



Eagle's Cry

The Paonia Elementary School Newsletter

April 23, 2019



Mark Your Calendar

April

4/24 – School Evacuation Drill

4/24 – 3:30 6th Grade Hwy 133
Cleanup

4/25 – 3rd Grade Field Trip

4/26 – 4th Grade River Days

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4/30 – 4th/5th Grade District
Spelling Bee

May

5/2 – 6th Grade Visit to PJHS

5/3 – 6:00 – PES Talent Show at
PHS Commons

5/6 – 6:00 PPO Meeting

5/7 – 4th Grade Field Trip

5/8 – 5th Grade Field Trip

School News

School Evacuation Drill

This Wednesday morning, at approximately 9:15am, we will be conducting a school-wide evacuation drill. Staff and students will be practicing the procedures in the event that there is an emergency at school that requires classes to leave the school building. We will evacuate the building to our two 'relocation' sites, the VoTech building and the Teen Center. I anticipate the drill will take about 30 minutes. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Talent Show on the Horizon

PES PPO is hosting the third annual 'Eagles Got Talent' talent show next Friday, May 3rd at 6:00 in the Paonia High School Commons. The talent show is for 3rd-6th grade student performers from PES and NFSIS. We have almost 20 performers again this year. Make sure you come support our students! Tickets will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. Cookies and drinks will be for sale during the performance. See you all there!

Volunteer Appreciation at PES

The students and staff at PES truly appreciate our community and parent volunteers. If it weren't for the hundreds of volunteer hours at our schools, we would not be as successful as we are. We'd like to thank all of our volunteers at a luncheon on their behalf. Join us Thursday, May 9th, between 11:20 and 12:30 for a delicious meal

Student Dress Code Reminder

Now that we are close to May, the weather is getting warmer. It's the time of year when we put our winter clothes away and get out the shorts and t-shirts. Please remember that shorts or skirts must come down past the fingertips. Shirts must have straps that are two-fingers wide, don't expose the midriff, and armholes of sleeveless shirts must come to the bottom of the armpit

Information in the Office

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

- ✓ After School Spanish Classes

Principal's Message

It is with bittersweet feelings that I write my message this week. If you are not already aware, I have accepted the position as Director of Curriculum for our Delta County School District starting next year. I have had a wonderful seven years working directly with the Paonia community, and greatly appreciate all of the dedication and commitment that the students, staff, parents, and community have for our school! My new position in the district provides me the opportunity to continue my work with the Paonia students and staff, but also work with the larger Delta County community as well.

As I reflect on the past seven years, I think of all the wonderful things our school community has done. Our students and staff have excelled as a School of Distinction each year and we received numerous awards and recognitions from the school district and state for our academic programs. As a community we have come together to raise money and support our students outside of the classroom with campus-wide improvement projects including the gym renovation, garden installations, playground enhancements, and after-school programming. We have expanded our students' exposure to visual and performing arts with our partnerships with the Blue Sage Center, Celebrate the Beat, the Paradise Theater, the Creede Reparatory Theatre, and the University of Colorado. Over these years I have seen a tremendous amount of growth with all of our students academically, socially, and emotionally. Thank you parents for your continued support of your child's learning every day and for your support of me as your school leader!

The school district will begin their search for a new PES principal immediately, and I'd anticipate they should identify a replacement before the end of the school year. I am confident that Paonia Elementary School will continue to prosper and remain a school of excellence within Delta County and the state of Colorado for many years to come. Thank you for helping me work to make it that way for the past seven years!

Paonia Eagles SOAR! ☺

Sincerely,

City Market Cards

City Market has a Community Rewards Program that provides funding to local organizations. In order to support PES you can register your card at www.citymarketcommunityrewards.com. Please take a moment to visit the website to register your City Market card and choose Paonia Elementary School (#10725) as your organization of choice.

PPO News

Our last PPO meeting of the year will be on May 6th. We will be discussing final plans for the talent show as well as 5K Fun Run planning for next fall. Please join us and share your ideas! Kids will be supervised on the playground, and you could win a \$25 Visa card. We hope to see you there!

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 April 23rd Eagle's Cry. Please enter this coupon in the newsletter drawing.

(Names of children)

(Parent signature)