



Anderson Elementary '09-'10

All-Star Gazer

Teaming up for Success



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Country Fair THANK YOU!!

Thank you all so much for helping make this year's Country Fair a great success for our children. Without all the great Anderson volunteers we would not have been able to do it.

A special thanks to Mrs. McDaniel, Mrs. Hinson, Mrs. Douglas, and Bret Kurtz for stepping up and FREEZING in the dunk tank!

Thanks so much!!!

Shannon Garbett, Country Fair Coordinator and Nancy Brown, Volunteer Coordinator



Counselor's Comments – Mrs. McWilliams

It was great to see so many of you at the Country Fair! Hopefully you noticed our new Watch DOGS display. If you've been a Watch Dog at our school this year, check out the hallway cafeteria wall! I'm working to get everyone's picture up on the Wall of Fame! In addition to pictures, I've also added the calendars. If you are up at school and sign up for date, please let me or Mrs. Welch know. November dates are almost full. Now we need to work on December!!! ☺ If you would like more information on Watch DOGS, please refer to my webpage on the Anderson website.

Community Resources:

I know that the economy has taken a toll on so many of us. If you find yourself or your family in need of anything from food and financial assistance to clothes, health care and glasses, etc... please, please, please let me know. I have many resources available to our families. It is all confidential and the information and MANY of the services are *free!*

Peer Mediation:

We will have our regularly scheduled meeting on **Wednesday** from 2:55-3:40 in room 132.

Safety Patrol:

Team B will begin their Safety Patrol duty on **Monday, October 26th**. Be looking for new faces in the orange vests. If your student has any questions or concerns about his/her duty, please contact me.

Red Ribbon Week is next week!

We have planned a fun week that incorporates research based prevention strategies in to each activity. We have 5 themes for the week and each one is intended to support the development of "protective factors" which help young people develop the skills and competencies they need to make healthy choices every day.

Our Red Ribbon Themes for the week are:

- Monday, October 26 – Caring Relationships
- Tuesday, October 27 – High Expectations
- Wednesday, October 28 – Meaningful Participation
- Thursday, October 29 – Safe Places
- Friday, October 30 – Positive Activities



Research has shown that when these external protective factors are presents in children's live across multiple domains (at home, at school, in the community, and among their peers), they make healthier choices and do better in school. Ask your student about the activities and discussions they have been having surrounding these topics!

Special Activities for the week are:

- Monday:** Spirit Rally – Pride Council President and Vice President Speeches
PTA Program – No Bullying program by the Morris Brothers for K-3 at 8:30 and 4-6 at 9:30
"Keep your head in the game!" – Wear class (team) shirts
Students will get Red Ribbon Week wrist band.
- Tuesday:** "Give drugs the slip!" – Wear slippers to school! (Make sure you also bring recess appropriate shoes!!!)
- Wednesday:** "Living drug free is no sweat!" – Wear college sweatshirt.
- Thursday:** "Band together against drugs!" – Wear red and....do you still have your wrist band on???
- Friday:** Reading with the Eagles!!!
"Team up against drugs!" Wear any Allen Eagles spirit shirt.

Cash for Cans this Friday, Oct. 23rd

Drop off your cans before school at the main entry doors!! Money raised goes to the 6th Grade Scholarship fundraiser.

Specials Awards 1st Six Weeks – CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

	ART	MUSIC	PE
Kindergarten	Tatum Tallal Graham Doffing	Mallory Nock Quinton Douglas	Jacob Strahan Reese Kuester
1 st Grade	Logan Drawert Namrata Srivatsa	Maddie Linsteadt Vincent Vo	Joseph Cho Karsyn Kelly
2 nd Grade	Chris Griffin Jordan Tucker	Angela Liu Justin Tran	Greyson Greenwalt Peyton Kuester
3 rd Grade	Ben Bradford Sin Yi Zhou	Stefani Staley Christopher Smetzer	Cal Murphy Taylor Elliott
4 th Grade	Sarah Clark Peyton Jefferson	Olivia Kay Johnathan Gressick	Gabe Salomone Sierra Logan
5 th Grade	Parker Rexford Alaina Yukich	Marcie Sedgley Mark Hedges	Emily Shriner Greyson Dean
6 th Grade	Payton Hasik Tyler Ratanamongkala	Angela Chang Robert Johnson	Tyler Smith Lauren McClellan

