



Anderson Elementary '09-'10

All-Star Gazer

Teaming up for Success



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Counselor's Comments – Mrs. McWilliams

Watch DOGS:

Our Watch DOGS calendar is looking great for November! I have entered all of the dates taken and openings for the entire year on my webpage. For open days, look for a purplish box that says "Watch DOGS position open". If you would like a certain day that is open, email me and I will put you on the calendar. For other instructions on what to do from there, check out the Watch DOGS webpage. I will be sending off another t-shirt order soon. Please return the t-shirt order form (attached to bottom of newsletter) with a check attached made out to Anderson PTA. You can turn in the form to your student's teacher. He/she will get it to me.

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

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

Core Essentials:

Don't forget that our Core Essential of the Month is **individuality**. It refers not only to what makes us special and unique, but how we can use our special and unique talents to help each other.

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:

No Peer Mediation Meeting this week.

Safety Patrol:

Team B began their duty on Monday. Team A did a wonderful job and was quite helpful. I'm sure Team B will do an excellent job as well. If your student is on Safety Patrol and he/she has a question about his/her position or schedule, please check the information sheet posted outside the door leading to my office and teacher boxes. Morning duty begins at 7:30 and is over at 7:50. Afternoon duty begins when class is dismissed until a minute or two after 3:00. All afternoon Safety Patrol members should be picked up no later than 3:05.



Red Ribbon Week is this 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: "Keep your head in the game!" – Wear class (team) shirts

Spirit Rally

PTA Program – No Bullying program by the Morris Brothers for K-3 at 8:30 and 4-6 at 9:30

Students will get a Red Ribbon Week wrist band to be worn all week.

Tuesday: "Give drugs the slip!" – Wear slippers to school! (Also bring recess/specials appropriate shoes!!!)

Wednesday: "Living drug free is no sweat!" – Wear college sweatshirt.

Thursday: "Band together against drugs!" – Wear RED! Do you still have your wrist band on???

Friday: "Team up against drugs!" Wear any Allen Eagles spirit shirt.

Reading with the Eagles!!!



Reading with the Eagles this FRIDAY!!!!

Wear your Eagles spirit wear and bring \$1 to buy a Spirit Ribbon.



SHOOTING STARS – September ‘09

Congratulations to our Shooting Stars for September!! Remember, you too could be a Shooting Star. Don't forget to Strive for Success, Try Your Best, Always Have a Positive Attitude, Respect Yourself and Others and Set Goals. And for the Month of October our Core Essential is "INDIVIDUALITY".

KINDERGARTEN: Ella Morgan, Mallory Nock, Reese Kuester, Kathy Yan, Monique Inglehart

1st GRADE: Kasey Taylor, Taylor Ortiz-Sanchez, Dekan Blacker, Joseph Cho, Veda Peapully

2nd GRADE: Ismael Mendez, Abbie Heidenreich, Sydney Nguyen, Calvin Piepenburg

3rd GRADE: Sonja Zimmerman, Caeden Gorhan, Beau Lytle, Morgan Hargrove, Ryan Chiem

4th GRADE: Charlotte Ramsey, Ayushi Patel, Anna Shovlin, DaLinda Brown, Elizabeth Endres

5th GRADE: Caleb McGee, Avery Megee, Aubrie Babin, Stoney Murphy

6th GRADE: Jeffrey Catalano, Floyd Horng, Alyssa Kaufman, Sierra Ramos



Allen ISD Honor Choir

Congratulations to the following students who auditioned and have been accepted in the Allen ISD Honor Choir!

Alison Bachellor (6th), Kennedy Martinez (6th), Tyler Ratanamongkala (6th)

Briana Bui (5th), Kioko Jahn (5th), Arden van Beek (5th)

The first performance of the Allen ISD Honor Choir will be a holiday performance with the Allen Philharmonic on Dec. 18. This will be a great concert featuring the talents of these fine singers. You won't want to miss it!

“One Check” Donations



We are still accepting “One Check” donations in hopes of making it closer to our yearly goal.

If you have not made you donation this year you can bring your check to the Chili Cook Off on **November 19th**.

Please remember that 100% of you donation goes directly to Anderson Elementary and is used to provide special PTA programs and activities for the students all year, grade level activities, teacher appreciation events, grade level and specials funds for special activities planned by the teachers, and soooo many more things. Please help us keep the wonderful activities already planned for this school year by making your donation.

