



Anderson Elementary '09-'10

All-Star Gazer

Teaming up for Success



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TAKS Simulation Information

The following TAKS Simulation dates are coming up: **February 2** – 5th Grade Math, **February 3** – 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Grade Reading, and **February 4** – 5th Grade Science.

Please remember to NOT schedule vacation / doctor appointments on these days and also no visitors, volunteers or lunch visitors are allowed on these days.



6th Grade Scholarship Fundraising Events

Cash for Cans: Friday, January 29th 7:30 – 8:00 am

Please drop your cans to be recycled at the main entry drop off area.

George Anderson Crazy Hat Day: Friday, January 29th

Bring \$1 and a hat to wear and support our George Anderson Scholarship Fund.



Val-O-Grams: Be looking for Val-O-Grams to go on SALE beginning Monday, February 1st thru February 11th. Val-O-Grams will be \$1 and will be delivered on Friday, February 12th.

All proceeds from these events will benefit the 6th Grade Scholarship fund. Scholarships are awarded to AHS Seniors that attended Anderson Elementary.

6th Grade Girls – Curtis Cheerleader Info



Please see the flyer at the bottom of the newsletter for important information and dates regarding Cheerleading Parent Meetings and Tryouts.

Counselor's Comments



Watch DOGS:

In February, we have the following open dates: **Feb 9th, 10th, 16th, 18th, 25th, and 26th.**

Let's get those dates filled! Here's the link to the calendar:

http://www.allenisd.org/2007207291528280/icalsw/calendar.asp?Cal=em&calendar_ID=10572

Remember to email Michelle Gilbert at michelle_gilbert@allenisd.org with the open date you want, complete your background check through Allen ISD, and order a t-shirt! We look forward to having you join the Watch DOGS pack!

CORE ESSENTIALS:

January's Core Essential is **Self - Discipline**. **Self-Discipline** means doing what you need to do so you can grow.

AIM FOR SUCCESS:

Attention 6th Grade Parents: **PTA is once again providing our 6th grade students the opportunity to attend the AIM for Success program.** The program will be held at school during school hours on **Friday, January 29th.** This 45 minute - 1 hour program encourages students to remain abstinent until marriage by giving them information about the hazards of sexual activity. For more information about AIM for Success, check out their website: www.aimforsuccess.org.

Students received a permission slip in their Thursday folder last week. This permission slip **MUST** be signed and returned by tomorrow, **January 27th,** for your child to participate in this program. Students whose parents do not want them to attend or who do not have a signed permission slip will be placed with one of the sixth grade classes not attending that particular session.

REGISTRATION FOR 6TH GRADE TO 7TH GRADE:

Attention 6th Grade Parents: Curtis Middle School counselors will be having an informational meeting about registration for next school year on **February 23 at 6:30 pm** at Curtis Middle School. They will be discussing the registration process plus any questions you may have about your child attending Curtis Middle School. Please mark your calendars!

Allen ISD Eagle Run

March 6, 2010



The Allen Eagle Run Official Entry Form will be coming home soon. Please complete and return the form and your payment to school by **February 12, 2010**.

This event is sponsored by the Foundation for Allen Schools and Allen Council of PTAs. The run benefits the Foundation for Allen Schools, the Allen Council of PTAs, individual campus PTAs and Allen ISD physical education departments. The money raised will go toward funding teacher and student scholarships, P.E. and PTA programs. Get more info at www.alleneaglerun.com

2010 Black History Month Annual Celebration "In appreciation for paving the way to Success"

Presented by: Lowery Freshman Center Student Council

Friday, February 5th at 6:30 pm in the Lowery Auditorium

Tickets: \$5 for adults and \$3 for students with school ID



Mother – Son Dance



The eighth annual Mother/Son Sweetheart Dance will be held on **Saturday, February 6 from 7 - 9 p.m.** in the Allen High School cafeteria. The annual dance is sponsored by Allen ISD Community Education and includes DJ music, refreshments and surprises. The evening is open to preschool through sixth grade boys and their mothers. Allen ISD sponsors the Mother/Son dance as a follow-up to the popular Father-Daughter Ball. For additional information contact Sandra Lovesey at 972-727-0502.

Gifted & Talented

Allen ISD will hold a meeting for parents of students in grades 1 through 11 interested in learning more about the identification process for the Gifted and Talented Program on **Tuesday, January 26, 2010** at Curtis Middle School beginning at 6:30 p.m. CogAT aptitude screening registration forms will be available at the parent meeting.

ACO Care & Share Donations

In the month of January, we are collecting **bathroom tissue**. Just drop your items in the bin by the side entrance near the Kindergarten classrooms.

All your donations help families here in Allen.

Cheryl Danielson, rclcrd@sbcglobal.net



Box Tops for Education – January Collection Contest



This month two students will have the opportunity to win a Webkinz! Each student that brings 10 Box Tops will have their name submitted in a drawing for this prize. **Multiple Box Tops can be submitted – if you turn in 50 then your name will be submitted in the drawing 5 times.** The drawing will be held the first week in February to announce the winner.