PE News from Coach Tucker



CONGRATULATIONS to the following students for winning Anderson's Punt, Pass, and Kick competition:

Kelsey Pumphrey	Ethan McKinney
Annelise Metivier	Jack Breese
Payton Esparza	Colson Brandt

Rudolph Run:

Sign up for this year's Rudolph Run. For every entry we have for Anderson Elementary School one of the coaches will get a pie in the face. For example, if you have 5 people signed up in your family then 5 pies will be thrown at the coaches. \$5.00 from each entry comes straight back to Anderson and is a tax deduction for you. Please support the P.E. program and sign up by **November 9th**.

Marathon Club:

We will be having our first meeting **November 4th**. This will be a short introductory meeting. It will be in the gym from 3:00-3:15. Please have rides for your children ready at 3:15 right outside of the gym hallway.

Veteran's Day Program



On **Nov. 12 at 7:00 p.m.**, the 5th grade students will honor our veterans and family members serving in the armed forces with a Veteran's Day program.

This program will pay tribute to servicemen and women of Allen families and will celebrate other national heroes as well. We would like to honor as many Allen veterans as possible. We're asking all Anderson families to help us spread the word about the program to any non-Anderson veterans you may know (neighbors, community members, etc). If you know a veteran who no longer has school-aged children, please extend them an invitation so we may honor their service to our country.

One way that we would like to acknowledge our veterans and servicemen/women is with a slide show. Please send any pictures of former and present servicemen/women (preferably in their uniform) to the music room. You may send these pictures electronically to cheryl_goodwin@allenisd.org or send them on a CD with your student. Do not send in original photos. Include the following information if possible:

Name of military personnel

Branch of armed services

Years of service (if known)

Relationship to Anderson student (e.g. uncle of Suzie Q, 3rd grade or neighbor to Peggie Sue, Kindergarten)

Turn in your BOXTOPS by this Friday, October 23rd!!!!!!

Reflections Program Information

"BEAUTY IS..." 2009-2010 Reflections Program

Creativity Expressed Through the Arts

Due Date: 10:00 a.m. **Friday, October 30**

Look for more information to be sent home soon.

Forms and Rules can also be found at: www.txpta.org/programs/reflections



Student Network Access from Home

Students in grades 3–12 who have a home computer with an Internet service, Microsoft Windows, and Internet Explorer can access files on their AISD H drive (Home Drive) and Microsoft Office applications (Access, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, and Word) on AISD servers through Citrix's XenApp.

Student Remote Access Quick Start Guide

These instructions assume you are using Windows operating system and Internet Explorer as your browser.

1. Log onto the computer with a user that has administrative rights to the computer.
2. Open Internet Explorer.
3. Go to the website sr.allenisd.org
4. Click the "Click here to obtain the client software" link.
5. Click the Download button.
6. In the File Download Security box, click "Run"
7. In the Internet Explorer Security box, click "Run"
8. Select English or another language for the setup instructions.
9. A "Citrix Presentation Sever Client – Web Only Setup" window will open, click the Next button
10. Accept the license agreement
11. On the Ready to Install screen, click the Next button
12. If there were no problems with the installation, you will see a message indicating the installation was successful. Click the Finish button.
13. Close Internet Explorer and re-open it
14. Use your network user name and password to login
15. Click on the icon labeled SR Secondary desktop
16. A "TIP: Exiting Full Screen Mode" warning may appear. If it does, read the warning then select the "Do not show this dialog box again" option, then click the OK button.
17. To end the session, click on the Start button, then Logoff.
18. If you have problems with the install, please refer to the complete installation and troubleshooting instructions on the website.

If you require further information concerning Student SR Remote Access from Home, please reference the [Help Files](#) at sr.allenisd.org.

K-Kids and Pride Council Project

Anderson All-Stars are joining Kyle's Krew in the fight against brain cancer!

