

December

Harris Herald

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SCHOOL HOURS

Grades PK-4.....7:55 AM - 3:15 PM
Front Doors Open.....7:15 AM
Breakfast Served.....7:15 am - 7:50 AM
Students Enter Class.....7:45 AM
Class Begins.....7:55 AM

*Students must be inside the building by 7:55 AM. Students entering the building after this time will be tardy. If a student is tardy, parents are required to park and come into the lobby to sign them in.

Dates to Remember

Dec. 22nd - Jan 7th - Student Holiday

Jan. 8th - Students return to school

Jan. 20th - Student Holiday

Lunch Menu

School Cafe

Become a Volunteer

Chaperone

PISD Calendar

Absence Reporting

Dress Code

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*If your child's birthday is anytime between April - May, due date for your child's birthday message is March. 8th.

[Click Here for more info.](#)

Lunch Visitors are
welcome starting
January 21st.



Stars will be reiveiwng
cafeteria routines, procedures
and expectations.



ATTENDANCE

School attendance is critical for the quality of your child's education. A child who misses a day of school misses a day of learning opportunities. Should it be necessary for your child to miss a day of school, you must submit your child's absence online or send a written and signed note stating the reason for the child's absence within 3 days of the student's return from the absence with the information listed below.

- Student's first and last legal name
- Grade Level
- Student ID #
- Specific dates of the absence
- Specific reason for the absence
- Parent signature

If a doctor's note is submitted, please make sure that it covers ALL days of the absence. If not, please send an accompanying parent note with the above-listed information. *Emails will no longer be accepted. Please use this link to complete online form.* [Absence link](#)

Students are required to attend class 90% of the time it is offered to be able to receive credit and be promoted to the next grade level. All absences, regardless of excused or unexcused, including leaving early and coming in late, count towards the 90% rule.

Please help make your child's education a top priority by building a habit of daily attendance.

EARLY PICK-UP

To ensure a smooth and organized dismissal, parents who need to pick up their child up early for an after-school doctor's appointment, etc., should do so by 2:45p.m. Thank you for your cooperation!

PICKING UP STUDENTS

If someone other than the parent will be picking up your child, the person's name must be listed in Skyward as family member or emergency contact. The person designated to pick up your child must be prepared to show appropriate identification to school officials.

CHANGE IN TRANSPORTATION

It is extremely important to our staff that all students are dismissed safely every day. Frequently changing modes of dismissal transportation can cause confusion for children. Emergency situations do arise which may require a change in how students go home. If there is a change in how your child will go home, please notify the teacher in writing. If advanced notice is not possible, phone calls advising the office of transportation changes must be called in no later than 2:00pm. Students' dismissal transportation will not be changed after 2:00pm unless approved by an administrator.

Counselor

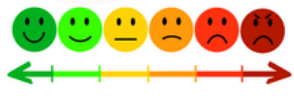


A note from Mrs. Ragghianti:

This month, the guidance lesson's focus will be **empathy AND our annually required personal safety lessons.** In your child's classroom this month, I will present the Stand Strong Stay Safe curriculum to teach students skills that they can use to stay safe - at home, at school, and in the community. Using a series of age-appropriate presentations, your child will learn how to respond when faced with a potentially unsafe situation. More information is available in the Parent Guide, which is available at ChildBuilders.org/parents.

thank you so much

Your School Counselor,
Yesenia Ragghianti



Upcoming events:

- December 12 Winter Wonderland
- December 23-January 7 Christmas Break

EMPATHY
is understanding and connecting to other people's feelings

COPING SKILLS

- TAKE DEEP BELLY BREATHS
- SQUEEZE THEN RELAX MUSCLES
- THINK HAPPY THOUGHTS
- TAKE A BREAK OR REST
- CLOSE EYES AND SLOWLY COUNT TO TEN

Stay in touch:

Please allow 24 hours for a response.

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EMPATHY
Family Newsletter

PurposeFULL People

Empathy Overview

This month's focus is Empathy. One way to think about Empathy is "understanding and connecting with other people's feelings." Empathy is a practice that can help us grow strong relationships.

Empathy is 1 of 3 traits we will focus on throughout the year that helps students **Be Kind.** Across grade levels, students will be developing skills like perspective-taking, conflict resolution, and leadership.

PurposeFull Pursuits

Have some fun connecting as a family this month while practicing Empathy. Here are 2 "PurposeFull Pursuits" you can complete together!

#1 Empathy is understanding and connecting with other people's feelings. Schedule a family movie night so that you can specifically watch for feelings and emotions. Let everyone know that you'd like them to point out how the characters in the show are feeling and that you will pause periodically to discuss Empathy. As emotions are identified, invite one another to Empathize by sharing about a time they felt that way or imagining how they might be feeling in that moment.

#2 Review the definition of Empathy as a family! Remember that Empathy is understanding and connecting with other people's feelings. Find a time to sit in a circle together and celebrate all the ways you have seen each other practice Empathy. Take turns sharing responses to the following prompts or make up your own! Remember to practice Empathy as you listen to each other.

- What is 1 way a family member has shown you Empathy lately?
- Share about a time when you felt like someone really listened to you.

Conversation Starters

- What does Empathy look like to you?
- Is it hard for you to share how you feel with others? Why or why not?

RISE
Mentoring
Become a Mentor

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NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE

Thank you to all of our families who donated to the Penny Wars Fundraiser! With your generosity, PTA was able to purchase the new "Put-In Cups" fence decor to show our school spirit as well as the Brain Pop Jr. app for all students to use! Go STARS!

REMINDER

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED! *Winter Wonderland* is fast approaching and PTA needs volunteers- please email for ways you can help!

NEXT PTA MEETING:
Monday, January 9th



ELF SHOP

ELF SHOP DATES DEC 9TH-13TH! OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS TO SHOP SMALL GIFTS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. PLEASE SEND ANY CASH IN AN ENVELOPE LABELED "ELF SHOP" AS WELL AS TOTAL \$ AMOUNT ENCLOSED.

STAR DUDES INFO

SIGN UPS COMING SOON FOR ALL MALE FIGURES TO COME MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON CAMPUS!

FOR MORE INFO REGARDING STAR DUDES, PLEASE EMAIL US AT: CJHARRISSTARDUDES@GMAIL.COM



CONTACT US FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFO OR QUESTIONS!



CJHARRISPTA@gmail.com

SPIRIT INFO

Central Texas
BBQ on
December
10th



DID YOU KNOW?

YOU CAN HELP PTA WITH YOUR SHOPPING! ADD US TO YOUR BOX TOPS AND/ OR KROGER ACCOUNT. (DOESN'T AFFECT YOUR FUEL REWARDS)

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DANCE FOR DOLLARS fundraiser



For EVERY CJ Harris Elementary student who takes a FREE TRIAL Dance Class or Music Lesson, Chara Christian Dance Academy will donate

\$10

to the CJ Harris Elementary PTA up to \$1,000!

FREE GIFT

Any student who enrolls in class will receive a FREE pair of dance shoes or FREE music t-shirt.

CJ Harris Elementary School is partnering with Chara Christian Dance Academy



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