



Anderson Elementary '09-'10

# All-Star Gazer

Teaming up for Success



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## Regional Science Fair Winners

A HUGE congratulation goes out to two Anderson students who received awards during the recent Elementary Regional Science Fair held at the Garland Events Center. **Zach Carpenter** won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade division and **Vineel Gajjala** won 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade division. We are very proud of your efforts – Congratulations!!!

## Cash for Cans – collection this **Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>** Smencils are on sale \$1 each



Both of these projects benefit the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade sponsored George Anderson Scholarship Fund.

## Anderson PTA Board



If you are interested in becoming more active in your child's school there are volunteer positions still open for next years PTA Board. We would love to have you as part of the Anderson PTA Board. To learn more about a specific position please contact Nikki Spurgin at [nikmoe@me.com](mailto:nikmoe@me.com). The following positions are currently open for the 2010-11 school year:

Competitive Bees  
Treasurer

Environmental  
Newsletter

Hospitality  
Spirit Wear

## Curtis Middle School PTA

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents – Curtis Middle School PTA is in need of volunteers to serve on the PTA Board for the 2010-11 school year. If you can help out or are interested in learning more about a specific position please contact Nicole Wulf at [nicole.wulf@yahoo.com](mailto:nicole.wulf@yahoo.com). The available positions are:

Assistant to the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Ways & Means  
Arts in Education / Reflections  
Teacher Appreciation

Secretary  
Volunteers Assistant  
Teacher Appreciation Assistant

Treasurer  
Lowery Liaison  
Citizenship



## Counselor's Comments



### Watch DOGS:

The open dates in **March** are the 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

The open dates in **April** are the 5<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>.

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

Remember to email Karen McWilliams at [karen\\_mcwilliams@allenisd.org](mailto:karen_mcwilliams@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:** March's Core Essential is **Honesty**. Honesty means watching what you say and do so others will trust you.

**PEER MEDIATION:** There will be a meeting this week on **Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>** in Room 132.

**SAFETY PATROL:** **Team B** is on duty.

**GUIDANCE LESSONS:** I will be in the Fourth Grade classrooms this week.

Mrs. McWilliams has returned from maternity leave and we are so happy to have her back!

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## Bottlecaps are BACK!!!

Bottlecaps are on sale again in the school office benefiting Relay for Life. \$3 bottlecaps and \$2 necklaces

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### Anderson is Creating Compassion through Colors!

Pride Council and K-Kids are teaming up to sponsor a crayon and coloring book drive. Please bring a new coloring book or pack of crayons (any size) to school to be donated to Children's Medical Center. These crayons and coloring books will be distributed to new patients as they are admitted to the hospital. We have a chance to help brighten a patient's day and show them that someone cares about them. There will be collection boxes in the front hall by the video wall. If you have any questions contact Kathy Spann.

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### ACO Care & Share Donations

In the month of March, we are collecting **diapers**. Just drop your items in the bin by the side entrance near the Kindergarten classrooms. Thanks for helping those in need here in Allen!



Cheryl Danielson, rlcdr@sbcglobal.net

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### Anderson Box Tops for Education News

During the month of March one student will have the opportunity to win a pass for 4 games of miniature golf at Adventure Landing! Thanks so much to Adventure Landing for donating this great prize! 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 April to announce the winner.

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, March 26th**.



Thanks for your support! *Sandy Rednour – Box Tops Coordinator*

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### Allen Council of PTA's

The Allen Council of PTAs nominating committee is currently seeking individuals interested in serving on the Council Board for the 2010-2011 school year. If you are interested in a position, know someone who is or would like more information, please contact a committee member. The committee members are Susan Jackson, susanmjackson@yahoo.com, Julie Nogaj, julienogaj@yahoo.com and Sheena Payne, spayne8405@yahoo.com

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### Kindergarten Round-Up

Registration for all Kindergarten students (not previously registered through sibling registration) will be held on **Thursday, March 25, from 3:30 – 5:00 PM**. If you have friends and/or neighbors in the Anderson attendance zone that do not have children in school currently, but will have a Kindergarten student next year, please encourage them to register on March 25<sup>th</sup>. It is very important that all Kindergarten students pre-register for the 2010-2011 school year. Children enrolling in other grades may do so beginning March 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### REQUIRED INFORMATION:

- Original Birth Certificate (Note: Children entering Kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2010 to be eligible to attend school in August).
- Social Security Card
- Original immunization record, with doctor validation, is required to register. **Immunizations must be up-to-date..please see Allen ISD website for more information.**
- Picture ID of parent or legal guardian (example: driver's license)
- Current utility bill
- And one of the following proofs of residency:
  - Settlement Statement
  - Lease Agreement
  - Voter Registration Card
  - Residency Affidavit (pick up in school office)



## March is National Nutrition Month

New breakfast menu will be offered at elementary & middle schools.

Resources: School Nutrition Association website contains "Tools for Kids"

<http://docs.schoolnutrition.org/meetingsandevents/nsbw2010/>

American Dietetic Association website contains "Interactive Quiz" (Are you eating right?)

<http://www.eatright.org/NNM/>

Education World contains many classroom activities

[http://www.educationworld.com/a\\_special/nutrition.shtml](http://www.educationworld.com/a_special/nutrition.shtml)






### Dismissal Information – PLEASE READ!!!

We are experiencing a large amount of traffic congestion at the back of the school near the playground during dismissal. For the safety of our students, please follow the pick up procedures established by the school by picking students up in the younger car rider or older car rider lines on each side of the building. These lines flow much quicker this year due to the decrease in our student population.

In addition, please allow time for all of our students to be dismissed before using the playground area. Thank you for your cooperation.



### UPCOMING ALL-STAR EVENTS

Tue, March 23	Thurs, March 25	Fri, March 26	Sat, March 27	Fri, April 2
<b>Class Pictures</b>	<b>Kindergarten Registration</b>	<b>Cash for Cans</b>	<b>Jr. Tallenette Dance Clinic</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
	<b>3:30 - 5:00 pm</b>		<b>9am - 3pm</b>	

### LUNCH MENU

Wednesday, Mar 24	Thursday, Mar 25	Friday, Mar 26	Monday, Mar 29	Tuesday, Mar 30
Pepperoni Pizza Wedge Cheese Pizza Wedge Taco Chef Salad Multi-grain Garlic Toast Cucumber Slices Creamed Spinach Banana Apricot Crisp Red Jell-O	Tyson Crisпитos Bueno Bean Burrito Turkey & Cheese Sub Steamed Rice Garden Salad Baked Beans Rosy Applesauce Orange Smiles Chocolate Chip Cookie	Chicken Tenders Meatball Sandwich Yogurt Combo w/ Apple Cinnamon Muffin Fresh Baked Roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Pears & Cherries Apple Green Jell-O	Hamburger / Cheeseburger Chicken Tetrizzini Corn Dog Cheesy Garlic Breadstick Green Beans Cauliflower w/ cheese Sliced Pears Orange Smiles Red Jell-O	Steak Finger Baked Chicken Chef Salad w/ Egg Fresh Baked Roll French Fries Golden Corn & Carrots Sliced Peaches Apple Chocolate Pudding



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

[http://www.allenisd.org/20061069152318433/lib/20061069152318433/March\\_Peanut\\_Aware\\_Elem\\_Lunch.pdf](http://www.allenisd.org/20061069152318433/lib/20061069152318433/March_Peanut_Aware_Elem_Lunch.pdf)