

PIERCE TERRACE ELEMENTARY

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Principal Perry's Corner



Dear Dragon Families,

We have had a great week at Pierce Terrace. Students have been engaged learning new concepts and using interactive technology, such as the SMART response system to answer questions and provide responses through the SMART boards in their classroom.

Tuesday Trotters, our new program to promote wellness for our students and staff, got off to a great start with the help of our parent volunteers. Thank you!

Have a great weekend!

School Board Meetings, Superintendent Forum & Office Hours @ CCP

School Board Meetings

4:00 pm

Superintendent Forum

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Superintendent Office Hours

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

October

9th - Office Hours

18th - Office Hours

24th - Office Hours

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

8 OCT

Columbus Day- No School

9 OCT

Principal Forum – 5:30

PTO Meeting – 6:00

10 OCT

Principal Forum – 11:00 – 12:00

18 OCT

Early Dismissal (11:30AM) for K-2

No School for PSCD & PreK

19 OCT

No School / Teacher Work Day

25 OCT

Early Dismissal (11:30AM) for K-2

No School for PSCD & PreK

Parent Teacher Conferences

26 OCT

No School for Students

Parent Teacher Conferences

Be Informed!!!

Make sure we have your correct email...if you wish to have another e-mail included in our distribution list please e-mail [Mr. Perry](mailto:Mr.Perry) to be included.

Got Facebook? Join our PTO Facebook page. At last check, we have close to 140 members! We would like to have over **200** members! This is an excellent way to receive up to the minute news concerning Pierce Terrace and communicate with the PTO.

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Principal Forum with Mr. Perry

October 9th at 5:30PM & October 10th at 11:00AM-12:00PM

My goal is to foster effective communication and relationships with and among our stakeholders. In an effort to accomplish this goal, I have established a monthly and quarterly forum.

When: Every 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 11 AM
Once a Quarter prior to the PTO Meeting at 5:30 PM

Where: Pierce Terrace

What: During each forum, I will be available to answer questions, concerns, and gather feedback on how we can improve our services for our military families. At the conclusion of the chat and within a 2 week time frame, I will respond in writing to any and all questions that were not answered during the forum. These responses will be communicated to all stakeholders through the Dragon Digest or individually as appropriate.

Agenda Items for Next Week's Principal Forum include:

- Review September Items for Principal Forum
- Tardy Policy and Traffic Update
- Parent – Teacher Conferences
- Reading Counts Program
- School Calendar Updates
- Public Comments

Do you want to recommend an agenda item?

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A NOTE FROM THE NURSE

We had a great turnout for our annual flu vaccinations this year!

112 students, **80** parents, and **31** staff members received the vaccine at school. Including those who have received the vaccine at other locations, approximately **48%** of our students and **62%** of our staff have been immunized against the flu.

Tuesday Totters had a successful "Kick-Off". Students logged a total of **565 laps** around the mapped out course despite not having all classes participate due the weather. We also had a few staff members that joined in and added another **12 laps** to our total number of laps. Our goal is to average **2500 laps per month**, for a total of **20,000 laps** as a school by the end of the school year!

Thanks again to the wonderful parent volunteers for assisting with this new program.



IN THIS WEEK'S SPOTLIGHT...

Students in grades 1 and 2 are beginning to make their way onto our Reading Counts wall. Congratulations to our 1st two students – Sean C and Devon W.



STUDENT RECOGNITION

Students are announced on the WPTV Morning News Show and rewarded with a certificate for every 25 points they earn. At 150 points they earn a Reading T-Shirt. There are awesome other awards for the Top 10 students for the year.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Students should arrive at school at 7:55 and are to be in their classroom at 8:00AM. Students arriving after 8:00AM will be marked tardy.

Students are tardy at 8:00AM We must have written permission to release your child to anyone other than parents (guardians).

Transportation changes for dismissal cannot be made after 1:00PM.

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