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SHADYCREST NEWSLETTER



September 2025

Welcome to Shadycrest

We are excited to see our kids fly into the 2025-2026 school year! The Shadycrest staff is excited to partner with you to ensure that our kids are growing and learning in a safe and positive environment.

Front Office Staff

Principal: Ryan Peterson
 Asst Principal: Sara Holmes
 Counselor: Erin Schmidt
 Secretary: Kim Phillips
 Registrar: Mary Kirst
 Receptionist: Lindsey Cockrell
 Nurse: Megan Johnson

Important Dates

8/28-9/5	Fall Book Fair
9/1	Labor Day Holiday
9/2	Lunch Visitors Welcome
9/4	Progress reports
9/19	Staff Inservice day (no school for students)
9/24	Progress Reports
9/26	Apex Run
10/1	Fall Pictures
10/10	Grandparents Day Lunch

School Hours

Grades PK-4 7:55 AM - 3:15PM
 Doors open/early drop off is at 7:15AM
PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CHILD UNATTENDED PRIOR TO 7:15AM
 Breakfast 7:20 AM - 7:50 AM
 Class Begins 7:55AM



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 a note via the online portal or send a written/signed note stating the reason for the child's absence within 3 days of the students return to school with the information listed below.

- **Student's first AND last legal name**
- **Dates of the absence (Ex. 09/20/21-09/23/21)**
- **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 not be accepted.

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.

Book Fair

August 28-September 5

- A parent may shop with students from 7:15-7:45 a.m.
September 2nd and 4th students can shop with parents from 3:15-4:00pm
- Check your child's "Peek of the Week" for the book fair schedule.
Parents can shop during their students scheduled class times.
- We accept: cash, checks written to Shadycrest, & credit/debit cards.
Checks must have Driver's License # and a phone number.
8.25% sales tax is added to all purchases
- We now accept ewallet--a digital payment option that you can set up now.

Student Birthdays



Your child may bring in store bought birthday treats for the class to celebrate their class. Birthday treats will be shared with your child's class at the end of the day. Please no party favors.

Half birthdays: June/ December, July/ January, August/February. We are squeezing a lot of birthdays in this time and while we try to get as close as possible to the half birthday, they may not be announced on the exact day.

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 advance 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.

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 2:30 p.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.



HAPPY
GRANDPARENTS
DAY

Save
The
Date

At Shadycrest, we are incredibly grateful for our Owl grandparents and want to wish each of them a very Happy Grandparents Day! It has become tradition to do a special outdoor lunch to celebrate with our students. The extreme heat has led us to move the event to October 10th, when the weather is expected to be cooler and more enjoyable. Save the date and a detailed lunch schedule will be shared soon.

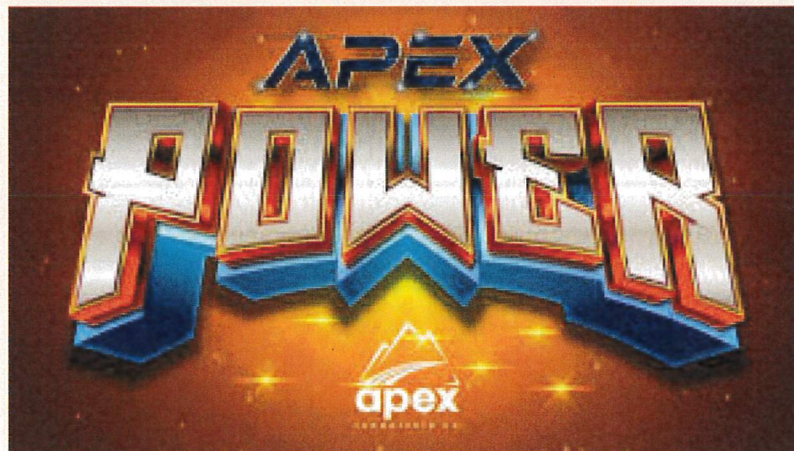
Hello from the Counselor!

This year, Shadycrest will be developing our Character Traits through the district approved curriculum, Character Strong!

Each month, we will focus on a new character trait. Your child will have daily activities within their classroom as well as a lesson with the School Counselor. This month, we are building and practicing Respect. One way to think about Respect is "seeing value in all people and things and treating them with care." Many people feel Respected in different ways and we hope this month inspires discussions with your family about what Respect means to you and how you can practice it together!

Erin Schmidt
School Counselor

*Character
Strong*



We will be starting our APEX Fun Run Fundraiser on Sept. 15. Fundraising will continue until Sept. 26, which is when we will have our Fun Run Event.

CAFETERIA INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES

Money can be easily added to your child's account for additional items they wish to purchase at www.schoolcafe.com.