Anderson Fundraiser Nights – New Allen Locations

The following local Allen businesses will donate money back to Anderson when you visit them on the following dates:

Paciugo in Watters Creek	November 4th
Two Rows	November 10th
Chick-Fil-A	November 12th
Yogurtville	November 18th

Allen ISD Community Drug Forum

Allen High School Cafeteria

Tuesday, October 27 at 7 PM

- Allen Police Department Officers will be available to answer your questions.
- FREE First Check™ drug-testing kits to the first 100 families in attendance.
- Drugs and drug paraphernalia will be on display.
- Snacks and beverages provided by the Allen High School PTSA.

Topics to be addressed:

- What drugs are being used by Allen ISD students?
- How will I know if my child is using drugs?
- What can I do if my child is abusing drugs or alcohol?

Due to the nature of the topics addressed, only parents are asked to attend.

For additional information, please contact Jennifer Atencio at 972.727.0400 ext. 5236

Safety Tips – Walking to School

Attention Parents:

We encourage parents to discuss safe practices as they walk to and from school each day. Please help your child find the safest, most visible route to and from school. You should have a system where your child always keeps you informed if they are not walking straight home. They should know safe practices in dealing with strangers and know how to get help if they find themselves needing assistance. Make arrangements for your child to walk to and from school with others and make sure your child knows his/her address and phone number in case they get lost. Teaching your child to use good judgment and common sense will help them have a safe year traveling to school.

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)
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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



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

Don't Forget!! We are collecting **Trash bags** of any kind this month. Just drop your items in the bin by the side entrance near the Kindergarten classrooms.

Thanks for helping your community!

Cheryl Danielson
rlcrrd@sbcglobal.net



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 calendar 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!!



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.**

UPCOMING ALL-STAR EVENTS CALENDAR

Friday, Nov 6	Thursday, Nov 12	Friday, Nov 13	Nov 23 thru 27
Day of Discovery Math 	5th Grade Program	Chess Club in Science Lab 	Thanksgiving Break 

LUNCH

Wednesday, Oct 28	Thursday, Oct 29	Friday, Oct 30	Monday, Nov 2	Tuesday, Nov 3
Pepperoni Pizza Cheese Pizza Spinach Chef Salad Fresh Baked Roll Whole Kernel Corn Crispy Zucchini Fruit of the Day Sliced Pears Green Jell-O	Chicken Enchiladas Vegetable Quesadilla String Cheese, Turkey Slices & Cracker Combo Homestyle Biscuit Garden Salad Refried Beans Apple Half Banana Half Reduced Fat Carnival Cookie	Chicken Tenders Sloppy Joes Yogurt & Cereal Pouch Bread Basket Baked French Fries Green Beans Peach Crisp Orange Smiles Holiday Ice Cream Cup 	Hamburger/Cheeseburger Mozzarella Sticks w/ Marinara Sauce Turkey & Cheese Sub Buttered Noodles Green Peas Garden Medley Apple Half, Box of Raisins Blue Jell-O	BBQ Baked Potato Orange Chicken & Rice Chef Salad w/ Ham Homemade Cornbread Herb Broccoli & Cauliflower Kernel Corn Orange Smiles Rosy Applesauce Mango Sherbet

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

http://www.allenisd.org/20061069152318433/lib/20061069152318433/November09- Peanut_Aware.pdf

Watch DOGS T-shirt Order Form

Parent Name(s): _____

Student(s) Name(s): _____ Teacher: _____

_____ Teacher: _____

_____ Teacher: _____



\$12	\$14
___ small	___ 2XL
___ medium	___ 3XL
___ large	___ 4XL
___ XL	___ 5XL



\$14
___ youth small
___ y medium
___ y large
___ y XL
___ adult small



\$12	\$12
___ youth small	___ adult small
___ y medium	___ a medium
___ y large	___ a large
___ y XL	___ a XL
	___ a 2XL



\$14
___ youth small
___ y medium
___ y large
___ y XL
___ adult small



\$12
___ adult small
___ a medium
___ a large
___ a XL
___ a 2XL



\$14	\$17
___ adult small	___ adult 2XL
___ a medium	___ 3XL
___ a large	
___ a XL	

Total # of shirts ordered: _____	Total amount paid: _____
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Starred shirt is the "Official" Watch DOGS uniform that dads order. Others are available to students and moms. © Make checks payable to Anderson PTA.