



SHELBY OAKS ELEMENTARY EAGLE FAMILY NEWS

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WE LOVE SHELBY OAKS!

It's been an eventful few months in the Eagle's nest. From our annual block party, to family fitness night, to college and career week, to spirit weeks, it has been an awesome start to the school year. We are also thrilled to announce that, for the first time in over a decade, SOE has met state goals in reading and math and has earned a Level 5 rating for growth - which is the highest you can get!



COMING THIS QUARTER

October 24: Family Movie Night
October 31: Book Character Day, Boo Bash, and Trick or Treat
November 3-7: CFA Testing in grades 2-5
November 5: Club Day
November 10-11: No School
November 21: Mock Writing Test
November 24-28: No School
December 5: IREADY Party
December 12: Eagle Awards
December 16: Holiday Program (K and 1)
December 17: School-Wide Polar Express Extravaganza!
December 19: Q2: Party for no write-ups
December 19: Last Day of the Quarter

This next quarter we are FOCUSED ON OUR IMPROVEMENT as we continue to SOAR towards SUCCESS academically, socially, and behaviorally! This week we will officially open our Eagle Store for students to "spend" their hard-earned DOJO points. This store is filled with toys, books, and even a few tablets! Please support us in reminding your Eagle to keep their hands feet and objects to themselves and to following school-wide expectations. Our Eagles have the POWER TO CHOOSE and to make good choices! We will also have two school-wide celebrations: Book Character Day with Trick or Treating (please send a bag of candy) (and a Boo Bash for a small fee) and our Polar Express Extravaganza! We will end the quarter with our Q2 pizza party and HERO party to celebrate our attendance Gold winners! LET'S GO EAGLES!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Did you know that students who are chronically absent (missing more than 10 percent of school days or time in a single subject) are less likely to meet grade level expectations, be promoted, or graduate on time? And, students who check in late or leave early on a regular basis miss a significant amount of time in a core subject! In addition, students with 10 or more unexcused absences may be referred to Juvenile Court. In some cases, DCS may be notified due to educational neglect. This is why it is so important to send absent notices to the school; however, it is worth noting that not every reason for absence is considered “excused”. For example: vacations, car trouble, hair appointments, etc. are not excused. Court appointments, well child visits, and personal illness are considered excused. As a reminder, students are late after 8:15A. Please also be mindful of the fact that school does not start until 8A. We open the doors at 7:45A as a courtesy. Students cannot be dropped off and left on the porch before that time (or dropped off on Summer). We are required to call security and CPS if they are left unattended before we open the doors. If your students walk from the apartments, please make sure that they do not leave home until 7:45A. Dismissal ends at 3:30P. We are required to report late pick ups to security and the Department of Children’s Services.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

We are so excited to pilot a new program - in school club day! This allows all students to participate in a club, free of charge, one day a month. Clubs include piano, coding, readers theater, battle of the books, math club, knitting, crochet, board games, sign language, debate, dance, sports, guys in ties, girls in pearls, Lego club, run club, comic book club, art club, film club, and more. Club day is held from 1:45-2:45P. Dismissal may start a little later on these days.

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WELCOME NEW STAFF

We are thrilled to welcome a number of new staff members to our team this year. Joining first grade are Ms. Presley and Ms. Romero; joining third grade is Ms. Fuller; joining fourth grade is Ms. Young; joining 5th grade are Ms. Martin and Ms. Suell; joining ENCORE are Ms. Carboni (art), Mr. Agcanas (music), and Mr. Mullins (music); and joining the counseling team as our Dean of Counseling and student support is Ms. George. Several staff members also moved grades including Ms. Daves (to PreK), Ms. McDonald (to KK), Ms. Fleming (to 1st), Mr. Suggs (to 2nd), Mr. McKay (to 3rd), Ms. Puryear (to 3rd), Ms. Chambers (to 5th) and Ms. Kirk (to 4th).

