

GROVE ELEMENTARY NEST NOTES



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Thank you to everyone who attended our Spring Art Festival. The effort of the students and teachers is a testament to the great things that are happening at Grove. Student art work decorated the entire school. Students sang, danced, and drummed. The exceptional science fair projects were on display. And, thanks to you, the book fair was a success. What a wonderful way to spend the evening.

Volunteers Needed - The end of the year is filled with fun events for students. Students with no referrals may buy SOAR activities every other Friday. SOARFest, sponsored by PTA, is the final event. Students will choose from fun inflatables to celebrate SOAR behavior.

Field Day is scheduled for May 19 and 20. We need lots of volunteer hands. Please watch for the sign up to come home.

April

- 29 Coffee with the Principal
8:30 - guest speaker
Norm Seidel,
Transportation Director
- 30 Interim Reports for the 4th
grading period
Chic-fil-a Biscuits

May

- 1-7 Teacher Appreciation
- 6 Nurses' Day
- 10-14 PASS Testing
Arrive by 7:45
- 19 Field Day K5-2
- 20 Field Day 3-5
- 21 Chic-fil-a by PTA
- 25 Spring Concert 6PM
- 26 Writers' Guild K5-2
- 27 Writers' Guild 3-5
- 28 SOARFEST
- 28 K5 Awards

June (All 12:00 dismissal)

- 1 Grade 1 Awards 8:30
Grade 2 Awards 10:00
- 2 Grade 3 Awards 8:30
Grade 4 Awards 10:00
- 3 Grade 5 Awards 8:30

PASS TESTING MAY 10-14

Students in grades 3-5 will take the PASS test May 10-14. Each student is working hard to prepare for this important test. Please support your child by arriving no later than 7:45 to ensure that every student is ready to learn during these final important days before PASS.

REMINDER TO ALL K5-4TH GRADE PARENTS AND STUDENTS: THE STANDARD DRESS CODE WILL BE PUBLISHED FREQUENTLY FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR AND THROUGH THE SUMMER.

Friendly reminder about the current school dress code. Skirts and shorts can be no shorter than 1 inch above the knee. Print on shirts must be school appropriate. Shoes should have closed toes for safety on the playground and at PE.



THE VOTE IS YES TO STANDARD DRESS CODE.

As reported at our PTA Math Night, March is the month that the final decision for standard dress code is reported. Over 60% of our families responded to the request for input. As shared in earlier newsletters, the standard dress code has been presented to our School Improvement Council, PTA, the faculty, and parents. 69% of those responding support implementing the dress code for the 2010-2011 school year. We will continue to send home information reminding parents that students will be required to come to school dressed in:

- a solid color, collared shirt every day or school t-shirt on Fridays
- bottoms of choice - jeans, dress pants, skirts, knee length shorts
- shirts tucked in with a belt
- closed toed shoes (no flip flops)

With 69% of the parents supporting the standard dress code, it will be a requirement for 2010-2011. The clothing is available at discount stores, consignment shops, and department stores. Grove will make every effort to support anyone who cannot afford to purchase the required clothing.

Congratulations to the Grove Science Fair Winners:



Grade 3 Classroom Winners

- 1st Place – Gianniny
2nd Place - Godfrey
3rd Place - Barker



4th Grade Individual Project

- 1st Place - Jaylan Hoover

4th Grade Team Projects

- 1st Place - Jada Williams, Cheyenne Matthews, Stephanie Carrizales
2nd Place - Tisha Hernandez, Mitzi Vargas, Britney Ricks
3rd Place - Jarius Thompson, Dorien Henry, Jesse Green, Sergio Garza

5th Grade Individual Projects

- 1st Place - Luz Hernandez
2nd Place - Hannah Short
3rd Place - Vanessa Acevedo
Honorable Mention - Noemi Gutierrez, Anika Simpson, Amber Bratcher, Liam Bradigan, Jackie Gutierrez

Grove Eagles SOAR above the rest.



The Grove Numeracy Committee announced the winners for the final competition of the year: Jelly Bean

Estimation: Guadalupe Davila in Mrs. Davis' K5 room estimated 112 (113 was the actual number)



Timyan Hunter in Mrs. Havran's 5th grade room estimated 1,537 (1,832 was actual number).
Congratulations to both of these students. Way to go!!!