Be sure to ask family members, friends, coworkers, neighbors or anyone else you know to help collect Box Tops!

Box Tops can be submitted in a plastic baggie with student name, grade and teacher written on the front. Please be sure to turn in your Box Tops to your teacher by **Friday, January 29th**.

Thanks for your support!

Sandy Rednour – Box Tops Coordinator

Scott Murray, Empowers Ford Middle School




Thursday, January 28th at 7 pm

Ford Middle School PTA is sponsoring a character enrichment program addressing essential principles for growing into a positive role model. Parents too, will get their fair share of empowerment as Scott Murray, former NBC5 Sportscaster and Author, speaks about the life lessons he learned through sports legends, adopted from his book "Whatever It Takes."


This inspiring and exciting event is free and open to the public so join in on the fun, Thursday evening, January 28th at 7 pm at Ford Middle School's Choir room and meet Scott Murray personally during the post-event book-signing session. Kids are welcome to cheer on the Mustang girl's basketball game that evening (tickets are \$5).

For more information contact Angel Carlton, Ford PTA President, at 972-727-0590 or angelcarlton@mac.com.

UPCOMING ALL-STAR EVENTS

Fri, Jan 29th	Tue, Feb 2nd	Wed, Feb 3rd	Thur, Feb 4th	Fri, Feb 5th
Cash for Cans Crazy Hat Day -- \$1 7:30 - 8:00 am George Anderson Day	TAKS Simulation 5th Grade Math Two Rows Spirit Night	TAKS Simulation 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th Grade Reading 	TAKS Simulation 5th Grade Science 	Chess Club 

LUNCH MENU

Wednesday, Jan 27	Thursday, Jan 28	Friday, Jan 29	Monday, Feb 1	Tuesday, Feb 2
Pepperoni Pizza Wedge Cheese Pizza Wedge Chef Salad w/ Turkey Iced Cinnamon Biscuit Veggie of the Day Garden Salad Sliced Pears Box of Raisins Red Jell-O	Baked Tostido Combo Hot Dog on a Bun Yogurt Combo w/ Muffin Steamed Rice Corn & Black Bean Salsa Baby Carrots Strawberries & Bananas Apple Half Sugar Cookie	Chicken Tenders Fish Nuggets & Corn Bread Turkey Sandwich w/ Chips Cucumber Slices Baked French Fries  Green Peas Banana Half Orange Smiles Green Jell-O	Hamburger / Cheeseburger Chicken Sandwich Turkey & Cheese Sub Italian Roast Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Sliced Peaches Fresh Apple Walnut Cherry Granola Bar Blue Jell-O	Pasta w/ Meat Sauce Uncrustable Grilled Cheese Chef Salad w/ Ham French Breadstick Veggie of the Day Celery Sticks Apricot Halves Orange Smiles Vanilla Pudding

Entire January Lunch Menu can be viewed by clicking on the link below:

http://www.allenisd.org/20061069152318433/lib/20061069152318433/January_Peanut_Free.pdf



MANDATORY

District Cheerleading Meeting & Tryout Information



- Who:** Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of students wanting to tryout for cheerleader for the 2010 – 2011 school year
- What:** Informative meeting explaining guidelines for cheerleading tryouts
- Date:** Thursday, February 11th, 2010
- Location:** Allen High School Cafeteria
- Time:** 6:30 PM

Cougar Cheer

Important Information:

- February 11, 2010:** Parent Meeting for ALL 2010 – 2011 AISD candidate parents
6:30 PM Candidate attendance is optional; however candidates are **strongly** encouraged to attend. If for any reason a parent is unable to attend, the sponsor **must** be contacted **prior** to the meeting.
- February 26, 2010:** ALL Cheerleader forms are due, **signed** to CMS Secretary
4:00 PM by 4:00 PM. Forms will be distributed at the 2-11-10 meeting. **NO LATE FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
- March 3 & 4, 2010:** Cheerleader tryout clinic for all candidates in the **Lowery South Gym**
4:00 – 6:00 PM
- Enter the gym from street along side of the tennis courts
 - Eat a snack before coming
 - Bring \$2.00 cash if you would like a copy of the 2010 – 2011 tryout music on CD
- March 5, 2010:** Review and practice – **Lowery South Gym**
4:00 – 6:00 PM
- March 8, 2010:** **7th & 8th Grade Tryouts**
3:45 – ???
- 7th grade candidates report to **Curtis Cafeteria** by 3:45 PM
 - 8th grade candidates report to **Curtis Cafeteria** by 4:15 PM
 - 7th grade judging begins at 4:00 PM
 - Candidates must remain until all judging is completed
- April 10, 2010:** Uniform and camp clothes fittings – payment due in full
8:00 AM

Cougar Cheer Sponsors: Lindsay Somerlott and Beth Beardshaw

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