- We welcome lunch visitors at Shadycrest beginning Tuesday, September 2nd. (We are closed to lunch visitors the first few weeks of school. This time is used for teaching routines, procedures, and expectations for the cafeteria.)
- All visitors will check in at the front reception desk with a photo ID.
- We suggest that you arrive early to ensure that you are ready at your child's lunch time.
- Visitors are welcome to bring in lunch for themselves and their Shadycrest Owl, however students can still purchase a meal from the cafeteria when they have guests. If a cafeteria lunch is needed, the student will get their lunch from the cafeteria line and meet their lunch guest at the tables on the stage of the cafeteria.
- We ask that lunch visitors refrain from taking additional students to the stage.
- Please say your goodbyes at the cafeteria doors at the end of your child's lunch time. Visitors should not walk back to the classroom with the class but should report directly to the front office to check out.
- Closed Campus Days: There will be a limited number of days when we will be closed to lunch visitors due to testing, etc....These days will be communicated well in advance.
- If you are dropping off a lunch for your child, please make sure you have it here early so that we have time to get the lunch to your child.



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PRESIDENT@SHADYCRESTPTA.ORG

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AT SHADYCREST WE ARE Learning Today, and Leading Tomorrow



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SHADYCREST ELEMENTARY CALENDAR

September 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY/ (ALL)	2 VISITORS ALLOWED FOR LUNCH BOOK FAIR PARENTS CAN SHOP 3:15-4:00	3	4 BOOKFAIR PARENTS CAN SHOP 3:15-4:00	5 BOOK FAIR CLOSES	6
7 GRAND- PARENTS DAY	8 INTER- NATIONAL LITERACY DAY	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 START WITH HELLO WEEK APEX FUNDRAISER OPENS	16	17	18 WATER BAR FOR TEACHERS (PROVIDED BY PTA)	19 STAFF IN- SERVICE (STUDENT HOLIDAY)	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 APEX RUN	27
28	29	30				

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRI DAY
<p>Texas - Produced 1% White Milk and Fat-Free Chocolate Milk are available at every meal!</p>  <p>Proudly serving Texas Watermelon</p>	<p>Whole Grain Donut Holes ***</p> <p>All Beef Hot Dog Chicken Filet Sandwich Vegan Kickin' Sandwich</p> <p>Crinkle Fries Cucumber Slices & Tajin Fresh Apple Slices</p>	<p>English Muffin Sandwich with Sausage & Cheese ***</p> <p>Orange Chicken over Rice Cheese stuffed Breadsticks with Marinara Cup</p> <p>Broccoli Baby Carrots Wild Blueberries with Whipped Topping</p>	<p>Mini Cinnamon French Toast ***</p> <p>Pepperoni (Turkey+Beef) Pizza Cheese Pizza Fish Nuggets & Cornbread Poppers</p> <p>Seasoned Sweet Corn Hydroponic Lettuce Salad Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>Turkey Sausage & Pancake Sticks ***</p> <p>Tostitos, Bean Dip & Salsa Pack Macaroni & Cheese Chicken Tenders with Mac & Cheese Garlic Texas Toast</p> <p>Green Beans Baby Carrots Diced Peaches</p>
<p>Danimals Yogurt & Scooby Doo Graham Snacks ***</p> <p>Tostitos, Bean Dip & Salsa Pack Soft Chicken Tacos Breaded Chicken Drumstick with a Roll Ranchero Beans Baby Carrots Diced Peaches</p>	<p>Whole Grain Glazed Donut ***</p> <p>100% Beef Hamburger Cheeseburger Grilled Cheese</p> <p>Crinkle Fries Cucumber Slices & Tajin Fresh Apple Slices</p>	<p>English Muffin Sandwich with Egg & Cheese ***</p> <p>Orange Chicken over Rice Cheese stuffed Breadsticks with Marinara Cup</p> <p>Broccoli Baby Carrots Fresh TX Watermelon</p>	<p>French Toast Sticks ***</p> <p>Pepperoni (Turkey+Beef) Pizza Cheese Pizza Corn Dog (Chicken)</p> <p>Roasted Ranch Cauliflower Hydroponic Lettuce Salad Mandarin Oranges</p>	<p>Turkey Sausage Breakfast Pizza ***</p> <p>Tostitos, Bean Dip & Salsa Pack Breaded Beef Nuggets Popcorn Chicken Texas Toast Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Seasoned Sweet Corn Diced Peaches</p>
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Menus are subject to change due to supply issues or product changes.

To restrict your student's account, visit www.schoolcafe.com. For questions, please contact the Food Service Department at 281-412-1244.