
December 18, 2019

Piper East Elementary

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Piperschools.com ~ 913-721-5000 ~

Hours: **8:25 am to 3:30 pm**

Hello East Families:

Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas! We are beyond thankful for our wonderful students and families at Piper East. We hope everyone has a wonderfully blessed winter break and time with loved ones. ~ Mrs. Golden & Mrs. Porras

REMINDER: We dismiss at 11:30 Thursday and Friday this week!!

Winter Parties: Friday morning we will have our classroom parties. Please remember:

- *Parties are scheduled for one hour only.*
- *Parents will be able to enter at 8:45 am.*
- *Badges will be ready at the office if you are on the class list.*
- *EVERY PARENT (3rd, 4th, 5th) must come through our East Office.*
- *Student's siblings should not plan to attend parties, so the focus in on our East students!*
- *Parties will conclude at 10:00 sharp to clear lots for MS and HS dismissal.*
- *If you are the class volunteer and choose to take your student with you after the party, please sign them out with the teacher.*

APEX Fun Run: Our APEX Fun Run Fundraiser was absolutely incredible. Thanks to all of our families and friends for supporting us in our healthy efforts! Students learned and practiced great leadership skills as well as participating in an awesome day of running together. Together we raised **\$24,300** for our school. We can barely fathom the total amount raised. We plan to use these monies to purchase additional technology opportunities for students, to pay for field trips and to pay for our Fun Day/ Field Day activities in the spring. Thank you again for your support. We are overwhelmed with your generosity!

Piper East Family Fun Night and Holiday Book Fair: Family Fun Night was a HUGE success. Thank you for joining us for an evening of fun, food, books and bingo. The kids always remember those times when we are all together and fellowshiping. We will use the money earned



Upcoming Events

Celebration Assembly: Dec. 19

Dismissal at 11:30 – Dec. 19

Winter Parties: Dec. 20 @ 9-10a

Dismissal at 11:30 – Dec. 20

BREAK Dec. 21- Jan. 5

Students Return – Jan. 6, 2020

Pirate Ship Sails – Jan.10, Jan 24

Spelling Bee – Jan.17 @1:30

No School/ MLK Jr. Day – Jan20

SPOTLIGHT
~On East~



Victor, Haley and Brooklyn
~December Heroes~

from the book fair toward teacher's classroom libraries as well as purchasing Scholastic Weekly Readers, Science Works magazines and other Scholastic resources our teachers use to extend learning for students.

Spelling Bee: We will host our annual spelling bee on Friday, January 17. Fourth and Fifth grade classrooms will have their own classroom contest to determine who will represent their class at the bee on that day. Parents of those class representatives will receive an invitation from their classroom teacher once that list has been determined. Please watch for more information from your classroom teacher.

Community Service/Projects of Giving: Students at Piper East have done some special things this holiday season to promote community. Mrs. Damron's fifth grade has been learning to knit this year. They made beautiful scarves for the homeless and had a visit this week from Bobbie Jo representing The Healing House. It was a beautiful way to reach out and share love and warmth this season. Mrs. Carey and her coding club have conducted a pet drive to collect food, blankets and supplies to donate to a local animal shelter. Both are examples of doing for others just because it is the right thing to do. Love the hearts of our children and our teachers for leading them to do good things.



Pirate Time: Students are working every day for 30 minutes on Math or Reading in a Multi-tiered System of Support (MTSS) based on test scores, classroom performance, and data collection. We have our "Pirate Time" at 8:30 every morning and all East Adults are working hard with groups of students. Ask your student what they are working on in Pirate Time. It has been a wonderful way to keep students on top of basic skills as well as extend learning for students that are ready to do so.

Lunch Account info: Did you know that you can set up your Skyward account so that you can receive email notifications when your child's lunch account dips below \$5.00? Here are the quick and easy steps to do just that so that you can stay on top of your child's lunch account.

1. Log into your child's Skyward account
2. Click on "My Account" in the top right hand corner
3. Under Email Notifications click the box that says, "receive email notifications that food service balance is under \$5.00"
4. Save

Band: Band is finished until January 13. Watch email for updates from Ms. Teters.

Art Twitter: Mrs. Haworth would love you to follow us at @PiperEastArt

Visiting for Lunch: Families are welcome to visit and have lunch with your student. If you bring in outside lunch, you may only bring it for your own student. Your student may invite one friend to sit with you at the visitor's lunch table. *If you are dropping off a hot/ fast food lunch, please plan to stay and eat with your student.*

School Safety Procedures: In order to provide safety and security for our students, we will continue to follow school safety procedures regarding visitors entering the building for any reason. We will continue to use the Raptor System, which is in place in the office. You will need to present your driver's license to enter the building. Thank you for helping us keep our kids safe!

Parking Lot Drop-off and Pick-Up: **For the safety of our students, please wait with your child until 8:10 to drop off ANY student as 8:10 is when staff are on duty. Thank you.** Be mindful in parking lots for students walking and crossing the lots. We want everyone safe and in place ready to learn every day! We think that the drop off and pick up procedures are in good standing. Thank you for being careful and attentive. Please remember to drive slowly through all school lots!

5th Grade Arrival: Because 5th grade classrooms are in the middle school, students should be dropped off no later than 8:20 to be in their classroom ready to learn by **8:25**. Doors will be locked promptly at 8:25 so if running behind, your student will have to enter the **East front doors** to get a tardy slip and that will only make them later to class.

Transportation changes: Any changes must be made by 2:30 on the day the change **through the office**. Please do not just tell your student or the teacher. The office will ensure your student's teacher is notified in time for your child to arrive home safely. Half-Day dismissal transportation changes will need to be called by 10:30 am. Piper East office number is **913-721-5000**.

Absences: In the event your student is ill and will miss the day of school it is the parent's responsibility to **call the office at 721-5000** and let Mrs. Hobelmann know before 9:00am. Thank you for sharing in our concern that all students are safely where they are supposed to be!