

Wilkins Elementary School

March 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 3/6/17 NO SCHOOL: Pulaski Day
- 3/12/17 Push clocks ahead one hour!
- 3/14/17 K-2 Family Reading Night @ 6:30pm
- 3/15/17 End of 3rd Quarter
- 3/22/17 Report Cards Issued
- 3/27/17 - 3/31/17 NO SCHOOL:
Spring Break
- 4/3/17 Classes Resume



Notes from Dr. Serdar:

As we embark on the last quarter of the school year, it's important to ask yourself if you are helping your child live a healthy lifestyle. Children need good health and physical well-being to learn. Are you setting your child up for success by helping him establish healthy habits?

- Do you enforce a regular bedtime? Being well-rested will help your child focus in school.
- Do you provide breakfast for your child? Research shows that students who skip breakfast in the morning don't do as well in school as students who do eat breakfast.
- Do you encourage your child to eat nutritious snacks, including fruits and vegetables?
- Do you encourage your child to have an outlet for stress, such as exercising or writing in a journal?

If you answered *yes* to these questions, that means you are helping your child establish healthy habits.



Arrival: 8:30a.m. Dismissal: 2:45p.m.

5th Grade Heritage Poster Contest Winners

Fifth grade students from Wilkins Elementary School participated in the annual Hickory Hills Sertoma Heritage Poster Contest. Students were encouraged to use their creativity when decorating the provided poster. Winners from the contest were invited to attend a breakfast hosted by the Hickory Hills Sertoma Club. At this ceremony, selected winners received recognition and awards for their participation.



To report an absence, please call our attendance line:
(708) 496-8706

Calling All Substitutes!

Indian Springs School District #109 is looking to add to its list of available substitute teachers and paraprofessionals. If you are interested in being a substitute in our School District, please contact Mary Ann Hotzfield, School District Receptionist, at (708)496-8700. The eligibility requirement to be a substitute teacher is to possess a teaching license or substitute teacher license (the substitute teacher license requires a Bachelor's Degree). The eligibility requirement to be a substitute paraprofessional is to possess a paraprofessional license. Feel free to contact Mary Ann Hotzfield for further details.

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Advanced Registration for the 2017-18 School Year

Don't forget to take advantage of the School District #109 Advanced Registration Process! Those who are eligible are strongly encouraged to participate! When the process is successfully completed, your child(ren) are officially registered for school for the upcoming school year. In turn, your presence during the General Registration Period in August will not be required. The Advanced Registration Process will open the first day of school attendance following our Spring Break and will continue into the summer. At that time, parents/guardians are invited to request an Advanced Registration Packet from their current school. Eligibility requirements for the 2017-2018 school year will include, but not be limited to, students registering for grades 1-8 who will be returning to the same District #109 school as in the previous school year. The only exception to this rule will be those students that will be advancing from sixth grade to the junior high school. We look forward to a successful and beneficial Advanced Registration procedure as we head into the 2017-2018 academic year!



JANUARY VIKINGS OF THE MONTH

The following students showed exceptional acts of citizenship, kindness, and respect in our school. Congratulations!

K-2: Gavin Stange

3-4: Klaudia Bober

5-6: Javonna Smith

PARCC Incentive Week: March 20th – 24th "March Madness"



Monday: Team Pennant Day

Classes will create their own Team Pennant

Tuesday: Mad Hatter Day

Bring and wear your very own crazy hat. For ideas, check out this link <http://bit.ly/2lgS63M>

Wednesday: Mad Libs Day

Classes will work on a Mad Lib in class

Thursday: Mad Mismatch Day

Wear as many mismatched clothing items as possible.

Friday: Team Spirit Day

Students should wear as much of their classroom team colors as possible.

Band and Orchestra News

March-April 2017

Dear band and orchestra parents,

The band and orchestra have been hard at work these past few months. Many of the Intermediate Band and Orchestra students also participated in the annual Solo and Ensemble Competition. It was a morning filled with music! The band just had their winter concert on February 28th, while the orchestra will have their concert on March 1st. Some events coming up to look for are as follows:

Saturday, March 18, 2017:

Music in the Schools Band Festival at Argo High School

Students should arrive at Argo at 9:45 a.m. with their instruments, music, and be dressed in their concert uniform that day. Students will have a joint rehearsal with the Junior Highs and the High School bands. The concert starts at 11:00 a.m. in the Argo Swanson Gym. All band families will be responsible for transportation.

A Little Night Music Community Orchestra Festival at Argo High School

Students are to report to Argo High School at 2:30 p.m. with their instruments, music, and be dressed in their concert uniform. Students will have a joint rehearsal with the Junior High and the High School. The concert will begin at 4:00 P.M. All orchestra families will be responsible for transportation.

Saturday, April 15:

District 109 Band-O-Rama and Orchestra Festival at Wilkins School

All band and orchestra will be participating in this event. Students will have the opportunity to see and hear other bands and orchestras perform during the day. Performance times will be decided at a later date.



How We Learn Around Our School

