

News From the Nest

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CAMPBELL'S CORNER

Dear ERE Families,

Here we are in November and already off to a great start in our second quarter of school. We had such a fun time at our "Trick or Treat the Hall" event last week and want to thank our families who helped with candy donations, decorating doors, and handing out candy! We couldn't have done it without you!

With snow making its arrival, a reminder all students go outside every day for recess until the temperature hits -10 F. We want to make sure all students are dressed appropriately for the cold weather. If you do not have cold weather gear please let us know. Our child's safety is our number one concern.

Thank you for another terrific Parent Teacher conference! It was great to see and talk to so many. I enjoyed seeing our students and families engaging with teachers about student progress, both academically and socially. As a team we can accomplish tremendous goals!

Thanksgiving Break is right around the corner. I would like all to take a moment, during this Thanksgiving holiday, and recognize what we are truly thankful for. I am thankful for the health and safety of my family. I am grateful for the community that I am honored to serve every day here at Eagle River Elementary.

Volunteers are wanted, needed, and loved! Every school year we need you to fill out an online application to be approved to volunteer in ASD schools. Once you are approved, you can reach out to your child's teacher for volunteer opportunities. Your child's teacher must then put your name on our volunteer calendar. If you arrive and are not on the volunteer calendar, sadly we will have to turn you away and trust me, we do not want to have to do this!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at 742- 3000 or email me: campbell-da_n@asdk12.org.

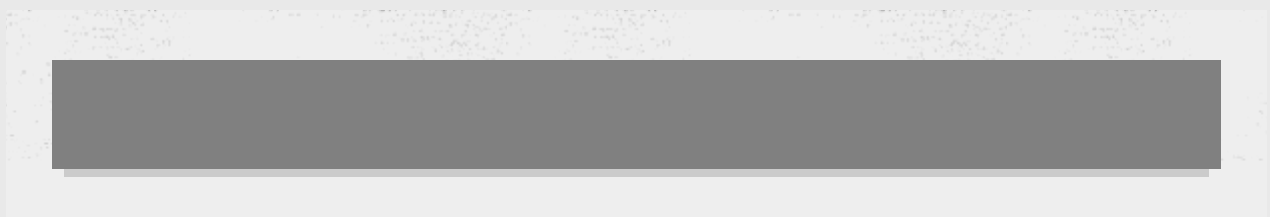
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**** NO SCHOOL NOV. 8TH & 11TH ****

ERES MONTHLY CALENDARS

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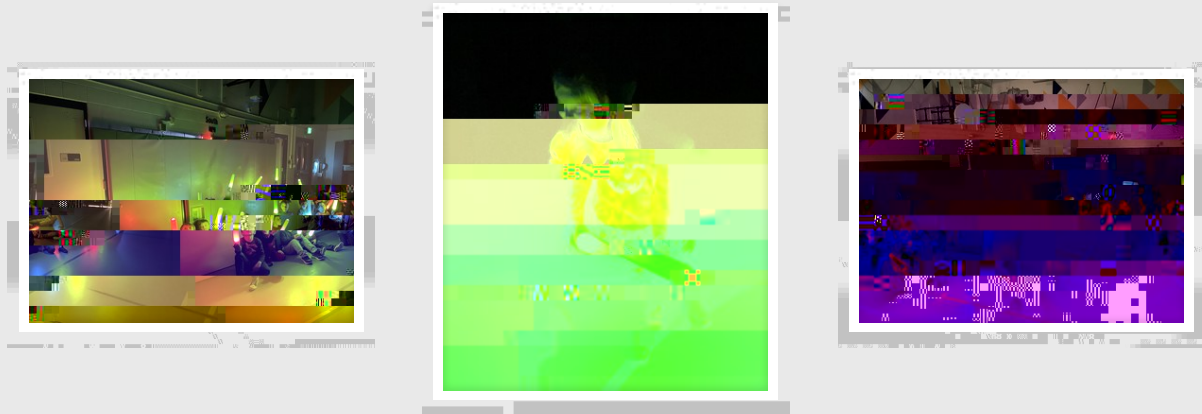


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We will also be offering an after-school basketball club on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30PM starting next week. I sent permission slips home with all who were interested in it. Mondays will be for our 5th /6th graders and Wednesdays will be for our 3rd / 4th graders. This club will last until December 8th when students can participate in a 3vs.3 basketball tournament at Homestead Elementary. Feel free to email and reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,

Coach Spencer Fullmer



PICTURE RETAKE DAY NOV. 15TH

NO EARLY DROP-OFF

We need your help. We are working hard to accommodate our families by providing coverage at 8:35. Most schools are not providing supervision until 8:45. Please help us by waiting until 8:35 to let students out of your car.

