



Eagle's Cry

The Paonia Elementary School Newsletter

March 12, 2019



Mark Your Calendar

March

- 3/13 – Kinder Registration
- 3/15 – 4th-6th Grade Powderhorn Ski Day (optional)
- 3/15 – End of 3rd Quarter
- 3/25 – 3:30-8:00
Parent/Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
- 3/26 – 3:30-4:00 Book Fair
- 3/26 – Report Cards Sent Home

April

- 4/1 – 6:00 PPO Meeting

Please check Lost and Found in the cafeteria. We have LOTS of coats and things.

Information in the Office

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

- ✓ After School Karate Classes at PES for 5-8 year olds

School News

Kindergarten Registration

Wednesday, March 13th 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 13th, 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.

Community Food Drive

Our PES student council Easter and Passover food drive continues through Friday, March 15. We're having a class competition and all cans and boxes of food we collect is being matched with a \$1 donation by First Colorado National Bank up to \$2000. The class that brings in the most cans wins a hot cocoa and cookie party.

3rd-6th grade Colorado State Testing

Our annual state student assessments begin in March. This year PES students will be taking CMAS (3rd-6th grade Language Arts and Math and 5th grade Science) 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 2-4, April 9-11
- 4th Grade: April 2-4, April 9-11
- 5th Grade: March 25-April 1, April 9-11
- 6th Grade: March 25-April 1

Principal's Message

Paonia Elementary and Delta County School District recognizes the impact that regular school attendance has on student achievement, and we are committed in our efforts to promote student attendance. Typically, every day that a student misses school they get more than two days behind their peers because they must make up missed learning and catch up with new learning at the same time. Here are some tips on how to promote your child's attendance at school:

- Let your child know that you think school is important.
- Take an interest in your child's schoolwork.
- Provide regular times and a quiet, clean area for doing homework.
- Provide a regular bedtime schedule.
- Don't expect older children to stay home and act as babysitters for younger children.
- Set good examples and enforce rules.
- Post the school calendar and notes on the refrigerator, or another prominent location.
- Balance extracurricular activities.

If your child starts to miss school, speak to the school and let your child know that he/she must attend.

Tardiness also has a tremendous impact on student performance in school. Students that come in late, even by a couple of minutes, miss out on the morning routines activities that establish a positive learning routine. Please, ensure your student arrives to school **before** 8:00 each morning.

Together we can ensure that all of our children are as successful as possible at school.

PPO News

At our last PPO meeting we discussed the following items:

- Fundraising Report: This year we made the following proceeds from fundraisers:
 - 5K Fun Run - \$3,482
 - Yankee Candle - \$1,639
 - G'bread Houses - \$721
 - Raffle/Bake Sale- \$715
 - Seed Sales - \$848
- Title I survey results:
 - What's going well at PES: teachers, admin, atmosphere
 - If you could spend \$1,000 use it for: technology, after school clubs, security
 - Jump Start and tutoring received overall favorable comments
- Seth Weber will provide mural ideas for our gym exterior
- An after-school beginner Spanish classes for students
- 2019-2020 Fundraising plan:
 - 5K Fun Run, popcorn, fudge and seed sales.

We cover a lot of topics at our meetings! We hope to see you at our April 1st PPO meeting.

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 March 12th Eagle's Cry. Please enter this coupon in the newsletter drawing.

(Names of children)

(Parent signature)