual arts around a common theme.

With positive recognition as the focus of this program, rather than competition, students of all ages and abilities can experience the benefits of creative expression and help in finding their own voice in telling their unique story.

Started in 1969 by Mary Lou Anderson, then Colorado PTA President, Reflections has grown to be one of the largest nationwide programs of its kind, with more than 200,000 students participating annually.

Submit by Oct 26 to attend a special party during class in Nov!

2018-2019 Theme: Heroes Around Me

WHAT IS YOUR SUPERPOW



STEP 1:

Define what "Heroes Around Me" means to YOU!

- I. What are the characteristics of a hero?
- 2. Who are the heroes in your life?

Rules & Entry Form (English): http://bit.ly/1819RulesEnglish Rules & Entry Form (Spanish):

Think about your project!

Do you like singing? Write a song about the heroes around

Do you like telling stories? Write a story or video yourself telling a story about your hero!

http://bit.ly/1819RulesSpanish

DO your project & submit it with an artist statement to your teacher!!

Don't skip the artist statement! It's 10-100 words telling everyone what "Heroes Around Me" means to you! It is worth the most points when being judged!

Examples of Previous Entries:

http://bit.ly/1718Submissions

HELP INDIAN CREEK ELEMENTARY BECOME A NATIONAL PTA SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE!

The Indian Creek Elementary PTA knows that a strong partnership among our families, school leaders and community members is important to the success of our students and school. That's why we are participating in the National PTA School of Excellence program, which grows partnerships between PTAs and schools to enrich the educational experience and overall well-being of all students.

At a National PTA School of Excellence, families feel welcomed and empowered to support student success, and PTA is a key partner for continuous school improvement. We feel Indian Creek Elementary and Indian Creek Elementary PTA can achieve that together—and the result will be national, state and community-wide visibility for the positive impact we are making together at Indian Creek Elementary.

We need your help! As part of the process, National PTA requests feedback from families, administrators and teachers at two points in the school year—the beginning and the end. Your feedback will help National PTA generate a customized guide which will provide specific recommendations for improving our family-school partnership and achieving excellence.

Please take 5-10 minutes to reflect on your experience at this school and <u>complete</u> this survey. Mark an "X" in the box that most accurately expresses how you feel about your experience. This survey is completely anonymous. Please return this survey by 9/30/2018.

Does this sound like a PTA program you'd really like to help with? Join us! Contact

Lauren Toliver



iceptaprograms@gmail.com to learn more!

Friendly Reminders:

Help us reach our goal of 500 members strong-JOIN the PTA!!!

(being a PTA member does NOT require you to be a volunteer, but it does help to support PTA's mission to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.)

- Make your Donations for your child's classroom parties this year, and to our M.A.P.S. teachers for Staff Appreciation Week.
- Let us know if you are interested in helping Indian Creek in any way this year by taking
- the <u>Parent Interest Survey!</u>
 <u>Enter ICE's first annual Chili Cook</u> off during our Fall Festival and win our grand prize: an INSTANT POT!!! Does your recipe have what it takes?