



# Eagle's Cry

The Paonia Elementary School Newsletter

September 11, 2018



## Mark Your Calendar

### September

- 9/12- 9:00 Lock Down Drill
- 9/13- Student Pictures
- 9/13- Field Trip: Kindergarten  
To Austin Farms
- 9/14- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Midterms
- 9/17- 6:00 PPO Meetings
- 9/18- Field Trip: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Cottonwood Days
- 9/19- 5:00 G/T Parent Night
- 9/20- Field Trip: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Swietzer Lake
- 9/22 - PHS Homecoming
- 9/24- No School: P/T Conf.

## School News

### Student Pictures

This year, MJ Thomas Photography will only be visiting PES in the fall. At that time, both individual student and class photos will be taken. **There will not be any pictures taken in the spring.** Our picture day is coming up this week, on Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Dress you best! Order forms home came home in today's Tuesday Express. All students will receive a complimentary class photo this year! If you have questions, contact the school office. Dress you best!

### Parent Teacher Conferences

Our first set of parent teacher conferences is coming up soon. We are meeting just after the midterm of the quarter so that students, parents, and teachers can work to set academic and personal goals for the upcoming school year. Our second set of conferences will be in late March so that we can review progress on those goals. This year we will be following a district-wide conference schedule. Parent Teacher conferences for elementary students will be on Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Students will not have school on Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will be preparing for conferences in the morning. Conference meetings will be scheduled between 12:00 pm and 8:00 pm. Conference slips are coming home in this week's Tuesday Express. Students are encouraged to attend these conferences. We can't wait to see all of our families there!

## Information in the Office

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

- ✓ Pee Wee Football registration forms for 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> graders
- ✓ Good News Club
- ✓ Youth Volleyball Program for 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade girls.

### Morning Student Drop-Off Procedures

If you are parking in the morning to bring your children into school, please use a parking spot on the East side of the parking lot, or pull as far forward as possible at our curb. We would like to save as much curb space in front of the building as possible for parents that are just doing a 'drive-by' drop off. Drop-offs should happen at the curb, not in the middle of the lot. Mr. Cox will be opening car doors from 7:45-8:00 on most mornings for families doing a drop off in the parking lot.

## Principal's Message

This year, as part of my Principal's Message to families, I want to use this space to highlight elements of our school's Mission, Vision, and Values. I'll be highlighting one of our statements on a regular basis in order to emphasize how our work fits together to educate the whole child.

One of our PES value statements is, "**We value community partnerships.**" One of the ways that we value partnerships is through volunteerism at PES. We've built a strong network of volunteers that visit our school each week, however we are always looking to expand the number of adults that support our children on a volunteer basis. We love to have family and community members work in our classrooms helping students with their reading, writing, math, or other subjects. We'd like to encourage all of our families to donate some time to work in the school this year. Perhaps you'd like to help out with a reading group, an art class, or a PE activity. There are lots of opportunities to help during field day, winter concerts, book fairs and more. Our Paonia Parent Organization needs help planning and coordinating special event activities throughout the year. Please find the time to support PES with your time sometime this year.

Volunteers that work with students do need to complete the district volunteer application each year. If you haven't already done so, please stop by the office and complete your application for this year and let us know how you'd like to help! We can't wait to see you in our building!

## North Fork Christmas Party

It's that time of year again! If you are in financial need of help this Christmas season, the North Fork Children's Christmas Party would like to help out! Just have your child pick up a form at school and bring it home for you to fill out. We need a separate form for each of your children. After you fill it out, return it to school with your child and have them give it to the person on the front desk. We will pick up those forms and fulfill your Christmas list. The deadline for turning in forms is October 1<sup>st</sup>, so be sure to pick up forms early! We want this to be a MERRY CHRISTMAS for everyone!

## PPO Mountain Harvest Fest 5K

Paonia Elementary School in conjunction with Mountain Harvest Festival is hosting a FUNraising FUNrun/walk 5K! This is an event for everyone, whether you're a competitive runner or want to enjoy a walk/jog around scenic Paonia. The event will be professionally timed. Strollers and walkers welcome! Course starts and ends at the heart of all the Mountain Harvest Festival and runs by the Elementary School and loop around town. There is a short (~500') section of well-maintained gravel road that is stroller friendly. Online registration form: <https://form.jotform.com/81777581122157>.

## 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.

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I've read the September 11<sup>th</sup> Eagle's Cry. Please enter this coupon in the newsletter drawing.

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(Names of children)

(Parent signature)