



# Eagle Nest Elementary News

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*"Freedom...Spirit...and the Pursuit of Excellence!"*

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## **Our Mission**

**EES is dedicated to providing a solid foundation for all children to learn, grow and succeed.**

## **Our Vision**

**Our vision at EES is to be a safe, caring and positive environment where knowledge and skills are integrated to provide student success in a changing world.**

## **Dates to Remember**

December/January

- 16 PTA Fine Arts Program/6:30 PM
- 19 Preschool Club/10:30 AM
- Terrific Kids/9 AM
- Rotation #2 begins
- Pajama Day
- Last day for students
- 22-Jan 5 Winter Break
- Jan 6 Students return
- SIC/6 PM PTA Board/7 PM
- 9 Spirit Day
- 12 Rotation #3 Begins,
- School Board Meeting 7/PM
- 13 Chick-fil-A Night/5-8 PM
- 14 Early Dismissal/11 AM
- 16 End of Second Quarter
- 19-20 Student Holidays
- 21 Rotation #1 begins
- Reports Cards



The Character Trait for the month of *December* is:

## **Generosity:**

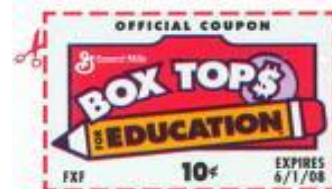
**Making someone's day by giving something away**

Why is it important to teach generosity as a value? How can we show generosity to others?

First we must see the need. Many times, routines and daily activities keep us so busy that it is difficult to see what is right in front of us. People who are hurting or in need do not always ask for help. Look at people and think, "What can I do to help?" Sometimes clothing or a monetary donation may be called for. Opportunities to be generous surround us at home, school, and on the job. Let's all remember to be generous not only during this holiday season but throughout the year!

## ATTENTION PARENTS!

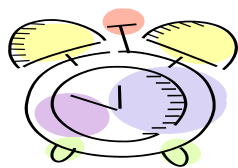
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## Early Birds Learn More

Chauffeurs, we need your help! Don't wait until 7:20 to drop your child off! Our car rider line is very slow until 7:15 when most people drop off and then the line starts backing up. We know it is cold so plan ahead to warm up the car. We need students unpacked and **SITTING** in class at 7:25 to hear announcements, not waiting for announcements to be over so they can get in the building to class. When students are late arriving to class, they feel rushed and behind the other students. It also disrupts the class routine. We want all our students to have time to do their morning work and to get organized for the day ahead. Being on time for school is a life skill that teaches children the importance for being on time for your daily job.

*\*\*Your child can open his/her own car door if you are past the walk between EES and River Oaks.*



## Math Challenge for Eagle Bucks \$\$\$\$



Mrs. Nobbs' wants to challenge our Eagle Nest students with some math problems. Below you will find a question for the lower and upper grades. Parents, please have your child write out the question and solve it by **SHOWING THEIR WORK** and turn it into the office by Thursday. If students answer correctly, they will get \$2.00 in Eagle Earnings! Don't forget to include name and class on your work!!

### K-2 Question:

Susie had 4 cookies. She gave 3 cookies to her brother. How many cookies does she have left?

### 3-5 Question:

Mom baked 4 dozen cookies. How many cookies did she bake in all?

## Eddie Says: "We Need You at the Nest!"

The weather has gotten colder. Flu and cold season is here. Everyone is busy with holiday and travel preparations. When you add all of those (and even more) factors together, it tends to create more absences, late morning arrivals, and early outs. Here are a few friendly reminders about attendance that we all need to hear at the midpoint of the school year.

- Students do better, academically and behaviorally, who arrive at school on time, attend school regularly, and stay at school for the full day. Staying healthy, getting a good night's sleep, and having a morning routine all help make this happen.
- Make sure excuse notes are sent within 3 days of an absence. Don't forget to ask for a doctor's note if your child saw a physician.
- If you know ahead of time that you are taking a trip, please fill out a trip request form in the front office. The absences will be unexcused, but it will keep your child from being marked truant.
- We encourage car riders to arrive by 7:00 am. The traffic flow is very low earlier so there is less wait time in the line for you!
- Students arriving by car who eat breakfast in our cafeteria should arrive by 7:10 am so they are able to enter the cafeteria by 7:15 am.
- Appointments should be made for after 2:10 as much as possible so students don't have to leave school early and miss instructional time. Students cannot be called down for dismissal after 2:00 pm to be signed out early.
- Students receive pins for perfect attendance and classes receive Eagle money weekly for perfect attendance. Classes with the best attendance each 9 weeks receive a class incentive. Individual students who come to school every day and have no more than 1 tardy and/or 1 early out are eligible for our bike drawing (2 each 9 weeks).

We know students will miss school and sometimes be late. When it does happen, though, communication with teachers and the school is crucial. Let's continue to work hard as a school family to maximize student instructional time!