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# SHARK BITES

APRIL 2026

WHERE EVERY STUDENT EXCELS

## Once upon a time...

Mrs. Terry had an April message for all:

Greetings Schoeffner Families,

While this April newsletter is coming a bit later than usual, I wanted to begin by extending a heartfelt thank you to our PTO for the incredible job they did hosting Spring Fling. This event would not have been possible without the time, talent, and support of our parents, grandparents, and the amazing DHS Honor Society. Our students truly had a blast!

March was filled with meaningful opportunities for our students to learn, grow, and connect. We kicked off the month by welcoming families during "Take Your Parent to P.E. Week." Our fourth graders also enjoyed a memorable field trip to the Museum of Illusions—made possible at no cost thanks to the generosity of our Finley's Fun Run donations.

We loved spending time with our families at Cake BINGO, and our PTO continued to spread joy by treating students to Shamrock Shakes on St. Patrick's Day as part of their monthly Shark Attack surprise.

In addition to these celebrations, we experienced an unexpected but valuable learning moment during a school evacuation. I am incredibly proud of how our students and staff responded, safely and calmly, as we reunited students with their families when the decision was made to close school for the day.

Our Pep Squad proudly cheered on our Special Olympians at the track and field event hosted at DHS—thank you to our dedicated coaches for supporting and encouraging our student athletes.

We wrapped up the month by celebrating our students' academic and behavioral achievements during our Quarter 3 Award Ceremonies. Students enjoyed a giant freezie pop and a little extra recess as part of the Shark-tastic Behavior Celebration!

We look forward to celebrating our incredible faculty and staff during Faculty Appreciation Week, April 13–17. We encourage families to consider a small gesture of gratitude to show our teachers and support staff just how much they are valued.

Please mark your calendars - May 18, 19, 20 & 21 the students will be dismissed at 11:55 AM for the entire week.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our ESE community.

## LEAP TESTING

Please mark your calendars for our LEAP testing dates as follows:

- ⇒ Wednesday, April 29 - Math 1 and ELA 1
- ⇒ Thursday, April 30 - ELA 2 and Math 2
- ⇒ Friday, May 1 - Math 3 and ELA 3
- ⇒ Monday, May 4 - Science 1 and Social Studies 1
- ⇒ Tuesday, May 5 - Social Studies 2 and Science 2
- ⇒ Wednesday, May 6 - Science 3 and Social Studies 3 (5<sup>th</sup> grade only)



If you need to schedule appointments or check your child out during testing week, **please try to do so after 12:00 PM.**

Thank you for your continued partnership as we work together to help our students reach their full potential at ESE!