

November 26



# Principal Preper's PACK NEWS

## WEEK HIGHLIGHTS

This week we enjoyed time with our Watch DOGS Mr. Naughton and Mr. DiMikele! We also welcomed families to trot alongside their coyote on our annual Turkey Trot.

A big shout out to our PTO for supplying oranges and water cups, as well as, Coach Bushor for training students!

## WEEK OF DEC. 2

Monday we begin our Middle of Year (MOY) assessments for ELA and Math. Please remember to bring your child on time so they can start each day with success!

Also, this week we welcome Watch DOGS Mr. Marquez to campus, hold our 4th and 5th grade Spelling Bee AND end our week with Family BINGO!

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Dec. 2-11-** MOY Assessments  
**Dec. 6-** BINGO Family Night  
**Dec. 12-** 4th & 5th Winter Concert  
**Dec. 17-** Q2 CHEER Assemblies  
**Dec. 18-** Proud Principal Luncheon  
**Dec. 20-** Last Day Q2  
**Dec. 23-Jan. 6-** Winter Break  
**Jan. 7-** Students Return

## REMINDERS

- Text "Y" to 675-87 to accept emergency text alerts from Kyrene School District and Colina.
- Please arrive by 7:30
- Pull all the way forward when dropping off

## OUR PACK HAS YOUR BACK

We are working on improving student attendance as a school-wide goal this year. Did you know? Students who attend school regularly:

- Build relationships with teachers and peers
- Have higher self-esteem
- Achieve or exceed grade level standards
- Build lifelong attendance and punctuality habits

*Attendance  
Letters of  
Awareness:*

*4 absences  
8 absences  
13 absences  
19+ absences*



# INFORMATION

## COLINA

- Our **Colina Spelling Bee** is coming up soon. 4th and 5th grade students will be competing in their class bees the next couple weeks. On Tuesday, December 3rd we will have our school bee. If your child is competing you are welcome to attend.
- **Middle of Year assessments** will begin Dec. 2nd. Please ensure your child is here on time and gets a great start to the day!

## PTO AND EVENTS

- December is a month filled with lots of joy! Join us Friday, Dec. 6th for our **Family Holiday BINGO party**.
- We will be holding our 4th and 5th grade **Winter Concert** on Thursday, Dec. 12th at 6pm at CMS next door. Scroll for the flyer below.

## Principal Message

Thank you for attending our Turkey Trot yesterday. Students were ready to run their laps and so were you! We appreciate you coming out and taking part of this Colina tradition.

Middle of year assessments begin after Thanksgiving break. Students will be completing their DIBELS (reading) iReady (math) and NWEA (ELA 3-5th). We will have two weeks to complete the assessments. Students will be encouraged to take their time and show what they know. Please help them by ensuring good night sleeps, healthy breakfast and being on time to school. We know when they start their day with success, assessments seem less stressful. We appreciate your support.

May your Thanksgiving be filled with love, togetherness, and cherished moments with those you hold dear. Thank you for being such an integral part of our school family.

*Mrs. Preper*