

# Kenmore Elementary Paw Prints

*January 15, 2021*

## Principal's Message

"Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of true education." ~ [Martin Luther King Jr.](#)

Dear KE Families,

As mentioned earlier this month, we were be testing out this mini version of the Paw Prints to share reminders and links. It's been a rocky start to the year thus far, I hope this message finds you in a safe place to process the feelings and emotions of the events at the Capitol Building in Washington D.C. I know that our students will have questions and concerns over what they may have witnessed on television or comments they may have heard.

As you engage in these discussions as a family or with other adults, we acknowledge the range of feelings you may face at this time, anger, sadness, confusion, frustration, fear, and hopelessness.

In my short time at Kenmore, I have observed a resilient community that rallies to do what is right for each other. Should you decide to engage in conversations with each other I have attached a [page](#) that includes discussion norms and strategies for processing. It also includes links for reducing anxiety.

Take care of yourselves and enjoy the weekend with your loved ones.

Geetha George-Shapiro

## Important Dates

**Mon, Jan 18th - NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

**Mon, Jan 25th - NO SCHOOL - Non-student Grading Day**

**Wed, Jan 27th - Materials Pick Up, 9:30-11:00am**

Wed, Jan 27th - Sunrise Chinese Language Program Parent Info Night, 5-6pm (live stream)

**Mon, Feb 1st - Report cards mailed**

Tues, Feb 9th - Kenmore Family Night, 5pm-6pm (virtual)

**PICTURE DAY UPDATE: Individual picture day has been rescheduled to Wednesday, March 3rd.**

*More details to come as we near March. For now, mark your calendars to save the date!*

## Materials Pick Up

**Wed, Jan 27, 9:30-11:00am**

K-2-Upper Parking Lot

3-5-Lower Parking Lot

## Kenmore Family Night ~ Save the Date!

**Who:** Everyone is welcome!

**What:** Kenmore's Social and Emotional Supports Event

**Where:** Online (Zoom link will be sent out closer to the event date)

**When:** Tuesday, February 9th from 5:00pm-6:00pm

*\*Agenda for the event will be coming soon.*

## District News

### SUNRISE ELEMENTARY CHINESE LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Learn about this choice elementary program in NSD at Sunrise Elementary School. In September 2021, Sunrise will welcome a new class of first graders to their program.

**Parent Information Night (Virtual - Broadcast details will be posted by NSD)**

**Wednesday, January 27th @ 5-6pm**

### HIGHLY CAPABLE UPDATE

*The Accelerated Models and Programs Department is in the middle of our 2020-2021 screening and assessment plan.*

#### **Grade 5 Update**

*We plan to work on device distribution for grade 5 during the month of January in hopes of screening fifth graders using the NNAT3 between February 1st-12th. Following the NNAT3, we will invite students to take the Iowa test if they score above the 85%.*

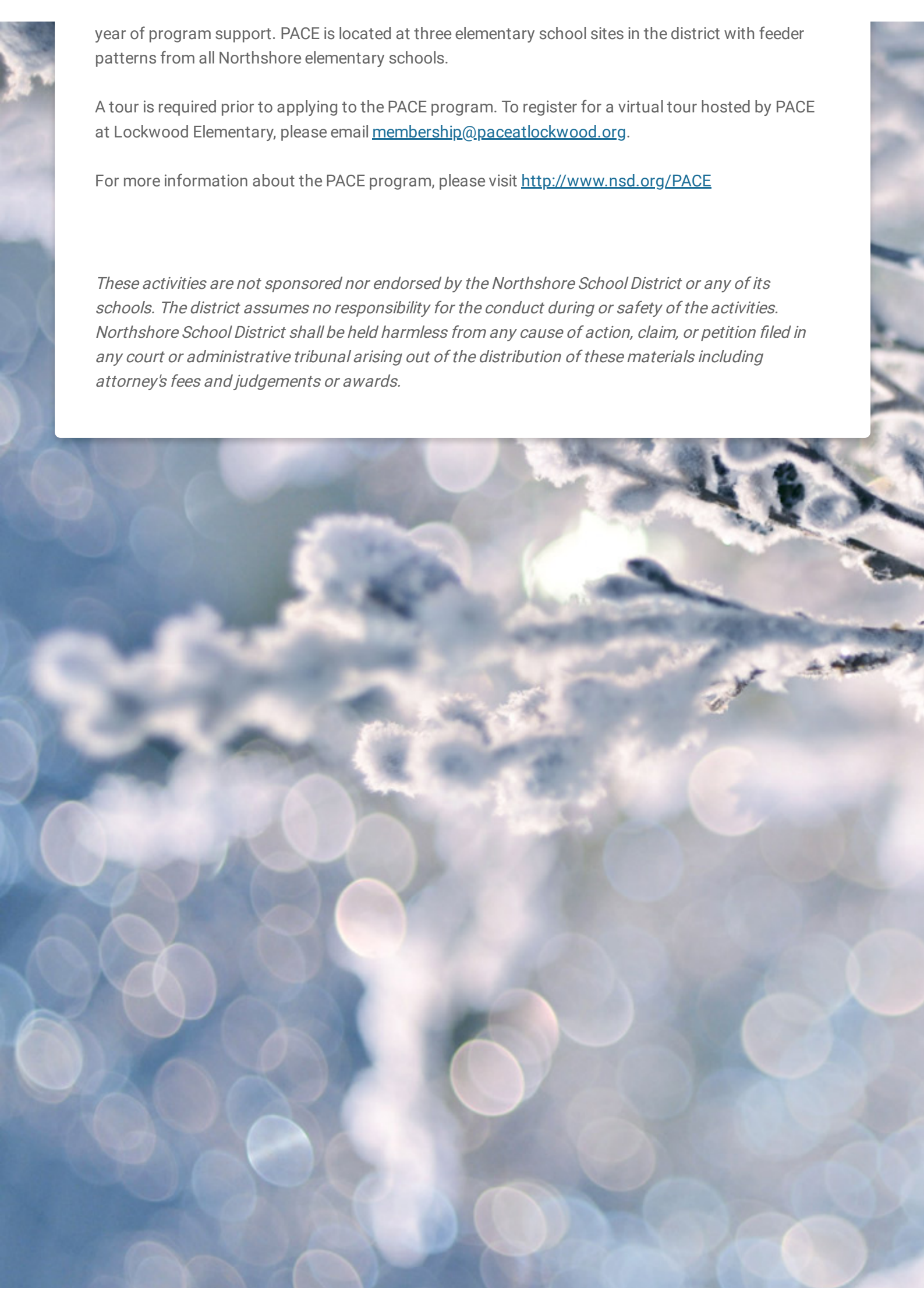
#### **Students in grades K-4**

*We are still working on the highly capable screening and assessment schedule for grades K-4. Our department will update families when we can safely test.*

### PACE APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

PACE (Parents Active in Cooperative Education), a choice educational enrichment program offered through the Northshore School District, is currently accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year. **All applications are due prior to the February 5th PACE lottery drawing deadline, and a virtual tour is required prior to application.**

The hallmarks of PACE include an enhanced educational experience due to high parent involvement, enrichment activities, encouragement for students to become self-motivated learners and a strong sense of community among families. Families commit to a minimum number of volunteer hours per



year of program support. PACE is located at three elementary school sites in the district with feeder patterns from all Northshore elementary schools.

A tour is required prior to applying to the PACE program. To register for a virtual tour hosted by PACE at Lockwood Elementary, please email [membership@paceatlockwood.org](mailto:membership@paceatlockwood.org).

For more information about the PACE program, please visit <http://www.nsd.org/PACE>

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