We have sent multiple Blackboard message and classroom communication regarding early drop off. Many students are being dropped off at school in the morning before 8:35 am, sometimes as early as 8:00 am. This creates an unsafe environment for students since we do not provide child care or supervision before school opens at 8:35am. Do not drop off your student until you see a staff member on duty with an orange vest at the stop sign AND it is 8:35. Our crossing guard sometimes goes out a few minutes early and some student get dropped off to go to the bus. When families see this they are letting students out of the car before there is coverage. If your child is lining up outside the front entry, they are here too early. This is especially important as the mornings get colder and darker.

UPCOMING CLUBS

Below is the link to access the breakfast and lunch menus. Please remember that there may be substitutions as needed.

ASD is not providing free breakfast and lunch for all students like last year. To apply for the free/reduced lunch program, families will need to apply online by going to schoolcafe.com/anchorage. Families may add funds to a student's account by logging into ParentConnect/Q, clicking on their student's name, clicking "ASD Quick Links" and then "Online Payments". For direct instructions, families can visit <https://.asdk12.org/Page/13241>

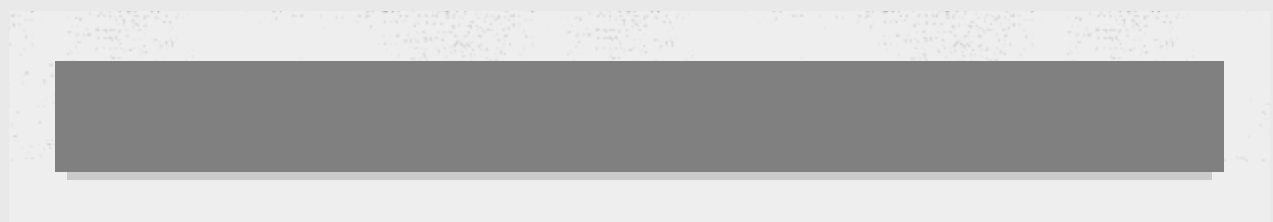
Breakfast Cost: \$2.75 Lunch Cost: \$4.50



VOLUNTEERING FOR ERES

If you would like to be considered for volunteer activities at Eagle River Elementary, please submit an application at <https://.asdk12.org/Page/13771>. Once received online, applications take approximately 7-10 days to process. We highly encourage online applications as paper applications can take even longer and we will not be approving volunteer applications on site.

At this time, only approved volunteers, staff, and students (of course!) may enter the school past our front office. We will not be able to approve applications on site and last minute. Thank you families for your willingness to help out at our school!



LATE DROP OFF AND EARLY PICK UP PROCEDURES

If you drop off your child late, you must come inside to the front office and sign them in. If you are picking your student up early, please do not call the office ahead of time. We will call your child down when you are in the front office. This prevents students from sitting in the front office waiting to be picked up.

You may park out front in the Bus Lane from 9:30-3:00 to pick up or drop off. Outside of these times, there is no parking in the bus lane. Please park in the parking lot.

*Please plan ahead if you need to pick up your child early. Due to the number of students being picked up since we do not have busing, we are unable to call students out of classes after 3:15. Remember that you must have ID to pick up your student and you must be on the approved contact list.

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

Arrival – Students will be let in at 8:35 and there will be no supervision until then. Students will not be allowed to wait before 8:35

Many messages are left saying the student will be out but do not leave a reason. Without a reason, the student is automatically marked unexcused. When you know you will be on an extended absence like a family vacation, we can put a prearranged unexcused absence in the system so you do not get a daily phone call.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office at 742-3000.

When leaving an attendance message for your student please leave these important details:

- 1) Students Name
- 2) Date(s) of absence
- 3) Reason for absence
- 4) Teachers Name
- 5) Grade Level
- 6) If no reason is given it will always automatically be considered unexcused.

Please call the main line and press "1" for the attendance line if your child will be absent. Absences must be reported by 10:00am to ensure your student's attendance is entered. Families may also submit attendance requests through Q/Parent Connect. Automatic attendance calls alerting for unexcused absences go out at 10:45.

ASD ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

Here are the District Guidelines for Attendance:

AM (starts at 9:00 am)

- Tardy - up to 60 minutes after school starts
- Absent (.5 day) – If a student misses more than 60 minutes.

PM (starts at 12:15 pm)

- Tardy – arrives at or before 1:15pm
- Absent (.5 day) – student misses more than 60 minutes

BIRTHDAY TREATS

Please reach out to your child's teacher before sending/bringing in treats and they can fill you in on any classroom requirements including food allergies or sensitivities. Some teachers may prefer individually packaged items. In general, birthday treats must be store bought and pre-packaged (sealed store cupcakes for example).

SCHOOL BUSINESS PARTNERS

