



Eagle's Cry

The Paonia Elementary School Newsletter

February 27, 2018



Mark Your Calendar

March

- 3/1- 6th Grade Knowledge Bowl**
- 3/1- 3:00 Kindergarten Play**
- 3/2- Field Trip: 6th Grade XC Skiing on Grand Mesa**
- 3/5- 6:00 PPO Meeting**
- 3/15- Kindergarten Registration**
- 3/16- End of 3rd Quarter**
- 3/26-4/26 3rd-6th State Testing**



Information in the Office

There are flyers available at the front office for the following programs:

- ✓ Good News Club
- ✓ Spring Soccer Forms
- ✓ Girls' Dance Team
- ✓ Girls on the Run

School News

3rd-6th grade Colorado State Testing

Our annual state student assessments begin in March. This year Colorado students will be taking PARCC (3rd-6th grade Language Arts and Math) and CMAS (5th grade Science and 4th grade social studies) tests. Each scheduled day of testing will include one online testing session of approximately 60 minutes.

Here is a schedule of Paonia Elementary testing dates:

3rd Grade: April 3-5, April 10-12

4th Grade: April 3-5, April 10-12, April 24-26

5th Grade: March 26-April 2, April 10-12

6th Grade: March 26-April 2

Community Information

Please remember that we can no longer send home fliers in the Tuesday Express Envelope for community-sponsored programs. Please check our community bulletin board at school, or go to the Parents tab on our school website (pes.deltaschools.com) for more information and copies of registration forms.

Kindergarten Registration

Thursday, March 15th will be our official spring registration day for students entering Kindergarten next year. This year our school district is continuing an online registration procedure. You may register your new students by visiting our school webpage, pes.deltaschools.com, and clicking on the 'Register My Student' button on the right side of the webpage. Students already enrolled in BELA who will be attending PES should not register online until August 1st. If your child is in BELA, and you plan on attending PES please let our office staff know of your intent. If you do not have Internet access you may visit our school on March 15th, and we will have computers available for registration. If you know someone who has a 5 year old, please remind them to come by our school office. Potential parents are also welcome to come visit our kindergarten classroom anytime.

PARENTS - PLEASE DON'T PARK IN THE CROSSWALK DURING DISMISSAL TIME.

Principal's Message

It is such a delight that every year about this time, I have the opportunity to inform our school community of the recognitions and accomplishments that Paonia Elementary School receives.

This year I am very excited to announce that Paonia Elementary School is a finalist for The Succeeds Prize award for Transformational Impact in an Elementary School. The Succeeds Prize is the state's most prestigious awards and recognition event for Colorado's public schools and educators. It is presented by 9NEWS, Colorado Succeeds, and mindSpark Learning.

Paonia Elementary is a finalist along with two other top-notch schools from the front-range that are making a meaningful difference for students. The winner will be announced at a live reveal celebration on September 18, 2018 in Denver. If selected, Paonia Elementary would receive a \$15,000 cash award to fund our ongoing success and enhance the positive impact we're making on our students! Our staff will also be eligible for professional learning opportunities thanks to mindSpark learning.

Finalists for The Succeeds Prize are chosen by a Selection Committee using a three-step, data-driven process. The Succeeds Prize Selection Committee is composed of Colorado education, government, and business leaders. Ninety-five percent of committee members have taught in a classroom, led a school building, served on a school board or charter school board, or worked in a district or state agency.

We're proud to be recognized by this prestigious award and hope you'll join us in celebrating and sharing the achievement. Thank you to our amazing staff and students for all their hard work, and to our community for your continued support!

Paonia Parent Organization (PPO)

We are sending home information today on a popcorn fundraiser. This company has many delicious items to choose from. If you would like to order some popcorn, please return your order forms by March 9th.

Our next PPO meeting is Monday, March 5 at 6:00 pm. Childcare will be provided, and you may receive the gift card prize!

A KidZ Clinic Special Message

A healthy lifestyle not only changes your body, it changes your mind, your attitude, and your mood. It is important to exercise each day for at least 1 hour. When you exercise your brain releases happy chemicals called endorphins, which improve your mood! Also getting a little extra sleep each night helps your body reset and re-charge to perform at 100% the next day. A Kidz Clinic challenges you all to get 1 hour of exercise each day and an extra hour of sleep each night this week!

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Parent Involvement Drawing

After reading this *Eagle's Cry*, please fill out the coupon below with the names of each child in your family and return it to school. PPO sponsors this drawing to encourage parent involvement. Each child in the winning family receives \$1. Thanks for being a faithful reader!

Please cut off the coupon on this line.

I've read the February 27th Eagle's Cry. Please enter this coupon in the newsletter drawing.

(Names of children)

(Parent signature)