K-Kids and Pride Council are sponsoring a fund-raiser to help Anderson kindergarten student, Kyle Murray, in his efforts to raise money to educate others and help fight brain cancer. We are joining Kyle to celebrate his own victory over brain cancer. Don't miss your opportunity to buy a yellow STAR that will be displayed showing your support. STARS go on sale **Tuesday, October 13th** and will be sold for several weeks. The cost of each STAR is \$1.00. All donations received will benefit The National Brain Tumor Society.

ACO Care & Share Donations

Thank you for all the personal hygiene donations you brought for ACO during the month of September. These items will go directly to families here in Allen. Great job!

In the month of October, we are collecting **Trash bags** of any kind. Just drop your items in the bin by the side entrance near the Kindergarten classrooms.

Thanks for helping your community!

Cheryl Danielson
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Newsletter Submission Information



This newsletter is distributed every Tuesday via e-mail from your child's teacher. Article submissions should be forwarded to allstar_newsletter@yahoo.com. **Deadline for submittals is Friday evening at 5:00 pm.**

AISD Seeks Community Input regarding the 2010-2011 AISD Academic Calendar



The 2010-2011 academic calendar drafts will be posted on the AISD website for community input from October 16, 2009 through November 13, 2009. The Calendar Committee is charged with gathering community input and recommending a calendar that is instructionally sound. We welcome your input, especially the reasoning behind your choice of calendars drafts.

Beginning October 16, after viewing the calendar drafts on the AISD website, please send your comments to calendar_committee@allenisd.org.

Anderson Yearbook Pictures

Get your pictures in the yearbook! The Yearbook Staff invites you to submit your photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school activities we'd like to see them. Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have.

Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to: <https://images.jostens.com/login>
- Enter username: 400004493 and Password: anderson
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details"



It's that easy! Submit your photos today! **The last day to submit photos is 2/1/2010.**

** The Yearbook Adviser will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions can be used in the book.

Yearbook Orders

It's time to order your All-Star Yearbook!

Exciting news for this year: Every page of our Anderson yearbook will be in FULL COLOR! The price for the yearbook will still be \$20 during the pre-sale! Yearbooks will arrive in May, but don't delay, because you are not guaranteed a yearbook unless you pre-order. (Extras, if available will be sold first-come, first-served and the price will be \$25.)

You won't want to miss out on this year's book!

You may order online with NO extra service fee! Go to www.jostensyearbooks.com and order today!!

UPCOMING ALL-STAR EVENTS CALENDAR

Mon 19th - Wed 21st	Thursday, Oct 22	Mon 26th - Fri 30th	Tuesday, Oct 27
5th Grade to Sky Ranch 	Picture Retakes 	Red Ribbon Week 	Positive Proof ID Pictures 

LUNCH

Wednesday, Oct 21	Thursday, Oct 22	Friday, Oct 23	Monday, Oct 26	Tuesday, Oct 27
Pepperoni Pizza Cheese Pizza Chef Salad w/ Ham Pasta Salad Florentine Green Beans Baby Carrots Banana Half Box of Raisins Red Jell-O	Baked Tostido Combo Turkey Hot Dog Yogurt Combo Steamed Rice Baked Beans Garden Salad Apricot Halves Apple Half Reduced Fat Sugar Cookie	Chicken Tenders Fish Shapes Egg Salad Sandwich w/ Baked Chips Macaroni and Cheese Green Peas Cucumber Slices Strawberry & Bananas Orange Smiles Green Jell-O	Hamburger/Cheeseburger Shrimp Poppers w/ Rice Turkey Sandwich w/ Baked Chips Low Fat Blueberry Muffin Mixed Vegetables Squash Casserole Apple Half Sliced Peaches Blue Jell-O 	Pasta w/ Meat Sauce Chicken Sandwich Chef Salad w/ Chicken Salad French Breadstick Celery Sticks Veggie of the Day Fruit Salad Orange Smiles Vanilla Pudding

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

http://www.allenisd.org/20061069152318433/lib/20061069152318433/Oct.09-Peanut_Aware.doc